



**AUGUST 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**THE TWENTY-FIRST 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.

Sept 3	A Mikeska	11:00am
Sept 10	J & C Oakes	11:00am
Sept 16	G Deutscher	5:30pm

**RIGHT OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION**  
**OF ADULTS**

Registration is now available for the 2017-2018 class.  
Classes begin on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm-  
8:30pm and meet every Thursday in the Regina Caeli  
Room of the Ave Maria Building. Contact the office  
with your name and phone number. One of our  
program facilitators will contact you.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our daily spiritual accounting is called the  
examination of conscience. It’s the time we take to  
review the day’s events and our own thoughts,  
words, and deeds. We try to see the day as God  
sees it, and judge our actions as he would. It’s a  
chance to be perfectly honest with ourselves about  
who we are, what we do, and why we do it. St.  
Josemaria Escriva said that “this general examination  
is a weapon of defense”. The best way to begin is to  
recollect ourselves in God’s presence to remind  
ourselves that he’s with us, and then to start the  
conversation. If we do this, we’ll find it pretty hard to  
be dishonest in our examination. After all, who are  
we fooling? Surely not God, who knows all and sees  
all. At the end of our daily examination of conscience  
we should tell God we’re sorry and ask forgiveness  
with an Act of Contrition. We may want to take a  
hard look at how well we live the virtue of “hope”. We  
also may need to concentrate on other sins, such as  
pride and boasting, lust, lying, jealousy, or perhaps  
more positively, the corresponding virtues of humility  
and service, purity, and honesty.

In our fallen nature, and we have a tendency to  
deceive ourselves. We want to believe good things  
about ourselves, our actions, and our motivations.  
St. Paul insisted (1Cor 11:28-31) that “a man should  
examine himself” before receiving Holy Communion.  
If we’re regularly examining our conscience, we find it  
natural to go regularly to confession. Because  
confession is a sacrament, it confers an abundance  
of grace on us. Grace is the strength we need to  
conquer sins, in general and in particular. May we  
seek the Lord in the healing Sacrament of  
Reconciliation.

Fr. Steve

## Stewardship Moment

In today's reading, St. Paul reminds the Romans-and us-that all things come from God "For from Him and through Him and for Him all things are." Good stewards understand that all is gift and share generously the gifts of time, talent, and treasure with which they've been blessed.

See Romans 11:36

### YOUR GIFT TO GOD

August 13, 2017

Sunday Collection	\$	9,036.01
Assumption of Bl. Virgin Mary	\$	2,248.74
Helping Hands	\$	1,525.34
Children's Collection	\$	75.25
School Fund	\$	70.00
Nativity Donation	\$	50.00
Building Fund	\$	18.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,023.34</b>

**Note: totals include online giving**

### ATTENTION LADIES!!!

This year's Red Carpet Gala's theme is "St. Mary's has Talent".

Come see the talented parishioners showcased on Saturday, September 9, 2017 at the Parish Hall beginning at 5:00pm. Advanced tickets will be on sale after each mass or available in the church office. Red seating tickets cost \$25 and Gold tickets are \$35. Please contact Amy Castillo 254-718-2924, Theresa Lambert 254-931-6603 or Mona Lockhart 254-624-3175 for more information.



The St. Mary Knights of Columbus Council #3444 will be conducting a service project on September 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am – 12:30pm. We will be constructing a wooden handicapped ramp at the Nazareth House at 1103 S. 9<sup>th</sup> St. (across the street from church). Bring work gloves, battery powered drill, and folding chair. Snacks and water provided. Contact Greg at (512) 567-9505 for more information.

## St. Mary Week Ahead

Date	Event	Location	Time
Monday Aug 28 <sup>th</sup>	Quilting Angels	Ave Maria Bldg	9:00am
	Boy Scouts	O'Reilly Building	6:00pm
Tuesday Aug 29 <sup>th</sup>	Adult Bible Study	Regina Caeli Rm	1:30pm & 6:00pm
	Men of Joseph	O'Reilly Rm 111	7:00pm
Wed Aug 30 <sup>th</sup>	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church	7:30am
	Catechist Training	Ave Maria Bldg	6:00pm
Thursday Aug 31 <sup>st</sup>	Choir Practice (9:15am Mass)	Church	6:15pm
	Choir Practice (5:30pm & 7:30am Masses)	Church	7:00pm
Friday Sept 1 <sup>st</sup>	Navarro Rehearsal	Church	6:00pm
Saturday Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Navarro Quinceneara	Church	2:00pm

## Financial Peace University

Coming to St. Mary Catholic Church on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm  
In the Regina Caeli Room

Weekly sessions will continue for nine weeks.  
To sign up, go to <https://fpu.com/1047540>



## FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION

“Who do we say Jesus is?” We may say: He is the 2<sup>nd</sup> person of the Trinity, the son of Mary and Joseph or Jesus is my Lord, My Savior and my friend. How we regard Jesus is influenced by how deeply we know him. We get to know Jesus better by reading and meditating on the Bible, especially the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Regularly attending Mass where Jesus is present and listening to the Liturgy of the Word brings us closer to Him. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist Jesus is made present through Consecration when ordinary bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ (transubstantiation). The more attentive, observant and present we are at Mass, the deeper our understanding and relationship with Jesus will become.

**Religious Education News:** All Catechists need to attend the training and overview on Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

Parents & children enrolled in Religious Education this coming year need to attend a Back-to-Religious Ed meeting in the church Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. \*\*Please join us for Adoration at 6:00 pm.

