

St. Mary Catholic Church

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
Leander Minar & Leonard Supak †

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
No Mass

Friday at 6:30 p.m.
No Mass

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
John H. Cook †

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.
*Dec'd members of the
Frank Holub Family †*

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.
*Fr. Wade Russell, Fr. Oliver Weerakkody,
Fr. Robert Becker †*

Friday at 7:00 a.m.
No Mass

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.
No Mass

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

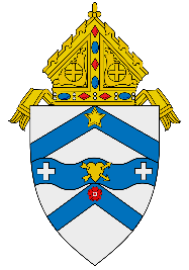
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Viola Hrachovy †

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, March 21, 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.

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ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,473.00

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY meeting will be held on Wednesday, **March 7**, at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall. A coffee and tea social will be held after the meeting. All ladies of the parish are welcome to join.

CONSIDER JOINING ST. MARY'S ROSARY GROUP as part of your Lenten devotion. Everyone is invited to join in praying the rosary every Monday evening in the Church at **6:00 p.m.**

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$4,193.00

ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY

- **Raffle Prize Donations are needed.** Anyone wishing to donate a prize to the Altar Society's May fundraiser, is asked to contact Madeline Kovar at (979) 378-2361 or Lorene Nitschke, at (979) 378-2276 by **March 13**.
- **Meeting** will be on Tuesday, **March 13**, at 2:00 p.m. Since it is Lent, lunch will not be provided.

JOIN ST. JOHN'S ROSARY GROUP as part of your Lenten devotion. Everyone is invited to join in praying 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, Addie Dybala, Hannah Glenn, Ruth Gothia, Melissa Hahn, Deacon Robert Jasek, Anthony Karas, James Kovar, Lillie Krenek, Ruby Kuhn, Kendall Kurtz, Doris Nesrsta, Saber Pace, Garland Polasek, Joann Rudolph, Barbara Sulak, Barbara Tieken, Mary Till, Bennie Volcik, Maggie Williams, Mary Ann Zatopek. (Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)



CHOIR NOTICE: Practice for Holy Week will be on Sunday, **March 25**, starting at 4 p.m. Anyone that would like to sing, please attend. New members are always welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **OFFICERS MEETING** will be held Monday, **March 5**, at 6:30 p.m., in St. John's Parish Hall.
- **SCHOLARSHIPS:** Senior students of a Knight of Columbus member are eligible. For an application or more information, contact Alvin Minarcik at (979) 249-7449.
- **BAR-B-Q** chicken, sausage and ribs to-go will be served next Sunday, **March 11**, at 10:30 a.m. at the St. John Hall pits. You may place orders at 249-6003. K.C. members to work, starting at 5:00 a.m., are Arlis Keiler's crew. The CDA will have side dishes available.
- **LADIES NIGHT OUT** will be Saturday, **March 17**, in St. John's Parish Hall. This is the council's way of saying thank you for all of the dedicated service and support given by the spouses of council members. Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by a meal.
- **MONTHLY MEETING** will be held on Tuesday, **March 20**, at 7:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Monthly Meeting will be on Tuesday, **March 6**, at 6:30 p.m. in St. John's Parish Hall.

ANNUAL CDA FUNDRAISER will be **today, March 4**, from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., at St. John's Parish Hall. There will be a bake sale, raffle, and dinner prepared by the CDA and KC's. Raffle tickets may be purchased from any CDA member.

CYM GARAGE SALE: It is time to start planning for this year's city wide garage sale, scheduled for Sunday, **July 14**, at St. John's Pavilion. As you do your Spring cleaning, start collecting items you might like to donate. Proceeds from the garage sale will be used to support activities of the Youth Ministry in our parishes.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the Catholic Relief Services Collection and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

FROM ASHES TO EASTER LENTEN BOXES

The diocesan Ashes to Easter Lenten Mission Campaign has begun. Each family is invited to pick up a box, put in some money each day during Lent and pray for missions worldwide. Contributing money each day is a corporal work of mercy that will help shelter the homeless and is a spiritual work of mercy that will help comfort the sorrowful.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to remember a loved one at Easter by making a donation towards flowers for the altar, you may use the Easter Flower envelopes provided at the entrance of the Church. If you are a member of St. Mary, make your checks payable to St. Mary Altar Society. For flowers at St. John, make your checks payable to St. John Altar Society. You may drop your donation in the collection by **March 18**.

