

St. Mary Catholic Church

Est. 1855

Mission Parish

815 St. Mary's Church Rd.
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)
www.stmaryellinger.com



Weekly Offering: \$1,652.00
Online Giving: \$ 191.38
Cemetery: \$ 207.00

MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

All Souls †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Larry Marusik †

Albina Urban †

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.

*Veterans & All Who Have
Served Our Country*

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Laddie Blue Supak †

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available before every Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Est. 1870

207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville

www.stjohnfayetteville.com



Weekly Offering: \$ 3,649.00
Online Giving: \$ 760.00
Cemetery Mass: \$ 1,272.00
Faith Formation: \$ 1,006.00

MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

*Dec'd Members of
C.D.A. Court #1440*

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

All Souls †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Mass for Life

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Barbara Sulak †

John & Marie Baca †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

For the People

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Leonard Sr. & Donald Malota †

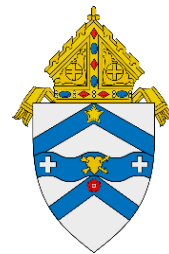
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00-9:00 a.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)

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Marriage preparation: Contact the priest before setting the date and at least six 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 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 8, AD 2020

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dianne Allen, Dan Castillo, Judy Chovanec, Margie Chovanec, Cherie Coufal, Bennie Daricek, John Dennis, Bradley Divin, Brian Fruge, Waldine Fruge, Hannah Glenn, Dan Hall, Bernita Hlinsky, Dcn. Robert Jasek, Christine Kaspar, J.D. Kovar, Robert Krenek Sr., Doris Matocha, Leo Miller, Rose Novosad, Garland Polasek, Kaycee Roesler, El Gene and Mary Ann Sommerfeld, Shelley Spears, Martha Staley, Barbara Tieken, Kathy Vasek, Larry Vitek, and 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.)

FAITH FORMATION – Wednesday, November 11

- Grades K-1 will meet at 6:00 – 6:50 p.m.
- Grades 2-6 will meet at 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- Grades 7-12 will meet at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.



The PARISH extends CONGRATULATIONS to *Kyla Goebel,*



Travis Gully, Marisa Huerta, Brooklyn Jaeger, Emma Jurecka, Mattie Konvicka, Seth Kulhanek, Mackenzie Poncik, Ilse Salinas, Ellee Sodolak, Emily Spiess, and Kelton Supak who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation today. May they

always be open to the Holy Spirit working in and leading them in their lives of faith.

THANK YOU to all the youth and adults who worked to prepare and serve the annual CYM chicken stew dinner. It's great so many could share in this meal. We thank those who supported us, too!

DCYC 2021: All High School students are invited to celebrate their faith at the 2021 Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference, **January 30**, at Dell Diamond in Austin! Young Catholics from across the diocese will gather for a day of keynote speakers, praise & worship, and fun free-time activities. DCYC also offers many sacramental opportunities such as Reconciliation, Adoration, and Sunday Vigil Mass. This year's theme is "Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses—Hebrews 12:1". Registration forms can be found on the parish website and must be returned by **December 11**.

"Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us"—Hebrews 12:1



GATHERING FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST IS A BLESSING, indeed. The Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome, but fulfilling our Sunday Obligation may feel a bit difficult as we navigate these times of pandemic.

Social distancing is practiced, masks are required, and hand sanitizer is used.

Remember, the ushers are there to help! Please ask them if you need a mask, assistance finding a seat, or anything else.

NOTE: We ask that those who have been exposed to or are showing symptoms of COVID-19, those who have an underlying health condition making them vulnerable to COVID-19, or those who live with or care for anyone in the previous categories to please abide by CDC guidelines and remotely participate via viewing the **livestreamed Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass** on our Facebook page. You can access it by visiting our parish websites and clicking the Facebook emblem "f" in the upper right corner.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **OFFICER MEETING** is Monday, **November 9**, at 6:30 p.m.
- **KC Council 3168 MEMORIAL MASS** to remember our deceased brother Knights will be on Tuesday, **November 17**, at 6:00 p.m. A meal will follow Mass.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS MEMORIAL MASS will be Tuesday, **November 10**. The **monthly meeting** will follow. (No refreshments)

K.J.Z.T. SOCIETY #10 – ST. ANNE'S will hold their quarterly meeting on Tuesday, **November 17**, at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Lunch will be served. Please bring bingo prizes.

GUMBO! Mark your calendars for Friday, **November 13**. The KCs will host a *drive-through only* chicken & sausage gumbo meal from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall pits. The cost is \$10.00 per serving and includes a container of gumbo and one of rice. Place your order at **(832)260-3631**. Call in orders early!

