

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



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

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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.



May: Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday, May 21st

Gabriel Project Baby Shower Collection (After All Masses) Knights of Columbus Casino Ticket Sales (After All Masses)

	W	omen's	ACTS	Retreat -	- CRC
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8:00 AM - 11:00 PM Gabriel Project Baby Items Storage - Bride's Room 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM Women's ACTS Retreat Return Meal- Main Hall-Kitchen 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Baptisms - Church Monday, May 22nd 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM Gabriel Project Baby Items Storage - Bride's Room Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM Special Friends Program - Main Hall - Kitchen Memorial Mass - Fr. Trey - Church 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Men's Small Study Group - AFF - Rm 110/Library 6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Merit Badge Workshop - Scout Troop - Rm 114/115 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Boy Scout Troop Meeting - Youth Center 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group - Rm 113 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Tuesday, May 23rd 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM Gabriel Project Baby Items Storage - Bride's Room 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Mary Queen Seniors - Mini Hall Mary's Chain of Love - Rm 114/115 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM 'Wild Goose Series' Bible Study - AFF - Rm 119 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM "I Believe in Love" Summer Book Study - AFF -Rm 110/Library

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Joyful Lights - Mary's House 4:30 PM Exposition for 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

St. Cecilia Ensemble Music Rehearsal - Choir Room Youth Band Music Rehearsal - Choir Room - Church Bible Timeline Study Group - Mary's House

Wednesday, May 24th

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

5:45 AM - 7:00 AM

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Saturday, May 27th 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

"That Man Is You!"- Summer Series- Main Hall - Kitchen 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Christian Meditation Prayer Group - Mary's House 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Queen Bee Quilters - Mini Hall Confessions - Church 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Walking Through Grief - Mary's House Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel 5:45 PM - 6:00 PM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Young Adults & College Students Small Group Sessions - AFF - Mary's House Mary Queen Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room 7:15 PM - 8:30 PM 7:15 PM - 8:15 PM Pastoral Finance Council - Rm 114/115

Thursday, May 25th 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA - "Evangelization Sessions" - Main Hall Friday, May 26th

Mexico City Pilgrimage Reunion - Mini Hall

Prayer Group - Bob Larson - Rm 110/Library Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House Quinceanera Mass - Batres - Church Reconciliation - Church





Saturday, May 20th

5:30 PM **†**Greg Castano, Jim & Carla Martin – Anniversary Blessings, Hugh & Mary Jean Chatron – Anniversary Blessings

Sunday, May 21st

†Nellie Sola, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of 7:30 AM Clint & Dottie Carlin, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Chavez Family

9:30 AM †Ernie Heeb, †Gloria Cruz, Sara Sokora

11:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

4:30 PM †Debi Reyes, Jacob Alaniz, Nicholas Buttacoli

Monday, May 22nd

8:30 AM †Juliana Krajca, †Bennie Cruse, †Philip Lacour

Tuesday, May 23rd

8:30 AM †Jonathan Shores, †Debra Reyes, †Fred LaBauve, Andrew & Heather Mambretti – Anniversary Blessings

Wednesday, May 24th

†Jim Curdie, **†**Pat Thomas, Mae Belvis 6:30 PM

Thursday, May 25th

†Harvey Jeffrey, †Oscar & †Cecilia Rivas, 8:30 AM **†**Aurora Jaramillo

Friday, May 26th

8:30 AM †Julia Gomez, †Lesbia Burgus, Margo Crowder – Birthday Blessings, Fr. Robert Ippolito – 50th Anniversary of Ordination

Saturday, May 27th

5:30 PM **†**Roger Stanfield, **†**Carolina Martinez, Curtis Post – Birthday Blessings

Sunday, May 28th

7:30 AM **†**Sue Carlow, **†**Carmen Cononie, **†**Msgr. Bennie Patillou Sam & Joy Barnard, Emilia Bunao, David & Leslie 9:30 AM Gautreaux – Anniversary Blessings

11:30 AM **†**Tony Diotalevi, **†**Al Welling, **†**Estela Rivadenyra

4:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

7th Sunday of Easter: May 21 (The Ascension of the Lord)

That we learn to pray not only in bad times, but also in good times. Pray for family, friends and those that may not treat us well.

"I am praying for them..." John 17:9

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Praver is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

TIME-TALENT-TREASURE

Offertory: April 29, 2023 - May 5, 2023

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$26,110.75 Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$23,250.00

Difference: \$2,860.75

MP-Debt Reduction: \$1,634.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$996.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$1,485.00

Loan Balance as of May 15, 2023 was \$1,546,241.99.

