



August 6, 2023

*Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord*

# THE LORD IS KING.

PSALM 97

**The Priests who serve Mary Queen Catholic Church  
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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](http://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.



## August: Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

### Sunday, August 6th

#### Monday, August 7th

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House  
 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM Special Friends Program - Main Hall  
 6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Men's Small Study Group - AFF - Rm 110/Library  
 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Merit Badge Workshop - Scout Troop - Rm 114/115  
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Hispanic Ministry Meeting - Mary's House  
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group - Rm 113

#### Tuesday, August 8th

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Mary Queen Seniors - Mini Hall  
 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry - Rm 114/115  
 4:30 PM Exposition for Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel  
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Timeline Study Group - Mary's House

#### Wednesday, August 9th

5:45 AM - 7:00 AM "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  
 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM "Cast" Open Hours - Youth Ministry Set Up - Mary's House  
 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM "Cast" Open Hours - Youth Ministry - Mary's House  
 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM "The Search" - High School Coed Summer Series - Youth Center  
 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Confessions - Church  
 5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel  
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Fr. Skip Decorating Committee Set Up - Main Hall - Kitchen  
 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  
 7:15 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, August 10th

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Fr. Skip Ordination Mass - Family Travel  
 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Bay Area Serra Club Meeting - Mini Hall  
 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Creation Care Ministry Meeting - Rm 110/Library

#### Friday, August 11th

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Fr. Skip Ordination Mass - Family Travel  
 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meal Preparation - Fr. Skip Ordination Reception - Main Hall - Kitchen  
 Mary Queen Fifty Five or Better Workshop - Mini Hall

#### Saturday, August 12th

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Fr. Skip Ordination Mass - Family Travel  
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Men's Prayer Group - Rm 110/Library  
 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House  
 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Ordination Anniversary Mass - Fr. Skip Negley, M.S. - Church  
 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Fr. Skip 50th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration Reception - Main Hall - Kitchen  
 Reconciliation - Church



### Saturday, August 5th

8:30 AM †Eric Concepcion, †Anthony Concepcion, Mary Queen Ministries  
 5:30 PM †Maria Le, †Edgar Poyatos, Sr., †Rudy Pesl

### Sunday, August 6th

7:30 AM †Teresita Campos Garza, †Walter Hammerle, Brigitta Immaculata  
 9:30 AM †William Borghese & †Bert Borghese, †Connel Masterson, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Clint & Dottie Carlin  
 11:30 AM †Lesbia Burgus, †Renee Portocarrero, †Billy Clifford  
 4:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

### Monday, August 7th

8:30 AM †Rives Benoit, †Lou Porter, Jean Levin

### Tuesday, August 8th

8:30 AM †Joseph Leba, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Chatron Family, Sister Anna Lozano – Birthday Blessings

### Wednesday, August 9th

6:30 PM †James & †Joyce Rute, †Ken Welling, Respect Life

### Thursday, August 10th

8:30 AM †Maria Vo, †Benigno & †Erminia Olivarez, Steven Ridout – Birthday Blessings

### Friday, August 11th

8:30 AM †Mike Vukelich, Edna Ching, Don & Becky Adam – Anniversary Blessings

### Saturday, August 12th

5:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

### Sunday, August 13th

7:30 AM †Juliana Krajca, Miles Libby, Angelica Marta  
 9:30 AM †Tony Diotalevi, †Jerry Adam, Lucia Boone  
 11:30 AM †Scott Durham, †Allen Carambat, †Lesbia Burgos  
 4:30 PM †Hector Tobon, Alison Roles, Leslie Nunez

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

### The Transfiguration of the Lord: August 6

That we recognize that we are beloved sons and daughters of God and to listen for His voice every day.

*"...then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.'"*  
 - Matthew 17:5

When Peter, James and John heard this they immediately fell prostrate to the ground and they "were very much afraid." We, too, may respond the same way when we hear God's voice. How many times do you become fearful when invited to participate more fully in the life of the Church? Or, when someone says something negative about the Church, are you afraid to respond? Remember, we too, are beloved sons and daughters of God; Jesus is there to help us, but we need to listen.



