

St. Mary Catholic Church

Mission Parish
815 St. Mary's Church Rd.
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

Bernice Zapalac †

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

John P. & Betty Zapalac †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Jackson Long

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Adela Svoboda †

Sacrament of Reconciliation

60 to 20 minutes before Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville
www.stjohnfayetteville.com



MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Frank Stastny †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Rhonda Canik †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Annette Kovar †

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

*Dec'd of the Anton Novak, Ruddle
Kaderka & Frankie Malota Families †*

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Anton & Rosie Petter †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

Linherd Minar †

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

For the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Wednesday 6:00-6:30 p.m.

First Friday 4:00-5:30 p.m.



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



St. Martin Catholic Church

World's Smallest Catholic Church

Historic Chapel

3490 S. Hwy 237

Round Top

(near Warrenton)

MONTHLY MASS

Tuesday, January 23, at 9:00 a.m.

For the intentions left on the altar

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Lexus Mayorga 979-732-4420

Marriage preparation: Contact the priest before setting the date and at least nine months before the date desired.

Baptism Preparation Classes will be held on the fourth Monday of each month. Parents & Godparents must have attended a Baptism Preparation class within three years of the Baptism. Contact the parish office to register.

Parish Registration forms available at the entrance of the Church and online.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$915.00

ST. MARY'S FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING will meet on Thursday, **January 25** at 6:45 p.m.

ST. MARY'S PASTORAL COUNCIL met on January 11.

Items discussed included:

- The removal of the tree in the cemetery;
- Repairs of the storm damage are in progress;
- Installation of vent hoods in parish hall;
- Church and grounds landscape improvements;
- New members, Aimee Korenek, Sue Zapalac and Larry Marusik were welcomed;
- Election of officers and reorganization of council are as follows: Chairperson, James Wunderlich; Vice Chairperson, Waldine Skutca and Recorder, Sue Zapalac;

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, **April 5**, following the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$3,675.26

IN MEMORIAM: The Parish Family extends sympathies and prayers towards the family of, *Donna Schielack*, who died last week. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

ST. JOHN ALTAR SOCIETY will be hosting the DCCW of the Brenham/La Grange Deanery quarterly meeting **January 23**, at 10:00 a.m. with fellowship at 9:30 a.m. All ladies of the parish are invited. Please bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the Food Pantry. Contact Madeline Kovar with any questions.

ST JOHN'S COUNCIL MEETINGS: The Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, **January 23**, at 6:45 p.m. We will be selecting three new members at this time. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

The Finance Council will meet Tuesday, **January 30** at 6:45 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S & ST. MARY'S NEWS

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Hannah Glenn, Ruth Gothia, Evelyn Ilse, Deacon Robert, Anthony Karas, Lillie Krenek, Kendall Kurtz, Doris Nestrsta, Saber Pace, Garland Polasek, Joann Rudolph, Bob Streiff, Mary Till, Bennie Volcik. (Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)

CALLED TO PROTECT FOR YOUTH will be held on Wednesday, **February 7**, at 6:00 p.m. at the parish hall. All **9th** graders, as well as those **10th**, **11th** and **12th** grade students who have not previously attended this workshop, are asked to attend. Additional information on the CTPY program has been mailed to the parents of the students.

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN LA GRANGE for those affected by the flood will be Tuesday, **January 30**. Volunteers are needed for cooking, serving and cleaning up. Any parishioners willing to donate desserts please bring them to the hall. For more information contact Donna Shula at (713) 818-1470.

FIRST CONFESSION for those students preparing for their First Communion will be in Fayetteville on Saturday, **February 10**, starting at 8:30 a.m. at St. John Church. Parents will, also, have the opportunity to go to Confession at this time. After Confessions, the CDA will serve breakfast for the students and their families at the parish hall. First Communion is scheduled for April 22, 2018.



