

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 17: \$5,312.25
Under budget for the week of September 17: \$1,783.90
Second Collection for Maintenance: \$1,015.50

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 23 / SABADO 23 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

1 TM 6:13-16; PS 100:1B-2, 3, 4, 5; LK 8:4-15

5:30 p.m. †Barnabe Olguin by Santana Olguin
†Pat Aguilar by Lilie Damian
†Johny Aguilar by Lilie Damia
Blessing for Ana Tristian

Sunday, September 24 / domingo 24 de Septiembre

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

9:00a.m. †Jorge Luis Olguin by Santana Olguin
11:00a.m. †Estorgion Cardenas de sus hijos
†Familia Ruiz de Naty Garcia
†Juan Garcia de Naty Garcia y familia
5:00p.m. †Aniceto Mata by Santana Olguin

Monday, September 25 / lunes 25 de Septiembre

Monday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time

EzR 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 26 / martes 26 de Septiembre

Tuesday of the Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time

EZR 6:7-8, 12B, 14-20; PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5; LK 8:19-21
6:30 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mary

Wednesday, September 27 / Miércoles 27 de Septiembre

Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

EzR 9:5-9; Mk 1:15; Lk 9:1-6

8:30a.m. Sr. Lino Martinez by Margie Rodriguez

Thursday, September 28 / Jueves 28 de Septiembre

Thursday of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 9:7-9

6:15p.m. Jose Rubio by Esperanza Rubio & family

Friday, September 29 / Viernes 29 de Septiembre

Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51

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.

Patricia Embil, Tammie Guidry Hawkins, Ignacio Damian Sr., Margie & Pete Trevino, Graciela Garcia, Albert Garcia, Andy Olguin, Lupe Mendoza, Javier DeLaCerde

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



Every year, the Diocese invites us to think about the many gifts that God has given and continues to give to us. It seems to be in God's very nature to give. Creation itself was a gift made for us, for our enjoyment. God's giving is even reflected in his Creation: there is a constant giving and receiving in Creation, a relationship of love. The fruit dies and gives seed to the soil and the land gives its fruits. The rain gives itself to the lakes and rivers, and rivers quench the thirst of God's creatures. Creation is a reflection of the life of God who is a Trinity and therefore, Love. The Trinity is an eternal giving and receiving of love and humankind is made in the image of God. Our God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

If you think about it, we're most happy and fulfilled when we give. A first-grader, who was telling how she lived the Cube of Love, reported that one day at playtime she was sitting near a friend. The friend wanted some of the girl's cookies, but the girl was reluctant to share the cookies. Suddenly she realized, the more she kept her cookies for herself, the sadder she felt. The chocolate chip cookies didn't even taste good anymore. Then, she gave some cookies to her friend and she felt really happy, and the cookies tasted good again." Jesus reminds us that there is more joy in giving than receiving. I think none of us would disagree. It's in our nature to give.

God has given unique gifts to each one of us. He means for us to share those gifts with others out of love for them, just as God shares out of love for us even His very self, even is divinity. This weekend, we're all invited to sign up to share our gifts and talents with our local Church community by praying for, supporting or becoming actively involved in one of our parish ministries. The word "ministry" means "service" and sharing our talents with others is a way of serving Jesus in them: helping children and teenagers in the catechism program learn and experience the faith; serving Jesus in the poor and needy with the St Vincent de Paul Society; visiting the sick and homebound with the Legion of Mary and learning how to share the faith; helping to prepare liturgical celebrations that are an expression of the whole parish community, with the Altar Society, Altar Servers, Lectors... living the spirituality of communion with the Work of Mary/Focolare Movement in families, neighborhoods and workplaces; striving to live out our baptismal promises in service to our neighbors with members of the Neo-Catechumenal Way . . .

Each of these ministries/services is an opportunity for us to share our God-given talents with one another. The world God so loves will be even more beautiful to God, also because of our contribution. There's nothing the Holy Trinity likes better than to see us loving *one another*.

Fr. Jesse Garcia

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De Parte de Nuestro Párroco



Cada año, la diócesis nos invita a pensar en los muchos dones que Dios nos ha dado y nos sigue dando. Parece que es la naturaleza de Dios para dar. La creación misma fue un regalo hecho para nosotros, para disfrutar. El dar de Dios se refleja incluso en su creación: hay una constante dando y recibiendo en la creación, una relación de amor. La fruta muere y da semilla al suelo y la tierra da sus frutos. La lluvia se da a los lagos y ríos, y los ríos sacian la sed de las criaturas de Dios. La creación es un reflejo de la vida de Dios que es una Trinidad y por lo tanto, el amor. La Trinidad es un eterno dar y recibir del amor y la humanidad se hace a la imagen de Dios. Nuestro Dios amó tanto al mundo que él dio a su único hijo.