MARRIAGE RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES will be given this year to couples celebrating anniversaries in **2020** for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 years and over. Couples receiving certificates shall be in good standing with the Church. Please enter your full names, anniversary date, and the name of the parish where your wedding was celebrated, on the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church by Sunday, **November 22**.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Today is the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA), when we join together as a community of faith — our hearts filled with gratitude — to support the mission and ministries of our diocese.



Our annual appeal allows us to care for active and retired priests, help those in need, promote a culture of life, encourage vocations and educate our youth. As we respond to the pandemic and its continuing effect on society and our beloved church, the ministries and programs our CSA funds support are more essential than ever before. Our goal is 100% participation because every gift, large or small, is vital to the success of the Catholic Services Appeal. Please complete and return your pledge card or make a secure gift online at austindiocese.org/csa.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: The St. John and St. Mary Altar Societies will sponsor a food drive to help people in need during the holiday season. Everyone is asked to donate canned and non-perishable food items for the AMEN pantry in La Grange. A collection box will be at the entrance of Church during the Thanksgiving Masses.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: To donate toward the purchase of flowers for the Altar at Christmas, you may use the Christmas Flower envelope provided at the entrance of the church. Please put the donation in the collection between now and **December 13**.

CLERICAL ENDOWMENT FUND CHRISTMAS CARDS are a good way to remember someone at Christmas and support the CEF. Purchase cards at the parish office, at Fayetteville Bank, or after Mass at St. Mary's every second Sunday. For more info, call Donna Shula (979) 378-2749, or Margaret Kubala (979) 378-2877.

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HOPE-HEALTHY OPTIONS PROGRAM: St. John's Hall is a distribution site for Central Texas Food Bank's HOPE program. HOPE is for persons 55 years and up. On the second Friday of each month, from 2:00-3:00 p.m., clients will receive a 15-20 lb. bag of groceries. The next distribution is Friday, **November 13**.

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH

Placing a child for adoption is a loving, generous, and sacrificial option that demonstrates a woman's profound, long-term motherly care. But, to a woman facing an unexpected pregnancy in difficult circumstances, adoption is sometimes felt to be worse than aborting her child.

By grace, we are made children of God through adoption and can call him, "Abba, Father!" (Rom. 8:15). This spiritual adoption also makes us brothers and sisters in the Lord. In this month that we celebrate all the saints, let us call on the intercession of our brothers and sisters in heaven. Through our united prayers, may each expectant mother making an adoption plan receive the support and care of the Christian community as she makes a loving choice for her child.

CIVILIZE IT: GET THE FACTS

"Christian compassion — this "suffering with," compassion — is expressed first of all in the commitment to obtain knowledge."
— Pope Francis, Plenary Address, 5/24/13

Once we become aware of issues that impact our families, neighborhoods, and brothers and sisters around the world, we are called to dig deeper to understand the root causes of these issues, and what solutions are needed to solve them. Learning is an ongoing process and a lifelong journey to awareness, growth and transformation as we strive to be communities of salt and light in the world. Visit <https://www.wearesaltandlight.org> to get the facts about challenges affecting our local and global communities.

RETREAT FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE

The "Together in God's Love" retreat focuses on Catholic marriage as a visible sign of the Holy Trinity and the relationship of Christ to the Church. **November 13-15** is the date of the next retreat, to be held at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Temple. Please contact Luisa de Poo at (512) 949-2487 for more info.

IS GOD CALLING YOU? A discernment dinner for men will be held **November 11** from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. The evening will include prayer, dinner and discussion among men seeking God's will. Please register at godiscalling.me or call the Vocations Office at (512) 949-2430.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Nov. 7-8 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us to stay awake and be ready for his return. Are we prepared for the day Jesus will return? What is the condition of my soul?

Noviembre 7-8 32 Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús nos recuerda que debemos permanecer despiertos y estar listos para su regreso ¿Estamos preparados para el día en que Jesús regresará? ¿Cuál es la condición de mi alma?

1870 St. John the Baptist
Catholic Church 2020
Celebrating 150 Years

ST. JOHN CHURCH WAS REMODELED in 2003 to its current layout.

HOLY TRINITY CORN HILL MISSION: If you weren't able to attend our parish mission, you may want to consider attending the one in Corn Hill Sunday, **November 8** thru Thursday, **November 12**. Call (512) 863-3020 for additional information.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL in La Grange is having a drive-thru BBQ Chicken and Bake Sale, Wednesday, **December 2**, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the La Grange KC Hall. Plates are \$10 and may be reserved by calling (979) 968-5117. They also have fundraiser raffle tickets for sale. Contact the school office at (979) 968-3223 for info.

