

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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



## MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.  
*Mildred & Wilburn Von Minden †*

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.  
*Marie Hrachovy †*

Friday at 7:00 a.m.  
*Led Becka †*

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.  
*For the People*

**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.  
*No Mass*

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.  
*Mabel & Jesse Schielack †*

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.  
*The Jacomini Family †*

Friday at 6:00 p.m.  
*Russell & Fred Popp †*

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.  
*Lucille Chilek †*

**Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.**  
*Emma, Alfred & Raymond Canik †*

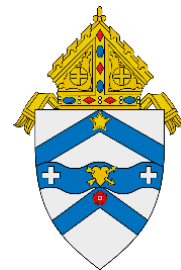
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.  
*Joseph Sladek †*

## **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, April 18, at 9:00 a.m.  
*For the intentions left on the altar*

## Mailing Address and Contact Information for all three Churches

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## Administrative Staff

Amy Babin  
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## Knights of Columbus

Jim Mattair 979-249-3901

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## Faith Formation

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.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**  
**April 8, AD 2018**

**ST. MARY'S NEWS**

<b>Sunday Offering:</b>	\$3,238.00
<b>Cemetery Fund:</b>	\$ 450.00
<b>Holy Land Collection:</b>	\$ 460.00

**OUR PARISH FAMILY WELCOMES**, *Lucas Moore*, who was received into full communion in the Catholic Church last weekend. May the many graces received from the Sacraments of Initiation bring him to a deeper love and understanding of Christ and others.

**ST. MARY'S FINANCE COUNCIL** will meet on Thursday, **April 19** at 6:45 p.m. in the parish hall.

**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. MARY'S ROSARY GROUP** invites everyone to pray the rosary every Monday evening in the Church at **6:00 p.m.**

**ST. JOHN'S NEWS**

<b>Sunday Offering:</b>	\$4,799.00
<b>Faith Formation:</b>	\$ 802.00
<b>Holy Land Collection:</b>	\$1,343.85

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** are announced for the third time for *Stacey Kovar & Kyle Kuskie*, who will be united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony at St. John Catholic Church in Fayetteville, on Saturday, **April 14, 2018**.

**ST JOHN'S COUNCIL MEETINGS:** The Pastoral Council will meet on Thursday, **April 12**, at 7:00 p.m. The Finance Council will meet Tuesday, **April 24** at 6:45 p.m.

**ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY**

- **MONTHLY MEETING** is on Tuesday, **April 10**, at 2:00 p.m. It is very important to attend because we will discuss the May 12 fundraiser.
- **RAFFLE TICKETS** have been printed and will be distributed at all the Masses for the next several weekends.

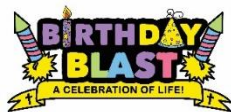
**ST. JOHN'S ROSARY GROUP** invites everyone to pray the rosary every Tuesday evening in the Church at **5:30 p.m.**

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Sherry Cook, Hannah Glenn, Ralph Hackemack, Melissa Hahn, Annie Mae Janish, Deacon Robert Jasek, James Kovar, Ruby Kuhn, Kendall Kurtz, Lauren Navarro, Doris Nestrsta, Saber Pace, Madeline Petrofsky, Garland Polasek, Joann Rudolph, 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.)*

**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](http://www.stjohnfayetteville.com). Vacation Bible School 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.*



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

- **TRASH PICK UP** will be **April 9** at St. John at 6 p.m.
- **REGULAR MEETING** will be on Tuesday, **April 17**, at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's parish hall.
- **FOURTH DEGREE MEETING** will be on Wednesday, **April 18** at St. John's parish hall. The meal will be at 7:00 p.m. with meeting to follow.
- **CORPORATE COMMUNION** will take place on **April 22**, at the St. Mary 8:00 a.m. Mass.
- **SCHOLARSHIPS:** Senior students of a Knights of Columbus member are eligible. For an application or more information, contact Alvin Minarcik at (979) 249-7449.

**CYM IS SELLING BUTTER BRAID**

**PASTRIES!** These delicious filled hand braided pastries are being sold from any CYM member (high school youth). Serve them as a side dish, for breakfast, or anytime you need a quick tasty dessert! You simply thaw, rise and bake. **Note:** These extremely high quality and exceptionally great tasting Butter Braid products have been known to make customers want more. In the case that this may happen to you, please be advised to order more than one as you will not be able to get more until the next fundraiser. The last day to pre-order is Friday, **April 20**. The delivery date is Tuesday, **May 8**.



**ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CEMETERY INFORMATION:** In the interest of maintaining uniform beauty and fair compliance with the rules and regulations by all ploholders, 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 becoming a member of the Cemetery Association, please contact Father Nock.

## 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 11**

- ✓ **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

- **ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** All Butter Braid Order forms are due **April 20**. All students are asked to sell the Butter Braids after all Masses on **April 14-15**.
- **WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019:** Continue to pray for the Pilgrims who are excitingly preparing for their pilgrimage.
- **DISCIPLESHIP WEEK 2018:** Discipleship Week (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**.

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## Adult Faith Formation

### OREMUS: A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER

There is **one** session left in the program that will guide you through an easy-to-understand teaching on prayer. The final session will be **today, April 8** at the Religious Education Building.

**BASIC ELEMENTS OF FAITH**, a course offered by the Diocese of Victoria, will be held at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Columbus. Sr. Mariam Sturm leads you through reflections of our Catholic faith, based on Scripture, the Tradition of the Church, and the hierarchy of truths. Classes will be held from 7:00 – 9:15 p.m. Thursdays, April 12, 19, 26 & May 3 at a cost of \$20.00. Register at [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org) or call 361-573-0828.

**HEALING THROUGH THE HEART OF JESUS** will be held **April 14** from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The focus will be on our identity as God's loved ones and on the wounds that prevent us from living that identity. Father Charlie Garza, pastor of St. Martin de Porres Parish in Dripping Springs, will be the presenter. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. To register, call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436.

## Upcoming Events

**HOPE-HEALTHY OPTIONS PROGRAM:** On the second Friday of each month, between 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. clients will receive a bag of groceries. The next distribution is Friday, **April 13**.

**TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY**  
Faithful from throughout the Austin Diocese will renew their "Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary" on **April 9**. Masses will be celebrated at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin, at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in College Station, at St. Joseph Parish in Killeen, and at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Martindale. For detailed information, visit [www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org](http://www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org).

**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. These screenings are only available with your doctor if you already have symptoms. Each screening is \$49 or all 8 for \$150. Please call 1-855-303-0667 to pre-register. A representative will be at the church on Saturday & Sunday, April 14th & 15th. Prevention is the Key to early detection and good health!



**ELLINGER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FEAST**  
The 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

**THE HEART OF WORSHIP, Journaling with Scripture and Art Retreat** will be held at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton Saturday, **May 5** from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Experience God's word in a different way through journaling and art to give greater insight to God's will. Practicing to read, record and reflect on God's Holy Word helps one also to record how God is working and to realize even more how God is present in one's life. Mary Pomeroy, spiritual director and retreat presenter, will facilitate this day. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. For more information or to register, visit [www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake](http://www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake).

## "Share the Journey" Campaign



Share the Journey  
#sharejourney

### **Meet your neighbors: Meet Pamela**

In 2001, when Pamela was just seven years old, violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo forced her to flee to safety in a refugee camp in Zambia. She lived there for eight years with her sister, with almost no hope of a better future. After all, less than one percent of refugees are resettled in a new country. When she was 15 years old, Pamela's dreams came true: her application for resettlement as an unaccompanied minor was accepted, and she discovered that she would be starting a new life in the United States. Catholic Community Services of Utah's (CCS) Refugee Foster Care program placed Pamela in a loving foster care home. Once in Utah, Pamela enrolled in the 9th grade and went on to graduate from Jordan High School. Now in her third year at a university, Pamela is studying Biology in preparation for a medical degree in Pediatrics. Never during Pamela's years in the Zambian refugee camp did she think she would be able to get an education, but 12 years later she's picking out her collegiate curriculum and planning for her future. Thanks to the generosity of all who opened their arms to Pamela – our country, Catholic Charity Services, and her foster family – she is in a position not only to succeed for herself, but also to help others when she completes her medical training.

## Catholic Social Teaching Corner

### *Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday*

In reading from the Acts of the Apostles we hear about the early Christian community which, "was of one mind and heart", they "held everything in common;" and "there was no needy person among them." Does that describe our parishes, or are we like the disciples hiding in fear in the upper room? Jesus speaks to us as he did to them, sending them out to bring peace, healing, justice mercy and love to a world in need of these virtues and in need of a community able to live them. What can we do to live more truly as that community of sharing and love?

