

St. Mary Catholic Church

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
Msgr. John B. Gleissner †
Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Bartek & Julia Janak †
Friday at 6:30 p.m.
John R. & Betty Zapalac †
Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
Bernice Zapalac †

Sacrament of Reconciliation
60 to 20 minutes before Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



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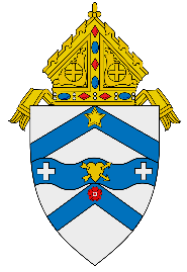
Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Alvin Krenek Jr. †
Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Ed & Lillian Sklar †
Thursday at 7:00 a.m.
Fr. Wade Russell †
Friday at 7:00 a.m.
Deacon George Keller †
Saturday at 7:30 a.m.
Deacon Jack Murrell †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.
Adela Svoboda †
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
Wednesday, March 21, at 9:00 a.m.
For the intentions left on the altar

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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 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
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ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,143.00
World & Home Missions: 422.50

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. Stations of the Cross begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by Mass. Benediction is Thursday evening after Mass.

CONSIDER JOINING ST. MARY'S ROSARY GROUP as part of your Lenten devotion. Everyone is invited to join in praying the rosary every Monday evening in the Church at **6:00 p.m.**

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for the maintenance of St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$3,310.00
World & Home Missions: \$863.00

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. Mass is at 7:00 a.m. Exposition of the Eucharist is at 3:00 p.m., closing with Benediction. First Friday Confessions will be from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY

Raffle Prize Donations are needed. Anyone wishing to donate a prize to the Altar Society's May fundraiser, is asked to contact Madeline Kovar at (979) 378-2361 or Lorene Nitschke, at (979) 378-2276 by **March 13.**

ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY ASSOCIATION meeting will be held on Tuesday, **February 27,** at 6:45 p.m.

CONSIDER JOINING ST. JOHN'S ROSARY GROUP as part of your Lenten devotion. Everyone is invited to join in praying the rosary every Tuesday evening in the Church at **5:30 p.m.**

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for the Religious Education program.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Sherry Cook, Addie Dybala, Hannah Glenn, Ruth Gothia, Deacon Robert, Anthony Karas, James Kovar, Lillie Krenek, Ruby Kuhn, Kendall Kurtz, Doris Nesrsta, Saber Pace, Garland Polasek, Joann Rudolph, Barbara Sulak, Barbara Tieken, Mary Till, Bennie Volcik, Mary Ann Zatopek. *(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 PROGRAM

ALL GRADE 6 (as well as for those 7th and 8th grade students who have not previously attended this workshop): The CTPY workshop will be on Wednesday, **February 28,** at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **OFFICERS MEETING** will be held Monday, **March 5,** at 6:30 p.m., in St. John's Parish Hall.
- **SCHOLARSHIPS:** Senior students of a Knight of Columbus member are eligible. For an application or more information, contact Alvin Minarcik at (979) 249-7449.
- **LADIES NIGHT OUT DINNER** will be Saturday, **March 17** at the parish hall beginning with a social hour at 6:30 p.m.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

- **MONTHLY MEETING** will be on Tuesday, **March 6,** at 6:30 p.m. in St. John's Parish Hall.
- **ALL MEMBERS** are asked to volunteer at the parish hall on Saturday, **March 3,** at 3:00 p.m. to prepare for the fundraiser.

CDA FUNDRAISER Meal Tickets & Raffle Tickets are now available. The fundraiser will be on **Sunday, March 4** at St. John's Parish Hall. The tickets can be purchased from CDA members and at the church office. We will be selling a limited number of meal tickets for a delicious barbecue pork and sausage meal to go. There will be a bake sale & a raffle with lots of beautiful items.

CYM GARAGE SALE: It is time to start planning for this year's city wide garage sale, scheduled for Sunday, **July 14,** at St. John's Pavilion. As you do your Spring cleaning, start collecting items you might like to donate. Proceeds from the garage sale will be used to support activities of the Youth Ministry in our parishes.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to remember a loved one at Easter by making a donation towards flowers for the altar, you may use the Easter Flower envelopes provided at the entrance of the Church. If you are a member of St. Mary, make your checks payable to St. Mary Altar Society. For flowers at St. John, make your checks payable to St. John Altar Society. You may drop your donation in the collection by **March 18.**

"THE WORD AMONG US" booklets with the Daily meditations and complete Catholic Mass for Lent are available at the entrance of the church. Please take one to use this season.

URGENT ACTION NEEDED: Please participate in the Call-in Day to Congress on Monday, **February 26.** Unless Congress reaches a bi-partisan deal to protect young people who were brought into the U.S. by their parents as children, they may face deportation. The USCCB as well as Bishop Joe have addressed our Senator's with this issue and call for everyone to do the same.

