

## 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](http://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](mailto:smsosphotos@gmail.com)

**Sacrament of the Sick**

Contact the Parish Office at  
979-233-5271

**Stewardship Report**

Collection for April 9th: \$5,407.66  
Under budget for the week of April 9th:  
\$1,688.49  
Second Collection for home missions:  
\$1,357.64

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 &amp; READINGS

**Saturday, April 29/ Sábado 29 de Abril**

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena

1John 1:5-2:2; Matthew 11:25-30; Psalm 33:22

5:30 p.m. †Jesus Guevara Sr. by beloved wife and family  
Blessings for Nieves and Carmen Olguín by Santana Olguín

**Sunday, April 30 / Domingo 30 de Abril**

Third Sunday Of Easter

Acts 2:14,22-33; Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-8,9-10,11; 1Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35

9 a.m. †Josie Falter by Sister  
†Aniceto Mata by Santana Olguín  
†Nicolasa Mata by Santana Olguín

11 a.m. †Sr. Estorgio Cardenas de hijos  
†Juan Borja de familia Oliva

5 p.m. †Pablo Olguín by Santana Olguín  
†Juanita Olguín by Santana Olguín

**Monday, May 1 / Lunes 1 de Mayo**

Easter III

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29; Psalm 119:1ab

**Tuesday, May 2 / Martes 2 de Mayo**

Memorial of Saint Athanasius

1John 5:1-5; Matthew 10:22-25; Psalm 37:30a

6:30 p.m. †All Souls in purgatory by Santana Olguín  
For the Parishioners of St. Mary

**Wednesday, May 3 / Miércoles 3 de Mayo**

*Feast of Saints Philip and James*

1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14; Psalm 19:5

8:30 a.m. Vocations for the Priesthood by Santana Olguín

**Thursday, May 4 / Jueves 4 de Mayo**

Easter III

Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51; Psalm 66:1

**Friday, May 5 / Viernes 5 de Mayo**

Easter III

Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59; Mark 16:15

**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.

Jordan Gomez, Robert Garcia, Domitila Saldívar, Louis Stohr, Guadalupe Ybarra, Abigail Arias, Graciela Garcia, Alberto Garcia, Ivan Mendoza, Enedina Loya, Patricia Embil, Lupe Mendoza.

**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



Luke's Gospel reports that Jesus appeared to two of his disciples who were walking from Jerusalem to Emmaus after his resurrection. They were feeling appalled by all the terrible and discouraging events that they had just witnessed in Jerusalem, where Jesus had been arrested, tortured and crucified. As they walked together, the stranger helped them to understand the meaning of all that suffering. It was all part of God's loving plan to save us. This must have rekindled some hope in their hearts, because, when they reached Emmaus, they urged the stranger to join them for supper: "Stay with us, because it's almost evening" (Lk 24:29). When he was at table with them, he blessed the bread and shared it with them. As he did, they recognized him. It was Jesus who had been crucified, and was now risen! They immediately changed their plans and went back to Jerusalem to find the other disciples and tell them the good news.

We too can be disappointed, appalled and discouraged by a terrible sense of powerlessness in the face of injustices done to defenseless innocent people. Our own lives too are not without suffering, uncertainty and darkness. We would like it all to be transform into peace, hope and light for ourselves and others. Do we want to meet Someone who can profoundly understand us and cast light on our journey through life?

Jesus freely accepted the experience of suffering that we experience, so that he could be with us in the depths of our pain. He experienced physical suffering, but also spiritual suffering: from being deserted by his friends to feeling abandoned by God whom he had always called his Father. But his unshakeable faith in God's love enabled him to overcome this infinite suffering, and with a heroic act of love, he entrusted himself once more to that Father.

He has drawn all of us onto that same path and would like to accompany us on our way. He's there in everything that has to do with suffering. Let's try to recognize him in all our problems, in all the darkness, in our own personal tragedies and those of our neighbors and in the sufferings of people around us. These sufferings are His, because He has made them His own.

As we continue to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, let's rekindle our faith in God's love that will enable us to transform suffering into love. Every loss, separation, failure – even death itself – can become a source of light and peace if we embrace Jesus Forsaken. Certain of Jesus's closeness to us in every suffering, let's continue to say the prayer of the disciples of Emmaus: "Stay with us, because it is almost evening!"

**Fr. Jesse Garcia**

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## De Parte de Nuestro Pastor



El Evangelio de Lucas relata que Jesús se apareció a dos de sus discípulos que estaban caminando de Jerusalén a Emaús después de su resurrección. Se sentían desconcertados por todos los acontecimientos terribles y desalentadores que acababan de presenciar en Jerusalén, donde Jesús había sido arrestado, torturado y crucificado.

