

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

... 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 April 15: \$5,466.85
For the week of April 15 short by: \$
2,826.14

Second Collection for DSF: \$954.48
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 23**Tuesday, April 24**

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.	St. Vincent de Paul	Heaven's Way#5
6:00p.m.	Peace Rosary	Church
6:30p.m.	English Mass	Church
7:00p.m.	Marriage Prep	Conf. Room
8:00p.m.	AA Meeting	RE Building

Wednesday, April 25

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

Thursday, April 26

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

Friday, April 27

8:30a.m.	English Mass	Church
3:00p.m.	Divine Mercy	Church
7-10:00p.m.	Father Jesse's Anniversary Celebration	PH

Saturday, April 28

9-12:30p.m.	First Communion Class	Heaven's Way
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 29

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



There are many ways in which Jesus describes himself in the John's Gospel: I am...the bread of life; the Gate; the resurrection and the life; the way, the Truth, and the Life; the true vine; and in today's Gospel, he says "I am the Good Shepherd."

The figure of the shepherd was a familiar one for those listening to Jesus, not only because shepherds were part of their culture and daily life, but also because the prophets had made the shepherd into a messianic symbol. The promised savior would be a shepherd and guide as well as a king.

Jesus describes a shepherd's disposition by saying he is one who 'lays down his life.' Jesus uses that phrase three times to emphasize that among a true shepherd's various qualities the one that is the summary and foundation of them all is his readiness to give his life for his flock.

Jesus later speaks openly of himself, 'No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.' (John 15:13) And he lives his offering to the very end.

His love is sacrificial: it is a love that consists in being actively disposed to offer and give his own life.

Therefore, merely having a certain understanding of others, or being slightly concerned with their sufferings, or trying more or less to carry their burdens, is not enough if we want to love as Jesus did.

Six year old Josie understood this. One day, she saw a classmate had forgotten her lunch. Josie wanted to follow Jesus' example who gave his life. "If I want to give my life," Josie said to herself, "then I can certainly share my lunch with my classmate." And so she did.

To live this phrase, God asks of us too a love, and acts of love, which (at least in our intention and our decision) have the measure of his own love. Only love like this is a Christian love: not just any kind of love, nor a gloss of love, but a love great enough to put its life at stake.

Each time we meet a neighbor, or speak to someone on the 'phone, or come close to them through a letter or by doing our daily tasks at the service of others, let's try to ask ourselves: am I ready to die for this person? By doing this our Christian life will improve and will improve a great deal.

And we will see men, women, young people and children from every corner of the earth gathering around Jesus, drawn by his voice.

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De Parte de Nuestro Párroco



Hay varias formas en que Jesús se describe a sí mismo en el Evangelio de Juan: ‘Yo soy ... el pan de vida; la puerta; la resurrección y la vida; el camino, la verdad y la vida; la vida verdadera; y en el Evangelio de hoy, dice: “Yo soy el Buen Pastor”.

La figura del pastor era conocida para quienes escuchaban a Jesús, no solo porque los pastores eran parte de su cultura y de su vida diaria, sino también porque los profetas habían hablado del pastor como un símbolo mesiánico. El salvador prometido sería un pastor y guía, pero también un rey.

Jesús describe la disposición de un buen pastor al decir que es uno que ‘da su vida’. Jesús usa esa frase tres veces para enfatizar que entre las varias cualidades de un verdadero pastor, el que es el resumen y fundamento de todas ellas es su disposición a dar su vida para su rebaño.

Más tarde, Jesús habla abiertamente de sí mismo: “No hay amor más grande que dar la vida por los amigos” (Juan 15:13). Y Jesús vive estas palabras hasta el final.

Su amor es sacrificial: es un amor que consiste en estar activamente dispuesto a ofrecer y dar su propia vida.

Por lo tanto, simplemente tener una cierta comprensión de los demás, o estar ligeramente preocupados por sus sufrimientos, o tratar más o menos de llevar sus cargas, no es suficiente si queremos amar como lo hizo Jesús.