### **ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY**

Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Ave Maria Bldg. there will be an EIM Training Workshop. All parishioners in any ministry here at St. Mary Parish or school are required to attend. Register on line at [austindiocese.org](http://austindiocese.org), EIM workshop, or come and sign up afterward.

### **Scouts of St. Mary Catholic Church**

Pack 152 Cub Scouts attended various camps this summer, learning the skills of the outdoors and completing requirements for advancements to the next rank.

Troop 152 Boy Scouts also attended camp, earning many merit badges for their advancement towards Eagle. To see their adventures go to Troop 152 Facebook page.

Venture Crew 152 took a trip to Yellowstone National Park. Visit their Facebook page at Venture Crew 152.

Meetings will begin at the end of the month.

Join us, new members always welcomed!



## FALCON'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,  
At various times throughout the year, students of St. Mary Catholic School

will be sharing their quotes with you. This week some third graders would like to share what they like best about St. Mary Catholic School. Enjoy!

*Levi:* My favorite thing is going to Spare Time and play games. It was fun when we bowled.

*Adam:* I like the computer lab, math class, recess, P.E. and music.

*Emily:* My favorite thing is Mass. I love sitting next to my friends. I love being with Jesus. I love sitting next to the Sanctuary. Father Steve is the best priest ever.

*Angel:* What I like is art. When we start painting I want to paint really fast. I want to paint even more.

*Danica:* I like donut day on Friday. I also like the cheese pizza, P.E., Gatorade and recess.

*Cielo:* What I like that is Catholic so we go to Mass and pray. I like that we pray to God at this school. Mass is awesome.

*Sarah:* My favorite thing is lunch. Pizza, tator tots and chicken nuggets are my favorite foods. The cheese on the pizza is so cheesy. The tator tots are so crunchy. The chicken nuggets are so yummy.

*Gabriel:* My favorite thing is P.E. I love recess. Mr. Broadwater's food is good. I love lunch & Science.

*Gwendolyn:* My favorite thing is Mass. I like it when I get to sit with my Mass buddy. I love when Father Steve says the Body of Christ. I love when we sing songs and do the Stations of the Cross.

*Mariana:* My favorite thing is Mass. Mass has Religion. Religion teaches us about God. I love God and he loves us. Jesus taught us about God and helped people make the Bible. The Bible is a holy book.

*Caleb:* My favorite thing is math. We have a big math book. We learn a bunch. I like my math teacher.

*Cody:* My favorite thing is Religion. I love Religion because we get to learn about God's love. I love Jesus because He saved us. I love Jesus because He is by our side all the time. I love Jesus because His love is great.

**SEPT 2<sup>nd</sup> - SEPT 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017**

**5:30 PM MASS**

Deacon:  
Lector: L. Chaffin  
Lay Ministers: C. Hussey,  
P. & MA. Everett  
Greeters: B. Goonan  
Altar Servers: Z. Herzog, A. Tavernier  
A. Morgan, M. Ramm

**7:30 AM MASS**

Deacon:  
Lector: C. Warren  
Lay Ministers: T. Hamff, B. McNeill, I. Recio  
Greeters: J. Hattemer, R. & J. Bruggman,  
C. Reeves  
Altar Servers: A. & L. Federle, R. McNeill,  
D. Nguyen

**9:15 AM MASS**

Deacon:  
Lector: B. Roeder  
Lay Ministers: K. & J. Bartz, T. Leos  
Greeters: A. Pechal, W. & E. Wilde  
Altar Servers: T. & N. Bennett, J. & R. Dolgener

**11:00 AM MASS**

Deacon: B. Rodriguez  
Lector: L. Edwards  
Lay Ministers: J. Dudley  
Greeters: D. & K. Frei, N. Moreno  
Altar Servers: A. & E. Atkins, L. & S. Mikeska

**Extraordinary Ministers to Homebound**

**Aug 27, 2017**

B. McNeill, P/MA Everett, T. Hamff, J. Dudley,  
K/J Bartz, C. Hussey

**AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup> to AUGUST 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Monday 6:00PM** No Mass  
**Tuesday 12:10PM †** James Grygar  
**Wednesday 7:00AM †** Eugene & Betty  
Engbrock  
**Thursday 7:00AM †** Dr. Matthew Mireles  
**Friday 8:15AM †** Abraham Josephe  
**12:10PM †** Catherine Deutscher  
**Saturday 7:30AM †** Bob Kasberg  
**4:00PM** Confessions  
**5:30PM †** Frank Zarosky  
**Sunday 7:30AM †** Albert F. Vrana  
**9:15AM †** Anna Jo Mikeska  
**11:00AM** For the People



**Part-Time Truck Driver Needed**

St. Vincent de Paul needs to hire a part-time truck driver to assist in picking up food and donations three days a week. If interested, please call 773-7591 for more details.

**Labor Day Used Book Sale**

Temple Public Library  
100 W. Adams Ave  
Downtown Temple  
Wed. Aug. 30 & Thurs. Aug. 31 10:00-8:00  
Fri. Sept. 1 10:00-5:00 & Sat. Sept. 2 10:00-4:00

**LOCAL PARISH FAIRS**

***Our Lady of Guadalupe*** in Temple  
Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> 11:00- 8:00  
Music, food booths, games, silent auction  
***SS Cyril and Methodius*** in Marak, Tx  
Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> Mass 10:15  
Food, games, music and live auction