# TIME • TALENT • TREASURE

## Offertory: July 15, 2023 - July 21, 2023

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

**Weekly Offertory Received:** \$46,907.33

**Weekly Budgeted Amount:** \$37,326.00

**Difference:** \$9,581.33

**MP-Debt Reduction:** \$739.00

**Future Development & Maintenance:** \$313.00

**Total Food Pantry Donations with online:** \$940.00

**Loan Balance as of July 28, 2023 was  
\$1,426,092.52.**

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

## Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

**August 13** - Infirm Priests

**August 27** - La Salettes Mission Appeal

## Diocesan Services Fund

**2023 DSF Summary as of July 28, 2023**

**Parish Goal:** \$185,000.00

**Total Amount Paid:** \$99,760.00

**Total Number of Mary Queen Donors:** 264

**Total Number of Gifts received:** 454

**Total Number of Mary Queen Households:** 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit  
[www.archgh.org/dsf](http://www.archgh.org/dsf).

## IGNITE Campaign

**2022 IGNITE Summary as of July 28, 2023**

**Parish Goal:** \$1,886,649.00

**Total Amount Paid:** \$500,672.00

**Total Amount Pledged:** \$593,841.54

**Total Number of Gifts Received:** 1,746

**Total Number of Mary Queen Donors:** 273

**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](http://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.

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](mailto:anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org).

## FORMED

To sign up for FORMED, visit [www.formed.org/signup](http://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](mailto:anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org).

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



### **Respect Life Holy Hour**

Sunday, August 13, 2023  
2:00 PM - St. Joseph's Chapel

The Respect Life Ministry invites all to join to pray for all human life from the moment of conception until the last moment at death.



### **Live the Liturgy**

I want to talk about being hangry. I'll give you a quick description of hangriness, though I warn you, it doesn't come from the Oxford English Dictionary. Hangriness is when you're so hungry you get angry. You turn into a real piece of work. You can't get anything done and you're probably not a joy to be around, at least until you grab a snack. Everybody gets this way sometimes.

We can be this way in our souls, too. It's so easy to get distracted by the hungers of this world: greed, pride, anxiety. We can become ruled by the needs of our bodies and the desires of our mind and, in doing so, neglect the needs and the desires of our souls.

We are called to a constant reflection on the truth that we are not made for this world, as Christ clearly shows us in his Transfiguration. He reveals himself in his heavenly glory, just before he is going to be deprived of all earthly needs and wants — even his very life. He shows us that this is what we were meant for. This is what we are striving for.

When you become spiritually hangry — or as Scripture more eloquently puts it this week, when your mind is "occupied with earthly things" — turn your thoughts to the Transfiguration. I promise you, it's even better than grabbing an energy bar.

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## SAVE THE DATE

Women's Ministry Fall Luncheon  
Saturday, September 30, 2023

Theme:

*'She is clothed with strength and dignity.'*

MARY QUEEN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## CAR SHOW & CHILI COOK-OFF

@ MARY QUEEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCT.  
28TH

SAVE  
THE  
DATE!



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WE WILL ALSO HAVE A COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE!

## Verbum Tuum DISCERNMENT GROUP

August 24, 2023 – 6pm–9pm  
All Saints Catholic Church, Houston

September 22–23, 2023  
Overnight Retreat  
Christian Renewal Center

October 26, 2023 – 6pm–9pm  
All Saints Catholic Church, Houston

November 18, 2023  
One Day Retreat  
All Saints Catholic Church, Houston

SCAN TO LEARN MORE



# BLOOD DRIVE

Friendswood Community Drive -  
Mary Queen Catholic Church

Sunday, August 13

8:00 am - 1:45 pm

Coach Bus

Free Pint of Blue Bell Ice Cream  
& Stack of Pancakes from IHop!!!

