St. Mary Catholic Church

Mission Parish

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

Larry Marusik †

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Victor, Ottillia, & Charlie Kulhanek †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Frank Stastny †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Elenora Zapalac †

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.

Bennie Kaspar †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Clem W. Gully †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Bernard Dybala, Jr. (healing)

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

Mabel & F.C. Knippel †

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Anton & Rosie Petter Family †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

For the People

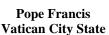
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Robert Sr., Evelyn & Annette Kovar †

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.







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, April 18, 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:

\$1.638.00

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

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

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY meeting will be held on Wednesday, **April 4**, 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.

ST. MARY'S PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet on Thursday, April 5 at 6:45 p.m. in the parish hall.

<u>ST. MARY BAZAAR & RAFFLE</u> preparations have begun. If you would like to make a monetary donation toward a prize for the raffle, please contact Mark Matocha at (979) 378-2701.

ST. MARY ROSARY GROUP invites everyone to pray the rosary every Monday evening in the Church at **6:00 p.m.**

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering:

\$4,249.00

<u>FIRST FRIDAY</u>: We will have the Exposition of the Eucharist at 3:00 p.m. closing with Benediction, followed by First Friday Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE are announced for the second time for *Stacey Kovar & Kyle Kuskie*, who will be united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony at St. John Catholic Church in Fayetteville, on Saturday, **April 14, 2018**.

<u>ST. JOHN ROSARY GROUP</u> invites everyone to pray 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, Hannah Glenn, Ralph Hackemack, Melissa Hahn, Annie Mae Janish, Deacon Robert Jasek, James Kovar, Ruby Kuhn, Kendall Kurtz, Lauren Navarro, Doris Nesrsta, Saber Pace, Garland Polasek, Joann Rudolph, Dr. Jimmy Sladek, Barbara Sulak, Barbara Tieken, Mary Till, Bennie Volcik, 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.)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- BAR-B-Q members to work today are Erwin Kovar's crew.
- **OFFICER MEETING** will be held on Monday, **April 2**, at 6:30 p.m. in the <u>Front Dining room</u> of the Parish Hall.
- **SCHOLARSHIPS:** Senior students of a Knights of Columbus member are eligible. For an application or more information, contact Alvin Minarcik at (979) 249-7449.

<u>CATHOLIC DAUGTHERS OF AMERICA</u> Monthly Meeting will be held on Tuesday, **April 3** following 6:00 p.m. Mass.

FROM ASHES TO EASTER LENTEN BOXES should be returned today. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Birthday Blast "A Celebration of Life!" is **July 16-20** registration forms are available in Church or online at www.stjohnfayetteville.com.



Vacation Bible School volunteers are needed to help with VBS. Adults and those entering the sixth grade through the twelfth grade please sign up on the form in Church. **Note:** *Anyone assisting with VBS must be EIM compliant.*

<u>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</u> is the Second Sunday of Easter, **April 8**. At 3:00 p.m. at St. Mary Church we will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and ending with Benediction. Everyone is invited to take part.

<u>ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED</u> to join the choir in leading the congregation in the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please join us in a practice on Wednesday, **April 4** after the 7 p.m. Mass.

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CEMETERY INFORMATION: In the interest of maintaining uniform beauty and fair compliance with the rules and regulations by all plotholders, we have placed a copy of the Rules, Regulations and Specifications of our cemetery at the entrance of the church. If you currently own a grave space or are considering purchasing interment rights in the future, please review the information regarding grave decorations, landscaping, memorial or headstone specifications, etc. For inquiries about the purchase of a grave space or any questions, contact the parish office. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Cemetery Association, please contact Father Nock.

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 - Wednesday, April 4

- ✓ **Grades K-6** will meet at 6:00 p.m. and attend the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Parents pick up in front of the church following Mass.
- ✓ **Grades 7-12** will meet in the church prepared for <u>7:00 p.m.</u> <u>Mass</u>. Classes will be dismissed at 8:30 p.m.

