

## 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 1st.: \$8,932.58  
2nd collection for Maintenance:  
\$1,471.61

Your faithful stewardship helps us meet our needs.

**Every man shall give as  
he is able,  
according to the blessing  
of the LORD your God  
which He has given you.**

**Deuteronomy 16:17**

## WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Monday, April 9****Tuesday, April 10**

6:30p.m.	English Mass	Church
9:30a.m.	Legion of Mary (English)	Heaven's Way #3
4:30p.m.	Legion of Mary (Spanish)	Heaven's Way #3
6:00p.m.	Peace Rosary	Church
6:00p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Heaven's Way #5
7:00p.m.	Festival Meeting	Conf. Room
8:00p.m.	AA Meeting	RE Building

**Wednesday, April 11**

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

**Thursday, April 12**

5:30-6 p.m.	Sacrament of Penance	Church
6:15p.m.	Spanish Mass	Church
8:00p.m.	AA Meeting	RE Building

**Friday, April 13**

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

**Saturday, April 14**

4:00p.m.	Sacrament of Penance	Church
5:30.m.	English Mass	Church
7:00p.m.	Neo-Cat Mass (Spanish)	Heaven's Way

**Sunday, April 15**

9:00a.m.	English Mass	Church
9:00-Noon	RCIA Retreat	Heaven's Way
11:00a.m.	Spanish Mass	Church
5:00p.m.	English Youth Mass	Church
6:30p.m.	Youth Ministry	Parish Hall



## From Our Pastor



During Holy Week, several times, we saw Jesus “fall” physically, spiritually and psychologically. He went to his knees at the Last Supper and washed the feet of his disciples, symbolically baptizing them into a life of service to others. He “got up again” and invited his disciples to follow the example of their teacher and lord.

In the Garden of Olives he fell to his knees in deep prayer with his Father in Heaven, whom he called by the affectionate name “Abba” or “Papa”. He allowed us disciples to listen in to his intimate and apparently private conversation with the Father in Heaven, showing how he always wants to draw us into his relationship with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

On the Cross, Jesus fell into complete darkness as he cried out in a loud voice: “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” (Mk 15:34). In that moment, he took all of our sins upon himself, along with all the consequences of sin. St. Paul says that “For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him” (see: 2 Cor 5:21). Jesus experienced in his human spirit, the separation from God that sin produces in our souls. This is how he re-united us with the Holy Trinity and each other. Once united with him, he loved us to the end by making a great act of love toward the Father as he placed himself again in the Father’s arms: “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit” (Lk 23:46). And we were with him as the Father welcomed him into his arms.

Carrying his cross, falling and then getting up again shows us how the holy journey of our lives consists of falls, but also of risings. After his death, Jesus is lowered into the darkness of the tomb. The Creed tells us that he “descended” into hell, the hiding place of the devil and his angels. On the third day, the most important day in history, he “rose” again. Jesus teaches us with that “rising” that all those “falls” were worthwhile after all. Every one of them, produced fruit that will last forever. Jesus teaches us that thanks to his great fall into the darkness of abandonment, that we too can now rise from every fall. It’s enough that we recognize the face of Jesus Forsaken in all the negative things in us and around us. St. Pope John Paul II said that the goal of the Christian life is to “seek the face of Christ.” Sometimes that face is shining with Easter glory; sometimes that face is covered in the darkness of the abandonment. But it’s the same face of Jesus each time. We only have to recognize him, welcome him and be filled with his joy. That is also the experience of Easter.

*Fr. Jesse Garcia*

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## De Parte de Nuestro Párroco



Durante la semana Santa, varias veces, vimos a Jesús “caer” física, espiritual y psicológicamente. Se arrodilló en la última cena y lavó los pies de sus discípulos, bautizándolos simbólicamente a una vida de servicio a los demás. Se “levantó de nuevo” e invitó a sus discípulos a seguir el ejemplo de su maestro y Señor. En el Huerto de los olivos cayó de rodillas en profunda oración con su Padre Celestial, a quien llamó por el cariñoso nombre “Abba” o “papá”. Permitió a nosotros discípulos escuchar su íntima y aparentemente privada conversación con el Padre celestial, mostrando como él siempre quiere atraernos a su relación con el padre y el Espíritu Santo.