ONLINE OPPORTUNITY TO WRITE A WILL

In uncertain times, the best thing we can do is to make a plan for the future. The Diocese of Austin is offering an online resource to help everyone in our Catholic community write a will and protect the things that God has blessed them with. Best of all, the resource is completely free to use. Take 20 minutes today to get peace of mind, and consider your possible support of schools and parishes in our diocese. Get started at www.FreeWill.com/AustinDiocese.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP! If you or someone you know is struggling with grief, depression, anxiety or coping with the challenges of life, Catholic Charities of Central Texas can help. Catholic Charities Counseling Services offers mental health services for children, adults, couples and families on a sliding scale fee structure. Services are available in-person or through "virtual therapy." For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (512) 651-6150 (Austin) or (979) 822-9340 (Brazos Valley).



Come Gather in Prayer with Us!

***Saturday** night – pray the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations before the 6:00 p.m. Mass
at **St. John Church**

***Monday** evening – pray the Angelus, the Rosary, the Litany of the Saints, and other prayers at 6:00 p.m.
at **St. Mary Church**

***Tuesday** evening – pray the Rosary at 5:30 p.m.
at **St. John Church**

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

ST. JOHN ALTAR SOCIETY meets Tuesday, **November 10**, at 2:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

ST. JOHN'S PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet Thursday, **November 12**, at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

ST. MARY'S NEWS

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY

Our **Annual Candy/Bake Sale** has been cancelled for this year.

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Wednesday – Grade 5
Saturday – Mary Keilers
Sunday – Christine Wied

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Wednesday – Nikki Beseda
Saturday – Betty Kovar, Tiffany Nigh
Sunday – Pat Geistmann, Kayla Kaspar

ALTAR SERVERS

Wednesday – Grade 4 (3), Grade 5 (1)
Saturday – Jacob Nigh, Paige Jurecka, Peyton Jurecka
Sunday – Wade Halamicek, Marissa Halamicek, Scotti Beseda

ALTAR DUTY FOR NOVEMBER: Madeline Kovar,
 Margaret Kubala, Susan Pauler, Woody Heibert

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

Saturday Jonathan Noska, David Stastny, Christopher Stastny,
 Ronnie Kramr
Sunday – David Holub, Kory Kaspar, John H. Cufur, Joe Babin

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chair	John Spiess	979-836-8702
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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
Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

FAMILY CONNECTION

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, teaching his disciples the importance of being prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven.

In the daily activities of family life, we can easily find excuses for not attending to our spiritual lives. If not given top priority, prayer and reading Scripture risk becoming occasional activities rather than daily practices. In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that if we fail to give our spiritual life priority, we will find ourselves unprepared to receive Jesus. Daily prayer and spiritual practice keeps us ready to receive Jesus.

Gather together as a family and talk about some of the things our faith calls us to do every day and every week to keep God first in our lives. Talk about what might happen if we don't do these things regularly. Explain to your family that Jesus taught us that it is important to keep ourselves ready to receive him when he comes again. Tell them to listen as you read the parable that Jesus tells in today's Gospel. Read aloud Matthew 25:1-13. Talk with your family about why Jesus says that it is so important to remain ready to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. Pray together that your family will always keep God first in your lives so that you will all be prepared to receive Jesus when he comes. Pray together the Act of Hope:

O my God, relying on your infinite mercy and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, the help of your grace, and life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer. Amen.



ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Jo Ann Divin
Sunday – Rose Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Kole Schmitt
Sunday – Stephen Korenek

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

Saturday – Mark Schmitt, Mark Matocha, Bruce Kubena,
 Eduardo Alvarado
Sunday – Luke Orsak, Donnie Becka, James Korenek

ALTAR FLOWERS Nov. 14/15 – Patricia Brune
 Nov. 21/22 – Susan Zatopek Nov. 28/29 – Jennifer Chester

ST. MARY CONTACTS

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Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
Cemetery	Vlasta Korenek	979-732-2836

Post-Election Prayer

Father of the human family,

We give you thanks for the freedom we exercise and the many blessings of democracy we enjoy in these United States of America.

We ask for your protection and guidance for all who devote themselves to the common good, working for justice and peace at home and around the world.

We lift up all our duly elected leaders and public servants, those who will serve us as president, as legislators and judges, those in the military and law enforcement.

Heal us from our differences and unite us, O Lord, with a common purpose, dedication, and commitment in the years ahead to achieve liberty and justice for all people, and especially for those in our midst who are most vulnerable.

Amen.



St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
 November 11
Patron of Soldiers



Lord, bless our veterans and all who have served our country.

St. Martin of Tours, pray for us!