Si lo piensas, estamos más contentos y satisfechos cuando damos. Una niña en el primer grado, que estaba contando cómo vivía el cubo del amor, informó de que un día en el tiempo de juego estaba sentada cerca de una amiga. La amiga quería algunas de las galletas de la chica, pero la chica se resistía a compartir las galletas. De repente se dio cuenta, mientras más se guardaba sus galletas para ella, más triste se sentía. Las galletitas de chocolate ya ni siquiera tenían buen sabor. "Luego, ella le dio unas galletitas a su amiga y se sintió muy contenta, y las galletitas volvieron a saborear bien". Jesús nos recuerda que hay más gozo en dar que recibir. Creo que ninguno de nosotros estaría en desacuerdo. Es nuestra naturaleza de dar.

Dios ha dado dones especiales a cada uno de nosotros. Él espera que nosotros compartiremos esos dones con otros por amor a ellos, así como Dios comparte por amor a nosotros su mismo ser, incluso su divinidad. Este fin de semana, todos estamos invitados a inscribirse para compartir nuestros dones y talentos con nuestra comunidad local de la iglesia orando por, apoyando o participando activamente en uno de nuestros ministerios parroquiales. La palabra "Ministerio" significa "servicio" y compartir nuestros talentos con los demás es una manera de servir a Jesús en ellos: ayudar a los niños y adolescentes en el programa de Catecismo a aprender y experimentar la fe; sirviendo a Jesús en los pobres y necesitados con la sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl; visitando a los enfermos y a los confinados con la Legión de María y aprendiendo a compartir la fe; ayudando a preparar celebraciones litúrgicas que son una expresión de toda la comunidad parroquial, con la sociedad del altar, monaguillos, lectores ... viviendo la espiritualidad de la comunión con la obra de María/movimiento de los Focolares en familias, vecindarios y trabajo; esforzándonos de vivir nuestras promesas bautismales en servicio a nuestros vecinos con miembros de la manera catecumenal ...

Cada uno de estos ministerios/servicios es una oportunidad para que compartamos nuestros talentos dados por Dios el uno con el otro. El mundo que Dios ama será aún más bello para Dios, por nuestra contribución. No hay nada que a la Santísima Trinidad le guste más que vernos amándonos unos a otros.

Padre Jesse Garcia

Personal Parroquial

Secretaries/Secretarias

Yolanda Garcia

Marisol Serrano

Barbara Klimpt

secretary@stmarystarofthesea.org

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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

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Baptism Classes in Spanish and English

Spanish Baptism classes given the first Saturday of each month 1 to 5p.m., must register with Sister San Juanita.

English Baptism classes given on the first Sunday of the month 1 to 4:30p.m., must register with Sister San Juanita.

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 September 16th to the 30th
Rebeca & Carolina

Sponsor of September Altar Wine

In loving memory of
Ignacio & Lucy Cabrera
requested by Valentina Moreno

VIRTUS® 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" on October 01, 2017 at 9:00a.m. in English. You need to register online at www.virtus.org.



CCE Orientation for parents and their children in Pre-K to 5th grades on Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 5:30p.m. in the Parish Hall. **First Communion Classes** for children and their parents on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 10:00a.m. in Heaven's Way Hall. **Confirmation classes** for youth in their second year of preparation begins on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 2:30p.m. in Heaven's Way Hall. **Youth Ministry Orientation** for parents and their youth in 6th to 12th grades on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 6:30p.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 to register for CCE, First Communion & Baptism.

Celebrating Mary: Model of Christian Life



October 7, 2017 at
St. Mary Star of the Sea
9:30 a.m. - Mass
10:30 a.m. - Retreat Program
1:00 p.m. - Potluck Lunch
2:00 p.m. - Closing Activities

Age-Appropriate Program Available for Teens and Children

To Register, go to <https://focolare-houston.eventbrite.com>

Catechists Needed

We are still in need of a 5th Grade Catechist and three high school catechists. Please call Sister San Juanita 979-233-5271 if you are interested. Thank You

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.