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

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

June 4 - Future Development June 11 - St. Mary Seminary - Corpus Christi

Diocesan Services Fund 2023 DSF Summary as of May 15, 2023

Parish Goal: \$185,000.00 Total Amount Paid: \$69,473.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 206

Total Number of Gifts received: 282

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 May 15, 2023

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$466,775.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,936.28

Total Number of Gifts Received: 1,606

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 272

Total Number of Mary Queen Households: 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit

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

Want to switch from envelopes to online giving?

Scan the QR code to make a one-time gift or set up recurring gifts today!





Current Mary Queen Parishioners Update Your Family Information

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

- 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.
- 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 https://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.





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.



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

Sunday, June 11, 2023 2:00 PM - St. Joseph Chapel

The Respect Life Ministry invites all to attend a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Respect All Life, **Sunday**, **June 11**, **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.



I remember watching part of a college graduation address where the speaker said, "With this degree you are commissioned to go into the world and make a difference." The imagery conjured up in my mind by the use of the word "commissioned" was pretty powerful. I thought about the commissioning of military officers and the responsibility they took on for the lives of their subordinates but also the lives of those they protected. To me the word meant something very serious and solemn. It meant huge responsibility and expectation.

In the Bible, Jesus gives what we call the Great Commission: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Mt 28:19-20a).

The word commission makes this more than a suggestion or a hope. There is an expectation, a responsibility, and a mandate. Of course, did you wake up this morning thinking about how you would fulfill the Great Commission today? Sharing the faith is not just something we should do; it is something we must do. The key is that you don't need to speak all the time to share. It will be through your life of stewardship that others will be able to see Jesus. By giving of yourself, by always responding to the call, and by surrendering all to God, you will lead others to become disciples, to seek out the sacraments, and to observe his teachings. Responding in full to the Great Commission makes great thing happen.



Fr. Jim celebrated
Daily Mass on his 50th
Anniversary of Ordination
on Friday, May 12th.

Addressing the crowd during his 50th Anniversary Luncheon Celebration on Sunday, May 14th.



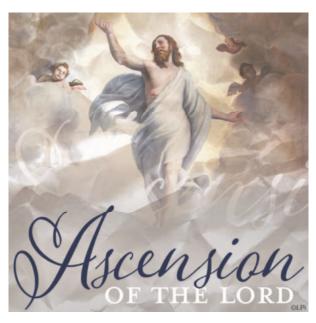
Fr. Jim receiving a special blessing on Sunday, May 14th.



Clergy members present for Fr. Jim's Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 14th.



View more photos from Fr. Jim's Anniversary weekend on our website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/parish-photos.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Have you heard the Good News? If you're reading this, chances are you probably have. You've heard the good news that God became man and that Jesus suffered, died, and rose for you, me, and everyone in between.

Do you know you're part of it?

Jesus' Ascension can leave us in a place of confusion. Where did he go? Many times when we think of those who have died, we imagine escape from this world to a purely spiritual place. What happens to Jesus? And why does this matter to us?

The Ascension has been confirmed in the Creed for two millennia. In Jesus' Ascension, we're invited to consider our own ultimate end. Regardless of death's reality now, we believe in the resurrection of the body and the reunification of body and soul.

One day, earth and heaven will meet perfectly and without end. We anticipate this "new heaven and a new earth" at every Mass and throughout the beauty, truth, and love of the Church and her members.

This Sunday, we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord. When Jesus ascended into heaven, he gave specific directions to his Apostles. "Go and make disciples of all nations." They listened! They made disciples, who made disciples, who made disciples, who made disciples, on down the centuries. And here we are!

So what's next? The truth is that we're all commissioned and sent. It happened at our baptism, when we were made sharers in this sacred mission of Jesus. Who will make the next disciples? Hopefully it's you!

On Ascension Sunday, we celebrate a foreshadowing of the fullness we all await!



Seeking Christ in One Another

The funeral luncheon, the Irish wake, the vigil at an ailing loved one's bedside: in times of crisis, people gather. In moments of sadness, fear, and confusion, we gravitate toward one another. For some reason, the feelings are so much more bearable when we are not alone.

I'm sure that the disciples and their companions, gathered in the upper room after the Lord's Ascension, did all of the things we typically do at these functions. I'm sure they hugged and talked and shared food, processing together the remarkable events they had witnessed.

But we don't hear about any of that. We hear only that they prayed — fervently, and together.

