

St. Mary Catholic Church

Mission Parish
815 St. Mary's Church Rd.
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)



MASSES

Mary, The Holy Mother of God
A Holy Day of Obligation
Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.
Rosa Lee Tobias †

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
No Mass

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Rev. Fr. Francis Long

Friday at 7:00 a.m.
Bernard J. Michalsky †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
Gladys Volcik †

Sacrament of Reconciliation
60 to 20 minutes before Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville
www.stjohnfayetteville.com



MASSES

Mary, The Holy Mother of God
A Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil – Monday at 6:00 p.m.

For the People

Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

Louis Mascheck †

Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

For the Church during this
Year of Reparation

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Ed, Sr. & Nell Mueller †

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

Deceased of the
Jacob & Marie Novak Families †

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Rev. Fr. John Baptist Dessongnis

Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

For the People

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

JoAnna Rudolph †

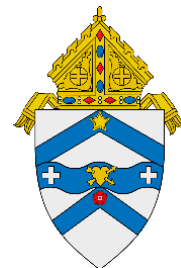
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m.

First Friday 4:00-5:30 p.m.



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



St. Martin Catholic Church

World's Smallest Catholic Church
Historic Chapel
3490 S. Hwy 237
Round Top
(near Warrenton)

MONTHLY MASS

Wednesday, January 16, at 9:00 a.m.
For the intentions left on the altar

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Marriage preparation: Contact the priest before setting the date and at least nine months before the date desired.

Baptism Preparation Classes will be held on the fourth Monday of each month. Parents & Godparents must have attended a Baptism Preparation class within three years of the Baptism. Contact the parish office to register.

Parish Registration forms available at the entrance of the Church and online.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
December 30, AD 2018

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$ 1,601.00
Christmas: \$ 4,439.10

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES: Congratulations to the couples of St. Mary's Parish who are receiving certificates in the year 2018 for fulfilling their commitment to the Sacrament of Marriage. May the Lord's blessings of love, peace, and unity continue to dwell in their homes and hearts.

Ray & Nemo Meraz – 66 years
Robert & Lorene Balzer – 61 years
Bernard & Jeanette Michalsky – 60 years
Lawrence & Vlasta Korenek – 60 years
Bill & Ruth Beseda – 55 years
Vernon & Jan Jurecka – 45 years
Ronnie & Susie Zatopek – 40 years
Mark & Vicki Childress – 35 years
Mark & Lisa Gerik – 25 years
James & Aimee Korenek – 20 years
Mitch & Rachelle Madden – 20 years



CONGRATULATIONS and best wishes to *Aaron & Madison (Becka) Perez*, who were united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony. May the Lord bless them with many happy years of marriage.

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. Mass will be at 7:00 a.m. on Friday. Benediction will be Thursday evening after Mass.

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY will meet on Wednesday, **January 2**, at 1:00 p.m. with a coffee & tea social to follow.

WELCOMING & HOSPITALITY will be in the parish hall, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday, **January 6**. Join us!

ST MARY'S COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Pastoral Council meeting will be on Thursday, **January 17**, at 6:45 p.m. in the parish hall. The meeting is open to all parishioners. St. Mary's Finance Council will meet on **January 24**.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for the maintenance of St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$ 4,246.75
Christmas: \$ 4,344.11

BANNS OF MARRIAGE are announced for *Meghan Wied & Bradley Tew*, who will be united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony at St. John Catholic Church, on Saturday, **January 12, 2019**.

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. We will have the Exposition of the Eucharist at 3:00 p.m. closing with Benediction at 5:40 p.m., followed by First Friday Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for the Faith Formation program.

ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY NOTICE: Please remove ornaments and breakable items. We ask all to consistently maintain the gravesites according to the cemetery rules and regulations. Copies of the "Rules, Regulations and Specifications of St. John's Cemetery Association" can be found at the entrance of the Church.

