



MARCH 12TH, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Ashes to Easter Lenten Mission Campaign

Your family is invited to participate within the worldwide missions of our Catholic Church. It's simple, take home an Ashes to Easter box, place coins or dollars inside each day with a prayer. Your support the church's missions throughout the world is a corporal work of mercy.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



One on One time with Jesus!
Every Wednesday 7:30am - 6:30pm
Every First Friday 7:00pm to 8:00pm.
In our Church
Make a date to receive his Grace.

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

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



Mar. 19 B. & D. Keller 9:15am
Mar. 26 J. & J. Mason 11:00am
Apr. 02 J. & J. Hattemer 7:30am

WELCOME

Say hello to our newest St. Mary family:

The Alardins

And our newly baptized:

Nylah Lynn Carrillo

parents Martin & Maria

Dezrah Snow Martinez-Guy

parents Alex & Amanda

Luis & Juan Santos De la Cruz

parents Juan & Rhiannon

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we take on the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we can often be drawn into thinking about Lent in terms of "giving up" without really asking ourselves the question of "Why?" Our Lenten practices are meant to help free us from our little attachments, which keep us from freely responding to God's call in our lives. Later this month, we will celebrate two solemnities, St. Joseph and the Annunciation. Both Mary and Joseph are excellent models of this Lenten spirit. Both were completely ready and willing to embrace God's plan for their lives. At the word of an angel, Mary gave her consent to bear the Son of God, and Joseph took Mary as his wife. Mary and Joseph were able to embrace God's will because there was nothing in their lives which stood in the way of their relationship with God. Sin keeps us from this freedom, making us believe that we must cling to the little things of this world in order to be happy. The practices we adopt during Lent help us detach from our sin and recognize that the desire and hunger we so often feel can never be fully sated by food or possessions. Lent asks us to allow ourselves to feel hunger without completely satisfying it, so that we can realize the real object of our hunger, which is God himself. May you have a blessed Lent in order to be prepared to embrace His resurrection.

God bless,

Fr. Steve



St. Mary's Week Ahead

Date	Event	Location	Time
Monday March 13 th	Quilting Angels	Ave Maria Building	9:00am
Tuesday March 14 th	Knitting & Crocheting	Ave Maria Building	12:30pm
	Adult Bible Study	Regina Caeli Room	1:30pm & 6:00pm
	Men of Joseph	O'Reilly Room 112	7:00pm
Wednesday March 15 th	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church	7:30pm
	Religious Education	No Classes	Spring Break
Thursday March 16 th	Choir Practice (9:15am Mass)	Church	6:15pm
	Choir Practice (5:30pm & 7:30am Masses)	Church	7:00pm
	RCIA	No Classes	Spring Break
Friday March 17 th	Stations of the Cross	Church	7:00pm

FRIDAY FISH FRY!

BEST MEAL, BEST DEAL!

Every Friday through April 7th

5:00pm to 7:00pm

Knights of Columbus are cooking and serving at the Knights of Columbus Hall

Adult plate \$9. Kid's plate \$6.



SAVE THE DATE – PARISH FESTIVAL

April 30, 2017 10:30AM – 4:00 PM

Raffle, Auction (Live & Silent),
Family Fun for Everyone

Live Music w/ Billy Holt, and FOOD!!

DONATIONS NEEDED:

- New and Handmade items for auction
- Prizes/items for Country Store, Kids' Games, Bingo, 2- liter sodas for Ring Toss, wine for Wine Walk
- Monetary Donations to purchase items
- Any of the above items should be dropped off at the Parish Office

RAFFLE TICKET SALES

Sold tickets and money may be placed in the Sunday collection basket, dropped off or mailed to the Parish Office. When you've sold all you have, be sure to grab another envelope of raffle tickets for family, friends and members of other parishes.



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Our choirs host this week's event in the Ave Maria building after the 7:30am and 9:15am masses. Join us for breakfast treats. Learn about our choir ministry while sipping coffee!



FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION

Adult Bible Study: Tuesday 1:30pm – 3:30pm
OR 6:00pm - 8:00pm in the Regina Caeli Rm.
Books are \$25.00

Religious Education (PreK – 9th grade):
Wednesday Nights, 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm

Vacation Bible School 2017

June 19th – 23rd. 9:00am – 12:00pm

Drop off at 8:00am & Pick up by 12:30pm.

VBS KICK OFF MEETING: Sunday, March 26,
12:30pm in the Library of the O'Reilly Bldg.
Adult and teen volunteers are needed to plan, set
up, clean up and work! Your participation will
ensure St. Mary VBS 2017 is a SUCCESS!
Contact Patricia St. Amour for more information.



