

St. Mary Catholic Church ~ St. Joseph Catholic Mission

August 2025

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Archbishop Joe S. Vasquez
Fr. Edward C. Kucera, Jr. - Pastor
Deacon David G. Garvis
Deacon Anthony Olivieri
Deacon Frank Ashley

Parish Office
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936-894-2223

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Email: info@stmaryandjoseph.org
Website: smsj.org

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Friday: 8:00 am - 12 pm
Lunch: Closed from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm



MASS SCHEDULE

St. Mary - Plantersville

Monday through Thursday & First Friday - 9:00 a.m.

Saturday - 5:00 p.m. &

Sunday - 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

St. Joseph - Stoneham

Sunday—7:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

1st & 3rd Wednesday: 10 a.m.-12 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
(Subject to change)

Or by Appointment - Please Call the Office

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Please call the parish office for information concerning the Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony or Anointing of the Sick.

Church Organizations & Ministries at St. Mary's & St. Joseph's

Parish Administrator

Bob Daves 936.894.2223

AA

Deb Waters 281.701.4177

ACTS Retreat

Mike Fortunato 346.225.5105

Adult Bible Study & Spiritual Enrichment

Pam Milek 281.686.7552

Adult Confirmation

Sharon Skeans 281.467.0217

Annulments

Cindy Olivieri 713.206.0621

Art & Environment...etc.

Liz Torres 936.894.2223

Baptism Preparation for Infants to 6

Email: baptism@stmaryandjoseph.org

CCE / RE

Nicci Potter 936.894.2223

Email: cce@stmaryandjoseph.org

Church Greeters

Call Parish Office 936.894.2223

Gabriel Project

Amy Schnell 904.556.3486

Guardian Angels Senior Group

Teresa Swonke 979.450.2907

Homebound Ministry

Bobby Williams 832.540.2250

Lectors

Richard Prokop 936.827.1125

Little Lambs Playgroup

Wanda O'Brien 936.597.6328

Marriage Preparation

Dcn. Anthony Olivieri 936.522.8146

Cindy Olivieri 713.206.0621

Music Coordinator

Meara O'Neill 936.894.2223

OCIA / Adult Faith Formation

Thomas Johnson 936.697.2821

Pro-Life Outreach

Nance Shaw 936.894.2512

Quinceanera Coordinator:

Martha Lucas 512.608.3519

Rummage Sale Coordinator

Lauren Twining 281.813.5355

St. Joseph - Altar Society

Marcy Pavlock 936.661.6662

St. Joseph - Cemetery

Justin Mock 979.777.4993

St. Joseph - Men's Club

Donovan Pavlock

St. Mary - Altar Servers

Steve Twining 936.306.9188

St. Mary - Altar Society

Betty Hollas 713.419.6106

St. Mary - Cemetery

Rita Swonke 713.557.5817

St. Mary - Corner Shoppe

Devoni Wardlow 281.468.8784

St. Mary - Extraordinary Ministers -

Holy Communion & Sacristans

Kerry Masson 713.824.8599

St. Mary - Men's Club

Shanon Salisbury 936.444.5988

Stitchin' Sisters

Juli Murphy 936.206.0677

St. Vincent de Paul (for help, 936.894.2362)

Bob Daves 832.205.2791

Wedding Coordinator:

Martha Lucas 512.608.3519

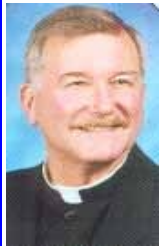
Young Catholic Married Couples (YCMC)

Michael Tann 346.373.0369

Youth Confirmation

Email: youthconfirmation@stmaryandjoseph.org

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If you would like to become a member of our parish, please pick up a registration form in back of the church or complete online at www.smsj.org.
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AND NOW A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...

Unfortunately, I missed the deadline for my article in last month's bulletin. I'm surprised at the comments I received, mainly expressing disappointment it wasn't there. Gee, didn't realize it was actually so widely read...lol.

Here are a few things to catch everyone up on the latest happenings around here...