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

- **SPIRITUAL RETREAT:** There will be a spiritual retreat on Saturday, **January 27** for all CDA members at St. Anthony in Columbus from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you would like to attend contact Donna Shula at (713) 818-1470.
- **CDA SCHOLARSHIPS:** Graduating seniors related to a living CDA member in good standing are eligible to apply for the State Scholarship. Local Scholarships are offered to graduating seniors whose mother is a CDA member of Court 1440. For more information contact Donna Shula. All applications are due by **January 31**.
- **CDA EDUCATION CONTEST:** This year's topics are "The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with Joy," and "Finding Joy in my Life." **January 31** is the deadline to return all entries. Contact Barbara Castillo at (832) 661-2063.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Red Rooster will be Tuesday, **January 30** at St. Rose in Schulenburg. The social will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by a meal at 7:00 p.m.

WEEKLY ROSARY: "There is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot solve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary," Sister Lucia of Fatima. In Fayetteville, the Rosary group meets at St. Mary every Monday evening in the Church at **6:00 p.m.** and at St. John every Tuesday evening in the Church at **5:30 p.m.** Take the time to pray and reflect upon the rosary this week!



Faith Formation

The catechetical mission of St. John's Faith Formation Program is to attract, engage and inspire young people to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ.

FAITH FORMATION – Wednesday, January 24

- ✓ Grades K-6 will meet at **6:00 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.**
- ✓ Grades 7-12 will meet at **7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Catholic Youth Ministry

Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference, Fully Alive will be the weekend of **February 2-4** at the Waco Convention Center. **Our group of participants going to DCYC will meet on Saturday, February 3 at 5:45 a.m. and return Sunday afternoon.**

World Youth Day 2019, January 22 – January 29, "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." (Lk 1:38).
Message of Pope Francis to youth: "You may say to me: "But Father, I have my limits, I am a sinner, what can I do?" When the Lord calls us, he doesn't stop at what we are or what we have done. On the contrary, at the very moment that he calls us, he is looking ahead to everything we can do, all the love we are capable of giving. Like the young Mary, you can allow your life to become a means for making the world a better place."



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Adult Faith Formation

OREMUS: A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER

Would you like to hear God speak to you? Beginning Sunday, **February 11**, Father Nock will be leading the *Oremus* program after Mass from 11:15-12:45p.m. *Oremus* is an eight session program that will guide us through an easy-to-understand teaching on prayer. You will engage in small group discussion and be invited to keep track of your progress through short reflective journal entries on different Scripture passages. Anyone wishing to develop your prayer life is invited to join us in learning more about Scripture and the Church.

Upcoming Events

“DECENT EXPOSURE - WHY WOMEN MUST RECLAIM

BEAUTY” will be presented at St. John Neumann Parish in Austin on **January 26** at 7:00 p.m. Leah Darrow will present this "women only" evening out for mothers, daughters, sisters, and friends in all stages of life. As a former professional model, Darrow draws from her experiences in the beauty industry to reveal the dangers of the world's misconception of beauty. For tickets and more information, visit csdatx.org.

TEXAS CATHOLIC PRO-LIFE DAY 2018 will take place on Saturday, **January 27**, in Austin. The day begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop Joe Vásquez at 10 a.m. at San José Parish in Austin and Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel Garcia at 10:30 a.m. at St. Louis Parish in Austin. The March and Rally for Life will follow in downtown Austin. Proceeding the Mass, March, and Rally, there will be a Prayer Vigil for Life at 7 a.m. at Planned Parenthood (201 E. Ben White Blvd.) and the Divine Mercy Chaplet led by young people (San José Parish 2435 Oak Crest, Austin). For more information and a list of events in Austin, visit <https://austindiocese.org/texas-catholic-pro-life-day>.

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH in Corn Hill invites you to their Annual Fundraiser on Sunday, **January 28**. Join them for a delicious, BBQ Pork Dinner with all the trimmings, served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. To-go plates will be available at the Drive-Thru. Proceeds will benefit the Cemetery Fund.

