

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:
smsosphotos@gmail.com

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office at
979-233-5271

Stewardship Report

Collection for September 24:
\$5,566.29
Under budget for the week of
September 24: \$1,529.86
Second Collection: \$3,908.90

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, SEPTEMBER 30 / SABADO 30 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Blessed Virgen Mary, Star of the Sea

ZEC 2:5-9, 14-15A; JEREMIAH 31:10, 11-12AB, 13; LK 9:43B-45

5:30 p.m. †JoQuin Damian by Raymond Damian
†Anita Damian by Raymond Damian
†Jesse Damian by Lilie Damia
Blessing for Ana Tristian

Sunday, October 1 / domingo 1 de Octubre

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

9:00a.m. †Jesus Olguin by Santana Olguin
11:00a.m. †Sra. Celia Gonzales de su familia
†Guadalupe Tito Tamayo de su familia
†Pablo Olguin de Santana Olguin
5:00p.m. †Juanita Olguin by Santana Olguin

Monday, October 2 / lunes 2 de Octubre

Memorial of the Guardian Angels

Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday, October 3 / martes 3 de Octubre

Tuesday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time

ZEC 8:20-23; PS 87:1B-3, 4-5, 6-7; LK 9:51-56

6:30 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mary
†Armando Gutierrez Sr.

Wednesday, October 4 / Miércoles 4 de Octubre

Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi

Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday, October 5 / Jueves 5 de Octubre

Thursday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday, October 6 / Viernes 6 de Octubre

Friday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time

Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16

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

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 weekend as a parish community we celebrate our special patron, Saint Mary Star of the Sea. This is one of the most ancient titles of Mary. It was the result of a “typo,” one of those happy faults that provide us with something even better. From “drop in the sea” – thanks to the typo – Mary became “Star of the Sea”. This title was intended to compare Mary to Polaris, which is forever fixed at the center of the constellation Ursa Major. It shines brightest in the thick morning darkness, just before daybreak. Like Polaris, Mary stands forever fixed over life’s rough seas, guiding seafarers safely through the darkness into the one true Light, Jesus, her Son. If we keep our eyes fixed on her and follow her path, we’ll reach the Kingdom of Heaven already now at the beginning of each new day.

We can let ourselves be guided by Mary’s journey through life. At the Annunciation, for instance, Mary was swept away by God’s immense love for her, as he chooses her to be the Mother of his Son. That was the moment when she discovered his plan of love for her, and she said yes to his Word. That yes allowed Jesus, the Word, to take flesh in her. Each time we live a word of God, that Word, Jesus, somehow becomes flesh in us. We can contemplate Jesus in one another when we live and share his words.

After that amazing encounter with God, Mary immediately “went in haste” to visit her cousin. Every genuine encounter with God makes us want to get up immediately, to go out, to do concrete deeds of love for our neighbors. Mary ran to Elizabeth not to sing the *Magnificat*, but only to help her cousin. But at the sound of Mary’s voice Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and John the Baptist was “sanctified” in his mother’s womb. When we sincerely love and serve our neighbors, they often see God in it and want to hear about our experiences with God. That’s when we can talk and tell them about our experiences of living the Word. Like Elizabeth, they’ll be touched and “sanctified” by the Holy Spirit through the simple and humble recounts of our concrete experiences of trying to live the Word who lives in us. I’ve seen adults convert and return to the faith after listening to small children share their experiences of living Jesus’s words, often related to the Cube of Love.

Let’s begin now to believe in God’s love as Mary did, to say yes to his Word by living it, to love our neighbors by serving them and to share with each other our simple everyday experiences of how we’re trying to live God’s Word in our daily lives, perhaps with the Cube of Love. Then, we’ll begin to see Mary’s light shining among us more and more. She’ll be our guiding star, our friend, our partner on the journey, our *Mother*.

Fr. Jesse Garcia

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De Parte de Nuestro Párroco



Este fin de semana como comunidad parroquial celebraremos a nuestra patrona especial, Santa Maira Estrella del Mar. Este es uno de los títulos mas antiguos de Maria. Fue el resultado de un “error de tipografía”, uno de esas felices fallas que nos proveen con algo mucho mejor. De “gota en el mar” - gracias al error tipográfico - Maria se convirtió en “Estrella del Mar”. Este titulo estaba destinado en comparar a Maria con la estrella polar, la cual esta plasmada por siempre en el centro de la constelación de la osa mayor. Es la mas brillante en lo mas oscuro de la mañana, justo antes del amanecer. Como la estrella polar, Maria esta fijada for siempre sobre las aguas tormentosas de la vida, guiando con seguridad a la gente del mar atreves de la obscuridad hacia la Luz verdadera, Jesús su hijo. Si mantenemos nuestros ojos fijos en ella y seguimos su camino, llegaremos al Reino del Cielo ya con el comienzo de cada nuevo día.

