

St. Mary Catholic Church - St. Joseph Catholic Mission

P O Box 388, Plantersville, Texas 77363

~~~~ July, 2021 ~~~~



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston  
 Daniel Cardinal DiNardo  
 Fr. Edward C. Kucera, Jr. - Pastor  
 Deacon David G. Garvis



Parish Office - 936-894-2223  
 (Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm)  
 (Friday: 8:00 am - 12 pm)  
 (Lunch: Closed from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm)  
 Parish Fax - 936-894-3613  
 Website: [www.smsj.org](http://www.smsj.org)  
 General E-Mail: [info@smsj.org](mailto:info@smsj.org)

## MASS SCHEDULE

### St. Mary—Plantersville

Monday through Thursday & First Friday—9:00 a.m.  
 Saturday - 5:00 p.m. & Sunday—7:30, 8:45, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

### St. Joseph—Stoneham

Sunday—7:30 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

1st & 3rd Wednesday: 10a.m.-12p.m. & 5-6p.m.  
 Or by Appointment—Please Call the Office.

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Please call the parish office for information concerning  
 Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony or Anointing of the Sick.

## *Church Organizations & Ministries at St. Mary's & St. Joseph's*

### Parish Administrator

Bill Jones 936-894-2223

### AA

Leland Fougeron 936-870-5102

### Adult Bible Study & Spiritual Enrichment

Jim & Mary Barnette 936-851-0155

### Adult Confirmation

Sharon Skeans 936-448-2740

### Annulments

Call Parish Office 936-894-2223

### Music Ministry

Sue Langston 979-268-6886

### St. Mary's Altar Society

Kim Kleimann 936-788-3520

### St. Joseph's Altar Society

Marcy Pavlock 936-661-6662

### Altar Servers

Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328

### Baptism Preparation for Infants to 6

Email [smsjcc@gmail.com](mailto:smsjcc@gmail.com)

### CCE / RE

Cheryl Schratwieser 936-894-2223

### Extraordinary Ministers —

### Holy Communion & Sacristans

Greg Houston 713-898-4172

### Gabriel Project

Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328

### GriefShare

Mary Marshall 281-356-2497

### Guardian Angels Senior Group

Nancy Schlottman 936-525-0007

### Homebound Ministry

Larry & Patty Decker 936-228-9742

### Lectors

Richard Prokop 936-597-8688

### Marriage Preparation

Call Parish Office 936-894-2223

*For Spanish speaking prep, call:*

Brenda Martinez 936-777-9720

### Church Greeters

Call Parish Office 936-894-2223

### Pro-Life Outreach

Nance Shaw 936-894-2512

### RCIA / Adult Faith Formation

Don Picard 936-697-0195

### Rummage Sale Coordinator

Call Parish Office 936-894-2223

### St. Joseph's Cemetery

Justin Mock 979-777-4993

### St. Mary's Cemetery

Rita Swonke 713-557-5817

### St. Mary's Corner Shoppe

Ethel Barbossa 936-588-4053

### St. Mary's Men's Club

Greg Houston 713-898-4172

### Stitchin' Sisters

Juli Murphy 936-206-0677

### St. Vincent de Paul (for help, 936-894-2362)

Suzanne Hill 713-724-2589

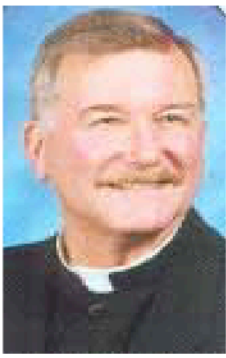
### Write for Life

Bob Dean 936-582-6314

### Youth Ministry

Susan Horne 281-536-0810

**If you are new to the area and would like to become a member of our parish, please call the office or pick up a blue registration form in back of the church. A registration can be completed online at [www.smsj.org](http://www.smsj.org).**



## AND NOW A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...

It's hard to believe that a year ago in July we were celebrating our Sunday Masses under the pavilions in 100 degrees temperatures! I distinctly remember one Sunday morning at St. Mary, just as we were beginning the Offertory prayers, the candle on the presider's left side was so softened by the heat that it actually melted and fell over on the missal stand. The sacristan rushed over and straightened it up and it remarkably stayed erect. All eyes were transfixed on that candle for the rest of the Mass...ha. I am very grateful for the thoughtful parishioner who purchased for me an iced vest that was a life saver. I have to admit that I felt a bit guilty with it under the vestments keeping me cool while seeing ya'll about to pass out due to the heat. Well, we've survived that summer and the winter-from-hell. So much to be thankful for now that we're back in the church enjoying the modern convenience of air-conditioning. How did our predecessors not only survive, but not complain? I remember my Dad had his seat-on-the-aisle next to an open window and dared anyone to ask him to move over...ha. We've become a soft society.

On that note and as we celebrate the birth of our Nation of these United States, we consider the following statistics concerning our Church in the society in which we now live. These statistics were given as part of a reflection during a daily Mass recently by one of our parishioners.

Our Church was born at Pentecost with the descent of the Holy Spirit. The Apostles and disciples were enlightened and emboldened to go out and spread the Good News. The Faith was implanted here in this area now comprising these United States first by Spanish missionaries and eventually by all those who ventured to this New Land in search of Freedom, particularly freedom to practice one's faith. We as a Catholic Community of Faith now number 7.5 billion or 16% of the world's population, 80 million in the US or 25%. Here are the results of a survey conducted in 2019:

Many US Catholics say they want to see the Church make significant changes. For example, six-in-ten say they think the church should allow priests to marry and allow women to become priests. And nearly half of the US Catholics say the Church should recognize the marriages of gay and lesbian couples. Support for these kinds of changes is lower - though still substantial - among Catholics who attend Mass regularly than it is among those who attend Mass less often.

