

St. Mary Catholic Church

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



Weekly Offering: \$ 2,636.00
Online Giving: \$ 325.00
Cemetery: \$ 2,961.00
\$ 368.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 2,635

MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
Charlene & Victor Dvorak, Sr. †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.
Evelyn Koehl †

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.
Loretta Peschel †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
Joe Ferreri †

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



Weekly Offering: \$ 4,876.00
Online Giving: \$ 735.00
Faith Formation: \$ 5,611.00
\$ 1,240.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 5,087

MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Binky Malota †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Leonard & Dorothy Svrcek †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.
M. Seymour

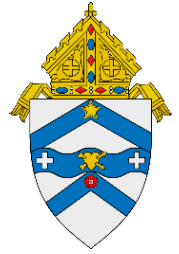
Saturday at 7:30 a.m.
Rick Vandel †

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

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
For all Catechists



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, October 4, 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 3:00-5:30 p.m.
St. Mary: 30-15 minutes before every
Mass (excluding Holy Days)

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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.

**THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 11, AD 2022**

PARISH LIFE

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Judy Burklund, Dan Castillo, Rhonda Edwards, Waldine Fruge, Dan Hall, Courtney Hare, Bernita Hlinsky, Samantha Holub, Christine Kaspar, Kathy Kneblak, Betty Jean Kulhanek, Alice Malota, Doris Matocha, Leo Miller, Avery Nelson, Frank Potts, Kaycee Roesler, Aaron Svrcek, B.J. Vasek, Genelle Wied, 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.)*

THANK YOU for coming out and working so hard to make our St. John Parish Feast a **great success!** A special thanks to the individuals and businesses that donated their time, services and supplies. May God bless our generous parishioners and all those that came to support our fundraiser. A report will be out as soon as all the money is collected and bills are paid.

ST. MARY POST-BAZAAR INFORMATION

- ✓ Most of our income and expense items have been accounted for, and it appears that the proceeds from our event will be about **\$77,500**. Praise God! *Ten percent of our proceeds will go to Queen of the Holy Rosary in Hostyn.*
- ✓ There will be a post-Bazaar meeting Friday, **September 16** at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Mary Hall. Chairpersons, please attend.

FAITH FORMATION 2022-2023

- **Grades K-1** will meet **every Wednesday at 6:00-6:50 p.m.**
- **Grades 2-6** will meet **every Wednesday from 6:00-7:30 p.m.**
- **Grades 7-12** will meet **every Wednesday from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m.** These students will attend the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

Children should arrive no earlier than 5:45 p.m. No one will be available to supervise your child prior to this time. **Grade 2 and Grade 10 meet in the back room of St. John Hall. All other grades meet in the RE Building.**

CYM BINGO will be on Sunday, **October 2**. All high school students are asked to arrive at the parish hall by **1:00 p.m.** to help set up. The games will begin at 2:00 p.m. Each student is to provide two bingo prizes valued at \$4 each.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY will be observed next weekend, **September 17-18**, at all Masses. The 2022 Catechetical Theme is: *"This is my Body given for you."* Father Steve will have a special commissioning for all catechists and catechist aides, so please make plans to be present for one of the Masses that weekend.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT 2022

This year's Confirmation retreat, for all Confirmation Candidates, will be held at Sacred Heart Parish in La Grange on Sunday, **September 25**. Consent and media forms have been distributed.

PARISH DATA UPDATE: As the Austin Diocese moves into a new database software, we have been asked to update our parishioner information. Please fill out the Parish Data Update Form found at the church entrance and return it to the parish office.

DIRECTORY 2022: There are still plenty of portraits sessions open for the weekend of **September 23-25** at St. Mary. If you are a St. John parishioner and this weekend didn't work for you, or if you missed your appointment, you can still book an appointment at St. Mary. Your entry in the directory will be put with the correct parish. Please call the parish office if you need assistance booking your appointment.

CONGRATULATIONS! St. John & St. Mary parishes have both met their goals, *and* their challenge goals for this year's Catholic Services Appeal! This means each parish will receive a \$5,000 incentive prize. We still have opportunities for more prizes at the 2022-23 CSA drawing, and it's all due to your hard work and generosity. **Thank you for making the CSA a success!**

UPCOMING PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

- St. Mary's meets Thursday, **October 6** at 6:30 p.m.
- St. John's meets Thursday, **October 20** at 6:30 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

- **OFFICER'S MEETING** is on Monday, **September 12**, at 6:30 p.m. in St. John Parish Hall.
- **MONTHLY MEETING** is on Tuesday, **September 20**, at 7:00 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY: The September meeting will be **September 20** *instead* of September 13, at 2:00 p.m. Please mark your calendar since this is our first meeting since May.

ST. MARY PARISHIONERS! We are needing more volunteers to serve as Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. Please prayerfully consider serving the Lord in this way.

