

## St. Mary Catholic Church

815 St. Mary's Church Rd.  
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)  
www.stmaryellinger.com



### MASSES

**Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.**

*For the soul of Larry Polasek*

**Thursday at 6:00 p.m.**

*For the deceased*

*Family of Rudolph & Clara Vrazel*

**Friday at 7:00 a.m.**

*For the soul of Albina Urban*

**Sunday at 8:00 a.m.**

*For the soul of Marie Hrachovy*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Before every Mass

## St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



### MASSES

**Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.**

*No Mass*

**Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.**

*For the souls of*

*Benjamin & Una Mae Krenek*

**Thursday at 7:00 a.m.**

*For the soul of Mabel Knippel (CDA)*

**Friday at 5:00 p.m.**

*For the soul of Frances Dryman*

**Saturday at 7:30 a.m.**

*For the soul of Gordon Hornak*

**Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.**

*For the People*

**Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**

*For the soul of Frank Evanicky*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

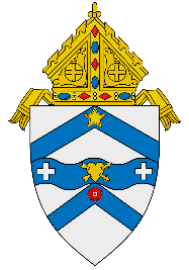
Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Wednesday 6:00-6:30 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

3490 S. Hwy 237

Round Top

(near Warrenton)

### MONTHLY MASS

**Tuesday, September 12, at 9:00 a.m.**

*For the intentions left on the altar*

## Mailing Address and Contact Information for all three Churches

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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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 16, AD 2017

## ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,485.00



**CONGRATULATIONS** and best wishes to *Chris & Rachael (Gurley) Wunderlich* who were united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony this weekend. May the Lord bless them with many years of a happy marriage.

**ST. MARY'S ANNUAL BAZAAR** is Sunday, **August 27**.

- **CALLING ALL QUILTERS!** We will begin working on the quilt this week, **July 17-21**, in the parish hall. If you do not sew, feel free to visit or bring the quilters refreshments. For more information, contact Mildred Walla at (979) 270-1705
- **THE ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTH AND COUNTRY STORE NEED YOUR SPECIALTIES!** The items needed for the country store are farm produce, canned goods, yard eggs, noodles, baked items, plants and yard art. We are also taking paperback books and hardback books. All arts & crafts, plants and homemade/homegrown items are welcome!
- **RAFFLE TICKETS** are now available from St. Mary parishioners, after Sunday Masses or at the parish office. The grand prize is a **\$5,000 Visa gift card**, plus over 30 other valuable prizes! Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20.

**ST. MARY FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING** will be on Tuesday, **August 1** at 7:00 p.m.

## ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$3,546.00

**ST. JOHN FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING** is on Tuesday, **July 18** at 6:45 p.m.

**ST. JOHN ANNUAL CHURCH FEAST** will be held Labor Day weekend, Sunday, **September 3**. We will be looking for your homegrown, homemade and canned items for the Country Store.

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Paula Canik, Nolan Eckeberger, Hannah Glenn, Melissa Hahn, James Kovar, Anita & Johnny Marek, Jeanette Michalsky, Alvin Minarcik, Saber Pace, Donna Schielack, Sue Ann Socha, Pat Sury, Bennie Volcik and Joyce Terrell. *(Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)*

**RURAL LIFE MASS** will be held at St. John Catholic Church in Fayetteville on Thursday, **August 3**, at 6:00 p.m.

- **Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet** for the Rural Life Mass is located at the entrance of the Church. If you would like to help with the event, please contact Donna Shula at (979) 378-2749.
- **Join the Music Ministry** for the Rural Life Mass. Choir practices are set for Sundays **July 23** and **July 30** at 5:00 p.m. at St. John. All musicians and singers are welcome! If you are interested, contact Wendy Becka at (979) 966-2587.
- **Homemade Goods Needed:** If anyone wishes to donate a small homemade item, such as jam/jelly or canned good, there is a donation box located at the entrance of the Church. Baked goods will be accepted the day of the Rural Life Mass. For more information, please contact Donna Shula.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS THIS WEEK, July 17-21

- **Parents:** Children may be registered until July 17, but a T-shirt is not guaranteed. We begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. and ask that you **drop off children 15 minutes early at St. John's Parish Hall**. Your child's T-shirt package with upcoming event information may be picked up at this time. On Friday, **July 21**, please drop off your children at the Hall at 5:45 p.m., wearing their VBS T-shirts.
- **Parishioners:** If anyone would like to bring a baked item or snack for volunteers, it would be greatly appreciated. We have a team of 59 members consisting of adults, college, high school and junior high students. Please call Theresa at (979) 966-2861.
- **Everyone Is Invited** to watch the VBS Skits at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. On Friday, **July 21**, all are invited to the 6:00 p.m. Closing Assembly with hot dogs provided by the KC's.