Sponsor Code: 0603



Appointments preferred. Walk-ins welcome.



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## MULTILINGUAL ROSARY

Do you have the gift to speak in  
more than one language?

The La Salette Laity of Mary Queen  
Parish will be hosting a multilingual  
rosary and reception on  
September 8, 2023 at 6:30 PM.



If you have the  
ability to recite  
one decade of  
the Rosary in a  
language other than  
English and are  
willing to  
share that gift,  
please contact  
Chris Austgen at  
[chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org](mailto:chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org)  
for more  
information.



## Transfigured

We have all had moments when we seem to get a glimpse of Heaven.

For me, they come with the sacraments: in the pew following my First Communion, kneeling before the bishop as he sealed my forehead with oil at my Confirmation, standing opposite my husband on our wedding day, cradling my newborns as the priest poured holy water over their little foreheads, claiming them for Christ.

Moments when the veil between this world and the one to come is pulled away, and our hearts cry out: "Lord, it is good we are here."

Like Peter at the Transfiguration, we desperately wish the feeling would last forever. We want to hang onto the certainty, the confidence and the joy that radiates from our souls. We want to spend forever looking upon the transfigured face of Christ.

But we are not in heaven yet. We raise our eyes, seeing only this world before us, the words of Jesus ringing in our ears: "Rise, and do not be afraid."

*"His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed." — Daniel 7:14*

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## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS TIMES

**MONDAY, AUGUST 14TH**

**7:00 PM - VIGIL**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 15TH**

**7:00 AM, 8:30 AM, 7:00 PM**



## Sunday, August 6

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

## Monday, August 7

Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

## Tuesday, August 8

Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

## Wednesday, August 9

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23/Mt 15:21-28

## Thursday, August 10

2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

## Friday, August 11

Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28

## Saturday, August 12

Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

## Sunday, August 13

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33



## PRAY & REFLECT

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## August 6, 2023

### The Transfiguration of the Lord

What is Christianity finally about? These days if you ask almost anyone who doesn't know the Bible you'll probably hear an answer like this: "Being a good person" or "following the golden rule." No offense to the golden rule, but our faith is simply much stranger than that. This week's feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is a luminous example of this. Jesus becomes radiantly and overwhelmingly beautiful. The glory of God literally shines forth from his body and even his clothes. Here we see that Christianity is not mainly a moral system, but a relationship with God in Christ, one that finally makes human beings gloriously beautiful.

Now we can see our good and bad deeds in a new and de-centered way. Our morality isn't about a heaven or hell scorecard. It's about lives open (or closed) to transfiguration, lives capable of revealing the glory of God in Christ to the world. Spouses, children, friends, co-workers, priests, consecrated women and men, and so on — we are all called to let the beauty of Jesus make our lives beautiful, little by little. His beauty in us is the center of our faith.

— Father John Muir

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## ADULT FAITH Formation

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### The RCIA: A Journey of Faith

Since Jesus invited His first followers to, "Come, follow me", the image of journey has been used to describe Christian discipleship. For each of us faith is a journey marked with moments of conversion along the way...we move from unbelief to initial faith, from sin to repentance, from painful isolation to the joyful experience of a loving community, from fear to love.

Faith, conversion, repentance, celebration and community – five basic elements that are present in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The RCIA provides a setting where the journey of faith and moments of conversion can be celebrated within the local Church community. The purpose of the RCIA is literally "the making of Christians", for as Tertullian in the 4th century wrote "Christians are made, not born."

Join us on the journey....

**You are cordially invited to inquire about the Catholic Christian Faith by attending an open informational meeting called "COME & SEE" on Thursday, September 7th from 7 – 8:30 PM in the Main Hall.**

This invitation is extended to:

- anyone who has never been baptized and/or has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic
- was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- anyone who has been baptized in another denomination but is interested in learning about the Catholic faith

We welcome all inquiries and look forward to accompanying you soon. Please email Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & RCIA.