ST. MARY'S BATHROOM RENOVATION PROJECT

We are excited to announce that construction will soon begin on the new bathrooms as St. Mary's Hall. The architectural plans for the bathrooms are posted at the entrance of the church at St. Mary, and in the parish hall. *If you would like to make a donation to help offset the cost of this project, please contact the parish office.*

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Basic Teachings of the Catholic Church Program offers a general introduction to the theological principles found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The class is presented in five sessions--all online this fall via Microsoft Teams--and are all on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$50, which covers all sessions. These classes are also a part of the Level 1 certification for all catechists. Dates are as follows:

The Creed-September 24

Liturgy/Sacraments-October 15

Christian Morality-October 22

Prayer/Spirituality-November 12

To register for a course, or for more information please visit <https://austindiocese.org/classes>

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

THE HOLY LAND WOOD CARVERS will be here the weekend of **September 24-25**. Get your Christmas gifts then!

OTHER NEWS

IN PERSON AND ONLINE FINANCIAL PLANNING PRESENTATION hosted by the Knights of Columbus will be on Thursday, **September 15**, at 7:30 p.m. during the Fourth Degree Meeting in La Grange. The event is titled "Retirement Savings & Distribution Planning" and is presented by nationally known Mr. Ed Slott, CPA, IRA expert. If you will not be attending the meeting, you can register to watch it at this link: www.tinyurl.com/slottfbn.

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A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND offers every couple the insights, tools and the confidence to strengthen and enrich their marriage at a private weekend for couples to focus on just each other. An upcoming Marriage Encounter Weekend is scheduled for **November 4-6** at Cedarbrake Retreat center in Belton. To apply online visit: www.austinme.org/. Apply early to ensure a space.

ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY UPDATE

The EIM Office will soon have new educational programs and software management for all of our EIM programs using VIRTUS.

The data conversion from eApps to VIRTUS will take place in December. **Anyone due to update EIM compliance between November 15 and January 2 will need to do so by November 15 in order to be eligible to serve in ministry during that time.** If you do not know when your EIM Compliance expires, please contact the parish office. Access the English training at www.austindiocese.org/onlineeimtraining.

Upcoming workshop:

St. John, Fayetteville

Monday, **October 17**, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., English

THE DIOCESE OF AUSTIN CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY:

Bishop Joe Vásquez has announced that beginning **November 19, 2022**, through **November 18, 2023**, the Diocese of Austin will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its founding on Nov. 15, 1947. Look for more information on the 75th anniversary website at www.austindiocese75.org and follow the Diocese of Austin on social media for updates!

HOLY ROSARY MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

is scheduled for **September 22 – 25** at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar. Applications are available online at www.holyrosaryacts.com, at the church entrance, or from any team member. Call Alvin Minarcik at (979) 249-7449 with any questions.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

in Industry has their Fall Festival **TODAY, September 11**, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Industry Firemen's Hall. A pork steak dinner will be served from 11 am - 1 pm. for \$12 per plate. Come enjoy the silent auction, games for children and the raffle drawing. First prize is a Kubota Zero Turn Mower!

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL

invites everyone to their annual Bazaar on Sunday, **September 18**. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. BBQ and Fried Chicken will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., with Adult plates for \$13 and Child plates for \$6. Come enjoy the polka music, children's games, live and silent auctions, bingo, and kolaches!

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH AT PIN OAK

is having their Fall Festival on Saturday, **October 1**. An outdoor Mass will be celebrated at 3:30 p.m. Dinner will be served from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Adult tickets are \$12, and Children's are \$5. Other activities include a Silent Auction, Live Auction, Cake Walk and a Free Kids Zone.

FAYETTEVILLE SCHOOLS REUNION

will be held on **September 17** following the rededication and tour of the Red Building at the Fayetteville ISD Campus at 3:00 p.m. Start time for the reunion is 4 p.m. at Joe's Place on the square with a social, meeting, dinner and music by DJ Aaron from 6-10 p.m. For additional information contact James Chovanec (979) 251-4767, Betty Fritsch (979) 966-3910, or Noreen Dopslauf (979) 966-3164.

Come Pray the Rosary with Us!



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

***Monday** evening – pray the Angelus, 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**

ATTENTION STRUGGLING MARRIED COUPLES

Is your marriage going down the right road ... or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges couples face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way?

Retrouvaille is a ministry that can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help couples learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. For more information about the upcoming Retrouvaille weekend in Austin on **September 30-October 2**, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com or send an email to austinretrouvaille@gmail.com.

HAVE YOU, OR HAS SOMEONE YOU KNOW, EXPERIENCED ABUSE?

Bishop Joe S. Vásquez and the Diocese of Austin are committed to providing compassionate care to persons who have experienced abuse, particularly if committed by clergy or a church representative. If you or someone you know have experienced such abuse, contact the diocesan Coordinator of Victim Assistance and Pastoral Support at (512) 949-2400.

