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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
**Missionaries of
Our Lady of La Salette**

www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org
www.lasalette.org

January 8, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
11:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

First Saturdays

8:30 a.m.

Weekday

8:30 a.m. Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday

6:30 p.m. Wednesday

Daily Rosary

after 8:30 a.m. Mass

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday

(except First Friday)

Reconciliation

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Wednesday

4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Saturday

First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30 p.m. Tuesday—5:45 p.m.
Wednesday



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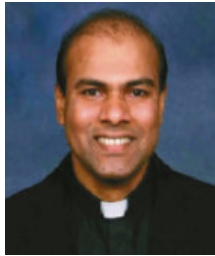
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**The Priests who serve Mary Queen Catholic Church
are Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette.**



Pastor

Rev. James H. Kuczynski,
M.S.



Parochial Vicar

Rev. Sibi Kunninu,
M.S.

Priests in Residence

Rev. Robert Ippolito, M.S.

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Facilities Manager, ext. 316

Chris Meaux

Maintenance, ext. 316

Charles Ganter

Maintenance Coordinator, ext. 316



Welcome to Mary Queen!

If you are new to Mary Queen parish or visiting, please stop by with any questions regarding our parish. We would love to meet you! If you have been attending Mary Queen Church and consider this your parish community, please register with the Parish Office so we can keep an accurate census. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact our parish office.

Registration forms may be found in the Parish Office, Welcome Desk (in Church narthex), or on the website:

www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org.

Mission Statement

Our Mary Queen community, inspired by faith and love, will live, worship, teach, welcome and support one another in the imitation of Christ.

Come Worship With Us!

Our Parish community worships together at Sunday Mass, Daily Masses, Holy Hour and Morning Prayer.

We pray the rosary after the 8:30 AM daily Masses (except Wednesdays & First Fridays).

Archives & Room Reservations

If you need to update your personal information in the parish database, have questions regarding Mass Intentions, need to request a copy of your baptism certificate, etc., please contact Anita Shorosky at anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

All Ministries and Organizations who need to reserve a room and/or schedule events for the calendar need to contact Rose Mary at baezrm@maryqueenchurch.org.

If you have questions, please call the Parish Office at 281-482-1391, Monday-Thursday, 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM, or Friday 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

2023 Mass Intentions

We are accepting Mass Intention requests for 2023. You may submit them electronically on our website or you may come to the office to request them. Every family has a limit of 12 requests for the year and only three requests per weekend Mass time for the year will be accepted. Suggested stipend is \$5. If you have any questions about Mass Intentions, please call Anita Shorosky at the Mary Queen office.



January: Month of the Holy Name of Jesus

Sunday, January 8th

6:00 AM - 12:00 PM
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
11:30 AM - 2:30 PM
3:00 PM - 4:15 PM
5:45 PM - 7:15 PM

Epiphany of the Lord
Knights of Columbus BBQ Fundraiser
EFF - Mini Hall - Classrooms
RCIA - Breaking Open the Word - Mini Hall
Fr. Sibi - Reception - Main Hall - Kitchen
Ark Junior High - Mini Hall - Youth Center
CAST High School - Mini Hall - Youth Center

Monday, January 9th

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
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7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Gabriel Project Meeting - Rm 110/Library
Cub Scout - AOL Den Meeting - Rm 114/115
Cub Scout - Webelos Meeting - Rm 113
Cub Scout Bear Den Meeting - Rm 118
Cub Scout Tiger Den Meeting - Rm 116
Cub Scout Wolf Den Meeting - Rm 117
Boy Scout Troop Meeting - Rm 119
Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group - Chapel
Women's Ministry Meeting - Mini Hall
Hispanic Ministry Meeting - Mary's House

Tuesday, January 10th

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
4:00 PM - 5:15 PM
4:30 PM
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Mary's Chain of Love Ministry - Rm 114/115
WWP - "Touching The Divine"- AFF- Main Hall - Kitchen
EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
Exposition for 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
St. Cecilia Ensemble Music Rehearsal - Choir Room
Circle of Grace Make-Up - Youth Ministry- Youth Center
EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
Youth Band Music Rehearsal - Choir Room - Church
WWP - "Touching The Divine"- AFF- Main Hall - Kitchen

Wednesday, January 11th

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
4:00 PM - 5:15 PM
5:45 PM - 6:00 PM
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM
7:15 PM - 8:30 PM
7:15 PM - 9:00 PM