**JOIN OUR ROSARY GROUPS** Monday evenings at **6:00 p.m.** at St. Mary, and Tuesday evenings at **5:30 p.m.** at St. John.

## CYM GARAGE SALE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

The Garage Sale made over \$3,000 this year. In addition, the local KJT Society #9 has applied for a \$250 grant on our behalf. Thank you to all Youth Ministry Team members, youth and other adults that assisted all week with the work to make it such a success. We would also like to express our appreciation to all who donated items and/or came to shop. **Thank You!!**



## YOUR FEEDBACK IS REQUESTED

Pope Francis calls for a survey of all Catholics *and non-Catholics* ages 16-30s, parents, and those who work with young people in parishes and communities. Please complete the survey at [www.austindiocese.org/synod](http://www.austindiocese.org/synod) by **August 1**.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **FOURTH DEGREE MEETING** is on Thursday, **July 20**, at 7:00 p.m. in La Grange.
- **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS** is on Tuesday, **July 25**, at 6:00 p.m., followed by a catered meal. Family members, as well as scholarship recipients and their families are invited to attend.

**LITURGICAL DUTIES** for August and September are now available at the entrance of the Church and on the parish website's "Bulletin" page.

## PRO-LIFE: TEACHING THE YOUTH

*"Sexuality is a fundamental component of personality, one of its modes of being, of communicating with others, of feeling, of expressing and of living human love."*  
(Taken from the Educational Guidelines in Human Love, 4)

You may have heard the adage "today's youth is tomorrow's future," but if that were true, why have we not been educating our youth on the root issues of love and respect? It may be awkward to discuss some pro-life topics, such as sexuality, but it is *necessary* in order for our children to learn about the sacredness of life through relationships of all kinds. For it is through love and respect, we learn to have true compassion for all those in need, be it the terminally ill or baby in the womb.



For the full article, and Catholic resources on how to approach the topic, visit [www.facebook.com/sjmfayetteville/notes](http://www.facebook.com/sjmfayetteville/notes).

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**ONLINE GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE** for your weekly, monthly or one-time donations to the parish! You no longer need to worry about forgetting checks and envelopes at home. To get started, you may fill out an authorization form found at the entrance of the Church and return it to the parish office, or sign yourself up on the parish website on the "Make a Donation" page.



## Upcoming Events



**GIVE BLOOD:** A blood drive will take place from 8:00 a.m. – noon on Saturday, **July 29**, on the Fayetteville square, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 3168. Give the gift of life!

**SENIOR CITIZEN SOCIAL** will be on Thursday, **July 20**, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. All senior citizens are invited for an afternoon of games, fellowship and refreshments.

**ANNUAL MEN'S MASS** will be celebrated by Bishop Daniel Garcia on Saturday, **July 22**, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral in Austin. For more information, visit [www.centexcatholic.com](http://www.centexcatholic.com).

### ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The conference is on Saturday, **September 23**, at Santa Cruz Parish in Buda. This uplifting, spiritual day includes Mass with Bishop Daniel Garcia, testimonials, confession, Eucharistic adoration, prayer and fellowship. Registration forms are available at the entrance of the Church and online at [www.goo.gl/DvEoUX](http://www.goo.gl/DvEoUX).

### ETHICS AND INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY WORKSHOPS

All clergy, staff, members of organizations, (Choir, CDA, KC, Altar Society, K.J.Z.T, K.J.T., etc.) and volunteers of any event at the parish or any diocesan location are required to complete an Application for Ministry AND attend an EIM workshop every three years. Anyone considering volunteering for any ministry must be EIM compliant. Upcoming workshops in our area include:

- **Sacred Heart Parish, La Grange**

Tuesday, **August 8**, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., English

Saturday, **August 26**, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., English

For a complete listing of all upcoming workshops, or to register, visit the Diocese' website, [www.austindiocese.org/eim-workshop](http://www.austindiocese.org/eim-workshop). For further assistance or more information, call our parish office.

