



OCTOBER 15TH, 2017
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Every Wednesday 7:30am - 6:30pm
Every First Friday 7:00pm to 8:00pm
To schedule an hour with Our Lord
please contact MaryAnn or Phil Everett at
254-721-0931 or 254-721-8142 or
Helen Marie Kreitz at 254-773-6946.

*“Come to me all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.”*

Matthew 11:28

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Thank you to our families; your prayers strengthen
those being called by God to live out their vocation.

Oct 22	R & A Castillo	7:30am
Oct 29	T & K Hodge	11:00am
Nov 5	J & M Solis	11:00am

ALTAR FLOWERS

Oct 14 th -15 th ~	In loving memory of Curtis Kelly, Donated by his family.
Oct 7 th -8 th ~	In loving memory of Jimmy A. Lemmons Jr., Donated by his wife.
Sep 30 th –Oct 1 st ~	In loving memory of Morris Marburger, Donated by his wife



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Many of us who grew up in the Temple area, or even in other areas, have been products of Catholic Education. In 1924 Rev. Patrick O'Reilly was named pastor of St Mary's Church and in 1928 completed the rectory, school and convent, which still exist today. Most of us also remember Msgr. Arthur Michalka who was the pastor here at St. Mary Church for 23 years and a very strong supporter of Catholic education. When Msgr. Michalka passed away he left in his estate a Memorial Scholarship Fund for Catholic Education here at St. Mary School. Over the years this *Trust Fund* has grown by the investments that have been entrusted to the board of directors. Please consider keeping Msgr. Michalka's dream alive. The U.S. Bishop's letter considering *Stewardship* states: "One who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others and returns them with increase to the Lord." You are all invited to a night of fun and fellowship. Casino Night will be on November 4th at Cultural Activities Center and all the proceeds go to the School Trust Fund to keep the dream of providing Catholic education alive. This is a great way of building a strong foundation for the future of the Catholic Church in the Temple/Belton area. May God continue to bless all your work.

Fr. Steve

“A NIGHT IN VEGAS”
ST. MARY'S CASINO NIGHT

Cultural Activites Center
November 4th, 2017 Doors open at 6pm

Join us for an evening to benefit
St. Mary's Catholic School

Hors D'oeuvres & Drinks, Auctions & Raffle Prizes
(Must be 21 to attend)

Get your tickets now for a "winning" night!
Tickets available after Mass and in both the church
and school offices.

Parish Office Closed

Thursday, October 19 for staff to attend
a diocesan retreat.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's second reading, St. Paul thanks the Philippians for being willing to share in his hardships and promises that God, in turn, will fully supply all their needs. Our God truly cannot be outdone in generosity!

YOUR GIFT TO GOD

October 8, 2017

Sunday Collection	\$	8,705.12
School Fund	\$	110.00
Children's Collection	\$	39.12
Building Fund	\$	35.00
Helping Hands	\$	10.00
Total	\$	8899.24

Note: totals include online giving

Ministry Spotlight – USHERS

The ministry of **ushers** is the oldest lay ministry in the Catholic Church. The ushers of today have descended from a long line of people of God who have gone before them. During the time of Christ, the doorkeepers of the Temple numbered in the hundreds and were the forerunners of today's ushers. More recently, in the 3rd century AD, there was a clerical order of "porter" which was a step towards the priesthood. The porter's duties included guarding the door of the church against intruders who might disturb the service. These porters' duties were so important they came to be included in the rite of ordination, where they were specified as: "To ring the bells, open the church and sacristy, to open the book for the preacher".

In 1972, Pope Paul VI abolished the order of the porter and this important task was given over to the laity. Today the mission of the usher/greeter is primarily hospitality in helping make parishioners and guests feel welcome and comfortable as we gather for our Eucharistic celebration. This ministry also has the responsibilities of collecting the offering of the people, selecting a family to bring up the gifts, distributing bulletins at the end of Mass and wishing everyone a good day as they leave Mass. This is a much needed ministry in our parish community and we are always looking for men and women to fill this role. Please prayerfully consider serving in this ministry to help our community be a parish of stewardship by contacting Kenith Bartz at 254-760-3141.