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Raphael & Verline Fellman – 62 years
Vernon & Barbara Hohensee – 61 years
El Gene & Mary Ann Sommerfeld – 60 years
James & Rose Marie Rohde – 60 years
John D. & Madeline Kovar – 55 years
LeRoy & Peggy Canik – 55 years
Benjamin & Anna Chovanec – 40 years
Alvin & Brenda Minarcik – 40 years
Arlis & Paulette Keilers – 40 years
David & Michelle Bertsch – 30 years
Randall & Debora Canik – 30 years
Jeff & Eileen Graeter – 25 years
Ryan & Robin Sklar – 15 years
Craig & Becky Neumann – 15 years
Jason & Tiffany Nigh – 15 years
Daniel & Rachel Schley – 15 years
Brandon & Angela Taylor – 10 years
Kory & Kayla Kaspar – 10 years



ST. JOHN'S PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: It is time, once again, to select new members to our Pastoral Council. The three-year terms for members Rodney Beseda, Debora Canik, and Kathy Kneblak will be expiring after the first calendar quarter of 2019. The other current members are: Paul Estrada, Emil Sodalak, John Spiess, Pat Geistmann, Lee Matocha, and Robert Kasmiersky. Please submit your nominations for the council by next Sunday, **January 6** in order to have your nomination entered into the selection that will take place at the council meeting on Thursday, **January 10**. Nomination forms are included with this bulletin and can also be found at the entrance of the church.

ST JOHN'S COUNCIL MEETINGS: The Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Thursday, **January 10**, at 7:00 p.m. We will be selecting three new members at this time. The Finance Council will meet Tuesday, **January 22** at 6:45 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S & ST. MARY'S NEWS

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Randy Dvorak, Regina Gerik, Hannah Glenn, Ed Halcom, Annie V. Janish, Deacon Robert Jasek, J.D. Kovar, Lillian Kramr, Kendall Kurtz, Jordan Lee, Olivia McAfee, Cindy McCowen, John Meehan, Dinah Meischen, Veronica Miller, Jonathon Moss, Vickie Neutzler, Loretta Peschel, Garland Polasek, Donna Shula, Dr. Jimmy Sladek, Larry Sodek, Barbara Sulak, Barbara Tieken, Mary Till, Mae Till, Bennie Volcik, Gail Warschak, and Maggie Williams. (Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)

FAITH FORMATION: Classes have been dismissed for the Christmas holidays and will resume on Wednesday, **January 9**.

The KC & CDA CHRISTMAS PARTY for members of *both* Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters of America will be **TODAY, December 30**, with the social beginning at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. Each person is asked to bring a canned food item for the AMEN Food Pantry.

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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

- **MONTHLY MEETING** will be on Tuesday, **January 8**, at 6:30 p.m. in St. John's Parish Hall.
- **CDA EDUCATION CONTEST:** Students in grades 4-12 and adult CDA members are encouraged to enter. Entry forms are available at Fayetteville ISD and at the entrance of the church. **January 23, 2019** is the deadline to return all entries.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **OFFICERS MEETING** will be held on Monday, **January 7**, at 6:30 p.m., in St. John's Parish Hall.
- **BAR-B-Q** chicken, sausage and ribs to go will be served Sunday, **January 13**, at 10:30 a.m. at the St. John Hall pits. You may call to place orders at (979) 249-6003. K.C. members to work starting at 5:00 a.m. are the Kenneth Noska crew. **The CDA will have side dishes available.**
- **REGULAR MEETING** will be on Tuesday, **January 15**, at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's parish hall.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on New Year's Eve & New Year's Day, December 31 & January 1.

MASSES INTENTIONS: There are Mass openings for 2019. Please come by the church office if you would like to have a Mass said for the intention of a deceased relative or friend.

FAITH FORMATION CATECHETICAL RETREAT will be Saturday, **January 12**, at St. Mary in Ellinger from 9-12 noon. All Catechists, Aides, RCIA leaders, and anyone currently involved in or interested in serving in the Faith Formation Program are asked to attend. Please join us as we focus on the practical ways to evangelize in the classroom. Father Matthew Kinney, of Sacred Heart Parish in La Grange, will lead us in this prayerful morning.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

- ✓ **"Catechizing for a Just World"**- This 8-hour course will be hosted by Sacred Heart Parish in La Grange on Saturday, **January 5** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m
- ✓ **"Church"**- This 16-hour course will be offered in La Grange, over four Saturdays—*February 9, March 9, April 6, and May 11*—from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. each day. To register, call the Sacred Heart Church Office at (979) 968-5740.