## Catholic Social Teaching Corner

*15th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

This Sunday we hear the familiar story of the sower and the seed. In the end this parable is about abundance, God makes the seed bear fruit many times over. Mother Teresa once said "If you cannot feed 100 people, feed just one." If we are fruitful recipients of the Word of God, how much will God multiply that good in the world?

*15to Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

Este domingo escuchamos la historia familiar del sembrador y la semilla. Al final, esta parábola es sobre abundancia, Dios hace que la semilla dé fruto muchas veces. La Madre Teresa dijo una vez "si no puedes alimentar a 100 personas, alimenta solo a una". Si somos receptores fructíferos de la Palabra de Dios ¿cuánto más multiplicará Dios la bondad en el mundo? ¿Cómo nos mueve la palabra de Dios a compartir abundantemente a través del simple gesto de ofrecer un paquete de galletas a los que no tienen hogar o de llevar comida a la despensa de alimentos local gratuita?

## Faith Formation

**REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION** (Religious Education) for the upcoming year is now open. Contact information forms of returning students have been mailed out. **Please return completed forms to the parish office.**

To register a new student, or if you have any questions, please come by the parish office.

### CATHECHISTS NEEDED

We need your help! As a catechist, you become a witness to the faith by sharing his/her faith commitment through word, worship, service, experience and prayer. If you are interested in becoming a teacher or an aide with our Faith Formation program, please contact the parish office.

**CYM – INSPIRATION SAN ANTONIO** at Six Flags Fiesta Texas is **November 11**. Along with exciting rides, there will be adoration, worship, Mass and fellowship with other teens from around the state. Registration forms are located at the entrance of the Church and on our website under "Faith Formation Opportunities." Registration forms should be returned, with the \$50 refundable deposit, **no later than August 1**.

*Note: If there is not sufficient interest by August 1, the trip will be cancelled and your deposit will be returned.*

**BIBLE STUDY** will be on Sundays, until **July 30**, from 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. in St. John's Hall in the back room. With the aid of "Does the Bible Really Say That: Discovering Catholic Teaching in Scripture" by Patrick Madrid, you will dive into how Catholic teachings and Scripture can be applied to our daily lives.

Below is the complete list of topics:

- **Today, July 16:** "Is it a sin to vote for pro-abortion candidates?"
- **July 23:** "Do Catholics 'keep Jesus on the cross?'"
- **July 30:** "Do Christians have absolute assurance of salvation?"

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019:** If you would like to know more about World Youth Day, contact the parish office! Both office administrators Lexxus and Veronica attended WYD 2016 in Poland and would be happy to answer any questions!



### "TOGETHER IN GOD'S LOVE" MARRIAGE RETREAT

This marriage preparation retreat will be on Saturday, **August 5**, from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish in La Grange. The retreat includes the required 1 hour Natural Family Planning introduction. Couples should already be working with their pastor. For more information, or to register, contact Debbie Greene by calling (979) 968-3430.

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

- **Basic Teachings of the Catholic Faith – Summer/Fall**  
This course will be held at **St. John Parish in Fayetteville** on Saturdays; *August 19, September 9, September 30, October 21, and November 11*, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Registration forms may be found at the entrance of the Church.**

- **Old Testament – Fall/Winter**

This course will be held at Sacred Heart Parish in La Grange on Saturdays; *September 16, October 7, November 4, and December 2*, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

For a complete list of Adult Faith Formation opportunities, or to register for a course, visit [www.austindiocese.org/aff2017](http://www.austindiocese.org/aff2017).

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**ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTORS**

**Wednesday** – Lexxus Mayorga  
**Saturday** – Kathleen Kramr  
**Sunday** – Christine Wied

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Saturday** – Kathleen Kramr(H), Leslie Little(H), Carrol Hollimon(H), Lexxus Mayorga(C), Ronnie Kramr\*(C), Wanda Fritsch(C), Madeline Kovar(C)  
**Sunday** – Amy Babin(H), Christine Wied(H), Joe Babin\*(C), David Bertsch(C), Michelle Bertsch(C), Janell Warschak(C)

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday** – Dustin Canik, Skylar Kasmiersky, Chelsie Toddy  
**Sunday** – Braden Kubala, Raquel Castillo, Kimberly Rohde