When it comes to specific policy issues, Catholics are often more aligned with their political party than with the teachings of their Church. On abortion, for example, 77% of Democratic and Democratic-leaning Catholic adults say they think abortion should be legal in all or most cases, while 63% of Republican and Republican-leaning Catholics say abortion should be illegal in all or most cases, according to a 2019 survey. This divide exists despite the Catholic Church's formal opposition to abortion.

In exploring why young Catholics are choosing to leave the faith, "an emerging profile" of youth say they find the faith "incompatible with what they are learning in high school or at the university level." In a perceived battle between the Catholic Church and science, the Church is losing.

The most common reason given for leaving the Catholic Faith, by one in five respondents, was they stopped believing in God or religion. This was evidence of "a desire among some of them for proof,

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for evidence of what they're learning about their religion and about God." It's a trend in the popular culture to see atheism as "smart" and the Faith as "a fairy tale".

Only about 30% of Catholics believe in Transubstantiation, [that the bread and wine actually become the very Body and Blood of Christ, and not just a symbol].

Many Catholics are turned off due to the unwelcoming, cold or distant attitude and/ or atmosphere in the parish.

The following stats are for Christians in general:

Christian Adults in America:

Of the Silent Generation (1928-45), with 84% responding, 50% attend church weekly or more, 10% once a month, 13% a few times a year and 24% seldom or never.

Of Baby Boomers (1946-64), with 76% responding, 35% attend church weekly or more, 31% once a month, 18% a few times a year and 32% seldom or never.

Of Gen X (1965-80), with 67% responding, 23% attend church weekly or more, 15% once a month, 21% a few times a year and 32% seldom or never.

Of Millennials (1981-96), with 49% responding, 22% attend church weekly or more, 13% once a month, 22% a few times a year and 42% seldom or never.

Of Gen Z (1997-2010) there is no information available but the outlook looks bleak if not cause for serious concern.

No one can but be concerned about the challenging times we now live. I found the statistics quoted above disturbing and cause of serious reflection and prayer. However, we all have to have the faith, courage and positive outlook of those first Apostles and disciples at Pentecost. They were challenged and found the road of Evangelization rocky, frightening and, at times dangerous. They persevered because of the courage inspired by the Holy Spirit and their trust in Christ's promise never to leave us orphans or abandoned to our own resources. We possess the joy of the Gospel and of being part of a Community of Faith that looks forward not backward. The future is ours to shape by our genuine, joy-filled practice of our Catholic Faith and ensuring that our children and youth are handed down what we have been so fortunate to have been given: A solid Faith in Christ and His Church, rooted in the Scriptures and Tradition and fed and nourished at the Table with the Christ's very Body and Blood. How blessed we are! I am concerned more about those Catholics who want to entrench into the past and unconsciously seem to deny Christ's presence working in *the world today as it is*. The Holy Spirit for those who fear the future seems to have only worked in the church of their childhood and not in the Church born at Pentecost. As my Dad warned my brother and me a million times: "You can't drive a car looking in the rear view mirror."

Let's make the whole month of July a special time to celebrate and pray for our Nation and the Church during these challenging times. These are *challenging* times not the End Times. We have work to be done from the rising of the sun to it's setting. We have been blessed to live in the greatest nation on the face of the earth today...not perfect...but always struggling to be more perfect...one Nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all. We have been blessed with the gift of Faith celebrated and witnessed to in our Roman Catholic Church...not perfect...but always struggling to be more perfect...one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church...Wow!

# **CONFESSIONS**

Confessions will be heard  
July 7th & July 21st from  
10am-12pm & 5-6pm.



Otherwise, if available, Fr. Ed would be  
happy to hear confessions after daily Mass.

Call the office for an appointment  
at 936-894-2223.



Anointing Mass is  
scheduled for Wednesday,  
July 7th.

First Friday Mass is scheduled for  
Friday, July 2nd @ 9am.

## **Please keep our sick in your prayers:**

Debbie Mahon Aguilar, Jeffrey Anderson, Mary Ann Benitez, Bernie & JoAnn Borski,  
Delores Boyett, Terry Gabriel, Holly Gilstrap, Aileen Herzog, Charlie & Pat Hodge,  
Janie Kelley, Angelina Kotch, Charles Kowis, Carol Kubeczka, James Kubeczka,  
Beverly Mattern, Natalie Mattern, Hailey Minor, Chad Mock, Nichole Mock, Rose &  
David Paluka, Rylie & Reagan Ray, Patti Lott Stafford, David Sydlik, Craig & Kelly Strickler,  
David & JoNell Stickler, Colleen Syzdek, Daniella Syzdek & Clara Walkoviak



We are in the process of reformatting our prayers for the sick. Please know that when you call in your  
sick requests, they are at that moment, in prayer by the entire parish.

## **Please pray for our men & women in the military:**

A1C Aubrey Herzog, Navy Seal Chief Brian Perry, Lt. Col. John Adams,  
Michael Cannistra-West Point, Jason Parsons, Angel Pena, Capt. Daniel Hacker,  
Lt. Col. John E. Tryon, 1st Lt. USMC Jeff Vickers, Major Jeff Kocian, Jeremy Gonzales,  
Ens. Andrew Pfarner, Cmdr. Jon Haydel, L. Col. Jeremy Angenend, Kenny Oakes-Army, ITC3 Emily Smith,  
LTJG Marcus Cranford, Lt. Lauren (Osterman) Williams, Peyton Irvan-US Navy, HM2 Jacob A. Orlando-US  
Navy, Jake Twining Q1-US Navy, Benjamin Smith-U.S. Army, Nelson Shipley-Navy,  
Ssgt. USAF Kevin Harrison



**PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE PRECEDED US IN  
DEATH. KEEP THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR  
THOUGHTS & PRAYERS.**



**Grady Drawdy ~ June 3rd**  
***(Son of St. Joseph Parishioner Sandra Rios)***

**Brian Wisnoski ~ June 9th**  
***(Grandson of St. Joseph Parishioner Harold Wisnoski)***

**Julie Gopon ~ June 13th**  
***(Wife of St. Mary Parishioner Gene Gopon)***

**Ann Burns ~ June 18th**  
***(Sister of St. Mary Parishioner Mary Lynch)***

**Martha Goldsby ~ June 20th**  
***(St. Mary Parishioner and wife of Malcolm Goldsby)***

## **A NOTE FROM PARISH ADMINISTRATOR BILL JONES:**

### **St. Mary's Annual Bazaar**

St. Mary's annual bazaar will be here before you know it. If you like to can fruit and vegetables please keep the "Country Store" in mind. Canned items are very popular and they always sell out way too early.