The Week Ahead

Date	Event	Location	Time
Mon Oct 16 th	Quilting Angels	Ave Maria Room	9:00am
	Boy Scouts	O'Reilly Building	6:00pm
Tues Oct 17 th	Knitting & Crochet Group	Ave Maria Room	10:00am
	Adult Bible Study	Ave Maria Building	1:30pm & 6:00pm
	Financial Peace University	Regina Caeli Rm	6:30pm
	Men of Joseph	O'Reilly Rm 111	7:00pm
Wed Oct 18 th	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church	7:30am
	Religious Education Classes	Church + O'Reilly Building	6:30pm
Thurs Oct 19 th	Parish Office Staff Retreat	Parish Office CLOSED	ALL DAY
	Choir Practice 9:15am Mass	Church	6:15pm
	Choir Practice 5:30pm & 7:30am Mass	Church	7:00pm
	RCIA Class	Regina Caeli Rm	7:00pm
Fri Oct 20 th	Marin/Torti Wedding	Church	5:00pm
Sat Oct 21 st	St. Mary's School Fundraiser	Parish Hall	7:00am

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

"Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus"

Feb 19th-28th, 2018

Book your trip for an amazing experience!

www.nativitypilgrimage.com



FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION

Six reasons to pray the rosary:

1. *We will learn and recite our prayers:* seven different prayers are recited in order to pray the rosary.
2. *It builds community:* we pray with a shared purpose, shared intentions, and a deeper knowledge and concern for each other.
3. *Repetitive prayer:* teaches us discipline and provides an opportunity to slow down, be quiet, center oneself, and focus on God.
4. *It helps us become comfortable with intercessions to Mary:* we ask Mary for prayers just as we ask each other, but the difference is her very special relationship to her Son through whom all prayers are offered.
5. *It teaches us about Scripture:* through meditation on the mysteries of the life of Christ and Mary, the rosary is an effective way to introduce us to stories from the Bible.
6. *It is important to us:* the rosary is a very strong form of prayer. We need to learn and understand its importance.

Sacrament Preparation Parent & Child Meeting:

Parent(s)/Guardians and children in 2nd grade or higher preparing for 1st Reconciliation plan to attend this important meeting & workshop. Wed., Oct. 25th 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm in the Parish Hall. Call Patricia St. Amour, DFF with any questions, 254.773.4541.

Hurricane Harvey Drive:

Thank you to all parishioners who donated items to the Religious Education Hurricane Harvey Item Drive. Everything we received will be given to children and families in need. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

RCIA is still welcoming people to join classes. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or want to be a sponsor, join classes Thursdays 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in the Ave Maria Bldg.

Adult Bible Study continues to meet Tuesdays. All are welcome to join to learn more about our Catholic faith.



FALCON'S CORNER

Small Business Saturday

Small Business Saturday is on November 25th in the Parish Hall from 9 am to 2 pm. You can get all your holiday shopping done in one day. There will be lots of vendors from various small businesses. If you are a vendor interested in renting a booth please contact Mrs. Cayce at dcayce@stmarys-temple.org. You'll have fun and maybe win a door prize!

Our Next Neighborhood Meeting Mark Your Calendars

Join a Neighborhood meeting at St. Mary Parish Hall, Tues., Nov. 7th, 6:15 p.m. We will discuss our Neighborhood Association planning events, workshops, etc. benefitting the area. Number one priority is safety, plus organizing clean-ups, learning about the many resources the City has to offer for upgrading our neighborhoods and setting up Neighborhood Watch groups. It is important that we know our neighbors, know what to do and who to contact when in times of need. Please join us along with City Neighborhood Association coordinator Bobby Johnson (254-298-5670) and District 2 Representative Judy Morales (254-654-9392.)

