

Weekly Highlights

Welcome This Week

St. Mary Star of the Sea

extends a warm welcome to our new parishioners. We hope that they will come to find peace and joy as they become active members of our worship community

Parish Membership

We joyfully welcome new members to our parish community. Please register in the Parish Office or online at our website:
stmarystarofthesea.org

... Please also let us know if you plan to move from the parish.

New Email

Address for Photos

If you would like to send us photos of parish events for the parish website, please send them to:
smsosphotos@gmail.com

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office at
979-233-5271

Stewardship Report

Collection for November 19: \$
Under budget for the week of
November 19: \$
Second Collection for Maintenance:
\$

Your faithful stewardship helps us meet our 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

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Saturday, November 25 / sabado 25 de Noviembre

Saturday of the Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time

1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, November 26 / domingo 26 de Noviembre

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

9:00a.m. †Conception Martinez by Cuellar family

11:00a.m. †Sr.Estorgio Cardenas de Cira Cardenas

†Hilda Santiago de Naty Garcia y Familia

†Juan Garcia de Naty Garcia y Familia

Movimiento Familiar

Monday, November 27 / lunes 27 de Noviembre

Monday of the Thirty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 28 / martes 28 de Noviembre

Tuesday of the Thirty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Lk 21:5-11

6:30 p.m. Jose Rubio by Esperanza Rubio & Family
For the Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, November 29 / Miércoles 29 de Noviembre

Wednesday of the Thirty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 30 / Jueves 30 de Noviembre

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10:9-18; PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

6:15p.m. †Estorgio Cardenas de Cira Cardenas

†Savina Cardenas de Cira Cardenas

Friday, December 1 / Viernes 1 de Diciembre

Friday of the Thirty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81; Lk 21:29-33

†Santos Valdez Jr. by his Wife and Family

PRAY FOR THEM/RUEGA POR ELLOS:

Please note an individual who's name appears on the list will be published for two weeks. For an extension, please call Parish Office.

Tammie Guidry Hawkins, Ignacio Damian Sr., Margie & Pete Trevino, Graciela Garcia, Albert Garcia, Andy Olguin, Lupe Mendoza, Kenneth Purdy, Peggy Brumley, Johanna Blanchard

At all Masses, please pray for holy marriages and families and most especially for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and diaconate.

From Our Pastor



This Sunday's Gospel has Jesus speaking about the end of the world. As we stand before Him on that day, He will tell us: "In so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me." (Mt

25:40). Since Jesus had been the one to save humankind from sin by taking that sin upon himself, (2 Cor 5:21), Jesus will also be the one to come again at the end of the world as King and Judge. On that day, He'll gather all the people of every time and place. He will give them either an eternal reward or an eternal punishment.

But according to Jesus's version of the story, the Judge will say something that is going to totally surprise everybody: "I was hungry and you gave me food!" When did we give him food? He goes on to explain: "I tell you solemnly" – solemnly means He's telling us something very serious. We better listen to what He's saying – "in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me" (Mt 25:40).

According to Jesus's version of the story, at the Final Judgment we'll learn that every human being was Jesus's brother and sister, so each and every act of love toward anyone was carried out or denied to Jesus.

But in His endless love for us, our good Teacher doesn't keep secret the answers that will be required of us on that Final Exam. Rather, he reveals them to us within the context of a story about the end of the world.

Jesus places those "brothers and sisters" on a universal level. They're not only Catholics, but anyone. The story mentions the hungry, thirsty, people in need of clothing or shelter, the imprisoned: and there are thousands of ways to be hungry, and so on. It wouldn't be difficult to lengthen the list to include the millions of people who implore our help today, both vocally and silently even in our own little worlds. These are the people Jesus calls his brothers and sisters. He has identified himself with every man, woman and child we come across each day.

This is one of the most novel elements of the Gospel message: The Son of God was rich "but he became poor" (2 Cor 8:9). He became what we are. He mixed in with the rejected and those on the margins, not because of some moral or spiritual quality they possessed: but only out of love for them. This is the standard He will use for judging every one of us on how we behaved toward our neighbors. Let's begin to treat every neighbor as we would really treat Jesus. For Jesus, love of neighbor is the most important message of the Gospel, and our neighbor really is Jesus.

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De Parte de Nuestro Párroco



En el Evangelio de este domingo Jesús habla sobre el fin del mundo. Cuando estemos ante Él en ese día, Él nos dirá: “En la medida en que le hiciste esto a uno de estos hermanos y hermanas, me lo hiciste a mí” (Mt 25:40). Visto que Jesús salvó a la humanidad del pecado al tomar sobre sí mismo ese pecado (2 Cor 5, 21), será también Jesús el que regrese al fin del mundo como Rey y Juez. Ese día, reunirá a todas las personas de todo tiempo y lugar. Él dará a cada uno o una recompensa eterna o un castigo eterno.

