

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 May 14th: \$3,942.28
Under budget for the week of May
14th: \$3,153.87

Second Collection for the
Basilica of the National Shrine:
\$1,246.13

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 20, 2017/SABADO 20 DE MAYO

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter / Quinto Sabado de Pascua

ACTS 16:1-10; PS 100:1B-2, 3, 5; JN 15:18-21

5:30 † Mark Barclay by his wife
† Rosie Garza

Sunday, May 21 / Domingo 21 de mayo

Sixth Sunday of Easter / Sexto Domingo de Pascua

ACTS 8:5-8, 14-17; PS 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1 PT 3:15-18; JN 14:15-21

10:00 a.m. Maria Concepcion Carmona de Familia Diaz

Monday, May 22 / Lunes 22 de mayo

Monday of the Sixth Week of Easter / Sexto Lunes de Pascua

Rita of Cascia, Religious

ACTS 16:11-15; PS 149:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6A AND 9B; JN 15:26—16:4A

Tuesday, May 23 / Martes 23 de mayo

Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter / Sexto Martes de Pascua

ACTS 16:22-34; PS 138:1-2AB, 2CDE-3, 7C-8; JN 16:5-11

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

Wednesday, May 24 / Miércoles 24 de mayo

Wednesday of the Sixth Week of Easter / Sexto Miércoles de Pascua

ACTS 17:15, 22—18:1; PS 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; JN 16:12-15

Thursday, May 25 / Jueves 25 de mayo

Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter / Sexto Jueves de Pascua

ACTS 18:1-8; PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4; JN 16:16-20

Friday, May 26 / Viernes 26 de mayo

Friday of the Sixth Week of Easter / Sexto Viernes de Pascua

Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest

ACTS 18:9-18; PS 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; JN 16:20-23

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.

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

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 we hold our annual parish festival, which is always a great success even when the weather doesn't cooperate. It's a lot of fun for everyone, both during the long and at times tiring preparations, but also on the actual day of the events in the Municipal Park.

Most religions have festivals to honor God and the holy people of those religions. Festivals usually happen on the feast days of the religion, even the word "holiday" comes from "holy day". Many months of hard work and even fasting often go into the preparation of the feast day itself which can last only one or two days. But some feasts last longer. Chanukah lasts for seven days, Christmas is celebrated for twelve days and Easter is celebrated for 52 days. The feast often begins with a religious service in honor of God or one of God's saints or heroes. The feast usually involves a lot of eating, drinking and merry-making, dancing and singing, games and much friendship.

What is the religious feast we celebrate at our festival this weekend? It's not the feast day of Saint Mary Star of the Sea. Well, it is still the Easter Season when we celebrate the Risen Lord. It's only appropriate therefore that we call this celebration "our parish festival". We are celebrating the presence of the Risen Jesus among us, a local church, a parish. At its root, the Church is the presence of the Risen Jesus among people who are gathered together in his name, in his essence, which is love. Let's be mindful of this today as we come together to share each other's company and enjoy the good food and drink that was prepared for us; the music and song that was practiced and tweaked for so many hours; the products for us to buy that were collected and stored over months of hard work by many volunteers – all for our parish community, for us.

Then, after all the food is eaten and the drinks are drunk, and all the auctioned items are auctioned off, let's return to our homes to keep this festival alive throughout the year by living the new commandment and allowing the Risen Jesus to always be among us, wherever we are two or more – in the house, in the backyard, in the car, at the kitchen table. Then, every day will be a feast, even a holy day for all of us.

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

Este fin de semana, como todos los años, celebramos nuestro festival parroquial. Es siempre un gran éxito aun cuando el tiempo no coopera. Son dos días muy divertidos para todos, tanto durante las largas y agotadoras preparaciones, como también el día de las festividades en el Parque Municipal.

La gran mayoría de las religiones celebran festivales para honrar a Dios y al pueblo santo de esas religiones. Los festivales por lo general ocurren en los días de fiesta honrando diferentes personajes de la religión particular. Las preparaciones para estos festivales se llevan muchos meses de trabajo duro y a menudo el ayuno entra en la preparación de la fiesta misma, que puede durar sólo uno o dos días. Pero algunas fiestas duran más. Por ejemplo, el festival Chanukkah (el festival Judío de luces) dura siete días. La Navidad se celebra durante doce días y la Pascua se celebra durante 52 días. Estas fiestas por lo general comienzan con un servicio religioso en honor a Dios o uno de los santos o héroes de Dios. La fiesta incluye mucho comer, beber y diversión, bailar y cantar, juegos y mucha amistad.

¿Cuál es la fiesta religiosa que celebramos en nuestro festival este fin de semana? No es la fiesta de Santa María Estrella del Mar. Pues sigue siendo la Pascua cuando celebramos al Señor Resucitado. Por lo tanto, es apropiado que llamemos a esta celebración “nuestra fiesta parroquial”. Celebramos la presencia de Jesús resucitado entre nosotros, que somos una iglesia local, una parroquia. En su raíz, la Iglesia es la presencia del Jesús resucitado entre las personas reunidas en su nombre, en su esencia, que es el Amor.

