



St. Mary Catholic Church ~ St. Joseph Catholic Mission

June 2026

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Archbishop Joe S. Vasquez

Fr. Edward C. Kucera, Jr. ~ Pastor

Fr. Paul Lockey - Visiting Priest

Deacon Anthony Olivieri

Deacon Frank Ashley

Deacon David G. Garvis

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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.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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 832.205.2791

AA

Deb Walters 281.701.4177

ACTS Retreat

Diane Pasket 936.232.0864

Adult Bible Study & Spiritual Enrichment

Suiki Boardman 713.254.6943

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

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Email: cce@stmaryandjoseph.org

Church Greeters

Call Parish Office 936.894.2223

Gabriel Project

Amy Schnell 904.556.3486

GriefShare

Pam Milek 281.686.7552

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 936.900.4903

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

Lora Cox 254.216.3316

St. Mary - Extraordinary Ministers -

Holy Communion & Sacristans

Kerry Masson 713.824.8599

St. Mary - Men's Club

Shanon Salsbury 936.444.5988

Stitchin' Sisters

Juli Murphy 936.206.0677

St. Vincent de Paul (for help, 936.894.2362)

Everette Johnson 713.204.3016

Wedding Coordinator:

Martha Lucas 512.608.3519

Young Catholic Married Couples (YCMC)

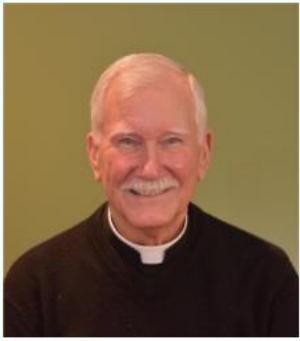
TBD ycmc@stmaryandjoseph.org

Youth Confirmation

Email: youthconfirmation@stmaryandjoseph.org

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.

AND NOW A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...



Now that the Easter Season is closed with the great Feast of Pentecost and we've officially begun summer with our Nation's celebration of Memorial Day, I'd like to recap a little and look forward to what lies ahead in the next few months.

Easter, of course, is the high point of our Church's liturgical year. For both of our communities of St. Mary & St. Joseph it's the opportunity to pull out all the stops and shine. That we did. I am proud to say that our guests who come year after year and the first-timers comment to me on the joy, excitement and welcome they feel the moment they arrive. That in itself is a wonderful witness of who we are as a family of Faith. I'm not even going to try to mention and thank all those involved in making the entire Easter celebration which touches and deepens the faith of so many. God knows and does the thanking and rewarding. "Well done, good and faithful servants."

You may not have noticed...

The altar, ambo, and gift tablecloths at St. Mary are in the 1935 photo taken by Fr. Elmendorf of the interior of the church. I found them stuffed in a sacristy drawer when I first arrived and recognized them as the ones in the photo. We put them out only during the Christmas and Easter seasons and on Bazaar Day. They are then packed in archival paper and stored. Hopefully, they will last many more years for future generations.

St. Mary's Paschal Candle (the big 'Easter' candle) carried into the church on the solemn Easter Vigil and having its place next to the ambo (pulpit) all during Easter is very special. It was made by Marklin Candle Design in New Hampshire. I have bought Easter candles since Mark Marklin started his company in 1985. As a result, we have had every design he's offered through the years. For this Easter I contacted Mark and asked if he'd do a custom, one-of-a-kind Paschal Candle for St. Mary. I wanted it to be inspired by the artist Henri Matisse. He was thrilled. It is not only unique but absolutely beautiful. He told me he had shown it to some other pastors who wanted the same. He declined saying it was only made for one church, St. Mary/Plantersville. They're jealous... lol. Next year's candle will be inspired by the artist Vincent Van Gogh....and the following year the artist Frieda Kahlo. Yep, am optimistic. Ordering two years in advance. lol. St. Joseph's is not forgotten. Next year's candle will be inspired by the 'corn poppy', the national flower of Poland.

Notice that the baptismal fonts of our churches were especially decorated. Baptism. Our dying and rising with Christ to His new life is highlighted throughout the Easter season. St. Mary's baptismal font, originally from a church on the East Coast, had the dome cover removed, and a carved bowl of quartz positioned for baptisms. It was actually lit from beneath and encircled by an elaborate arrangement of flowers. The font at St. Joseph's, also originally from the East Coast, had a stunning arrangement of live greenery (life) and lilies, the Easter flower. Both fonts immediately caught one's attention, as they should all year, but especially during Easter.