Meditation Group - Mary's House
Queen's Bee Quilters - Mini Hall
EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
Mary Queen Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room - Church
Vocations Ministry Meeting - Rm 110/Library

Thursday, January 12th

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

RCIA - Breaking Open the Word - Mini Hall
Bay Area Serra Club Meeting - Rm 120
RCIA - "Evangelization Sessions" - Main Hall
Creation Care Ministry Presentation - Rm 114/115

Friday, January 13th

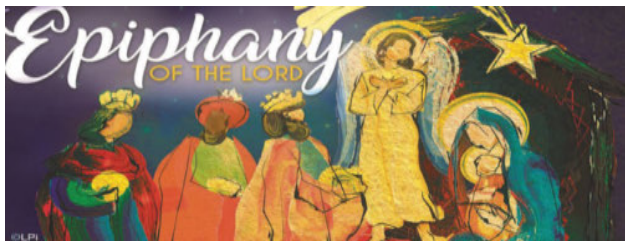
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Mary Queen Fifty Five or Better - Mini Hall

Saturday, January 14th

8:00 AM - 10:30 AM
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
1:30 PM - 5:30 PM
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Vocation Ministry Zoom Meeting - Mini Hall
Mingle Jingle - WWP - AFF - Main Hall - Kitchen
Boy Scouts Court of Honor - Main Hall - Kitchen
Reconciliation - Church



Saturday, January 7th

8:30 AM †Vincent Brian Bui, †Carol Lorange,
Mary Queen Ministries
5:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Sunday, January 8th

7:30 AM †Enrique Valdez, †David Valdez, †Carlos Rodriguez
9:30 AM †James C. Potter, Jr., †Jim Curdie, †Steve DeGuia
11:30 AM †Brendan Doyle, †Justin Springer, †Ann Masterson
4:30 PM †Hector Tobon, †Maria Bui T. Nhan, Living & Deceased
Loved Ones of Nelson & Teresa Olavarria

Monday, January 9th

8:30 AM †Renita Labrie, †Joanne Chagra, Deceased Members of
the Nguyen & Bui Families

Tuesday, January 10th

8:30 AM Fr. Benny Thadathilkunneel, M.S. – Birthday Blessings,
Bill Prindiville, Respect Life

Wednesday, January 11th

6:30 PM †Daniel Jansky, †Catherine Walbe, Paz Ching

Thursday, January 12th

8:30 AM †Paz Concepcion, †Louis Machicek, †Arnold Saul

Friday, January 13th

8:30 AM †Cielito Santos, Connor Clarin – Birthday Blessings,
Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Ben & Beth Drone

Saturday, January 14th

5:30 PM †Frank & †Carlotta Garza, Deacon Vince Eklund &
Deacon Derick Soares - 6th Anniversary of Ordination

Sunday, January 15th

7:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
9:30 AM Bill & Barbara Clary, Jeffrey Levin – Birthday Blessings,
Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Smart & Briggs Families
11:30 AM †Ann Masterson, †Gwen Pope, †Felicidad Diza Domingo
4:30 PM Ark Core Team, CAST Core Team, Living & Deceased
Loved Ones of Clint & Dottie Carlin

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Epiphany of the Lord: January 8

That we are generous with all of our gifts, especially the one thing that means the most to us.

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.



TIME • TALENT • TREASURE

Offertory: December 17 - December 23, 2022

This includes offertory at Mass, mail-in and online giving.

Weekly Offertory Received: \$39,764.53

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$35,416.67

Difference: \$4,347.86

MP-Debt Reduction: \$6,676.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$3,063.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$2,273.00

**Loan Balance as of December 28, 2022 was
\$1,795,869.96.**

*Thank you to all who have donated to the
Master Plan Debt Reduction.*

Upcoming 2nd Collections

January 8 - Future Development and Maintenance

January 22 - Latin America

Diocesan Services Fund

2022 DSF Summary as of December 28, 2022

Parish Goal: \$178,500.00

Total Amount Paid: \$194,158.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 406

Total Number of Gifts received: 964

Total Number of Mary Queen Households: 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit
www.archgh.org/dsf.

IGNITE Campaign

2022 IGNITE Summary as of December 28, 2022

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$424,088.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,936.28

Total Number of Gifts Received: 1,356

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 271

Total Number of Mary Queen Households: 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit
www.archgh.org/about/ignite-capital-campaign.



