

St. Mary Catholic Church

Est. 1855
Mission Parish
815 St. Mary's Church Rd.
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)
www.stmaryellinger.com



Weekly Offering: \$ 2,374.00
Online Giving: \$ 100.00
Cemetery: \$ 329.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 2,492

MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
Edwin Cook †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.
Evyline Zapalac †

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.
Steve Janish †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
Mark Gerik †

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Est. 1870
207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville
www.stjohnfayetteville.com



Weekly Offering: \$ 3,676.25
Online Giving: \$ 520.00
Religious Education: \$ 822.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 5,011

MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Frank & Chris Vitek †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Joe & Julie Malota †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.
Joe B. & Adolphine Krenek †

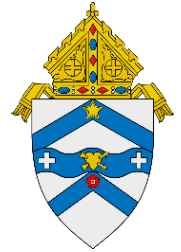
Saturday at 7:30 a.m.
Lillie Kaderka †

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

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
All Graduates



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



St. Martin Catholic Church

Historic Chapel
3490 State Hwy 237
Round Top (near Warrenton)

MONTHLY MASS
Tuesday, June 7, at 8:00 a.m.
For the intentions left on the altar

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. John: Wednesday 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Saturday 8:00-9:00 a.m.
First Fridays 4:00-5:30 p.m.
St. Mary: 30-15 minutes before every
Mass (excluding Holy Days)

Mailing Address and Contact Information

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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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 8, AD 2022

PARISH LIFE

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Judy Burklund, Gilbert Canik, Ron Conley, Carolyn Countryman, Brian Fruge, Waldine Fruge, Dan Hall, Bernita Hlinsky, Calvin Hlinsky, Christine Kaspar, Kathy Kneblak, Betty Jean Kulhanek, Helen Mikus, Leo Miller, Richard Mueller, Frank Potts, Kaycee Roesler, Judy Supak, B.J. Vasek, 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.)*

A FAITH FORMATION MEETING will be held for all Faith Formation instructors, aides and substitutes on Wednesday, **May 11**, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be in St. John's Hall.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Vacation Bible School this summer to be held **July 18 to 22, 2022!** Sign up forms are at the entrance of the church and online. The deadline, to ensure a free T-shirt, is **June 30**, and the final registration deadline is **July 7**.



We are still in need of volunteers – those who have completed the 5th grade through 12th grade and adults. Please make sure you are EIM certified if you are 18 yrs. and older, in order to participate.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 is set for **July 31 to August 9, 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal!** If you will be age 18-35 in July of 2023 you are eligible to go! Please join us at an informational meeting on Sunday, **May 15**, at 11:00 a.m. in St. John's Religious Education Building.

CYM HEADS UP! Members are expected to participate the week of July 4 - 9 at the Garage Sale donation drop-off days and at the sale itself. A work schedule will be available soon!

Class of 2022 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 15**, wearing their graduation caps and gowns.

ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY

- Thank you to everyone who donated, worked, and attended our fundraiser. Our success was because of you!
- The May meeting is Tuesday, **May 10**, at 2:00 p.m. This will be the last meeting before summer break. Plan to attend and hear the results of the fundraiser. Come enjoy fellowship and snacks!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL CRAWFISH BOIL will be on Friday, **May 20** at St. John's Pavilion, with happy hour from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. and live Zydeco music. You can buy meal and raffle tickets before and after Masses at St. John and St. Mary or by calling (979) 249-6003.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **MONTHLY MEETING** date *has been changed* to Tuesday, **May 10**, at 7:00 p.m.
- **FOURTH DEGREE** meets Wednesday, **May 18**, with the meal starting at 7:00 p.m. and meeting to follow.

KJZT SOCIETY #10, ST. ANNE will be holding their quarterly meeting on Tuesday, **May 17**, at 1:00 p.m. in St. John's Parish Hall. All members are asked to bring lunch and bingo prizes.

Fr. Steve and the office staff wish all moms a Happy Mother's Day!

ELITE MEDICAL IMAGING will be at St. John Hall to offer a preventive ultrasound health screening opportunity on **Saturday, May 21**. A representative from EMI will be visiting both churches the weekend of **May 14-15** and offering pre-registration. To schedule sooner, please email Stacey.aguirre@emi.us.com. Screenings will be by appointment only.



Ultrasound screenings are painless, non-invasive and contain no radiation. Eight preventive screenings will be offered: carotid artery, abdominal aorta, thyroid, liver, spleen, gallbladder and both kidneys. These screenings are not typically done at physician's visits or at annual check-ups, nor will insurance companies pay for them, unless you are symptomatic. Screenings will be \$49 each or the full preventive package, (all 8 areas) for \$150.00. Flex spending accounts may be used, and all other forms of payment are accepted.