AND NOW A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR (p. 2)...

Now that the Easter season is completed, we'll be entering into Ordinary Time. It's called 'ordinary' not because it's dull or common, but comes from the Latin word 'ordo', numbered, It's the counted time between the great Feasts of the liturgical year. The color changes. Easter 'white/gold' for joy, Pentecost 'red' for the Holy Spirit, now 'green' for hope, life of faith. The environment (decorations) is less elaborate. Ordinary Time might be seen a 'resting period' until the liturgical year changes pace: Ash Wednesday, Lent... Easter to Pentecost...Advent to Christmas.

St. Joseph's bazaar was blessed by an unexpectedly beautiful day (the forecast was dreadful). The crowd was given, as expected, a great feed and an enjoyable time of visiting and spending money to support the church.

Now we're beginning the planning for St. Mary's bazaar, the Sunday of Labor Day weekend. I want to make a special appeal to our new St. Mary's families: We need you to be part of the one event that showcases St. Mary's united, working together, enjoying each other, knowing each other better and witnessing to our Lord, Jesus. If you're new to the parish, if you're young and new to the parish, if you're new, young and have children, this is your opportunity to get involved. We pride ourselves as not being a parish where you go to church on Sundays and go home when Mass is over. We consider this our 'Faith Home'. It's so important for the young and children to see their parents involved, working at the church (even with them at their side). Never consider that 'well, they've got it all covered'. There is always room for more and more hands to make the work easier and go more quickly. Speaking for myself, it's getting a bit harder to life/pull/carry at 78...lol. We, as a parish family, have been so blessed. Those blessing come, I believe, from the Lord Who sees how we all work together for His honor and glory. When you hear the announcement about the upcoming Bazaar, don't tune out but hear the Lord speaking to you to do your part. Honestly, it's that working together that you get to know your fellow parishioners and how, honestly, I get to know you.

We're also preparing for our new year of handing on the faith to our youth and children. We have a dedicated and enthusiastic team, coordinating our CCE program. We also have a faithful, faith-filled, dedicated core of teachers and aides who re-enlist to continue witnessing and teaching the beliefs of our Catholic faith. But we need more to come forward and fill in those positions that need a teacher or aide for this new year. You'll be hearing about the needs of our CCE program. Again, hear not just the announcement but Christ reaching out to you and your gifts to do what is desperately needed today: teaching and leading our youth and children into the ways of our Catholic faith. There is news of this year's CCE in this bulletin. Sometimes I feel like we're begging for volunteers. Should we beg to find those willing to build up the Church for the present generation? Think about it. Christ may be calling you to use your gifts. He needs you. We need you.

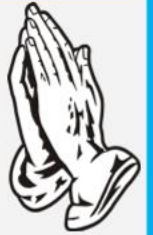
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Looking forward to the summer months when so many are traveling, sometimes our Sunday hospitality teams need a little help or are anxious to add new team members. Appealing especially to newcomers and younger families...think about it. I am thrilled on Sunday mornings when I hear the laughter, camaraderie and bustling in the kitchen as guys and gals come in to prepare a feast for their fellow parishioners. Again, need I say? Want to get involved? Meet new friends/parishioners? Another opportunity. No experience required. On the job training. Who knows you might become a supervisor.

Time flies by so quickly. Before we know it, the summer will be over.

I am thankful that as time flies by, I have this time to continue being pastor of our wonderful and active churches. But we all know that my clock is ticking...lol. But, until that ultimate day comes, we have a lot of work to do. I'm blessed that I can depend on all of you to continue to make my job 'like a cakewalk'. I've never felt like I have a heavy load to carry. Y'all make it easy. Why retire? I have it too good, thanks to all of you.

Please keep our sick in your prayers:



Carol Anderson, MaryAnn Benitz, Bernie & JoAnn Borski, Courtney Boyett, Delores Boyett, Blanca Bradley, James & Meredith Buck, Charlie Burzinski, Jr., Francis "Frank" Bushey, Gary Carmouche, Florence Corolla, Jay Creighton, Melissa Duffy, Don Faughn, Jeff Faughn, Steve Floyd, Beckham Fox, Liliana Fredo, Carol Fryman, Jeffery Gehring, Col. James Gensheimer, Holly Gilstrap, Russell Grasshoff, Cassy Guillory, Jamie Hafla, Hudson Hall, John Hannemann, , Briana Herzog Burns, Timothy & Catherine Hoffart, Irene Hoffpauir, Barbara Hyde, Michele Imhoff, Alice Johnston, Will Kaus, Jason Keasling, Hiltraud "Hillie" Keller, Deborah Kennamore, Ruth Kolek, Jimmy Kubeczka, Shirley Kuzma, Grant Larson, Jack Letobitz, Chris Lobue, Kayla Reneé Luck, Laveta Malek, Fritz Manuel, Amanda Martinez, Natalie Mattern, Kerri McLeod, Mike Meador & Janie Houser Meador, Linda Merdian, Hailey Minor, Chad Mock, John M. Mock, Tammy Rabun, CeCe Ray, James Riley, Josephine Shannon, David Shrader, John Simmons, Fred Smith, James & Ann Smith, Brian Stehling, Marie Staples, Craig Strickler, Daniela Syzdek, Dr. Linda Ann Walker, Clara Walkoviak, Jessica Weisenbach, Charles & Mary Yorek, Ann Young

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

THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

Pope's Intent on: For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.



St. Joseph Mass Intentions June 2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intentions</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Sun., Jun. 7	7:30am	Ginny Lampasas Louis & Florence Wisnoski/ Johnny Wisnoski	Tom & Kaky Wetuski Robert & Rebecca Wisnoski
Sun., Jun. 14	7:30am	Tom Kobza Joni & Vernon Hord Rosa Faterkowski	Wetuski Family Helen Caves Nora Gault
Sun., Jun. 21	7:30am	All Fathers	---
Sun., Jun. 28	7:30am	Leland Fougeron Wm Lebeck Edwin/Daisy Schubrick	Nicholas Grupa Janie Hoffart Nora Galik

CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be not be heard in June.



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
Wednesday, June 3**

**First Friday Mass
June 5**

SECOND & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

June 7: St. Mary Seminary (entire collection sent to Archdiocese)

June 28: Peter's Pence Collection

Participation in the Peter's Pence Collection gives us an opportunity be a witness of charity to our brothers and sisters around the world. Gifts to this annual collection help our Holy Father, Pope Leo, to support victims of war, natural disasters and others most in need of assistance.



**The Parish Office will be closed
Friday, June 19
in observance of Juneteenth.**



St. Mary Mass Intentions for June 2026

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by
Mon., Jun. 1	9:00am	Bill Chapman	Chapman Family
	9:00am	(Stephanie Hanes)	Charlotte Allen
Tue., Jun. 2	9:00am	Richard Huye	St. Mary's Altar Society
Wed., Jun. 3	9:00am	Bill Malek	Laveta Malek
Thur., Jun. 4	9:00am	(Frank Bushey)	---
Fri., Jun. 5	9:00am	Miguel Valdes	Anonymous
Sat. Jun. 6	5:00pm	Niel Rosenberg	Mildred Rosenberg
		& Manuel Bustillo	
Sun., Jun. 7	7:00am	Kathy Capshaw	Donna Sumpter
		Phillip Klein	Holly & John Kolodczak
	8:30am	For the People	---
	10:00am	Souls in Purgatory	Anonymous
	11:30am	Teddy Hoffart	Laveta Malek
Mon., Jun. 8	9:00am	(Carol Anderson)	---
Tue., Jun. 9	9:00am	(Hudson Hall)	---
Wed., Jun. 10	9:00am	Jacob Diehl	Beatrice Diehl
Thur., Jun. 11	9:00am	(Grant Larson)	---
Sat., Jun. 13	5:00pm	William Bailey	Catherine Rudel/Mildred Rosenberg
		Roy Champagne	Marian Champagne
Sun., Jun. 14	7:00am	For the People	---
	8:30am	Dale & (Kathleen) Fain	Kathleen Fain
		51st Anniversary	
	10:00am	Bernice Ubonsoski	Pat Feldman
	11:30am	Jack, Ruby, Frances, Thomas, Jacob, Philip, Christy, Theresa Diehl	Martin J. Diehl
Mon., Jun. 15		No Mass	---
Tue., Jun. 16		No Mass	---
Wed., Jun. 17		No Mass	---
Thur., Jun. 18	9:00am	Eddie Upton	Upton Family
Sat., Jun. 20	5:00pm	All Fathers	---
Sun., Jun. 21	All Masses	All Fathers	---
Mon., Jun. 22		No Mass	---
Tue., Jun. 23	9:00am	Grady M Drawdy, III	Sandra D. Rios
Wed., Jun. 24	9:00am	John & Annie Hoffart	Laveta Malek
Thur. Jun. 25	9:00am	(Chris Lobue)	---
Sat., Jun. 27	5:00pm	Frank Mock	Linette Mock
		Frank & Dolores Hoffart	Family
Sun., Jun. 28	7:00am	Lisa Seigle	JD Seigle
	8:30am	Victor Malek	Laveta Malek
	10:00am	For the People	---
	11:30am	Bob Riedle	Mary & Susan Riedle
Mon., Jun. 29	9:00am	(Russell Grasshoff)	---
Tue., Jun. 30	9:00am	(Delores Boyett)	---