HOLY ROSARY WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT is scheduled for **February 21-24** at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar. This retreat is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and making new friends. Applications are available at the entrance of the church or online at www.holyrosaryacts.com. If you have any questions, please contact Becca Edmiston at (979) 732-1710.

THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY from the Central Texas Food Bank will be here Thursday, **January 3**, from **10:00 - 11:00 a.m.** Clients must be present and at least 18 years old. Please bring your own bag. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 9:45 a.m.

THANK YOU TO ALL who decorated St. John and St. Mary churches, led us in singing, sang in the choir, played the organ or other instruments, and anyone who helped in any way to make our Christmas Masses so beautiful. Thank you for your commitment and dedication to your parish and to our Lord.

SENIOR CITIZEN SOCIAL is on Thursday, **January 3**, from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall.

YEAR OF REPARATION: *Ideas for Acts of Reparation*

Try these ideas this week:

1. Set aside an hour this week to pray for those who are struggling with a decision of life or death for their unborn child.
2. Give up watching your favorite TV show this week.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019-PANAMA



World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope, which is typically celebrated every three years in a different country. The most recent WYD was celebrated in Krakow, Poland from July 26th to 31st, 2016, when our parishes had seven young adults in attendance. The next World Youth Day will be held in Panama City, Panama from January 22nd to 27th, 2019, and, again, we will be represented – this time by five young adults!

This is a PILGRIMAGE of young people who want to take part in a festive encounter with their contemporaries, centered on Jesus Christ. This event is an opportunity to experience in first person the universality of the Church, to share with the whole world the hope of many young people who want to commit themselves to Christ and others. World Youth Day is a unique way to deepen one's faith and grow closer to Christ, by means of prayer and the sacraments, together with thousands of other young people who share similar interests and ambitions.

The 2019 World Youth Day is in less than a month. Please KEEP our Pilgrims in your prayers – that their journey will be safe, and that it will ignite a deeper love for Our Lord and a passion to evangelize!

2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES: **EVERYONE** using envelopes should, please, write their name on the first few.

"Share the Journey"



PRAYER OF SHARING THE JOURNEY

O Creator God, You have given me my life, which can only be made full on this earth by sharing it with others and with You. You call me to share in this journey of salvation for all. Doing it together, we are being saved now. Give me the generosity to be hospitable and welcome others to what is rightfully all of ours in Your name. Let me stand up courageously against those who want to exclude, create division, perpetuate prejudice and help me to defend the victims of such hatred.

May I go on learning how to love as You do: create homes for those who have none, clear pathways for those who want to walk forward in search of safety and life, and work selflessly with others. Comfort the refugee, free the detained, give sound hearing to the refugee claimant. Provide strength to the migrant who walks to safety. Draw others to greet them with compassion. Amen!

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

December 29-30 Feast of the Holy Family

Each of us was made by God, created in God's image and called to an authentic and holy life in Christ through the grace of the Holy Spirit. In keeping true to our commitment to raising children in the faith, we must continue to transmit the full truth concerning the human person at every stage from conception to natural death. May we focus not only on the gifts of family life, but also the family as the basis of a peaceful and just society.

