

St. Mary Catholic Church

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
*Living & Dec'd members of
the Janacek Family*

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Larry Urban †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.
August Canik, Jr. †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
*Dec'd members of Rudolph Vrazel
Family †*

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.
Leo & Josephine Noska †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Rudolph Canik †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.
Arnold Kramr †

Friday at 6:00 p.m.
Emil & Mary Sury †

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Dec'd members of the Shula Family †

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 p.m.
For the People

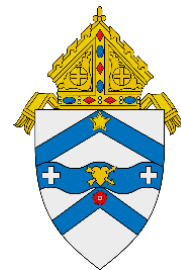
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Dorothy Krenek †

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, 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 29, AD 2018

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,557.00
Seminarian & Priest: \$ 798.00

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY meeting will be held on Wednesday, **May 2**, at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL ALTAR SOCIETY BRUNCH for all members and their families will be on Sunday, **May 6**, after Mass in the parish hall. Members are encouraged to bring a food item.

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. Mass will be at 7:00 a.m. on Friday. Benediction will be Thursday evening after Mass.

ST. MARY'S BAZAAR RAFFLE The deadline to make a monetary donation toward a prize for the raffle is **May 13!** Please contact Mark Matocha at (979) 378-2701 for more information.

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

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$4,459.01
Seminarian & Priest: \$1,619.00

ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY: The worksheet for the **May 12** Fundraiser is in this week's bulletin. If more raffle books are needed contact the parish office, or Lorene Nitschke at 378- 2276.

FIRST FRIDAY: We will have the Exposition of the Eucharist at 3:00 p.m. closing with Benediction, followed by First Friday Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for the Faith Formation program.

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, Albina Pavlicek, Madeline Petrofsky, Garland Polasek, Jim Rohde, Joe Simpson, Dr. Jimmy Sladek, Barbara Sulak, Barbara Tieken, Mary Till, Bennie Volcik, Maggie Williams. *(Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)*

THE SATURDAY EVENING MASS OF MAY 5 will be celebrated at **5:00p.m.** so that everyone may attend the Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department Fundraiser.

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.

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.

FAITH FORMATION MEETING

A meeting will be held for all Faith Formation instructors, aides and substitutes on Wednesday, **May 9**. The meeting will take place after Mass, in St. John's Religious Education Building.



GRADUATES MASS: All graduates from both St. John and St. Mary parishes (all area school districts) are invited to attend the **10:00 a.m. Mass at St. John on Sunday,**

May 20, wearing their graduation cap and gown. **K.J.T. Lodge #9** would also like to invite all graduates and their families to a continental breakfast before the Mass, in the **Religious Education Building**, from **8:30 – 9:30 a.m.** All graduates should remain in the Religious Education Building after the breakfast in order to change into their gowns and prepare for the procession.

CAR WASH FUNDRAISER FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY WILL BE ON MAY 26!



World Youth Day Pilgrims will be selling pre-sale car wash tickets after Masses on **May 5-6**. The price is \$10 for a basic wash, with interior vacuuming for \$5 more. This would be a great Mother's Day Gift! Car wash tickets, hot dogs and desserts will also be available for purchase on the day of the car wash.

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.

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.

CEF ANNUAL DRIVE: Remember your mothers, graduates and birthdays with a CEF card. These cards help to pay for the education of seminarians and make funds available for churches to borrow for their growing needs. Contact the church office, Fayetteville Bank, or Margaret Kubala at (979) 378-2877.

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, May 2

✓ **Grades K-12** will meet at **6:45 p.m. at the church.**



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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 29, AD 2018

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.
- **DISCIPLESHIP WEEK 2018**, (D-Week), at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Austin, will be **June 25-28**. The theme this year is "Be Transformed," (Romans 12:2).

Upcoming Events

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL *Birthday 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.*

SENIOR CITIZEN Social will be on Thursday, **May 3**, 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, **May 3**, 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.



ALL TEENS ARE INVITED to attend the 2018 Teen ACTS Retreat this summer, **June 21-24**. Registration forms were mailed earlier this week and may be found at the entrance of the Church. This year the retreat is open to all incoming freshman through recently graduated seniors. There are only 40 spots available, so take advantage of this opportunity ASAP! This year's theme is "I will make you a light to the nations." – Isaiah 49:6



ELLINGER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FEAST
The 27th annual feast and fundraiser will take place at the Ellinger Chamber of Commerce Hall today, **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.

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 at 11:00 a.m. Ten percent of the profits will go to CASA and the Fayette Co. Disaster Recovery Team.

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.



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: Parish facilitates discussions that encounter.



