

Sunday, November 9, 2025

On behalf of Fr. Will, our parish staff, and leadership teams, we extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your incredible support and participation in our recent parish initiatives — the CSA Drive, the Increased Offertory Program, and our beautiful Anniversary Mass and Reception.

Your generosity, faith, and commitment to St. Mary's truly embody the spirit of our parish family. Through your prayers, stewardship, and presence, you continue to strengthen our community and help us carry forward the mission of Christ in our midst.

A special word of gratitude to all our volunteers and ministry leaders who gave so generously of their time and talents to make these efforts successful and our anniversary celebration so memorable.

May God bless you abundantly for your faithfulness and love for our parish and school.

Together, we look forward to all that God has in store for our parish and school in the days ahead.





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Sunday Worship

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

Daily Mass

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

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 8:45 am

The mission of St. Mary's Catholic Church is for all to KNOW, LOVE AND SERVE our Lord Jesus Christ; provide for the Catholic Educational needs of our children and adults, and proclaim the Good News of His Saving Grace to all we encounter.

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Get Ready for the Texas Education Freedom Account (Texas EFA)!
Exciting news for families considering Catholic education! The new Texas
Education Freedom Account (TEFA) program—formerly known as ESA—can
help make private education more affordable. Applications are expected to
open in January 2026, and now is the time to prepare.

- <u>Learn about Texas EFA</u> Find out who qualifies and what's covered.
- Sign up for updates Stay informed and ready to apply.
- <u>Prioritization 1 Info</u> Families of children with disabilities may qualify for early prioritization. Start gathering documentation now—504 plans do not qualify.

Join us for Texas EFA Info Sessions at St. Mary's School Cafeteria:

Sunday, November 16 after the 9:30 AM Mass St. Mary's is here to help! Visit our <u>Texas EFA</u> page for resources and updates.



November 2. 2025

\$	20,372.37
\$	12.00
\$	20.00
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Thank you for your continuous generosity.

Your giving makes a difference!

THE WEEK AHEAD

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Date	Event	Location	Time		
Tuesday	Adoration	Adoration			
-		Chapel			
Friday					
Tues.	Knitters &	Ave Maria	10:00 am		
Nov 11 th	Crocheters	Room			
	Adult Bible	O'Reilly	1:30 pm		
	Study	Building	- 3:30 pm		
	Men of	O'Reilly	7:00 pm		
	Joseph	Building			
Wed.	Family	O'Reilly	6:00 pm		
Nov 12 th	Catechesis	Building			
Thurs.	Adult Faith	O'Reilly	6:00 pm		
Nov 13 th	Formation	Building			



REGISTRATION OPEN!

All high school students are invited to join St. Mary's Youth Group for the Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (DCYC).

- Cost: \$200 (includes conference, hotel, transportation, and meals)
- Scholarships available & Payment plan offered
- Deadline: Dec. 21, 2025 (registration after the Dec. deadline will include additional fees)
- Chaperones: Free (please contact Julie Rex after registering)

A weekend of:
Faith-filled talks & prayer
Fellowship with teens across the Diocese
Fun, worship, & unforgettable memories

St. Mary's Youth Group is going-are you coming?



JAN 30TH-FEB 1ST, 2026

LOCATION: WACO CONVENTION CENTER

Register Today!

Once you Register, we will hold your spot. \$25 Deposit to be paid as soon as possible to the Parish office or online.



For more information or to request a scholarship or donatior Contact: Julie Rex ph#254-773-4541 ext. 306 or Email: re@stmarvtempletx.org









Religious Education Information November

Sacramental Prep

Wed., 19th @6:15pm O'Reilly building, upstairs



Wed., 12th @6:15pm O'Reilly, downstairs





St. Mary's Youth Group Middle/High School

Youth Nights: 12th & 19th (Friendsgiving on the 19th)

6-7:30pm

MS-Ave Maria Room HS-O'Reilly Building, downstairs

HS Holy Hour: Sat., 15th (Begins @5:30pm Vigil Mass)



