

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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



**Weekly Offering:** \$ 1,847.00  
**Online Giving:** \$ 100.00  
\$ 1,947.00

*Average Weekly Operating Expenses*  
\$ 2,635

## MASSES

**Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.**  
*John & Albina Urban †*

**Friday at 7:00 a.m.**  
*James & Margie Svrcek*  
*50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*

**Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.**  
*Lawrence Korenek †*

**Sunday at 8:00 a.m.**  
*St Mary's Altar Society*  
*Living & Dec'd Members*

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



**Weekly Offering:** \$ 6,097.00  
**Online Giving:** \$ 510.00  
\$ 6,607.00

*Average Weekly Operating Expenses*  
\$ 5,087

## MASSES

**Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.**  
*Fr. Lionel A. Blain †*

**Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.**  
*Eugene Michalsky †*

**Thursday at 7:00 a.m.**  
*Richard Mueller †*

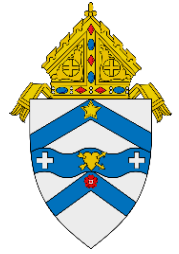
**Saturday at 7:30 a.m.**  
*Frank & Julia Hrachovy †*

**Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.**  
*Charles Vasek †*

**Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**  
*For The People*



**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)

## Mailing Address and Contact Information

**Rev. Steve Sauser, Pastor**  
pastor@stjohnfayetteville.com

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Office Hours: Tues-Fri, 8:30-4:30 (closed 12 to 1 for lunch)

## Administrative Staff

Lexus Zika  
Sheryl Malinowski  
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## Faith Formation

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## Knights of Columbus

Jim Sula kofc3168@gmail.com

## Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Suzanne Mattair njm18@flash.net

**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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 25, 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, Judy Supak, 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.)*

**WELCOME:** St. John's parish family would like to congratulate the family of **Gemma Grace Goebel** who was born into Our Lord's life through baptism. Gemma is the daughter of Reece and Kyla Goebel. May the Lord be with her family with all His blessings.

**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.**

**Reminder:** The student/parent class for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade is this week!

**CYM BINGO** is next weekend, **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.

**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—ST. MARY**

- **Proof Viewing Sessions** for portraits taken at St. Mary will be **October 18-19** at St. Mary's Hall.
- **Volunteers** are needed to assist families during the proof viewing days at St. Mary. If you could volunteer on any of these days, please call or email the parish office, or Amy Babin.

**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.

**ST. MARY PARISHIONERS** need to select three new members for the pastoral council. This group serves as an advisory council for the pastor. Please read the insert in today's St. Mary bulletin for member qualifications, think of some good candidates, and submit their names.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

- **Monthly Officer Meeting** is on Monday, **October 3**, at 6:30 p.m.
- **BAR-B-Q** chicken, sausage and ribs to-go will be available on Sunday, October 9, 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 Erwin Kovar's crew. The CDA will have side dishes available.

**ST. JOHN POST FEAST MEETING** is Sunday, **October 2**, at 11:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Chairpersons are asked to attend.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA REMINDERS:**

- Each month members scheduled are to provide and sell sides at the **KC BBQ**. This is an important fundraising effort for our Court. Please refer to the back page of your CDA newsletter titled "Refreshment Committees" to know which month you are scheduled. **Members to work in the month of October are:** Barbara Castillo, Chair: Cathleen Noska, Lorene Nitschke, Becky Matocha, Wanda Faldyn, Lois Kaspar, Janet Hall.
- Members are asked to donate refreshments for the **Senior Citizen Bingo** at St. John's Hall next Sunday, **October 2**, at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your donated refreshments by 1:45 p.m.

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

**AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA ROSARY CRUSADE 2022**

2022 is the 105<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima. At noon on Saturday, **October 8**, we will pray a public Rosary on the Fayetteville Courthouse Square. More information to come!

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES**

*All classes this fall meet online via Microsoft Teams*

**Christology | New Testament** This course focuses on the people of the early church, from their call to discipleship to the formation of an active church. The faith journey of Jesus' disciples will serve as a model for an examination of our own faith journey. (16 hours) Classes meet 6:30-9:30 p.m. each week on **October 4, 11, 18, 25**.

**Sacramental Theology** This course will explore the history, theology, and pastoral practice of the Sacramental System of the Catholic Church and the liturgical celebrations in which it is expressed. (16 hours) Classes meet **November 8, 15, 29** and **December 6**, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. weekly.

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



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

**OLIVE WOOD NATIVITY CARVINGS** made in Bethlehem will be available for purchase after all Masses **THIS WEEKEND!** Christians living in the Holy Land have few opportunities to make a living, but they continue to struggle to remain there, a people devoted to our most cherished holy places. Many of these families have become talented carvers in olive wood, passing the skills down through the generations. By supporting them, we can help ensure their future as a Christian presence in the Holy Land. These items make great Christmas gifts!



