

Weekly Highlights

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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 January 28: \$5,686.90
Under budget for the week of
January 28: \$2605.61
Second collection for Bishops' Fund for
Latin America: \$1,444.50
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

Monday, February 5

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

Tuesday, February 6

9:30a.m. Legion of Mary (English) Heaven's Way #3
4:30p.m. Legion of Mary (Spanish) Heaven's Way #3
6:30p.m. English Mass Church
7:00p.m. RCIA Session Heaven's Way Classroom
6:30p.m. Festival Meeting Conference Room
8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

Wednesday, February 7

8:30a.m. English Mass Church
5:30p.m. CCE PK-5th grades Heaven's Way
7:00p.m. Neo-Cat Heaven's Way

Thursday, February 8

9a.m.-6 p.m. Adoration Church
5:30-6 p.m. Sacrament of Penance Church
6:15p.m. Spanish Mass Church
8:00p.m. AA Meeting RE Building

Friday, February 9

8:30a.m. English Mass Church
7:00p.m. Sweetheart Dance Parish Hall

Saturday, February 10

10:00a.m. Liturgy Meeting Conference Room
4:00p.m. Sacrament of Penance Church
5:30p.m. English Mass Church
7:00p.m. Neo-Cat Mass Heaven's Way

Sunday, February 11

9:00a.m. English Mass Church
11:00a.m. Spanish Mass Church
5:00p.m. English-Youth Mass Church
6:30p.m. Youth Ministry Parish Hall



From Our Pastor

Pastoral Staff



-The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Family, the family of Mary and Joseph with Jesus in their midst. That was a unique family, truly holy, because of the presence of the Holy One living in its midst. It was a family of virgins whose descendants would be more numerous than the stars in the sky.

When God chose to take on our human nature, he did it in the midst of a family. Jesus, the Eternal Word, learned to talk in a family. His cousins taught him how to play. Even though He was the Son of God, his neighbors knew him as the carpenter's son and the son of Mary. For Jesus, the one and Eternal High priest, his seminary was the family.

By becoming the member of an ordinary family, Jesus made the ordinariness of family life holy. If we love one another in our families, Jesus will come into our midst and make them holy.

Jesus wants us to be a family. He told us that God is our Father in Heaven. He called us his brothers and sisters and mothers... He promised us a hundredfold of fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters. Jesus sees us as a family. On the cross, He gave us Mary for our Mother. Jesus sees us as a family that reaches beyond the borders of heaven and earth. He talked about Grandfather Abraham in Heaven as someone who was still alive and well. Jesus wants us to be a family.

This is the message of the Holy Family: *"Be family!"* Are there people in your family who have spiritual or moral problems? Understand them like a mother, even more than a mother. Let your humble example be light for them. Don't leave them to themselves, but surround them with the love and warmth of the family.

"Be family!" Are there family members who are suffering physically? Prefer them. Try to understand their pain. Thank them for offering their sufferings to God out of love for their neighbors. Appreciate the graces they are obtaining for your family and for the world. Let them feel your gratitude.

"Be family!" Is someone in your family happy because of some achievement or for any other reason? Share their happiness, so that their consolation won't be saddened and their hearts closed, but that they may share their joy with everybody.

"Be family!" Is someone on their way somewhere? Let them go, but first fill them with the sense of belonging, so that they can take that sense of family to the place they're going to.

"Be a family." Never put any kind of activity – neither job related, nor religious – before being a family with the people you live with.

"Be family!" Wherever you go, try to spread the family of God by seeing and loving Jesus in every neighbor you meet until they love you back. The spirit of a family is a humble spirit, it's sincere, it seeks the good of others, it's never proud – it's love.

The family atmosphere is simple, ordinary, safe and relaxed. It's able to understand every member of the family with all their human and divine characteristics. A holy family begins from seeing Jesus in each other, which is supernatural – and it reaches to the most mundane and practical sides of natural family life. In other words, it's a family in which brothers and sisters don't have hearts of stone, but hearts of flesh like Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

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De Parte de Nuestro Párroco

Personal Parroquial



Tradicionalmente el mes de febrero se dedica a la Sagrada Familia, la familia de María y José con Jesús en medio de ellos. Esa fue una familia única, verdaderamente santa, debido a la presencia del Santo que vive en medio de ella. Era una familia de vírgenes cuyos descendientes serían más numerosos que las estrellas del cielo. Cuando Dios asumió nuestra naturaleza humana, fue por medio de una familia. Jesús, el Verbo Eterno, aprendió a hablar en una familia. Sus primos le enseñaron a jugar. Aunque era el Hijo de Dios, sus vecinos lo conocían como el hijo del carpintero y el hijo de María. Para Jesús, único y eterno sumo sacerdote, su seminario era la familia.