The Sisters of Sacred Sciences
express their gratitude for the love,
care and support they have
received from St. Mary Parish.
It has been their home for the past

10 years. They have been called to Waco to
minister to the sick and elderly at a Senior Living
Center.

A special thanks to Fr. Steve and Deacon Barney
for their pastoral leadership and prayerful support.
They ask that we keep them in our prayers.

With gratitude and love,
Sister Sini Paul and Sister Frisca Guria

*(a full copy of their letter is posted on the bulletin
board at the back of Church, listing appreciation of
many individuals)*



FALCON'S CORNER

2017-2018 School Year

Registration is well under way for the
coming school year. If you are
interested in learning more please
give us a call to set up a tour or shadow date for
your child (254.778.8141). You may also visit our
website at www.stmarys-temple.org. Tuition
assistance is available for those who qualify.



5K Fund Run

Have you signed up for our 5K
Fundrun yet? We will be holding
this fun event on April 8th to
raise money for tuition assistance. You may sign
up at <https://runsignup.com/stmarys5kfundrun>

Important Dates to Remember

- Mon. March 13th Spring Break begins
- Mon. March 20th School Reopens
- Thurs. March 23rd 3rd Quarter Awards 2:00 p.m.
in the church
- Fri. March 24th All School Mass 8:15 a.m.
Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m.
- Sat. March 25th PSIA District Meet at
Holy Family School
Bell County Spelling Bee
- Tues. March 27th Walking for Education
- Fri. March 31st All School Mass 8:15 a.m.
NJHS Induction Ceremony
following Mass
Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m.
- Sat. April 8th 5K Fund Run
Diocesan Science Fair

Cedarbrake Retreats

Heart of Mary Women's Discernment Retreat

March 31 – April 2 Ages 18-45

Encounter the beauty of a vocation in religious life.
Consecrated Sisters of the Apostles of the Interior
Life will lead the retreat with time for prayer and
one-on-one conversations. Contact the diocesan
Vocation Office at 512.949.2430

Spanish Retreat, April 1

A Lenten Day of Reflection
9:30am to 2:30pm

MARCH 18th and MARCH 19th

5:30 PM MASS

Deacon:
Lector: D. Rendeiro
Lay Ministers: L. & M. Lockhart, J. Albers
Greeters: P. Everett, K. Petter, R. Beck
Altar Servers: A. Tavernier, T., A. & V. Lucksinger

7:30 AM MASS

Deacon:
Lector: N. Maldonado
Lay Ministers: P. & MA Everett, B. McNeill
Greeters: B. & M. Hoelscher, L. Lagut,
C. Reeves
Altar Servers: L., JN, M. & VM Maldonado

9:15 AM MASS

Deacon:
Lector: J. Hattemer
Lay Ministers: L. & M. Matthews, D. Garza
Greeters: M. Guenat, K. & J. Bartz, T. Leos
Altar Servers: Z. Herzog, L. & S. Mikeska,
B. Payne

11:00 AM MASS

Deacon:
Lector: P. Engbrock
Lay Ministers: JA Mason, J. Solis, F. Trevino
Greeters: B. Stewart, M. Cyr, L. Castillo, R.
& J. Dudley
Altar Servers: D. & M. Mikeska, A. Martin &
J. Ibarra

Extraordinary Ministers to Homebound

Thank you for your gift to so many.

March 19th, 2017

B. McNeill, P. & MA Everett, J. Albers, F. Trevino,
L. Lockhart, P. Engbrock, L. & M. Matthews,
T. Mireles

March 13th – March 19th

Monday No Mass
Tuesday 12:10PM Communion Service
Wednesday 7:00AM Communion Service
Thursday 7:00AM Communion Service
Friday 12:10PM Communion Service
Saturday 7:30AM Communion Service
5:30PM †Joe Simecek
Sunday 7:30AM †Anna Jo Mikeska
9:15AM †Souls in Purgatory
11:00AM For the People

YOUR GIFT TO GOD

March 5, 2017

Sunday Collection	\$	10,118.00
Ash Wednesday	\$	2,891.17
Building Fund	\$	50.00
Generations to Come	\$	50.00
World & Home Missions	\$	451.00
Catholic Relief	\$	70.00
Catholic Higher Education	\$	12.00
School Fund	\$	<u>1,975.12</u>
Total	\$	15,617.29

Note: totals include online giving

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

*In today's second reading, St. Paul tells Timothy; "Bear your share of the hardship for the Gospel."
What sacrifice is asked of me for the sake of the Gospel?
How willing am I to bear my share?*