

## St. Mary Catholic Church

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



### MASSES

**Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.**

*For the soul of Bernice Zapalac*

**Thursday at 6:00 p.m.**

*For the souls of  
Edmund, Lillian & Janet Becker*

**Friday at 7:00 a.m.**

*For the soul of Albina Urban*

**Sunday at 8:00 a.m.**

*For the People*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Before every 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.**

*For the soul of Daniel Bertsch*

**Thursday at 7:00 a.m.**

*Mass for Life*

**Friday at 6:00 p.m.**

*For the souls of Joe & Mary Janish*

**Saturday at 7:30 a.m.**

*For the souls of  
Vincent & Leona Janysek*

**Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.**

*For the Living & Dec'd  
of the Kulhanek Family*

**Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**

*For the souls of  
Daniel & Josephine Malota*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

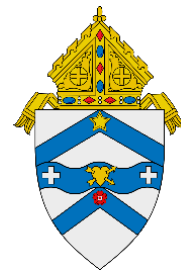
Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m.

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

3490 S. Hwy 237

Round Top  
(near Warrenton)

### MONTHLY MASS

**Tuesday, October 10, 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.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
September 17, AD 2017

**ST. MARY'S NEWS**

**Sunday Offering:** \$1,254.00  
**Hurricane Harvey Collection:** \$2,038.00

**CONGRATULATIONS** to *Trent & Haley (Heikkinen) Proske*, who were united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony at St. Mary, on Saturday, **September 16**. May the Lord guide and bless them throughout their journey of marriage.

**ST. MARY'S ANNUAL BAZAAR & RAFFLE** is next Sunday, **September 24, 2017**.

- **If You Cannot Work Your Shift**, please notify your chairman. *This is very important for the success of the Bazaar.*
- **Feast Meat/Cash Donations** may be dropped in the collection basket in an envelope marked "**Feast Donation,**" as well as your name.
- **Raffle Tickets are Still Available!** Tickets may be purchased from any parishioner or from the parish office. The grand prize is a **\$5,000 Visa gift card**, plus over 30 other valuable prizes! Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. If you are in need of additional tickets, please contact Mark or Lisa Matocha at (979) 378-2701.

**ST. JOHN'S NEWS**

**Sunday Offering:** \$4,557.00  
**Hurricane Harvey Collection:** \$3,887.00

**ST. JOHN PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** will be on Tuesday, **September 26**, at 7:00 p.m.

**IN MEMORIAM:** The Parish Family extends sympathies and prayers towards the family of *Mabel Schielack*, who died last week. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Paula Canik, Nolan Eckeberger, Hannah Glenn, Melissa Hahn, Anthony Karas, James Kovar, Anita & Johnny Marek, Leo Miller, Alvin Minarcik, Doris Nesrsta, Saber Pace, Donna Schielack, Sue Ann Socha, Pat Sury, Bennie Volcik, Joyce Terrell and all those affected by Hurricane Harvey and Irma. (Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

- **Monthly Meeting** is on Tuesday, **September 19**, at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall.
- **Officer Meeting** is on Monday, **October 2**, at 6:30 p.m.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**

- **Reminder:** CDA members are asked to donate refreshments for the Senior Citizen Bingo held at St. John's Parish Hall on Sunday, **October 1**, at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your donated refreshments by 1:45 p.m.
- **Monthly Meeting** is on Tuesday, **October 3**, at 6:30 p.m.

**LITURGICAL DUTIES LISTS** for the months of **October** and **November** are available at the entrance of the church. The Liturgical Duties lists are also available on the parish websites on the "Mass Times" page.

**SENIOR CITIZENS BINGO:** All "Seniors" are invited to enjoy an afternoon of Bingo and refreshments, sponsored by our CYM, on Sunday, **October 1**, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. The CDA will be supplying the refreshments. High school students should arrive by 1:00 p.m. with 2 bingo prizes.



**A SPECIAL THANK YOU** to those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. May the Lord bless all our catechists with compassion and strength.

**AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA ROSARY CRUSADE 2017**

October 13 of this year is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima. On Saturday, **October 14**, we will celebrate with a public Rosary held on the Fayetteville Courthouse Square at 12:00 p.m., noon. For more details, contact Madeline Kovar at (979) 378-2361.

**WEEKLY ROSARY**

"The Rosary is the 'weapon' for these times." – Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina. In our own parish community, the Rosary group meets at St. Mary every Monday evening in the Church at **6:00 p.m.** This week, there will be **no regular Rosary** at St. John. **There will be a funeral Rosary for Mabel Schielack on Tuesday evening, in St. John's Catholic Church, at 7:00 p.m.**

**PRO-LIFE ISSUES & EVENTS**

"There is no more important work from this. Be persistent and pray, pray, pray!"  
- Pope Francis, Croatian 40 Days for Life

**September 27 – November 5**, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life. This 40 day prayer vigil is made of hundreds of Christians from across Central Texas praying for an hour a week – whatever time works for your schedule. Join the campaign with hundreds of cities across the world to help end abortion, peacefully and prayerfully. Make a commitment to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament or even at home.

