

The Priests who serve Mary Queen Catholic Church are 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.



July: Month of the Precious Blood

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Sunday, July 9th	
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Respect Life Holy Hour - Chapel
Monday, July 10th 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Vacation Dible Cabaci Main Hall Device Vitabon
8:00 AIVI - 1:00 PIVI	Vacation Bible School - Main Hall - Parish Kitchen - Classrooms - Youth Center
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9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
6:15 PM - 8:15 PM	Men's Small Study Group - AFF - Rm 110/Library Merit Badge Workshop - Scout Troop - Rm 114/115
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group - Rm 113
Tuesday, July 11th 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Vacation Bible Cahaal Main Hall Bariah Kitahan
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4:30 PM	Exposition for Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus Officers Installation - Church
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Knights of Columbus Officers Installation Meal -
0.00 T W	Main Hall - Kitchen
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Bible Timeline Study Group - Mary's House
Wednesday, July 12th	
5:45 AM - 7:00 AM	"That Man Is You!"- Summer Series- Main Hall - Kitche
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Vacation Bible School - Main Hall - Parish Kitchen -
	Classrooms - Youth Center
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Christian Meditation Prayer Group - Mary's House
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	Confessions - Church
5:45 PM - 6:00 PM	Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Young Adults & College Students Small Group
	Sessions - AFF - Mary's House
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Women's Ministry Luncheon Meeting - Rm 114/115
7:15 PM - 9:00 PM	Vocations Ministry Meeting - Rm 110/Library
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Young Adults & College Students Small Group
	Sessions - Prayer & Reflection - AFF - Chapel
Thursday, July 13th	
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Vacation Bible School - Main Hall - Parish Kitchen -
	Classrooms - Youth Center
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Ready To React Training - Pastoral Staff - Main Hall
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Altar Server Training - Church
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Bay Area Serra Club Meeting - Mini Hall
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Creation Care Ministry Meeting - Rm 110/Library
Friday, July 14th	
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Vacation Bible School - Main Hall - Parish Kitchen -
	Classrooms - Youth Center
11:30 AM -12:30 PM	Vacation Bible School Mass - Church
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Mary Queen Fifty Five or Better Workshop - Mini Hall
Saturday, July 15th	
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Men's Prayer Group - Rm 110/Library
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Reconciliation - Church

Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM



Saturday, July 8th

5:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Sunday, July 9th

7:30 AM †Marcia Wickramasinghe, Ms. Ramos, Ms. Nguyen 9:30 AM †Daniel Jansky, †William & †Virginia Adam, Lucia Boone †Don Weido, †Catherine Severino, †John Morriss 11:30 AM 4:30 PM **†**Hector Tobon, Greta Kehres, Katrina Martin

Monday, July 10th

8:30 AM **†**Stillisano Family, Edward Giering, Carol Willenborg – Birthday Blessings

Tuesday, July 11th

8:30 AM +Sophie Delikat, +Lou Porter, +Prudence Lobo

Wednesday, July 12th

6:30 PM †Juan Carlos Pujalt, Respect Life, Jim Martin – Birthday Blessings, Ray & Ethel Zansler – 65th Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Thursday, July 13th

Jared Boudreaux, †Debra Reves, †Josh Clark 8:30 AM

Friday, July 14th

8:30 AM †Ventura Martinez, †Mike Vukelich, †Stanislawa Zielke Saturday, July 15th

Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Robert & Phyllis 5:30 PM Rinehart, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Clint & Dottie Carlin, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Georgia Handwerk

Sunday, July 16th

7:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

9:30 AM †Jerry Brannen, Dr. Coleman, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Smart, Briggs & Cormier Families

11:30 AM †Tony Diotalevi, †Jerry Cowan, Jennifer Post – Birthday Blessings

4:30 PM Angel Nguyen, Cristian Salinas, Jude Krancher -

Birthday Blessings

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 9

That, in gratitude for all that God has given us, we joyfully return a portion of His gifts to help build His kingdom of earth.

