

## Weekly Highlights

## MASS INTENTIONS &amp; 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](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 August 13:\$4552.05  
Under budget for the week of  
August 13:\$2544.10  
Second Collection for infirmed Priests:  
\$1655.46

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, August 19, / Sabado 19 de Agosto**

*Saturday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time*

JOS 24:14-29; PS 16:1-2A AND 5, 7-8, 11; MT 19:13-15

5:30 p.m. † Hector Naranjo by Mom & Family  
Aniceto Mata by Santana Olguin  
Nicolasa Mata by Santana Olguin

**Sunday, August 20 / Domingo 20 de Agosto**

*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

9:00a.m. † Jorge Luis Olguin by Santanan Olguin  
† Mark Barclay by His Wife  
11:00a.m. † Maria Concepcion Carmona de familia Diaz  
† Sr. Heriberto Garcia Jaramillo de familia Garcia  
5:00p.m. † Jesus Olguin by Santana Olguin  
† Soccoro Garcia by Margarito y Yolanda Garcia  
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**Monday, August 21 / Lunes 21 de Agosto**

*Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope*

Jgs2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday, August 22 / Martes 22 de Agosto**

*Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

JGS 6:11-24A; PS 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; MT 19:23-30

6:30 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mary

**Wednesday, August 23 / Miércoles 23 de Agosto**

*Wednesday of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time*

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday, August 24 / Jueves 24 de Agosto**

*Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle*

Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

**Friday, August 25 / Viernes 25 de Agosto**

*Friday of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time*

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

**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.**

Ivan Mendoza, Ededina Loya, Patricia Embil, Tammie Guidry Hawkins, Ignacio Damian Sr., Margie & Pete Trevino, Graciela Garcia, Albert Garcia, Andy Olguin, Jimmy Tran, 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



This Tuesday, the Church will celebrate the Queenship of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary. The idea of kings, queens and kingdoms are rather alien to our daily lives here in the new world, but we love to fantasize about them. In the case of Jesus and Mary, they aren't fantasies. Mary truly is our Queen, the Mother of the Lord, as she was defined by Elizabeth when Mary went to help her cousin. At the sound of Mary's voice, the Gospel reports, Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and cried out in a loud voice: "But who am I that the mother of my lord should visit me?" (Lk 1:43). "Mother of my lord" was how the People of Israel referred to the Queen Mother. At the annunciation Mary found out that her Son would be given the throne of his royal ancestor King David. The three wise men arrived in Jerusalem looking for the new king who would be born. Jesus's first public declaration was: "Change your way of thinking and turn to God, for the kingdom of Heaven has drawn near!" (Mt 4:17). Every kingdom needs a king, and Jesus is the king who creates the kingdom of God. Wherever he finds two or more gathered together in his name, doing what he commands, loving one another as he loved them - he enters into their midst and gives them the kingdom of God. This is where we can experience the kingdom of God that Jesus says "is among you" (Lk 17:21). Every king has a queen mother; otherwise, there would be no king or kingdom. In the kingdom of God, that queen mother is forever Mary. As queen, she is the king's partner, always at his side, actively taking part in fighting for his cause and sharing in his victories. A missionary friend of mine tells about a tribe in Africa that can give an idea of the queen mother's role in Jesus's day. For example, when the queen mother comes into the presence of the king, he becomes like one of her subjects. He stops talking so that she may speak. He stands, offers her his own chair or another one of her choosing. He waits for her to speak, and she's allowed to interrupt him. She reports to him the needs of the people, which have been reported to her alone not because anyone felt unworthy of speaking to the king - but out of respect and honor for his mother, the queen. Whatever she says, the king does out of love and respect for her and his people. That's the traditional protocol in that African tribe. We find similar examples in the Old Testament. Jesus is honored when we go to him through his Mother. She deserves that honor. As queen, she stood beside Jesus. She brought him forth, watched over him as he grew. She was with him when he performed his first miracle at the Wedding feast of Cana. She stayed with him as he gave up his life for us on the cross and made us her children. She was there at the heart of the earliest members of his kingdom, on Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit once more descended upon her and the nascent Church, the Body of Christ. Alongside her Son, she continues her loving reign among all the people for whom Jesus gave his life. Let's try, therefore, to keep this kingdom among us, by loving one another as Jesus and Mary have loved us.