We've made progress on the initiative of building a new parish church at St. Mary's. The architect is selected: Studio Red. We were pleased with their presentation and the staff we'd be working with. They were very keen on listening to what we were intending and asking in the design of a new sanctuary. We (the Design Committee) all had input on sharing with them our hopes and ideas of the design of the new church: Not a reproduction of the present church but a mirror, a second cousin that would compliment and enhance the warmth and joy of celebration that has been the hallmark of St. Mary. Specifically, the consensus of the committee was that the thrust of the design would be traditional and solidly rooted in the values of the Second Vatican Council of full, conscious, active participation in the Sacred Liturgy. We're meeting regularly and hoping to present the design to you, the parishioners, as soon as possible and, of course, ultimately to the Bishop for his approval. Keep your prayers going and fingers crossed. My clock is ticking. Then, the Building/Construction Committee takes over and the Capital Campaign will be set loose. I think you'll be well pleased and as excited as I am.

On another subject: Fr. Kelly's House.

The progress has been slow on the building of the handicapped ramp providing access to the House. The daily rains (so far over 25+) have been the overriding factor holding up opening the new space for AA, the Cemetery Association, Grief Share and Guardian Angels. We're also hoping to have Spiritual Direction available soon. Everyone is chomping-at-the-bit. We'll have an Open House for all to admire the new addition to our parish campus. Of course, it will still be 'The Kelly House' in honor of our deceased rent-a-priest, Fr. Bill Kelly, who willed his home to the parish.

“When the Church is unified and the Lord is glorified, then the saints will be edified, sinners will be sanctified, and the devil will be terrified!”...Anthony Warner

We've begun walking a wonderful and difficult road to honor God with a new sanctuary to dwell in a special way in our midst. We're walking together, working together. Keeping united is important because ... (see above).

Please keep our sick in your prayers:



MaryAnn Benitz, Lisa "Roade" Bohack, Bernie & JoAnn Borski, Courtney Boyett, Delores Boyett, James & Meredith Buck, Charlie Burzinski, Jr., Francis "Frank" Bushey, Nettie Carmouche, Florence Corolla, Jay Creighton, Melissa Duffy, Jeff Faughn, Liliana Fredo, Melody Gensheimer, Holly Gilstrap, Russell Grasshoff, Frances Griffith, Cassy Guillory, Jamie Hafra, Kenneth Harris, Hudson Hall, Briana Herzog Burns, Timothy & Catherine Hoffart, Irene Hoffpauir, Barbara Hyde, Alice Johnston, Will Kaus, Hiltraud "Hillie" Keller, Deborah Kennamore, Jerome & Ruth Kolek, Jimmy Kubeczka, Shirley Kuzma, Greta La Fluer, Grant Larson, Jack Letobitz, Chris Lobue, Kayla Reneé Luck, Patti Lott Stafford, Laveta Malek, Fritz Manuel, Amanda Martinez, Natalie Mattern, Frankie McIntosh, Kerri McLeod, Mike Meador & Janie Houser Meador, Linda Merdian, Hailey Minor, Chad Mock, Fred O'Connor, Tammy Rabun, CeCe Ray, Josephine Shannon, David Shrader, John Simmons, Fred Smith, Brian Stehling, Marie Staples, Craig Strickler, Daniela Syzdek, Dr. Linda Ann Walker, Clara Walkoviak

We need your help to clean up our prayer list. Please get in touch with the office if there is anyone we can remove from the prayer list, if there is a loved one you would like to remain on the list, or if you would like to add someone to the list. Contact at info@smsj.org or 936-894-2223

CONFESSIONS



**Confessions will be heard on
Wednesday, August 6 & 20
10:00am-noon & 5:00-6:00pm
(Subject to change)**

Otherwise, if available, Fr. Ed would be happy to hear confessions.

Call the office for an appointment at 936-894-2223.