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." - Matthew 11:30

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.

TIME-TALENT-TREASURE

Offertory: June 17, 2023 - June 23, 2023

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$54,569.34 Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$35,416.67

Difference: \$19,152.67

MP-Debt Reduction: \$1,524.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$447.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$4,696.83

Loan Balance as of June 29, 2023 was \$1,485,973.67.

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

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

July 23 - St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag July 30 - Carmelite Sisters Mission Appeal

August 6 - Future Development and Maintenance

Diocesan Services Fund 2023 DSF Summary as of June 29, 2023

Parish Goal: \$185,000.00 Total Amount Paid: \$80,978.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 249

Total Number of Gifts received: 409

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 June 29, 2023

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$486,657.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$593,841.54

Total Number of Gifts Received: 1,692

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 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.



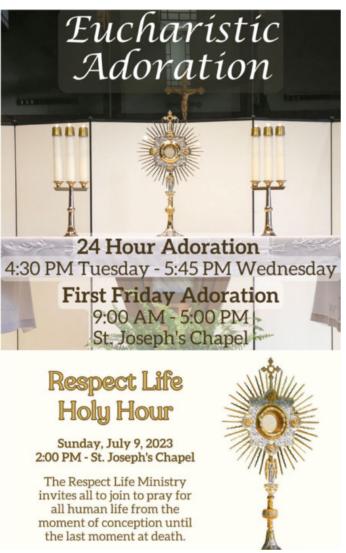
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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.





Many young people want to make a path for themselves in life without the help and guidance of others. My own young adult son oftentimes refuses assistance because he feels that he must learn to go at it alone and have his achievements based solely upon his effort. However, few truly get anywhere of circumstance without the aid of others.

The body of Christ only functions well when we move together and help each other. Unfortunately, too often parts of the body seek to do their own thing and do not integrate with the other parts. We use our gifts in ways that are only focused on our own gains and our own being. But be mindful, our gifts exist in us to be cultivated and shared with God and his people.

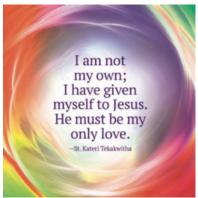
In the same manner, with Jesus as the head of this body, he is there for us as well. In Jesus we find our rest and assistance with our burdens. I cannot imagine life without the compassion and aid of our God. If it isn't bad enough that some people fail to lean on their brothers and sisters, some of them fail to ever turn to God.

This is never a good way of living. A Christian way of life seeks to share and integrate with others, especially Jesus. We have been created for community. If we take seriously our discipleship, a true relationship with Jesus always beckons us into community with other believers. Here we are strongest. Here we are the most fruitful. Here we are Christ's body on earth. ©LPi



SAINT OF THE WEEK

July 14 - Feast of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the First Native American Saint



On July 14th, we celebrate the feast of the "Lily of the Mohawks." St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American woman to be canonized!

Orphaned by a smallpox outbreak, Kateri survived with severe scarring and impaired eyesight. Despite tragedy, she was a devout girl at a young age, often building

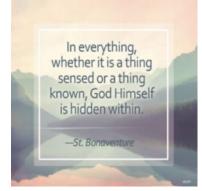
crosses from sticks in the woods. When she was 18, she began secret instruction in the Catholic faith with French missionaries. Her commitment to Christianity and vow of virginity was misunderstood and ridiculed by her fellow villagers. She escaped to a nearby mission, where she attended daily Mass, taught the children, and cared for the sick and the elderly. Sometimes the greatest misunderstandings can come from those closest to us.

Like St. Kateri, God invites us to be faithful to our commitments of faith and to always respond in love.

July 15 - Feast of St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Do you ever get stuck with the tough jobs?