Seamos conscientes de esto hoy mientras nos unimos para compartir la compañía el uno del otro y disfrutar de la buena comida y bebida que se preparó para nosotros; La música y el canto que se ensayó durante tantas horas; Los productos para comprar que fueron recogidos y almacenados durante meses de duro trabajo por muchos voluntarios - todo para nuestra comunidad parroquial, el uno para el otro.

Luego, después de que se coma toda la comida y se beba todas las bebidas, y todos los artículos de la subasta sean subastados, volvamos a nuestros hogares para mantener vivo este festival a lo largo del año viviendo el nuevo mandamiento y permitiendo que el Jesús Resucitado siempre esté entre Nosotros, dondequiera que haya dos o más - en la casa, en el patio, en el carro, en la mesa de la cocina. De este modo, cada día será una fiesta, es más, será un día santo para nosotros.

Padre Jesse Garcia

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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

May Altar Wine Sponsor

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

ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

May 21, 2017
FREEPORT, TX

Graduation Mass for all high school seniors on June 4 at 9:00a.m. Please come dressed in your cap and gown. There will be a reception after the mass in the parish hall for the seniors and their families. Thank you.



Archdiocesan Youth Conference (AYC) for all high school youth will be July 28-30, 2017 at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston. This is a great opportunity to praise, worship, and increase your faith along with other youth throughout the archdiocese. Registration is \$95 now, but will increase to \$115 after June 15th. Please contact Sr. San Juanita to register at (979) 233-5271.



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.

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!



Fundraiser Breakfast

No breakfast this weekend. 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.

Bulletin

Submissions for the bulletin are welcome! Please have them in no later than Tuesday nights. Submissions can be sent to: secretary@stmarystarofthesea.org

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.



**Church Bazaar, Saturday, May 20
Dance at 7 pm, and Sunday, May
21, 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.**

\$10.00 BBQ Plates

Food & Beer Booths

Entertainment by:

The Made of Ash Band

...Live and Silent Auctions...

COME JOIN THE FUN, FOOD

& ENTERTAINMENT

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

NO OUTSIDE COOLERS PLEASE!

Misa de Graduación para todos los graduados el 4 de Junio a las 9:00. Por favor vengan vestidos con su toga y birrete. Habrá una recepción después de la Misa en el salón parroquial para los graduados y sus familias. Muchas gracias.



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! 😊



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



Ensayo 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 la Sociedad San Vicente de Paul que dona alimentos a los pobres necesitados lo siguiente: avena, cereales, Hamburger Helper, chile con carne, fruta enlatada y galletas. Por favor déjenlos en la caja de San Vicente de Paul, localizada en el la entrada de la iglesia. Todas sus donaciones son distribuidas entre los necesitados de nuestra comunidad.



AYC (Conferencia Arquidiocesana de la juventud) para todos los jóvenes de secundaria será Julio 28-30 de 2017 en el George R. Brown Convention Center en Houston. Esta es una gran oportunidad para alabar a Dios, adorar y aumentar tu fe junto con otros jóvenes de la Arquidiócesis.

La inscripción es de \$95 ahora y \$115 después de 15 de Junio.

Póngase en contacto con la Hermana San Juanita para registrarse al (979) 233-5271.



Desayuno

No hay desayuno este fin de semana. Los desayunos empujan de Nuevo Agosto y le pedimos a cada grupo o Ministerio de comprometerse durante un mes para prepararlo. Por favor llame a la oficina 979-233-5271 para programar el mes quiera que su ministerio prepare el desayuno.

Boletín

Si quiere que algo aparezca en el boletín, envíelo por correo electrónico a: secretary@stmarystarofthesea.org
La fecha tope es cada martes por la tarde.

**Festival de la Iglesia,
Baile el Sabado, 20 de Mayo, y Domingo,
21 de Mayo de 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.**

\$10.00 Platos de **barbecue**, cerveza y otras bebidas

entretenimiento por:

El grupo 'Made of Ash'

...Subastas vivas y silenciosa,

Juegos para los niños

ALIMENTOS PARA TODA LA FAMILIA!...

**VEN Y ÚNETE A LA DIVERSIÓN,
¡NO SE PERMITEN HIELERAS (COOLERS)**

DE AFUERA!

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, May 22

Tuesday, May 23

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
6:00p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul	Conference Room
6:30p.m.	English Mass	Church
8:00p.m.	AA Meeting	RE Building

Wednesday, May 24

7:30p.m.	Neo Catechumen	Heaven's Way
8:30a.m.	English Mass	Church
10:00-11:30a.m.	Bereavement Mtg.	Room 8

Thursday, May 25

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 26

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

Saturday, May 27

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

Sunday, May 28

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



Ministries/ Ministerios

Altar & Rosary Society

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