Anointing Mass for the Sick and Elderly

August 6

No First Friday Mass

St. Mary's Cemetery Association

Our cemetery committee has been hard at work for the last few months with various projects in the cemetery. One of the biggest projects was getting the large cross in the oldest section of the cemetery refurbished. Until now, many did not know it even existed. A concern to us is leaning headstones. Please check your family headstone and see if it is starting to lean. If so, you need to have it taken care of. We have been working with Texas Gravestone Care (TGC), who have stabilized two older headstones, one that had fallen over. If we have several headstones that need attention, we can contact TGC and they can come out and we can bill each family. Let us know if you would like your name on the list. In mid-August, we will have a cemetery cleanup day so it will look nice for the bazaar. Please watch your Flocknotes for the date. We would like to recognize one of our hardworking committee members. Bob Haese has worked tirelessly in recognizing what projects need to be completed and has followed through with his team of fellow committee members. Thank you, Bob, for your dedication.

St. Joseph Mass Intentions August 2025

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Intentions</u> | <u>Requested by</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---|--|
| Sun., Aug. 3 | 7:30am | Theresa Smith Jacob & Martha Wishkoski | Mary Posinski Kathy Zdunkawicz Family |
| Sun., Aug. 10 | 7:30am | Leland & Barbara Fougeron Dorothy Breaux | Rick & Lisa Atkinson Tom & Kaky Wetuski |
| Sun., Aug. 17 | 7:30am | Peter Joseph Imhoff, Ellie Imhoff, Harlan Jochen Edward & Frances Klevenski | Imhoff Family Kathy Zdunkawicz Family |
| Sun., Aug. 24 | 7:30am | Glenn Capps Ginny Lampasas | Kathy & Dan Busa Tom & Kaky Wetuski |
| Sun., Aug. 31 | 7:30am | Patrick Malek Leon Vasek | Theresa Rausheck James & Judy Miller |

Please visit:

<https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>

For today's
Liturgical Readings



MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOANER PROGRAM

St. Mary's has a loaner program for anyone in need of Medical equipment. For equipment availability, and to set up a pick up time please contact the office at 936-894-2223.

We have walkers, bedside commodes, medical beds & other durable medical devices.



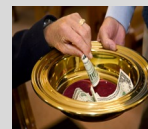
SUNDAY FUNDAY

Children of all ages - join in the FUN during SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP in the corner of the HALL EVERY SUNDAY after every Mass. Fun things to PLAY with and FRIENDS to meet. Let's enjoy our CATHOLIC FAITH together!