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 – March 7

- ✓ **Grades K-6** will meet at 6:00 p.m. and attend the 7:00 p.m. Stations and Mass. Parents are always welcome to join us.
- ✓ **Grades 7-12** will meet in the church prepared for 7:00 p.m. Stations and Mass. Classes will be dismissed at 8:30 p.m.

Catholic Youth Ministry

World Youth Day 2019, Panama: January 22 – January 29

What are the parents saying about WYD? "It's an amazing thing to see thousands upon thousands of young people, gathered in faith, singing and praying and being Church. Having brought my own children to World Youth Day last year, this truth took on a different meaning, as I watched the faith of my family increase as we journeyed together. World Youth Day is more than a gathering ...it is a life-changing, faith-increasing experience." –Sarah Hart



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Adult Faith Formation

OREMUS: A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER

There are 5 sessions left in the program that will guide you through an easy-to-understand teaching on prayer. Anyone wishing to develop your prayer life is invited to join us in learning more about Scripture and the Church. The next session is today, **March 4**, after Mass from 11:15-12:45 p.m in the [Back Dining Hall](#).

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, **March 9**.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME IS NEXT WEEK



It is time to “spring forward.” Daylight Savings will begin Sunday, **March 11**, so don’t forget to set your clocks **AHEAD** one hour before going to sleep on Saturday night!

CALDWELL HOMECOMING FESTIVAL hosted by the Caldwell Knights of Columbus, for St. Mary parish in Caldwell, will be **March 4** at 10:30 a.m. at SPJST Hall in Caldwell. Auction at 12:30 p.m. with games for all ages throughout the day. Barbecue brisket plates are \$10 each.

A WEEKEND FOR STRUGGLING COUPLES will be **March 9-11**. This program offers couples the chance to rediscover themselves as individuals, as well as rediscover their spouse and a loving relationship in their marriage. For confidential information call (800) 470-2230 or visit www.helpourmarriage.com.

DISCOVERING YOUR TRUE SELF RETREAT will be held **March 21** from 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The retreat will be based on the book by Father Richard Rohr entitled, “The Immortal Diamond.” We will spend the day identifying the false images we hold on to as we ask the Lord to show us the beauty of our true selves. Bev Collin, assistant director of Cedarbrake, will present this day. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. For information or to register, call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

LENTEN FISH FRIES

St. Mary Parish in Caldwell will hold Fried Fish Dinners on Fridays during Lent from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Plates are \$10 each and only available via drive-through.

St. Peter & Paul in Frelsberg will be having a fish fry dinners and bake sales all Fridays of Lent, from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Diamond Center of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish.

ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY WORKSHOPS

All clergy, staff, members of ALL organizations, (CDA, KC, Altar Society, K.J.Z.T., K.J.T., etc.) and ALL volunteers of any event at a parish or diocesan location are required to complete an Application for Ministry AND attend an EIM workshop every three years. *Anyone considering volunteering for any ministry or assisting with VBS must be EIM compliant.* For assistance, call the parish office at (979) 378-2277.

Upcoming workshops in our area include:

- **Sacred Heart Parish, La Grange**
Thursday, **March 8**, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., English

FAYETTEVILLE ISD PTC DRIVE THRU MEAL will be on Thursday, **March 8**, from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., at the FISSD cafeteria. Plates are \$10 each and will include chicken fried steak, buttered potatoes, green beans and corn. Tickets are available from any student, Fayetteville Bank and Jerry’s.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Married couples are invited to strengthen, renew and rekindle their marriage sacrament by attending one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends: **April 20-22** and Nov. 2-4. The emphasis of Marriage Encounter is on communication between husband and wife, who spend a weekend together away from the distractions and the tensions of everyday life, to concentrate on each other. For more information, visit www.austinme.org, call (512)667-9963 or e-mail wwmeaustin@gmail.com.

“Share the Journey” Campaign



Share the
Journey #sharejourney

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

Did You Know?

The Catholic Church in the United States has been helping immigrants and refugees since the founding of this nation. Indeed, it is what the Gospel calls us to do: in Matthew (25:35) Jesus tells his disciples, “I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.” Refugees are fleeing persecution and violence and have suffered great loss, including loss of their homes, livelihoods, possessions and families. Only 1% of these refugees get resettled. Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) assists with food, clothing, shelter, employment, English as a second language, and orientation to a new community and culture. Migration and Refugee Services work to create “a world where immigrants, refugees, migrants, and people on the move are treated with dignity, respect, welcome and belonging.”