Give through our app!
Text MARYQUEENAPP to 77977
to download it today!

Not good with apps but still want
to give online? Visit our website or
scan the QR code.



Current Mary Queen Parishioners Update Your Family Information

Parish Soft gives current parishioners the opportunity to log in and update family information.

1. Go to the following link
<https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com>
2. A **New User Registration Form** will come up. Fill out the form and hit submit.
3. Your request will be sent to Mary Queen to obtain confirmation.
4. Once you receive confirmation, you may set a permanent password and make changes to your family information.

This system allows you to add family members but it does not allow you to delete them. If you need assistance in adding and/or deleting information or would like to provide your updated information via telephone or e-mail, please contact Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

FORMED

To sign up for FORMED, visit www.formed.org/signup

- Select your parish – Mary Queen 606 Cedarwood Dr., Friendswood, TX
- Register with your name and email address
- Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

They have also created a series of videos to guide you through logging in, signing up, and using the platform at <https://watch.formed.org/formed-help-1/season:1>.

FLOCKNOTE



Flocknote is the email communications platform Mary Queen uses to keep our parishioners informed about what's going on in the parish. The weekly eNews is sent out using

Flocknote, and many of our ministries and other parish groups also use it to keep their members up to date with meeting news and other information.

If you are not receiving email communications from Mary Queen, sign up for Flocknote at
www.maryqueenchurch.flocknote.com/

- SACRAMENTS -



Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Anita Shorosky at the Parish Office to inquire about preparation for Baptism.



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesdays 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the church
Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. in the church
or by appointment.



Sacrament of First Eucharist

Youth Sacrament Classes are going on now! For more information or to register your child, contact Carol Stuart in the Parish Office.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Youth Confirmation classes are going on now! For more information or to register your child, contact Terri Ryan at the Parish Office.



Sacrament of Matrimony

Engaged couples or couples interested in validating their marriage through the Church should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance for preparation.



Sacrament of Holy Orders

The Religious Order of priests serving Mary Queen are Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette. To learn more about their order or our Vocations Ministry, visit our website.



Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

If you know someone who is sick or in the hospital, contact the Parish Office so we can visit and include them in our prayers.



RCIA: Christian Initiation of Adults

For inquiry into the Catholic Faith, contact Eby Kurian at the Parish Office.



Eucharistic Adoration

24 Hour Adoration

4:30 PM on Tuesday to 5:45 PM on Wednesday
St. Joseph Chapel

First Friday Adoration

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
St. Joseph Chapel

Please join us for a wonderful opportunity to spend quiet time with Jesus and in prayer.



Respect Life Holy Hour

Respect Life Holy Hour

Sunday, January 8, 2023
2:00 PM - St. Joseph Chapel

The Respect Life Ministry invites all to attend a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Respect All Life, **Sunday, January 8, at 2:00 PM** in St. Joseph's Chapel. Please come and join us in prayer for all human life from the moment of conception until the last moment at death.



Live the Liturgy

The story of the Wise Men bringing gifts to Jesus, the newborn King, is a great one, isn't it? They had a great big star in the sky to lead the way.

In our lives, there are no big stars in the sky leading us where we need to go. It isn't so easy sometimes discerning where God is leading us. We may seek to use our gifts wisely, but in what manner and to what end is not always clear.

This is where prayer can make a huge difference. If we seek to cultivate a prayer life where we are mindful of the presence of God throughout our day, then the call is easier to discern. We can help the process by intentionally offering to God in the morning the entirety of the day to come: all our actions, all our time, and all our decisions. In the evening, we can examine the past hours of the day and reflect on when we responded well to Christ's call and when we fell short. Then we resolve to begin again tomorrow, inviting Christ to be with us every step of the way. God may not offer a star in the sky to lead us, but if we invite us on our journey each day, the path will be much clearer.

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THE MISSIONARIES OF LA SALETTE
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Come & Click

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023
7:30 - 8:30 PM ET
VIA ZOOM

IF YOU ARE A CATHOLIC MAN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18-45,
CONSIDERING A VOCATION WITH THE MISSIONARIES OF LA SALETTE,
PLEASE CONTACT LASALETTEVOCATIONS@GMAIL.COM TO REGISTER

WWW.LASALETTEVOCATIONS.ORG

Santo Nino Group of South Texas
invites everyone to celebrate

Santo Nino Fiesta 2023

(A Feast in honor of the Holy Infant Jesus)



Saturday, January 28, 2023

11:00am - Rosary & Novena
followed by Holy Mass,
Procession and Sinulog Dance

Mary Queen Catholic Church
606 Cedarwood Drive
Friendswood, Texas 77546

Bring your image of the Santo Nino for the blessing & dancing of the Sinulog.