SECOND COLLECTION

August 10:
Infirm Priests Collection



*Please pray for all of our
men & women in the military.*

You can find the bulletin on our website www.smsj.org/bulletins

St. Mary Mass Intentions for August 2025

| Date | Time | Intention | Requested by |
|----------------|-------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Fri., Aug. 1 | 9:00am | NO MASS | --- |
| Sat., Aug. 2 | 5:00pm | Louis Bohack | Pat Feldman |
| Sun., Aug. 3 | 7:00am | Robert Hobbs | Greg & Joy Walkoviak |
| | | Lisa Seigle | Pct. 1 Recycle Center Friends |
| | 8:30am | Janine Amort | Eddie & Dianne Delgado |
| | 10:00am | Norman Algert | SM Altar Society |
| | | Dianne Maguire | Richard Maguire |
| | 11:30am | For the People | --- |
| Mon., Aug. 4 | 9:00am | Philip Pellegrino | Cynara Pellegrino |
| Tue., Aug. 5 | 9:00am | Margie Harrison | Cynara Pellegrino |
| Wed. Aug. 6 | 9:00am | Bill Malek | Laveta Malek |
| Thur., Aug. 7 | 9:00am | Bob Card | --- |
| Sat., Aug. 9 | 5:00pm | Elizabeth & Floyd Swonke | Charles & Rita Swonke |
| Sun., Aug. 10 | 7:00am | For the People | --- |
| | 8:30am | Jack Moser | Mary Jo Villa |
| | 10:00am | Barbara Hilton | Herb Hilton |
| | | Brian Patrick Murphy | Pattie & Jeff Gehring |
| | 11:30am | Frank & Agnes Kiefel | Cody & Lynn Blair & Family |
| | | Joe & Marguerite Mook | Matt & Cambry Yarotsky & Family |
| Mon., Aug. 11 | 9:00am | Elnora Lewandowski | Kimberly Leshick |
| Tue., Aug. 12 | 9:00am | Jacob Diehl | Beatrice Diehl |
| Wed., Aug. 13 | 9:00am | Roseann Brown | JD & JoAnn Verdino |
| Thur., Aug. 14 | 9:00am | Susan Kimich | --- |
| Fri., Aug. 15 | 9:00am | For the People | --- |
| Sat., Aug. 16 | 5:00pm | Charles A. Mock | Aleen Mock |
| | | Glenn Mock | Blair Family |
| Sun., Aug. 17 | 7:00am | Ron Michno | Pauline Michno |
| | 8:30am | Terry M. Rhodes | Jeanette Rhodes & Family |
| | 10:00am | For the People | --- |
| | 11:30am | Florine Hock | Sharon Hock |
| Mon., Aug. 18 | 9:00am | Beth Ramsberg | Mike & Melinda Donnellan |
| Tue., Aug. 19 | 9:00am | Grady M Drawdy, III | Sandra Rios |
| Wed., Aug. 20 | 9:00am | John Folta Petro | Cecy Petro |
| Thur., Aug. 21 | 9:00am | Robert Kadlubar | --- |
| Sat., Aug. 23 | 5:00pm | Cindy Smith | Jerry & Martha Vickery |
| Sun., Aug. 24 | 7:00am | Bill Malek | Laveta Malek |
| | 8:30am | Ginny Lampasas | Cliff & Pat Conrey |
| | 10:00am | Frank Mock | Tootsie Mock |
| | 11:30am | Bob Riedle | Mary & Susan Riedle |
| Mon., Aug. 25 | 9:00am | John & Dorothy Pearson | Christy Ellwanger |
| Tue., Aug. 26 | 9:00am | For the People | --- |
| Wed., Aug. 27 | 9:00am | Sean Schratwieser | Schratwieser Family |
| Thur., Aug. 28 | 9:00am | --- | --- |
| Sat., Aug. 30 | 5:00pm | Dolores Hoffart | Veronica Allen & Roby Whittaker |
| Sun., Aug. 31 | 7:00am | Coleen Syzdeck | --- |
| | 8:30am | Larry Sechelski | Steve Husfeld |
| | 10:00am | Frank, Francis and (Jean) Kiefel | The Blair Family |



THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Pope's Intention: For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

The Parish Office will be closed Friday, August 15 in observance of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Friday, August 15th: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On this great feast day, the Church commemorates the Happy departure from mortal life of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and Her translation into the kingdom of Her Son, where He crowned Her with immortal glory and enthroned Her above all the other Saints and heavenly spirits.



St. Vincent de Paul Society:

Have you ever thought what your life would have been like had you been born at a different time in a different place? Let's say in the third ward of Houston during the late forties. You had a mother but no father. Or born in Africa or South America in a place where there was no clean water, living in a house made of mud and straw or just pieces of cardboard. For many of us, we have been blessed beyond all measures, truly rich in so many ways. We are the rich which Jesus talks about in the gospels. We have so many neighbors who struggle every day financially, physically, and emotionally. Let us not become the rich man that Jesus talks about in the gospel of Luke: **“19** There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. **20** At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores **21** and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores." Let's us all keep our hearts open and be willing to share with these brother and sisters who struggle to make ends meet.



We thank you and our prayers are with you. The Vincentians of St Mary/St Joseph Conference.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 26 at 10:00 am in the FLC Rm 201.

**If you or anyone you know is in need of assistance from the
St. Vincent de Paul Society, call: (936) 894-2362**

Save the Date!

St. Mary's Bazaar is quickly approaching!

Labor Day Sunday

August 31, 2025

11:00 a.m. until 5:00p.m.

Join us on this festive occasion where we have an old-fashioned country barbecue, games, live and silent auctions, our raffle, and a heaping dose of fellowship.

Y'ALL COME AND HAVE A GREAT TIME!