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Third Sunday of Lent

The second reading for this Sunday reminds us that the power of Jesus, our Crucified Lord is greater than what every culture of that time or any time has to offer. God’s power and wisdom go beyond what we can even imagine. As we listen to the “wisdom” and “power” of the political voices that rule the news airwaves, Paul’s letter to the Corinthians can help us to remember to pay attention to “God’s folly and God’s weakness”. We have much to learn from Christ who looked so foolish and weak and yet all true power was his and is his. How can we confront the false powers of today with God’s folly and weakness which is true power?

Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma

La segunda lectura de este domingo nos recuerda que el poder de Jesús, nuestro Señor Crucificado, es mayor que cualquier cosa que la cultura de la época o del momento tenga que ofrecer. El poder de Dios y su sabiduría van más allá de lo que podemos imaginar. Mientras escuchamos a la “sabiduría” y el “poder” de las voces políticas que rigen nuestras ondas de transmisión, la carta de Pablo a los Corintios nos puede ayudar a recordar que debemos prestar atención a “la insensatez y la debilidad de Dios”. Tenemos mucho que aprender de Cristo quien pareció insensato y débil y aún así todo el verdadero poder era y es suyo. ¿Cómo podemos enfrentar los poderes falsos de hoy con la insensatez y la debilidad de Dios que son verdadero poder?

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Grade 9
Saturday – Theresa Keilers
Sunday – Christine Wied

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Wednesday – Leslie Little, Amy Babin, Cindy Bertsch
Saturday – Andrew Keilers*(H), Joan Malota(H), Tiffany Nigh(H), Pat Geistmann(C), Theresa Keilers(C), Annette Little(C), Madeline Kovar(C)
Sunday – Joe Babin*(H), David Bertsch(H), Michelle Bertsch(C), Cindy Bertsch(C), Christine Wied(C), Paulette Keilers(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Wednesday – Grade 7 (2), Grade 9 (1)
Saturday – Amber Canik, Amanda Little, Peyton Jurecka
Sunday – Dal Brackman, Emma Jurecka, Mackenzie Poncik, Logan Poncik

GIFT BEARERS

Wednesday – Grade 3
Saturday – Ronnie Kramr Family
Sunday – Rick Schilling Family

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

ALTAR DUTY FOR MARCH: Lois Kaspar, Valerian Cufu, Susan Schramm, Colleen Stastny

USHERS FOR MARCH:

Saturday – Peter Chovanec, Ronnie Chernosky, Eddie Gaertner, Wesley Gaertner
Sunday – Edward Muske, John Cufu, Alvin Minarcik, John Spiess

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 Kramr	979-249-6152



A Prayer for a Lenten Spirit

Be with me this Lent, Jesus, and deepen my spirit.

Let my every sacrifice be underscored with gratitude and humility. By giving something up,

may I discover anew all that I have taken for granted.

In each small effort, may I recognize my need for your strength and grace.

As I empty myself through fasting, make me mindful of those for whom scarcity is an everyday reality.

As I abstain from negativity, self-righteousness, and arrogance, replenish me with kindness, understanding, and good humor.

Be with me this Lent, Jesus, and turn my spirit towards you.

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Ashley Havel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – Jan Jurecka, Rose Urban, Jo Ann Divin

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Rylee Fritsch, Julie Korenek

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Lee Roy Shula Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Garland Polasek

USHERS FOR MARCH

Jim Sula, Bruce Kubena, Mark Matocha, Anton Becka

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

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

LIVE THE GOSPEL!

The story of the cleansing the Temple is often cited as an example of Jesus' "righteous anger." This means that Jesus was not just angry because he lost control of his emotions. He was angry because something truly was not right. Do you see an injustice in your community that you are passionate about? We may not have Jesus' authority to overturn tables, but we can direct our own energies into setting things right wherever we can. Choose a worthy cause to fight for this week and this Lent.

PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE

March 11	St. Mary, Ellinger	5:00 p.m.
March 11	St. John, Fayetteville	7:30 p.m.
March 13	St. Joseph, Rockdale	6:00 p.m.
March 15	St. Margaret, Giddings	7:00 p.m.
March 16	St. Mary, Brenham	7:00 p.m.
March 20	Sacred Heart, La Grange	7:00 p.m.
March 21	St. Ann, Somerville	7:00 p.m.
March 22	St. Stanislaus, Chappell Hill	7:00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. John – Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. followed by **Mass**
St. Mary – Fridays at 6:30 p.m. followed by **Mass**
ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT ARE DAYS OF ABSTINENCE
(This means you do not eat meat on Fridays.)