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Saturday** – Ed Sulak Family  
**Sunday** – Kenneth Noska Family

**CCW ROSARY:** Gladys Schmitt & Paulette Keilers will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

**ALTAR DUTY FOR JULY** Anna Kovar, Verline Fellman, Violet Krenek, Anne Beran

**USHERS FOR JULY**

**Saturday** – David Stastny, Jerry Chovanec, Lois Kaspar, Vincent Orsak  
**Sunday** – Christopher Kaspar, Arlis Keilers, John Spiess, Rick Schilling

**ST. JOHN CONTACTS**

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|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Pastoral Council Chairman       | Justin Huebner | 979-357-2533 |
| Finance Council President       | John Cufir     | 979-966-9068 |
| 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 Sodalak   | 979-249-3952 |
| Hall Rental                     | Parish Office  | 979-378-2277 |
| St. John Catholic Cemetery      | Ronald Kramr   | 979-249-6152 |



**St. Camillus de Lellis**  
**Patron Saint of Hospitals,**  
**Nurses and the Sick**  
 Tuesday, July 18

As St. Camillus said on his deathbed, “I have been a great sinner, a gambler and a man of bad life.” This held true for his early years, when he was known for excessive gambling and violence. In

fact, at age 24, he only began working at a monastery because he had gambled away all his belongings. It was here he heard a homily that changed his life. After being repeatedly rejected by monasteries, he dedicated his life to sharing God’s Word with the sick and poor. In 1595, he formed the first recorded military field ambulance and was among the first to implement sanitary hospital conditions in Europe.

*Dear Lord,*

*We pray that we, too, may be turned from sinners to saints, tending to all those rejected, sick and poor.*

*Amen.*

**ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTOR**

**Sunday** – Lilly Alvarado

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Sunday** – Lee Roy Shula, Ruth Beseda, Paulette Urban

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sunday** – Rylee Fritsch, Julie Korenek

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Sunday** – Mark Matocha Family

**ROSARY LEADER**

**Sunday** – Vlasta Korenek

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** July 23 – Denise Kubena;  
 July 30 – Waldine Skutca August 6 – Lolly Balzer

**USHERS FOR JULY**

**Sunday** – Donnie Becka, James Korenek, Bradley Divin, Robert Balzer

**ST. MARY CONTACTS**

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| Pastoral Council Chairman       | James Wunderlich | 281-723-1999 |
| Finance Council President       | Robert Balzer    | 979-249-3076 |
| St. Mary Altar Society          | Lolly Balzer     | 979-249-3076 |
| Pro-Life Ministries Coordinator | Aimee Korenek    | 979-966-8496 |
| 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 |

**Iglesias que ofrecen Misas en Español**

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| <b>Sab. 7:30 PM</b>  | St. Mary Our Lady of Lourdes   | Caldwell    |
| <b>Dom. 8:00 AM</b>  | Parish of the Nativity         | Eagle Lake  |
| <b>Dom. 11:00 AM</b> | St. Margaret                   | Giddings    |
| <b>Dom. 11:30 AM</b> | Sacred Heart                   | La Grange   |
| <b>Dom. 12:00 PM</b> | St. Rosa de Lima               | Schulenburg |
| <b>Dom. 12:30 PM</b> | St. Mary Immaculate Conception | Brenham     |

**Gospel Mediation**



In today’s Gospel, Jesus is concerned with the heart of the disciple. The heart is related to the character and will of the person. What is the soil of your heart like? Is it hard and rocky, or fertile and rich? Does it allow God’s word to take root deeply or does it turn away God’s word in the face of difficulty? Isaiah reminds us that God’s word is faithful. It is like a gentle life-giving rain that will make the soil of our hearts rich and fertile. Will we receive God’s word and be transformed?

**Mediación Evangélica**

En el Evangelio de Hoy, Jesús está preocupado por el corazón del discípulo. El corazón está relacionado al carácter y la voluntad de la persona ¿Cómo es la tierra de su corazón? ¿Es dura y rocosa, o fértil y rica? ¿Permite que la palabra de Dios eche raíz o se aleja de la palabra de Dios en tiempos de dificultad? Isaías nos recuerda que la palabra de Dios es fiel. Es como una lluvia que da vida que hará que la tierra de nuestros corazones sea rica y fértil ¿Recibiremos la palabra de Dios y ser transformados?