

St. Mary Catholic Church

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
No Mass

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
For all Seminarians

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

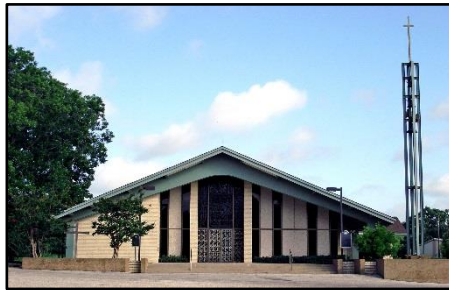
*For the souls of
Lee, Annie, C.J. & Chuck Walla*

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.
No Mass

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.
No Mass

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

For the souls of Russell & Fred Popp

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

For the soul of Laddie Vasek

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

For the soul of Daniel Bertsch

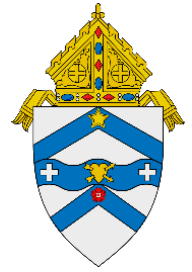
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

*For all Clergy
(CDA)*

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, June 13, 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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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 ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 28, AD 2017

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,489.00

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. Mass will be at 7:00 a.m. Adoration and Benediction will be Thursday evening after Mass.

WELCOMING & HOSPITALITY, will be held at the parish hall, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday, **June 4**. Please plan to join us for some fellowship and refreshments.



ST. MARY RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS are being collected until this Sunday, **June 4**. If you are interested in making a monetary donation, please call Mark Matocha at (979) 378-2701. With everyone's support, the raffle will, again, be a huge success!

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY will have their meeting on Wednesday, **June 7**, at 1:00 p.m.

ST. MARY'S PASTORAL COUNCIL met on Thursday, May 18. Items discussed included:

- Lawn maintenance and general garden maintenance.
- General church maintenance and completed improvements.
- Church feast and raffle. Feast will be on Sunday, August 27.
- Trees on Church premises being evaluated by State of Texas Forestry Commission for preservation or removal.
- Security during Sunday Mass. No decision made at this time.
- Corpus Christi Sunday procession is Sunday, June 18.
- Monitoring handicap and funeral parking.
- Replacing deteriorated skirting on Church.
- Project Planning Committee members are as follows: Mark Schmitt, Joe Skutca, Ed Alvarado and James Wunderlich.

The next pastoral council meeting will be on Thursday, **August 17**, following the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for the maintenance of St. Mary's Cemetery.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$3,720.00

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. We will have the Exposition of the Holy Eucharist at 3:00 p.m. and Benediction at 5:30 p.m., followed by Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for the Religious Education program.

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

IN MEMORIAM: The parish family extends sympathies and prayers towards the families of both *Lad Vasek* and *Albina Urban*, who were buried this week. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Edward Beran, Hannah Bertsch, Leslie Gene Brokmeyer, Paula Canik, Phillip Cox, Nolan Eckeberger, Hannah Glenn, Melissa Hahn, Mabel Knippel, James Kovar, Alvin Minarcik, Saber Pace, Donna Schielack, Sue Ann Socha, Pat Sury and Joyce Terrell. *(Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)*

RURAL LIFE MASS MEETING: This year's Rural Life Mass is being organized by both St. Mary and St. John parishes, and will be held at St. John on Thursday, **August 3**, at 6:00 p.m. To prepare for the event, all are invited to a preparation meeting in St. John's Parish Hall this **Thursday, June 1**, at 7:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to prepare for this celebration should plan to attend this meeting. For more information, call Donna Shula at (713) 818-1470.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL this year will be **July 17-21** and is themed "Tracking Mary: Mysteries & Messages." If you would like to volunteer or register your child, sign-up sheets and registration forms are available at the entrance of the Church.

VBS ADULT VOLUNTEERS: There will be an organizational meeting in St. John's RE building after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **June 4**. *Note: Anyone assisting with VBS must be EIM compliant.*



THEOTOKOS MISSION CO-OP APPEAL: Last weekend, we hosted a speaker representing *Theotokos*, a mission that works to strengthen communities by providing spiritual support, education and acts of charity to the poor. **We hope you will consider contributing to their mission by putting your donation in an envelope marked "Theotokos" and bringing it by the parish office or by putting it in next week's collection.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **RED ROOSTER** will be on Tuesday, **May 30**, at 6:30 p.m. in La Grange.
- **OFFICER MEETING** will be on Monday, **June 5**, at 6:30 p.m.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, **June 6**, at 6:30 p.m.

THANK YOU for today's second collection in support of the Archdiocese for the Military Services in the United States, who provides the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries and spiritual services to those in the U.S. Armed Forces. Thank you for your generous support of this worthy cause.