NEW PARISH DIRECTORY for 2022: We have contracted



with Color Craft to have a 2022 Parish Directory. Please help us out by taking and sending in pictures of parish events we have this year. Preferably, email the pictures to the parish office digitally. The following photography dates for families & individuals have been scheduled:

September 9-11 & 23-25. Please save these dates on your calendars!

THE SEMINARIANS AND PRIEST EDUCATION AND FORMATION SPECIAL COLLECTION

will be collected in our parishes THIS WEEKEND on Good Shepherd Sunday (celebrated **May 7-8**). The cost of forming one seminarian is about \$55,000 per year. Financial reasons should never prevent men from responding to God's call to the priesthood. Your contribution to this special collection ensures that our future priests will have excellent formation. May God bless your generosity and may we all continue to pray for our seminarians. Please be Generous!

TODAY IS THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS!

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations – and teaching young people how to discern God's call – is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life – children, grandchildren, students, and friends - to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION:

Bishop Joe Vásquez will kick off the Eucharistic Revival in the Diocese of Austin with a Eucharistic Procession **June 18**. The morning will begin with Mass at 8:30 a.m. at San José Parish in Austin, and then the procession will move through the streets of Austin to the main building of St. Edward's University. The morning will conclude with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 10:00 a.m.

CEF ANNUAL DRIVE: Remember your mothers, graduates and birthdays with a Clerical Endowment Fund 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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 8, AD 2022

A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: Fr. Steve Sauser invites you to join him on a 10-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land, **November 7-16, 2022**. This is your opportunity to walk, listen, and see Jesus from Bethlehem, Nazareth, Galilee, Jerusalem, and Via Crucis with Him to Golgotha. Each day will include the celebration of Mass and reflection on the Gospel at the very special places you visit. The detailed itinerary and the registration forms are at the entrance of the church. Keep a copy of your registration form if you mail it in with your deposit. For more information, contact Sheryl Malinowski at the parish office: (979) 378-2277 or smalinowski@stjohnfayetteville.com.

OTHER NEWS

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 **1:00-2:30 p.m.**, clients will receive a 15-20 lb. bag of groceries. The next distribution is Friday, **May 13**.

LOOKING FOR AN INSPIRATIONAL ADULT MOVIE?

Based on a true story, **FATHER STU**, is an unflinchingly honest, funny and ultimately uplifting drama about a lost soul who finds his purpose in a most unexpected place. Trying to impress a Catholic Sunday school teacher, agnostic Stuart Long starts going to Church. After surviving a motorcycle accident, he starts to wonder if he can use his second chance to help others, leading to the surprising realization that he's meant to be a Catholic priest. Despite a devastating health crisis and the skepticism of Church officials, Stu pursues his vocation with courage and compassion, inspiring not only those closest to him but countless others along the way. Go to www.fatherstumovie.com for locations and tickets.



ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS! Ascend, the Diocese of Austin's emerging leaders' program, is an initiative to identify, develop and support young adult leaders under the age of 40 in the diocese. Participants will be challenged to consider ethics and leadership through the lens of their faith. The Ascend

class of 2022 will be empowered to make a lasting contribution by practicing applied leadership skills through exercising their faith in positions of leadership in the church as well as in their homes, communities and careers. For more information and to apply, please visit the website <https://austindiocese.org/ascend>

CEDARBRAKE CATHOLIC RETREAT CENTER will host the annual Silent Summer Retreat **June 3-8**. Franciscan Father Albert Haase will give one morning talk each day, celebrate daily Mass and be available for confession. An afternoon devotion will be offered each day and an option for spiritual direction will be available. Stay for two to five nights. Cost with meals and linens varies by number of nights. Register at <http://www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake> or call (254) 780-2436.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES of Central Texas' Immigration Legal Services offers legal assistance to individuals and families eligible to apply for immigration benefits, including family reunification, humanitarian relief, Temporary Protected Status, removal defense, as well as services for victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. Call (512) 651-6125 if you or someone you know needs services.

HEALING MISSION: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (Victoria, Texas) will be hosting a Healing Mission on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (May 9 through May 11, 2022). All three evening sessions will begin at 7:00 pm in the Church. The guest presenter will be Mr. Paul Rymniak (paulrymniak.com). Mr. Rymniak will speak at the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses preceding the mission. All are welcome to attend these services. For more information, contact Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Office at 361-575-3813.

STS. PETER AND PAUL IN FRELSBURG invites everyone to come out to their 175th Anniversary and Country Festival on Sunday, **May 8**. Father James Dvorak will begin the festivities by celebrating the Holy Mass at 8:30 a.m., followed by the Traditional Latin Mass at 10:30 a.m. A delicious fried fish dinner will be available by dine-in starting at 11:00 a.m. and by drive-thru from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The day's events will also feature a live auction, silent auction, country store, religious articles, bingo, and games for the whole family. For more information, please find us on Facebook or visit www.peterandpaulparish.com/country-festival.