Please join the
Mary Queen Creation Care Ministry for

Recycling 2023

An event to learn more about recycling

Thursday, January 12th at 7:30pm



Join us to:

- ◆ Learn what is accepted as recycle in Friendswood
- ◆ Gain more knowledge about the recycling industry
- ◆ Ask specific questions about what to place in your recycling bin

We will have two speakers from
Waste Connections (our curbside recycler) and
Keep Friendswood Beautiful.



PORK AND PIGSKIN

FUNDRAISER



www.KofC8494.org

PREORDERS ONLY by Feb 3rd

Smoked pork butt \$35
(8-10 lbs. uncooked weight)

Pick-up:

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

February 12th 10:30-1:30

KC Hall at 18625 Baker Rd.



Knights of Columbus Council 8494



Faith and Fear

When I was little, you could tell I believed in the destructive power of the monsters who lived beneath my bed because I would never let my ankles anywhere near the bottom of the mattress. (It's common knowledge that bare ankles are premium monster bait — ask any child you know).

You can often tell what a person believes by what they fear.

But here's the thing: belief isn't always enough. It's obvious that Herod believed in Christ's power because of how terrified he was by it and by the room he made in his life for the possible impact of the Messiah. In fact, if belief was the only measure of orthodoxy, you could stand most modern Christians next to Herod and he would tower above them.

Remember, there's something just as bad as disobeying God: discounting Him. I know I am guilty of that in a thousand small ways each day. In the person I ignore or the opinion I sneer at. In the unkind words I let roll from my tongue. In the prayers of thanksgiving that I don't say because I am "too busy."

I believe in God, but I do not fear Him — mostly because my very modern understanding of the concept of "fear" would lump God in with those monsters beneath my bed.

But what if we understood fear in a more traditional sense — awe, reverence, and wonder?

"All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him." — Psalm 72:11

When Herod heard the news of the coming of the Messiah, it compelled him to do something. Not the right thing, mind you, but something. It moved him into action.

So, then, it should move us all.

We saw his star at its rising, and have come to do him homage. — Matthew 2:2

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Daily Readings

Sunday, January 8

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday, January 9

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 (11b)/Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday, January 10

Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 11

Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, January 12

Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday, January 13

Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 14

Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

Sunday, January 15

Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34



PRAY & REFLECT

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January 8, 2023

The Epiphany of the Lord

A friend of mine is a young priest who teaches high school physics at a Catholic boys' prep school. Like many today, the boys often think science and religion are enemies. So, he delights in their raised eyebrows when he reminds them his first full-time job as a priest was to be an astrophysicist. He cataloged the size, shape, and matter of distant stars. He tells them, "Science gave me more love for God, not less."

The Magi were something like scientist-astronomers. Like today's scientists, they employed disciplined methods of discovering dependable patterns in the world. Their rigorous commitment to the truth led them to the joy of discovering Jesus. Their love for knowledge leads them to worship the Source of all knowledge. Luke says of them, "They were overjoyed at seeing the star."

We may see the universe as cold and empty and feel sad. But why should we do that? The Magi, like my priest-friend, show us there is another way to experience the world. We use our intelligence to discover the beautiful patterns in the world — in mathematics, physics, astronomy, biology, neuroscience, and so on — and allow this to lead us to greater love for God. So, my fellow Magi: the world needs us to be overjoyed at finding God in science and, finally and fully, in Jesus.

— Father John Muir

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Save the Date!

Mary Queen Parish Mission 2023

Saturday, February 11th & Sunday, February 12th
(preaching the Homily for all of the weekend Masses)

Mission Preaching is in the evenings on
Monday, February 13th, Tuesday, February 14th & Wednesday, February 15th.