If you no longer do any canning and have jars left over we can always use more canning jars this time of year for the bazaar. There will be a table set up in the foyer to the hall you can place your surplus canning jars on.

Home grown plants are another popular item at the bazaar.

Thank you for all you do!

# Thank you Fr. Ed

July 1, 1999 - July 1, 2021

Join us in thanking Fr. Ed for his 22 years  
of being our Shepherd at St. Mary's and St. Joseph's.  
We look forward to enjoying many more years with you.

## **ST. MARY'S MEN'S CLUB**

The St. Mary's Men's Club will be holding their regular meeting in the hall at St. Mary's on July 20 at 7:00 pm.

Social period is ahead of the meeting with dinner served at 6:30pm.

All parish men are members of the Men's Club and are encouraged to join and participate in the fellowship this fine group of men enjoy on a monthly basis.



*Happy 4th of July*



### **MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOANER PROGRAM**

St. Mary's has a loaner program for anyone who is in need of medical equipment.

For equipment availability, contact the office at 936-894-2223.



**We have hospital beds, electric scooters & many other items available.**

## **THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF JULY**

To better know 'the concrete problems that trouble the Universal Church, especially those of the missions,' the Holy Father asks that his monthly intentions be "the object of knowledgeable and responsible prayer on the part of the people of God."



**Pope's Intention:** Social friendship. We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects, of dialogue and friendship.

## **ST. MARY'S GUARDIAN ANGELS SENIOR GROUP NEWS**

There will be no meeting, Game Day or Bingo in July or August. We'll be back in September. Look for announcements in the September bulletin.

Dominoes will continue during July and August. If you play 42, join the Domino Group every Tuesday in the Family Life Center from 11am-3pm and bring a side dish to share with everyone. You'll definitely enjoy yourself!

If there is a senior citizen that needs a ride, please contact **Nancy Schlottman** at 936-525-0007 and we will try our best to help you get there.



### **TAMALE SALE!!!!!!**

The Knights of Columbus will be selling delicious tamales after all Masses at St. Mary's and St. Joseph's on Saturday, July 3rd and Sunday, July 4th.

**Pork, Beef, Chicken and Black Bean.....**  
**only \$12 per dozen or \$6 for a half dozen.**



### **UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

July 11 - St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag Annual Collection

## **FAITH FORMATION**

**Adult Confirmation:** Contact Sharon Skeans @ 936-448-2740 or email her @ [skeans@consolidated.net](mailto:skeans@consolidated.net).

**Baptism:** Baptism prep classes and baptisms occur approximately every other month.

Infant baptism through age 6. Ages 7 and older, children must enroll in CCE.

For more information, contact Cheryl Schratwieser at [smsjce@gmail.com](mailto:smsjce@gmail.com).

For Spanish, call Carmen Troyo at 936-499-6282 or email [carmentroyo@gmail.com](mailto:carmentroyo@gmail.com).

**NEXT BAPTISMS: TBD**

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: ONLINE (Call the Office)**

**C.C.E.:** The C.C.E. office may be contacted at: [smsjce@gmail.com](mailto:smsjce@gmail.com).

All CCE First Communion and Confirmation information can be found at:

<http://www.smsj.org/cce-children-youth-sacraments/>

## St. Joseph's 2021 Bazaar Report

| <u>BOOTH</u>     | <u>REVENUE</u> | <u>EXPENSES</u> | <u>DONATIONS</u> | <u>PROFIT</u> |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|
| Auction          | \$72,946.00    | \$2,115.94      | \$2,550.00       | \$73,380.06   |
| Beer             | \$2,985.50     | \$1,666.00      | \$273.50         | \$1,593.00    |
| Cake             | \$1,550.00     |                 |                  | \$1,550.00    |
| Card Game        | \$2,185.00     |                 |                  | \$2,185.00    |
| Dinner           | \$7,636.00     | \$1,446.51      |                  | \$6,189.49    |
| Domino           | \$1,400.00     |                 | \$11.76          | \$1,411.76    |
| Freezer Calf     | \$5,000.00     |                 |                  | \$5,000.00    |
| Fruit            | \$2,880.50     |                 | \$744.70         | \$3,625.20    |
| Grocery          | \$2,002.25     |                 |                  | \$2,002.25    |
| Sausage          | \$4,343.95     |                 | \$200.00         | \$4,543.95    |
| Kids             | \$365.00       |                 | \$110.58         | \$475.58      |
| Meat To Go       | \$2,850.00     |                 |                  | \$2,850.00    |
| Raffle           | \$13,789.00    | \$2,015.00      | \$4,145.00       | \$15,919.00   |
| Plant/ Flower    | \$2,268.40     |                 |                  | \$2,268.40    |
| Toy              | \$1,462.50     |                 |                  | \$1,462.50    |
| Face Painting    | \$180.00       |                 |                  | \$180.00      |
| Snacks/ Sno Cone | \$793.00       | \$122.34        |                  | \$670.66      |
| Overall          |                | \$2,647.94      | \$1,125.00       | (\$1,522.94)  |
| Donations        |                |                 | \$1,725.00       |               |
| Totals           | \$124,637.10   | \$10,013.73     | \$10,885.54      |               |
| Total Revenue    | \$135,522.64   |                 |                  |               |
| Total Expenses   | \$10,013.73    |                 |                  |               |
| Bazaar Net       | \$125,508.91   |                 |                  |               |

### Past Bazaar Net Cash

|             |             |  |             |              |
|-------------|-------------|--|-------------|--------------|
| Bazaar 2015 | \$77,248.72 |  | Bazaar 2018 | \$94,266.47  |
| Bazaar 2016 | \$86,265.03 |  | Bazaar 2019 | \$111,561.07 |
| Bazaar 2017 | \$85,780.07 |  | Bazaar 2020 | \$85,774.26  |



## **St. Joseph 2021 Bazaar Raffle Ticket Winners**



- John Deer Riding Lawn Mower - Darrell Borski**
- Outdoor BBQ Grill - Bob Hatter**
- \$150 Gift Card - Jerome Urbanosky**
- \$200 Gift Card - Roman Trant**
- \$100 Gift Card - Bill Jones**
- \$100 Gift Card - Fortunato Family**
- \$100 Gift Card - Dan Busa**
- Remington Model 783 Rifle w/ Scope - Amber Westmoreland**
- \$200 Gift Card - Mark Martinez**

***Congratulations to all of the Raffle Ticket Winners!!***

*Do we have a deal for you . . .*

### **St. Joseph's 2021-2022 Year Long Gun Raffle**

**Only 500 tickets will be sold—\$100 per ticket!**

***52 Chances to Win! First Drawing will be August 29, 2020.***

The first ticket will be drawn on August 29, 2020. The guns are listed on the back of the raffle ticket. Tickets will be drawn every week for 52 weeks starting on August 29.