Jesús, el juez, dirá algo que sorprenderá a todos: “¡Estuve hambriento y me dieron de comer!” ¿Cuándo te dimos comida? Continúa explicando: “Les aseguro solemnemente” – ‘solemnemente’ significa que nos está diciendo algo muy serio. Es mejor que escuchemos lo que Él está diciendo - “cuando lo hicieron con el más insignificante de mis hermanos, conmigo lo hicieron” (Mt 25:40).

Según la versión de la historia de Jesús, en el Juicio Final aprenderemos que cada ser humano era hermano y hermana de Jesús, por lo que todos y cada uno de los actos de amor que hicimos (o no hicimos) hacia alguien, se lo hicimos o se lo negamos a Jesús.

Pero en su infinito amor por nosotros, nuestro buen Maestro no mantiene en secreto las respuestas que se requerirán de nosotros en ese examen final. Más bien, él nos las revela en el contexto de una historia sobre el fin del mundo.

Jesús coloca a esos “hermanos y hermanas” en un nivel universal. No se trata solo de católicos, sino a cualquier persona. La parábola menciona a personas hambrientas, sedientas, necesitadas de ropa o refugio, a los encarcelados, y hay miles de formas de pasar hambre, y así sucesivamente. No sería difícil alargar la lista para incluir a las millones de personas que imploran nuestra ayuda hoy, incluso en nuestros pequeños mundos. Estas son las personas que Jesús llama sus hermanos y hermanas. Se ha identificado con cada hombre, mujer y niño que encontramos cada día.

Este es uno de los elementos más novedosos del mensaje del Evangelio: el Hijo de Dios era rico “pero se hizo pobre” (2 Cor 8: 9). Se convirtió en lo que somos. Se mezcló con los rechazados y los marginados, no por alguna cualidad moral o espiritual que poseían: sino solo por amor a ellos. Este es el estándar que usará para juzgar a cada uno de nosotros sobre cómo nos comportamos con nuestros prójimos. Comencemos por tratar a cada prójimo como realmente trataríamos a Jesús. Para Jesús, el amor al prójimo es el mensaje más importante del Evangelio, y nuestro prójimo realmente es Jesús.

Padre Jesse Garcia

Personal Parroquial

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Emergency Email Address and phone number

St. Mary's now has an email address and telephone number for emergency situations:

Call: 832-429-4877
 marystaremergency@gmail.com

Correo Electrónico o numero de teléfono para Emergencias

Llame al: 832-429-4877
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Baptism Classes in Spanish and English

Spanish Baptism classes given the first Saturday of each month 1 to 5p.m.

English Baptism classes given on the first Sunday of the month 1- 4:30p.m.

Quinceañeras

Requires preparation with Sr. San Juanita ESEH at least 1 year in advance, must attend CCE/Lifeteen/Edge classes, and mass regularly, and preparing for confirmation. Please contact Sister at 979-233-5271.

Altar Duty

For November 16-30: James and Marilyn

Sponsor of November**Altar Wine**

In loving memory of
 Daniel & Delores, Serafin, Robert,
 Neil, Jesse Delgado, Emilia
 D. Corona requested by Rosie and
 Armando Reyes

Penance Service at St. Mary Star of the Sea

Wednesday, December 6, 2017
at 7:00p.m. in the church.



Pancakes with Santa

Saturday, December 2 at 9:00-11:00a.m. \$4 presale or \$6 at the door, 3 and under are free. We will have a Sundae and Craft Booths for \$1 each. Remember to bring your cameras!



Immaculate Conception

Friday, December 8, this is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be at 8:30a.m.

NATIVITY PLAY ON DECEMBER 15TH

Searching for an infant boy or girl from 3 to 4 months old to play the part of Baby Jesus, please contact Sister San Juanita at 233-5271 for more information.



Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Tuesday, December 12 at 5:30a.m. Manañitas will be sung in the Church in Spanish. Coffee and Pan Dulce afterwards in the Parish Hall. Mass will be at 6:30p.m. half in English and half in Spanish. Dinner will follow in Parish Hall.



Live Nativity Play

With St. Mary's and Our Lady Queen of Peace Children Choirs



When: Friday, December 15, 2017 - 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Location: 1019 West 6th, Freeport, Texas 77541

There will be Food and Arts & Crafts Booths

Catechist We are needing catechist for PreK thru 12th grades . We also need Substitute Teachers for all grades.



Please call Sister San Juanita 979-233-5271 if you are interested .

LOVING JESUS IN OUR NEIGHBOR

All Pre-K through 12th graders are invited to help our poor, hungry brothers and sisters by filling up the St. Vincent de Paul pantry every month. Please bring items and place them in the St. Vincent de Paul bin in the front of the church, or the children and youth can bring up the food items in baskets during the offertory and place them in front of the altar as their offering to God. The food items needed are: Canned meats (Spam, tuna fish, vienna sausage, chicken); peanut butter; jelly; macaroni and cheese; canned fruit; canned chili; ramen noodles; canned vegetables (NO GREEN BEANS)



All Pre-K through 12th graders are invited to help the male prisoners at Ramsey prison by providing their needs of: soap, deodorant, and toothpaste (regular size for all products). Also, the prisoners are asking for Christmas cards to mail to their families. Please bring these items to Sister San Juanita, and she will deliver them to the prison.