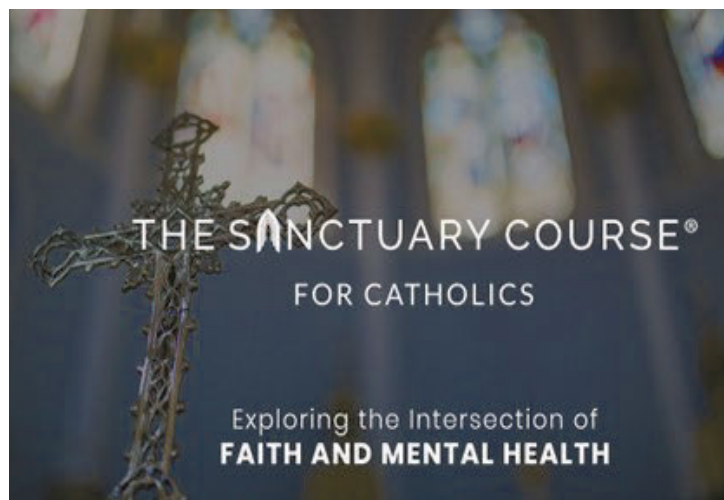
MISSION THEME/DESCRIPTION:

For more than two thousand years, three challenges have confronted the followers of Christ. They form the essence of Jesus's life and teachings and have set the standard for holiness down through the centuries.

Over 3 nights, Fr. Albert Haase, OFM, will lead us in a parish mission entitled **THE THREE CHALLENGES OF JESUS**. We will explore how to trust and surrender when life is not going our way, how to forgive when hurts and grudges consume us, and how to live an authentic Eucharistic life of self-giving love.

WHO IS THE MISSION PREACHER?

Ordained a Franciscan priest in 1983, Albert Haase, OFM, is a popular preacher, teacher, and spiritual director. A former missionary to mainland China for over eleven years, he is the author of thirteen books on popular spirituality and the presenter on five bestselling DVDs by Paraclete Press. He resides in San Antonio TX. Visit his website at www.AlbertOFM.org.



The Sanctuary Course for Catholics

Would you value joining others in a conversation about mental health? Would you like to discover what God, Scripture, and Church have to say in light of the experiences of mental health challenges?

Sign up for The Sanctuary Course for Catholics with Mary Queen's Adult Faith Formation Department. The subject matter feels particularly relevant in these times of heightened anxiety, and the course creates an opportunity to connect with and support each other in meaningful ways.

ABOUT THE COURSE

The Sanctuary Course for Catholics is an eight-part course for small groups designed to raise awareness and start conversations in local parishes regarding mental health. It was created in collaboration with Catholic mental health professionals, theologians, and clergy, and offers faith communities the opportunity to learn about mental health and grow in their ability to support members living with mental health challenges.

Topics covered include:

Mental health and mental illness, stigma, recovery, companionship, self-care, and community. The sessions are accompanied by compelling films that feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with the insights of archbishops, theologians, and psychologists.

Meets on Tuesdays from 7:00 – 8:30 pm at Mary's House starting on January 17, 2023 and running through March 21, 2023.

To watch a promotional video, visit:

www.youtube.be/ID2-NMSaGBw

Please contact Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & RCIA if you'd like to participate.



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Carol Stuart, Director for Elementary Faith Formation
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Tuesday and Wednesday Faith Formation Classes:

Please direct your children to the Mini Hall for the start of class.

Tuesday Class Dates:

Jan. 10th, 24th, 31st

Wednesday Class Dates:

Jan. 11th, 25th

No classes on:

Jan. 17th

No classes on:

Jan. 18th

Sunday Classes

All classes meet from 9:30-10:45am

K & RCIA YR 1 & 2:

Jan. 22nd

No classes on:

Jan. 15th

1 **TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**

Trivia Night

Jan. 21st | 6:30-9:30 PM
MAIN HALL
\$30 PER PERSON* - AGES 21 & UP
TABLES OF 8
*PRICE INCLUDES TRIVIA, DINNER & 2 DRINK COUPONS

Visit our website to purchase tickets:
www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/trivia-night

Your family is invited to join us for

Kindness is the REAL Global Warming

Guest speaker: Barbara Gruener

Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023
11:00AM-12:00PM
in the Main Hall

\$10 per family
Donuts and coffee will be served

Register at:
www.bit.ly/bgkindness

Open Hours for High School Teens at the
St. Charbel Youth Center are
Thursdays from 4pm - 7pm.

