

St. Mary Catholic Church

DIOCESE OF AUSTIN

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 | TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?” - Mt 18:33-35

24° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

“¿No debías tú también haber tenido compasión de tu compañero, como yo tuve compasión de ti?” - Mt 18, 33-35

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Contact your parish or school's EIM site administrator, Rita Benefield, at, for additional assistance. Please note that when your compliance is 60 days away from its expiration, you will receive an email from system@virtus.org prompting you to login and complete the required action.

WELCOME! BIENVIENDO MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 5:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday | 9:00am, 11:00am (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Tuesday-Friday | 8:00am

First Friday Devotion | 7:00-8:00pm

(Spanish)

CONFESSION: Saturday | 4:00-4:45pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tues, Wed, & Fri

9:00am-2:00pm

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ST. MARY'S

SUNDAY October 4th

402 W. First Street
HEARNE, TX

Bilingual Mass
starts at 10 am

Festival Starts
at 11am

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Homecoming & Fall Festival

HEARNE 2026 TEXAS

Mexican Food Spaghetti Dinner (11 am-2 pm) Hamburgers	Live & Silent Auction Live Auction at 1pm	Live DJ Cold Beer
Cake Walk Games for Kids Train Rides Plant Booth	BINGO 1pm in air conditioning	Chicken on a Stick
THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS		
Memorial Funeral Home		
ALLEN SAMUALS CHEVROLET • GMC	BUBBA MOORE FOUNDATION	WE PUMP IT SEPTIC SERVICE
J&S PAINT & BODY	A+ GLASS	

PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

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VIGÉSIMO CUARTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



Tuesday, September 15 **8:00 AM**
 †Sam & Catherine DeStefano
Wednesday, September 16 **8:00 AM**
 †Jesse Castillo, Sr. †Marcelina Gutierrez
Thursday, September 17 **8:00 AM**
 †Prudencia Soliz
Friday, September 18 **8:00 AM**
 †Richard Lehoski
Saturday, September 19 **5:00 PM**
 †Evelyn Zeig †Louise Lewis †Jim Doughty
Sunday, September 20 **9:00 AM**
 †Virgie V. Lehoski †Leo Syzdek †Gerald Syzdek
Sunday, September 20 **11:00 AM**
 Parishioners of St. Mary's

SANCTUARY CANDLE IN LOVING MEMORY OF
 †CLIFTON HOPCUS
 BY VERONICA HOPCUS & FAMILY



Please pray for our "parishioners" that Jesus be a source of strength and comfort for them.

[Por favor, oren por nuestros "parroquianos" para que Jesús sea una fuente de fortaleza y consuelo para ellos.]

Mary Aguirre	Charles Fazzino	Johnny Ruiz
Earnest Alvarado Sr	Rachel Flores	Joel Syzdek
Ken & Sandra Anthony	L.B. Lehoski	Patty Syzdek
Romualdo Campos	Veronica Hopcus	Francisco Torres
Carmen Cortez	Johnny Killough	Margaret Vaca
Francisco DeLeon	David Martinez	Sharon Woods
PeeWee Espitia	Alan Mateo Piña	Lisa Yezak
Corbin Estes	Angel Reistino	

Names are automatically removed after 30 days.

Please call the church office to add a name.

[Los nombres se eliminan automáticamente después de 30 días. Por favor, llame a la oficina parroquial para agregar un nombre.]

23TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We are reminded today of how important it is to forgive one another. When Peter asks Jesus how many times, he needs to forgive someone, Jesus tells him not seven times, but seventy-seven times. He is essentially saying that there is no limit that should be put on forgiveness. After all, the Lord forgives us all constantly. And we need it! It's the least we can do to forgive someone who has hurt us. Let us call to mind our own sins and our own need for forgiveness even as we consider those to whom we should offer that same gift. **THE BEST PRAYER CATHOLICS HAVE IS THE MASS.. WHICH IS THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL.**

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

September 14: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
 Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

September 15: Our Lady of Sorrows
 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a /Jn 19:25-27

September 16: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 7:31-35

September 17: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50

September 18: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3

September 19: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15

September 20 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time:
 Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a



Weekend Of
08/29/2026 - 08/30/26

Weekly Funds Needed	\$4,000
WEEKLY Actual Amount Collected	\$3,662
Building Fund:	\$1,453
Online Giving:	\$340
BELOW WEEKLY COLLECTION	-338.00

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." – [Romans. 14:8]

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are, is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to the live the life that He intended for you.

