

First Sunday of Lent

February 26, 2023



We begin the season of Lent with Jesus going into the desert. We need to follow him into the desert of fasting, prayer and self-denial in order to re-learn the covenant way of life which comes with our Baptism. Now is the time to turn from distractions. Now is the time to remember and reverence our own dignity and the life and dignity of each person as God's beloved. Now is the time to set aside anything that diverts us from our true hunger and thirst for God alone. What is the fasting God desires for us this Lent?

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS CONTACTS

Liturgical Ministries

Eucharistic Ministers (Altar):	Nancy Glover	254-223-0767
	(Homebound): Theresa Mireles ..	254-773-4541
Lectors:	Beverley Roeder	254-774-1869
Altar Servers:	Jennifer Stoebner.....	214-738-7482
	Susan Edwards	
Ushers:	Jay Wimberley.....	254-721-4609
Choir:	Jim Mason	254-773-4541
Daily Mass:	Ryan Colburn	713-410-0784

Parish Organizations and Ministries

Altar Society:	Mary Helen Maldonado ...	254-773-4541
Adult Bible Study:	Loris Edwards	254-778-8692
Bereavement:	Hal & Dorothy Vavra	254-563-6413
Divine Mercy:	Ken Botz	254-258-2677
K.J.T. #114:	Eugene Pavlat	254-778-8954
Knights of Columbus:	Steve Loos	254-258-0879
K C Hall Management:	Joe Stewart.....	254-778-4611
Men of Joseph:	Dcn. Barney Rodriguez	254-773-4541
Parish Festival:	Theresa Mireles	254-773-4541
Prayer Chain:	Vicki Centeno	254-771-1330
School Trust Fund:	Terri Flores	254-778-8141
Scouting: Boy Scouts:	David Bennett	254-654-7784
Social Outreach Ministry:	Gerald Brady	254-449-4439
Respect Life:	Kris & Janet Haynes	254-773-4541
Vocation Chalice:	Debra Hollingsworth	713-586-9800
W.O.M.E.N.	Nancy Glover	254-773-4541



Join us Each Friday during Lent for

Stations of the Cross at 5:00pm

Mass at 5:30 pm

followed with Benediction at 6:00 pm.



WOMEN's Ministry to host
a Lenten Study Group

**Every Friday of Lent in
the O'Reilly Building
immediately following
Stations of the Cross
and Mass.**

We will be following
"A Retreat in the Desert
with Jesus"
by Bernard-Marie, O.F.S.
Books are available for
purchase in the bookstore
or during study group.



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Faith Formation



**First Communion Meeting
for Parents & Students
Wednesday, March 22nd
at 6:30pm
In the Regina Caeli Room**



FALCONS CORNER

**2023-2024
NEW STUDENT ENROLLMENT**



Registration for the 2023-2024 school year will open for new students on Feb. 13th.

If you have any questions about enrollment please contact Mrs. Genevieve Dike at gdike@stmarys-temple.org

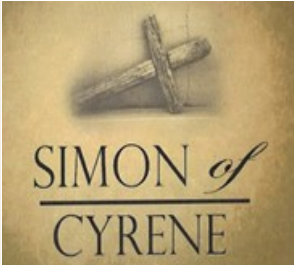


OPEN HOUSE

February 26th

10:00am - 1:00pm

For prospective students & families who want to explore the exceptional foundation that can be built by the Christ-centered Classical standards curriculum offered by St. Mary's Catholic School.



The Social Outreach Ministry is sponsoring a donation drive in support of:

- Foster Love Bell County
- Hope Pregnancy Center
- Families in Crisis Women's Shelter

Place items you wish to donate in the box at the Simon Cross in the Narthex any time during Lent. We will distribute to the selected charities after Easter. Cash donations may be placed in the collection basket marked **Simon Cross**.

O Christ, you gave to Simon of Cyrene the dignity of carrying your cross. Welcome us too under its weight, welcome all men and women and grant to everyone the gift of readiness to serve. Do not permit that we should turn away from those who are crushed by the cross of illness, loneliness, hunger or injustice. As we carry each other's burdens, help us to become witnesses to the gospel of the cross and witnesses to you, who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen. Pope John Paul II


Friendly Reminder:

KC Fish Fry



Take out or dine-in **Every Friday during Lent.**

5 to 7 PM at the Ave Maria room on St. Mary's main campus



25 Feb.
4 Mar.
11 Mar.
18 Mar.
25 Mar.
1 Apr.
8 Apr.

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March 4th and March 5th, 2023**5:30 PM Mass**