ALL HANDS ON DECK

We always need help with:

Bazaar set-up: Saturday, August 30th

&

Take-down Monday, September 1st

Sign up for works days at Bazaar Central (starting August 9/10)
or on SIGNUP GENIUS



ST. MARY'S ANNUAL
HOMECOMING & BAZAAR
August 31, 2025

INGREDIENTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR

1400+ families each doing their part
AN EASY BAZAAR RECIPIE 2025

Necessary Ingredients

Selling your Raffle Tickets is critical

Then,

- 1 Auction Item [*Something that will knock their socks off*]
- 1 Toy
- 1 Bag of Groceries
- 1 Craft Item or homemade canned/baked item
Our country store depends on this! It's what makes our bazaar 'country'
- 1 Hunting/Fishing/Sport Item
- 2 Cakes, cupcakes, or pies on Friday or Saturday before Bazaar
- 1 Restaurant Gift Certificate
- 2 Helping Hands
- 1 Positive Attitude and a Welcoming Smile

Bring these necessary ingredients
and place on the tables provided in the hall.

Tag your item for its specific booth.

If you need help unloading, please call ahead 936-894-2223.

ST. MARY'S BAZAAR 2025

★ TOGETHER WE CAN DO IT ★

YOUR HELP MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Put your time and talent to use by *VOLUNTEERING*
Scan the QR code to find your spot



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A094FADA82EA02-57326738-stmarys>

LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

- A few of the larger auction items we are looking for are weekend getaways, travel points for airline tickets, a jewelry item, and hunting/fishing trip related items.
- No item is too large or too small for our Auction!!

2025 BAZAAR RAFFLE TICKET
Over \$30,000 in prizes



TOP Prize: \$10,000
2nd Prize: \$5,000
3rd Prize: \$5,000
4th Prize: John Deere 42"
Zero Turn Mower value \$3,200
And many more great prizes!

\$5 each or five for \$20
Tickets are available in the church,
the parish hall, the Church Office
and on the day of the Bazaar.



BOUNTIFUL HARVEST?

Well, do we have a use for that!!
Let's stock the store with:
Canned jams, pickles, relishes, etc.
Handmade crafts, sewing, etc.
Homemade cookies, breads, etc.



ST. MARY'S BAZAAR COUNTRY STORE!

AUCTION UPDATE

We invite you to play a vital role in our success by donating an item for our live and silent auctions. This year, our goal is ambitious, but with your support, we know we can reach it.

We are seeking unique items and experiences, gift certificates, handmade items, gift baskets and your contributions can make a significant difference! Please ensure that all donations are dropped off at the church by Sunday, August 17th.

We also welcome monetary donations which allows us to source unique items and experiences! Scan the QR code with your phone camera to make a donation directly to the church for use by the Auction Committee.

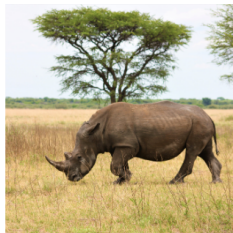


Your 2025 Auction Committee is busy planning this years event and we already have some exciting offerings! We can't wait to share more about our Live and Silent Auctions so stay tuned for more information.



Fiesta with Father Ed

May 1st in the Rectory
Get a head start on
Cinco de Mayo
with Dinner and Drinks
for 8 people.



African Safari

Avula Safaris, a collection of private game reserves. Discover an authentic African hunting experience like no other.



Sunset in the Country

Enjoy a beautiful evening of entertainment and dining at the Kubiak Farm

Are you going to be out of town Bazaar Day?

Are you unable to work Bazaar Day?

Consider being a Sponsor for one of the following items:

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|-----------------------|-----------|
| Hunting/Fishing Booth | 2 x \$500 |
| Kid's Zone | 2 x \$500 |
| Plant Booth | \$500 |
| Restaurant Card Booth | \$300 |
| Grocery Booth | \$500 |

If you would like to be a sponsor of all or part of any of the above booths or items, please give your contribution to Bazaar Central or contact the church office at 936-894-2223.

