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**STEWARDSHIP REPORT
Weekly Contribution**

Collection for February 7th – \$6399.50
Ash Wednesday Collection - next week

Your faithful stewardship helps us meet our Fiscal needs.

“His Mercy Endures Forever - Psalm 136

“We are called upon to focus on the heart to see how much generosity everyone is capable of.”

Pope Francis

The Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) helps all of us fulfill Christ's mission here on earth by supporting those programs and services that cannot be accomplished by one parish alone.

Please help us reach our goal of \$25,000.00 with your participation.

PRAY FOR/Ruega Por Ellos:

Oledario Naranjo, Liz Fernandez Strickland, Ignacio Damian Sr, Eddie Virgil, Will Windham, Alan Neff, Melissa Garcia, Angelica Silva, Edward Coufal, Maria Cerda, Gary W. Callaway, Mary Valdez, Joyce Hargrove, Tim Kolafa, Joan Horr, Leon Quintanilla, Sheila Hinojosa, Regina Martinez, Chano Lopez, Pat Matula, Francis Emily Cyr, Justin Salazar, Sherrie James, Craig Cameron, Jennifer Hermosillo, Roy Martinez, Lou Roberts, Bridgett West, Robert Gonzales, Jesse Chavez Sr., Josephina Chavez, Emma Martinez, Marcia Meeks, Leong Mendoza, Jenny Villegas, Joe Tyner, Margaret Martinez, Chris Martinez, Alberto Garcia Sr, Graciela Garcia, Lupe Mendoza, Dolly Gallardo, Levi Damian, Brenda Damian, Nadia Mendoza.

And for all those whose names that have not been made known to us.

Altar Wine

You may sponsor the Altar wine for one month at \$75 in memory of or in honor of a family member or members. If anyone is interested in sponsoring, please call the parish office at 979-233-5271.

**February –Compliments of
Robert and Rosa Lee Saenz**

Sponsor of the Week

[ILM Ralph Samora Sr.]

Scripture Readings for the Week
Lecturas de la Semana
Mass Intentions



February 15 – February 21

Monday/Lunes

Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18 Matthew 25:31-46
NO MASS

Tuesday/Martes

Isaiah 55:10-11 Matthew 6:7-12
8:30 am – NO MASS INTENTION

Wednesday/Miercoles

Jonah 3:1-10 Luke 11:29-32
6:30 English Mass – NO MASS INTENTION

Thursday/Jueves

Esther C: 12, 14-16, 23-25 Matthew 7:7-12
6:15 pm – NO MASS INTENTION

Friday/Viernes

Ezekiel 18:21-28 Matthew 5:20-26
8:30 am – NO MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday/Sabado

Deuteronomy 26:16-19 Matthew 5:43-48
5:30 pm – Health Blessings for Joshua Louis Zurovec
requested by Liz Kamrath & Mary Jean Bissonnett

Sunday/Domingo

Genesis 15:5-12,17-18 Philipians 3:17---4:1 Luke 9:28b-36
9:00 a.m. – +Michael William Bissonnet requested by Mary
Jean Bissonnett
11:00 a.m. – **NO MASS INTENTION**
5:00 p.m. – **NO MASS INTENTION**

Preparing to Celebrate the Sacraments
Preparativos para celebrar los Sacramentos

Sacrament of Confirmation

Anyone interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation (9th grade and above) please call the Faith Formation office, 233-5271.

Sacramento de la Confirmación

Cualquier persona interesada en la celebración del sacramento de la Confirmación (novenno grado en adelante) por favor llame a la oficina de Formación de Fe, 233-5271.

1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist

Anyone interested in celebrating Reconciliation or Eucharist for the first time, please contact the Faith Formation office at 233-5271.

Primera Reconciliación y la primera Eucaristía

Cualquier persona interesados en la celebración de la Reconciliación o la Eucaristía por primera vez, favor de contactar la oficina de Formación de la Fe al 233-5271.

Baptism Preparation

Through Infant Baptism, parents “transmit to their children their faith and the grace of the Sacraments which allow them to enter the people of God, the Church” (Pope Francis).

Parents wanting to have their children baptized must come by the parish office to register their child, attend preparatory classes and follow our policy for celebrating the Sacrament. The next sets of classes will be March 7th and 10th, 2016.

Preparación Para Bautismo

Por medio del Bautismo de Niños, los Padres “trasmiten a sus hijos su fe y la gracia del Sacramento que les permite entrar, formar parte del pueblo de Dios, la Iglesia” (Papa Francisco).

Los Padres que quieran que sus niños sean bautizados, deberán venir a la oficina a registrar a su niño y asistir a las clases de preparación y seguir el reglamento para la celebración del sacramento. Las próximas clases serán el 4 de marzo de 2016.