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 – February 28

- ✓ **Grades K-5** will meet at **6:00 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.**
- ✓ **Grade 6** will meet at **6:00 p.m. at the parish hall.**
- ✓ **Grades 7-12** will meet at **7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Catholic Youth Ministry

World Youth Day 2019, Panama: January 22 – January 29

What are the people saying about WYD? "World Youth Day has been a beautiful reminder to me that the Universal Church still longs for and loves Jesus Christ. I leave each one feeling encouraged and quickened in my own ministry and relationship with God. As a priest chaplain at several World Youth Days, I have witnessed countless teenagers and young adults come to know, love and serve the Lord. The event is a big hug from God the Father to His young Church." –Fr. Rob Galea



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Adult Faith Formation

OREMUS: A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER

Would you like to do something different for Lent this year? Join the *Oremus* program! *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. The next session is today, **February 25**, after Mass from 11:15-12:45p.m in the **Back Dining Hall**.

HOLY ROSARY MENS ACTS RETREAT

On behalf of the Holy Rosary Men ACTS Retreat Team, you are invited to spend a weekend with God. Come **March 1-4** and allow the Father, Son and Holy Spirit to wrap themselves around you for a weekend of prayer and blessing. Applications are available online at www.holyrosaryacts.com, at the church entrance, or from any team member or director. Prayerfully consider giving yourself the gift of some time spent on Holy Ground.



Upcoming Events

SENIOR CITIZEN Social will be on Thursday, **March 1** from 1:00-5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. All senior citizens are invited for an afternoon of games and refreshments.

THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY from the Central Texas Food Bank will be here Thursday, **March 1**, from **10:00 - 11:00 a.m.** Clients must be present and at least 18 years old. Please bring your own bag. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 9:45 a.m.



The MONTHLY MASS FOR LIFE will be celebrated **March 3** at 8 a.m. at San José Parish in Austin. The Mass is followed by an opportunity to pray in community during a Holy Hour at the Mass location or "out on the sidewalk" in front of an abortion facility. For more information about sidewalk ministry and the monthly Mass for Life, visit www.austindiocese.org/sidewalk-ministry.

CALDWELL HOMECOMING FESTIVAL hosted by the Caldwell Knights of Columbus, for St. Mary parish in Caldwell, will be **March 4** at 10:30 a.m. at SPJST Hall in Caldwell. Auction at 12:30 p.m. with games for all ages throughout the day. Barbecue brisket plates are \$10 each.

THE CANCER SURVIVORS RETREAT will be **March 10** from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Wanda Gibson, a spiritual director and cancer survivor, will lead this prayerful day of reflection. All survivors are invited to join us as we allow ourselves to engage, heal, and rejoice. For more information, visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

LENTEN FISH FRIES

St. Mary Parish in Caldwell will hold Fried Fish Dinners on Fridays during Lent from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Plates are \$10 each and only available via drive-through.

St. Peter & Paul in Frelsberg will be having a fish fry dinners and bake sales all Fridays of Lent, from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Diamond Center of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish.

ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY WORKSHOPS

All clergy, staff, members of ALL organizations, (CDA, KC, Altar Society, K.J.Z.T., K.J.T., etc.) and ALL volunteers of any event at a parish or diocesan location are required to complete an Application for Ministry AND attend an EIM workshop every three years. Anyone considering volunteering for any ministry or assisting with VBS must be EIM compliant. For assistance, call the parish office at (979) 378-2277.

Upcoming workshops in our area include:

- **Sacred Heart Parish, La Grange**
Thursday, **March 8**, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., English

FAYETTEVILLE ISD PTC DRIVE THRU MEAL will be on Thursday, **March 8**, from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., at the FISSD cafeteria. Plates are \$10 each and will include chicken fried steak, buttered potatoes, green beans and corn. Tickets are available from any student, Fayetteville Bank and Jerry's.

A WEEKEND FOR STRUGGLING COUPLES will be March 9-11. This program offers couples the chance to rediscover themselves as individuals, as well as rediscover their spouse and a loving relationship in their marriage. For confidential information call (800) 470-2230 or visit www.helpourmarriage.com.

“Share the Journey” Campaign



Share the
Journey #sharejourney

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT- Q&A

Did You Know? While refugees here five years or less have a median household income of \$22,000, that figure more than triples in the following decades, growing far faster than other foreign-born groups. By the time a refugee has been in the U.S. at least 25 years, their median household income reaches \$67,000—a full \$14,000 more than the median U.S. income. Refugees find work in the U.S. far earlier than in other countries and start businesses at an even quicker pace than the American-born. Google co-founder Sergey Brin came to America as a refugee. The father of Steve Jobs, CEO of Apple, was a Syrian refugee.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Second Sunday of Lent

This Sunday we are challenged by this question: Are we willing to make the whole journey through temptation, suffering, death and resurrection as participants with Christ or will we become observers only? Being a disciple of Jesus involves risk. It might mean we have to leave the comfort and security of “home” to go to a new place of God’s choosing. This Sunday’s readings ask us to realize that the Christian journey is one of risk, suffering and death, but one that ends in glory for those who walk with Christ. Are you willing to take the risk?