**2017 Baby Banks** will be distributed after Mass, next Sunday! Our parishes will host this campaign to foster a greater respect for the sanctity of human life. Your donation will help pro-life efforts in our parish and throughout the diocese. The Gabriel Project, Project Rachel, Sidewalk Ministry, Pro-Life Help Line and much more will receive funds from this campaign. For more information, please contact our Pro-Life Committee Chairs; Nikki Beseda for St. John and Aimee Korenek for St. Mary.



**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!** To read this week's complete Pro-Life column and to stay up to date on parish news, visit our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/sjmfayetteville](http://www.facebook.com/sjmfayetteville).

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
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## Upcoming Events

**SENIOR CITIZEN SOCIAL** is on Thursday, **September 21**, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. All senior citizens are invited for an afternoon of games, fellowship and refreshments.

### **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING**

The support group is now scheduled to meet every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at Hospice Brazos Valley in La Grange. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, **September 26**. For more information, contact Cindy Fanning at (979) 968-6913.

**DIOCESAN CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE** is next Saturday, **September 23**, from 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The day includes Mass with Bishop Daniel Garcia, guest testimonials, confession, adoration, prayer, fellowship and plenty of Catholic books and gifts for purchase. For more information, or to register, visit [www.austindiocese.org/womens-conference](http://www.austindiocese.org/womens-conference).

**MISSA CANTATA AT STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH** in Frelsberg will be held on Sunday, **September 24**, at 12:30 p.m. This "Sung Mass" is a form of the High Mass in the Traditional liturgy, which means the Mass is chanted. This Missa Cantata is a wonderful opportunity to experience Mass in a new way.

**ST. ROCH PARISH OF MENTZ** will have their 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual Picnic on Sunday, **October 1**. Mass will begin at 10:15 a.m., and will be followed by a raffle, silent auction, live auction at 1:00 p.m., bingo, country store and live music. There will also be a BBQ meal of beef, pork and sausage served buffet style at 11:00 a.m.

**ST. STANISLAUS PARISH OF CHAPPELL HILL** have rescheduled their 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Homecoming and Bazaar to Sunday, **October 1**. Mass begins at 9:00 a.m. and will be followed by a catered meal at 10:30 a.m., raffle, auction, and more.

**QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY PARISH OF HOSTYN** will have their Annual Festival on Sunday, **October 1**. Their parish festival was voted Best Church Picnic/Festival in Fayette County. Polka Mass is at 10:00 a.m. A fried chicken and sausage meal begins at 11:00 a.m., followed by an auction at 1:00 p.m., bingo at 1:30 p.m., a magic show at 3:00 p.m. and live music.

## Faith Formation

### **FAITH FORMATION – Wednesday, September 20**

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

### **BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES ON SUNDAY, September 24**, at

11:15 a.m. in the Religious Education Building. Take the next five Sundays, or even just one, to learn more about your faith and reflect upon the Gospels of Mark and John.

### **CONFIRMATION 2017**

- Confirmation Candidates must attend the Confirmation retreat, held at Pax Christi Retreat Center, near Brenham, next weekend, **September 23-24**. We will meet at St. John's parking lot at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday. The candidates' sponsors are invited to join us at 10:00 a.m. Saturday.
  - Confirmation will be celebrated at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **October 15**. Bishop Daniel Garcia will be confirming the nine confirmands from our parishes.
- If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

### **RETROUVILLE: REDISCOVERING MARRIAGE**

Retrouville (pronounced retrov-eye) simply means "rediscovery." The program offers couples the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse and a loving relationship in their marriage. Many couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending this retreat. For more information on the next program beginning with a weekend on **October 6-8**, call (800) 470-2230 or visit [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com)

### **CURSILLO – A 3 DAY COURSE IN CHRISTIANITY**

A Cursillo means "a short course in Christianity." Everyone should consider taking some personal and uninterrupted time to deepen his or her relationship with Jesus through this weekend of prayer, reflection and action. There are separate weekends for men and women. The women's weekend is **September 21-24** and the men's weekend is **October 26-29**. For more information, or to register, contact Robin Spencer at (254) 220-3883.

## Catholic Youth Ministry

**CYMBINGO** will be on Sunday, **October 1**. Although the bingo begins at 2:00 p.m., **all high school students are asked to arrive at the parish hall by 1:00 p.m.** Additionally, each student is asked to provide two bingo prizes valued at \$4 each.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019 PANAMA** is January 19-28, 2019. **The following is the schedule of events for our WYD 2019 trip:**

- Day 1:** Arrive in Panama, check into lodging
- Day 2:** Day Trip – Panama Canal Tour
- Day 3:** Day Trip – Rainforest Escape
- Day 4:** Panama City Tour, WYD Opening Ceremonies
- Day 5:** WYD Events
- Day 6:** WYD Welcoming Ceremony for Pope
- Day 7:** WYD Events & Stations of the Cross
- Day 8:** Morning pilgrimage, Evening vigil with Pope
- Day 9:** Morning Mass with Pope, Pilgrimage to Panama City
- Day 10:** Depart Panama City for home

**If you will be ages 18-35 by January 1, 2019, and are interested in learning more, contact the parish office!**

## Catholic Social Teaching Corner

### *24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

The Scripture readings for the great feast remind us of Christ's merciful love and sacrifice for us. Jesus emptied himself for our sake and gave his life for our salvation. How do we mirror God's love in our world? What sacrifices are we willing to make? Are they only for those near to us, our family and friends? How can we show merciful and sacrificial love for strangers or even enemies? What act of love or sacrifice can you make for the poor, a prisoner, an enemy this week in gratitude for the great love God has shown to you?