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ST. JOHN'S LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Monday (6:00 p.m.) – Margaret Alford
Tuesday (10:00 a.m.) – Yvonne Smith
Saturday – Mary Keilers
Sunday – Christine Wied

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Monday (6:00 p.m.) – Sharon Martinek(H),
 Carrol Hollimon(H), Lexxus Mayorga(H), Theresa Keilers(C),
 Andrew Keilers*(C), Betty Kovar(C), Waldine Fruge(C)
Tuesday (10:00 a.m.) – Janell Warschak(H), Nikki Beseda(H),
 Lee Matocha*(H), Madeline Kovar(C), Yvonne Smith(C),
 Pat Geistmann(C), Paulette Keilers(C)
Saturday – Andrew Keilers(H), Kayla Kaspar(H),
 Joan Malota(H), Ronnie Kramr*(C), Karley Kasmiersky(C),
 Wanda Fritsch(C), Kathleen Kramr(C)
Sunday –Christine Wied(H), Cindy Bertsch(H),
 Rick Schilling*(H), David Bertsch(C), Mary Quiros(C),
 Jeanne Schilling(C), Jim Mattair(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Monday (6:00 p.m.) – Amanda Little, Skylar Kasmiersky,
 Peyton Jurecka
Tuesday (10:00 a.m.) – Cole Brackman, Logan Poncik,
 Mackenzie Poncik
Saturday – Dustin Canik, Amber Canik, Chelsie Toddy
Sunday – Emma Jurecka, Dal Brackman, Lydia Huebner

GIFT BEARERS

Monday (6:00 p.m.) – Ed Sula Family
Tuesday (10:00 a.m.) – Arlis Keilers Family
Saturday – Ronnie Kramr Family
Sunday – Kenneth Noska Family

ALTAR DUTY FOR JANUARY: Theresa Keilers,
 Mary Goerig, Lexxus Mayorga, Kathleen Kramr

USHERS FOR JANUARY

Saturday – Eddie Gaertner, Wesley Gaertner, Kory Kaspar,
 Vincent Orsak
Sunday – Arlis Keilers, Allan Minarcik, Emil Sodolak,
 Joe Babin

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	Rodney Beseda	281-802-7482
Finance Council President	Steve Pavlicek	409-739-4410
St. John Altar Society	Madeline Kovar	979-378-2361
Pro-Life Ministries Coordinator	Nikki Beseda	713-875-8009
K.J.Z.T.	Rose Rohde	979-249-3635
K.J.T.	Emil Sodolak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. John Catholic Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152



ST. MARY'S LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Tuesday (8:00 a.m.) – Jo Ann Divin
Sunday – L.J. Korenek

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Tuesday (8:00 a.m.) – Robert Balzer, Lee Roy Shula,
 Ruth Beseda, Jo Ann Divin
Sunday – L.J. Korenek, Jan Jurecka, Rose Urban, Paulette Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Tuesday (8:00 a.m.) – Julie Korenek, Emily Polasek
Sunday – Stephen Korenek, Rylee Fritsch

GIFT BEARERS

Tuesday (8:00 a.m.) – Gladys Polasek Family
Sunday – Rose Urban Family

USHERS FOR JANUARY

James Wunderlich, James Korenek, Anton Becka, Luke Orsak

ST. MARY CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	James Wunderlich	281-723-1999
Finance Council President	Bruce Kubena	979-249-6592
St. Mary Altar Society	Lolly Balzer	979-249-3076
Pro-Life Ministries Coordinator	Aimee Korenek	979-966-7051
K.J.Z.T.	Mildred Walla	979-378-4202
K.J.T.	James Korenek	979-966-9170
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. Mary Catholic Cemetery	Lawrence Korenek	979-732-2836

The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

The title "Mother of God" goes back to the third or fourth century, but the Greek term *Theotokos* ("The God-bearer") was officially consecrated as Catholic doctrine at the Council of Ephesus in 431, thus becoming the first Marian dogma. The feast is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus. On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men. Christ's birth was made possible by Mary's fiat, or sanctioning of God's plan with her words, "Be it done to me according to thy word". Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace", the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace". New Year's Day is also designated as the "World Day of Peace", further acknowledging the role of Mary in our hearts and in our world. *Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us.*



Come Gather in Prayer with Us!

- ***Saturday** night – pray the Rosary before the 6:00 p.m. Mass at **St. John** for the intention of religious vocations
- ***Monday** evening – pray the Angelus, the Rosary, the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and other prayers at 6:00 p.m. at **St. Mary**
- ***Tuesday** evening – pray the Rosary at 5:30 p.m. at **St. John** (except this week)