All men and women 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 **Monday,**

**August 21st 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](http://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 continues to meet 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.

For more information, please contact - Eby Kurian

Photos from the College Student & Young Adult SoulCore session on Saturday, July 22nd.



More photos can be found on our Instagram page at [www.instagram.com/maryqueenchurch](https://www.instagram.com/maryqueenchurch).





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### **The Chosen Junior High Study**

Tuesdays from  
1 - 3 PM - Only one  
session left!

August 8th

### **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.

# THE SEARCH

Highschool Coed Summer Series

DATES	Wednesdays @ 3-4:30 PM
July 5th	<p>THE SEARCH answers some questions like:</p> <p>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?</p> <p>This 6 week co-ed video series answers questions that your heart is searching for.</p>
July 12th	
July 19th	
July 26th	
Aug 2nd	
Aug 9th	<p>Questions?</p> <p>Contact Tino Quirocho: <a href="mailto:tquirocho@maryqueenchurch.org">tquirocho@maryqueenchurch.org</a> 281-482-1391</p>

**St. Charbel Youth Center  
High School Summer Open Hours**

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

### **K-5th Grade VOLUNTEERS:**

#### **Catechist Training for Elementary Faith Formation**

Who attends: ALL volunteer catechist (teachers) for grades K-5th grade for the 2023/2024 year

Date: Saturday, August 26, 2023  
Time: 9:00-10:30 AM  
Location: Main Hall  
(A light breakfast will be served.)

Volunteers: Ages 18+, please make certain to double-check your CMG Connect is up to date. This is required for all volunteers including teachers, hall monitors & traffic control.

[CMG Connect - Catholic Mutual Group](#)

### **WHEN DO CLASSES BEGIN?**

Opening night Sacrament class  
(1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion)

Who attends: Parent & Child  
Date: Thursday, September 7, 2023  
Time: 6:30-7:45pm  
Location: MQ Main Hall

EFF K-5th Grade classes begin the last week of September:

Tuesday: September 26, 2023  
Wednesday: September 27, 2023

Details regarding what class & night your child is in will be forthcoming in August. Please check email and junk folder.

Parents: On night one of class, bring a cell phone to snap a photo of your exit ticket. Once you meet & greet the teacher, there is a mandatory parent meeting in the Main Hall during your child's class time.

Additional calendar information:

<https://bit.ly/ElemFF>



## AROUND THE PARISH

### REMINDER

**K-12th Grade  
Regular Faith Formation Registration  
closes August 31st!**

After August 31st-  
Late registration must be done  
in-person Monday - Thursday  
9 AM - 4 PM

**Register at:**  
[bit.ly/k-5reg](https://bit.ly/k-5reg)  
[bit.ly/6-12reg](https://bit.ly/6-12reg)

#### **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](mailto:cstuart@maryqueenchurch.org) or 281-482-1391 x333.

#### **Dinner and a Movie Night**

##### **Mother Teresa No Greater Love**

Mary Queen's Social Concerns Ministry (formerly Parish Social Ministry), Mary Queen Men's Ministry and the Knights of Columbus Council #8494 are joining together to host a Dinner and Movie Night. "Mother Teresa No Greater Love" is far more than a film. "It is a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope," (Ignatius Press).

Join us for this informative, moving film and a simple dinner of red beans and rice on Friday, August 25th or Saturday, August 26th at 7 PM in the Main Hall. The event is free, but donations are appreciated to help cover the cost of dinner.

To reserve your spot, RSVP at [bit.ly/MotherTeresaMovie](https://bit.ly/MotherTeresaMovie) or call the church office at 281-482-1391.



## We're Hiring

Mary Queen Catholic Church is currently seeking an **Audio-Visual Assistant.**

To view the full job description, visit [www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/employment-opportunities](https://www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/employment-opportunities).