Save the Date

The Office of Catholic Schools will hold its 2018 Celebrating Catholic Schools Dinner and Awards Ceremony on January 27, 2018, to recognize our Catholic schools and honor those who serve and support them. The purpose of this event is to recognize those individuals whose dedication enables schools to accomplish their missions and good works. We are pleased to announce that this year's nominee for St. Mary's Catholic School will be Dr. Leslie Allen Barkis. Dr. Barkis has been a dedicated supporter of Catholic Education in Temple since 1996, when he and his wife, Dr. Penny Barkis, joined St. Luke Parish. He is a leader in his parish as well as the Temple area medical community. Dr. Barkis is a member of St. Mary's Catholic School Trust Fund Board, where through his and other members tireless work, money is raised for the longevity of our fine school, in the area of tuition assistance and special projects. Dr. Barkis is also a member of Holy Trinity's School Board, continuing the commitment to Catholic education Pre-K through 12th grade. Dr. Barkis has four wonderful children at St. Mary's and Holy Trinity.

OCT 21st - OCT 22nd, 2017

5:30 PM MASS

Deacon:
Lector: HM Kreitz
Lay Ministers: L. & M. Lockhart, HM Kreitz
Greeters: B. Goonan, J. Sladeck
Altar Servers: M. Ramm, T. Lockhart, M. Cruz

7:30 AM MASS

Deacon:
Lector: M. Hoelscher
Lay Ministers: B. McNeill, I. Recio, M. Hoelscher
Greeters: S. Motl, R. Castillo, L. Lagut
Altar Servers: A. & L. Federle, R. McNeill,
P. Nguyen

9:15 AM MASS

Deacon: Deacon Barney
Lector: J. Hattemer
Lay Ministers: B. & S. McAtee
Greeters: K. Bartz, M. & B. Hoelscher
Altar Servers: H. & B. Payne, L. & S. Mikeska

11:00 AM MASS

Deacon: Deacon Barney
Lector: G. Duetscher
Lay Ministers: R. Morales, A. Payne
Greeters: A. Pechal, R. Krumnow, B. Stewart
Altar Servers: A. & E. Atkins, B. Nash, Z. Herzog,

Extraordinary Ministers to Homebound

Oct 22, 2017

B. McNeill, L. Lockhart, R. Morales, B. McAtee,
G. Duetscher, HM Kreitz, A. Payne, C. Oakes,
J. Solis

ALTAR SOCIETY UPDATES

Preparations are underway for the annual dinner and bazaar Sunday, Nov. 5th. Donations for the silent auction, craft booth and country store are needed, as well as desserts for dinner and gourmet booth. Members contact Rachel Rodriguez at 254-718-7386 for info on raffle tickets, yearbooks, and donations for the deanery campaign. Next meeting Nov. 8th.

OCTOBER 16th TO OCTOBER 22nd, 2017

Monday No Mass
Tuesday 12:10PM † Leonette Entrop
Wednesday 7:00AM † James Grygar
Thursday 7:00AM † Paulette Warren
Friday 8:15AM Benefactors of the School Trust Fund
12:10PM † James Smetana
Saturday 7:30AM † Joe & Mary Kreitz
4:00PM Confessions
5:30PM † Deceased of Danowski & Santacroce Families
Sunday 7:30AM † Theresa Michalka McAtee
9:15AM For the People
11:00AM Charles Janak Family



St. Mary's Poker Run ~ October 21st

All are welcomed bikes and vehicles

\$25 per player, Hotdog/Hamburger lunch included
Smart TV for best & worst hands! Lots of door prizes!
Pre-register: dcayce@stmarys-temple.org

Register day of at 8:00am, run start at 9:00am

Thank you for supporting tuition assistance at SMCS

KJT SOCIETY #114 FUNDRAISER

The Temple KJT Society will have a bake sale after all Sunday Masses on Sunday, October 22nd, 2017. The funds raised will used to provide financial support to Catholic Charities. Thank you! Any questions please contact Gene Pavlat at 254-778-8954.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #3444

Annual Kids Halloween Party

Temple KC Hall ~ 2218 W. Ave. D

Friday, October 27th 6:30pm-9:00pm

Hotdogs, Games and Costume Contest

Free admission or donation of non-perishable food

More info call Greg Pekar @ 512-567-9505

Candy donations for party accepted in the church office. Please label "Knights Halloween"