FOLLOW THE DIOCESE OF AUSTIN ON SOCIAL MEDIA

For up-to-date information from the Diocese of Austin, visit us online at www.austindiocese.org. Find us on Facebook at "Diocese of Austin" and find us on Twitter at @AustinDiocese.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Sept. 10-11, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel Jesus proclaims God's prodigal love for sinners. God is like a parent watching for the lost son to return; like a shepherd willing to leave the 99 to seek the one; like the woman, unsatisfied with the nine coins, who scours the house to find the lost coin. We can turn from God, but God never turns from us. God in turn invites us to be in community with one another even other sinners. Will we join in God's community or reject it like the older brother?

Septiembre 10-11, 24to Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús proclama su amor prodigo por los pecadores. Dios es como un padre que espera el regreso del hijo perdido; como un pastor dispuesto a dejar a 99 ovejas para buscar una; como la mujer, insatisfecha con las nueve monedas que revuelve la casa para encontrar la moneda perdida. Podemos alejarnos de Dios, pero Dios nunca se alejará de nosotros. Dios, a cambio, nos invita a estar en comunidad con los otros, incluso con otros pecadores ¿Nos uniremos a la comunidad de Dios o la rechazaremos como el hermano mayor?

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Kathleen Kramr

Sunday – Lee Matocha

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday Host – Kathleen Kramr, Ronnie Kramr

Saturday Cup – Leslie Little, Annette Little

Sunday Host – Lori Spiess, Michelle Bertsch

Sunday Cup – Nikki Beseda, Paulette Keilers

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Gregory Huebner, Luke Huebner, Lydia Huebner

Sunday – Wade Halamicek, Luke Beseda, Scotti Beseda

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Ronnie Kramr

Sunday – Marcus Sodek

ALTAR DUTY FOR SEPTEMBER

Nancy Gaertner, Angie Pavlicek, Suzanne Mattair,

Veronica Ryza

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Saturday – Robert Janish, Betty Kovar, Erwin Kovar, Ronnie Chernosky

Sunday – David Bertsch, John Spiess, Lee Matocha, Kenneth Noska

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chair
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

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Donna Shula

Sunday – Robert Balzer

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Donna Shula, Lee Roy Shula

Sunday – L.J. Korenek, Robert Balzar

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Briana Dybala

Sunday – Julie Korenek

ALTAR FLOWERS

September 17/18 Amanda Keilers, September 24/25 Mary Vrazel,

October 1/2 Nancy McCown

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Saturday – Bruce Kubena, Mark Matocha, Mark Schmitt, Eduardo Alvarado

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

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Mary Vrazel
James Korenek
Parish Office
Vlasta Korenek

National Eucharistic Revival 2022-2025

Catechesis Part 4 – Bishop Andrew Cozzens

Why does Christ make his sacrificial death present in the Mass? So that we can join in it. To understand this, let us ask a question: What is Our Lady doing at the foot of the Cross? Why is she present there? What does she see? What is happening in her heart?

At Calvary, many people were there as spectators, some were there only to mock. Very few there knew what was going on—that Jesus was offering his life for the salvation of the world. Mary was not there as a spectator. No, she was actively participating, she was offering her own life with his. She could see the sacrament. She could see what was going on invisibly behind the visible reality. This was not the death of a common criminal. She offered herself with him; she died, too, by consenting to his death, which is why the early Fathers of the Church said she suffered martyrdom.

In fact, if the Cross is a marriage between God and man as the Fathers of the Church claim, then Mary was there representing all of us. She was the Bride, giving consent to this marriage. This is why she is co-redemptrix—not in the sense of being equal in the work of our redemption but in how she cooperated in this work. By her “Yes” at Calvary, by her uniting herself to Christ in his self-gift, she was becoming the Mother of all the redeemed.

The question we should ask ourselves is: How am I present at Mass? Am I there as a spectator, a distracted bystander? Am I there only to get something? Or am I like Mary, learning to make a gift of myself, saying “Yes” to his sacrifice with my own life, offering myself with Christ on the altar for the salvation of the world?

JOIN AND PARTICIPATE

- **Go to Mass and pray well.**
 - In the Mass we encounter Christ in the Eucharist.
 - Faith is learned in the Liturgy.
 - As community we join to worship God and serve our neighbors.
 - Cultivate the virtue of regular attendance at Sunday, and even, weekday Mass.
- **Take time for Adoration.**
 - Before or after Mass or during a designated time at the parish.
 - Just a few minutes will be time well spent.
- **Take our Lord out into the world.**
 - The Eucharist is food for mission.
 - Receive Christ then share him with others
 - bring Him to an outreach ministry
 - bring Him to a conversation with the person on the street

