



March 5, 2023
Second Sunday of Lent

LORD,
LET YOUR
mercy
BE ON US.
WE PLACE
OUR *trust*
IN YOU.

PSALM 33

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Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM
Friday 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Mass Schedule

Saturday

5:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM and 4:30 PM

First Saturdays

8:30 AM

Daily Mass

8:30 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
6:30 PM Wednesday

Daily Rosary

after 8:30 AM Mass Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday (except First Friday)

First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30 PM Tuesday - 5:45 PM Wednesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 4:30 - 5:30 PM in the church
Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM in the church

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 or visit our 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.

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 contact Anita Shorosky.



March: Month of St. Joseph

Sunday, March 5th

Coffee & Donuts (After Morning Masses) - Pastoral Council

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM EFF - Classrooms
 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM RCIA - Breaking Open the Word - Mini Hall
 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Private Baptisms - Wilhelm/Ruiz - Church
 3:00 PM - 4:15 PM Ark Junior High - Youth Center - Parish Center
 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Just Faith Group - Rm 110/Library
 5:45 PM - 7:15 PM CAST High School - Mini Hall - Youth Center
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM First Holy Communion Make-Up Class - Mary's House

Monday, March 6th

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
 6:15 PM - 8:15 PM
 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
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Tuesday, March 7th

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 - 8:30 PM
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 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday, March 8th

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

Thursday, March 9th

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Friday, March 10th

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Saturday, March 11th

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Lenten Daily Masses - 6:30AM & 8:30AM

Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
 Gabriel Project Meeting - Rm 110/Library
 Special Friends Program - Main Hall - Kitchen
 Men's Small Study Group - AFF - 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
 Just Faith Group - Mary's House
 Boy Scout Troop Meeting - Rm 119
 Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group - Chapel
 Women's Ministry Meeting - Mini Hall

Lenten Daily Masses - 6:30AM & 8:30AM

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
 EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
 Lesson 6 Make-Up - Youth Ministry - Youth Center
 WWP - "Touching The Divine" - AFF - Main Hall - Kitchen
 The Sanctuary Course for Catholics - AFF-Mary's House
 Youth Band Music Rehearsal - Choir Room - Church

Lenten Daily Masses - 6:30AM & 6:30PM

"That Man Is You!" - Main Hall - Kitchen
 Queen Bee Quilters - Mini Hall
 Just Faith Group - Main Hall
 EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
 Walking Through Grief - Mary's House
 Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
 EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
 Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
 Parish Festival Meeting - Main Hall - Kitchen
 Teen Ed. Walking With Purpose - Youth Center
 Mary Queen Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room - Church
 Vocations Ministry Meeting - Rm 110/Library

Lenten Daily Masses - 6:30AM & 8:30AM

RCIA - Breaking Open the Word - Mini Hall
 Women's ACTS Team Meetings - Mary's House
 First Reconciliation - EFF - Main Hall - Classrooms
 RCIA - "Evangelization Sessions" - Main Hall

Lenten Daily Masses - 6:30AM & 8:30AM

Just Faith Group - Rm 114/115
 KC Lenten Fish Fry - Mini Hall - Main Hall - Kitchen
 Stations of the Cross - Mary Queen Ministries - Church

Lenten Daily Masses - 8:30AM

Prayer Group - Bob Larson - Rm 110/Library
 Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
 Cub Scout Crossover Ceremony - Mary's House
 Reconciliation - Church



Saturday, March 4th

8:30 AM †Donna Tylka, Mary Queen Ministries, Paula Wick
 5:30 PM †Sharon Vochoska, †Jim Curdie, †Genevieve Baur

Sunday, March 5th

7:30 AM †Kalman Szabo, Jim Walls - Birthday Blessings,
 Deacon Vince - Birthday Blessings
 9:30 AM †Frank & †Carlotta Garza, †Bill Leighton, Living &
 Deceased Loved Ones of Judy Hodges
 11:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
 4:30 PM †Hector Tobon, Souls in Purgatory, Joaquin Krancher -
 Birthday Blessings