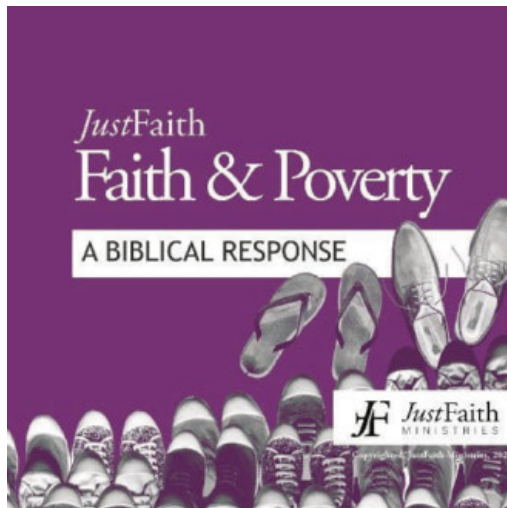
AROUND THE PARISH

National Vocations Webinar

The Mary Queen Vocations Committee welcomes you to a National Vocations Webinar on Saturday, January 14th at 9 am – 12:30 pm in the Mini Hall.

The webinar will be hosted via Zoom by Rhonda Gruenewald, Founder of Vocations Ministry, who will speak about creating a Culture of Vocations in our parish. Together, we will view her presentation and discuss the impact on (insert church name here). This is a national La Salette experience, shared by all La Salette Parishes and Shrines across the USA.

To be a part of this event, please contact Dan Levin at mqvocations@gmail.com to register.



January is Poverty Awareness Month

"...poverty is not merely the lack of adequate financial resources. It entails a more profound kind of deprivation, a denial of full participation in the economic, social, and political life of society and an inability to influence decisions that affect one's life.... Therefore, we should seek solutions that enable the poor to help themselves through such means as employment" (no. 188).

How do I respond to poverty and injustice? What tools does my Catholic faith have to offer? Faith and Poverty: A Biblical Response explores God's call to respond to poverty in our local communities, equipping participants to take action in effective and sustainable ways.

To participate in Faith and Poverty: A Biblical Response (part of the JustFaith Catholic series), join one of our small groups at Mary Queen. Registration will begin later this month. For more information on JustFaith, visit: www.youtube.com/watch?v=CRWqV_KhwLQ.

More information to follow. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Austgen at chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391.



**Join us for Fr. Sibi's Farewell Celebration
in the Main Hall this Sunday, January 8th
following the 11:30 AM Mass!**

Adopt-a-Highway Clean-up Event

The Mary Queen Creation Care Ministry invites you to join and volunteer your help at their Adopt-a-Highway Clean-Up event on Saturday, January 21st at 7:30am.

We will meet at Mary Queen and carpool to our clean-up spot (FM 528 Sunset -San Joaquin). Please contact Jennifer Hammerle if you would like to help with the clean-up by phone at 281-961-1896 or email at jenhammerle@gmail.com.

Silent Retreat

Did you make a spiritual resolution for the new year to attend a retreat? Are you looking for a way to connect with God in a unique way?

If so, the Mary Queen Creation Care Ministry is offering a silent retreat at the RUAH Spirituality Center run by the Sister's of Charity.

What: a Silent Retreat
When: Saturday, February 4th
Retreat Time: 9:30am - 1:30pm

*Meet at Mary Queen at 9am to carpool to Villa De Matel.

Lunch will be provided by the sisters.

Anyone wanting to participate must bring your proof of COVID vaccination card (convent rule), your bible, and a journal to write in.

A donation to the Sisters of Charity is recommended but not required. Please contact Jennifer Hammerle if you would like to attend by phone at 281-961-1896 or email at jenhammerle@gmail.com.

Linens Ministry

The Linens Ministry is seeking an increase in volunteers!

Currently, 15 ladies wash and iron Mass linens: purificators and corporals, hand towels and bar mops.

The linens are picked up on Mondays and returned on Wednesdays or Thursday morning.

Wine and lipstick stains are treated with Oxyclean before laundering – NO BLEACH. Then they are ironed.

The hand towels and bar mops require only washing and folding.

If you are willing to do this about three times a year, please call Mary Reviere at 281-482-3290 or email grandoldname@aol.com.

Please join us in this ministry!

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Family Lenten Retreat

St. Charbel Youth Center
March 4, 2023
10AM - 5PM

Featuring
National Catholic
speaker:
Paul J. Kim



Join us for a day of retreat and Mass to prepare ourselves for the Resurrection of our Lord. We will have talks designed for men, women, and children grades 4 and up.

