

Weekly Highlights

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

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:
smosphotos@gmail.com

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office at
979-233-5271

Stewardship Report

Collection for May 7th: \$5,860.05
Under budget for the week of
May 7th: \$1,236.10
Second Collection for Maintenance:
\$1,169.75

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

Saturday May 13 / Sábado 13 de mayo

Saturday of the Fourth Week of Easter / Sábado de la Cuarta Semana de Pascua
Our Lady of Fatima

ACTS 13:44-52; PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4; JN 14:7-14

5:30 p.m. † Mark Barclay by his wife
† Getrade Konieczny by Clara Buegeler
† Rose Buegeler by Clara Buegeler
Blessings Nieves & Carmen Olguin by Santana Olguin

Sunday, May 14 / Domingo 14 de mayo

Fifth Sunday of Easter / Quinto Domingo de Pascua

Mother's Day

ACTS 6:1-7; PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 PT 2:4-9; JN 14:1-12

9:00 a.m. † Chito Garcia
† Jesse Garcia
† Juanita Olguin by Santana Olguin
11:00 a.m. † Aniceto Mata by Santana Olguin
† Pablo Olguin by Santana Olguin
† Nicolasa Mata by Santana Olguin
Blessings Virgin de Guadalupe by Guadalupe Olguin family by Santana Olguin
5:00 p.m. † Nadia Mendoza
† Eulalio Garcia
† Margarita Garcia

Monday, May 15 / Lunes 15 de mayo

Monday of the Fifth Week of Easter / Lunes de la Quinta Semana de Pascua
St. Isidore

ACTS 14:5-18; PS 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; JN 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 16 / Martes 16 de mayo

Tuesday of Fifth Week of Easter / Martes de la Quinta Semana de Pascua

ACTS 14:19-28; PS 145:10-11, 12-13AB, 21; JN 14:27-31A

6:30 p.m. † Lucy Cabrera by Valentina Moreno
† Loise Ruiz by Valentina Moreno
All Souls in Purgatory by Santana Olguin
For the parishioners of St. Mary

Wednesday, May 17 / Miércoles 17 de mayo

Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Easter / Miércoles de la Quinta Semana de Pascua

ACTS 15:1-6; PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5; JN 15:1-8

8:30 a.m. Vocations for Priest

Thursday, May 18 / Jueves 18 de mayo

Thursday of the Fifth Week of Easter / Jueves de la Quinta Semana de Pascua
St. John I

ACTS 15:7-21; PS 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 10; JN 15:9-11

Friday, May 19 / Viernes 19 de mayo

Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter / Viernes de la Quinta Semana de Pascua

ACTS 15:22-31; PS 57:8-9, 10 AND 12; JN 15:12-17

8:30 a.m. † Marcillina Cabrera by Valentine Moreno
† Merehilda Cabrera by Valentine Moreno

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, Domitilia Saldivar, Louis Stohr, Guadalupe Ybarra, Abigail Arias, Graciela Garcia, Alberto Garcia, Ivan Mendoza, Ededina Loya, Patricia Embil, Lupe Mendoza.

From Our Pastor



This Mother's Day weekend Pope Francis is in Fatima, Portugal for the 100th anniversary of the apparitions and to canonize two of the three small shepherds that the "Lady of the Rosary" appeared to on a small plot of land used for planting vegetables, called the *Cova da iria*. The Pope said that he went there to entrust the destiny of the human race to the Heart of Mary.

Our Lady spoke a lot about her heart in Fatima. She told the children not to be afraid because, in the end, her immaculate heart would triumph. What could she have meant? Well, Mary told little Jacinta: "Tell the world that [...] God has entrusted to [my] immaculate heart the peace and conversion of the world!"

Mary's heart is a mother's heart, full of love for all her children. Perhaps this is why, once again, as Jesus had already done while dying on the cross, God entrusts the destiny of humanity to her, to her immaculate heart.

In Fatima, as a mother, Mary teaches us that in the end love will triumph. Triumph over what? Over all the evils that divide us from God and from one another. That's what evil does: it divides. The word "evil" and "devil" come from the same root word: "divide". "*Cova da iria* is generally translated cove of "peace", but "iria" comes from a Greek word that means "unity" "friendship" or even "loyalty". In choosing a place with a name like that, Mary seems to be playing with words in order to teach us something. Whereas evils place divisions between us and God and one another, loving one another is like preparing the ground to receive the gift of unity from the Father. On the night before he died for us, Jesus pushed the envelope and made a very personal request of his Father (Jn 17). He asked the Father to give the gift of unity to humankind. That's why unity is our destiny, the destiny of humanity. But it's not something we can conjure up on our own. The unity Jesus is talking about is a gift that the Father bestows on our mutual love.

Mary not only insisted on "peace and unity" in Fatima, but also on "conversion". That conversion is to Jesus's new commandment, which he calls his own. Jesus *prayed* for our unity, but he *commanded* us to love one another (Jn 13:34).