Monday, March 6th

6:30 AM †Brandy Magdos, Mildred Pavlu, †Rafael Wasielewski
 8:30 AM †Carol Lorance, †Hermann Dehnew, †Jeff Wild

Tuesday, March 7th

6:30 AM †Consepcion Arias, Joanne Hlvanka, Glenn Hannigan
 8:30 AM †Rosemary Stifler, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of
 John & Agnes Susil, Jerome Karam - Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, March 8th

6:30 AM Lola Ditta, Dee Dee Fussel, Jim Tinney
 6:30 PM †Pat Debbrecht, †Elizabeth Hurd, Respect Life

Thursday, March 9th

6:30 AM †Sherry Costello, †Patrick & †Gertrude Garland,
 Jane Swibel
 8:30 AM †Mike Vukelich, †Jesus Arevalo, Jessica & Mike Harris

Friday, March 10th

6:30 AM †Cari Zansler, †Norman Donegan, Madeline Gregory
 8:30 AM †Anne Kouba, †Peter Leos, †Cari Zansler

Saturday, March 11th

8:30 AM †Brian Phifer, Mary Queen Staff, Earthquake Victims in
 Turkey & Syria
 5:30 PM †Juliaa Krajca, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the
 Smart Family, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of
 the Gleeson Family

Sunday, March 12th

7:30 AM †Adam Guyot, †Gene Knapp, Living & Deceased Loved
 Ones of Clint & Dottie Carlin
 9:30 AM †Anne Kouba, †Allen Brandt, Kyle Post-Birthday Blessings
 11:30 AM †Joe Hartman, †Justin Springer, †Juan Carlos Pujalt
 4:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

2nd Sunday of Lent: March 5

That we let our light shine before others and be a bold witness
 of our faith!

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's
 house to a land that I will show you." Genesis 12:1

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow
 Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways
 that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism,
 selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show us a new
 land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of
 Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful, God calls
 us to be faithful."

TIME • TALENT • TREASURE

Offertory: February 11, 2023 - February 17, 2023

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$38,095.39

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$41,727.27

Difference: (-\$3,631.88)

MP-Debt Reduction: \$1,527.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$196.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$775.00

**Loan Balance as of February 27, 2023 was
\$1,676,676.94.**

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

Upcoming 2nd Collections

March 12 - Easter Flowers

March 19 - Catholic Relief Services Collection

March 26 - IGNITE Sunday

Diocesan Services Fund

2023 DSF Summary as of February 27, 2023

Parish Goal: \$185,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$11,223.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 58

Total Number of Gifts received: 61

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 February 27, 2023

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$441,341.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,936.28

Total Number of Gifts Received: 1,462

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.



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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/

ARCHIVES & ROOM RESERVATIONS

To request a copy of your parish records or to update your personal information, contact Anita Shorosky at
anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

For room reservations and/or to schedule calendar events, contact Rose Mary at baezrm@maryqueenchurch.org.

- SACRAMENTS -



Sacrament of Baptism

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



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 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

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Sunday, March 12, 2023

2:00 PM - St. Joseph Chapel

The Respect Life Ministry invites all to attend a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Respect All Life, **Sunday, March 12, 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

Lent is an important time to focus on how our stewardship way of life causes us to sacrifice and, at times, experience hardship. If we find that we never seem to feel our sacrifice, then it is a good time to ask ourselves if we really are fully living as good stewards, cultivating what we have been given, and then offering it all back to God. If we only give from our excess, then we will never understand the meaning behind the words from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy, "Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God." His words point to our own responsibility as a disciple, as well as the reality that we are not alone. We live with God in community. We each have our part to play in the kingdom of God.


This is why we must challenge ourselves. We must push ourselves to go that extra mile. It really is a way of exercising our stewardship muscles. So as this Lenten season is still in its first weeks, what can you attempt to do that really pushes you out of your comfort zone? Can you double or triple your prayer time during the season? Can you search your household and give to charity more than just things you don't need anymore, but also things you still want? Is there someone to visit a few times before Easter that can no longer get out? Whatever it is, the strength will come from God to take greater care of your part of His everything.