Join us in congratulating
Fr. Lockey on his 39th
anniversary of
Priesthood on June 24th.

Come join the adventure! ✨

OCIA for Children is a welcoming program for kids age 7 and up to learn about the Catholic faith, ask questions, and grow closer to God while making new friends.

If your child is unbaptized or baptized in another faith and ready to receive the sacraments, this is a great place to begin.

We meet once a month during CCE on Wednesday nights.

We'd love to have you!

To register, contact: cce@stmaryandjoseph.org

"A father's love is forever imprinted
on his child's heart."

Jennifer Williamson

June Music Ministry Announcements

Adult Choir

- Thank you for a beautiful season of uplifting sacred music! The Adult Choir is now on summer break. We are deeply grateful for your dedication, joyful voices, and generous service throughout the year.
- Your singing has greatly enriched our worship.



Cantors

- Continue leading our parish in joyful Easter praise as we approach Pentecost!
- Rehearsals: Wednesdays 6:00–6:30pm in the church. Flexible Mass assignments.
- All levels welcome—your voice helps the assembly rejoice in the Resurrection!

Children's Choir

- Thank you for filling our parish with such joyful Easter voices this year! The Children's Choir is now on summer break. We are so grateful for every child's participation, energy, and beautiful singing. You have truly helped us celebrate the Resurrection.



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!

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

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOANER PROGRAM

St. Mary's has a loaner program for anyone in need of durable medical Equipment (DME).

For equipment availability, and to set up a pick up time please contact the office at 936-894-2223.



AA MEETINGS:

Every Monday evening @ 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Kelly House (KH)



FORMED: Dive into the treasures of the Church, from daily reflections to small group studies, all designed to nourish your faith journey. To sign up or sign in go to <https://formed.org/signup>

Volunteers Needed

If you are new to our Parish or have been thinking about getting involved with one of our many Church Organizations or Ministries, please refer to the front page of the bulletin. You will find a list with the contact information of the person that can get you signed up. If you don't see what you are looking for please ask. We always need helping hands!!

GriefShare Ministry

Griefshare is underway, but it is never too late to join us. If you have questions, would like more information or simply need someone to talk one-on-one about your loss, please don't hesitate to call. You are not alone on this journey.

Mondays, 10am-noon, Kelly House

Pam Milek

281.686.7552

St. Mary's Cemetery News

The cemetery on the north side of the 'old' section by the fence has been our problem area. Our president, Bob Haese, consulted with Perez Landscaping, who also mows the cemetery and church grounds, and after looking at the area, suggested good soil to be put down with a root stimulator and pallets of new grass. After adjustment, it will look great. We have water hoses with sprinklers in the area and praying for rain to help the grass take root and grow.



RUMMAGE NEWS:

The Rummage Sale needs your stuff ! Donate your new or gently used household items. Bring us your toys, kitchen items, linens, clothing, home decor, furniture, craft items, outdoor furniture or items, tools, luggage, or anything else. We are open on Wednesday mornings 8-12. Carts are always under the pavilion.



If you need a furniture pick up, contact Lauren Twining at 281-813-5355.

(Note: There are some items no longer accepted: glass topped tables, exercise equipment, particle board furniture.)



The Gabriel Project of St. Mary's is partnering with a USCCB program called Walking With Moms in Need. We will continue to provide the same hands-on, concrete assistance that we have been providing to our local area for 25 years.



Walking with Moms in Need is a nationwide, parish-based initiative to increase support for pregnant and parenting mothers in need. It works to ensure that any woman who finds herself unexpectedly pregnant, or parenting in difficult circumstances, can turn to her local Catholic Church and be connected with the resources she needs. It increases our scope to not only help women with babies but to help parenting mothers with children of all ages.