Catholic Youth Ministry

- WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019: Continue to pray for the Pilgrims who are excitingly preparing for their pilgrimage.
- CYM GARAGE SALE: It is time to start planning for this
 year's city-wide garage sale, scheduled for Saturday, July 14, at
 St. John's Pavilion. As you do your Spring cleaning, start
 collecting items you might like to donate. Proceeds will be used
 to support activities of the Youth Ministry in our parishes.
- **DISCIPLESHIP WEEK 2018:** Discipleship Week (D-Week), at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Austin, will be **June 25-28**. D-Week is an event that provides a unique opportunity for high school students to dive deeper into their faith. It is a four-day retreat experience full of prayer, engaging talks, small group time, music, games and more. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation are all a central part of the D-Week experience. This year's theme is "Be Transformed," (Romans 12:2). Registration and consent forms are at the entrance of the church. All forms are due Friday, **April 27**.

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Adult Faith Formation

OREMUS: A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER

There is **one** session left in the program that will guide you through an easy-to-understand teaching on prayer. The final session will be Sunday, **April 8** at the Religious Education Building.

BASIC ELEMENTS OF FAITH, a course offered by the Diocese of Victoria, will be held at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Columbus. Sr. Mariam Sturm leads you through reflections of our Catholic faith, based on Scripture, the Tradition of the Church, and the hierarchy of truths. Classes will be held from 7:00 – 9:15 p.m. Thursdays, April 12, 19, 26 & May 3 at a cost of \$20.00. Register at www.victoriadiocese.org or call 361-573-0828.

HEALING THROUGH THE HEART OF JESUS will be held April 14 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The focus will be on our identity as God's loved ones and on the wounds that prevent us from living that identity. Father Charlie Garza, pastor of St. Martin de Porres Parish in Dripping Springs, will be the presenter. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. To register, call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436.

Upcoming Events

SENIOR CITIZEN Social will be on Thursday, **April 5** from 1:00-5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. All senior citizens are invited for an afternoon of games and refreshments.

THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY from the Central Texas Food
Bank will be here Thursday, April 5, 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 9:45 a.m.

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, **April 13**.

TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

Faithful from throughout the Austin Diocese will renew their "Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary" on **April 9**. Masses will be celebrated at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin, at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in College Station, at St. Joseph Parish in Killeen, and at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Martindale. For detailed information, visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org.

HOLY ROSARY ACTS is hosting a family social gathering on Saturday, April 7 at 6 p.m. at Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish Hall in Hostyn. All ACTS brothers and sisters, spouses and children are invited! Social begins at 6 p.m. and a catered meal begins at 6:30 p.m. There will be spiritual insights on Divine Mercy by Deacon John McCourt, Kurt Hammons, and Sandy Delvecchio. Childcare will be available for younger children. RSVP's would be appreciated for meal planning, but not necessary. Call or text (979) 966-3597 or email shirleyantosh@gmail.com.

ELLINGER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FEAST

The 27th annual feast and fundraiser will take place at the Ellinger Chamber of Commerce Hall on Sunday, **April 29**. There will be a barbecue chicken and sausage dinner that begins at 11:00 a.m., followed by an auction at 1:00 p.m. There will also be a cake walk, bake sale, and raffle.

SPIRITUALITY OF GIVING AND RECEIVING CARE,

a day of spirituality at Eagle Wing's Retreat Center will be Tuesday, **April 10**. This Day of Spirituality will focus on the deeply human exchange of caring and being cared for by another. The retreat will examine the very real emotions along with the hopes, doubts, joys and vulnerabilities of those in scripture who were called either to give or receive care. Components of this day will include presentations, discussions, time for prayer, and song as we grow in grace and claim our identity as beloved sons and daughters of God. The day of spirituality will run from 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Eagle's Wings in Austin. A morning snack and lunch will be included. You may register online or pay at the door (\$35 per person). Visit ewrc.org for more information.

"Share the Journey" Campaign



<u>Catholic</u> <u>Social</u> <u>Teaching</u> <u>on</u> <u>Immigration</u> The Catholic Church in the United States is an immigrant Church with a long history of embracing diverse

newcomers and providing assistance and pastoral care to immigrants, migrants, refugees, and people on the move. Our Church has responded to Christ's call for us to "welcome the stranger among us," for in this encounter with the immigrant, the migrant, and the refugee in our midst, we encounter Christ. A rich body of Church teaching, including Papal encyclicals, Bishops' statements and pastoral letters, has consistently reinforced our moral obligation to treat the stranger as we would treat Christ himself. Bishops of the United States called upon the Catholic faithful to a conversion of minds and hearts, imploring us to communion and solidarity with diverse newcomers, and entreating us to find new and meaningful ways to welcome our immigrant sisters and brothers into our parishes, schools and communities. Bishops of the United States, together with the Bishops of Mexico, acknowledged that the current immigration system is badly in need of reform and offered a comprehensive set of recommendations for changing U.S. laws and policies to bring about a more humane and just immigration system in the United States.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Easter Sunday

