

St. Mary Catholic Church

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

No Mass

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Communion Service

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

No Mass

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

For the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before every Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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



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Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

No Mass

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No Mass

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Communion Service

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

No Mass

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

No Mass

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

For the Gerik and Urbanovsky Families

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

For the souls of Frank & Mary Kaspar

Sacrament of Reconciliation

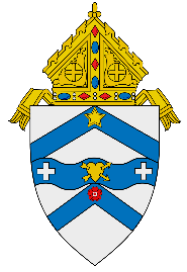
Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m.

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

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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 TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

August 6, AD 2017

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,463.00

ANNIVERSARY ROSARY: The Rosary will be prayed on Tuesday, **August 15**, at 6:00 p.m. commemorating the 29th anniversary of praying the rosary as a group at St. Mary Catholic Church. Everyone is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served after the Rosary.

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

- **BAZAAR WORKSHEET** volunteers will meet at 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, **August 10**, at 6:45 p.m. to finalize worksheets. The bazaar worksheets will be available after Mass next Sunday, **August 13**. If you cannot work your shift as listed on the worksheet, please contact the chairman of your booth.
- **WE NEED YOUR SPECIALTIES!** Items are needed for the country store, the arts & crafts booth, the plant wheel and the silent auction. All homemade/homegrown items are encouraged!
- **RAFFLE TICKETS** are now available through St. Mary's parishioners. There will also be tickets at an outside table after Sunday Masses and at the parish office. Remember, raffle ticket sales are the biggest part of our annual fundraiser. This year, 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. If you are in need of additional tickets please contact Mark or Lisa Matocha at (979) 378-2701.
- **FEAST POSTERS** are now available at the Church entrance. Please take one to share at your place of business or with friends.

ST MARY'S PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet on Thursday, **August 17**, at 6:45 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$2,844.05

CALLING ALL QUILTERS! St. John's Altar Society will begin working on the quilt for the annual feast this week, **August 7-11**, in the parish hall. If you do not sew, feel free to visit or bring the quilts refreshments throughout the day. For more information, contact Lorene Nitschke at (979) 378-2276.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ANNUAL PARISH FEAST will be on Labor Day weekend, Sunday, **September 3**.

It is time to start thinking about the various feast booths. The Live Auction is our biggest moneymaker and any auction item you donate will be appreciated. We also need your donations of special items for the Silent Auction, plants for the Plant Wheel, and homegrown, homemade and canned goods for the Country Store. **Feast Posters are available at the Church entrance.**

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Paula Canik, Lawrence Chovanec, Nolan Eckeberger, Hannah Glenn, Melissa Hahn, Anthony Karas, James Kovar, Anita & Johnny Marek, Alvin Minarcik, Doris Nestrsta, 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.*)

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday, August 15



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass Schedule

Monday, August 14 - 6:00 p.m. - St. Mary
Tuesday, August 15 - 12:15 p.m. - St. John
Tuesday, August 15 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John

OFFICE CLOSED: The Church Office will be closed on Tuesday, **August 15**, for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Any information for the bulletin needs to be submitted by *Friday, August 11*.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **OFFICERS MEETING** will be on Monday, **August 7**, at 6:30 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall.
- **BAR-B-Q** chicken, sausage and ribs to-go will be served next Sunday, **August 13**, at 10:30 a.m. at the St. John Hall pits. Orders should be placed in advance by calling (979) 249-6003. Members to work starting at 5:00 a.m. are the Allan Minarcik crew. The CDA will have side dishes available.

LIFE ISSUES FORUM

Jesus, Healer of Wounds and Source of Mercy

The recent *Convocation of Catholic Leaders: The Joy of the Gospel* in America was an unprecedented gathering. Led by 155 bishops, over 3,200 Catholic leaders attended from 159 dioceses and over 200 national Catholic organizations, apostolates, and movements. Inspired by *Evangelii gaudium*, the July 2017 Convocation equipped and re-energized leaders to share the Gospel as missionary disciples.

During the gathering, the bishops paused to pray and reflect together on both our wounds and the ways that we, as individuals and as Church, have participated in or failed to prevent the woundedness of others.

Some areas addressed are worthy of prayer and reflection:

A Lack of Respect for Human Dignity

"Awaken in us an acknowledgement of the multitude of ways in which human dignity is threatened - abortions, assisted suicides, death sentences, abusive homes, and racial/ethnic discrimination."

