



Advent

SECOND WEEK

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Sunday, December 8, 2024

ADVENT MISSION & RECONCILIATION RETREAT

PREPARING THE MANGER OF OUR HEARTS

Join us for a day of spiritual renewal, reflection, and communal preparation
as we ready ourselves to receive Christ.



Keynote Speaker
Fr. Chris Downey, Vicar for
Priests
Diocese of Austin

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Temple, TX

Saturday, December 14, 2024.



Lead for Penance Service
Fr. Greg Gerhart
Vocation Director
Diocese of Austin

FEATURING

AGENDA

- 7:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours in the Church
- 8:15 AM - Daily Mass
- 8:45 AM - Breakfast & Coffee in the School Gym (Free)
- 9:00 AM - Keynote by Fr. Chris Downey: "Awaken the Heart: Embrace the Liturgy, Live the Mission"
- 10:00 AM - Panel Discussion: "Preparing the Manger Together"
- Noon - Lunch (Free)
- 1:00 PM - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Penance Service, Confession & Adoration
- 5:00 PM - Vespers & Benediction
- 5:30 PM - Vigil Mass

Babysitting Services offered for ages 1 & up (9am to Noon)
Must register for babysitting by Dec. 9th

www.stmarytempletx.org/adventmission

REGISTER
HERE!





1018 S. 7th Street, Temple TX 76504
 Office: 254-773-4541
www.stmarytempletx.org
 Pastor: Fr. Will Rooney
frwill@stmarytempletx.org
 Meeting link: stmarytempletx.org/meet

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

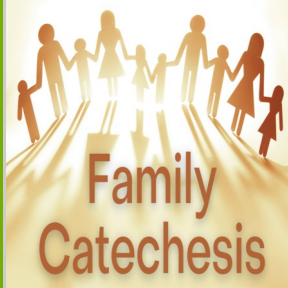


Catholic Education in the
 Classical Tradition
Pre-K through 8th Grade

www.stmarys-temple.org

1019 South 7th Street
 Temple, Texas 76504
 Office: 254-778-8141

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.



Family Catechesis
 groups meet every
 3rd Wednesday.

Join us on
 Wednesday, Dec. 11th.
 fSacramental Preparation

For more information contact Julie Rex in the
 Parish Office at (254) 773-4541 or
re@stmarytempletx.org



Join us every 2nd Tuesday of the month at
 6:00pm for our Parent & Godparent
 Baptism Preparation classes.

Please contact the parish office to register
 for any class at (254) 773-4541



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 YOUTH

All Middle & High School
 students are invited to join us
 each Wednesday evening
 from 6-7:30pm in the O'Reilly
 Building for food, fun and
 faith formation!

Come out and see all the fun you could be
 having and don't forget to bring a friend!



Children's Choir for Christmas Eve

4:30PM MASS

REHEARSALS ON
DECEMBER 10, & 17 (6:00PM - 7:00PM)
AND DECEMBER 23 (3:00PM) IN THE
CHURCH

CONTACT DARRELL ST. ROMAIN
MUSIC@STMARYTEMPLETX.ORG

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 15th.

Donation per flower is \$15.00.



Decorate the church for
CHRISTMAS

Monday, Dec. 23rd at 9:00am

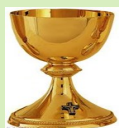
Many Hands are Needed

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!

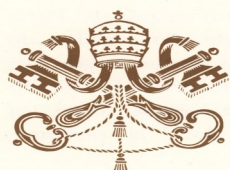
Dec. 15th	Nestor & Vicki Centeno	9:30am
Dec. 21st	Kris & Janet Haynes	5:30pm
Dec. 29th	Bill Keller	9:30am



Mass Intentions

December 10th – December 15th

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	8:15AM	† Dr. Jeff Jones Claire Thompson Jared Goff
Wednesday	5:30PM	Priestly Vocations
Thursday	8:15AM	Vernon Odell Hein, Sr.
Friday	5:30PM	Steve Nyland
Saturday	8:15AM	† Frank Villamaria
	5:30PM	† George Wilkinson
		† Bill Colburn
Sunday	7:30AM	† Nora Cruz
	9:30AM	† Shirley Schneider For the Parishioners of St, Mary's Catholic Church
	11:30AM	† Clem & † JoAnn Mikeska
		† Ernest Gingles, Jr. Ralph DeFeo



You are invited

To 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 evenings of Dec. 10, & 17.

Join Deacon Matt and members of our
parish for one or all sessions.

Bring your electronic devices on the
evenings of the gathering. Personal reading in
advance is encouraged.

Enter 'Dilexit Nos' in your search
engine. Paper copies will be available.

Invite your friends and family too.

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



**Divine Mercy Ministry Meeting
Sunday, December 15th at 3pm**

**All are invited to come and
receive a better understanding
of the Divine Mercy and enjoy a
time of prayer and
fellowship.**

Parish Giving

November 24th & December 1st, 2024

Sunday Collection	\$	33,007.19
Parish School	\$	717.00
Cath. Campaign Human Dev	\$	15.00
Building Fund	\$	577.00
World Home Mission	\$	265.00
Other	\$	203.00
Helping Hands	\$	1,638.66
Total	\$	36,422.85



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday Dec. 9th
at 8:15am or 5:30pm

Join us as we recognize and celebrate our Blessed Mother with Mass.

A Pot Luck supper will immediately follow the 5:30 pm Mass in the Regina Caeli Room.

Bring your favorite dish and come enjoy fellowship together!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Date	Event	Location	Time
Mon. Dec. 9 th	Quilters	O'Reilly Building	9:00 am
	Boy Scouts	O'Reilly Building	6:30 pm
Tuesday - Friday	Adoration	Adoration Chapel	9:00 am
Tues. Dec. 10 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. 11 th	Youth Group	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
	Religious Education	Regina Caeli / Gym	6:00 pm
Thurs. Dec. 12 th	RCIA	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
Sat. Dec. 14 th	Advent Mission	Church & Gym	8:45 am 5:30 pm
Sun. Dec. 15 th	Divine Mercy Ministry	Parish Office	3:00 pm

COMMUNITY, MUSIC,
ENGAGING KEYNOTES,
PRAYER, AND FUN

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NOTHING BUT LOVE

DCYC 2025

SIGN UP TODAY

If your High School student is interested in going with St. Mary Church to DCYC, please sign up as soon as possible to get this amazing deal
Sign up before Nov. 1st and your deposit is \$25
After Nov. 1st, your deposit is \$50
Total Cost to be paid by Jan. 10, 2025-\$100

JAN 31ST-FEB 2ND, 2025

LOCATION: WACO
CONVENTION CENTER

Sign up Here!



Once you sign up through Flocknote, we will hold your spot. Deposit to be paid as soon as possible to the Parish office or online.

For more information or have a question?
Contact: Julie Rex
ph#254-773-4541 ext. 306 or Email: re@stmarytempletx.org

ANNUAL Christmas GIVING TREE



Thank you to everyone who took an ornament from the Parish Giving Tree this year!

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!