Sacrament of Marriage

A couple desiring to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage must contact the Pastor or Deacon at least 6 months before their desired wedding date. At least one of the couple must be an active member of the Parish and a practicing Catholic. Please call the parish office to reserve the date.

Sacramento de Matrimonio

Las parejas que desean celebrar el sacramento de matrimonio necesitan comunicarse con el Pastor o Diácono por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha de casarse. Por lo menos uno de la pareja debe ser miembro de la parroquia y estar viviendo la fe católica. Favor de llamar la oficina para reservar la fecha de su boda.



Sacrament of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is in the hospital or homebound and desire to receive the Sacrament.

Sacramento de los Enfermos

Por favor llame a la oficina si usted o algún ser querido está en el hospital o confinado en casa y desea recibir el sacramento.



Rite of Christian Initiation

Anyone interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church or interested in becoming a Catholic, please call the Parish office. Anyone interested in sponsoring someone, please call the office at 233-5271.

Rito de la Iniciación Cristiana

Cualquiera que esté interesado en saber más acerca de la Iglesia Católica o interesado en convertirse en un católica, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial. Cualquier persona interesada en patrocinar a alguien, por favor llame a la oficina al 233-5271.

Deadline: to publish information in the bulletin is 3:00 p.m. Wednesday.

Saint John Chrysostom (c.345-407), priest at Antioch then Bishop of Constantinople, Doctor of the Church
Homily 13 on Matthew, 1

"Strengthened by temptations"

"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil."... For since Jesus did and underwent everything with a view to our instruction he likewise consented to be led there and wrestle against the devil in order that every baptized person who, after baptism, has to endure greater temptations may not be troubled as though this outcome were unexpected, but may continue to endure everything nobly as though it were happening in the natural course of things. For indeed, this was the reason you took up arms, not to be idle, but to fight.

For this reason God does not prevent temptations from coming, either. First of all to teach you that you are now much stronger; next, that you may remain humble and not be puffed up by the greatness of your gifts since the temptations have power to repress you; then, in order that that wicked demon, who remains for a while doubtful about your desertion of him, may be well assured by the touchstone of temptation that you have utterly forsaken and fallen from him; fourthly, that you may in this way be made stronger and better tempered than any steel; fifthly, that you may obtain a clear demonstration of the treasures entrusted to you. For the devil would not have assailed you unless he had seen that you had been brought to greater honor.

San Juan Crisóstomo (c. 345-407), presbítero en Antioquía, después obispo de Constantinopla, doctor de la Iglesia
Homilía sobre Mateo 13,1; PG 57, 207-209

"Robustecidos por las tentaciones"

"Entonces el Espíritu llevó a Jesús al desierto, para que el diablo lo pusiera a prueba"(Mt 4,1)... Todo lo que Jesús sufrió e hizo estaba destinado a nuestra instrucción. Ha querido ser llevado a este lugar para luchar con el demonio, para que nadie entre los bautizados se turbe si después del bautizo es sometido a grandes tentaciones. Antes bien, tiene que saber soportar la prueba como algo que está dentro de los designios de Dios. Para ello habéis recibido las armas: no para quedaros inactivos sino para combatir.

Por esto, Dios no impide las tentaciones que os acechan. Primero para enseñaros que habéis adquirido más fortaleza. Luego, para que guardéis la modestia y no os enorgullezcáis de los grandes dones que habéis recibido, ya que las tentaciones tienen el poder de humillaros. A demás, sois tentados para que el espíritu del mal se convenza de que realmente habéis renunciado a sus insinuaciones. También sois tentados para que adquiráis una solidez mayor que el acero. Finalmente, sois tentados para que os convenzáis de los tesoros que os han sido dados. Porque el demonio no os asaltaría si no viera que recibís un honor mayor.

Registrations for Steubenville on the Bayou are now open. A \$50 deposit goes towards the total cost of \$150.

This will take place on June 24th – 26th, 2016.

Youth Confirmation Session

February 21, 2016

2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

ARISE/LEVANTATE: Together in Christ

Call the office to Sign up. Not too late.
Llame a la oficina para registrarse. Aun no es demasiado tarde.

**Saint Joseph Catholic Church
Baytown, Texas**

Women's Act Retreat

March 17-20, 2016

21 years or older – Cost \$225.00 with a non-refundable registration fee of \$50.

Please come by the office to pick up a registration form. Make all checks payable to Saint Joseph Catholic Church.



JEWELRY SALE

A uniquely Catholic Jewelry & Rosary Fundraiser Sale will be at St. Mary's on the weekend of 13th & 14th. We have a wonderful variety of quality jewelry. Everything is priced reasonably for you while supporting our youth Group!