Fr Jesse Garcia

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De Parte de Nuestro Pastor**Pastoral Staff / Personal Pastoral**

Este fin de semana del Día de la Madre el Papa Francisco está en Fátima, Portugal para el 100 ° aniversario de las apariciones de "Nuestra Señora del Rosario" a los niños pastores, y también para canonizar a dos de los tres pastores pequeños. "Nuestra Señora del Rosario" apareció en una pequeña parcela de tierra utilizada para plantar vegetales, llamada Cova da Iría. El Papa dijo que él fue a Fátima para confiar el destino de la raza humana al Corazón de María.

Nuestra Señora habló mucho sobre su corazón en Fátima y dijo a los niños de no tener miedo porque, al final, su corazón inmaculado triunfaría. ¿Qué podría significar sus palabras? Bueno, María dijo a la pequeña Jacinta: "Dile al mundo que (...) Dios ha confiado a (mi) Corazón Inmaculado la paz y la conversión del mundo!"

El corazón de María es el corazón de madre, lleno de amor para todos sus hijos. Quizás por esta razón, una vez más, como hizo Jesús al morir en la Cruz, Dios confía el destino de la humanidad al corazón inmaculado de María.

En Fátima, como una madre, María nos enseña que al final el amor triunfará. ¿Sobre qué triunfara? Sobre todos los males que nos separan de Dios y del uno al otro. Eso es lo que la maldad hace: se divide. La palabra "mal" y "diablo" vienen de la misma palabra: "dividir". "Cova da iría se traduce generalmente cova de "paz", pero "iría" viene de una palabra griega que significa "unidad", "amistad" o incluso "lealtad". En escogiendo un lugar con un nombre como éste, María parece estar jugando con las palabras para enseñarnos algo. Como los males causan divisiones entre nosotros y Dios, y uno con el otro, amándonos unos a los otros es como preparar el terreno para recibir el don de la unidad del Padre. En la noche antes de que él murió por nosotros, Jesús solicitó un deseo muy personal a su Padre (Juan 17). Preguntó al padre que regalara la unidad a la humanidad. Es la razón que la unidad es nuestro destino, el destino de la humanidad. Pero no es algo que podemos evocar nosotros. La unidad en que Jesús habla es un regalo que el Padre nos concede en nuestro amor mutuo.

María no sólo insistió en "paz y unidad" en Fátima, pero también en "conversión". La conversión es al nuevo mandamiento de Jesús. Jesús oro por nuestra unidad, pero mandó que nos amemos unos a los otros (Juan 13:34).

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Baptism Classes in Spanish and English

Effective in May:

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

English Baptism classes will be given on the first Sunday of the month from 1p.m. to 4:30p.m.

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 16th-31st Rebecca and Dolly

Sponsor of May Altar Wine

In loving memory of of Rosalina Varela, Beatriz Gutierrez and Karla Varela, requested by Family Varela

ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

May 14, 2017
FREEPORT, TX



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 the points of the "Cube of Love," How did you live as Jesus this week? Please bring flowers from your own gardens and not pick from the Church yard.



Prayer and Fellowship

"Stars of the Sea" (50 yrs. or older,) Senior Day-Thursday, May 18th 10:30am to 12:00 noon . . . Come for a PICNIC in Heaven's Way Hall. We will also have Prayer, Fellowship, Bingo, and do some art work.

Living Rosary will take place on Wednesday Evening at 6pm on May 31st. Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A covered dish supper will follow in the Parish Hall. All are welcomed!



Catholic Union of Texas (KJT)

Will Meet on Tuesday May 16th
5:30p.m. at The Texas Road House
Director Margaret Holik of El Campo

Will be the guest speaker

Members or anyone interested to know what the KJT does is urged to Attend

Choir Practice with new choir coordinator, Theresa Dobbs Strange will be as follows:
Spanish on Tuesdays at 7:00p.m. and English on Wednesdays at 7:00p.m. in the Choir loft.



St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

They are currently running low on the following items: oatmeal, cereal, Hamburger Helper, chili, canned fruit and cookies. Please leave these items in the St. Vincent de Paul box, located in the narthex of the church. All donations are distributed to the needy of our community.



Festival Set-Up

We will need volunteers to help set-up for the Festival on May 19 at 9:00a.m. at the Freeport Park.

Mass Change on Festival Day

Sunday, May 21, 2017, St. Mary Star of the Sea will only have one Sunday Mass, it will be dual-lingual and at the Freeport Park, at 10:00am. There will be *no* 9am, 11am or 5pm Masses that day.

Please mark your calendars.



Fundraiser Breakfast



No breakfast this weekend, Mother's Day we will be celebrating with our mothers that day. Thank you for your support and Happy Mother's Day!

We will start cooking again in August and would like for every ministry group to take a month. Please call the office 979-233-5271 to schedule which month your ministry would like to help with and get more information about the funds.