Confirmation 2026

Sessions for this year's class set to begin January 4th, 2026

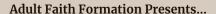
All Sessions will be held on Sundays, 2-4pm at St. Mary's Catholic School Dates: January-4th, 11th, 18th, 25th **DCYC 1/30-2/1**

Retreat 2/7-2/8*February-15th, 22nd
March-1st, 8th, 16th, 22nd

Confirmation Date: TBA

A certificate of Baptism & First Holy Communion will need to be cresented to the Parish Office as soon as possible Student must reinfund on attendance of 80% & have already completed one year of antifirmation prep classes. (If confirmation previous actuate of St. and the properties of the properties of the Parish will need to se given to the church office) preferred to st 5000-scholarships steries' indicates Mandatory (Retreat Cost 5000-scholarships For More Detailed information contact Julie Rex re@stmarytempletx.or





Who is Jesus?

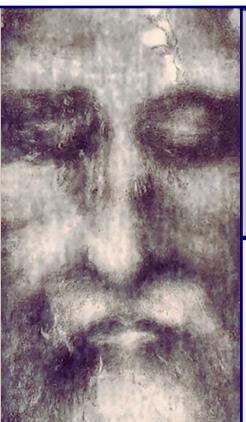
Why we need a Savior & the Preparation for the Messiah.



In this series, we will explore why humanity needs a Savior by looking honestly at our brokenness and the reality of sin in the world.

We'll go back to the beginning—God's beautiful plan for creation, the dignity of the human person, and how the Fall disrupted that harmony. Then, we'll trace how God, in His mercy, prepared the way for the Messiah through the covenants, the prophets, and the longing of Israel for redemption.

Whether you're returning to the Church, beginning your faith journey, this is the place to start



Dates: Thursdays

- November 13th & 20th
- December 11th & 18th

Time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Location: O'Reilly building,

downstairs

Dinner provided





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!

Nov. 9th	Ernie & Tish Degenhardt	9:30am
Nov. 16th	Bill Keller	9:30am
Nov. 23rd	Ryan Colburn	7:30am
Nov. 30th	Debra Hollingsworth	7:30am

Call or Text Debra Hollingworth at (713) 586-9800 if interested in filling an "Open" slot!

Clerical Endowment Fund (CEF)
Mass Intention Card Sale
Nov. 15th & 16th
in the Narthex.

The purpose of the Clerical Endowment Fund is used to aid in the education of seminarians for the Austin Diocese.

CEF Mass Intention Cards can be purchased for \$2, \$5 and \$25.

Please stop in the Narthex after all Masses next weekend and Altar Society will be happy to help you get your prayer cards.



Altar Society News:

We would like to thank our October Cleaning & Hospitality Crew:

Diane Wolfe
Debra Hollingsworth
Debra Kotzian
Doris Marek

Thank you for your service to the Church and to the Altar Society.

Join us on Wednesday, November 12, 2025 in the Regina Caeli Room at 12:00 noon for our monthly meeting. All are welcome to attend and see all the great things the Altar Society is doing.

Wednesday, November 19th at 10:00am Christ the King Catholic Church in Belton is hosting our Kileen/ Temple Deanery Meeting all members are encouraged to attend.





All Liturgical Ministers:

Please check the Ministry Scheduler Pro for all upcoming daily and weekend Mass schedules.



November 10th - November 16th

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	8:15AM 5:30PM 8:15AM	† Ervin Ketterman Don Neil Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
Friday	5:30PM	† Frances Pechal
Saturday	8:15AM	† Ervin Ketterman
	5:30PM	† Tou Sain Hunter
		† Marie Swoboda
		† Loretta Kuykendall
Sunday	7:30AM	Deceased members of
		Council 3444 &
		Assembly 1138
		† Elmer Hoelscher
	9:30AM	For the Parishioners of
		St. Mary's Catholic
		Church

This weekend, November 9, 2025

The Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome reminds us of the importance of the material buildings in which the community gathers to celebrate and to praise God. May we take good care of our precious sacred spaces, and may Jesus Christ be the cornerstone of all.