A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY: A Process of Transformation will be held **January 31** from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. Jerome Parish in Waco. This journey is a process of being transformed by the Spirit of God into the image of Christ for others. Father Albert Haase, popular author and retreat director, will facilitate this day. To register or for more information, call (254) 780-2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.

GIVE BLOOD: A blood drive will take place from 8 a.m. – noon on Saturday, **February 3**, at the town square, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 3168. For more information, please contact Jonathan Noska at (979) 966-9569. Give the gift of life!



HOLY ROSARY WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT is scheduled for **February 15-18** at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar. This retreat is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and making new friends. Applications are available at the entrance of the Church or online at www.holyrosaryacts.com. If you have any questions, please contact Stacy Oeding at (979) 743-1147.

YOUNG MEN INVITED to join other single, Catholic men (ages 16 and older) seeking to learn about discernment, priesthood and seminary life. Project Andrew will be on Saturday, **February 17**, from 10-3 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. The day includes prayer, testimonials by priests and seminarians, Mass and lunch with the Bishop. Visit the website, godiscalling.me, to register.

YOUNG WOMEN INVITED to Project Miriam on Saturday, **February 24**, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Single, Catholic women are invited to learn more about Mary's joyful "yes" to God and how that is lived out in religious life. The day will include prayer, testimonials, Mass and lunch. Visit the Diocesan vocation website, godiscalling.me, to register.

TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

Please join thousands of Faithful throughout our Diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for **Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary**. The prayers begin on **February 20** or **March 7** and may be done privately in your own home using the preparation book. Please visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org by **January 24** to receive your **FREE** mailed copy of the Montfort preparation prayer book.

“Share the Journey” Campaign



Share the Journey
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REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT- Q&A Did You Know?

Refugees must pay back the cost of their travel to America through a loan arrangement with the International Organization for Migration, a U.S. Department of State contractor. Flight costs range from \$1,500-\$9,000. The U.S. is the only resettlement country that requires refugees to pay for their transportation. The Migration and Refugee Services resettlement agency network of over 80 affiliates hire employment specialists to prepare refugees for the job market. 85 percent of refugees get a job and are self-sufficient within six months of arrival. Refugees find work far earlier in the U.S. than in other countries and start businesses at a quicker pace than the U.S.-born population.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Sunday we hear Jesus first proclaim the Good News that the kingdom of God is at hand. As he began this ministry, he called a community to accompany and assist him, but they needed to leave their old lives behind. As we grow in discipleship, what is it that we need to leave behind in order to follow Jesus more fully? Are there attitudes or actions that are not in keeping with the kingdom values of Jesus that we need to abandon? The world and our culture cling to prejudices, racism, individualism, materialism and consumerism. Whose ways are we following, the ways of Jesus or the ways of the world?

Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Este domingo escuchamos a Jesús proclamar la Buena Nueva de que el reino de Dios está cerca. Mientras él comenzaba su ministerio, llamó a una comunidad para que los acompañara y asistiera, pero esa comunidad necesitaba dejar sus vidas pasadas atrás. Mientras crecemos en nuestro discipulado ¿qué necesitamos dejar atrás para seguir a Jesús más plenamente? ¿Existen actitudes o acciones que no están de acuerdo con los valores del reino de Jesús que necesitamos abandonar? El mundo y nuestra cultura se aferran a prejuicios, racismo, individualismo, materialismo y consumismo ¿A quién seguimos? ¿a Jesús o al mundo?