Saint John Paul II famously said that "it is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness; He is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you." And I think that, whenever we gather, in good times or in bad, we think we are seeking companionship — but we are actually seeking God.

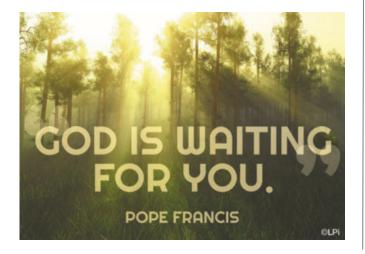
As I think back on the last few crisis-gatherings my family has had, I try to remember when we have stopped everything to pray together. I can think of a few times, but to be honest, they are too few. We are usually occupied with more practical tasks: planning the funeral, talking to the doctor, making the decisions, ordering the food. Just trying to survive through it.

But this is the busywork of sorrow, and it is a waste of our time. We would do better to follow the example of the disciples and remember that, in these dire moments, God is waiting for us.

"Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks."

— Psalm 27

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Sunday, May 21

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 (13)/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

Monday, May 22

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday, May 23

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday, May 24

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday, May 25

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday, May 26

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday, May 27

Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Sunday, May 28

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/JI 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23



PRAY & REFLECT

May 21, 2023 7th Sunday of Easter

Traditionally, the four writers of the Gospels are symbolized by four creatures that make their way into Church art and architecture: Matthew, an angel; Mark, a lion; Luke, an ox; and John, an eagle. These images can be found in churches across the world, a nod to those who recorded the stories of Jesus for us, thousands of years ago.

Today's Gospel was written by John. There are a few reasons why John is symbolized by an eagle, but my favorite explanation is that his writings soar like an eagle into the sky with their beautiful, poetic language. The prayer we hear today is no different — Jesus invokes God in a long discourse that might seem mystifying at times, the same way that a poem can be perplexing to understand when we are unfamiliar with the pacing or format.

Consider holding onto the shortest sentence in this prayer: "I pray for them."

Jesus prays for us. For me. For you.

Let that sink deep into your being.

Jesus is on your side. He is aware of what you are holding at this moment. He is aware of your pain, your faith, your mission. And He's rooting for you. This prayer was recorded thousands of years ago, far before you were born. Since before you were born, you were held in prayer. With that certainty, we live.

Father John Muir ©LPi



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After successfully completing 6th Year of TMIY program in Our Parish we are bringing back the Year 1 – Spring Semester content this summer!

Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart

May 10th - August 9th

Wednesday Mornings - 5:45 AM - 7:00 AM - Main Hall.

Combining the latest science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints, Becoming a Man after God's Own Heart develops the vision of man fully alive. It makes an honest assessment of challenges facing men today and provides a practical path to transformation by focusing on man's relationship with God and introducing the 7 Steps to superabundance.

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

Registration is FREE! Please contact: Eby Kurian,
Director of Adult Faith Formation & RCIA ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org or 281- 482-1391 x319.



An In-Depth Exploration of Salvation History

The Bible Timeline® study program, which began on April 25th, continues to meet on Tuesdays at 7 PM at Mary's House.

For more information, please contact Eby Kurian.



College Students & Young Adults Summer Faith Sharing Small Group & Bible Study

Small Group Gatherings will begin immediately after the 6:30 PM Holy Mass on Wednesdays from May 24th at Mary's House.

We will begin with the Holy Mass at 6:30 PM in the Church & Small Group Discussions at 7 PM in Mary's House. Meetings will last until 8:30 PM.

For more information & to signup, please contact: Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & RCIA – ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org



Please pray for all 9 Adult Candidates & their Sponsors to be filled with the Holy Spirit as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 28th, Pentecost Sunday, during the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.

With Prayerful Wishes,

Mary Queen RCIA & Adult Confirmation Team





Terri Ryan, Director for Adolescent Catechesis & Evangelization 281- 482-1391 Ext. 317 tryan@maryqueenchurch.org

Mark your Calendars!

We are switching gears to Summer Activities!

High School Summer Bible Study - The Search takes place on the following Wednesdays: July 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, August 2nd, 9th from 3:00-4:30 PM in the St. Charbel Youth Center

> St. Charbel Youth Center High School Summer Open Hours

Wednesdays from 1-3 PM June 14th through August 9th

(All Open Hours are paused until June as we prepare for Fall Registration – Thanks for your understanding!)



AYC Registration is open now! Visit our website to register today: www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/ayc.



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

Congratulations to our youth who received their First Holy Communion last Saturday!