Sponsor signs are displayed at the booth if requested.



Restaurant Booth

This popular booth is in need of restaurant gift cards \$10-\$25 in value. Stop by your favorite restaurant and pick one up or ask for a donation.



KOLACHE BOOTH

Kolache Pans with recipe are available at Bazaar Central. Bake at home and bring back day of Bazaar. One of our most popular booths!

CAKES! CAKES! CAKES!

Cakes needed for the **DINNER LINE** as well as for the **CAKE BOOTH**. Bake ahead and freeze and bring on Saturday before the Bazaar. Sheet cakes and cupcakes work best for the dinner line.



HUNTING & FISHING BOOTH

\$15-\$20 NEW items
Lures ~ fishing rods ~
camo items ~
pocket knives...etc.



CCE Ministry Needs Volunteers

“God does not call the qualified, but qualifies the called”

Exodus 4: 10-12, 2 Cor 3:5

To make this year a success, CCE is looking for dedicated volunteers to serve in the following roles:

- 2nd grade catechist for Wednesday or Sunday
- 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade on Wednesday
- 6th grade on Wednesday or Sunday
- 8th grade on Wednesday or Sunday
- Security personnel for Wednesday or Sunday
- Aides in classroom for all grades on Wednesday or Sunday

What does it take to be a CCE teacher?

- Appreciation for the parish’s youth!
- Confirmed Catholic
- Complete Safe Haven online training
- 1 hr class times
- Use of teacher’s manual to prep for class beforehand

Volunteer form



Whether you’re a parent, grandparent, young adult, or parish member looking to give back – there’s a place for you in our CCE ministry!

For more information or additional questions, contact Nicci at cce@stmaryandjoseph.org

| September 2025 | | | | | | | October 2025 | | | | | | | November 2025 | | | | | | | December 2025 | | | | | | |
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| January 2026 | | | | | | | February 2026 | | | | | | | March 2026 | | | | | | | April 2026 | | | | | | |
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*Bold Denotes Class Days

The Corner Shoppe

St. Mary's Religious Articles Store

Stop in after all Weekend Masses and **also on Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to shop for:**

*Catholic Devotional Items * Sacrament Gifts **

*Wedding and Anniversary Gifts * Greeting Cards * Rosaries*

If you are interested in volunteering to work in the Corner Shoppe please leave your name and phone number with one of the volunteers in the Shoppe.

St. Mary's Men's Club
Blood Drive & Breakfast, Sunday, September 14

Please make plans to donate. If you are unable to, please encourage a friend or family member to do so.



Are YOU a fully initiated Catholic?

Have you celebrated ALL THREE of the
Sacraments of Initiation
(Baptism, Confirmation, & Eucharist)?

Calling all **ADULT** Catholics (18 years of age or older) who have celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism and First Eucharist, but somehow missed Confirmation! St. Mary/St. Joseph's Adult Confirmation fall preparation sessions have been scheduled!

For more information, contact Dr. Sharon Skeans: (281) 467-0217

Young Catholic Married Couples (YCMC)

Young Catholic Married Couples (ages 21-49) will NOT be meeting in August due to bazaar set-up in the hall.

AA MEETINGS:

**Every Monday
evening @ 8 p.m. in
St. Mary's FLC
Kitchen.**



Faith Formation & Children's Sacraments

CCE Registration is now open for the 2025-2026 school year! CCE is for anyone in grades Kindergarten through High School. The link for registration can be found on the smsj.org website or use the QR code below. As always, we would love anyone willing to volunteer with CCE, so let us know if you are called to serve!



Please email cce@stmaryandjoseph.org if you have any questions. Looking forward to a wonderful year!

Rummage News



We are in need of gently used items, such as antiques, tools, furniture, toys, household items and especially **jewelry**. The rummage barn is open every Wednesday 8am - noon for your drop offs. Carts will be under the pavilions. If you need to schedule a furniture pick up, please contact Lauren Twining 281-813-5355.