31st ANNUAL CZECH KOLACHE KLOBASE FESTIVAL will be held on Saturday, **June 11** at Riverside Hall in East Bernard. Admission is \$8/person (covers parking and all events), and children 12 and under are free. A plate lunch of sausage and BBQ chicken with all the trimmings will be available for \$12/plate beginning at 11 a.m. The Drive-Thru line for Plates and Kolaches-To-Go will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sausage sandwiches and hamburgers will be available in the afternoon. Come enjoy the music, dancing, arts and crafts, the cake walk, and lotsa kolaches! Proceeds benefit the KJT Society No. 40 Hall Fund.

MASSTIMES.ORG is a great website and 'app' to keep on your computer or phone while traveling this summer! This website lets you find a Catholic Church near you, no matter where you are. Never miss Mass, again!

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

May 7-8, Fourth Sunday of Easter

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about how his sheep hear his voice and follow him. What is Jesus calling you to do in terms of helping others?

Mayo 7-8, Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

El Evangelio de este domingo, habla sobre cómo sus ovejas escuchan su voz y lo siguen ¿Qué está Jesús llamándote a hacer para ayudar a otros?

Come Gather in Prayer with Us!



*Saturday vigil Masses and *Sunday Masses – pray the Rosary starting 25 minutes before each Mass.

*Monday evening – pray the Regina Coeli, the Rosary, the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 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**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 8, AD 2022**

ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Addie Dybala

Sunday – Lee Matocha

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Betty Kovar, Joan Malota

Sunday – Michelle Bertsch, Jeanne Schilling

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Paige Jurecka, Peyton Jurecka, Abigail Taylor

Sunday – Wade Halamicek, Mackenzie Poncik, Logan Poncik

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Joe Dybala Family

Sunday – Justin Huebner Family

ALTAR DUTY FOR MAY

Yvonne Smith, Wanda Fritsch, Addie Dybala, Cheryl Bauer

USHERS FOR MAY

Saturday – Joseph Munsch, David Stastny, Christopher Stastny,

Ronnie Kramr

Sunday – Joe Babin, John Cufu, David Holub, Rick Schilling

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

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Finance Council Chair

St. John Altar Society

Pro-Life Coordinator

K.J.Z.T.

Hall Rental

Cemetery

Leslie Little

Steve Pavlicek

Madeline Kovar

Nikki Beseda

Mary Jane Toddy

Parish Office

Ronald Kramr



***May, the month of Mary, our
Blessed Mother***

*For the mother of Jesus, God chose Mary,
who was free, committed to her faith, and
filled with God's love.*

*We respect and honor Mary because of the
gift she presented to us: The gift of Divine
life in Jesus, her Son.*

**Dear God, Bless All of Our
Moms Today!**

Those whom we are close to, and those we have
difficult relationships with -

Those who still are healthy and active, and those
who are frail, ill, or have passed on -

Those whose lives have been shaken by personal losses,
and those who have lovingly sacrificed for others -

Those who are our natural mothers and those who have
adopted us...or whom we have adopted.

Shower Your graces upon them all – today and
every day! Amen.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Rose Urban

Sunday – Jo Ann Divin

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Rylee Fritsch

Sunday – Julie Korenek

USHERS FOR MAY

Saturday – Alfred Ermis, Anton Becka, James Wunderlich,
Lee Roy Shula

Sunday – Luke Orsak, Donnie Becka, James Korenek,
Bradley Divin

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Donna Shula

Aimee Korenek

Mary Vrazel

James Korenek

Parish Office

Vlasta Korenek

A Note from the Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,



The fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally known as “Good Shepherd Sunday.” The readings this weekend focus on leadership. We should ask ourselves: Which voices do we follow today? Who are we allowing to lead us?

I believe that we all tend to look for leaders who can guarantee our safety and happiness. For many of us this may mean someone who promises well-being and prosperity, someone who will eliminate the hardships we face and make life easier for us.

When we look towards Jesus as our “Good Shepherd” and leader, we must be willing to relinquish some of our own plans and self-determination and entrust ourselves more fully in Jesus’ leadership. Jesus said, “If anyone wants to be my disciple that he must lay down his life and come after me.” Authentic leadership is patterned after the leadership of Jesus. It is committed to the enhancement of the lives of others.

Normally, our instinct is to look to worldly power to save us, but the Lamb of Sacrifice tells us we should be looking elsewhere. Only the Lamb has the real power – the power of eternal life. This is a very different way of looking at hope in the crises of our lives. The One who died for us (Jesus Christ) is more powerful than anyone or anything else we could choose to turn to.

Most impressive about the model Shepherd in today’s liturgy is that strong note of encouragement. What keeps us all going is the realization that we are Christ’s and Christ is God’s. Jesus holds each of us in His hands and desires each of us to be with Him in Heaven. May we all stay close to the Good Shepherd and never leave His flock.

--Fr. Steve