Suffering from Participation in Abortion

"Help us as a Church to recognize the unique pain that abortion brings to individuals, families and our society."

Selfish Disregard for the Common Good

"Help us to promote peace in war-torn lands, to assist refugees, to seek justice for the poor who suffer each day from homelessness, hunger, and hopelessness, and to protect the beauty of your Creation which sustains us all."

If we are to be leaders in the mission to defend life, we must begin by acknowledging our failures and seeking forgiveness. Jesus, Healer of Wounds and Source of Mercy, help us find healing in You, before we seek to prevent the wounds of others.

To read and learn more about the *Convocation of Catholic Leaders: The Joy of the Gospel* and the bishops' pro-life activities, visit www.usccb.org/prolife.

To read past pro-life articles of our bulletin, visit www.facebook.com/sjmfayetteville/notes. No Facebook account? No worries! An account is not necessary to access these articles.



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

August 6, AD 2017

Upcoming Events

HOPE-HEALTHY OPTIONS PROGRAM: On the second Friday of each month, between 2:00 – 3:00 p.m., clients receive a bag of groceries. The next distribution is Friday, **August 11**.

ST. MICHAEL PARISH HARVEST FEAST in Weimar is on Sunday, **August 13**, at Veteran's Memorial Park. A fried chicken and stew dinner will begin at 11:00 a.m. The rest of the day will include bingo, an auction, washer-pitching tournament and more.

PRAHA PICNIC - 162nd PRAŽSKÁ POUT is on Tuesday, **August 15** at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church in Praha. It begins with Mass at 10:00 a.m. Live music starts at 11:00 a.m. and continues all day. Everyone is welcome!

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. 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.

For assistance or more information, contact the parish office.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Jesus' baptism proclaimed the mystery of the first regeneration, namely, our Baptism; the Transfiguration is the sacrament of the second regeneration: our own Resurrection. From now on we share in the Lord's Resurrection through the Spirit who acts in the sacraments of the Body of Christ. The Transfiguration not only gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when he will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body, but also recalls that it is through many persecutions that we will enter the kingdom of God" (CCC, 556). Without the eyes of our heart focused on the light manifest through the Gospel, while we may physically rise, we could slumber in action. Christ helps us to rise and to not be afraid. The transformative power of Christ helps to steady us on the path to everlasting life, in spite of the challenging difficulties that may be encountered in relationships, work and society.

Fiesta de la Transfiguración del Señor

El bautizo de Jesús proclamó el misterio de la primera regeneración, es decir, nuestro Bautismo; la Transfiguración es el sacramento de la segunda regeneración: nuestra propia Resurrección. Desde ahora compartimos en la Resurrección del Señor a través del Espíritu que actúa en los sacramentos del Cuerpo de Cristo. "La Transfiguración no solo nos da una probada de la gloriosa venida de Cristo, cuando Él cambiará nuestro humilde cuerpo para que sea como su cuerpo glorioso, pero también recuerda que es a través de muchas persecuciones que entraremos al Reino de Dios" (CCC, 556). Sin los ojos de nuestro corazón enfocados en la luz manifiesta a través del Evangelio, aunque podamos levantarnos físicamente, sucumbiremos en la acción. Cristo nos ayuda a levantarnos y a no tener miedo. El poder transformador de Cristo nos ayuda a mantenernos firmes en el camino de la vida eterna, a pesar de las retadoras dificultades que puede que encontremos en las relaciones, en el trabajo y en la sociedad.

Faith Formation

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

REGISTER TODAY!

- **Basic Teachings of the Catholic Church – Summer/Fall**

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 (Sacred Heart Parish)**

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.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

- ✦ **THE "SOMBRERO"** worksheets for the upcoming feast have been sent to each High School student. If you did not receive one, please call the parish office or visit the parish website's "Useful Links/Forms" page to confirm the time you are scheduled to work. Please make every effort to work your shift.

- ✦ **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. The Parental Consent Form and Life Teen Participation Agreement Form have been emailed to each participant. Please contact the office if you have any questions, or have not received the necessary paperwork.

INTRODUCTORY CATECHIST WORKSHOPS

Echoes of Faith workshop will be held Sunday, **August 13**, at 3:00 p.m. in the St. John's Education Building.

