

St. Mary Catholic Church

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
Benjamin & Una Mae Krenak †

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Frank & Jimmie Janak †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.
Louise Payne †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
John R. & Betty Zapalac †

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.
Lee Roy Matocha †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Danny & Pauline Malota †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.
Method, Dee, & Mark Kaspar †

Friday at 6:00 p.m.
*Ruddie & Lillie Kaderka,
Pat Kaderka Fisher & Katie Simpson †*

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.
Robert & Bernice Kovar †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.
For the People

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Tom Pearson †

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.



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Vatican City State



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



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MONTHLY MASS
Wednesday, May 16, 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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 22, AD 2018

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,783.00

ST. MARY'S BAZAAR & RAFFLE preparations have begun. If you would like to make a monetary donation toward a prize for the raffle, please contact Mark Matocha at (979) 378-2701.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$4,549.00

WELCOME: St. John's Parish Family would like to congratulate the family of **Daniel Paul Warren**, who was born into Our Lord's life through baptism last Sunday. Daniel is the son of **Lawrence & Jamielyn Warren**. May the Lord be with Daniel and his family with all His blessings.

THANK YOU to the family of **Stacey & Kyle Kuskie** for the lovely flowers left for the Sanctuary, after their wedding.

ST JOHN'S FINANCE COUNCIL will meet Thursday, **April 26** at 7:00 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S PASTORAL COUNCIL met on April 12. Items discussed included:

- Selection of Officers: Rodney Beseda is the Chair, Debbie Canik is Vice Chair, and Kathy Kneblak is Recorder
- First Communion/May Crowning/Vacation Bible School
- Usher Name Tags
- Parking lot/Paving Improvements
- The upcoming Capital Campaign, *Encountering Christ*
- The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 10.

ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY: The Altar Society Fundraiser worksheet will be included in next week's bulletin. Please take a moment to read it and help us make this annual event a success. Raffle books are available at the bank, parish office, or from Lorene Nitschke at (979) 378- 2276. The quilt is on display at the bank.

GARDENERS: Lily plants removed from the altar are available **today** by the choir door of the church for you to take home.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Eddie R. Chovanec, Sherry Cook, Hannah Glenn, Ralph Hackemack, Melissa Hahn, Annie Mae Janish, Deacon Robert Jasek, James Kovar, Ruby Kuhn, Kendall Kurtz, Bernard Michalsky, Lauren Navarro, Doris Nesrsta, Saber Pace, Madeline Petrofsky, Garland Polasek, Jim Rohde, Joe Simpson, Dr. Jimmy Sladek, Barbara Sulak, Barbara Tieken, Mary Till, Bennie Volcik, Maggie Williams.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The parish family is happy to have the following young people join in the sharing of the Eucharistic Banquet of Our Lord for the first time: **Scotti Beseda, Isabel Coufal, Mackayla Griffin, Gregory Huebner, Hailey Janish, Paige Jurecka, Kandon Kaspar, and Sarah Weishuhn.**



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS Monthly Meeting and potluck dinner will be in the hall on Tuesday, **May 1**, after the 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. John. Education contest winners and their families are invited.

SECOND CHANCE VOLUNTEERS are needed the week of **April 24 through April 28, and 30**. Any help is appreciated!

DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN of the Brenham/La Grange deanery will hold its quarterly meeting on Tuesday, **May 1**, at St. Margaret in Giddings at 10:00 a.m. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend and are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for their local food pantry.

BUTTER BRAID PASTRIES delivery date is Tuesday, **May 8**. All parishioners who ordered may pick their pastries up from the office, starting at around 4 p.m. Call the office with any questions.

ASHES TO EASTER, A LENTEN PROJECT: THANK YOU
The Ashes to Easter Diocesan Mission project provides love, hope and joy in and outside of the Diocese. This year we have succeeded in contributing to these missionary efforts, with St. John Parish raising \$926.00 and St. Mary Parish raising \$350.00.

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CEMETERY INFORMATION: In the interest of maintaining uniform beauty and fair compliance with the rules and regulations by all plot holders, we have placed a copy of the Rules, Regulations and Specifications of our cemetery at the entrance of the church. If you currently own a grave space or are considering purchasing interment rights in the future, please review the information regarding grave decorations, landscaping, memorial or headstone specifications, etc. For inquiries about the purchase of a grave space or any questions, contact the parish office. If you are interested in assisting the Cemetery Association, please contact Father Nock.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL CRAWFISH BOIL
Our "all you can eat crawfish boil" will be on Friday, **May 18**, at 6:30 p.m. The event will be at St. John's Pavilion, with happy hour from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. and live zydeco music. Meal and raffle tickets may be purchased from any KC member.