Rummage barn will be closed while the bazaar is underway. Barn will be closed on Wednesdays, Aug 27, Sept 3 and Sept 10. Carts will not be under the pavilion between Aug 20 and Sep 13. We will resume business on Sept 17th.

(Items must be in good condition. We cannot accept glass topped tables, TV or entertainment centers, exercise equipment, or china cabinets unless they are antique. Items that cannot be used must be disposed of at the expense of the parish.)

The Montgomery County Women's Center is an outreach of the St. Mary's Altar Society. The Center offers support to women and families experiencing difficult circumstances with domestic violence.



The current needs are:

Women's leggings all sizes
Women's flip flops all sizes
Detergent
Twin sheets
Hair brushes
Diapers sizes 5 and 6
Baby wipes

Please place your donations in the baskets provided in the church and hall.

LITTLE LAMBS PLAYGROUP

Are you looking for a playgroup for your children to get together with others? Moms or Dads, are you looking to connect with other parents and visit while your children play? Homeschool families, are you looking for a few hours of socialization for your children and conversation with adults? If the answer is YES, then come and join us this month in the hall at St. Mary's. We will not meet in August but will resume in September.



ST. MARY'S GUARDIAN ANGELS SENIOR GROUP NEWS

**The Guardian Angels are on Summer Break.
No meetings or Game Day/Bingo in July/August**

Next meeting on Tuesday, September 2 @ 10:00am in the FLC Rm 201

Bingo is scheduled for September 16 @ 10:00am in SM parish hall.
We are looking forward to seeing all of you in September!

**The Domino Club will play 42 on Tuesday August 5 & 12 in the Family Life Center Kitchen.
We are looking for more players. Please bring a dish to share with everyone.**

JOIN THE STITCHIN' SISTERS



Are you interested in bringing back a lost art?
Are you interested in having a good time with a great group of ladies?

Think about joining the Stitchin' Sisters. Hand quilting seems to be a lost art that we are trying to keep alive. We are a group of ladies that hand quilt three donation quilts a year. One for the Plantersville Fire Department Auction, one for St. Joseph's Bazaar Auction and one for St. Mary's Bazaar Auction.

If time permits between those quilts, we will quilt a member's quilt for a nominal fee. If you do not know how to quilt, we will do our best to help you out. We all have opinions! We can show you how to put up a quilt on a frame, how to mark it, how to quilt it, and how to finish it.

We meet every Wednesday from 9:30 to 2:00 at the St. Joseph Hall. Bring your own lunch.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

For more info, Juli Murphy: at 936-206-0677 or email julimurphy1988@gmail.com.

Infant Baptism Information

Interested in infant baptism at St. Mary? Join us for an in-person information session where we will discuss requirements, parent and godparent roles and responsibilities, the Rite, and Q&A.

At least one parent is required to attend an Information Session, and godparents are encouraged to attend. Information Sessions will be held at 1PM in the Family Life Center on the following Sundays:

August 3, 2025

October 5, 2025

November 2, 2025

We look forward to serving you and your family in preparation for this blessed sacrament. Please send us an email if you plan on attending - baptism@stmaryandjoseph.org





THE GABRIEL PROJECT

The Gabriel Project is the pro-life apostolate offering assistance to a woman and her family during and after her pregnancy. We offer the following to ALL parishioners and those in the surrounding community:

- Maternity clothing
- Baby & Infant clothing from size 0 thru 2T
- Diapers/wipes/toiletries
- Crib/car seat/toys/other baby needs


We have a **well-stocked storage room** of new and very gently used items **waiting to be gifted** to our parish families and those in the area who are pregnant or have little ones!

Contact Amy Schnell 904.556.3486 to set up a time to pick up the items needed or to visit with us for any special needs.

The GABRIEL PROJECT will accept your BABY/TODDLER items (clothes, car seats, infant toys, etc.). Drop off on the porch of THE GABRIEL STORAGE ROOM or contact Amy Schnell for assistance.