Josefina de seis años entendió esto muy bien. Un día, vio que una compañera de clase había olvidado su almuerzo. Josefina quería seguir el ejemplo de Jesús que dio su vida. “Si quiero dar mi vida”, se dijo Josefina, “entonces puedo compartir mi almuerzo con mi compañera de clase”. Y así lo hizo.

Para vivir esta frase, Dios también nos pide un amor y actos de amor que (al menos en nuestra intención y en nuestra decisión) tengan la medida de su propio amor. Solo un amor como este es un amor cristiano: no cualquier tipo de amor, ni un brillo de amor, sino un amor lo suficientemente grande como para poner su vida en juego.

Cada vez que nos encontramos con un prójimo, o hablamos con alguien por teléfono, o nos acercamos a ellos a través de una carta o haciendo nuestras tareas diarias al servicio de los demás, intentemos preguntarnos: ‘¿estoy listo para morir por esta persona?’ Al hacer esto, nuestra vida cristiana mejorará y mejorará mucho.

Y veremos hombres, mujeres, jóvenes y niños de todos los rincones de la tierra reunidos alrededor de Jesús, atraídos por su voz.

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
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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 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. Auction items for silent and live Auction. Items needed for LIVE Auction: Tools, Outdoor Lawn Set, Fishing Sets, Picnic Tables, Dallas Cowboys items, Houston Texans items, UT items, A&M items, Houston Rockets items, Houston Astros Items, Unique Coolers, Beach items, Gift Card to restaurants, Children Items, Houston Astros Tickets, Houston Texan Tickets, Fire Pit.

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!!!



**Mariapolis 2018
Mary, A Model for Humanity**
June 27-July 1, Kerrville, TX

For more information, please contact Brother Bill or visit the Focolare link on the parish website under Ministeries link.

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.



VIRTUS - Protecting God's Children

Classes being offered here at St. Mary Star of the Sea on June 1 at 9:00a.m. in Spanish in Heaven's Way Hall.



Keeping the Promise Alive Refresher here at St. Mary Star of the Sea on May 5 at 9:00a.m. in English in Heaven's Way Hall.

Must register on line no walk-ins:

<https://www.virtusonline.org>



**St. Joseph on the Brazos
Church Bazaar**
Sunday, April 29

BBQ dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 11a.m. to 2p.m. Silent and live Auctions, Raffle, Country Store, Purse Booth, Kid's Games and much more. Bring the family for a fun day .

Galveston Trip:

All the members of the **Altar and Rosary Society** are invited to our May 1st meeting/outing. We will be leaving the parish parking lot behind the hall at 10: 30a.m. We will be going to the noon Mass at the Basilica then going to lunch. Please call Dolly by April 29th if you plan to attend. If you're not a member and would like to join us, we would love for you to come. Dolly's number is 979-665-9635.



Religious Life for Women

Live from six months to a year with the Disciples of Jesus helping in parish ministry. Organize catechism. Teach children religious education. Experience religious life by serving in a parish. Call Mother Rosita 832-297-1315 .

ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA



Necesitamos donaciones para el Festival.

Artículos de subasta para la subasta silenciosa y en vivo. Artículos necesarios para la subasta en vivo: Tools, Outdoor Lawn Set, Fishing Sets, Picnic Tables, Dallas Cowboys items, Houston Texans items, UT items, A&M items, Houston Rockets items, Houston Astros Items, Unique Coolers, Beach items, Gift Card to restaurants, Children Items, Houston Astros Tickets, Houston Texan Tickets, Fire Pit.

También necesitamos 80 faldas. Por favor traiga artículos a la oficina de la iglesia, cualquiera y todas las donaciones son bienvenidas.

Graduados

Padres de los graduados de PreK, 12° grado y la Universidad, por favor de comuníquese con la hermana San Juanita al 979-233-5271 para planear una Misa de graduación y la 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.