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, April 25

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

CROWNING OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY will be on Wednesday, **May 2**. Students are expected to attend and should bring a flower to honor the Blessed Mother. Arrive by 6:45 p.m. to line up for the procession. There will be no classes before or after Mass. Second graders and seniors in the crowning court need to stay for the group picture immediately after Mass. **There will be a short practice for the second graders and seniors in the crowning court on Wednesday, April 25 at 6:00 p.m.**



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL *Birthdays Blast "A Celebration of Life!"* is July 16-20. Registration forms are available in Church or on-line at www.stjohnfayetteville.com.

Volunteers are needed to help with VBS. Adults and those entering the sixth grade through the twelfth grade please sign up on the form in Church. **Note:** Anyone assisting with VBS must be EIM compliant.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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Catholic Youth Ministry

- **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** Pick up your Butter Braid Orders on Tuesday, **May 8** from 2- 5 p.m. at the parish office.
- **WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019:** Continue to pray for the Pilgrims who are excitingly preparing for their pilgrimage.
- **DISCIPLESHIP WEEK 2018,** (D-Week), at Eagle’s Wings Retreat Center in Austin, will be **June 25-28**. This year’s theme is “Be Transformed,” (Romans 12:2). Registration and consent forms are at the entrance of the church. All forms are due Friday, **April 27**.

Upcoming Events

Arts of Rural Texas presents “ART and RESTORATION”
This afternoon, **Sunday, April 22 at 4:00 p.m.**, the owner of St. Mark’s Fine Arts Conservation and Restoration, the gifted restorationist who worked on the artwork here, at St. John Catholic Church and many other religious organizations, museums & galleries will share insights into the art and science of restoration. Call the ARTS, 979-378-2113 for more information.

ELITE MEDICAL IMAGING will be hosting a vascular ultrasound screening on Saturday, **April 28** at St. John Catholic Church. Eight screenings are offered: Carotid Artery, Abdominal Aorta, Thyroid, Liver, Spleen, Gallbladder and both Kidneys. Each screening is \$49 or all 8 for \$150. Please call 1-855-303-0667 to pre-register.

ELLINGER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FEAST
The 27th annual feast and fundraiser will take place at the Ellinger Chamber of Commerce Hall on Sunday, **April 29**. There will be a barbecue chicken and sausage dinner that begins at 11:00 a.m., followed by an auction at 1:00 p.m. There will also be a cake walk, bake sale, and raffle.



FAYETTEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISER & DANCE
is Saturday, **May 5**, on the church grounds of St. John Catholic Church. A barbecue beef, pork, and sausage meal will be served from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. There will be a silent auction and a live auction. Music will be provided before and after the live auction.

ST. MICHAEL’S ANNUAL SPRING FESTIVAL
The parish of St. Michael in Weimar is having its annual Spring Festival on Sunday, **April 29**, in the Veterans Hall. A fried chicken and sausage dinner starts at 11:00 a.m. There will also be music from 11:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m., with an auction beginning at 1:00 p.m.

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH MAYFEST
The Queen of the Holy Rosary parish in Hostyn will have their annual Mayfest on Sunday, **May 6**. A barbecue pork and sausage dinner will be available starting at 11:00 a.m., and the auction at 1:00 p.m. Ten percent of the profits will go to CASA and the Fayette Co. Disaster Recovery Team.

DISCOVERING YOUR TRUE SELF RETREAT will be held Wednesday, **May 23** from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The day will be spent identifying the false images we hold on to as we ask the Lord to show us the beauty of our true selves. For more information or to register, visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

GARAGE SALE: benefitting the Catholic Youth Ministry will be on **July 14**. Start collecting items you might like to donate!

“Share the Journey” Campaign

LEARNING ABOUT RACISM AND WORKING FOR RACIAL JUSTICE
SUCCESS STORIES: Schools facilitate encounter for Catholic-Muslim pen-pals.



“We responded to Pope Francis’ call to build a culture of encounter by starting a pen pal relationship between our students and students at a local Muslim school.