A lo largo del camino, el desconocido los ayuda a captar el significado de aquellos acontecimientos a partir de la Escritura y enciende de nuevo la esperanza en sus corazones. Al llegar a Emaús, lo retienen para cenar: «Quédate con nosotros, porque atardece». Mientras están a la mesa juntos, el desconocido bendice el pan y lo comparte con ellos. Un gesto que permite reconocerlo: ¡el Crucificado estaba muerto y ahora ha resucitado! E inmediatamente los dos cambian de planes: vuelven a Jerusalén a buscar a los demás discípulos y darles la gran noticia.

También nosotros podemos sentirnos desilusionados, indignados, desanimados por una sensación trágica de impotencia ante las injusticias que golpean a personas inocentes e inermes. En nuestra vida no faltan el dolor, la incertidumbre, la oscuridad... ¡Y cómo nos gustaría transformarlos en paz, esperanza y luz para nosotros y para los demás!

¿Queremos encontrar a Alguien que nos entienda hasta el fondo y nos ilumine el camino de la vida? Jesús, el Hombre-Dios, para estar seguro de llegar a cada uno de nosotros en lo profundo de su situación, aceptó libremente pasar, como nosotros, por el túnel del dolor. Del dolor físico, pero también del interior, desde la traición de sus amigos hasta sentirse abandonado por ese Dios al que siempre había llamado Padre. Gracias a esa confianza inquebrantable en el amor de Dios, superó ese inmenso dolor y se volvió a entregar a Él. Y de Él recibió nueva vida.

También a nosotros nos ha llevado por este mismo camino y quiere acompañarnos: «...Él está presente en todo lo que sabe a dolor... Procuremos reconocer a Jesús en todas las angustias y penurias de la vida, en cualquier oscuridad, en las tragedias personales y de los demás, en los sufrimientos de la humanidad que nos rodea. Son Él porque Él las ha hecho suyas... Bastará con hacer algo concreto por aliviar sus sufrimientos en los pobres... para encontrar una nueva plenitud de vida».

Esta semana es una ocasión para avivar nuestra fe en el amor de Dios, que nos permite transformar el dolor en amor; cualquier desgarrro, separación, fracaso y hasta la muerte, pueden convertirse también para nosotros en fuente de luz y de paz. Seguros de la cercanía de Dios a cada uno de *nosotros en cualquier situación, repitamos con confianza la oración de los discípulos de Emaús: «Quédate con nosotros, porque atardece».*

**P. Jesse García**

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### News and Events

### Noticias y Eventos

### Baptism Classes in Spanish and English

Effective in May: Spanish Baptism classes will be given the first Saturday of each month from 1 pm to 5 pm. English Baptism classes will be given on the first Mondays and first Thursdays of the month from 7-8:30 pm.

### Quinceañera

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

### Altar Duty

May 1st - 15th Carolina and Mary.

### Sponsor of April Altar Wine

In Loving Memory of

Felipe García and

Fernando Salinas

Requested by Margaret Garcia and Family



**St. Vincent of Paul Pantry**

Is currently running low on the following items; oatmeal, cereal, Hamburger Helper, chili, canned fruit and cookies. Please leave these items in the St. Vincent of Paul box located in the narthex

of the church. Donations are distributed to the needy of our community.

Legion of Mary will host an out- door function on Sun., Apr. 30th 3 p.m. at the home of Marilyn and Don LeCompte in Sante Fe. Anyone interested in attending, please call Carolina Luna or Marilyn Saccomano at 979-233-5271.



There will be a **Parish Family Picnic** on May 13th from 1pm to 3pm at Quintana Park (large pavilion). Please bring a lunch large enough to feed your family, and a little extra to share. Please come and enjoy the opportunity to fellowship with your Parish Family! For further information contact Bill Hartnett at 979-233-5271.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our new neophytes, the newly baptized, Jose Ostorga, Michelle Ostorga and Melvin Fuentes who were baptized, confirmed and celebrated first communion on Divine Mercy Sunday.



Barbecue tickets have gone out, please turn in the money for the Barbecue tickets as soon as possible. Thank you for all you do for your Parish

**Raffle**

Please return the raffle ticket money to the office as soon as possible. Thank you for all you do for your Parish Community!



Lost this picture last year when returning it from the festival to the church. If you have seen it please contact office @ 979-233-5271.