Tendremos una venta de Joyería y Rosarios singularmente Católicos aquí en Santa Maria para recaudar fondos para nuestros Jóvenes. Serán los próximos fines de semana empezando en el mes de Febrero 13 y 14. Tenemos una maravillosa variedad de joyas de calidad y los precios son razonables.

90 Year Church Anniversary

Mark Your Calendars

August 13th & 14th, 2016

Don't forget to bring pictures from the past to the office!!

This Week in the Our Parish

February 15:

NO MASS

6:30 pm – Spring Fling Show Mtg. – HW

February 16:

8:30 a.m. – English Mass

9:30 am - LOM – (English) – HW Classroom #5

6:30 pm – Core Meeting – HW

6:30 pm – Parish Festival Mtg – (Conf)

7:00 pm – Spanish Choir Practice – (C)

8 pm - Alcohol Anonymous Meeting – Rms. #9 & #10

February 17:

5:45 – 6:15 pm – Confessions – (C)

6:00 pm – Peace Rosary – (C)

6:30 pm – English Mass

5:30 – 7:00 pm - Faith Formation/PK3-5th Grade Classes

6:00 8:30 pm – RCIA – (C)

February 18:

9:00 am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00 am – 1:00 pm – Priest Deanery Mtg – HW, Conf.

10:30 - 12 noon – Senior Day – Parish hall

6:00 pm - Benediction

6:15 pm – Spanish Mass

8 pm - Alcohol Anonymous Meeting – Rms. #9 & #10

February 19:

8:30 am – English Mass

3:00 pm – Divine Mercy/Stations of the Cross

Fish Fry: 5 pm – 7 pm – Parish hall

7:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

February 20:

4-5 pm – Confession – C

4:30 pm – English Choir Practice – Somerville

5:30 pm – English Mass

February 21:

9:00 am – English Mass

11:00 am – Spanish Mass

2:00 – 4:30 pm – Youth Confirmation Session - HW

5:00 pm – Teen Mass

6:00 pm -8:30 pm - Life Teen/ Edge Classes – (HW, PH)

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

February 20, 5:30 P.M – English Mass

Acolyte: Chris Thompson

Altar Servers: Paige Damian

Lectors: Rosemary Bravo, Steve Melaragno

EM's: Connie Melaragno, Yolanda Solis

February 21, 9:00 A.M – English Mass

Acolyte: Richard Moreno

Altar Servers: Matthew Castillo, Claire Cundieff

Lectors: David Delgado, Mariel Delgado

EM's: Mary Rodriguez, Tina Robledo

February 21, 11:00 A.M – Spanish Mass

Acolyte: Richard Moreno

Altar Servers: Antonio & Allison Martinez, Emmanuel Ramirez

Lectors: Elizabeth Heredia, Candelaria Castro

EM's: Miguel Heredia, Noe Castro

February 21, 5:00 P.M – English Mass

Altar Servers: Pedro & Rito Carrizales

Lectors: Mariana Caro, Verania de la Fuente

EM's: Yolanda Garcia, Juan Castro

ALTAR DUTY

February 16- 29 – Shirley Theriot, Rita Anderson

**The following positions are open at
St. Mary Star of the Sea**

Music Director

Faith Formation Coordinator

Please apply in the Parish Office

Deadline to apply is February 26, 2016.

Senior Day: “Stars of the Sea”

Thursday, February 18th at 10:30 am in Heaven's Way hall for all 50 and up. Come join us for prayer, western line dancing, bingo and making painted clay pots for our Festival's plant booth. **Dress Western if you like!**

The Patricians: February 22nd at 6:30 pm in Heaven's Way Hall. Spiritual Director: Fr. Daniel Topic: Saints – Why are they important.

Lenten Fish Fry from 5-7 pm in the Parish hall and **Stations of the Cross** at 7 pm in the church every Friday during Lent.

Venta de pescado de 5-7 pm en el salon parroquial y **Estaciones de la Cruz** a las 7 pm en la Iglesia todos los Viernes durante la Cuaresma.

Knights of Columbus #3365

The Knights of Columbus has \$1,000 in Scholarship money available for graduating Catholic Seniors again this year. Applications are available through the Brazosport High School guidance counseling office, Nikki Lyster or Karen Munos.

**Spring Fling Handcrafted Bazaar
Sponsored by St. Mary: Star of the Sea
Catholic Church**

February 27, 2016 – 10 am – 5 pm

Lake Jackson Civic Center – 333 Hwy 332 E

Rentals are on a first come/first served basis

We need parishioners to make items for our booth.

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PICTURE DAY/DIA DE FOTOS

You can start signing up for times and dates starting on Feb. 13th & 14th in the Parish hall. Picture taking will be on March 10th -13th.

Puede comenzar inscribirse en horas y fechas a partir del 13 de febrero y 14 en el salón de Santa Maria. La toma de fotografías será del 10 al 13 de Marzo.