At St. Mark’s Catholic Elementary School in St. Paul, MN, we strive to incorporate Pope Francis’ invitation to create a culture of encounter in the formation of the minds and hearts of our students. So, we enthusiastically accepted an invitation from the local private Muslim school to bridge cultures and cultivate real connections between our 5th grade students through letter writing. In their letters, our fifth graders shared about their faith and cultures and discovered new things about their friends at Al-Amal private school, including the fact that they both loved soccer! Meanwhile our principal taught a class to our fifth graders about the Abrahamic religions, reflecting upon the unity and diversity of the Jewish, Muslim, and Christian traditions and Jesus’ prayer that we may all be one. After several weeks of exchanging letters, the two 5th grade classes met at a local park where they encountered their pen pals and introduced each other to their friends—and played a quick



game of soccer. For our fifth graders, the students at Al-Amal are their friends. We hope that this encounter and the continued openness and acceptance of our brothers and sisters helps us to respond to the call to love our neighbors.”

–Share the Journey/We Are Salt and Light Websites

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Whom do we follow and to whose voice do we listen? This Sunday as we continue to unpack the meaning of our Baptism, we hear Jesus call himself the Good Shepherd whose sheep hear his voice and follow his lead. That way of Jesus is the way of love and unity. We are truly blessed to be loved so much and, because we have been given so much, we must in turn live lives of generous love toward all. Are there some in our world we believe are undeserving of love or respect or generosity? Jesus gave his life for them, how shall we respond?

Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

¿A quién seguimos y a la voz de quien hacemos caso? Este sábado mientras continuamos descubriendo el significado de nuestro Bautismo, escuchamos a Jesús llamarse a si mismo el Buen Pastor cuyas ovejas escuchan su voz y siguen su liderazgo. El camino de Jesús es el camino del amor y la unidad. Somos verdaderamente bendecidos por ser amados tanto y por que se nos ha dado tanto, nos toca entonces, vivir vidas con amor generoso hacia todos ¿Hay alguien en nuestro mundo que creemos que carece de amor, respeto o generosidad? Jesús dio su vida por ellos ¿Cómo debemos responder?

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Saturday – Mary Keilers
Sunday – John Spiess

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Andrew Keilers*(H), Leslie Little(H),
Carrol Hollimon(H), Pat Geistmann(C), Lexxus Mayorga(C),
Waldine Fruge(C), Lois Kaspar(C)
Sunday – Jim Mattair*(H), John Spiess(H),
Janell Warschak(C), Holly Krebs(C), Lori Spiess(C),
Paulette Keilers(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Amanda Little, Amber Canik, Peyton Jurecka
Sunday – Emma Jurecka, Cole Brackman, Mackenzie Poncik,
Logan Poncik

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Jimmie Schmitt Family
Sunday – Dusten Muske Family

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

ALTAR DUTY FOR APRIL: Paulette Keilers, Rachel Schley,
Brenda Minarcik, Betty Fritsch

USHERS FOR APRIL:

Saturday – Robert Janish, Robert Kasmierksy, Joseph Munsch,
Vincent Orsak
Sunday – Christopher Kaspar, Kenneth Noska, Joe Babin,
Vernon Hohensee

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	Rodney Beseda	281-802-7482
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 Sodolak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. John Catholic Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Donna Shula

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – Lee Roy Shula, Donna Shula, Paulette Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Emily Polasek, Lilly Alvarado

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Robert Smidovec Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Vlasta Korenek

USHERS FOR APRIL

Donnie Becka, Bennie Skutca, Bradley Divin, Dennis Orsak

ST. MARY CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	James Wunderlich	281-723-1999
Finance Council President	Robert Balzer	979-249-3076
St. Mary Altar Society	Lolly Balzer	979-249-3076
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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

FAMILY CONNECTION

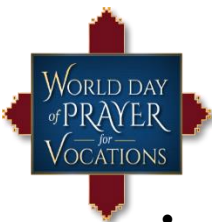
Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Good Shepherd makes sacrifices for the sheep not because it is required, but because it is a choice. That sounds a lot like parenting and the dynamics of a healthy family life. Parents choose to make sacrifices for their children out of love, not obligation. Christian parents model and invite their children to choose to make sacrifices for other family members and for other people, acting out of love rather than obligation. When you gather as a family, invite each family member to consider the attitude that permeates their participation in family life. Read a common examen, such as any of the following: *Do we do family chores cheerfully and without having to be asked multiple times? Do we gladly share with others? Do we willingly contribute to the family good when asked?* Read aloud today's Gospel, John 10:11-18. Discuss together how the example of the Good Shepherd might inspire your family life. Invite each family member to make a renewed commitment to one action/attitude to focus on in the upcoming week that show that we will choose to follow the example of the Good Shepherd. Pray together that we will be able to honor our commitment. Pray together Saint Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer for Generosity:

Lord Jesus, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to seek reward, except that of knowing that I do your will. Amen.



55TH WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - April 22



Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.