**Festival T-shirts**

For sale come by the office to purchase your Shirts before they are all gone. Adults \$15.00; Youth \$10.00



**Flowers to Mary:** During the month of May we invite the children to bring a flower to Sunday Mass. The children will present their flower to the Blessed Mother. Fr. Jesse will ask

them to share how they lived one of the points of the Cube of Love. We request that the flowers be brought from your own gardens, and not picked from the Church yard.

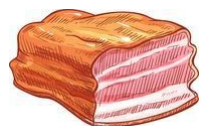


**Easter Flowers:** In memory of Alfredo Acosta Jr. by Bertha Acosta M.

**Pancake Breakfast**



There will be no breakfast nor lunch sold this Sunday April the 30th.



Thank you to all who have donated briskets. We have collected 45 and we still need 25 . Please help us reach our goal of 70 briskets. For any questions please call the office.



**La Despensa de Alimentos de San Vicente de Paul**

Esta actualmente baja en los siguientes artículos; avena, cereales, Hamburger Helper, chile, fruta enlatada y galletas. Favor de dejar estos artículos en la caja de San Vicente de Paul localizada en el nártex de la iglesia. Las donaciones son distribuidas entre la gente necesidad de nuestra comunidad.



Habrà una **Picnic Parroquial** el 13 de Mayo de 1 am - 3 pm en el Parque Quintana (Pabellón grande). Por favor traiga lonche suficiente grande para alimentar a su familia y un poco extra para compartir. Por favor, venga y disfrute la oportunidad de tener comunión con su familia de parroquia! Para más información póngase en contacto con Bill Harnett en 979-233-5271.

**Felicitaciones** a nuestros nuevos neofitos, Los recién bautizados, Jose Ostorga, Michelle Ostorga y Marvin Fuentes quienes Fueron bautizados, confirmados y celebraron su primera comunión en el Domingo De la Divina Misericordia.



**Flores Pascuales:** En memoria de Alfredo Acosta Jr. de Bertha Acosta M.



Los boletos de Barbecue se les han sido enviado por correo. Por favor de entregar el dinero.

**Raffle**

Por favor de entregar el dinero de los boletos de la rifa lo mas pronto posible. Gracias por todo lo que hacen por su parroquia



Imagen perdida el ano pasado al volver del festival a la Iglesia. Si la han visto favor de comunicarse con la oficina @ 979 -233-5271.



**Camisetas Del Festival**

A la venta pase por la oficina para comprar su camiseta antes de que se agoten. Adultos \$15.00; Jóvenes \$

10.00



**Flores a Maria:** Durante el

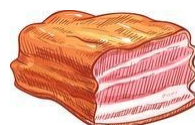
mes de Mayo invitamos a todos los niños a traer una flor a la iglesia del domingo. Los niños presentarán sus flores a la Virgen. Padre Jesse pedirá el compartir cómo vivieron uno de los puntos del cubo de amor. Solicitamos que las flores se traigan de su propio jardín y no escogidas de la yarda de la iglesia.



Este Domingo 30 de Abril no habra desayuno o almuerzo.



La Legion de Maria sera el anfitrión de una función al aire libre el Domingo Abril 30 a las 3 p.m. En casa de Marilyn y Don LeComte en Sante Fe. Cualquier persona interesada en asistir, por favor llame a Carolina Luna o Marilyn al 979-233-5271.



Gracia a todos que donaron brisquets colectamos 45 y neccitamos 25 mas. Por favor de llamar a la oficina si tienen preguntas 979-233-

5271.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Monday, May 1

### Tuesday, May 2

9:30 am	LOM (Eng)	RM #3
11 am	Altar Society Mtg	HW
5 pm	LOM (Sp)	RM #3
6 pm	Peace Rosary	Church
6:30 pm	Mass (Eng)	Church
8 pm	AA Mtg	RE Building

### Wednesday, May 3

8:30 am	English Mass	Church
7:30 pm	Neo-Catechumenal Way	HW

### Thursday, May 4

9 am-6 pm	Adoration	Church
5:30-6 pm	Confessions	Church
6 pm	Benediction	Church
6:15 pm	Communion Service	Church
7 pm	Pastoral Council	Conf, RM
8 pm	AA Meeting	RE Building 9 & 10

### Friday, May 5

8:30 am	English Mass	Church
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### Saturday, May 6

10 a.m.	First Communion Mass Serv.	Church
5:30 pm	English Mass	Church
7 pm	Spanish Mass	PH

### Sunday, May 7

9 am	English Mass	Church
11 am	Mass	Church

### Ministries/ Ministerios

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#### Neo-catechumenal Way/Camino Neocatecumenal

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#### Sponsor of the Week

Joan Bennett

In Loving Memory of  
Ike and Lydia Matocha