*Fr. Jesse Garcia*

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## De Parte de Nuestro Párroco



Este martes, la Iglesia celebrará La Memoria de Nuestra Señora María Reina. El hablar de reyes, reinas y reinos es bastante ajena a nuestra vida cotidiana aquí en el nuevo mundo, pero nos encanta fantasear sobre ellos. En el caso de Jesús y María, no son fantasías. María es verdaderamente nuestra Reina, la Madre del Señor, tal como fue definida por Isabel cuando María fue a ayudar a su prima. Al oír la voz de María, según el Evangelio, Isabel se llenó del Espíritu Santo y gritó en voz alta: «¿Quién soy yo para que la madre de mi señor me visite?» (Lc 1, 43). “Madre de mi señor” es como el Pueblo de Israel se refirió a la Reina Madre.

En la anunciación, María descubrió que a su Hijo se le daría el trono de su antepasado real, el rey David. Los tres reyes majos llegaron a Jerusalén buscando el nuevo rey que iba a nacer. La primera declaración pública de Jesús fue: “Arrepiéntanse, porque el reino de los cielos se ha acercado.” (Mt 4, 17). Cada reino necesita un rey, y Jesús es el rey que crea el reino de Dios. Dondequiera que encuentre a dos o más reunidos en su nombre, haciendo lo que él ordena, amándose unos a otros como él los amó - entra en medio se ellos y les da el reino de Dios. Aquí es donde podemos experimentar el reino de Dios que Jesús dice "está entre ustedes" (Lc 17, 21).

Cada rey tiene una reina madre; De lo contrario, no habría ni rey ni reino. En el reino de Dios, esa reina madre es para siempre María. Como reina, es la compañera del rey, siempre a su lado, participando activamente en la lucha por su causa y compartiendo sus victorias.

Un amigo misionero mío cuenta acerca de una tribu en África que puede dar una idea del papel de la reina madre en los días de Jesús. Por ejemplo, cuando la reina madre entra en presencia del rey, se convierte en uno de sus súbditos. Deja de hablar para que ella pueda hablar. Él se pone de pie, le ofrece su propia silla u otra de su elección. Espera a que ella hable, y se le permite interrumpirlo. Ella le informa de las necesidades de la gente, que se han reportado a ella sola, no porque alguien se sintió indigno de hablar con el rey, sino por respeto y honor a su madre, la reina. Cualquier cosa que diga, el rey lo hace por amor y respeto a ella y su pueblo. Ese es el protocolo tradicional en esa tribu africana. Encontramos ejemplos similares en el Antiguo Testamento. Jesús es honrado cuando vamos a él a través de su Madre. Ella merece ese honor. Como reina, estuvo al lado de Jesús. Ella lo dio a luz y lo cuidó mientras crecía. Estaba con él cuando realizó su primer milagro en la fiesta de bodas de Caná. Ella se quedó con él cuando entregó su vida por nosotros en la cruz y nos hizo sus hijos. Ella estaba allí en el corazón de los primeros miembros de su reino, durante Pentecostés, cuando el Espíritu Santo una vez más descendió sobre ella y la naciente Iglesia, el Cuerpo de Cristo. Junto a su Hijo, continúa su amoroso reinado entre todas las personas por las que Jesús dio su vida. Trátemos, pues, de mantener este reino entre nosotros, amándonos unos a otros como Jesús y María nos han amado.