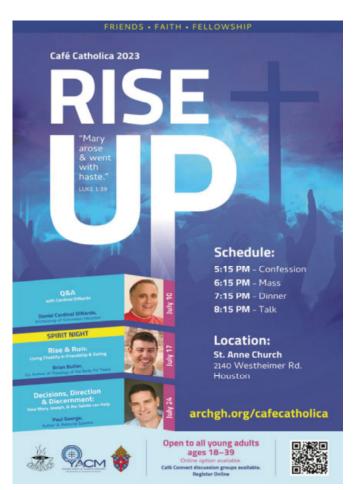
It's well known that the Franciscan Order was incredibly influential throughout history. But one of the most challenging times for a new movement is surviving the death of the founder.



Bonaventure joined the

Franciscan Order almost two decades after the passing of St. Francis. Initially, the young man's theological insights earned him a prime faculty position at the University of Paris. More than his academic skill, however, he was known for his deep devotion to Christ. He was elected the General Minister of the Franciscan Order, right in the thick of controversies.

Some friars had conflicting views of how to interpret St. Francis' poverty as the order grew. Others started a new heresy, saying that the Franciscan Order began a new era of the Holy Spirit, replacing the era of Jesus and the authority of the Church. St. Bonaventure weathered these crises with grace, restructuring the order when necessary and offering a more organized perspective on the insights of St. Francis.



Café Catholica 2023: Rise Up!

The Café Catholica summer series is open to all young adults (ages 18-39) and features dynamic speakers, prayer, and socializing. Café Catholica 2023 will be held in person at St. Anne Catholic Church (2140 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX) on three Mondays in July starting on July 10th. Each night will include Confession at 5:15 PM,

Mass at 6:15 PM, Dinner at 7:15 PM, and Talk at 8:15 PM. This year's theme is: Rise Up! Come for all or part of the evening! No registration is needed to attend.

Donations are accepted.

For more information about this event, go to www.archgh.org/cafecatholica or contact the Office of Young Adult and Campus Ministry at yacm@archgh.org or 713-741-8778.





A Ballad of Flesh and Spirit

"My yoke is easy and my burden is light," says the man hanging from a cross. And if we only went on what we see with our eyes — flesh driven through by nails and sword, swollen from beating and inches from expiration — it would seem like a joke.

I'll tell you something we all know: this life on earth is hard. It's either too long or it's too short. It's frequently painful. It's riddled with problems that seem to make no sense. It is, as Dickens wrote, "made of ever so many partings welded together."

But it's also shockingly, senselessly beautiful. It is full of physical experiences of love, joy, and peace that are so powerful they leave you breathless.

It is both these things — good and bad, hard and wonderful, just as we are both body and soul, spirit and flesh.

No one knows the Father except the Son, who entered into our bodily existence to free us from enslavement to it. No one knows the Son except the Father, and the means by which they know one another — the love passing between them, the Third Person himself — has been shared with us, has made its dwelling within us through baptism.

"Brothers and sisters, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh." — Romans 8:12

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 9

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, July 10

Monday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday, July 11

St. Benedict, Abbot

Wednesday, July 12

Wednesday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Thursday, July 13

St. Henry

Friday, July 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Saturday, July 15

St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Sunday, July 16

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday, July 9

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday, July 10

Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday, July 11

Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday, July 12

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

Thursday, July 13

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

Friday, July 14

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday, July 15

Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

Sunday, July 16

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9



PRAY & REFLECT

July 9, 2023 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing — sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus' words are such stunningly good news: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is "meek and humble of heart." We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is "yoked" to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly "yoked" to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don't have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, "Come! I will give you rest." We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There he will give us rest.

- Father John Muir

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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.

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.

All College Students & Young
Adults are invited to join certified
SoulCore Leader, Aimee Kindle,
for a prayer experience that
combines the prayers of the
Rosary with core strengthening,
stretching, and functional



movement Saturday, July 22nd from 9:30 - 10:30 AM.

SoulCore focuses on the mysteries and fruits of the rosary through prayer and meditation paired with functional movement and body strengthening exercises. Learn more and register at bit.ly/SCMaryQueen.