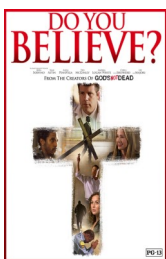
FIFTH ANNUAL SANTA'S HAND-CRAFTED CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

November 11, 2017

Lake Jackson Civic Center

There is still space available for Vendors. For more information, please contact:

Connie Melaragno, Co-Chair
csmelaragno@hotmail.com or
979-236-3405



Movie Night
"DO YOU BELIEVE?"
movie at St. Mary's on
Friday September 29,
2017 at 7:00p.m. in
Parish Hall.



Holy Cross Catholic Church

Fall Festival and Turkey Dinner
Sunday, October 1, 2017
Knights of Columbus Hall

63 CR 216 (Nichols Rd) Bay City, TX

Drive through or dine in 11:00a.m.-1:00p.m.

\$10.00 per plate

Live Auction - Raffle - Country Store - more
Everyone Welcome, Fun For All





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 tendrá Virtus formación para todos los voluntarios,

"Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios" el 14 de octubre a las 2:30p.m. en español es necesario registrarse en línea en www.virtus.org



**Celebración de María:
Modelo de la
Vida Cristiana**

07 de octubre de 2017 en

Santa María Estrella del Mar

9:30 am- Misa

10:30 am - programa de retiros

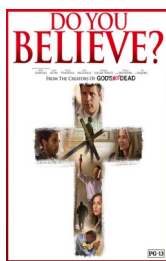
1:00 pm- almuerzo

2:00 pm- actividades finales

Programa apropiado para la edad de niños y adolescentes

Para registrarse, vaya a

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



**Noche de Cine
"Do You Believe"**

Pelicula en Santa María el viernes 29 de septiembre de 2017 a las 7:00 p.m. en el salon parroquial.



Holy Cross Catholic Church

Festival de otoño y cena del pavo

1 de octubre de 2017 En el Salón Caballeros de Colón 63 CR 216 (Nichols Rd) Bay City, TX

Platos para llevar a casa o comer aquí. 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. \$10.00 por plato

Todos bienvenidos !!



CCE Orientación para padres y hijos en Pre-K a 5 grados el miércoles, 27 de septiembre a las 5:30p.m. en el salón parroquial.

Clases de Primera Comunión para niños y sus padres el sábado, 30 de septiembre a las 10:00a.m. en el salon de Heaven's Way.

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

Ministerio de Jóvenes Orientación

para padres y jóvenes en los grados 6 al 12 el domingo, 01 de octubre a las 6:30 en el salón parroquial.

Clases de Bautismo en Español reanudará el 7 de octubre, a la 1:00p.m. en la sala de Conferencias. Por favor llame a la Hermana San Juanita 979-233-5271 para registrarse en CCE, Primera Comunión y Bautismos.

Catequistas, todavía necesitamos catequistas para el 5 ° grado y tres para secundaria. Si usted está interesado, por favor llame a la Hermana San Juanita 979-233-5271.

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 11:00a.m. en el salon de Heaven's Way.



El Quinto Anual Bazar Navideño al Artesanía de Santa Claus, el 11 de noviembre de 2017 en el centro cívico de Lake Jackson. Todavía hay espacio disponible para los vendedores. Para más información, póngase en contacto con: Connie Melaragno, Co-Chair csmelaragno@hotmail.com 979-236-3405



Monday, September 25

7:00p.m. Neo-Cat Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 26

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. Peace Rosary Church
 6:00p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Conference Room
 6:30p.m. English Mass Church
 7:00p.m. RCIA Session Heaven's Way Classroom
 7:30p.m. Catechist Meeting Conference Room
 8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

Wednesday, September 27

8:30a.m. English Mass Church
 5:30p.m. CCE Parent & Student Orientation
 Parish Hall

Thursday, September 28

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. Marriage Prep Heaven's Way
 8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

Friday, September 29

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

Saturday, September 30

10:00a.m. 1st Communion Class Heaven's Way
 4:00p.m. Confessions Church
 5:30p.m. Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Star of the Sea
 After Mass Covered Dish Parish Hall
 7:00p.m. Neo-Cat Heaven's Way

Sunday, October 1

9:00a.m. Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Star of the Sea
 After Mass Breakfast Fundraiser Parish Hall
 11:00a.m. Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Star of the Sea
 After Mass Lunch Fundraiser Parish Hall
 5:00p.m. Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Star of the Sea
 After Mass Youth/Parent Orientation Parish Hall

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Neocatecumenal**

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