The winning ticket will be put back in the drawing for another chance to win!

***Tickets are on sale in the parish office.***

### **St. Mary/St. Joseph**

#### **ACTS UPDATE**

During the June ACTS Core meeting, the team discerned for a Director of the women's retreat that is coming up in February 2022. We are very pleased and blessed to announce that Cecie Kobza was guided by the Holy Spirit and said "YES!". Please pray for Cecie and the team of women that will come together to serve the women who will attend the retreat.

#### **ACTS Core News**

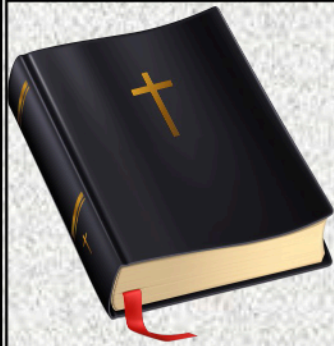
The terms of several Core team members will be expiring in August 2021. At the June meeting the current Facilitator, Kathy Magliolo offered her position to Bobby Williams.

Bobby accepted the position and the team unanimously approved.

The team also discerned for men and women to fill the other positions that will expire and with the help of the Holy Spirit we will be gladly announcing their names next month!

*Peter 4:10: "As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the multifaceted grace of God."*





## FALL ADULT BIBLE STUDY

St. Mary's/St. Joseph

### **Psalms**

Thursdays, September 16-December 9

10:00am—Noon or 7:00pm-9:00pm

Cost: \$27.00 for workbook

To register and pay

- ⇒ Please pay \$27.00 with cash or check made out to St. Mary's.
- ⇒ Be sure to put your name, phone number, and email address with your payment. Indicate if you are signing up for morning or evening session:  
    AM: 10:00am—Noon      PM: 7:00-9:00pm
- ⇒ Put in a plain envelope with "Fall Bible Study" on the front of envelope.
- ⇒ Place in collection basket at church or in the lock box by the Parish Office.

### **IMPORTANT**

\*\*\*\*\*If you have already registered and have not paid,  
please pay following directions above.

**There will also be registration after all Masses the weekend of July 24 & 25 At St. Mary's and St. Joseph's**

**For information** contact Betty Hollas at (713)419-6106 or [bethollas@hotmail.com](mailto:bethollas@hotmail.com)

# **RAFFLE**

## **St. Mary Bazaar Raffle Tickets**

Raffle Tickets will be on sale after all Masses beginning the weekend of July 10th and 11th. Pick up a ticket envelope to sell to family, friends and co-workers. Tickets will also be available at the Parish office.