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

Este domingo somos desafiados por esta pregunta: ¿Estamos dispuestos a realizar todo el viaje a través de la tentación, el sufrimiento, la muerte y la resurrección como participantes con Cristo o nos convertiremos en observadores solamente? Ser un discípulo de Jesús involucra riesgo. Puede significar que tenemos que dejar el confort, la seguridad del “hogar” para ir a un lugar nuevo que Dios escoja. Las lecturas de este domingo nos piden darnos cuenta de que el viaje Cristiano tiene riesgos, sufrimiento y muerte, pero termina con la gloria para aquellos que caminan con Cristo ¿Está usted dispuesto a correr ese riesgo?

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Woody Hiebert
Saturday – Yvonne Smith
Sunday – Kathy Kneblak

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday –Ronnie Kramr*(H), Kathleen Kramr(H),
 Betty Kovar(H), Addie Dybala(C), Waldine Fruge(C),
 Yvonne Smith(C), Lexxus Mayorga(C)
Sunday – Lee Matocha*(H), Rick Schilling(H),
 Jim Mattair(C), Becky Matocha(C), Jeanne Schilling(C),
 Janell Warschak(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Skylar Kasmiersky, Chelsie Toddy, Evan Blazek
Sunday – Lydia Huebner, Marissa Halamicek, Ricky Schilling

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Joe Dybala Family
Sunday – James Kneblak Family

CCW ROSARY: Betty Kovar & Peggy Canik will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

ALTAR DUTY FOR MARCH: Lois Kaspar, Valerian Cufur, Susan Schramm, Colleen Stastny

USHERS FOR MARCH:

Saturday – Peter Chovanec, Ronnie Chernosky, Eddie Gaertner, Wesley Gaertner
Sunday – Edward Muske, John Cufur, Alvin Minarcik, John Spiess

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	Justin Huebner	979-357-2533
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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

PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE

March 11	St. Mary, Ellinger	5:00 p.m.
March 11	St. John, Fayetteville	7:30 p.m.
March 13	St. Joseph, Rockdale	6:00 p.m.
March 15	St. Margaret, Giddings	7:00 p.m.
March 16	St. Mary, Brenham	7:00 p.m.
March 20	Sacred Heart, La Grange	7:00 p.m.
March 21	St. Ann, Somerville	7:00 p.m.
March 22	St. Stanislaus, Chappell Hill	7:00 p.m.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. John –Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. followed by Mass
St. Mary – Fridays at 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass

ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT ARE DAYS OF ABSTINENCE
 (This means you do not eat meat on Fridays.)

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Donna Shula

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – L.J. Korenek, Lee Roy Shula, Paulette Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Emily Polasek, Ryan Becka

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Dennis Orsak Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Ann Minar

USHERS FOR MARCH

Jim Sula, Bruce Kubena, Mark Matocha, Anton Becka

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.	8:00 AM	Parish of the Nativity	Eagle Lake
Dom.	11:00 AM	St. Margaret	Giddings
Dom.	11:30 AM	Sacred Heart	La Grange
Dom.	12:00 PM	St. Rosa de Lima	Schulenburg
Dom.	12:30 PM	St. Mary Immaculate Conception	Brenham



LENT

You may notice a few small changes in the Liturgy during the season of Lent. Be aware of your surroundings as you journey through this very holy time.

- The **music** during the liturgies of this season is less celebrative. Lent is a season of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection. We take our direction from the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) #313 which states that during the Lenten season, "the playing of the organ and musical instruments is allowed only to support the assembly's singing. Laetare Sunday (the Fourth Sunday of Lent), solemnities, and feasts are exceptions to this rule." It is important to remember that, although we should make less use of instruments, we are not discouraged from singing. It is important to maintain the nature of liturgy as a sung celebration.
- **Sacred Silence** is important part of all Masses. Lenten music should convey the meaning of both repentance and fidelity to baptism. This can be achieved with simpler settings of hymns which will emphasize the solemnity of the season. Other ways to achieve this feeling of sobriety may be to occasionally refrain from having music during the Preparation of the Gifts, or not having a recessional hymn.

THANK YOU for your generous support of Ash Wednesday's collection. Your contributions will help strengthen the Church to ensure that the Gospel is spread across the world.