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Hosted By
Fr. Joe Everton, M.S.
& Br. David Eubank, M.S.

The Missionaries of La Salette present a
Come and Click
Online Discernment Event
Monday, March 6
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
LASALETTEVOICATIONS@GMAIL.COM
TO REGISTER FOR THIS DISCUSSION

MARY QUEEN KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS COUNCIL 8494

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Supporting Friendswood community organizations

TUESDAY MARCH 21, 2023

12:30 PM REGISTRATION - 1:30 PM START
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To register or for more information contact

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Second Sunday of Lent

Today we are following Jesus up on a high mountain with Peter, James, and John. There they see Jesus "transfigured," his face like the sun and his clothes as white as light. Jesus is there conversing with Moses and Elijah.

What are we to make of this image of Jesus, the earthly teacher of this small band of disciples? They were merely followers of a teacher, a rabbi. When they see this and hear a voice proclaiming, "This is my beloved Son..." they begin to realize this man is more than just a rabbi. However, Jesus tells them to keep this a secret until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.

Well, they have no idea what this means. Therefore, they continue to follow him as if he was just a human, a teacher. However, we live in the time after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead. Now it is we who must proclaim the good news of Jesus, the Son of God the Father.

Take this week and think about how, in your own way, you can proclaim through your words and deeds that Jesus is your savior, your teacher, and rabbi.

Lenten Almsgiving

Charity is a frequent and important theme of the Gospels. As individual members of Mary Queen, each of us is called to focus more closely on almsgiving during Lent. Almsgiving is the outward action of donating money or goods to the poor as a reflection of your love for Jesus.

This year during Lent we are asking every person/family to donate the following items to our Food Pantry. When you come to Mass each weekend, please place the items in the Food Pantry Donation Box located in the church Narthex. Items can also be dropped off at the Food Pantry Monday – Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM.

March 4/5	Peanut Butter and Jelly
March 11/12	Snacks, Crackers, Cookies
March 18/19	Soup, Chili, Ravioli, Spam, Tuna
March 25/26	Oil, Sugar, Mayo, Mustard, Ketchup
April 1 /2	Toilet Paper, Shampoo, Dish Soap, Laundry Soap

"It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin. Those who regularly give alms shall enjoy a full life."
(Tob 12:8-9)



The Long Walk

The walk down from Mount Tabor after the Transfiguration must have been a long one for Peter, James, and John. How differently they must have viewed the world with the eyes that had seen what they had just seen. How uncertain they must have been.

I think it's important to remember that, on the mountain, they were amazed, yes — but first, they were afraid. We are given the image of these three grown men — these saints, these giants of salvation history — cowering in fear at the voice of God. It was not until Jesus touched them that they could even bear to look up.

Christ was transfigured on Tabor, but in a way, the disciples were transfigured as well. We are all changed by what we see and what we hear. That change can be hard because knowledge is hard. Truth is hard. Sometimes cowering is easier.

Go forth, God told Abram. I will make of you a great nation.

Rise, Christ told his disciples. And do not be afraid.

I spend too much time cowering in fear at the voice of God. I cower even when the voice whispers into my heart instead of booming from the clouds. When it's the start of a hard day or a tough conversation. When it's the middle of a half-finished battle, big or small. When I know where Christ is and what he is asking, but I'm afraid because the walk down the mountain is so long, and the world that awaits me is so uncertain.

"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you." — Psalm 33

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Fr. Jim's 50th Ordination Celebration!

Sunday, May 14th

Following the 11:30 AM Mass

More information to follow.



Daily Readings

Sunday, March 5

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Monday, March 6

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 7

Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 8

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 9

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 10

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 11

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday, March 12

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



March 5, 2023

2nd Sunday of Lent

As a kid I remember looking at my sister and thinking, "No man is ever going to marry her. She is way too...my sister!" I couldn't see her as anything except my goofy, emotional, cooties-laden sister. Years later, on her wedding day, I remember seeing how her husband looked at her, he was totally in love with her, his watery eyes full of overwhelmed joy, drinking in her beauty and grace. He was the one who actually saw her. Blinded by familiarity, I had not been able to see her until now. She was glorious. I finally saw how beautiful my sister really was.

Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James, and John. His face shone like the sun and his clothes dazzle with heavenly light. If it's a miracle, it is so related to the apostles' perception of the glory of Jesus. The physical spectacle reveals how the Father perceives the Son, so to speak: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to him." The Son is always bathed in the Father's love. It's only just now that they finally perceive it.

Who could possibly give his or her heart totally to Jesus? If we perceive him to be just another teacher, symbol, or moral example, we can't. But if the Holy Spirit gives us eyes to see that he is the Beloved Son of God, who makes our humanity not just pleasing to God but filled with glory ... then who can resist him? Perhaps only the lovers are the ones who properly see.

— Father John Muir

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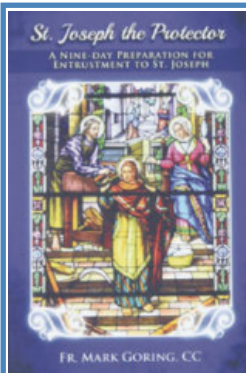
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All men are welcome to Spring 2023 Semester of 'That Man is You!' Join us for food, fellowship and faith on Wednesday mornings from 5:45 am - 7:00 am in the Main Hall.

The great thing about this program is that even if you stopped coming in the past, now you can jump into this new content!

Please contact Eby Kurian to sign up.



The institutions of our world are under attack, the family is under attack, and even the Church is under attack. We need a defender. Saint Joseph is the defender of the family and the protector of the Holy Church. We are offering a nine-day entrustment to Saint Joseph. This program will build your devotion to Saint Joseph whether you have previously consecrated to him or not. After the Blessed Virgin Mary, there is no saint in the Catholic Church who is more highly honored than Saint Joseph.

This nine-day entrustment will follow the book by Father Mark Goring, *St. Joseph the Protector*. The book will be made available to participants. The group will meet for 30-45 minutes a day from March 11th-19th.

When we entrust ourselves to Saint Joseph, we are imitating Jesus and Mary who entrusted themselves to this just man. Those who have a devotion to St. Joseph, like St. Faustina, "feel his special protection." He can also be your protector.

To register, please contact - Eby Kurian:
ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org

The RCIA hospitality team needs your time and talent! We provide a meal each week for the RCIA sessions on Thursday evenings to promote a sense of togetherness and community for our catechumens and candidates who will be coming into the church at Easter and what better way to do that than breaking bread together. There are several ways to help: you can provide a home cooked meal, cater a meal, or even give a monetary donation. If you or your ministry would like to help, please contact Stephanie Hermes at (281) 610-6267 or email stephaniehermes10@yahoo.com.



The Sanctuary Course for Catholics

Continues to meet on Tuesdays from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in Mary's House. Sessions started on January 17, 2023 and run through March 21, 2023.

Please contact Eby Kurian if you would like to participate.

Thank You for Your Hospitality
and Generosity

Thank you for volunteering for the Archdiocesan Rite of Election!

It was a beautiful liturgy where we had the privilege to witness the renewal of our Catholic Faith and growth in our Church! These new Elect and Candidates continue their Journey of Faith as they move to the third stage in the RCIA process called 'Purification and Enlightenment'.

Mary Queen again welcomed our guests with joy and kindness. Thank you for your generosity and patience. This Liturgy would not have been as successful without your help. Let's continue praying for one another, the catechumens, and candidates we are accompanying.

May this Lent be a prayerful and contemplative season so that we may arrive at the joy of Easter refreshed and ready!

From the Mary Queen RCIA team, myself, and our Elect and Candidates, thank you for your support in this process and commitment to Mary Queen Catholic Church.

Eby Kurian



**Terri Ryan, Director for Adolescent
Catechesis & Evangelization**
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Welcome all registered High School teens to
CAST faith formation night. All CAST meetings are
from 5:45pm-7:15pm.