**\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00**

***Let's make this years raffle better than it has ever been!!!!!!***

**Calling all adult Catholics (18 years of age or older) who have celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism and First Eucharist.....but somehow missed Confirmation! Don't worry.....**



**St. Mary's Adult Confirmation Team is here to help you become a fully initiated Catholic.**

*Take a moment to reflect upon your spiritual life; can you recall YOUR Confirmation? Ask your family members if they remember YOUR Confirmation? If you are being called to this sacrament by the Holy Spirit and would like to celebrate it, contact:*

**Sharon Skeans @ [skeans@consolidated.net](mailto:skeans@consolidated.net)**

## St. Mary Mass Intentions for July, 2021

| <u>Date</u>  | <u>Time</u> | <u>Intention</u>                          | <u>Requested By</u>                         |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Thur., 07/01 | 9:00am      | John Anthony Kirk/ {Lou & Micki Tichacek} | Carol Fowler/ Rom & Barb Michel             |
| Fri., 07/02  | 9:00am      | Foster & Janie Wade                       | Sandy Thompson                              |
| Sat., 07/03  | 5:00pm      | Ernesto Lucas                             | Martha Lucas & Family                       |
| Sun., 07/04  | 7:30am      | Barney Kay                                | Surrey & Susan Ewing                        |
| Sun., 07/04  | 8:45am      | Jacob Diehl                               | Beatrice Diehl                              |
| Sun., 07/04  | 10:00am     | Katie Smith                               | Diana Floyd                                 |
| Sun., 07/04  | 11:30am     | John & JoAnn Sowell                       | Gary & Rhonda Kubiak                        |
| Mon., 07/05  | 9:00am      | Laurie de Blanc/ Pat Kickel               | Bob Dunphy/ Rom & Barb Michels              |
| Tues., 07/06 | 9:00am      | Edna, Veronica & Floyd Keasling, Sr.      | Betty Lott Family                           |
| Wed., 07/07  | 9:00am      | John Kolodczak                            | John & Holly Kolodczak                      |
| Thur., 07/08 | 9:00am      | Amber Hoffart                             | Laveta Malek                                |
| Sat., 07/10  | 5:00pm      | Antone Lebeck/ Tom Biddiscombe            | Jerry & Martha Vickery/Lynn & John Logan    |
| Sun., 07/11  | 7:30am      | Katherine Diehl & Robert Diehl            | Danny & Linda Massingill                    |
| Sun., 07/11  | 8:45am      | Janet Marie Mitchell/ Bill Malek          | Ritchie, Bass & Watson Family/ Laveta Malek |
| Sun., 07/11  | 10:00am     | Lorraine Allphin                          | Donna Allphin                               |
| Sun., 07/11  | 11:30am     | Annie Mary LaRue                          | Larue Family                                |
| Mon., 07/12  | 9:00am      | Sammy Blair                               | Fred & Carol Brandt                         |
| Tues., 07/13 | 9:00am      | Maureen Magee                             | Nick & Olive Cannistra                      |
| Wed., 07/14  | 9:00am      | Pro Populo ( <i>For the People</i> )      | ~~~~~                                       |
| Thur., 07/15 | 9:00am      | Thomas Diehl, Sr.                         | Sonny Diehl                                 |
| Sat., 07/17  | 5:00pm      | Pauline Swonke & Barbara Swonke           | Charles & Rita Swonke                       |
| Sun., 07/18  | 7:30am      | Neil Rosenberg                            | Diane Stephens                              |
| Sun., 07/18  | 8:45am      | Joseph Schromofsky                        | Tom & Janet Martin                          |
| Sun., 07/18  | 10:00am     | Patty Jones                               | PHCC National Auxiliary                     |
| Sun., 07/18  | 11:30am     | Pro Populo ( <i>For the People</i> )      | ~~~~~                                       |
| Mon., 07/19  | 9:00am      | Loris Abshire & Ellen Abshire Cherry      | Craig & Dianna Phillips                     |
| Tues., 07/20 | 9:00am      | Monica Diehl                              | Linette "Tootsie" Mock                      |
| Wed., 07/21  | 9:00am      | Thomas Potempa                            | Lou & Pat Potempa                           |
| Thur., 07/22 | 9:00am      | Tom Schwartz                              | Ethel Barbossa                              |
| Sat., 07/24  | 5:00pm      | Frank Mock                                | Linette "Tootsie" Mock                      |
| Sun., 07/25  | 7:30am      | Teresa Schwertner                         | Frank Giglio Families                       |
| Sun., 07/25  | 8:45am      | Bob Card                                  | Mandy Sue Thompson & Joanne Joyce           |
| Sun., 07/25  | 10:00am     | Anton & Mary Mock Family                  | Mock Family                                 |
| Sun., 07/25  | 11:30am     | Virgie Sechelski                          | Ethel Barbossa                              |
| Mon., 07/26  | 9:00am      | Mary Kucera Brandesky/ Charles Brookshire | Kucera Family                               |
| Tues., 07/27 | 9:00am      | Charles Mock                              | Shayne Dorotik                              |
| Wed., 07/28  | 9:00am      | John & Mary Lebeck/ Toby Seale            | Jerry & Martha Vickery/ Paula Nelson        |
| Thur., 07/29 | 9:00am      | Pro Populo ( <i>For the People</i> )      | ~~~~~                                       |
| Sat., 07/31  | 5:00pm      | Dolores Hoffart                           | Anna Smith                                  |

## St. Joseph Mass Intentions for July, 2021

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Intention</u>                                              | <u>Requested By</u>                            |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Sun. 07/04  | 7:30am      | Foster & Janie Wade/ Louis Bohack                             | Sandy Thompson/ David & Mary Ann Waters        |
| Sun. 07/11  | 7:30am      | William, Frances & Amanda Tomkivitis/<br>{Delores Baranowski} | Ashley Jones & Girls/ Harold Wisnoski          |
| Sun. 07/18  | 7:30am      | Tommy & Antone Lebeck/ {Ken Wisnoski}                         | Jerry & Martha Vickery/ Harold Wisnoski        |
| Sun. 07/25  | 7:30am      | Frances Tomkivits/ Theresa Stepanski                          | Carolyn, Sharon & Susan/<br>Kaky & Tom Wetuski |

**In reviewing scheduling of Mass intentions for both St. Mary and St. Joseph, requests for specific dates will be discouraged to give everyone an opportunity to have their intentions celebrated at a reasonable time. Beginning immediately.**

**Fr. Ed**



**"If you are new to our Parish or have been thinking about getting involved with one of our many Church Organizations or Ministries, please refer to the front page of the bulletin. You will find a complete list with the contact information of the person that can get you signed up."**

## St. Mary Cemetery News

If you are interested in getting involved with the Cemetery Committee and their work to make improvements, especially with computer skills to create a database for remapping the cemetery and future plot sales.

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In the new cemetery area, there is now a section for infants.

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And last but not least.....please consider pre-planning your funeral and take the burden off of your family!

Contact the cemetery committee at:  
cem.1894@smsj.org  
or call Rita Swonke at 713-557-5817.

The SM Cemetery Committee is trying to find out all those buried in the cemetery who has served in the military so that on holidays their graves can be marked with flags.

*Don't wait until the last minute . . .*

Get your cemetery plots & niches at St. Mary's as soon as possible.



Prices on each are:

PARISHIONER—\$1,200  
NON-PARISHIONER—\$4,000

Urn prices are: Brass Box \$85 and  
Brushed Brass Vase \$125.