Mariapolis 2018

María, un modelo para la humanidad

Junio 27-Julio 1, Kerrville, Texas

Para más información, comuníquese con el Hermano Bill o visite el enlace de los Focolares en la Página Web de la parroquia, bajo ministerios.



VIRTUS - Protegiendo a los niños de



Dios las clases se ofrecen aquí en Santa María estrella del mar el 1 de junio a las 9:00a.m. en español en el Heaven's Way Hall.

Manteniendo viva la promesa de actualización aquí en Santa María estrella del mar el 5 de mayo a las 9:00a.m. en inglés en Heaven's Way Hall.

Deberá registrarse en línea no se aceptan personas sin registración: <https://www.virtusonline.org>

St. Joseph on the Brazos Bazar



Domingo, 29 de abril. Cena de barbacoa se sirve de 11a.m. a 2p.m. subastas silenciosas y en vivo, rifa, tienda de campo, juegos de niños y mucho más. Traer a toda la familia. ¡ todos son bienvenidos!

Viaje a Galveston: todos los miembros de la sociedad del altar y del Rosario están invitados a nuestra primera reunión/excursión de mayo. Vamos a partir del estacionamiento de la parroquia detrás de la sala a las 10:30A. m. Vamos a ir a la Misa del mediodía en la Basílica y luego ir a almorzar. Por favor llame a Dolly antes del 29 de abril si planea asistir. Si no eres miembro y te gustaría unirse a nosotros, nos encantaría que vinieras. El número de Dolly es 979-665-9635.



Vida Religiosa para mujeres

Vive de seis meses a un año con los Discípulos de Jesús ayudando en el ministerio parroquial. Organizar Catecismo. Enseñar a los niños educación religiosa. Experimente la vida religiosa sirviendo en una parroquia. Llamada Madre Rosita 832-297-1315.

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Saturday, April 21 / Sabado 21 de Abril

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

5:30p.m. Blessings for Bennie Olguin by Santana Olguin

Sunday, April 22 / Domingo 22 de Abril

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

9:00a.m. †Judy Konieczny by Clara Buegeler
Blessings for Nieves & Carmen Olguin by Santana Olguin

11:00a.m. †Jorge Luis Olguin de Santana Olguin

5:00p.m. †Guadalupe Loera Jaramillo by Family

Monday, April 23 / Lunes 23 de Abril

Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 24 / Martes 24 de Abril

Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30

6:30 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, April 25 / Miércoles 25 de Abril

Feast of Saint Mark, evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

8:30a.m. †Judy Konieczny by Clara Buegeler

Thursday, April 26 / Jueves 26 de Abril

Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27; Jn 13:16-20

6:15p.m. †Ben Alcala by Family

Friday, April 27 / Viernes 27 de Abril

Friday of the Third Week of Easter

Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

8:30a.m. †Veronica Martinez by 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.

Glenda Fansher, Pete Kruppa, Kathy Shaw, Ann Cooper, John Saldivar, Mary Rodriguez, Pete and Margie Trevino, Roger Calvillo, Arcelia 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.

Ministries/ Ministerios

Altar & Rosary Society Sociedad del Altar y Rosario

Dollie Hernandez (979) 665-9635

Knights of Columbus Caballeros de Colón

Ramsey Martinez (979) 201-6748

Legion of Mary

Legion de Maria

Marilyn Saccomanno (979) 233-1726

Carolina Luna (979) 233-7185

Ushers / Greeters

Acomodadores

Pete Gutierrez (979) 248-7824

Christian Family Movement

Movimiento Familiar

Cristiano

Jesus y Lucy Salazar (979) 233-2316

Guadalupe Society

Sociedad Guadalupeana

Michael Gonzales (979) 265-6630

Almas Misioneras

Missionary Souls

Jose Coronado (979) 201-1164

Maria Oliva (979) 201-6253

Lectors / Lectores

Troy Menendez (979) 233-5271

St. Vincent de Paul

San Vicente de Paul

Juanita Cardozo (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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