Below are the upcoming meeting dates:

Mar. 26th
Apr. 2nd, 16th, 23rd

Welcome all registered Jr High youth to Ark
Sundays. All Ark meetings are from 3:00pm-4:15pm.

Below are the upcoming meeting dates:

Mar. 26th
Apr. 2nd, 16th, 23rd



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

CAST Mandatory Parent Night

Special Presentation by Kimberly Zember
from Overcome

Sunday, March 26th from 5:45-7:00pm
in the Church

All Ark Parents are also invited to join us for this
very important Catechetical Event



Carol Stuart, Director for Elementary Faith Formation
281- 482-1391 Ext. 333
cstuart@maryqueenchurch.org

Tuesday and Wednesday Faith Formation Classes:

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

Tuesday Class Dates:	Wednesday Class Dates:
March 7th, 28th	March 8th, 29th
April 4th, 18th, 25th	April 5th, 19th, 26th

Sunday Classes

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

K & RCIA YR 1 & 2:

March 26th
April 2nd, 16th, 23rd



FIRST COMMUNION

Upcoming 1st Holy Communion Classes

Student only classes:

Thursdays from 6:30 - 7:30 PM
March 9th, March 23rd, March 30th, April 13th

Interviews for Parent and Child:
April 20th @ 6:30 PM

Professional Photographer (optional):
May 4th from 4:30 - 7:30 PM
Inside the Church

1st Holy Communion Rehearsal:
May 11th @ 6:30 PM inside the Church

**The Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion will take
place on Saturday, May 13th at 10:00 AM.**





First Friday Family Fun



The First Friday Family Fun Ministry invites you to an evening of yummy fun with family and friends!

Pajamas, Pancakes, and Prayers

Friday April 14th (2nd Friday this month)
6:00-8:00 PM in the Mary Queen Main Hall

Please RVSP to Carol Stuart at
cstuart@maryqueenchurch.org.

Stations of the Cross

Join us for the remaining Friday evenings in the season of Lent for Stations of the Cross at 7 PM in the church.

See our schedule:



Friday, March 10th - Mary Queen Ministries
Friday, March 17th - Fr. Jim
Friday, March 24th - La Salette Laity
Friday, March 31st - Youth Ministry

Lenten Fish Fry

Fridays During Lent
February 24th – March 31st
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

All parishioners, families, friends, and the public are invited to enjoy a \$15.00 Fried Catfish Box Dinner each Friday during Lent.

Location: Mary Queen Catholic Church Main Hall
You May Dine-In or Drive-Thru

Purchase Tickets and Pick-up Meals in the Main Hall

Box Dinners will include American farm-raised catfish, cole slaw, hush puppies, French fries and sweet corn-on-the-cob.

Coordinated and prepared by the Mary Queen Knights of Columbus Council 8494 as a charity fundraiser.

Members of various Mary Queen ministries will assist.

**PLEASE COME & SUPPORT YOUR KNIGHTS
AND YOUR CHURCH MINISTRIES!**

ACTS Core Team - Positions Available!

Find descriptions of the open Core positions and the discernment form at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/acts. If you are interested in deepening your service to our MQ ACTS community and want to apply for a Core position, please complete the form and return to William Stone at wstone65@gmail.com. You may also email William if you have any additional questions.

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Camera Crewmembers Needed

We are in need of substitutes for our regular Livestreamers. We are especially in need of those who can volunteer during the week for daily Mass and for funerals. No experience is necessary! We will train you to use the equipment and software. For more information, contact Sofia Medrano, Communications Coordinator, at smedrano@maryqueenchurch.org.



Save The Date!

Calling all women, please mark your calendars now! The next Women's ACTS Retreat is scheduled for May 18-21, 2023 at the Christian Renewal Center (CRC) in Dickinson, TX. Registration forms will be available soon.

Join the Mary Queen Vocations Ministry!

The ministry works to bring prayer, affirmation, and awareness to vocations. For more information or to join, contact MQVocations@gmail.com.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Fr. Sibi's Pastoral Installation

Save the Date!