**BABY BANKS ARE HERE!** Don't forget to pick up your Baby Bank after Mass today! Remember those families that need help during or after an unplanned pregnancy. Your donation will help pro-life efforts in our parish and throughout the diocese. Walking with Moms in Need initiative, the Gabriel Project, Project Rachel, Sidewalk Ministry, Pro-Life Help Line, and more will receive funds from this campaign.

For more info or to volunteer, please contact Aimee Korenek at [amskorenek@yahoo.com](mailto:amskorenek@yahoo.com) or Nikki Beseda at [nbeseda@gmail.com](mailto:nbeseda@gmail.com).

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**ST. MARY'S BATHROOM RENOVATION PROJECT**

To make this project a reality, we need every family's financial support. This benefits everyone. No contribution is too small.

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS NEXT WEEKEND** will be for the Cemetery at St. Mary and Faith Formation at St. John.

**ROSARIES AND JEWELRY FOUND:** Several rosaries and some jewelry was found on the grounds of St. John and in St. John Church last week. Please contact the parish office to claim it.

**THE ANNUAL LICKSKILLET DAYS** sponsored by the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce will be **October 15-16**, on the square in Fayetteville. **Please note that the Sunday Mass at St. John's on October 16 will begin at 9:30 a.m.**

**OTHER NEWS**

**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 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.** Don't know when your EIM Compliance expires? Contact the parish office. Go to [www.austindiocese.org/onlineeimtraining](http://www.austindiocese.org/onlineeimtraining) to access the online training.

Upcoming workshop: **St. John, Fayetteville**  
Monday, **October 17**, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., English

**THE DIOCESE OF AUSTIN CELEBRATES ITS 75<sup>TH</sup> 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](http://www.austindiocese75.org) and follow the Diocese of Austin on social media for updates!

**THE RED MASS IS SEPTEMBER 27 AT THE CATHEDRAL**

Bishop Joe Vásquez will celebrate the 31<sup>st</sup> annual Red Mass on Tuesday, **September 27**, at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. The Red Mass is celebrated to mark the opening of the judicial year. Following the Mass will be a dinner presentation by O. Carter Snead. For more information and to register for the dinner, visit <https://www.austindiocese.org/red-mass>.

**BLUE MASS CELEBRATES LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIRST RESPONDERS:**

In an expression of gratitude for their faithful service and sacrifice for our safety and welfare, the Diocese of Austin will host a Blue Mass honoring the dedication and sacrifices of all active, retired and deceased Central Texas first responders. Bishop Joe Vásquez will celebrate the Blue Mass on Thursday, **September 29**, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin. Father Tom Reitmeyer, a former police detective, will give the homily.

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH AT PIN OAK**

has their Fall Festival Saturday, **October 1**. An outdoor Mass will be celebrated at 3:30 p.m. Dinner will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Adult tickets are \$12, and Children's are \$5. Come enjoy the Silent and Live Auctions, Cake Walk and a Free Kids Zone.

**QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY PARISH OF HOSTYN**

will have their Annual Festival on Sunday, **October 2**. There will be a Mass outdoors under a tent at 10:00 a.m., followed by a fried chicken and sausage meal (\$12/plate) starting at 11:00 a.m. The auction will begin at 1:00 p.m., bingo at 1:30 p.m., a magic show at 3:00 p.m. and live music all day. Other activities will include cake and plant wheels, a country store, and a silent auction.

**ST. PAUL CHURCH OF SMITHVILLE**

has their Fall Festival on Sunday, **October 16**. A BBQ chicken and sausage dinner starts at 11:00 a.m. Plates are \$12. Desserts available for free will donation. Enjoy the Live Music, Auction, Raffle, St. Paul's Market, Post Office, Kids' Games, and the Cake Wheel!

**A GRIEF RETREAT**

will be offered **October 1** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Temple. This retreat, led by Louis Gamino, will look at various ways grief can cripple us and more importantly, how we can move forward and honor the loss of our loved one at the same time. Gamino is a Catholic author and licensed psychologist in Temple. The cost is \$45, and includes lunch. For more information, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit [www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake](http://www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake).

**COUPLES PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE**

should contact their priest or deacon at least nine months prior to their wedding date in order to begin the marriage preparation process. Engaged couples are encouraged to inquire at their parish about pre-marriage retreats and classes. Marriage Preparation is an important process that allows couples to discern and explore their vocation of marriage by looking closely at their relationships with one another and with God.