### *Segundo Domingo de Pascua, Domingo de la Divina Misericordia*

En la lectura de los Hechos de los Apóstoles, escuchamos sobre la comunidad Cristiana temprana, en la cual "vivían todos unidos", ellos "lo poseían todo en común;" y "no había personas necesitadas entre ellos". ¿Describe esto a nuestras parroquias o somos como los discípulos que nos escondemos con miedo de lo que sucede en el cuarto de arriba? Jesús nos habla a nosotros como les habló a ellos, enviándonos a llevar la paz, la sanación, la justicia, la misericordia y el amor a un mundo necesitado de esas virtudes y de una comunidad capaz de vivirlas ¿Qué podemos hacer para vivir más verdaderamente como una comunidad que comparte y ama?

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY  
April 8, AD 2018**

**ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTORS**

**Saturday** – Theresa Keilers

**Sunday** – Lee Matocha

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Saturday** – Andrew Keilers\*(H), Theresa Keilers(H), Karley Kasmiersky(C), Sharon Martinek(C), Annette Little(C), Lois Kaspar(C)

**Sunday** – Joe Babin\*(H), Lee Matocha(H), Paulette Keilers(C), Janell Warschak(C), Becky Matocha(C), Christine Wied(C)

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday** – Evan Blazek, Peyton Jurecka, Amanda Little

**Sunday** – Mackenzie Poncik, Cole Brackman, Braden Kubala

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Saturday** – Andrew Keilers Family

**Sunday** – Willie Socha Family

**CCW ROSARY:** Janice Kasmiersky & Paulette Keilers 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	Justin Huebner	979-357-2533
Finance Council President	John Cufu	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 Kram	979-249-6152

**ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTOR**

**Sunday** – Robert Balzer

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Sunday** – Jo Ann Divin, Jan Jurecka, Rose Urban

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sunday** – Julie Korenek, Rylee Fritsch

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Sunday** – Dan Kuehn Family

**ROSARY LEADER**

**Sunday** – Ann Minar

**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
Pro-Life Ministries Coordinator	Aimee Korenek	979-966-8496
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**

<b>Sab.</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>	St. Mary Our Lady of Lourdes	Caldwell
<b>Dom.</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Parish of the Nativity	Eagle Lake
<b>Dom.</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	St. Margaret	Giddings
<b>Dom.</b>	<b>11:30 AM</b>	Sacred Heart	La Grange
<b>Dom.</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>	St. Rosa de Lima	Schulenburg
<b>Dom.</b>	<b>12:30 PM</b>	St. Mary Immaculate Conception	Brenham

**FAMILY CONNECTION**

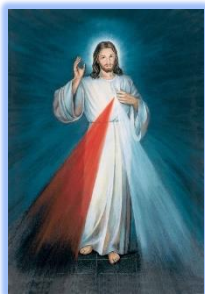
**Second Sunday of Easter**

Within normal family life, there are many opportunities for conflict. Jesus did not promise us the absence of conflict in our lives. Instead, he gave us the gifts of peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation so that we could reduce conflict. The measure of Christian family life is not the absence of conflict, but the manner in which conflict is resolved. Filled with the gift of the Holy Spirit, we ask Jesus to help us to bring peace and forgiveness to situations of conflict in our families.



As your family gathers, take this opportunity to examine how your family resolves conflict. Recall a recent argument or disagreement and discuss how the conflict was resolved. Consider whether the conflict was resolved peacefully, in the spirit of Jesus. Read together today's Gospel, and recall that we have each received Jesus' gift of the Holy Spirit and that the Holy Spirit helps us to be people who forgive others and seek peace. Pray together:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

In the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II proclaimed that from that year forward the Second Sunday of Easter would be celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. This was proclaimed at the Canonization Mass of St. Faustina Kawalska, who worked throughout her life to make all aware of the merciful love of God.

In her years in the convent, St. Faustina heard a call from God to make God's mercy known to the world so that the world may more fully receive God's healing grace. St. Faustina promoted the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, which consists of the recitation of prayers to the Eternal Father with the use of the rosary for the sake of Christ's sorrowful passion.

When celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday, the faithful are called to reflect more personally on the graces won through the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. In this way their hearts may be made more fully aware of the mercy of God for them personally and for the sake of the world.