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Woody Hiebert
Saturday – Margaret Alford
Sunday – John Spiess

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Andrew Keilers*(H), Leslie Little(H),
 Theresa Keilers (H) Lois Kaspar(C), Pat Geistmann(C),
 Wanda Fritsch(C), Madeline Kovar(C)
Sunday – John Spiess*(H), Becky Matocha(H),
 Lori Spiess(C), Rick Schilling(C), Jeanne Schilling(C),
 Jim Mattair(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday –Chelsie Toddy, Skylar Kasmiersky, Evan Blazek
Sunday – Cole Brackman, Braden Kubala, Wade Halamiccek

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – J.D. Kovar Family
Sunday – Paul Estrada Family

CCW ROSARY: Frances Sula & Gladys Schmitt will lead the
 Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

ALTAR DUTY FOR JANUARY: Theresa Keilers,
 Mary Georig, Lexxus Mayorga, Kathleen Kramr

USHERS FOR JANUARY

Saturday – Ronald Malota, Lois Kaspar, Leslie Little, Ed Sulak
Sunday – Allan Minarcik, Arlis Keilers, Jim Mattair,
 Lee Matocha

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	Justin Huebner	979-357-2533
Finance Council President	John Cufur	979-966-9068
St. John Altar Society	Madeline Kovar	979-378-2361
Pro-Life Ministries Coordinator	Nikki Beseda	713-875-8009
K.J.Z.T.	Rose Rohde	979-249-3635
K.J.T.	Emil Sodalak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. John Catholic Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152



**St. Agnes
January 21**

St. Agnes of Rome was born in 291 and raised in a Christian family. Agnes was very beautiful and belonged to a wealthy family. Her hand in marriage was highly

sought after, and she had many high ranking men chasing after her. However, Agnes made a promise to God never to stain her purity. Her love for the Lord was great and she hated sin even more than death! Whenever a man wished to marry Agnes, she would always say, "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse." According to legend, the young men she turned away became so angry and insulted by her devotion to God and purity that they began to submit her name to authorities as a Christian follower and she was condemned to death. It is, also, said that she was condemned to be dragged through the streets naked. Some versions of the legend state that Agnes' hair grew instantly to cover her entire body and all the men who attempted to rape the beautiful virgin were immediately struck blind. St. Agnes is widely known as the patron saint of young girls. She is also the patron saint of chastity, and rape survivors.

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Donna Shula

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – Lee Roy Shula, Donna Shula, Paulette Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Ryan Becka, Luke Korenek

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Robert Smidovec Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Garland Polasek

USHERS FOR JANUARY

Donnie Becka, Bennie Skutca, Bradley Divin, Robert Balzer

ST. MARY CONTACTS

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K.J.T.	James Korenek	979-966-9170
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. Mary Catholic Cemetery	Lawrence Korenek	979-732-2836

Iglesias que ofrecen Misas en Español

Sab. 7:30 PM	St. Mary Our Lady of Lourdes	Caldwell
Dom. 11:00 AM	St. Margaret	Giddings
Dom. 11:30 AM	Sacred Heart	La Grange
Dom. 12:30 PM	St. Mary Immaculate Conception	Brenham

FAMILY CONNECTION

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel describes how Jesus called his first disciples and the immediacy with which these men dropped everything to follow him. We can only begin to imagine what Jesus' presence must have been like to invoke such a response in these first disciples. While a few of us might relate to such a radical conversion, many of us would find such a sudden change in ourselves or in another person unsettling. There are few things for which we would willingly drop everything. And yet this is the immediacy with which these first disciples responded to Jesus. These first disciples were willing to drop everything in order to make Jesus and the Kingdom of God the most important things in their lives.

Gather as a family and talk about circumstances in which you have had to "drop everything." (the call to pick up a sick child from school, the cry of a hurt or angry child) How did you feel about having to change your plans in each of these situations? How do we feel when someone asks us to drop everything to help him or her? For many of us, it is not easy to drop everything to respond to the needs of another.

Invite your family to imagine what Jesus' presence and invitation to these first followers must have been like that they responded by leaving their livelihood to become his disciples. How might our life change if we understood the Kingdom of God to be as important and immediate in our lives? Ask God to help you experience the Kingdom of God with such immediacy.