En la Cruz, Jesús cayó en completa oscuridad mientras gritaba en voz alta: “Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿Por qué me has abandonado?” (Mc 15:34). En ese momento, él tomó todos nuestros pecados, junto con todas las consecuencias del pecado. San Pablo dice que el “A aquel que no conoció el pecado, Dios lo identificó con el pecado en favor nuestro, a fin de que nosotros seamos justificados por él (ver: 2 Cor 5:21). Jesús experimentó en su espíritu humano, la separación de Dios que el pecado produce en nuestras almas. Así es como él nos re-unió con la Santísima Trinidad y entre nosotros mismos. Una vez Unidos con Él, Él nos amó hasta el final haciendo un gran acto de amor hacia el padre colocándose de nuevo en los brazos del padre: “Padre, en tus manos encomiendo mi espíritu” (Lc 23:46). Y nosotros estábamos con él cuándo el padre lo tomó de nuevo en sus brazos.

Cargando su cruz, cayéndose y levantándose nos muestra como el santo viaje de nuestras vidas consiste en caídas, pero también levantadas. Después de su muerte, Jesús fue bajado de la cruz a la obscuridad de la tumba. El credo nos dice que “descendió” al infierno, el escondite del diablo y sus ángeles. Al tercer día, el día más importante en la historia, él se “levantó” de nuevo. Jesús nos enseña que con ese “levantarse” todas las “caídas”, a fin de cuentas, valieron la pena. Cada una de ellas produjo fruto que permanecerá para siempre. Jesús nos enseña que gracias a su gran caída a la obscuridad del abandono, ahora nosotros también podemos levantarnos después de cada caída. Es suficiente reconocer la cara de Jesús abandonado en todas las cosas negativas en nosotros y alrededor de nosotros. Papa San Juan Pablo II dijo que la meta de la vida Cristiana es “buscar la cara de Cristo”. Algunas veces esa cara brilla con la gloria de la Pascua; algunas veces esa cara está cubierta con la obscuridad del abandono. Pero es la misma cara de Jesús cada vez. Solo tenemos que reconocerlo, darle la bienvenida y llenarnos de su gozo. Esta es también la experiencia de la Pascua.

*Padre Jesse Garcia*

## Personal Parroquial

### Secretary/Secretaria

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### Emergency Email Address and phone number

St. Mary's 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- 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 March: Dolly & Richard

### Sponsor of April Altar Wine

In loving memory of Felipe Garcia and †Fernando Salinas requested by Margaret Garcia and Family



**Donations Needed**

It that time again! We need donations for the festival.

Name brand Soda, auction items for silent and live Auction. We also need 80 briskets. Please bring items to church office, any and all donations are welcome. Thank you!

**Graduates**

Parents of Graduates from PreK, 12th grade and college, please contact Sister San Juanita at 979-233-5271 to plan a Graduation Mass and Reception to celebrate this wonderful accomplishment in their lives!!!



**St. Vincent de Paul** is in need of new members to help deliver food to the poor. If interested, please call the church office at 979-233-5271.

**Blood Drive** at St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish Hall, today, Sunday, April 8 8:00a.m.- 2:00p.m. Contact Connie Melaragno 979- 297-4899.



**Festival Meeting**

On Tuesday April 10th at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room.

**Heart of Worship**

Saturday, April 15 at St. Michael's in Lake Jackson.

Guest Speakers are Fr. Jesse Garcia, Kathryn Whitaker and Michael Gormley. Cost \$15 before April 1 or \$20 after April 1. \$10 for 6th -12th graders. Contact Genie Packard at [lhpackard@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lhpackard@sbcglobal.net)



We would like to thank everyone who made Holy Week possible. From the most hidden person who cleaned and decorated before and after, to the most public person. It's hard to mention everyone by name because someone will be left out. So thank you to everyone!

**Stars of the Sea**, our Over 50 group, will meet on Thursday, April 19th at 10:30 in Heaven's Way Hall.

**VIRTUS - Protecting God's Children**

If you are involved in any ministry at St. Mary Star of the Sea, you must take this class.