Share the Journey
#sharejourney

"Ten years ago, we began hosting discussions to form relationships and dismantle racism. We began hosting Discussions That Encounter (DTE) at our parish, St. Olaf Catholic Church, in Minneapolis, MN. The discussions bring people together from the parish and the surrounding community to form relationships and learn about and dismantle racism. The discussions occur twice a month, once at our parish, and once at a local community center. Through these discussions--which also include speakers, films, and study materials--we work to raise awareness, facilitate encounter, and provide education on historical and current topics related to racial and economic justice. These topics cover housing discrimination, education and employment opportunity, criminal justice, and other issues. The discussions complement other efforts in our parish. The Year of Encounter with Pope Francis program has helped to increase our parishioners' awareness about our participation in systemic racism. The experience of encounter through parish social services, and our involvement in a community coalition around homelessness, have helped us to recognize the connections between racial and economic justice. We are now working to help our homeless brothers and sisters engage in advocacy around issues that affect them. At the level of parish administration, our staff participated in a four-hour training on understanding our biases and white privilege. This helped us to consider how we could adapt our ministries to ensure that people of all cultures and ethnicities feel welcome and have leadership opportunities within the parish."

–Share the Journey/We Are Salt and Light Websites

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Fifth Sunday of Easter

What is the fruit that we bear? As part of the vine of Christ, grafted onto him and filled with his life, we are given the grace to bear the abundant and lasting fruit of justice, charity, faith and hope. This fruit is manifested in both word and action – as the letter of John reminds us – so that when others see us, they see God working in and through us to bring unity, love and peace to the world. As members of the vine of Christ will we bring forth the fruit of Christ's life or will the world only see a withered cut branch?

Quinto Domingo de Pascua

¿Cuál es el fruto que damos? Como parte de la viña de Cristo, injertados a Él y llenos de vida, se nos da la gracia de dar un fruto abundante y duradero de justicia, caridad, fe y esperanza. Este fruto se manifiesta tanto de palabra como de obra- como nos recuerda la carta de Juan- de manera que cuando otros nos observen, vean a Dios trabajando en nosotros y a través de nosotros para llevar unidad, amor y paz al mundo ¿Como miembros de la viña de Cristo daremos los frutos de la vida de Cristo o el mundo sólo verá una rama marchita?

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Grade 10
Saturday – Annette Little
Sunday – Christine Wied

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Wednesday – Janice Kasmiersky, Paulette Keilers, Theresa Keilers
Saturday – Ronnie Kramr*(H), Joan Malota(H), Sharon Martinek(H), Kayla Kaspar(C), Madeline Kovar(C), Karley Kasmiersky(C), Annette Little(C)
Sunday – Joe Babin*(H), Christine Wied(H), Cindy Bertsch(C), Kathy Kneblak(C), Mary Quiros(C), Becky Matocha(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Wednesday – Grade 4 (2), Grade 10 (1)
Saturday – Skylar Kasmiersky, Evan Blazek, Chelsie Toddy
Sunday – Raquel Castillo, Lydia Huebner, Wade Halamicke

GIFT BEARERS

Wednesday – Grade 2
Saturday – Ronnie Kramr Family
Sunday – Joe Babin Family

CCW ROSARY: Mary Jane Toddy & Gladys Schmitt will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

ALTAR DUTY FOR MAY: Yvonne Smith, Wanda Fritsch, Amy Babin, Madeline Kovar

USHERS FOR MAY:

Saturday – Erwin Kovar, Kory Kaspar, Steve Lyssy, Betty Kovar
Sunday – Emil Sodolak, Allan Minarcik, Arlis Keilers, Lee Matocha

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

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St. John Altar Society	Madeline Kovar	979-378-2361
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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. Joseph the Worker Feast Day
Tuesday, May 1

St. Joseph's most obvious mark in salvation history was his role as foster father to Jesus and husband to Mary. In this vocation he served those he loved with all his heart and strength. But it is also his humility and loving diligence as a hardworking yet poor provider that serves as an example to all who work to fulfill a vocation or provide for a family. Pope Pius XII declared the feast day of St. Joseph the Worker in 1955 as a response to the increasingly communist climate of the time. It served as a reminder to the faithful of the true dignity and value of work for human beings, and the role of our labor in sanctifying us and in glorifying God with St. Joseph as our model.

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Jan Jurecka

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – Jan Jurecka, Jo Ann Divin, Rose Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Stephen Korenek, Emily Polasek

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Anton Becka Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Ann Minar

USHERS FOR MAY

James Wunderlich, Alfred Ermis, Eduardo Alvarado, Luke Orsak

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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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

The goal of our life of prayer is to increase our awareness that Jesus lives with us always. Prayer is more than a dialogue with God; prayer is a lifting of our minds and hearts to God so that God might dwell and act within us and through us. The pinnacle of our life of prayer is our communion with Jesus in the Eucharist. Through this sacrament, we receive Jesus himself, and he remains with us. Our life of prayer and our union with Jesus will lead us to fruitful service to others.



Place a plant in your gathering space. Invite everyone to look at the plant, noting the connection between the plant and its leaves. Talk about the integral connection between all the parts of a healthy plant. Introduce today's Gospel by saying that Jesus talked about his relationship to his disciples using this metaphor. Read today's Gospel, John 15:1-8. Talk about the ways in which we are invited to relate to Jesus as his disciples today—prayer, Scripture, the Eucharist, and so on. When we do these things, Jesus promises to remain with us and to lead us to serve others well. Pray together that we will continue to be attentive and open to Jesus as he works in our lives today. Pray together the Acts of Faith, Hope, and Love.
Act of Love: O my God, I love you above all things with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all my love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me, and I ask pardon of those whom I have injured. Amen.