Echoes of Faith workshops will be held at Sacred Heart Parish in La Grange. The workshops will be offered in the Religious Education office as follows:

- **August 14**, 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. *Getting Started as a Catechist*
 - **August 14**, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. *Role of the Catechist*
 - **August 14**, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. *Person of the Catechist*
 - **August 16**, 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. *Introduction to the Learner*
 - **August 16**, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. *Grade Level Methodology*
- All catechists, new and experienced, are invited to attend these workshops. They will count toward the Level 1 catechist certification. For more information, or to register, please contact the Sacred Heart parish office at (979) 968-3201.

CATECHIST ORIENTATION will be on **August 15**, after the 6:00 p.m. Mass, in the Education Building. All teachers, aides, substitutes, youth ministers and those interested in helping with the Faith Formation program should attend. There will be a presentation by a representative of Loyola Press to give us more insight into our new textbooks, *Finding God*.

HOLY ROSARY WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT is scheduled for **September 14-17** at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar. This retreat is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and making new friends. Its aim is to enhance your relationship with Our Lord and with other Christian women who accompany us on this journey of faith. Applications are available at the entrance of the Church or online at www.holyrosaryacts.com. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Kozelsky at (361) 772-1615.

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Cindy Bertsch
Saturday – Herman Schramm
Sunday – Lee Matocha

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Leslie Little(H), Kayla Kaspar(H),
Theresa Keilers(H), Andrew Keilers*(C), Tiffany Nigh(C),
Betty Kovar(C), Yvonne Smith(C)
Sunday – Becky Matocha(H), Lee Matocha(H),
Rick Schilling*(C), Jeanne Schilling(C), Holly Krebs(C),
Tompo Kuhn(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Chelsie Toddy, Skylar Kasmiersky, Dustin Canik
Sunday – Wade Halamiczek, Braden Kubala, Kimberly Rohde

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Gary Toddy Family
Sunday – Rick Schilling Family

CCW ROSARY: Frances Sula & Dorothy Gully will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

ALTAR DUTY FOR AUGUST Betty Kovar, Cathleen Noska, Mary Schley, Margaret Alford

USHERS FOR AUGUST

Saturday – Leonard Kaspar, Steve Lyssy, Leslie Little, Ronnie Kramr
Sunday – Alvin Minarcik, Willie Socha, David Holub, Joe Babin

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	Justin Huebner	979-357-2533
Finance Council President	John Cufr	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 Sodolak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. John Catholic Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

Transfiguration of the Lord



The Transfiguration was necessary to help the apostles recognize the divinity of Jesus, His union with the Father and the Spirit as well as with the prophets of the Old Testament. Maybe there is another kind of transfiguration that is needed for us so that, like the apostles, when the vision was over, we may be able to “look up and see no one, but only Jesus.” A transfiguration that will enable us to see the presence of Jesus within ourselves and in the people who cross our path.

God you have scattered the darkness with your light and have poured your light into our hearts so that we might look upon the radiant face of Jesus Christ. Nourish in us the desire to be transformed for your kingdom. Amen.

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Aimee Korenek

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – L.J. Korenek, Ruth Beseda, Paulette Urban

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Luke Korenek, Emily Polasek

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Dan Kuehn Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Vlasta Korenek

ALTAR FLOWERS: August 13 – Dorothy Orsak;
August 20 – Sue Zapalac August 27 – Betty Supak

USHERS FOR AUGUST

Sunday – Alfred Ermis, Anton Becka, Eduardo Alvarado, Mark Schmitt

ST. MARY CONTACTS

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

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

Gospel Mediation

Today, on the Feast of the Transfiguration, we are reminded of Christ's glory. Each Sunday and every Mass, we not only see and experience the Risen Lord in the Eucharist, Scriptures and assembly, we are also invited to be transformed by him in the celebration and reception of the Eucharist. What aspect of your journey is strengthened and transformed by Christ?

Mediación Evangélica

Hoy, en la Fiesta de la Transfiguración, se nos recuerda la gloria de Cristo. Cada domingo y en cada Misa, no sólo vemos y experimentamos al Señor Resucitado en la Eucaristía, las Escrituras y a la asamblea, también estamos invitados a ser transformados por Él en la celebración y recepción de la Eucaristía ¿Qué aspecto de su viaje se fortalece y es transformado por Cristo?



THANK YOU to all the individuals and organizations from the parishes of St. John and St. Mary who helped make the Rural Life Mass a beautiful celebration.