*Padre Jesse Garcia*

## Personal Parroquial

**Secretaries/Secretarias**

Yolanda Garcia  
 Marisol Serrano  
 Barbara Klimpt  
 secretary@stmarystarofthesea.org  
 979-233-5271 Ext 302

**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  
 marystaremergency@gmail.com

**Baptism Classes in Spanish and English**

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

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

**Quinceañeras**

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**

Month of August— James & Marilyn

**Sponsor of August Altar Wine**

In loving memory of Felipe Garcia  
 requested by Margaret Garcia  
 and Family



**CCE** classes for Pre-K thru 5th grades begin on Wednesday, September 6th at 5:30 p.m. in Heaven's Way. Youth Ministry classes for 6th thru 12th grades begins on Sunday, September 10th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

### Catechist Needed

We currently need two catechists in 6th through 8th grades; two catechists needed in 9th through 12th grade.

**RCIA**--Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Adapted for Children 7 years and older, is available for any unbaptized person who would like to celebrate Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please call the office at 979-233-5271

and ask for Marilyn Saccomanno, if you or someone you know would like some information. This process is also available for any adult who was baptized in another faith or baptized Catholic but never celebrated

Confirmation or Eucharist.



### An Invitation to all practicing Catholics:

The RCIA is open to you to participate as a team member or a community sponsor. You can help lead prayer, extend hospitality, facilitate a session or offer companionship to an inquirer. Call the office at 979-233-5271 and ask for Marilyn Saccomanno to accept this invitation or for more information.



Anyone who volunteers or is involved in ANY MINISTRY needs to take VIRTUS

Training. Please call Tina in the office 79-233-5271 or go online to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and register. St. Jerome's will be hosting VIRTUS-Protecting God's Children on September 16th at 8:30a.m.

### Marriage Preparation Classes

For all couples who are planning to receive the sacrament of Holy Matrimony, and for couples wishing to convalidate their current unions. Classes begin Thursday, August 24, at 7:00pm and will continue for 10 weeks. Contact Deacon Felipe Garza at 979-233-5271 to sign up or for more information.



### Men's A.C.T.S. Retreat

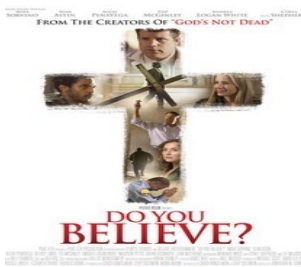
**When:** August 24 – 27, 2017

**Where:** The Christian Renewal Center (CRC), Dickinson, Texas

**Arrival Time:** 6:15 PM registration Thursday, August 24, 2017 (Persons can also arrive at Our Lady of Lourdes in Hitchcock, at 6:15pm and be driven to the (CRC))  
*The goal of the retreat is to allow an opportunity for men to focus on their faith and its application during their daily lives, to build purpose in their prayer life, to increase their presence at the liturgy, and to cultivate friendship among members of the church community.* To register, go to: <https://actshouston.org/retreat-registration> and register under "Our Lady of Lourdes - Hitchcock" or call the St. Mary Star of the Sea parish office at (979) 233-5271.

### MOVIE NIGHT:

"Do You Believe"  
August 25th in Parish Hall at 7:00p.m.



## ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA



CCE para PreK a 5 grados comienzan el miércoles, a las 5:30p.m. el 6 de septiembre en el Heaven's Way Hall. Clases de Ministerio Juvenil para 6 a 12 grado comienza a las 6:00p.m. el domingo, 10 de septiembre en el salón parroquial. **Necesitamos catequistas** Dos catequistas en 6 a 8 grados; Dos catequistas en 9 hasta el grado 12. Hermana San Juanita a 979-233-5271.

### Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos



y adaptado para niños de 7 años o más, está disponible para cualquier persona no bautizada que quiera celebrar el bautismo, la confirmación y la Eucaristía. Por favor llame a Marilyn Saccomanno a (979) 233-5271. Este proceso también está disponible para cualquier adulto que fue bautizado en otra fe o bautizado católico pero nunca celebró la confirmación o la Eucaristía.