ST. MARY'S MEN'S CLUB

Happy August aka...Bazaar Month. The Men's Club will be in full swing of helping with the Bazaar, if you are able and willing we would love to have you join us for work days or volunteer for the day of the Bazaar. As always thanks for your support. Come out and join us for our monthly meeting on **Tuesday August 19th** at 6:30pm in St. Mary's Parish Hall. We welcome all visitors.

 **BIG NEWS! OPENING DAY FOR THE ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY**

Calling ALL LADIES of the Parish! The first Altar Society meeting for the year 2025-2026 is **Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 10:00am in the Parish Hall**. If you are not a member of the Altar Society, come to our first meeting in September to find out what we do! To all members, mark September 9 on your calendar now. More information to follow!

ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR SOCIETY

We are on summer break. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, September 2 at 6:30 pm - SJ Hall

Anyone who is not currently a member of the Altar Society, but would like to be, please plan on attending.

Oktoberfest

Beer Music Food

OCTOBER 17, 2025 | 5:00PM

ST MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for an evening of fun!

Traditional German Food



Beer & Wine



Grand March with Father Ed



Dance to music by

Texas Sound Czech Band

\$50
PER
PERSON





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Encounter Christ on a Catholic Pilgrimage



*Fr. Ed Kucera invites you
on a pilgrimage to the*
**Shrines and Saints of
ITALY**

September 27 - October 7, 2025

*Join your fellow parishioners on a trip of a
lifetime visiting such Catholic sites as
Milan, Pavia, Venice and more.*

*Prices start at \$5,550 (double occupancy)
for land and air.*



Quinceañera

The celebration of a young lady's transition from childhood to adolescence. It begins with the celebration of a Mass of Thanksgiving for the gift of life and asking for a blessing from God for the coming years. It is an opportunity for family and friends to share in this important celebration. It usually ends with a dinner and/or dance. **Those who are considering having a Quinceañera in the upcoming year are asked to attend an informational meeting.**

The meetings are planned for each January and June before the date of the celebration. Please contact Martha Lucas at (512) 608-3519 or emslucas@yahoo.com for more information.

August 2025

Regular Weekend Mass Schedule
 Saturday: 5:00pm (SM)
 Sunday: 7:30am (Sj)
 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30am (SM)

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| *1:00pm – Baptism Info Session – FLC Rm. 201 *Regular Mass Schedule | *9:00am – Mass *8:00pm – AA Meeting – FLC Kitchen | *9:00am – Mass *11:00am – Domino Club | *9:00am – Mass *8:00am – Rummage Barn - Open *9:30am – Stitchin’ Sisters – SJ Hall *10-noon & 5-6pm – Con-fessions | *9:00am - Mass | NO MASS | *5:00pm – Mass 2nd Collection – Infirm Priests |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| *Regular Mass Schedule 2nd Collection – Infirm Priests | *9:00am – Mass *8:00pm – AA Meeting – FLC Kitchen | *9:00am – Mass *11:00am – Domino Club | *9:00am – Mass *8:00am – Rummage Barn - Open *9:30am – Stitchin’ Sisters – SJ Hall | *9:00am - Mass | *9:00am – Mass Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Office Closed | *5:00pm - Mass |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| *Regular Mass Schedule | *9:00am – Mass *8:00pm – AA Meeting – FLC Kitchen | *9:00am – Mass NO DOMINO CLUB *6:30 – SM Men’s Club Dinner & Meeting – SM Hall | *9:00am – Mass *8:00am – Rummage Barn - Open *9:30am – Stitchin’ Sisters – SJ Hall *10-noon & 5-6pm – Con-fessions | *9:00am - Mass | NO MASS | *5:00pm - Mass |
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| *Regular Mass Schedule | *9:00am – Mass NO YCMC MEETING *8:00pm – AA Meeting | *9:00am – Mass NO DOMINO CLUB *10:00am – SVdP Mtg – FLC Rm 201 | *9:00am - Mass | *9:00am - Mass | NO MASS | *8:00am – Bazaar Workday *5:00pm – Mass |
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| SM Mass Schedule: 7:00am, 8:30am, & 10:00am SJ Mass Schedule: 7:30am SM Bazaar Begins @ 11:00am | | | | | | |