

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Sunday, December 15, 2024



V. And the Word was made flesh.

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*Hail Mary,
full of grace.
The Lord is with thee.*



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Sunday Worship

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am

Daily Mass

Saturday: 8:15 am
Tuesday & Thursday: 8:15 am
Wednesday & Friday: 5:30 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 30 Minutes Before 9:30 & 11:30 am Masses

St. Mary's Catholic School

Catholic Education in the Classical Tradition

Pre-K through 8th Grade

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At St. Mary's Catholic Church and School
we know, love, and serve Jesus Christ,
so that we can share Him with all we encounter.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. MARY'S

Christmas Eve

December 24

Mass for the Vigil of Christmas 4:30 PM

*Join us as we await the birth of Jesus.
The Christmas Children's Choir will sing at this Mass.*

First Vespers of the Nativity of the Lord 11 PM

Singing of Christmas Carols 11:30 PM

Christmas Day

December 25

Solemn Christmas Mass during the Night

12:00 MN

Join us for this candlelit Mass as we welcome the King of Kings. The statue of the Christ-Child will be placed in the Creche

Office of Readings and Lauds

8:30 AM

Mass of Christmas Day

9:30 AM

Feast of the Holy Family

Dec. 29

Normal Sunday Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve and Day

December 31

Vigil Mass, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 5:30 PM

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration

Vespers, and Office of Readings 11 PM

Mass, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Jan. 1, 9:30 AM

Solemnity of the Epiphany

January 5. *Normal Sunday Schedule*

Join us to continue celebrating with the arrival of the Wise Men! Bring a friend to Mass today and join us for breakfast and lunch with your Church family after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses. King-Cake will be served.





Children's Choir for Christmas Eve

4:30PM MASS

REHEARSALS ON
DECEMBER 17 (6:00PM - 7:00PM)
AND DECEMBER 23 (3:00PM) IN THE
CHURCH

CONTACT DARRELL ST. ROMAIN
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AT ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH TEMPLE, TX



GRADES 4TH - 8TH ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND



It's that time of year again ... Christmas Flowers

If you would like a poinsettia for a loved one (deceased or living) to help make St. Mary's Church look beautiful for the Christmas season, please pick up a flower donation envelope in the church entry.

Write the donor's name and that of your loved one on the envelope and return it to the Parish Office no later than December 16th.

Donation per flower is \$15.00.
All Flower Orders due by Mon, Dec. 16th.



Decorate the church for CHRISTMAS

Monday, Dec. 23rd at 9:00am

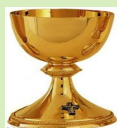
Many Hands are Needed

Liturgical Ministries

Dec. 14th & Dec. 15th 2024

Please check the Ministry Scheduler for upcoming schedule for all Ministries.

If you are interested in serving the Lord and our parish as a Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Lector or Usher for weekday or weekend Masses please contact the Parish Office at (254) 773-4541.



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!

Dec. 21st	Kris & Janet Haynes	5:30pm
Dec. 29th	Bill Keller	9:30am
Jan. 5th	Debra Hollingsworth	11:30am
Jan. 12th	Jose & Melinda Pena	9:30am



Join Deacon Matt and members of our parish for a community reading of Pope Francis Encyclical 'Dilexit Nos' issued in October of this year.

We will gather in the Ave Maria Building at 6PM on the evening of Dec. 17th.

Bring your electronic devices on the evenings of the gathering. Personal reading in advance is encouraged. Paper copies will be available.



Mass Intentions

December 16th – December 22nd

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	8:15AM	† Eloisa Donoso
Wednesday	5:30PM	† Darwin Miller
Thursday	8:15AM	Priestly Vocations
Friday	5:30PM	Spiritual Mother
Saturday	8:15AM	Devin & Stephanie De Feo
	5:30PM	† Herman & Adeline Wilde
Sunday	7:30AM	Rachel Oujezdsky
	9:30AM	Reine Koffi
	11:30AM	For the Parishioners of St, Mary's Catholic Church
		Clergy & Religious
		Alice O'Rourke
		Jacques

**"The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer"
~ Pope Paul VI ~**

ANNUAL
Christmas
GIVING TREE



Please return all gifts wrapped and labeled with the original ornament to the Parish Office no later than Thursday, December 19th.

Anyone wishing to help deliver gifts to the receiving families on Saturday, Dec. 21st should contact the Parish Office to sign-up!

Parish Giving

December 8th, 2024

Sunday Collection	\$	10,985.45
Parish School	\$	118.00
Retired Celrgy	\$	1,627.10
Building Fund	\$	78.00
Helping Hands	\$	57.00
Total	\$	13,253.55

Thank you for your generosity.
Your giving makes a difference!

Las Posadas

At
St. Mary's Catholic Church

December
18

6:30P.M.

Procession begins in
front of the Church

-No Family Catechesis-



Event hosted by
St. Mary's Ablaze Youth Groups
Middle & High School



**Family Catechesis and Youth
Groups will be meeting on
Wednesday December 18th
at 6:30pm for the Las Posadas event.**



Join us as we walk with Mary & Joseph in search of
a place to stay.

Reception with cocoa, goodies and activities to
follow the walk in the Regina Caeli Room!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Date	Event	Location	Time
Mon. Dec. 16 th	No Quilters		
	Boy Scouts	O'Reilly Building	6:30 pm
Tuesday - Friday	Adoration	Adoration Chapel	9:00 am
Tues. Dec. 17 th	Knitters & Crocheters	Ave Maria Room	10:00 am
	Cub Scouts	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
	Men of Joseph	Ave Maria Room	7:00 pm
Wed. Dec. 18 th	Youth Group	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
	RE & Youth Groups	Attend Las Posadas	6:30 pm
Thurs. Dec. 19 th	RCIA	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm



**The K of C Council 3444 is happy to
announce our December Honorees.**

Our Knight of the month is Larry Lagut. As in the past, Larry organized a Thanksgiving meal for our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter, supporting part of our community the most in need of aid. Thank you Larry.

Our family of the month is Bruce & Stephanie McAtee. Bruce organizes the Annual Memorial Mass for our deceased brothers. This year 10 brother Knights were honored. He is very active as a knights working the KC Taco Sundays, attends Adoration each Thursday for the Council and helps as often as he can. He also serves as an Usher, Extraordinary Minister, and lector for both daily and weekend Masses. Stephanie is also very active as a lector and member of the Parish Finance Council.

Congratulations to Larry, Bruce & Stephanie and that you for your service to the Knights and our Parish.