About the Instructor:

Aimee is from the League City area and grew up in the Catholic church attending Edge, Life Teen, ACTS and young adult ministries, where she developed a strong love of her faith.



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

Mary Queen College Students & Young Adults will be meeting in Mary's House (located in the back of the Mary Queen parking lot) on Wednesday evenings until August 23rd after the Wednesday 6:30 pm Holy Mass. All young adults ages 18 - 35 are invited to attend our small group session from 7:15 - 8:30 pm. There will be time for food and fellowship as well as small group discussion and prayer. In this summer series, we are discovering a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit and learning how we can grow closer to Jesus in our daily walk with HIM.

Agenda:

6:30 - 7:15 PM - Attend Holy Mass

7:15 - 7:30 PM - Enjoy food and fellowship at Mary's House (pizza provided)

7:30 - 8:30 PM - Watch session video and small group discussion

8:30 - 9:00 PM - Prayer & Refection in St. Joseph's Chapel

Attendees are invited to attend all or part of the night.

This series is open to all young adults in the area who can attend. Guests from other parishes, non-Catholics, and newcomers are welcome at any time!

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



Please pray for all Catechumens and Candidates in the RCIA process.

More photos can be found on our website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/parish-photos.



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



Mark your calendars!

We have great summer activities planned!



Highschool Coed Summer Series

DATES

July 5th

July 12th

July 17th

July 24th

Aug 2nd

Aug 9th

Wednesdays @ 3-4:30 PM

THE SEARCH answers some questions like:

What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"? Are you leading yourself to some kind of destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the in between?

This 6 week co-ed video series answers questions that your heart is searching for.

Questions? Contact Tino Quiocho: tquiocho@maryqueenchurch.org 281-482-1391

> St. Charbel Youth Center High School Summer Open Hours

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



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

Elementary Faith Formation Registration

Registration open from June 1 - August 31, 2023

Cost: \$70 per student (registered parishioners)

Sign up today to select your preferred day and time!

Tuesdays 4:00 PM - 5:15 PM OR 5:45 PM - 7:00 PM

Wednesdays 4:00 PM - 5:15 PM OR 5:45 PM - 7:00 PM

Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis.



VBS is almost here for those registered! (camp spots are full)

Date: July 10th - 14th

Time: 9 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: MQ Parish Hall

Please arrive at 9 AM.

*Parents, please walk children into the Main Hall each day. Pick up will also be in the Main Hall.

Day 1: Parents - bring your phone to take a photo of your "exit ticket" needed for us to dismiss your child.

All campers - please bring a reusable water bottle all week.

All MQ Parishioners are welcome to join our VBS Culminating Mass on July 14th @ 11:30 AM. Parents of campers - please attend!

AROUND THE PARISH

POLISH NIGHT AT THE PARISH!

Join us for a
Potluck
&
Pope John Paul II
movie!

Friday, July 28th 6 - 8:30 PM Parish Hall

You are invited to bring a Polish dish to share! We will eat then watch a movie about this amazing Saint, mystic, and poet!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES at Mary Queen!

Faith Formation Volunteering/Teaching

We are looking for volunteers to assist us during the 2023/2024 school year in teaching our beautiful Catholic Faith! A loving heart and a will to learn is all that is needed. Students are in K-5th grades and meet 19 times during the school year (following the FISD schedule). Class times are from 4:00-5:15 PM or 5:45-7:00 PM on Tuesdays or Wednesdays. Are you being called?

Come meet others and spread the love of God!

Children's Liturgy

HELP IS NEEDED! Volunteers meet once per month during the 9:30 AM or 11:30 AM Mass. We are looking for 5 additional team members!

Each week, children ages 5-10 are pulled out of Mass to have their own Children's Mass. It is a beautiful ministry with parishioners who have volunteered for years.

Would you please consider assisting us?

For more information or if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Carol Stuart, Director of Elementary Faith Formation at cstuart@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391 x333.