## St. Vincent de Paul Society

"Helping a person in need is good in itself. But the degree of goodness is hugely affected by the attitude with which it is done. If you show resentment because you are helping the person out of a reluctant sense of duty, then the person may receive your help but may feel awkward and embarrassed. This is because he will feel beholden to you. If, on the other hand, you help the person in a spirit of joy, then the help will be received joyfully. The person will feel neither demeaned nor humiliated by your help, but rather will feel glad to have caused you pleasure by receiving your help. And joy is the appropriate attitude with which to help others because acts of generosity are a source of blessing to the giver as well as the receiver."

— St. John Chrysostom

**NEXT MEETING: July 27 @ 3:30PM IN  
THE SM HALL.**

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference welcomes new members. If you are interested in becoming a Vincentian, please call our President: Suzanne Hill at 713-724-2589.



For assistance, call:  
**(936) 894-2362**



## ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

### No Altar Society Meeting in July.

#### JULY ALTAR CARE:

Kim Kleimann, Elizabeth Plessala and Cindy Oliveri  
St Mary's Altar Society Spotlight Ministry for July -  
**Nursing Home Visitation!**

Our nursing home ministry involves visiting four nursing homes in the Montgomery, Navasota area, (Silver Hills, Golden Creek, Navasota Nursing and Rehab and Seasons). We bring snacks, play games, sing or just spend time talking or visiting with the residents.

Because of Covid we have not been able to visit in person over the past year. For the various holidays we have made cards and dropped them off along with cookies, cupcakes, goodie bags, crocheted lap quilts, bibs and flowers that the staff delivered to the residents for us.

Hopefully in the next few months we will be able to return to our in-person visits and welcome any new members who would like to join us in this rewarding ministry. It is a wonderful way to share God's love with the elderly.

## ST. JOSEPH

## ALTAR SOCIETY

### No Altar Society Meeting in July

#### JULY ALTAR CARE:

Jessica Alvarez & Shawna Grant

#### COFFEE SERVERS:

Jul. 4 - Kaky Wetuski

Jul. 11 - Maribeth Shimshack  
& Kinsey Stutts

Jul 18 - Helen Burzynski

Jul 25 - Donna Burzynski  
& Kathy Burzynski

### *St. Mary's Corner Shoppe*

**The Corner Shoppe is open after each weekend Mass.**



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Good reading material available in new and used books.

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**All statues are 20% Off.**

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If you need anything during the week, please contact the office for assistance.



“We must remember that God Has no other hands but ours, no other feet but ours, no other mouth but ours. Therefore, God is still going to work miracles of love, miracles of freedom and liberation through people like you and me.”

—*Blessed Mother Theresa*



JOIN THE STITCHIN' SISTERS

Are you interested in bringing back a lost art?

Are you interested in having a good time with a great group of ladies?

Think about joining the Stitchin' Sisters. Hand quilting seems to be a lost art that we are trying to keep alive. We are a group of ladies that hand quilts three donation quilts a year. One for the Plantersville Fire Department Auction, one for St. Joseph Bazaar Auction and one for St. Mary's Bazaar Auction.

If time permits between those quilts, we will quilt member's quilt for a nominal fee. If you do not know how to quilt, we will do our best to help you out. We all have opinions! We can show you how to put up a quilt on a frame, how to mark it, how to quilt it, and how to finish it.

We meet every Wednesday from 9:30 to 2:00 at the St. Joseph Hall. Bring your own lunch. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

For more info, Juli Murphy: at 936-206-0677 or email julimurphy1988@gmail.com.

*Welcome to our newly-
Baptized little ones!*



*Annemarie Grace Adams
Benjamin Samuel Crowder
Cyrus Daniel Daneshvar
Nicholas Cameron Haddad Jr.
Emma Rae Kee
Michael James McGehee
Vaeda Dehlah Ramos
Morgan Danielle Ridley*

*Congratulations & Blessings
to our May 2nd & 22nd
First Communion Recipients!*



*Nicole Burzynski
Caelynn Crissman
Mario Escalante
Rilee Fortunato
Elizabeth Herzog
Lukę Herzog
Zachary Johnson
Nora Lau
Angel Martinez
Paulo Martinez*

*Lilly Ostigin
Carleigh Schroeder
Blakey Skobla
Paige Sorrell
Pierce Sorrell
Ansley Stutts
Madalyn Sutherland
Kassidy Tucker
Brooklyn Wheeler*

*Faith Formation
&
Children's Sacraments*



Sunday Fundays!!!

After Mass in the Parish Hall on:
July 11th, 18th & 25th

Registration for CCE will start in August

Visit the Religious Education website page:
<http://smsj.org/cce-children-youth-sacraments/>
Contact the Religious Education Office-
by phone: 936-894-2223
or by email: smsjce@gmail.com



HOLY LAND TRIP WITH FR. ED

**Dates are scheduled for
November 4-14, 2021.**

**We are on the waiting list status
at this time.**

**Tekton Ministries is working with hotels and
scheduling our flights.**

**They are tentatively optimistic we will get
to take the trip.**

**Hoping for solid news to send you soon.
The cost is still around \$3600 to \$4000.**

**If you have any questions please call or text
Cecilia Maddox at 210-383-8079.**



**Baptism
Infants to Age 6**

Our baptism program is currently utilizing an online format culminating with an in-person follow-up session.

These will be scheduled as groups of parents complete the online course.

Please go to our webpage where you will find the necessary information and a link to the registration form to get started.

Webpage link: <http://smsj.org/baptism/>

THE GABRIEL PROJECT is a pro-life parish-based apostolate of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston offering assistance to women experiencing difficult circumstances during pregnancy. Gabriel Project volunteers act to provide practical advice and help, as well as spiritual support and Christian witness to mothers in need. Our St. Mary's Gabriel Angels are trained to provide some of the following:



- ** Be a resource to answer questions about pregnancy, child care, and parenting
- ** Provide friendship, emotional, and spiritual support
- ** Help with items for a new baby
- ** Knowledge about available community resources to meet your needs

"Cleaning out your baby items? Think of donating to The Gabriel Project. We are in need of gently used board books, baby/infant toys, and boys size 18-24 month clothing. You may bring these or any other baby/infant items on a Sunday and place in the bassinet in the foyer of church or place on the porch in front of The Gabriel Storage room by the maintenance barn."