Siendo miembro de una familia normal, Jesús hizo que la cotidianidad de la vida familiar fuera sagrada. Si nos amamos en nuestras familias, Jesús vendrá a nosotros y nos hará santos.

Jesús quiere que seamos una familia. Él nos dijo que Dios es nuestro Padre celestial. Nos llamó hermanos, hermanas y madres... Nos prometió un centenar de padres, madres, hermanos y hermanas. Jesús nos ve como una familia. En la cruz, nos dio a María por nuestra Madre. Nos ve como una familia que va más allá de las fronteras del cielo y de la tierra. Nos habló de nuestro Abuelo Abraham como de alguien que todavía está vivo y bien. Jesús quiere que seamos una familia.

Este es el mensaje de la Sagrada Familia: “¡Sé familia!” ¿Hay personas en tu familia que tienen problemas espirituales o morales? Compréndelos como una madre, incluso más que una madre. Que tu humilde ejemplo sea una luz para ellos. No los dejes solos sino rodéalos del amor y calor de la familia.

“¡Sé familia!” ¿Hay miembros de la familia que están sufriendo físicamente? Prefiérelos. Trata de entender su dolor. Agradécelos por ofrecer sus sufrimientos a Dios por amor a sus prójimos. Aprecia las gracias que están obteniendo en favor de toda la familia y por el mundo. Haz que sientan tu gratitud.

“¡Sé familia!” ¿Está feliz alguien en tu familia por algún logro o por cualquier otra razón? Comparte su felicidad para que esta consolación no se entristezca y haga que sus corazones se cierren, sino que puedan compartir su alegría con todos.

“¡Sé familia!” ¿Hay alguien que viaja a alguna parte? Despidete de ellos pero primero llénalos con el sentido de pertenencia, para que puedan llevar ese sentido de familia a donde vayan.

“¡Sé familia!” Nunca dejes que se desarrolle ninguna actividad - ni laboral, ni religiosa - sin primero ser una familia con las personas con quienes vives.

“¡Sé familia!” Dondequiera que vayas, trata de esparcir a la familia de Dios viendo y amando a Jesús en cada prójimo que encuentras hasta que te devuelvan el amor (pero no lo pretendas). El espíritu de una familia es un espíritu humilde, sincero, busca el bien de los demás, nunca es orgulloso, es amor.

El ambiente de familia es sencillo, natural, seguro y relajado. Es capaz de entender a cada miembro de la familia con todas sus características humanas y divinas. Una familia santa comienza por ver a Jesús en el otro, que ya de por sí es un acto sobrenatural, y llega a los aspectos más frívolos y prácticos de la vida de una familia. En otras palabras, es una familia en la cual nadie tiene un corazón de piedra, sino todos tienen corazones de carne como Jesús, María y José.

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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

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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 February 1-15: Estela and Arcelia

Sponsor of February Altar Wine

In Loving Memory of
Jáuregui Venegas
and

Jáuregui Algarín
by Maria J. Gutierrez



Adult Confirmation Classes

Classes will begin in February. Please contact Sister San Juanita at 979-233-5271 to sign up or for more information.



Texas Rally for Life 2018

A big "Thank You" to our Knights of Columbus for funding our youth to the Rally for Life from Houston to Austin. It was a tremendous experience for all who attended.

Acts Retreat

If you participated in an ACTS Retreat and will like to help setting a retreat. Please come to the meeting on Wednesday February 7 in the Conference Room at 7pm.



Altar Society

Will meeting February 6th at 11:00a.m. in Heaven's Way Hall. Please join us.



We Are looking for a Part-Time Music Director Join the St. Mary's team, for more information email us at pastor@stmarysosarchgh.org or call 979-233-5271.

Sweetheart Dance

Friday, February 9, 2018 from 7-10 pm at St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish Hall, for adults 21 and over. Tickets are \$30 presale or \$40 at the door per couple. Dinner will be provided. Please contact Sister San Juanita at (979) 233-5271 for more information.



"Stars of the Sea"

Our senior group will meet on the fourth Thursday this month, February 22nd, George Washington's Birthday, at 10:30 am to noon. Come and play some Bingo and eat Birthday Cake.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you have at least 2 hours of free time Monday thru Thursday, please help Sister San Juanita to clean and move resources to create a new classroom in Heaven's Way and a new Resource Room in the old CCE building. Also, assistance is needed to load and take items to Recycle Center. Your help is greatly appreciated !! Please contact Sister San Juanita at (979) 233-5271 if you can help.



Could you not Keep Watch for one Hour?