Dearest Elementary Faith Formation Catechists,

Thank you for your dedication to Elementary Faith Formation during the 2022-2023 school year. We have enjoyed seeing your passion of faith carried out in your weekly lesson plans. We have thoroughly enjoyed the beautiful differences each one of you brings all the same knowing we each have a common thread for the love of God and our Catholic Faith. Your compassion and kindness towards our students are an inspiration to Mary Queen. We are incredibly grateful by your humbled efforts, and we want you to know that your work has not gone unnoticed.

Keeping you in prayer.
Amen.

Carol Stuart
Director for Elementary Faith Formation

Catechists: Summer is a great time to take a virtual or in person class on the Old Testament, New Testament, Catholic History... and more.

These are classes offered through the Archdiocese to deepen the Catholic Faith. Deepening of our faith is so important to Mary Queen that we have set aside a small budget available for assistance. Classes will be offered as we move toward summer.

To learn more, visit www.archgh.org/oec/ftcm.



First Friday Family Fun



The First Friday Family Fun Ministry is hosting Pets & Popsicles on Friday, June 2nd!

We will provide the

popsicles and you bring your dog or favorite stuffed pet with you! We will meet from 6-7 PM at the Dog Park in Friendswood: 1101 Merriewood Dr. Friendswood, TX 77546 and then walk over to Stevenson Park from 7-8 PM to play on the playground and listen to the concert in the park!

Hope to see you all for this FUN event! To give us a good headcount of how many people to expect, please RSVP here: bit.ly/1stFriPets.

Baby Shower - This Weekend!

The Knights of Columbus Council 8494 and the Mary Queen Gabriel Project are teaming up to host a Baby Shower to help and support local mothers in our area who have said "YES" to life. We will host our Baby Shower in honor of Mary, Mother of God after all Masses on May 20-21.

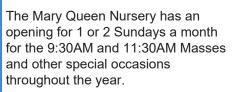
Please support this effort with monetary donations and by providing baby items such as maternity & baby clothes, diapers, wipes, baby wash, baby lotion, baby detergent, and other baby items for mothers in need.



Donations can be dropped off in the church Narthex before and after all Masses on May 20-21. Credit Card donations can be made using the QR code or at bit.ly/asapshower.

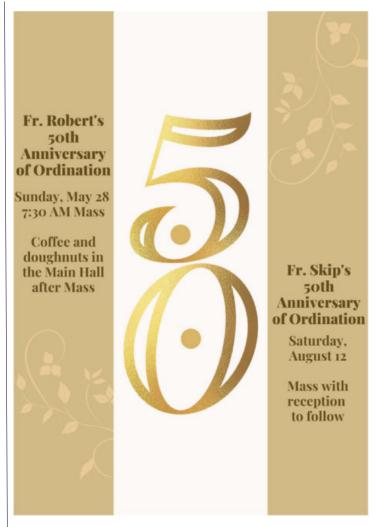
Please consider providing ongoing support by selecting the monthly giving option or by donating baby and maturity items monthly. Items can be dropped off at the drop-off point in the Narthex at any time. Please pray for life and donate for life. God bless.

Open Staff Position: Nursery Assistant Adult Help Wanted





The applicant must be 18 years or older and be CMG Certified or willing to obtain certification after being hired. For more information or to apply, please contact Noelia Murphy, Nursery Coordinator, at noelia murphy@yahoo.com.



Altar Server Training

Open to youth finishing the 3rd grade through High School who have received their First Communion.

The Training Sessions are from 6 - 7 PM in the Church every Thursday from June 1st through August 3rd.

To become an altar server, the child needs to attend three sessions, not necessarily in consecutive weeks.

Current servers need to attend one session as a refresher. No need for registration. For questions please contact Rick or Dianne Valdez at valdezrick@hotmail.com or valdezdianne@hotmail.com or 281-996-1679.



Casino Night is back on June 17th

with a Western wear theme!

Tickets will be sold after Masses starting May 20th.

Table dealers are needed If you are interested,
contact:
Anthony Dittrich
281.808.5322
anthonydittrich@gmail.com

Congratulations, Tino!

Mary Queen's current Jr High Coordinator, Tino Quiocho, will be promoted to Associate Youth Minister and Confirmation Coordinator beginning July 1st, 2023! Tino has assisted in many High School events and with the CAST program for the past year and a half. He is currently working towards his Master's in Theology with the Augustine Institute and has a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A&M University Corpus Christi. Tino will continue to work in collaboration with Terri Ryan, the current Director of Adolescent Catechesis and Evangelization as she works towards reducing some of her current responsibilities. Tino and Terri are both looking forward to this transition.