If you or someone you know needs the help of THE GABRIEL PROJECT, please contact the church office or phone Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328.



RCIA: Rite Of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you not baptized and thinking you would like to become a Baptized Catholic?

Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic?

Do you know someone interested in Baptism in the Catholic Faith?

Or you have been away from the Catholic Faith and would like to inquire on returning to the faith?

Anyone interested in learning more about the possibility of joining the Roman Catholic Church or is interested in increasing their adult faith formation are invited to contact RCIA director Donald A. Picard, Jr. at dpicard0710@gmail.com or 936-697-0195.

GRIEF SHARE

GriefShare Ministry

As some people journey through Life,
They leave footprints -

of Kindness and Love, Courage and Compassion, Joy and Faith.

Even when they are gone, the trail they've left behind continues to Inspire Us.

GriefShare teachings are biblical based on grief and recovery topics.

If it's been Recent or in the Past that you Lost your Loved one come gather with us so you can understand your Grief & be among others that are experience the same emotions & situations.

Our Fall session will be;

September 14 - December 14, 2021, Tuesday 10:00 -12:00 am

Hopefully you can join us!

For more information or to register for St Mary's Fall session,

Call 936-894-2223 or stop by the Church office

If you want/need to talk to someone please call Mary Marshall

To locate a GriefShare session and resource please go to www.griefshare.org

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Thank You to all the folks who participated in the focus group for the

Singles, Widow & Widowers Ministry

More information will be coming soon!



Liturgical Readings for July



Jul 1 [*St. Junipero Serra*]: Gn 22:1b-19 ▪ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 ▪ Mt 9:1-8

Jul 2: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 ▪ Ps 106:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 ▪ Mt 9:9-13

Jul 3 St. Thomas: Eph 2:19-22 ▪ Ps 117:1, 2 ▪ Jn 20:24-29

Jul 4 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Ez 2:2-5 ▪ Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 ▪ 2 Cor 12:7-10 ▪ Mk 6:1-6a

Jul 5 [*St. Anthony Zaccaria; St. Elizabeth of Portugal*]: Gn 28:10-22a ▪ Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ▪ Mt 9:18-26

Jul 6 [*St. Maria Goretti*]: Gn 32:23-33 ▪ Ps 17:1, 2-3, 6-7, 8, 15 ▪ Mt 9:32-38

Jul 7: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a ▪ Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 ▪ Mt 10:1-7

Jul 8: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5 ▪ Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 ▪ Mt 10:7-15

Jul 9 [*St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions*]: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30 ▪ Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 ▪ Mt 10:16-23

Jul 10 [*BVM*]: Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a ▪ Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 ▪ Mt 10:24-33

Jul 11 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Am 7:12-15 ▪ Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 ▪ Eph 1:3-14 ▪ Mk 6:7-13

Jul 12: Ex 1:8-14, 22 ▪ Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 ▪ Mt 10:34-11:1

Jul 13 [*St. Henry*]: Ex 2:1-15a ▪ Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 ▪ Mt 11:20-24

Jul 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 ▪ Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 ▪ Mt 11:25-27

Jul 15 St. Bonaventure: Ex 3:13-20 ▪ Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 ▪ Mt 11:28-30

Jul 16 [*Our Lady of Mt. Carmel*]: Ex 11:10-12:14 ▪ Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16, 17-18 ▪ Mt 12:1-8

Jul 17 [*BVM*]: Ex 12:37-42 ▪ Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 ▪ Mt 12:14-21

Jul 18 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Jer 23:1-6 ▪ Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 ▪ Eph 2:13-18 ▪ Mk 6:30-34

Jul 19: Ex 14:5-18 ▪ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 ▪ Mt 12:38-42

Jul 20 [*St. Apollonaris*]: Ex 14:21-15:1 ▪ Ex 15:8-9, 10, 12, 17 ▪ Mt 12:46-50

Jul 21 [*St. Lawrence of Brindisi*]: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 ▪ Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28 ▪ Mt 13:1-9

Jul 22 St. Mary Magdalene: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 ▪ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 ▪ Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Jul 23 [*St. Bridget*]: Ex 20:1-17 ▪ Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 ▪ Mt 13:18-23

Jul 24 [*St. Sharbel Makhlūf*]: Ex 24:3-8 ▪ Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15 ▪ Mt 13:24-30

Jul 25 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 2 Kgs 4:42-44 ▪ Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 ▪ Eph 4:1-6 ▪ Jn 6:1-15

Jul 26 Sts. Joachim and Anne: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34 ▪ Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 ▪ Mt 13:31-35

Jul 27: Ex 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28 ▪ Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 ▪ Mt 13:36-43

Jul 28: Ex 34:29-35 ▪ Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 ▪ Mt 13:44-46

Jul 29 St. Martha: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 ▪ Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 8, 11 ▪ Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Jul 30 [*St. Peter Chrysologus*]: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37 ▪ Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11 ▪ Mt 13:54-58

Jul 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola: Lv 25:1, 8-17 ▪ Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 ▪ Mt 14:1-12


CANTOR & CHOIR PRACTICE



Cantor: @ 6:00-6:30pm
Adult Choir: @ 6:30-7:30pm
(Practices are Wednesdays in Church)

For more info, contact: Sue Langston
@ 979-268-6886 or 936-894-2223

AA MEETINGS:



Every Monday evening @
 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Family
 Life Center.

Social distancing is observed.

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Support Your Local Parishioners.