Interested candidates who meet the requirements listed in the job description are invited to submit a cover letter, resume, and references via email to [jlaine@maryqueenchurch.org](mailto:jlaine@maryqueenchurch.org).



# Congratulations!

Mary Queen has three new  
Acolytes serving in our Masses!

Congratulations to:  
**Gary Arribe**  
**Stephe Harrison**  
**Sheldon Krancher**

Thank you for giving your time  
to prepare and serve our parish  
in this way!



Welcome to Walking with Purpose, a Woman's Program. This season we will offer the study called **Keeping In Balance**. This 22 lesson Bible study focuses on a journey throughout Scripture discovering the relevance of Old and New Testament wisdom to our daily challenges. In this study, we'll explore Biblical ideas for managing life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. Your lifestyle of health and holiness awaits.

The Fall semester will begin on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, through November 14, 2023 (no session October 31, 2023 due to All Saints Mass). The Spring semester will begin on Tuesday January 16, 2024, through May 14, 2024 (no session on March 12, 2024 due to Spring Break).

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](http://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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august 4, 1973  
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Rev. Phil "Skip" Negley,  
M.S.**

**Ordained August 4, 1973**

Father Skip celebrated  
50 years of priesthood on  
Friday, August 4th!

We thank God for his 'yes' to  
the priesthood and for his  
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\*Please mention 'Fr. Skip's Anniversary' in the Memo line

The celebration on Saturday, August 12th will begin with  
Mass at 11 AM with special guest, Cardinal DiNardo.  
A "picnic" themed reception will follow after Mass and will  
be a potluck with the entrée provided. We ask that  
parishioners bring a side to share based on the  
following request:

Parishioners with last names beginning with A-L -  
Salad, Pasta Salad, or potato salad, etc.

Parishioners with last names beginning with M-S -  
Fruit tray

Parishioners with last names beginning with T-Z -  
Veggie tray

Please drop off your food in the kitchen on the day of  
the event.

We look forward to a wonderful celebration for our  
beloved Fr. Skip!

## COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

### Volunteers Needed

The Shepherd's Nook resale shop, located by Kroger on FM 518, is in need of volunteers. Our Mary Queen Food Pantry works closely with the Nook. As a nonprofit group run by the Episcopal church, they make monetary donations to the Food Pantry throughout the year and assist our clients with free clothing.

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### Around the Archdiocese: Café Catholica



The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston held their annual Café Catholica for young adults throughout the month of July. This year's event was hosted at St. Anne's Catholic Church.

To view the video, visit:

<https://youtu.be/OYmpn3DTUJY>.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES

#### US Air Force:

A1C Jake Ainsworth, SSgt Chris Aubuchon, Capt James Barrington, 2d Lt Paul Birmingham, Capt Andrew Bossert, Capt Stephanie Bossert, 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, A1C Jasper Gregory, SSgt Christopher Hammer, SMSgt Joel Hebert, Maj Ramon Hernandez, A1C Austin W. Laird, Capt Shane Lockridge, A1C Andrew Merrifield, Capt Rachel Miller, SSgt Brandon Ojala, Maj. Zac Pendleton, 2d Lt Joseph Revell, SrA Patrick Rettke, Capt Chad Roberson, 2d Lt Harrison Spexarth, C3C Jackson Spexarth, Col Brandon Sokora, SSgt Amanda Solis, SSgt Nicholas Wolford

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#### US Marine Corps:

2ndLt Ryan Cunningham, Capt Joshua Butts, CPL Michael Gray, Lt Col Andrew Kelemen, 1stLt Jacob Perez, Maj Norman Renfro

#### US Navy:

PO1 Chase Bourque, PO1 Randall Carmicheal, CM3 Cullen Kelly, MA3 Marcus Reyes, PO1 Anthony Rinehart, PO3 Kyle Shenkir, Jr., SN Rand Smith, CAPT Mike Svatek

#### US Space Force:

Spc3 Lucy Gregory

#### US Coast Guard:

Swab Manon Murphy

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](mailto:anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org). Include the rank of the individual, their name and their branch of service.