Servicio de Penitencia en Santa María Estrella del Mar

Miércoles, 6 de diciembre a las 7:00 a las 9:00 p.m. en la iglesia.



Inmaculada Concepción

Viernes, 8 de diciembre, este es un día sagrado de obligación. La Misa será a las 8:30a.m.

Natividad de la obra el 15 de diciembre



Estamos buscando a un bebe de 3 a 4 meses de edad para representar al niño Jesús, por favor comuníquese con la hermana San Juanita a 233-5271 para más información.

Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Martes, 12 de diciembre a las 5:30a.m. Manañitas será cantado en la iglesia en español. Café y pan dulce después en el salón parroquial. La Misa será a las 6:30p. m. y será bilingüe. La cena seguirá en el salón parroquial.



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Donde: 1019 West 6th, Freeport, Texas 77541

Habrà puestos de Comida y Artes Manuales

Panqueques con Santa

Sábado, 2 de diciembre de 9:00 a

11:00a.m. \$4 preventa o \$6 en la puerta, niños menores de tres años son gratis. Vamos a tener puestos de helado y artesanías a un costo de \$1 cada uno.



Catequista

Todavía necesitamos catequistas para los grados Pre-K al 12. También necesitamos maestros sustitutos para todos los grados. Por favor llame a la Hermana San Juanita 979-233-5271 si está interesado.



Amando a Jesús en nuestro prójimo



Todos los niños y jóvenes de Pre-K hasta el grado 12 están invitados a ayudar a nuestros hermanos pobres y hambrientos llenando la despensa de San Vicente de Paul. Favor de colocar los alimentos que traiga en el compartimento de San Vicente de Paúl que se encuentra en la entrada de la iglesia, o los niños y jóvenes pueden traer los alimentos en canastas durante la ofrenda y colocarlos delante del altar como ofrenda a Dios. Los alimentos necesarios son: carnes enlatadas (spam, atún, salchicha de Viena, pollo); mantequilla de cacahuete; jalea; macarrones con queso; fruta conservada; Chili enlatado; verduras enlatadas (no ejotes por favor).

Todos los niño y jovenes de Pre-K hasta el grado 12 están invitados a ayudar a los prisioneros varones en la prisión de Ramsey, proporcionando sus necesidades de: jabón, desodorante y pasta de dientes (todo en tamaño regular). Además, los prisioneros están pidiendo tarjetas de Navidad para enviar a sus familias. Por favor traigan estos artículos a la hermana San Juanita, y ella los entregará a la prisión.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Ministries/ Ministerios

Monday, November 27

Tuesday, November 28

9:30a.m.	Legion of Mary (Eng)	Heaven's Way Rm.3
5:00p.m.	Legion of Mary (Sp)	Heaven's Way Rm.3
6:00p.m.	Peace Rosary	Church
6:00p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Conference Room
6:30p.m.	English Mass	Church
7:00p.m.	RCIA Session	Heaven's Way
8:00p.m.	AA Meeting	RE Building

Wednesday, November 29

8:30a.m.	English Mass	Church
5:30p.m.	CCE PK-5th Grades	Heaven's Way

Thursday, November 30

5:30p.m.	Confessions	Church
6:15p.m.	Spanish Mass	Church
8:00p.m.	AA Meeting	RE Building

Friday, December 1

8:30a.m.	English Mass	Church
3:00p.m.	Divine Mercy	Church
6:00p.m.	VIRTUS Class-Spanish	Heaven's Way

Saturday, December 2

9:00a.m.	Pancakes with Santa	Parish Hall
4:00p.m.	Confessions	Church
5:15p.m.	Christ the King Procession	Parking Lot
5:30p.m.	English Mass	Church
7:00p.m.	Neo-Cat	Heaven's Way

Sunday, December 3

9:00a.m.	English Mass	Church
11:00a.m.	Spanish Mass	Church
5:00p.m.	English-Youth Mass	Church
6:30p.m.	Youth Ministry	Parish Hall



Altar & Rosary Society

Jr. Damian (979) 248-8070

Knights of Columbus / Caballeros de Colón

Ramsey Martinez (979) 201-6748

Legion of Mary / Legion de Maria

Marilyn Saccomanno (979) 233-1726
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Ushers / Greeters / Accommodators

Pete Gutierrez (979) 248-7824

Movimiento Familiar Cristiano

Jesus y Lucy Salazar
(979) 233-2316

Guadalupe Society

Michael Gonzales (979) 265-6630

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Jose Coronado (979) 201-1164
Maria Oliva (979) 201-6253

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St. Vincent de Paul

Juanita Cardozo (979) 233-5271

Work of Mary (Focolare Movement) / Obra de Maria (Movimiento de los Focolares)

Bill Hartnett (979) 233-5271

Neo-catechumen Way / Camino Neocatecumenal

Lorenzo Gomez 979-709-2173

Sponsor of the Week