Thank you for your support and generosity!



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your generosity!
 ¡Gracias por su generosidad!

VIGÉSIMO TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Vigésimo Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario -- Hoy se nos recuerda cuán importante es perdonar a otra persona. Cuando Pedro le pregunta a Jesús cuántas veces necesita perdonar a alguien, Jesús le dice que no sólo siete veces sino hasta setenta veces siete. Lo que dice esencialmente Jesús es que no se debe poner un límite al perdón. Después de to-do, el Señor nos perdona a todos constantemente. ¡Y cómo lo necesitamos! Lo menos que Podemos hacer es perdonar a alguien que nos ha herido. Recordemos nuestros propios pecados y nuestra propia necesidad de ser perdonados al considerar a quienes debemos ofrecerles ese mismo beneficio

OCIA: COME AND SEE

Have you been coming to Mass but are not Catholic? Has God placed upon your heart a curiosity about Catholicism, a longing for a closer relationship with Him as you search for answers to your faith questions? If so, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Join us as we plant the seeds of faith and explore the riches and traditions of Catholicism. OCIA- the Order of Christian initiation of Adults is for anyone who is not baptized, or someone baptized in another Christian faith, a baptized Catholic who have not received Communion and Confirmation. We invite you to ask questions of what Catholics believe in an open, informed and welcoming environment.



Call the office to register. Classes begin on Sunday, Oct. 18. 2026

WHY DO I HAVE TO ATTEND MASS?

HERE ARE SOME SOLID RESPONSES TO THE TYPICAL "REASONS" YOU MAY ENCOUNTER ABOUT NOT ATTENDING MASS.



- **I don't need to go to Mass to get close to God.** At Mass, you receive God himself- Jesus Christ is truly present in the sacrament. Even a beautiful mountain vista can't compare to that.
- **I don't get anything out of Mass.** Don't expect it to be entertainment. Learn about what it does: joins us at Christ, separates us from sin, wipes away venial sins, commits us to the poor and prepares us for heaven.
- **I don't have the time.** There are 24 hours a day. 168 hours a week. Mass takes one hour. That's less than 1% of your week. Make the time.
- **I'm a sinner. I don't deserve to be at Mass.** Welcome to the club! We are a Church of saved sinners. None of us deserves to be here.

See you at Mass!



Faith Formation News
Noticias de Formación de Fe

IMPORTANT DATES

- Wednesday, September 9 – First Day of Classes
- Miércoles, 9 de septiembre- Primer Día de Clases
- Opening Mass- New Faith Formation Year – 6:30 PM
- Apertura de la Misa de Nueva Formación en la Fe – 6:30 PM
- Mark your Calendars, Sunday, September 20 – CATECHETICAL SUNDAY
- Marque su Calendario, 20 de septiembre -- Domingo Catequético

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BEGIN THIS WEEK! LAS CLASES DE FORMACIÓN DE FE COMENZARAN ESTA SEMANA

REMINDER – Our Volunteer Catechists are dedicated to helping your children grow in faith and be closer to God. As parents, you are the primary educators of your children and are their best teachers. Your children learn the most from the example you set when you pray together and actively participate in Mass and the sacraments as a family.

Friendly Reminder: As we start a new school year, parents are the primary educators of their children in the Catholic Faith and should take an active part in your child or children's sacramental preparation. Parents are also expected to help the children develop a life of prayer and a love for the Mass or the Eucharist.

- Parents must remain their children's first teachers, especially in faith and values. Parents have a sacred responsibility to shape their children's character from the beginning, when basic values and attitudes are first formed. Do not give to other people the task of forming the children. What comes first will always be remembered.

Recuerdo: Comenzamos el nuevo año escolar, los padres son los principales educadores de preparación Sacramental. También se espera que los padres ayuden a sus hijos desarrollar y mantener una vida de oración y devoción de la Santa Misa o Eucaristía.

- Los padres deben seguir siendo los primeros maestros de sus hijos, especialmente en la fe y los valores. Los padres tienen la responsabilidad sagrada de moldear el carácter de sus hijos desde el principio, cuando se forman los valores y actitudes básicos. No les des a otras personas la tarea de formar a los niños. Lo que viene primero siempre será recordado.