*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**

**Catholic Social Teaching Corner**

**Sept. 24-25 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's Gospel continues the lesson from last Sunday. Comfort and wealth made the rich man blind to poor Lazarus lying on his doorstep and blind to his own need for God. Before God, we are all as poor and needy as Lazarus. Since God has given us love, grace and mercy so freely are we not called to give to the materially poor the material gifts God has given us?

**Septiembre 24-25 26to Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

El Evangelio de hoy continúa la lección del domingo pasado. Consuelo y bienestar ciegan al hombre rico hacia el pobre Lázaro que está recostado en su entrada y también lo ciegan hacia la propia necesidad de Dios. Ante Dios todos somos pobres y necesitados como Lázaro. Ya que Dios nos ha dado amor, gracia y misericordia tan libremente, ¿no estamos llamados a dar a los materialmente pobres los dones materiales que Dios nos ha dado?

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**ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTOR**

**Saturday** – Herman Schramm

**Sunday** – Janet Hall

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Saturday Host** – Karley Gaytan, Addie Dybala

**Saturday Cup** – Wanda Fritsch, Yvonne Smith

**Sunday Host** – Pat Geistmann, Paulette Keilers

**Sunday Cup** – Michelle Bertsch, David Bertsch

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday** – Peyton Jurecka, Paige Jurecka, Abigail Taylor

**Sunday** – Mackayla Griffin, Logan Poncik, Mackenzie Poncik

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Saturday** – Matt Taylor Family

**Sunday** – John Spiess Family

**ALTAR DUTY FOR OCTOBER:** Jean Muske, Margie Svrcek,

Janet Hall, Halissa Toddy

**USHERS FOR OCTOBER**

**Saturday** – Leonard Malota, Wesley Gaertner, Ronald Malota, Leslie Little

**Sunday** – Vernon Hohensee, Willie Socha, Arlis Keilers, Jim Mattair

**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

**Eucharist FAQ**



**What is the Eucharist?**

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The term “Eucharist” originates from the Greek word *eucharistia*, meaning thanksgiving. In the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. The whole Christ is truly present -- body, blood, soul, and divinity -- under the appearances of bread and wine, the glorified Christ who rose from the dead. This is what the Church means when she speaks of the “Real Presence” of Christ in the Eucharist.

**Where is the Eucharist mentioned in the Bible?**

The Lord Jesus, on the night before he suffered on the cross, shared one last meal with his disciples. During this meal our Savior instituted the sacrament of his Body and Blood. He did this in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the Cross throughout the ages and to entrust to the Church a memorial of his death and resurrection. The Institution of the Eucharist is written down in the four Gospels below:

Matthew 26:26-30

Mark 14:22-26

Luke 22:14-20

John 6:22-59 (The Bread of Life Discourse)

**ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTOR**

**Saturday** – Jan Jurecka

**Sunday** – L.J. Korenek

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Saturday** – Donna Shula, Lee Roy Shula

**Sunday** – Aimee Korenek, L.J. Korenek

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday** – Kole Schmitt

**Sunday** – Stephen Korenek

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

October 1/2, Nancy McCown, October 8/9 Marcie Alvarado,

October 15/16 Ruth Beseda

**USHERS FOR OCTOBER**

**Saturday** – James Wunderlich, Alfred Ermis, Anton Becka, Lee Roy Shula

**Sunday** – James Korenek, Luke Orsak, Donnie Becka, Jim Sula

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Mary Vrazel  
James Korenek  
Parish Office  
Vlasta Korenek

**National Eucharistic Revival 2022-2025**

**Catechesis Part 6 – Bishop Andrew Cozzens**

There is nothing we cannot transform into an act of love. Vatican II said, through the Eucharist all “are thus invited and encouraged to offer themselves, their labors and all created things, together with him.”

This teaching has the power to transform our whole lives. If I understand this teaching, even my most difficult sufferings can become a joy! Why? Because they are not empty and meaningless, just as Christ’s suffering was not empty and meaningless. All my sufferings can be brought here to the altar and laid upon it. Christ unites my suffering with his and presents it as a gift to his Father. And then the Father gives his own gift: he gives me back Jesus. He strengthens me with the life of Jesus so that I can suffer out of love. **“Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church” (Col 1:24). What is lacking in Christ’s afflictions? Only that you and I are not sharing in them.**

Why does St. Paul rejoice? Because he knows that his imprisonment is a gift of love, and united to Christ’s sacrifice, it is fruitful for the world.

When we say that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives, this is the summit! **Everything in our life, most especially our sufferings, can and should have a profound meaning. Because through the Eucharist, everything, large or small, can be part of the redemption of the world.**