Part-Time Help Wanted

Mary Queen is hiring a part-time Jr High Coordinator with a target start date of July 2023. The responsibilities of this position include: Coordinate and Implement the Sunday Ark program (Jr High Faith Formation) in collaboration with the Ark Core Team and The Director of Adolescent Catechesis and Evangelization, Coordinate and Chaperone the youth participants for the Annual Archdiocesan Jr High Extreme Challenge, plan and implement Jr High summer camp, and coordinate appropriate St. Charbel Youth Center Activities for Jr High aged adolescents, such as Bible studies and community activities. This position will also assist the High School program during off-weeks and summer as needed. This position is part-time (approximately 16 hours per week). Working on approximately 16-18 Sundays per year will be required, as well as some weekends and evenings, as needed. Please see the website for a full description and minimum requirements for this position at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/employmentopportunities.

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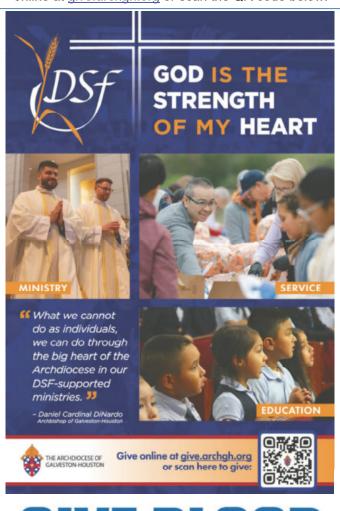
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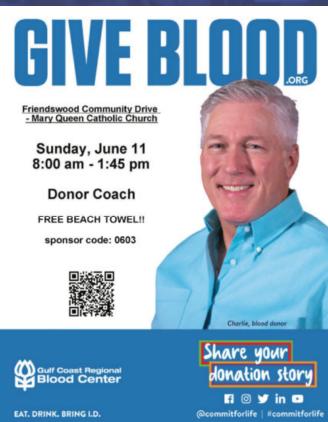
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Pulpit announcement requests should be sent via email to Sofia Medrano by the Tuesday before the requested mass date. Requests will be announced upon the pastor's approval.

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For additional information, please contact Vinnie Saccomanno at

281-648-9551 or Peggie Madison at 281-482-2860.

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Jo Ann Truman at 713-899-1682.



Q&A

Why Are There Liturgical Cycles?

Question:

Why Does the Church Have Different Liturgical Cycles?

Answer:

While most Catholics know that the Church Year is divided into various seasons (e.g. Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time, etc.), many are unaware that the one Church Year is not like the one that follows. While the main seasons and feasts are the same from year to year, the 3-year cycle for Sundays and the 2-year cycle for weekdays means that, as a general rule, the readings in the Lectionary that we hear at Mass will change from year to year, helping us to have a richer encounter with Sacred Scripture. Each new cycle begins with the beginning of the liturgical year, the First Sunday of Advent.

The reasoning behind this innovation is outlined in Sacrosanctum Concilium, the "Dogmatic Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy" of the Second Vatican Council: "The treasures of the bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God's word. In this way a more representative portion of the holy scriptures will be read to the people in the course of a prescribed number of years" (no. 51). This was fully achieved in 1969 when the new cycles of readings were approved by Pope Saint Paul VI. To learn more about the Liturgy of the Word within the Mass, visit: www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-word/index.cfm

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We Are Family

I am looking forward to an empty nest. It isn't that I do not love my children or that I will not miss them. I am simply looking forward to catching up on life. I look forward to times when there is no



one else there except for my wife. It will be a time to ourselves that I hope will be time well spent. I look forward to the days when my children will visit (with grandchildren, I hope!). There will be occasions we visit them as well (to see grandchildren, I hope!). The truth is, even though we will not be living in the same house, we will never be too far from one another. We belong to each other no matter what.

That is how it is with family. When we become disciples of Jesus Christ, we belong to him. We are family. Our greatest gift to give is our very selves to one another. Jesus gave all of himself to us. Even though he ascended to his Heavenly Father, he remains with us in love and grace, especially in the Holy Eucharist. He has shown us how to love and how to be family. Even when we cannot see him, Jesus remains with us. Hopefully, we can follow in that example and give of ourselves fully and be there for those we love whenever they need us, especially if they need us to watch the grandchildren. (It is a ways away, but I want to plant the seeds now!)

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



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