WEEKLY ROSARY: As St. Francis de Sales said, "The greatest method of praying is to pray the Rosary." Each week, we are given the opportunity to pray and reflect upon the Rosary with our Rosary groups at St. Mary every Monday evening in the Church at **6:00 p.m.**, and at St. John every Tuesday evening in the Church at **5:30 p.m.**

ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY WORKSHOPS

All clergy, staff, members of organizations, (Choir, CDA, KC, Altar Society, K.J.Z.T, K.J.T., etc.) and ALL volunteers of any event at the parish are required to complete an Application for Ministry AND attend an EIM workshop every three years. *Anyone volunteering for any ministry or VBS must be EIM compliant.* Upcoming workshops in our area include:

- **Sacred Heart Parish, Elgin**
Thursday, **June 8**, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., English
- **Emmaus Parish, Lakeway**
Saturday, **June 10**, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., English
- **St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Franklin**
Saturday, **June 17**, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., English

For a complete listing of all upcoming workshops, or to register, visit the Diocese' website, www.austindiocese.org/eim-workshop. For further assistance or more information, call our parish office.

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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES OF 2017!

May the Holy Spirit fill each of you with zeal, strength and courage to carry out your commitment to your faith and your final goal – heaven.

THANK YOU KJT #9 for providing breakfast to the Graduates last Sunday before Mass.

PRIESTLY ORDINATION: Bishop Joe Vásquez will celebrate the ordination of 5 deacons this Saturday, **June 3**, at 10:30 a.m. at St. William Parish in Round Rock. Please pray for these men, as they are ordained priests and are sent forth to proclaim the Word.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

• Church History – Summer

This course will be held at the Austin Pastoral Center from *June 5-8*, from 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

• Old Testament – Summer

This course will be at St. Anthony Parish in Bryan on Wednesdays, *June 7-28*, from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

• Basic Teachings of the Catholic Faith – Fall

This course will be held at **St. John Parish in Fayetteville** on Saturdays, *August 19, September 9, September 30, October 21 and November 11*, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

• New Testament/Christology – Fall

This course will be held at St. Anthony Parish in Bryan on Tuesdays, *September 12 – November 7*, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

• Old Testament – Fall/Winter

This course will be held at Sacred Heart Parish in La Grange on Saturdays, *September 16, October 7, November 4 and December 2*, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

For a complete list of Adult Faith Formation opportunities, or to sign up for a course, visit www.austindiocese.org/aff2017.



SACRED HEART VBS, MIGHTY FORTRESS

Registration has begun for Vacation Bible School in La Grange. They will have VBS on **June 4-8**, from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. Forms are available at www.sacredheartlagrange.org.

Upcoming Events

SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIAL will be on Thursday, **June 1**, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall.

THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY from the Central Texas Food Bank will be here Thursday, **June 1**, from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Clients must be present and at least 18 years old. Please bring your own bag. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 9:30 a.m.

HOPE-HEALTHY OPTIONS PROGRAM will be on the second Friday of each month. Clients will receive a bag of groceries between 2:00 – 3:00 p.m on Friday, **June 9**.

HOLY TRINITY PARISH FUNDRAISER & DANCE is on Sunday, **June 4**, in Corn Hill. Start the day by celebrating Mass at 10:30 a.m., complete with Czech hymns. Afterwards, there will be a fried chicken and sausage meal from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., followed by a dance with live music.

ST. ROSE PARISH PICNIC is on Sunday, **June 11**, in Schulenburg after their 10:00 a.m. Mass. There will be a fried chicken & sausage meal beginning at 11:00 a.m. Auctions, bingo, country store, cake walk, and live music will follow the meal.

GARAGE SALE: The CYM will be part of this year's City-Wide Garage Sale, scheduled for Saturday, **July 8**, at St. John's Pavilion. **Your donations for the sale will be needed!** We will be receiving donations at the hall the week before the sale. Proceeds from the garage sale will be used to support our parishes' Youth Ministry.

Fayetteville KJT Lodge #9 will be sponsoring our garage sale again this year and matching funds are being provided by the KJT Home office. Their support is truly appreciated!

SUMMER GATHERING OF PRIESTS: Fr. Nock will be joining other priests from the Austin Diocese at the annual gathering this week. Please keep them in your prayers.

DESERT SOLITUDE SILENT RETREAT – JUNE 9-14

Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton will be offering a Desert Solitude Retreat, centering on intentional silence, prayer, daily Mass, and their impact on our lives. The price varies, as there are 3, 4 and 5-night options for both singles and couples. For more information, or to register, call (254) 780-2436.

PRO-LIFE: FORGIVENESS & MERCY

"Lord, you are good and forgiving, most merciful to all who call on you." (Psalms 86:5)

While we know abortions are wrong and that there are alternatives, many women who have had an abortion believe they have no other choice. They make their decision based on fear instead of love, perhaps wanting to hide from an unsupporting family or community, or thinking a child will ruin their life.