Is your CMG Connect up to date?

Summer is the perfect time to renew your CMG Connect!

If you are a volunteer in any ministry or area of the church, you must be current in your CMG Connect in order to continue serving in the parish.

Per Archdiocesan policy, all volunteers must be in compliance or complete the Safe Haven training in order to be renewed in your certification. Training modules do not take long and can be done in only a few hours!

If you have any questions or would like to check your status, please contact Anita Shorosky at anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391.

Altar Server

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 valdezdianne@hotmail.com or valdezdianne@hotmail.com or 281-996-1679.

OPEN CHOIR

Do you like to sing but are not thrilled about commitment to rehearsals?

Our choir ensembles are open and ready to welcome you during the summer months.

Just show up 30 minutes before Mass for a run-through of the songs we will be singing.

No commitment required!

Questions? Contact Dylan Ramirez, Director of Liturgy & Musicdramirez@maryqueenchurch.org.



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We will offer two sessions for you to choose from and attend each week, which will meet weekly in the Main Hall at Mary Queen at 10:30 AM and 7:00 PM.

> Registration is Now Open Scan QR Code or use the link



www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/walking-with-purpose

You may also register in person with the receptionist at Mary Queen. The cost to register for the study is \$55, which includes the book.

Registration with book included will close Sunday, August 27, 2023.

For more information please contact:

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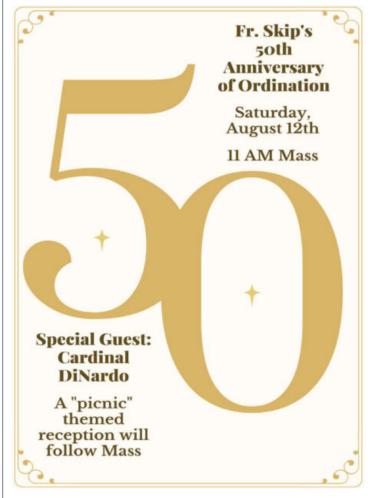
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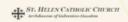
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If you have loved ones in the Armed Services and wish their names be listed in this column and to be remembered in our prayers, please email anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org. Include the rank of the individual, their name and their branch of service.

Thank you and God Bless America!

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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 or friend who needs special prayers by our parish community, please consider placing them on the Mary Queen Prayer List after getting their permission. Provide the name to Loretta Delaney at reception@maryqueenchurch.org. Names will be added to the list for 60 days. Once the initial time is up, we kindly ask that you not renew your request for another 60 days. Due to the overwhelming amount of requests, we will abide by this policy in order to accommodate all new prayer requests.



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Coming Back to Church

Question:

I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason

to come back to Church?

Answer:

If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back. This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be. ©LPi

Faith Like a Child

If you Google Search recommendations on how to raise generous children, almost every list of ideas begins with — or at least contains — the directive for adults to be good models of



generosity themselves. Our children learn from our actions much more than from our words. Of course, when I think back over the years while my children were growing up, I think I may have learned as much from them as they learned from me. There is a time between early childhood and middle school where a child seems to be freer to give and share than at any other time in life. It is around the age of First Communion when the cries of "mine" turn to laughter and smiles, and the urge to be a part of something bigger than oneself leads to sharing. Before you know it, the child hits the pre-teen years, and once again, he or she becomes the center of the universe.

I believe that the previous paragraph is all true, however, the stages described seem to repeat themselves throughout adulthood. Don't you agree? Sometimes we fall into seeing ourselves as the center of the universe, or we become consumed by our state in life or with what we have acquired. Also, we at times are generous and loving people. It is sin that draws us back into ourselves and away from any meaningful life of stewardship and generosity. In order to be freed for love, we need role models to help us see what really matters. We need to reflect on the example of many of our brothers and sisters in Christ. And, yes, we need to look to children who may be at the point in their lives where sharing is fun, and love is something in abundance.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



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