In the first reading we hear Peter proclaiming the Good News of Jesus risen from the dead and that in his lifetime, Jesus went about doing good, healing the sick and that God was with him! As disciples of Jesus, filled with grace through his resurrection, we too are called to this mission. What good are we called to do this week? Who are those, sick in mind, body or spirit that we might minister to this week? How can we bring the presence of God to situations of injustice this week?

Domingo de Pascua

En la primera lectura escuchamos a Pedro proclamar la Buena Nueva de Jesús resucitado de la muerte y de que, durante su vida, Jesús se dedicó a hacer el bien, a curar a los enfermos y ¡Dios estuvo con Él! Como discípulos de Jesús, llenos de gracia a través de su resurrección, nosotros también estamos llamados a realizar su misión ¿Qué obra buena estamos llamados a realizar esta semana? ¿Quiénes son aquellos, enfermos de la mente, cuerpo o espíritu a los que podemos servir esta semana? ¿Cómo podemos llevar la presencia de Dios a situaciones de injusticia esta semana?

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Grade 8 Saturday – Kathleen Kramr Sunday – Janet Hall

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Wednesday – Michelle Bertsch, Carrol Hollimon, Annette Little

Saturday – Leslie Little(H), Kathleen Kramr(H), Betty Kovar(H), Waldine Fruge(C), Addie Dybala(C), Ronnie Kramr*(C), Carrol Holimon(C)

Sunday – Jim Mattair*(H), John Spiess(H), Holly Krebs(C), Pat Geistmann(C), Mary Quiros(C), Lori Spiess(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Wednesday – Grade 6 (3)

Saturday – Amber Canik, Chelsie Toddy, Skylar Kasmiersky **Sunday** – Ricky Schilling, Dal Brackman, Emma Jurecka

GIFT BEARERS

Wednesday – Grade K Saturday – Ed Sula Family Sunday – Alvin Minarcik Family

<u>CCW ROSARY</u>: Kathleen Kramr & Margaret Kubala will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

<u>ALTAR DUTY FOR APRIL</u>: Paulette Keilers, Rachel Schley, Brenda Minarcik, Betty Fritsch

USHERS FOR APRIL:

Saturday – Robert Janish, Robert Kasmierksy, Joseph Munsch, Vincent Orsak

Sunday – Christopher Kaspar, Kenneth Noska, Joe Babin, Vernon Hohensee

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He is Risen! He is Truly Risen!

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday - Ashley Havel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Easter Sunday – Lee Roy Shula, Donna Shula, Paulette Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Luke Korenek, Ryan Becka

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Garland Polasek Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Vlasta Korenek

USHERS FOR APRIL

Donnie Becka, Bennie Skutca, Bradley Divin, Dennis Orsak

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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 Connection

In the Easter Gospel we hear about how the disciples found the tomb empty three days after Jesus' death. We are also told that they do not yet understand the Scriptures or that Jesus had been raised from the dead. That understanding gradually unfolded for the disciples as they began to experience the risen Lord. Similarly, our understanding of Jesus' Resurrection unfolds for us throughout our lives. In the weeks ahead, we will hear how the first disciples moved from confusion, doubt, and skepticism to faith. Their experience can teach us how we too might receive this gift of faith from God.

Gather your family members and ask them to share what they know about the events that happened in the days after Jesus' crucifixion. Invite your family to imagine that they are among Jesus' first disciples. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:1-9. Reflect together on the Gospel with questions such as these: If you had been among the first disciples who heard that the stone had been removed from Jesus' tomb and that Jesus' body was no longer there, what would you think? What did Mary of Magdala, Simon Peter, and the disciple whom Jesus loved think had happened? Recall that this experience is the first indication Jesus' disciples have that he is risen. Throughout the Easter season, we will learn more about how the disciples came to believe that Jesus had been raised from the dead.

Pray together using today's psalm, Psalm 118: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."