Early bird registration

\$30 per person
\$120 max per family

After Jan. 15th

\$40 per person

*Lunch is included with
all registrations

Register here:



Additional details:
www.bit.ly/3BS8WjQ

Our Epiphany Gift:

Restoring the Chalice for Holy Communion in the New Year

This coming Epiphany Sunday 2023 the people of our archdiocese will receive a special spiritual gift!

Cardinal DiNardo recently announced that on Sunday, January 8, 2023, the practice of distributing Holy Communion from the chalice to the faithful throughout the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston is restored.

As guests at the banquet of the Lord's Supper, we can now more fully share in the joy and graces of receiving the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist.

Blessing of the Home and Household on Epiphany

When all have gathered, a suitable song may be sung. The leader makes the sign of the cross, and all reply, "Amen." The leader greets those present in the following words:

Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace. Blessed be God forever.

R/. Blessed be God forever.

In the following or similar words, the leader prepares those present for the blessing:

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling place among us. It is Christ who enlightens our hearts and homes with his love. May all who enter this home find Christ's light and love.

One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture:

Listen to the words of the holy Gospel according to Luke: Here, the Reader reads from Luke 19:1-9.

The intercessions are then said:

Leader: The Son of God made his home among us. With thanks and praise let us call upon him.

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, with Mary and Joseph you formed the Holy Family: remain in our home, that we may know you as our guest and honor you as our Head.

We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you had no place to lay your head, but in the spirit of poverty accepted the hospitality of your friends: grant that through our help the homeless may obtain proper housing.

We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, the three kings presented their gifts to you in praise and adoration: grant that those living in this house may use their talents and abilities to your greater glory.

We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

After the intercessions the leader invites all present to say the Lord's Prayer. The leader says the prayer of blessing with hands joined:

Lord God of heaven and earth,
you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation
by the guidance of a star.

Bless this house
and all who inhabit it.

Fill them (us) with the light of Christ,
that their (our) concern for others may reflect your love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying:

May Christ Jesus dwell with us,
keep us from all harm,
and make us one in mind and heart,
now and forever.

R/. Amen.

It is preferable to end the celebration with a suitable song, for example, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" or "We Three Kings."

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Holy Hour for Life

All are welcome for an overnight Eucharistic Adoration vigil at St. Mary's Seminary on January 19 - 20, 2023, from 8 PM - 8 AM, to unite with the U.S. Bishops and Catholics across the nation on the vigil of the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. Auxiliary Bishop Italo Dell'Oro, CRS, will open and close this time of prayer. Pre-registration is required to ensure all-night Adoration coverage and parking at the seminary.

Register at

<https://archgh.cventevents.com/HolyHourforLife>

no later than January 16, 2023. Contact the Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-440-3443 for more information.

Texas Rally for Life 2023

Join the Archdiocese and thousands of others from around Texas on January 28, 2023 for the annual Texas Rally for Life at Austin in remembrance of and to march in support of all human life. Cost: \$35.

Register to ride the bus at

<https://archgh.cventevents.com/TexasRallyForLife>.

The trip includes 2 stops at Buc-ee's (to and from Austin). Info: Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-440-3443.

"Baby Shower" for Galveston County Pregnancy and Parenting Support Center

The Bay Area Deanery Council of Catholic Women (BADCCW) invites all women to join them for a Baby Shower to support the Pregnancy and Parenting Support Center in Galveston County. Hear Executive Director, Carey Donnelly, explain the program on Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2023 @ Mary Queen. The talk begins at 9:30 AM. Refreshments will be provided and raffle will be held. A business meeting begins at 10 AM, followed by the 30-minute film, "Lived On Parker Avenue."

Items suggested to donate: diapers sizes 4, 5, and 6, and baby wipes. The BADCCW are dedicated Catholic women who come together for fellowship, spiritual growth, leadership and service to Christ, His church and society. For more information, contact Marilyn Daniel at 713-412-8559.



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Give the gift of time to each other this year! On a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience, learn to prioritize the important

things. Make 2023 the best year of your marriage by signing up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on February 10-12, 2023. We wish you all a blessed New Year!

For more information, contact Brian & Tina Little at 281-773-4014, or go online to www.houstonme.org.



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US Space Force:

Spc3 Lucy Gregory

If you have loved ones in the Armed Services and wish their names be listed in this column and to be remembered in our prayers, please email anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org. Include the rank of the individual, their name and their branch of service. **Thank you and God Bless America!**

Communications Guidelines & Deadlines

For bulletin, website, social media, or eNews requests, please contact Sofia Medrano, Communications Coordinator, at smedrano@maryqueenchurch.org or call 281-482-1391.