Classes are being offered at St. Jerome Church in Clute on Saturday, April 14 at 8:30a.m. in the Parish Hall. Contact Dina Tonche 979-236-3927.

## ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA



Necesitamos donaciones para el Festival.

Nombre de la marca soda, artículos de subasta para la subasta silenciosa y en vivo. También necesitamos 80 faldas. Por favor traiga artículos a la oficina de la iglesia, cualquiera y todas las donaciones son bienvenidas. Gracias

### Graduados

Padres de los graduados de PreK, 12° grado y la Universidad, por favor comuníquese con la hermana San Juanita al 979-233-5271 para planear una Misa de graduación y recepción para celebrar este maravilloso logro en sus vidas!!!



**La sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl** necesita nuevos miembros para

ayudar a entregar alimentos a los pobres. Si está interesado, por favor llame a la oficina de la iglesia al 979-233-5271.



### Impulsión de la sangre

St. Mary Star of the Sea  
Este Domingo, 8 de abril  
8:00a-2:00p

Contacte a Connie Melaragno  
979-297-4899.

### Junta para el Festival

El martes 10 de abril a las 7 p.m. en el salón de conferencias. **No faltes!**

### Corazón de adoración

Sábado, 15 de abril en St.

Michael's en Lake Jackson. Los oradores invitados son el p. Jesse García, Kathryn Whitaker y Michael Gormley. Cuesta \$15 antes del 1 de abril o \$20 después del 1 de abril. \$10 para los del 6° al 12° grado. Contacta con Genie Packard en [lhpackard@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lhpackard@sbcglobal.net)



Quisiéramos agradecer a todos los que hicieron posible la semana Santa. De la persona más escondida que limpió y decoró antes y después, a la persona más pública. Es difícil mencionar a todos por su nombre porque alguien quedará fuera. ¡ así que gracias a todos!



**Estrellas del mar**, nuestro grupo de más de 50, se reunirá el jueves, 19 de abril a las 10:30 en el Heaven's Way Hall.

### VIRTUS - Protegiendo a los hijos de Dios

Las clases se ofrecen en la iglesia de San Jerónimo en Clute el sábado, 14 de abril a las 8:30A. m. en el salón parroquial. Comuníquese con Dina Tonche 979-236-3927.



## MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

## Ministries/ Ministerios

### Saturday, April 7 / Sabado 7 de Abril

*Second Sunday of Easter*

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

5:30p.m. †Jim Mikes by Jimmy Mikes

### Sunday, April 8 / Domingo 8 de Abril

*Second Sunday of Easter (Or Sunday of Divine Mercy)*

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

9:00a.m. †Michael Bissonnet by Mary Jean Bissonnet

11:00a.m. †Gabriel Calvillo de Juanita Cardoza y Laura Reyes  
Intención Especial por las Guadalupanas

5:00p.m. †Sara Silvas by Darcy Moreno

### Monday, April 9 / Lunes 9 de Abril

*Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord*

Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10

### Tuesday, April 10 / Martes 10 de Abril

*Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter*

Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

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

### Wednesday, April 11 / Miércoles 11 de Abril

*Memorial of Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr*

Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21

8:30a.m. †Karen Jennifer Martinez by RCIA

### Thursday, April 12 / Jueves 12 de Abril

*Thursday of the Second Week of Easter*

Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36

6:15p.m.

### Friday, April 13 / Viernes 13 de Abril

*Friday of the Second Week of Easter*

Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

8:30a.m. †Mark Barclay by his Wife

### 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.

Glenda Fansher, Pete Kruppa, Kathy Shaw, Ann Cooper, John Saldivar, Mary Rodriguez, Pete and Margie Trevino, Roger Calvillo, Arcelia Garcia, Beatrice Garcia, Yesenia Ordoñez, Marina Guerrero, Michael Castelline, Junior Damian, Alberto Garcia and Graciela Garcia

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

### Altar & Rosary Society Sociedad del Altar y Rosario

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### Knights of Columbus Caballeros de Colón

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### Legion of Mary

### Legion de Maria

Marilyn Saccomanno (979) 233-1726

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### Movimiento Familiar

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### Guadalupana Society

### Sociedad Guadalupana

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### Almas Misioneras

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### San Vicente de Paul

Juanita Cardoza (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

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