Our former Parochial Vicar, Fr. Sibi, will officially be installed as Pastor of his new parish, St. Theresa in Sulphur, LA on March 25th!

More details to follow.

Masses Added During Lent

As in previous years, there will be a 6:30 AM Mass, Monday – Friday and an 8:30 AM Mass on the Saturdays of Lent. There are many Mass Intentions available for these additional Masses.

If you have reached your quota for the year, you may schedule additional Mass Intentions during any of these 6:30 AM Masses. Please see Anita in the office to schedule a Mass.

Walking Through Grief

The Ministry of Compassion at Mary Queen is offering a nine week DVD series, Walking Through Grief. This series is designed to supply tools to the bereaved for finding hope along this difficult journey. The classes will be held in Mary's House on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00PM and will begin on March 8. Walking Through Grief is open to all. This series will be facilitated by Dr. Venette Westhoven and Connie Austin MA-LPC.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris at chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org

Knights of Columbus Mary Queen Council 8494 Announces 2023-2024 College Education Grant Applications



The Knights of Columbus are again pleased to announce the return of College Education Grant Applications for the school year beginning in the fall of 2023!

Applications will be available at the Parish reception desk during regular office hours or by contacting H. Dana Milburn at danamilburn@icloud.com.

For an electronic copy of the application, please visit www.bit.ly/3JhYCGb.

Education Grants will be awarded to graduating high school students and college students who demonstrate financial need. Guidelines and requirements for the education grant applicants are included on the first page of the application.

Application Deadline: Fully completed applications and transcripts must be received by April 7, 2023.

For more information or if you have any questions, contact Dana Milburn at 832-570-2165.

Lenten Penance Service

St. Mary Catholic Church
LaPorte

Tuesday, March 7th

St. Luke Catholic Church

Wednesday, March 8th

St. Bernadette Catholic Church

Thursday, March 9th

St. Paul Catholic Church

Tuesday, March 14th

St. Helen Catholic Church

Thursday, March 16th

Mary Queen Catholic Church

Tuesday, March 21st

MQ Pastoral Council Needs Your Support!

INVITATION TO NOMINATE

LIFETIME PARISH SERVICE AWARD

The Pastoral Council wishes to honor one person or couple each year with a special recognition – the Mary Queen Lifetime Parish Service Award. The nominee should be an individual or couple who has given of their time and talent to make Mary Queen Church a more vibrant gospel community over their years as a registered member of the parish. The nominee must be a registered, confirmed member with a minimum of 25 years at the parish, and cannot be a member of the Pastoral Council or the Pastoral Staff. The Pastoral Council will confirm the good works of the nominees with the Pastor and Parochial Vicar before the final selection of the recipient.

2023 Lifetime Parish Service Award Nomination Forms can be submitted online, from the Mary Queen website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/mary-queen-councils.

Paper nomination forms can also be submitted in the drop box at the welcome desk in the church Narthex or in the drop box at the Reception desk in the Parish Center. Paper nomination forms will be located next to the drop box. **The deadline for submission of forms is 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 10th, 2023.**

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Bus Trip to the Houston Livestock Show & Fairgrounds

Wednesday, March 8th
Meet at St. Bernadette Catholic Church
15500 El Camino Real

The bus will leave at 8:45 AM and return at 4:00 PM.
Men & women 55 years of age or older are welcome.

Cost is \$15.

Food and rides will be on your own. (No concert)

Sponsored by Bay Area Council of Catholic Women.

For more information or to RSVP by March 6th,
contact Susie Balfour at 713-254-2815 or
sbalfour2009@gmail.com.

Magnify

All young adults are invited to join us for Magnify at
St. Mary's Seminary (9845 Memorial Dr., Houston)
on Saturday, April 1, from 12 to 7 p.m.

Magnify, formerly known as the Archdiocesan Young
Adult Day, will include a keynote speaker, workshops,
Mass, and time for social activities.

Early bird registration is \$40 (register by March 12) or
regular cost is \$50 (register by March 26). At the door
cost is \$60. All details for the day are available online at
www.archgh.org/magnify.