Nosotros podemos dejarnos ser guiados por el viaje de Maria atreves de la vida. En la Anunciación, por ejemplo, Maria fue arrasada por el inmenso amor de Dios por ella, cuando el la escogió para ser la Madre de su hijo. Ese fue el momento cuando ella descubrió su plan de amor por ella, y ella dijo si a su Palabra. Ese si permitió que Jesús, La Palabra, se encarnara en ella. Cada vez que vivimos la palabra de Dios, esa Palabra, Jesús, de alguna manera el se encarna en nosotros. Nosotros podemos contemplar a Jesús en cada uno de nosotros cuando vivimos y compartimos su palabra.

Después de ese encuentro asombroso con Dios, Maria inmediatamente “fue de prisa” a visitar a su prima. Cada encuentro genuino con Dios nos hace querer levantarnos inmediatamente, a salir, a hacer hechos concretos de amor por nuestro prójimo. Maria corrió hacia Elizabeth no a cantar el *Magnificat*, sino ayudar a su prima. Pero al sonido de la voz de Maria Elizabeth se lleno del Espíritu Santo y Juan el Bautista fue “santificado” en el seno de su madre. Cuando nosotros sinceramente amamos y servimos a nuestro prójimo, ellos frecuentemente ven a Dios en ello y quieren escuchar de nuestras experiencias con Dios. Es cuando nosotros podemos hablar y decirles acerca de nuestras experiencias de la Palabra viviente. Como Elizabeth, ellos serán tocados y “santificados” por el Espíritu Santo atreves del simple y humilde recuento de nuestras experiencias concretas de tratar de vivir la Palabra que vive en nosotros. Yo he visto adultos convertirse y regresar a la fe después de escuchar a un pequeño niño compartir sus experiencias de las palabras vivientes de Jesús, frecuentemente relacionadas al Cubo de Amor.

Comencemos ahora a creer en el amor de Dios como Maria lo hizo, a decir si a su Palabra viviéndola, a amar a nuestro prójimo sirviéndolos y compartiendo nuestras simples experiencias diarias de cómo nosotros estamos tratando de vivir la Palabra de Dios en nuestras vidas diarias, tal vez con el Cubo de Amor. Entonces nosotros podremos empezar a ver la luz de Maria brillando entre nosotros mas y mas. Ella será nuestra estrella guía, nuestra amiga, nuestra pareja en el viaje, nuestra *Madre*.

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
 marystaremergency@gmail.com

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 to 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 October 1-15: Dolly & Junior

Sponsor of October Altar Wine

In loving memory of
 Bonifacio and Petra Damian by
 Raymond and Becky Damian



Anyone who volunteers or is involved in ANY MINISTRY needs to take VIRTUS Training. Please call Tina in the office 979-233-5271 or go online to

www.virtus.org and register.

St. John the Baptist, in Alvin will be hosting a Virtus training for all volunteers.

"Protecting God's Children"- October 7 at 9:00a.m. in English. You need to register online at www.virtus.org.

Celebrating Mary: Model of Christian Life

October 7, 2017 at
St. Mary Star of the Sea

9:30 - Mass

10:30 - Retreat Program

1:00 - Potluck Lunch

2:00 - Closing Activities

Age-Appropriate Program Available
for Teens and Children

To Register, go to

<https://focolare-houston.eventbrite.com>



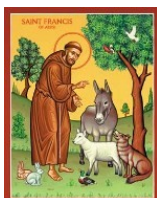
Knights of Columbus Council 3365
**Breast Cancer Awareness
Fundraiser**



BBQ Plates, Saturday, October 7th

10:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. at Baywood Parking Lot

All Proceeds Go To Breast Cancer Awareness



St. Francis of Assisi Day,

we will have Blessing for pets after the

8:30 am Mass on Wednesday,

October 4th.



On Tuesday October 3, 2017
from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. in
the Parish Hall.

CCE for children in PreK to 5th grades is on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Heaven's Way Hall classrooms.

Confirmation classes for youth in their second year of preparation begins on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in Heaven's Way Hall.

Youth Ministry for our youth in 6th to 12th grades is on Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Spanish Baptism Classes will resume October 7, 2017 at 1:00p.m. in the Conference Room. Please call Sister San Juanita 979-233-5271 for more information.



Turkey Dinner hosted by St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society on Sunday, October 22nd. Mark your calendars

now so you will not miss this opportunity to help raise funds for the Altar Society and participate in a scrumptious meal. If you would like to help the members with this event please call the office 979-233-5271. *Thank You!*

We will meet on Tuesday, October 3rd at 11a.m. in Heaven's Way Hall.

Senior Day- "Stars of the Sea"

will be playing Bingo. . Please join us on Thursday Morning, October 19th at 10:30 in Heaven's Way Hall.