We need some volunteers to keep watch with Jesus in prayer for 30 minutes or longer on Thursdays from 9 am to 6 pm please call the office at 979-233-5271 to agree on a time. If you already come to church and spend some time with Jesus please call the office and let us know.



Please Keep Praying for Our Catechumens and Candidates: Fernando Diaz, Carlos Paredez, Jr., Michelle Alvarez, Vivianna Soto, Leigh Ann Gieseke, Jesse Jasso and Cesar Alcantor and Melanie Alvares.

Clases de confirmación para adultos



las clases comenzarán en febrero.
Por favor comuníquese con la hermana San Juanita al 979-233-5271 para inscribirse o para más información.

Retiro ACTS

Si usted a participado en un retiro de ACTS y le gustaría ayudar a dar un retiro. Por favor venga a la reunión que tendremos el miercoles 7 de febrero en el salón de conferencias a las 7pm.



Estamos buscando un Director de Música de Tiempo Parcial



Únase al equipo de Santa Maria, para mayor información mande un correo electrónico al pastor@stmarysosarchgh.org o llámé al 979-233 -5271.

"estrellas del mar"

Nuestro grupo se reunirá el cuarto jueves de este mes, el 22 de febrero, en el cumpleaños de George Washington, a las 10:30 am al mediodía. Ven a jugar al bingo y come el pastel de cumpleaños.



¿No Pueden Vigilar conmigo una Hora?

Necesitamos algunos voluntarios para mantener vigilia con Jesús en oración por 30 minutos o mas si desea, los jueves de 9am a 6pm favor de contactar la oficina al teléfono 979-233-5271 si desea ayudar. Si usted ya viene y pasa un tiempo con Jesús por favor llámenos a la oficina y déjenos saber la hora en que viene.



Rally de Texas por la vida 2018

Un gran agradecimiento a nuestros caballeros de Colón por la financiación de nuestros jóvenes para el Rally por la vida de Houston a Austin. Fue una experiencia tremenda para todos los que asistieron.

Sociedad del altar

Se reunirá el 6 de febrero a las 11:00a.m. en el Heaven's Way. Por favor, únase a nosotros.



Baile de los Enamorados

Viernes 9 de febrero, de 7-10pm en la sala parroquial de St. Mary Star of the Sea, para adultos de 21 años y más. Los boletos son \$30 preventa o \$40 en la puerta por pareja. La cena será proporcionada. Por favor comuníquese con la hermana San Juanita al (979) 233-5271 para más información.



Se necesitan voluntarios:

Si usted tiene por lo menos 2 horas de tiempo libre de lunes a jueves, por favor ayude a la hermana San Juanita, ella necesita limpiar y mover los recursos para crear una nueva clase en el Heaven's Way y una nueva sala de recursos en el antiguo edificio de CCE. Además, se necesita asistencia para cargar y llevar artículos para reciclar el centro. ¡ su ayuda se agradece grandemente!! Por favor comuníquese con la hermana San Juanita al (979) 233-5271 si puede ayudar.



Por favor, siga orando por nuestros catecúmenos y candidatos:

Fernando Diaz, Carlos Paredez, Jr., Michelle Alvarez, Vivianna Soto, Leigh Ann Gieseke, Jesse Jasso and Cesar Alcantor y Melanie Alvarez.

Saturday, February 3 / Sabado 3 de Febrero

Saturday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:4-1341; PS 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Mk 6:30-34

5:30p.m. †Jorge Luis Olguin by Santana Olguin

Sunday, February 4 / Domingo 4 de Febrero

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

9:00a.m. †Pablo Olguin by Santana Olguin

11:00a.m. †Juanita Olguin by Santana Olguin

5:00p.m.

Monday, February 5 / Lunes 5 de Febrero

Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; PS 132:6-7, 8-10; MK 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 6 / Martes 6 de Febrero

Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; PS 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13

6:30 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mary's
†Albeza Rodriguez by Ramona and Family

Wednesday, February 7 / Miércoles 7 de Febrero

Wednesday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 10:1-10; PS 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

8:30a.m. †Porfirio Rodriguez by Frank and Mary Rodriguez

Thursday, February 8 / Jueves 8 de Febrero

Thursday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 11:4-13; PS 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40; Mk 7:24-30

6:15p.m.

Friday, February 9 / Viernes 9 de Febrero

Friday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; PS 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37

8:30a.m. †Elvira Martinez by Frank and Mary Rodriguez

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.

Johanna Blanchard, Melody Hernandez, Mary Taylor and family, Jessica Gutierrez, Jill L.Armstrong, Annette Masi, Christina Rivas and Family,
Leticia Villareal, Ernie Damian, Robert Caraway, Jay Garcia,
Don Holtzclaw, Glenda Finsher

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

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