There are many factors that go into the decision, and while none of these factors are rightly justified, as Catholics, we must recognize that the conscious decision to end a life takes a toll on the mother, physically, emotionally and spiritually. Many women that choose abortion are left with grief and guilt that follows them through their entire life. They may fall away from the Church, thinking God cannot possibly love them. It is our duty as a parish family to let them know that through God's abundant forgiveness and love, one can rebuild their relationship with God. We must be the outstretched arms that remind them He loves us no matter what.

PROJECT RACHEL offers healing opportunities for those suffering the effects of abortion (or as a result of a loved one's abortion), such as guilt and feeling alienated from God. If you are interested, there will be **Rachel Retreats on July 28-30 and October 27-29**, always offered at no cost. If you are not able to go to these retreats, there are also weekly post-abortion prayer & study group meetings. This ministry is compassionate and completely confidential, offering a safe place for those suffering to be reconciled with God and His Church. For more information, call (877) 932-2732 or email project-rachel@austindiocese.org



Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Ascension of the Lord

On this Sunday, we hear the call given to all of us to "proclaim the Gospel to every creature." If we do so we can drive out the demons of division, apathy, racism, despair and violence with our new language of love, community, hope and peace. What Good News will you speak this week?

La Asección del Señor

En este domingo, escuchamos nuestro llamado a "proclamar el Evangelio a toda criatura". Si lo hacemos así, podemos sacar los demonios de la división, la apatía, el racismo, la desesperación y la violencia a través de nuestro nuevo lenguaje de amor, comunidad, esperanza y paz. ¿Qué Buena Nueva dará usted esta semana?

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May 28, AD 2017

ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Cindy Bertsch
Saturday – Yvonne Smith
Sunday – Janet Hall

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Tiffany Night(H), Sharon Martinek(H),
 Yvonne Smith(H), Kathleen Kramr(C), Joan Malota(C),
 Lexxus Mayorga(C), Leslie Little*(C)
Sunday – Tompo Kuhn(H), Jeanne Schilling(H),
 Lori Spiess(C), Holly Krebs(C), Pat Geistmann(C),
 John Spiess*(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Peyton Jurecka, Amanda Little, Amber Canik
Sunday – Wade Halamicek, Kimberly Rohde, Raquel Castillo

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Joe Dybala Family
Sunday – Rick Schilling Family

CCW ROSARY: Kathleen Kramr & Gladys Schmitt will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

ALTAR DUTY FOR JUNE: Janice Kasmiersky, Shirley Sodek, Gladys Schmitt, Emilie Bersch

USHERS FOR JUNE

Saturday – Ed Sulak, Gary Toddy, Betty Kovar, Erwin Kovar
Sunday – Vernon Hohensee, Kenneth Noska, Lee Matocha, David Bertsch

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	Justin Huebner	979-357-2533
Finance Council President	John Cufir	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 Sodolak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. John Catholic Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Robert Balzer

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – Donna Shula, Jan Jurecka, Luke Orsak

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Brittany Brune, Ryan Becka

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – James Korenek Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Ann Minar

USHERS FOR JUNE

Sunday – Dennis Orsak, Mark Matocha, Lee Roy Shula, Bennie Skutca

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.Z.T.	Mildred Walla	979-378-4202
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

Gospel Mediation

“When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted.” Jesus knows our struggles yet he commissions his disciples, he commissions us, to “go ... and make disciples of all nations.” Jesus commissions us to teach all people to live as Jesus taught. Even though we may occasionally doubt, Jesus promises to be with us until the end of time. How do our actions and words teach others what it means to be a disciple of Jesus? Do our lives give evidence that we are disciples of Christ? What does a disciple of Christ look like?



Mediación Evangélica

"Cuando lo vieron, lo adoraron, pero algunos dudaron". Jesús conoce nuestras luchas y aún así Él envía a sus discípulos, nos envía a nosotros a que vayamos y hagamos "discípulos de gente de todas las naciones". Jesús nos envía a enseñar a toda la gente a vivir como Jesús enseñó. Aunque ocasionalmente podamos dudar, Jesús promete estar con nosotros hasta el fin del mundo ¿Cómo es que sus acciones y palabras enseñan a otros lo que significa ser un discípulo de Jesús? ¿Dan nuestras vidas evidencia de que somos discípulos de Cristo? ¿Cómo se ve un discípulo de Cristo?

Ascension of the Lord Prayer

*Let us pray,
 That the risen Christ
 will lead us to eternal life.*

*God, our Father, make us joyful in the
 Ascension of your Son, Jesus Christ.
 May we follow him into the new creation,
 for his ascension is our glory and our hope.
 We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ,
 your Son who lives and reigns with you and the
 Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*



Congratulations Father Nock Russell

On your 9th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood
 May 31, 2008