Walking with Moms in Need was launched by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops on March 25, 2020, in honor of the 25th anniversary of St. John Paul II's encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (The Gospel of Life). In that landmark encyclical, St. John Paul II challenged the Church:

"With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the culture of life today among individual Christians, families, groups and communities in our Dioceses. With equal clarity and determination we must identify the steps we are called to take in order to serve life in all its truth". (EV 95)

Pope Francis likewise reminded us that our parishes are called to be "islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference."

Baby Bottle Blessings Supports the Gabriel Project Ministry



The team at Gabriel Project thanks you for a successful Baby Bottle Blessings. Your kindness provides more than diapers, baby supplies, or safe resources - it gives hope. It reminds women and families that they are not alone during some of life's most challenging moments.

Every contribution and every act of support work together to create a stronger, more caring community for mothers and babies in need. We are deeply grateful for your partnership in this mission.



If you still have a bottle that you would like to turn in, whether full or empty, there is a white basket placed at the back of the church for Gabriel Project donations throughout the year. We are always in need of diapers, wipes, ointment, baby bath, pacifiers, etc.



CHILDREN, 
OBEY your parents in the
 **Lord**
 FOR THIS IS RIGHT....
FATHERS,  do not provoke
 YOUR CHILDREN TO ANGER,
 but bring them up in the
DISCIPLINE  **INSTRUCTION**
 OF THE **Lord.** EPHESIANS 6:14
catholicALLYEAR.com

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.

Flocknote



Stay up to date!

Sign up today!

We send out a Flocknote each week to let you know what is coming up in the next week.

We also send out changes to the calendar, information about upcoming funerals, death notices, requests for volunteers, etc. Please consider signing up at smsjcc.flocknote.com or go to smsj.org and click on Flocknote. All that is needed to sign up is your name, your email, and your cell phone number.

Marriage Preparation Retreat

September 19, 2026

Couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage are invited to attend our upcoming Marriage Preparation Retreat on Saturday, September 19, 8am-5pm. This one-day retreat offers engaged couples the opportunity to step away from the busyness of wedding planning and focus on the deeper meaning of their vocation.

Space is limited, so early registration is encouraged. Cost is \$150 per couple, paid in advance. For more information or to register, please contact Cindy Olivieri @ olivieri.cindy@gmail.com

We look forward to walking with you as you prepare for this beautiful sacrament.



St Vincent De Paul Society



June is widely recognized as the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus primarily because the solemnity of the Sacred Heart is celebrated during this month. This year, the solemnity falls on June 16. The specific date changes annually as it is observed on the Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi or the Friday after the second Sunday after Pentecost.

The origins of the feast trace back to 1673 when Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French nun from the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary, started experiencing visions of the Sacred Heart. In these apparitions, Jesus revealed methods of venerating His Sacred Heart and conveyed His boundless love for humanity. The visions depicted Jesus with His heart visibly exposed outside His chest, aflame and encircled by a crown of thorns.

It is written that there was something in the air in early seventeenth-century France. Decades before the visions of Margaret Mary Alacoque, Vincent de Paul and Louise de Marillac were already focusing on the heart of Jesus. It became a powerful force in their spirituality, moving them on related, but different, roads toward "mission" and "charity." At a gathering of the members of the Congregation of the Mission on 22 August 1655, Vincent de Paul cried out, let's ask God to give us all this spirit, this heart, this heart that causes us to go everywhere, this heart of the Son of God, the heart of Our Lord, the heart of Our Lord, the heart of Our Lord... He sent the Apostles to do that; he sends us, like them, to bring fire everywhere. He envisioned it as a flame, an all-consuming zeal that would drive the members of his Congregation toward those in need.

As Vincent de Paul spoke of the heart of the Lord, I encourage you to open your heart and consider becoming a member of our conference. As a member, you become part of a compassionate group dedicated to serving others through acts of kindness, generosity, and stewardship. Not only do you enrich the lives of others, but you also grow spiritually and personally as you embody the principles of love, empathy, and service that define the Vincentian tradition. Please come to our next meeting and find out what we are all about!

We sincerely appreciate the ongoing generosity of our Parish. Your donations and continued commitment to our pantry allow us to serve those who need it most in our community. Thank you for your meaningful contributions and for fostering an environment of care and support.