Thank you to all who helped prepare and serve breakfast and lunch in the kitchen to help offset the cost of the festival.



Thank you to all who have donated briskets for the Festival. We have collected 60 and we still need 10. Please help us reach our goal of 70 briskets. For any questions, please call the office at 979-233-5271.



Festival T-Shirts for sale, come by the office to purchase your Shirts before they are all gone! Adults \$15 Youth \$10



Barbecue Tickets

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 Tickets

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



Feliz Día De Las Madres

Flores a María

Durante el mes de Mayo, invitamos a los niños a llevar una flor a la Misa del Domingo. Los niños presentarán sus flores a la Virgen. El Padre Jesse les pedirá compartir cómo vivieron los puntos del "Cubo de amor". Favor de traer flores desde su propio jardín y no tomar de la yarda de la iglesia.



Oracion y Compañerismo



Estrellas del mar" (50 años. o más.)
Jueves, 18, de Mayo 10:30 a 12:00 p.m.
Vienen para hacer un PICNIC en el salón de Heaven's Way. También tienen oración, compañerismo, Bingo y hacer algunas obras de arte.



Rosario será el Miércoles 31 de Mayo a las 6:00 p.m. Fiesta de la Visitación de la Santísima Virgen María. Favor de traer un plato para compartir después en el salón parroquial. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Unión Católica de Texas (KJT)

Se reunirá el martes 16 de Mayo
5:30 p.m. en el Texas Road House.
La Directora Margarita Holik de El Campo
Será la orador invitada.
Los miembros o cualquier persona interesada a conocer lo que hace el KJT por favor venga

Practicá del Coro con la nueva Coordinador del coro, Theresa Dobbs Strange será en Español los Martes a las 7:00 y en inglés el Miércoles a las 7:00 en la iglesia.



La Despensa de San Vicente de Pablo

Están bajos en los siguientes artículos: avena, cereales, Hamburger Helper, chile, fruta enlatada y galletas. Por favor de dejar estos artículos en la caja de St. Vicente de Paul, localizada en el nártex de la iglesia. Todas las donaciones son distribuidas entre la gente necesitadas de nuestra comunidad.



Voluntarios del Festival



Necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar configurar para el Festival el 19 de Mayo en 9:00 en el parque de Freeport.

Cambio de Misa

Domingo, 21 de mayo, St. Mary Star of the Sea, sólo tendremos una misa dominical, sera de dos idiomas en el Parque de Freeport, a las 10:00. No habrá ninguna misa a las 9:00, 11:00 o 5:00 ese día. Por favor marque su calendario.



Desayuno



No hay desayuno este fin de semana, día de las madres. Gracias por su apoyo. Vamos a comenzar a cocinar otra vez en Agosto y nos gustaría que cada grupo de Ministerio tome un mes. Por favor llame a la oficina 979-233-5271 para programar que mes tu ministerio quisiera ayudar y obtener más información acerca de los fondos.

Gracias a todos que donaron briskets para el Festival. Colectamos 60 y necesitamos 70. Por favor ayúdenos a alcanzar nuestra meta de 70 briskets. Por favor llame la oficina al 979-233-5271 Para cualquier pregunta.



Camisetas Del Festival, pase por la oficina para comprar su camiseta antes de que se agoten. Adultos \$15 Jovenes \$10

Gracias a todos los que ayudaron en la cocina a preparar y servir el desayuno y almuerzo para ayudar a compensar el costo de la fiesta.



Boletos de Barbeque



Los boletos de Barbeque se les han sido enviado por correo. Por favor de entregar el dinero.
¡Gracias por todo lo que haces para nuestra parroquia!

Boletos de Rifa



Por favor de entregar el dinero de los boletos de la rifa lo mas pronto possible. ¡Gracias por todo lo que hacen por nuestra parroquia!

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, May 15

7:00p.m. Neo Catechumen Heaven's Way

Tuesday, May 16

9:30a.m. Legion of Mary (E) Heaven's Way Rm. 3
 5:00p.m. Legion of Mary (S) Heaven's Way Rm. 3
 6:00p.m. Peace Rosary Church
 6:30p.m. English Mass Church
 8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

Wednesday, May 17

8:30a.m. English Mass Church
 7:30p.m. Neo Catechumen Heaven's Way

Thursday, May 18

6:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Church
 9a.m. - 6p.m. Adoration Church
 5:30 - 6:00p.m. Confessions Church
 6:00p.m. Benediction Church
 8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

Friday, May 19

8:30a.m. English Mass Church
 3:00p.m. Divine Mercy Church
 6:30-10:00p.m. MCFF Heaven's Way

Saturday, May 20

4p.m.-5p.m. Confessions Church
 5:00p.m. English Mass Church
 7:00p.m. Spanish Mass Parish Hall

Sunday, May 21

9:00a.m. English Mass Church
 11:00a.m. Spanish Mass Church
 5:00p.m. Lifeteen Mass Church



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Sponsor of the Week

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