### Una invitación para todos los católicos practicantes:

El RCIA está buscando miembros del equipo o patrocinadores. Usted puede ayudar a dirigir oración, extender hospitalidad, facilitar una sesión o ofrecer compañía a un investigador. Llame a Marilyn Saccomanno, 979-233-5271 si acepta esta invitación o necesita más información.



Todos los voluntarios implicados en cualquier Ministerio necesitan tomar VIRTUS formación. Por favor Llame a la oficina 979-233-5271 o visite [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) y regístrese. San Jerónimo tendrá clase VIRTUS - Protección de los hijos de Dios el 16 de septiembre a las 8:30a.m.

### Clases de Preparación para el Matrimonio

Para las parejas que están planeando recibir el sagrado sacramento del matrimonio, y para parejas que desean convalidar su unión comenzaran jueves 24 de Agosto a las 7:00p.m. Contacte al Deacono Felipe Garza 979-233-5271.



### Retiro de A.C.T.S. de hombres

**Cuando:** 24 – 27 de Agosto, 2017

**Donde:** El Christian Renewal Center (CRC), Dickinson, Texas

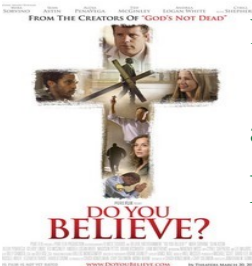
**Hora de llegar:** 6:15 PM registro el jueves, 24 de Agosto, (Las personas también pueden llegar a Our Lady of Lourdes en Hitchcock, TX 6:15 por un coche a CRC)

*El objetivo del retiro es una oportunidad para que los hombres se centran en su fe y su aplicación durante su vida cotidiana, para construir el propósito en su vida de oración, a incrementar su presencia en la liturgia y a cultivar la amistad entre los miembros de la comunidad de la iglesia.*

Para registrarse, vaya a:

<https://actshouston.org/retreat-registration> y

registrar debajo de "Our Lady of Lourdes - Hitchcock" o llame a la oficina de St. Mary Star of the Sea (979) 233-5271.



**NOCHE DE PELÍCULA:**  
"Do You Believe" el 25 de agosto en el salón parroquial a las 7:00p.m.

**Monday, August 21**

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

**Tuesday, August 22**

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. St. Vincent de Paul Conference Room

6:00p.m. Peace Rosary Church

6:30p.m. English Mass Church

7:30p.m. Catechist Meeting Heaven's Way

8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

**Wednesday, August 23**

8:30a.m. English Mass Church

7:30 p.m. Neo Cat Meeting Heaven's Way

**Thursday, August 24**

9a.m. - 6p.m. Adoration Church

5:30 - 6:00p.m. Confessions Church

6:00p.m. Benediction Church

6:15 p.m. Spanish Mass Church

7:00p.m. Marriage Prep Heaven's Way & Conference

8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

**Friday, August 25**

8:30a.m. English Mass Church

3:00p.m. Divine Mercy Church

7:00p.m. Movie Night Parish Hall

**Saturday, August 26**

4p.m. - 5p.m. Confessions Church

5:30p.m. English Mass Church

7:00p.m. Spanish Mass Parish Hall

**Sunday, August 27**

9:00a.m. English Mass Church

After 9:00a.m. Mass Breakfast Fundraiser Parish Hall

11:00a.m. Spanish Mass Church

After 11:00a.m. Mass Lunch Fundraiser Parish Hall

3:00p.m. Legion of Mary Mtg. Heaven's Way

5:00p.m. English Mass Parish Hall

**Altar & Rosary Society**

Dolly Hernandez. (979) 665-9635

**Knights of Columbus /  
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Ramsey Martinez (979) 201-6748

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Bill Hartnett (979) 233-5271

**Neo-catechumen Way / Camino  
Neocatecumenal**

Lorenzo Gomez 979-709-2173

**Sponsor of the Week**

**ILM of Ruth Coufal & Mary  
Lou Farmer**