Everette Johnson

[Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 23 at 10:00 am in SM Parish Hall.](#)

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

St. Mary's Men's Club Blood Drive & Breakfast
Sunday, July 19 @ 8:00am - 1:30pm
SM Parish Hall

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

St. Vincent de Paul Vehicle Donations Needs

In the area which we serve, the lack of dependable transportation is one of the major issues of concern we face. Because of this, many of those we serve are significantly limited in their ability to find and keep jobs sufficient to support their families.

As there is no public transportation in our area, our SVDP Conference is embarking on a mission to try to address this issue. Accordingly, we have formed a transportation committee with the task of accepting donated vehicles, no matter their condition, and gifting them to eligible families for work purposes.

Once a vehicle is offered for donation the committee will:

- *Have any mechanical work done to make sure the vehicle is in safe operating condition.
- *Provide the donor with any documentation needed for a tax deduction.
- *After a sufficient vetting process, of the friends we serve as SVDP, we will find an acceptable recipient for the vehicle.

The SVDP Conference will cover all expenses for any repair needed and all of the title and registration expenses and fees.

Several of our parishioners and their friends might be contemplating transitioning to a single vehicle family and thus may seek to dispose of one of their current vehicles. If you or anyone you know is in this position, please ask them to consider supporting SVDP with this transportation issue for those in our area.

ST. MARY'S MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club wishes everyone a Happy and Safe Summer. If you're an adult male looking for a way to plug into our parish we would love to have you join us on the 3rd Tuesday of the Month. We meet in the hall at 6:15pm for fellowship, dinner at 6:30pm then meeting to follow. Monthly dinner & meeting on Tuesday, June 16 in St. Mary's Parish Hall.

Young Catholic Married Couples - YCMC (ages 21-49)

Please keep an eye out in Flocknotes for the next meeting date.

Please email ycmc@stmaryandjoseph.org for more details.

We are looking for more assistance with childcare. Please email us if you are interested.

Rowan's Prayer

*One day God will Bring us back together,
United with your child, you'll cry no more.
Till then, may we draw strength from each
other, knowing that they wait by Heaven's
door.*

If you have or you know of someone who just experienced a miscarriage, still birth or infant loss or you know someone with a neonatal diagnosis.



Contact Bonnie Haytcher
by calling
941-302-6310,

**"A father is neither an anchor
to hold us back nor a sail to
take us there, but a guiding light
whose love shows us the way."**

Unknown

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY

We are on summer break.

Our next meeting is on
Tuesday, September 8
10:00 am in SM Hall

All ladies of St. Mary are welcome.
We hope to see you there.

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:

Detergent
Twin Sheets
Deodorant
Blankets



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

Thank You from the Women's Center for all of your donations.

For more information about the Women's Center go to <https://mcwctx.org>

ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR SOCIETY

We are on summer break.

Meeting in the parish hall on
September 1 at 6:00pm

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

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 1:00pm in the Family Life Center on the following Sundays:

August 2, 2026

October 4, 2026

November 1, 2026



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

Faith Formation & Children's Sacraments

Registration for the 2026-2027 school year will open on June 5th. CCE is for anyone in grades Kindergarten through High School. Please go to the St. Mary/St. Joseph website: <https://smsj.org/sacraments-children-teens> or use the following QR Code to register your child/ren.



If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, email cce@stmaryandjoseph.org

We look forward to another wonderful year!



We must remember that God has no other hands but ours, no other feet but ours, no other mouth but ours. Therefore, God is still going to work miracles of love, miracles of freedom and liberation through people like you and me.”

~Blessed Mother Theresa

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 from 9-11am on Friday, June 26.



ST. MARY'S GUARDIAN ANGELS SENIOR GROUP NEWS

Next Monthly Meeting September 1 @ 10:00am - Kelly House

Enjoy your summer! See everyone in September.

The Domino Club will play 42 on Tuesdays @ 11:00am in the Family Life Center Kitchen. **We are looking for more players.** Please bring a dish to share.

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.

June 2026

Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 (SM)

Sunday: 7:30 (SJ)

7:00, 8:30, 10:00am & 11:30am (SM)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	*9:00am – Mass *10:00am – GriefShare – KH – SM *8:00pm – AA Meeting – KH – SM	*9:00am – Mass *11:00am – Domino Club – FLC Kitchen	*9:00am – Anointing Mass *No Confessions – Funeral on Campus *9:30am – St t chin’ Sisters – SJ Hall	*9:00am – Mass	*9:00am – Mass *10:00 – 1:00pm - Guardian Angels –Senior Day @ Grimes County Fairgrounds and Expo Center	*5:00pm – Mass St. Mary Seminary Collect on
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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