Catholic Women's Conference

Faith ~ Fun ~ Fellowship ~ Food

Saturday, March 25

9:30 AM – 5 PM

St. Mary's Seminary

Cost: \$59

Early registration is now open!

Register at www.ghcw.org

Speakers: Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of
the Eucharist, Lisa May, and Kim Brown

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Capt Stephen Chauvin, AB Nicholas Chavez,
Capt Benjamin Clements, A1C Miles Coleman,
A1C Alexis Copeland, A1C Phillip Downey,
Lt Col Bashir El-Khoury, Capt James Gregory,
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PO1 Anthony Rinehart, PO3 Kyle Shenkir, Jr.,
SN Rand Smith, CAPT Mike Svatek

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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.

March 19—Already submitted

March 26—March 7

April 2—March 13



"At that time Jesus was led by the
Spirit into the desert to be tempted
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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
†Anne Kouba
March 4th through March 10th

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.

~ In Memoriam ~

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

† Prudence Lobo, mother of Petra Soares

† Judith Cutrer, mother of Katherine Cox

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.



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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 Peggine Madison at 281-482-2860.



Mary Queen Seniors (60+)

Mary Queen Seniors (60+) 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.



Lent All Year Round

Question:

Lent always seems to help me renew my relationship with God and strengthen my religious practice. What are some suggestions as to what I could do to

achieve that the rest of the year?

Answer:

The obvious answer may seem to be to do whatever you do during Lent all year round. But part of the power of Lent is that we focus as a community on renewing our faith and preparing for Easter. Our Lenten practices have a purpose and a goal. Therein lies the secret. When we focus our efforts on one virtue, or try to change one bad habit, or seek to deepen our understanding of one aspect of faith, we focus our efforts and give our full attention to what we are trying to accomplish. We tend to be more successful achieving our goals. More importantly, it has a ripple effect in our lives: one thing changes or is added to the spiritual mix of our lives and many aspects are changed.

All too often we leave our spiritual growth to chance and the practice of faith to habit, and then wonder why we have no sense of growth or progress. Think of it in terms of exercise. We walk, lift weights, bend and stretch to attain the maximum benefit from what we do. In addition, to keep those benefits, we eat healthy foods and get enough vitamins and rest. Spirituality requires the same kind of attention: we pray, fast, read the Bible, receive sacraments, and do charitable work to maximize the benefits of practicing faith. Keeping Lent year round keeps us in spiritual shape!

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Be A Prayerful Steward

When my children were younger, they could make me laugh and sometimes cry. I would have conversations about animals, nature, outer space, and so many amazing things in life. I would play with them one day and then work to bandage a boo-boo the next. There were so many dynamics to our relationship. However, one aspect was my favorite. It was when one of them would snuggle up next to me on the couch silently, often leading to sleep. There was no better feeling, and I didn't want to move for anything. It is crazy to think of all the things we would do together, and my favorite was when we essentially were doing nothing.



Do you think God desires a portion of you? Without a doubt, He wants all of you: the good, the bad, and the ugly. Walking with Him daily is so important, and we can never become the disciples and stewards we need to be without a deepening relationship. Yet, prayer is not just talking and listening. It is also being. We sometimes seek to communicate so much and do so many things that we forget the value of stewardship of presence. The giving of ourselves completely to another often requires us to simply be with that person. We feel their presence. We rest in their being. No words are needed because words would destroy the moment. This is what we are called to in a relationship with God. This is good stewardship because it is about giving of our very presence to God and receiving strength from that resting in Him. Sometimes, all we need is to snuggle up to our God on the couch.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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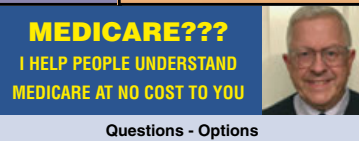
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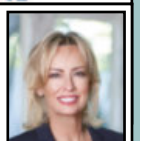
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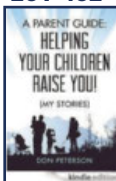


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