**Thank you and God Bless America!**



# We Pray For .....

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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*



Altar Flowers are a symbol of grace, prayer, and virtue. They are a reminder to us of God's beautiful creation. Fresh altar flowers are a great way to honor a loved one for a special occasion such as a Birthday, Wedding Anniversary, or to remember a loved one on the anniversary of their passing. The cost of the flowers is \$250, and your honorarium will be published in the bulletin the weekend the altar flowers are to be given. Please note that flowers cannot be given during the seasons of Advent and Lent or on weekends designated to a Wedding or Quinceañera. Please contact Anita Shorosky at [anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org](mailto:anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org).

## 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](mailto: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.

PRAY THIS DAILY JUNE 1 - NOVEMBER 30, 2023

## PRAYER FOR PROTECTION DURING HURRICANE SEASON

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THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF  
OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR,  
SPARE US DURING THIS  
HURRICANE SEASON  
FROM ALL HARM.  
PROTECT US AND OUR HOMES  
FROM ALL DISASTERS OF NATURE.  
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Send pulpit announcement requests to **Sofia Medrano**  
by the Tuesday before the requested Mass date.  
(Requests will be announced upon the pastor's approval.)

Send bulletin submissions by noon on the deadline  
dates listed below.

**August 27—August 9  
September 3—August 14**



### What Are "Special" Masses?

#### Question:

Why do Parishes offer Special Masses like Thanksgiving and Memorial Day, even though they're not Holy Days of Obligation? Am I

obligated to attend?

#### Answer:

Out of respect for the various civil celebrations that take place during the year, many dioceses and parishes will host special Masses. However, while it's always worthwhile to come together to worship as a community, Catholics are not obligated to attend these celebrations. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* notes, the only times that we are obligated to participate in celebrations of the Eucharist are on Sundays and holy days of obligation:

*The first precept ("You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor") requires the faithful to sanctify the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord as well as the principal liturgical feasts honoring the mysteries of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the saints; in the first place, by participating in the Eucharistic celebration, in which the Christian community is gathered, and by resting from those works and activities which could impede such a sanctification of these days.*

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### Glimpses of Heaven

There are times in our lives that we get the chance to see a glimpse of heaven. It may be through the love of another, loved one or stranger. Sometimes it may even be an event that seems unexplainable, perhaps even supernatural. These occurrences may be the answer to prayer or they may surprise us by coming out of nowhere. But no matter their nature or origin, they give us hope and strength to carry on through life.



When we journey on a pathway of stewardship, we are bound to experience moments of grace where we see even the smallest seeds we planted grow into something amazing. At these moments, we are reminded that God is real and that our stewardship is not in vain. The giving of our gifts and talents is not just a response to God's calling. The giving is one way that God breaks through into the lives of others. As we use what God has given us for his glory, he uses us as instruments of grace to be truly present to others.

The greatest example of this occurs at the Mass. Through the hands of an ordained priest taking the gifts of bread and wine, God is really present with us. When we then take Christ into our bodies, we accept the offer to take him into the world to others. The world cannot see Jesus in us with human eyes, but through our works of stewardship, they can see Jesus in us. One could say they even have a chance to see a glimpse of heaven.

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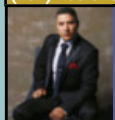
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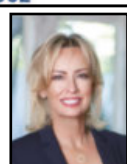
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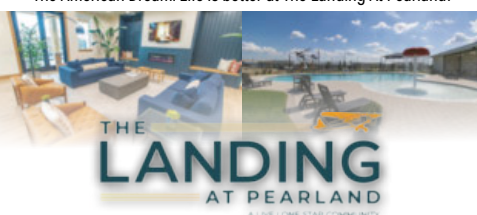
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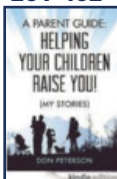
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