Lector: M. Posey
 EM: Dcn. B. Rodriguez, A. Ortiz, M. Hudkins
 Greeters: B. Lenart, D. Ramos, G. & C. Frenzel
 Altar Servers: L. Ortiz, M. Collins

7:30 AM Mass

Lector: A. Castillo
 EM: Dcn. B. Rodriguez, L. & M. Matthews
 Greeters: R. & J. Bruggman, M. Guenat, G. Brady
 Altar Servers: A. Bailon, O. Ware

9:30 AM Mass

Lector: A. Posey
 EM: Dcn. M. Hoelscher, Je. & N. Glover,
 D. Keller
 Greeters: Arnold Pechal, W. & E. Wilde, D.
 Bennett
 Altar Servers: T. & X. Glover, K. Edwards,
 A. Gonzales

11:30 AM Mass

Lector: J. Solis
 EM: Dcn. M. Hoelscher, A. Payne, J. Albers
 Greeters: David Frei, R. Schneider, R. Hengst
 Altar Servers: L. Henderson, D. Holst, A. Upchurch

THE WEEK AHEAD

Date	Event	Location	Time
Mon. Feb 27 th	Quilting Angels	O'Reilly Bldg	10:00 am
	Crafters	O'Reilly Bldg	10:00 am
	Rebuild Meeting	O'Reilly Bldg	6:00 pm
Tuesday - Friday	Adoration	Adoration Chapel	
Tues. Feb 28 th	Knitting & Crocheting	Regina Caeli Room	10:00 am
	Adult Bible Study	Regina Caeli Room	1:30 pm - 3:30pm
	Boy Scouts	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
	Men of Joseph	Ave Maria Building	7:00 pm
Wed. Mar 1 st	Religious Education	O'Reilly Building	6:30 pm
Thurs. Mar 2 nd	RCIA	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
Fri. Mar 3 rd	KC's Fish Fry	Ave Maria Building	5:00pm - 7:00pm
Sat. Mar 4 th	Social Outreach Ministry	CTLC	8:00am

**CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Open to all parishioners.

To sign-up, call Debra Hollingsworth
 at (713) 586-9800.

Thank you for participating in this prayer initiative
 and may God richly bless you with every good gift as
 you pray for priestly vocations!

Mar. 5th	Theresa Mireles	11:30am
Mar. 12th	Rex & Gladys Hengst	9:30am
Mar. 19th	Gerald Brady	7:30am
Mar. 26th	Debra Hollingsworth	11:30am



Join us for our next Parish Festival Meeting
 Thursday, March 9th at 6pm
 in the Regina Caeli Room

We've got lots to discuss and are excited to
 share our progress with you!



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Parish Giving

February 19, 2023

Sunday Collection	\$	5,865.58
Parish School	\$	83.00
Building Fund	\$	42.00
World Home Missions	\$	31.00
Helping Hands	\$	33.00
Total	\$	6,054.58

Note: totals include online giving*** Weekly Operating Expenses: \$11,500.00**

February 27th - March 5th 2023

Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:15AM	† Jim Zaleski Dee Kaminski
Wednesday	8:15AM	† Tabitha James
Thursday	8:15AM	Safiatou Coulibaly
Friday	5:30PM	Fr. Vincent
Saturday	8:15AM	Fr. Roland
	5:30PM	Bru & Ewert Families
Sunday	7:30AM	† Bernadine Goonan Quilting Angels
	9:30AM	† Michael Engbrock † Mr. & Mrs. Longio Montero
	11:30AM	† Anna Jo Mikeska



Sunday, Feb. 26th
1:00pm in the
Regina Caeli Room

All women of the parish are invited to join us for our monthly meeting.



The Altar Society News

Thank you to all the members who were able to attend our Fat Tuesday Brunch. We had a wonderful time with lots of great food, decorations and laughs.

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**Monthly Business Meeting**  
**Sunday, March 5th at 12:30pm**  
**in the Regina Caeli Room**

### Reminder for Altar Flower Orders:

Please remember that Altar Flowers ordered during the Lenten Season will follow the liturgical guidelines of greenery or purple arrangements. ~ Thank you.



Raffle Ticket  
sales update!

It is so exciting to be on a mission for our highest sales goal ever.

As of now we are at \$39,220.00.

We have a long way to go but are headed in the right direction.

Thank you for all your efforts ~  
Keep up the great work and sell,  
sell, sell!