### *24ro. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

Las lecturas de la Escritura para esta gran fiesta nos recuerdan del amor misericordioso de Cristo y de su sacrificio por nosotros. ¿Cómo somos reflejo del amor de Dios en nuestro mundo? ¿Cómo podemos mostrar amor misericordioso y dispuesto al sacrificio a extraños o incluso a enemigos? ¿Qué acto de amor o sacrificio puede usted hacer por los pobres, un prisionero, un enemigo esta semana en gratitud por el gran amor que Dios le ha mostrado?

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**ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTORS**

**Wednesday** – Kathy Kneblak

**Saturday** – Margaret Alford

**Sunday** – Kathy Kneblak

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Saturday** – Lois Kaspar(H), Yvonne Smith\*(H),  
 Carroll Hollimon(H), Betty Kovar(C), Joan Malota(C),  
 Annette Little(C), Karley Kasmiersky(C)

**Sunday** – Michelle Bertsch(H), Lee Matocha\*(H),  
 Kathy Kneblak(C), Becky Matocha(C), Mary Quiros(C),  
 Holly Krebs(C)

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday** – Skylar Kasmiersky, Dustin Canik, Chelsie Toddy

**Sunday** – Dal Brackman, Mackenzie Poncik, Emma Jurecka

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Saturday** – Joe Dybala Family

**Sunday** – David Bertsch Family

**CCW ROSARY:** Kathleen Kramr & Janice Kasmiersky will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

**ALTAR DUTY FOR SEPTEMBER** Nancy Gaertner,  
 Angie Pavlicek, Suzanne Mattair, Veronica Rzya

**USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER**

**Saturday** – Ed Sulak, Leonard Malota, Ronald Malota,  
 Gary Toddy

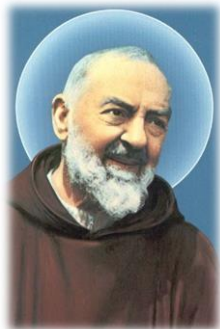
**Sunday** – Kory Kaspar, Kenneth Noska, Jimmy Mattair,  
 Vernon Hohensee

**ST. JOHN CONTACTS**

Pastoral Council Chairman	Justin Huebner	979-357-2533
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Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. John Catholic Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

**St. Pio of Pietrelcina**

Saturday, September 23  
**“Padre Pio”**



Born in southern Italy, St. Pio took no time at all to join the Capuchin Franciscans. He was only 15 when he joined the Capuchins and several years later, he was ordained. In 1918, Padre Pio had a vision of Jesus and was left with the stigmata (Jesus’ wounds) on his hands, feet and side. After this, he would rarely leave the friar due to the large crowds that came to catch a glimpse of him. When he heard confessions, it would sometimes take up to ten hours a day. On another occasion, Padre Pio had a vision of Jesus sick and suffering, which encouraged Padre Pio to build a hospital on a mountain nearby.

On September 23, 1968 he died and in 2002, he was canonized.

**ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTOR**

**Sunday** – Aimee Korenek

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Sunday** – Lee Roy Shula, Rush Beseda, Jo Ann Divin

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sunday** – Ryan Becka, Stephen Korenek

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Sunday** – Rose Urban Family

**ROSARY LEADER**

**Sunday** – Vlasta Korenek

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** **September 24** – Donna Shula  
**October 1** – Jan Jurecka **October 8** – Ashley Havel

**USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER**

**Sunday** – James Wunderlich, Mark Matocha, Luke Orsak,  
 Dennis Orsak

**ST. MARY CONTACTS**

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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**

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

**Gospel Mediation**

To sin is to turn inwardly, caring about one’s self. It is possible to seem nice and caring when our real motivation may be our own future benefit. Jesus asks us to forgive freely. Our attention should be on God and on others. In the Lord’s Prayer we pray to be forgiven by the same measure we forgive others. Will we be like the generous king who forgives greatly or the wicked, selfish servant who is only interested in self? How often will we forgive?



**Mediación Evangélica**

Pecar es volvernors hacia nosotros mismos, preocupándonos por nosotros mismos. Es posible parecer agradables y que nos preocupamos cuando nuestra motivación real puede que sea nuestro propio beneficio futuro. Jesús nos pide que perdonemos libremente. Nuestra atención debe de estar en Dios y en los demás. En el Padre Nuestro pedimos ser perdonados con la misma medida que nosotros perdonamos a los demás. ¿Seremos como el rey generoso que perdona grandemente o el siervo malo, egoísta que sólo se interesa por si mismo? ¿Qué tan seguido perdonaremos?