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Willburn Plumbing
Robert Willburn
Master Plumber
Phone: (832)294-3399

Bakery/ Sweets

Sonia's Sweet Side
Decorated Sugar Cookies
Sonia Drabek
Phone: (979)739-4551

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Territo Roofing
Paul Territo
Phone: (281)356-5124

Auto Repair Services

ToyoMasters Auto Repair
Toyota/ Lexus Expert
Mark Strong
Phone: (936)701-5236

General Contractor

Tameric Builders LLC
General Contractor, Remodeling
Eric Gensheimer—Owner
Phone: (713)416-5280

Dental Services

Montgomery & Conroe
Comprehensive Dental Centers
Dr. Timothy E. Gardner
Phone: (936)242-0319 - Conroe
or (936)585-6611 - Montgomery

Real Estate

BCS Properties
Barbara Shrader (Broker)
Phone: (936)443-6320

Strong Real Estate Co.
Tracy Strong
Phone: (936)718-8766

Tameric Realty
Eric Gensheimer (Broker)
Tammy Gensheimer (Agent)
Phone: (713)416-5280
or (281)844-2534

Carswell Real Estate Co. Inc.
Joann Kaminski Kutac
Phone: (281)799-6019

Misc. Services

Saddle Fitting by Denise
Dressage, Jumping,
and Polo Saddles
Denise Waszak
Phone: (240)315-4575

KWM Services
Roll-off Dumpster Rental
& Pasture Mowing
Kenny & Suzie Mock
Phone: (936)232-3757
or (936)760-5379

Moon Light Venue
(Max 200 People)
Brenda Martinez
(936)777-9720





Veterinary/ Boarding Services

Animal Hospital of Montgomery &
The Lodge Luxury Boarding Retreat
Veterinary Hospital & Pet Boarding,
Grooming & Day Care Facility
Joey L. Romero D.V.M. and Mandy Romero
Phone: (936)582-1555

South Central Veterinary Services
Veterinary and Boarding Services
John L. Walla, DVM
(936)870-4033

Parishioner business advertisements for the monthly bulletin
are due by the 10th of each month.
Please send the Business name, Contact Name & Phone Number to:
Fran Miller @ fran.miller@smsj.org.

July, 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Regular Weekend Mass Schedule Saturdays: 5:00pm (SM)</p> <p>Sundays: 7:30am (SJ) 7:30, 8:45, 10:00 & 11:30am (SM)</p>	<p>SMAS: St. Mary's Altar Society—2nd Tues., 6p SJAS: St. Joseph's Altar Society—1st Tues., 6:30p SVDP: St Vincent de Paul 4th Tues., 3:30p, SM Hall GA: Guardian Angels Senior Group—1st Tues., 10a, FLC SMMC: SM Men's Club— 3rd Tuesday, 6:30p, SM Hall Stitch N Sisters: Every Wednesday, SJ Hall, 9:30a-2p Domino Club: Every Tuesday @ SM FLC, 11a-3p</p>	<p>6 9am Mass @ SM 11am—Dominos-FLC</p>	<p>7 9am-Anointing Mass 9:30am—2pm—Stitch N Sisters—SJ Hall 10am-12pm-Confessions-SM 5-6pm-Confessions-SM 6pm-Cantor Practice-SM 6:30pm-Adult Choir-SM</p>	<p>8 9am Mass @ SM 6:30pm-ACTS Core Mtg-FLC</p>	<p>9 No Mass</p>	<p>10 5pm Mass @ SM 2nd Collection-St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag </p>
<p>4 Regular Mass @ SM & SJ</p> <p></p>	<p>5 9am Mass @ SM 8pm—AA Meeting—SM FLC</p>	<p>6 9am Mass @ SM 11am—Dominos-FLC</p>	<p>7 9am-Anointing Mass 9:30am—2pm—Stitch N Sisters—SJ Hall 10am-12pm-Confessions-SM 5-6pm-Confessions-SM 6pm-Cantor Practice-SM 6:30pm-Adult Choir-SM</p>	<p>8 9am Mass @ SM 6:30pm-ACTS Core Mtg-FLC</p>	<p>9 No Mass</p>	<p>10 5pm Mass @ SM 2nd Collection-St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag </p>
<p>11 Regular Mass @ SM & SJ Sunday Funday-SM Hall after Mass 2nd Collection-St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag </p>	<p>12 9am Mass @ SM 8pm—AA Meeting—SM FLC</p>	<p>13 9am Mass @ SM 11am-Dominos-FLC</p>	<p>14 9am Mass @ SM 9:30am—2pm—Stitch N Sisters—SJ Hall 6pm-Cantor Practice-SM 6:30pm-Adult Choir-SM</p>	<p>15 9am Mass @ SM</p>	<p>16 No Mass</p>	<p>17 5pm Mass @ SM</p>
<p>18 Regular Mass @ SM & SJ Sunday Funday-SM Hall after Mass</p>	<p>19 9am Mass @ SM 8pm—AA Meeting—SM FLC</p>	<p>20 9am Mass @ SM 11am-Dominos-FLC 6:30pm-SM Men's Club Meeting-SM Hall</p>	<p>21 9am Mass @ SM 9:30am—2pm—Stitch N Sisters—SJ Hall 10am-12pm-Confessions-SM 5-6pm-Confessions-SM 6pm-Cantor Practice-SM 6:30pm-Adult Choir-SM</p>	<p>22 9am Mass @ SM</p>	<p>23 No Mass</p>	<p>24 5pm Mass @ SM</p>
<p>25 Regular Mass @ SM & SJ Sunday Funday-SM Hall after Mass</p>	<p>26 9am Mass @ SM 8pm—AA Meeting—SM FLC</p>	<p>27 9am Mass @ SM 11am-Dominos-FLC 3:30pm-St. Vincent de Paul Meeting-SM Hall</p>	<p>28 9am Mass @ SM 9:30am—2pm—Stitch N Sisters—SJ Hall 6pm-Cantor Practice-SM 6:30pm-Adult Choir-SM</p>	<p>29 9am Mass @ SM</p>	<p>30 No Mass</p>	<p>31 5pm Mass @ SM</p>