Pulpit announcement requests should be sent via email to Sofia Medrano by the Tuesday before the requested mass date. Requests will be announced upon the pastor's approval.

Please send bulletin submissions by noon. Submission dates listed below. Submit Word, Publisher or PDF files only.

January 22—Already submitted

January 29—January 11

February 5—January 18

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For all those who are Health Care Workers, First Responders, Social Service Workers,
those who continue to work to serve the community and all who are suffering and recovering from the Covid-19 virus.

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit and patience with pain. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



***In Memory of
†Israel Garcia
January 7th through January 13th***

We offer the **Vigil Candle** as a Memorial Candle each week to interested parishioners who would like to request that it burn ***“In Memory of...”*** or ***“In Honor of...”*** a loved one, living or deceased. To reserve the candle, contact the Receptionist in the Parish Office at 281-482-1391. The name of your loved one will be published in the bulletin and near the Sanctuary Candle in the Church.



Prayer List Requests

If you have a family member(s) or friend(s) who are in need of special prayers by our parish community, please consider placing them on the Mary Queen Prayer List.

You may do so by contacting Anita Shorosky at anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391.



A reminder to our parishioners of Mary Queen:
Chapel entry during weekend Masses is prohibited for
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Want to learn to crochet? We will teach you. Don't have time for a lot of meetings? We will give you a project. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Dittrich at 832-282-6346 or at dittrich_cindy@yahoo.com.

Mary Queen Fifty-Five or Better

Mary Queen Fifty-Five or Better gathers on the second Friday of every month from 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

Newcomers are invited to play games and have fun with fellow parishioners!

For additional information, please contact Vinnie Saccomanno at 281-648-9551 or Peggie Madison at 281-482-2860.



Mary Queen Seniors (60+)

Mary Queen Seniors (60+) will meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 9:30 AM. The meeting is open to all seniors, and newcomers are always welcome. If you would like additional information, please contact Jo Ann Truman at 281-923-3098.



Wedding Feast & Epiphany

Question:

How are the feasts of the baptism of Jesus and the account of the wedding feast of Cana related to the Epiphany celebration?

Answer:

The Epiphany season focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestation points in which Jesus is made publicly known. From its very beginning, the Christian community highlighted three events in the life of Jesus. These are the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast at Cana.

The Epiphany discloses Jesus to the world of the Gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism reveal his identity and mission, along with exposing him to those to whom he was sent to minister. The miracle of turning water to wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's Gospel, is the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his powers.

Today in the Roman Church, these are usually celebrated on three successive Sundays: Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the next Sunday, and the wedding feast of Cana, which is proclaimed on the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time in lectionary year C.

These feasts connect around the concept of epiphany, public manifestation of Jesus to the world. They help us get to know more intimately who Jesus is and what he is about. Spend some time delving more deeply into your understanding of who Jesus is. Continue to cultivate these "epiphany" moments in your life.

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Penances and Prayers

God's glory, now, is kindled gentler than candlelight under the rafters of a barn: Eternal Peace is sleeping in the hay, And Wisdom's born in secret in a straw-roofed stable.*



When I was younger, I wrote music to and recorded Thomas Merton's poem, "Epiphany Carol." If you have never read it, search it out on the internet. Merton's words are profound and paint a picture of the awesomeness of Jesus, the newborn King of Kings, lying in a simple straw bed. The shepherds and Wise Men are drawn to pay homage to the One who has been born above all others and brings with him hope for a broken world.

As Merton correctly points out, the gifts we are called to bring to this baby and lay at his feet are our prayers and penances, next to those gifts of worldly wealth. What is it that you have to bring to the stable on this feast of the Epiphany of the Lord? Unless those prayers and penances lead to a new way of living, our gifts will be void of meaning. What we lay before him speaks to the change in us that he has given to us by his birth. Our daily stewardship is resembled in those gifts. If we are to truly echo the kingdom of God in our lives and actions, what we ultimately offer to him is no less than our entire selves. This baby will give his entire self for us, and his work must continue through our hands and feet.

*While we unnumbered children of the wicked centuries
Come after with our penances and prayers,
And lay them down in the sweet-smelling hay
Beside the wise men's golden jars.**

*Excerpts from "Epiphany Carol" by Thomas Merton
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