The Patricians,

a Faith Discussion Group, will meet on Monday,

October 16th, in

Heaven's Way Hall at 6:30 p.m. The Topic is "Spirituality of Communion". Everyone invited!



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 y regístrese.

St. John the Baptist, en Alvin trndra Virtus formación para todos los voluntarios.

"Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios" -10/14/17 a las 2:30 PM clase en español. Es necesario registrarse en línea en www.virtus.org

CCE para los niños en PreK a 5 grados sera los miércoles a las 5:30 en el Heaven's Way.

Clases de confirmación para los jóvenes en su segundo año de preparación, comienza a las 2:30 en domingo, 01 de octubre en el salon de Heaven's Way.

Ministerio de jóvenes

para los jóvenes en los grados 6 al 12 los domingos a las 6:30 en el salón parroquial.

Clases de bautismo en Español reanudará el 7 de octubre, a las 1:00 en la sala de conferencias. Por favor llame a la hermana San Juanita 979-233-5271 para mas informacion.



Celebración de María: Modelo de la Vida Cristiana

07 de octubre de 2017 en

Santa María Estrella del Mar

9:30 - Misa

10:30 - programa de retiros

1:00 - almuerzo

2:00 - actividades de cierre

Programa apropiado para la edad de niños y adolescentes

Para registrarse, vaya a

<https://focolare-houston.eventbrite.com>



Cena del pavo

organizada de St. Mary's Sociedad de Altar y Rosario, el domingo, 22 de octubre. Marque su calendario ahora para que no se pierda esta oportunidad para ayudar a recaudar fondos para la sociedad del Altar y participar en una deliciosa comida. Si le gustaría ayudar a los miembros con este evento por favor llame a la oficina 979-233-5271. ¡Gracias!

Nos reuniremos el martes, 3 de octubre a 11:00 En el salon de Heaven's Way.



Caballeros de Colón 3365

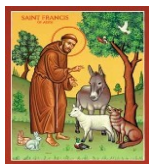
Conciencia del cáncer mama

Recaudación de fondos

Platos de barbacoa, sábado, 7 de octubre

10:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. en el Porción del estacionamiento de Baywood

Todos los ingresos van a la conciencia del cancer mama



El día de San Francisco de Asís,

tendremos bendición para los animales domésticos después de la Misa del 8:30a.m. el miércoles 4 de octubre.



On Tuesday October 3, 2017 from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

"Estrella del Mar" va estar jugando Bingo. Por favor únase con nosotros el jueves, 19 de octubre a las 10:30 en el Heaven's Way Hall.



Los Patricios, un grupo de fe,

se reunirán el lunes, 16 de octubre, en el

Heaven's Way a las 6:30p.m. La tema es "Espiritualidad de comunión". ¡Todos invitados!

Monday, October 2

Tuesday, October 3

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| 8:30-11:00a.m. | Flu Shots | Parish Hall |
| 9:30a.m. | Legion of Mary (Eng) | Heaven's Way Rm. 3 |
| 11:00a.m. | Altar Society | Heaven's Wy |
| 5:00p.m. | Legion of Mary (Sp) | Heaven's Way Rm. 3 |
| 6:00p.m. | Peace Rosary | Church |
| 6:30p.m. | English Mass | Church |
| 7:00p.m. | RCIA Session | Heaven's Way Classroom |
| 8:00p.m. | AA Meeting | RE Building |

Wednesday, October 4

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| 8:30a.m. | English Mass | Church |
| | Blessing of the Animals, St. Francis of Assisi | |
| 5:30p.m. | CCE | Heaven's Way |

Thursday, October 5

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| 9a.m. - 6p.m. | Adoration | Church |
| 6:00p.m. | Benediction | Church |
| 5:30p.m. | Confessions | Church |
| 6:15 p.m. | Spanish Mass | Church |
| 7:00p.m. | Parish Council | Conference Room |
| 7:00p.m. | Marriage Prep | Heaven's Way |
| 8:00p.m. | AA Meeting | RE Building |

Friday, October 6

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| 8:30a.m. | English Mass | Church |
| 3:00p.m. | Divine Mercy | Church |

Saturday, October 7

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| 9:30-3:00p.m. | Focolare Movement | Parish Hall |
| | Day of Retreat | |
| 4:00p.m. | Confessions | Church |
| 5:30p.m. | English Mass | Church |
| 7:00p.m. | Neo-Cat | Parish Hall |

Sunday, October 8

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| 9:00a.m. | English Mass | |
| After Mass | Breakfast Fundraiser | Parish Hall |
| 11:00a.m. | Spanish Mass | Church |
| After Mass | Lunch Fundraiser | Parish Hall |
| 5:00p.m. | English-Youth Mass | Church |
| After Mass | Youth Ministry | Parish Hall |

Altar & Rosary Society

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