

August 27, 2023

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

YOUR LOVE
IS *eternal.*
DO NOT
FORSAKE
THE WORK OF
YOUR HANDS.

Psalm 138

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



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Our Lady of La Salette**

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www.lasalette.org

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.



August: Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday, August 27th

La Salette Mission Collection (At All Masses)

Monday, August 28th

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 - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group - Rm 113

Tuesday, August 29th

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry - Rm 114/115
 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Joyful Lights - Mary's House
 4:30 PM Exposition for Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Timeline Study Group - Mary's House

Wednesday, August 30th

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Christian Meditation Prayer Group - Mary's House
 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Queen Bee Quilters - Mini Hall
 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
 7:15 PM - 8:15 PM "Soulcore Session for Men & Women" - AFF - Main Hall
 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM "Flow Camp" Faith Sharing Group - Rm 110/Library

Thursday, August 31st

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM "The Bridge" - Vocations Group - Youth Center

Friday, September 1st

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM First Friday - Adoration/Benediction - Chapel

Saturday, September 2nd

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Group - Rm 110/Library
 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM First Saturday Mass - Church
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation - Church

Have you seen our new Vocations prayer?

When you visit Mary Queen, take a look inside our blue hymnals and you will find the new Vocations prayer that we recite after Masses. The prayer was written by St. John Paul II.

Lord Jesus,

*as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men,
 let Your sweet invitation continue to resound:
 Come, follow Me!*

*Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to
 Your voice. Support our bishops, priests, and consecrated
 people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our
 seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life
 totally consecrated to Your service.*

*Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us
 to say 'Yes' to the Lord Who calls us to cooperate in the divine
 plan of salvation.*

Amen.



Saturday, August 26th

5:30 PM †Frank & †Carlotta Garza, †Wayne Lowery, Tran Clarin – Birthday Blessings

Sunday, August 27th

7:30 AM †Harvey Jeffrey, †Oscar & †Cecilia Rios, †Florence Corcoran
 9:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
 11:30 AM †Steve Balko, †Frances Hewitt, Gigi Rowbottom
 4:30 PM †Jerry Cowan, †Henrietta Leona Wayland, Heriberto Rodriguez

Monday, August 28th

8:30 AM †Roger Stanfield, Patrick Ezeli Family, William & Rachel Hagerman – Anniversary Blessings

Tuesday, August 29th

8:30 AM †Carol Lorange, †Jerry Cowan, Katie Turner – Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, August 30th

6:30 PM †Joseph Swiader, †Dan Foster, Joseph Belvis

Thursday, August 31st

8:30 AM †John Cordary, Sr., †Jeanne Lavoie, †Lee Thomas

Friday, September 1st

8:30 AM †Pedro Concepcion, †Kim Thi Anh, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Janet Wild

Saturday, September 2nd

8:30 AM †Jim Debbrecht, †William Edward Armijo, Mary Queen Ministries

5:30 PM †Carol Lorange, †Jim Debbrecht, †Larry Larson

Sunday, September 3rd

7:30 AM †Juan Solo, †Nancy Green, Dr. Gabriel Ma
 9:30 AM †Ray Schuck, †Lee Lawson, †Gatha Estes
 11:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
 4:30 PM †Phanxicosavir Sy Nguyen, †Paul Nghia Le, †Peter Minh Nguyen

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 27

That in gratitude for our gifts, we may grow them and give back with increase.

*"Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?"
 - Romans 11:35*

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give God anything - He already owns it all. God made everything, including us. Since we are made in His image, we too, are called to be generous. How we use our God-given gifts becomes our gift back to Him. Gratitude for all we have been given opens our hearts to joyful generosity! And, through our generosity, we just may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

TIME • TALENT • TREASURE

Offertory: August 5, 2023 - August 11, 2023

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$63,721.81

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$51,280.75

Difference: \$12,441.06

MP-Debt Reduction: \$2,714.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$4,010.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$900.00

**Loan Balance as of August 22, 2023 was
\$1,293,092.52.**

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

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

September 3 - University of St. Thomas/Catholic
University of America

September 10 - Future Development and Maintenance

September 17 - La Salette Feast Day

Diocesan Services Fund

2023 DSF Summary as of August 22, 2023

Parish Goal: \$185,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$110,711.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 277

Total Number of Gifts received: 352

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 August 22, 2023

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$508,455.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$592,091.54

Total Number of Gifts Received: 108

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.

**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.

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.

- SACRAMENTS -




Sacrament of Baptism

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



Sacrament of Reconciliation

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



Sacrament of First Eucharist

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



Sacrament of Confirmation

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



Sacrament of Matrimony

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



Sacrament of Holy Orders

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



Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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



RCIA: Christian Initiation of Adults

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

Eucharistic Adoration



24 Hour Adoration

4:30 PM Tuesday - 5:45 PM Wednesday

First Friday Adoration

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

Respect Life Holy Hour

Sunday, September 10, 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

Sometimes when I ask one of my children about who they were with or about a classmate at school they answer me with, "You don't know them." Apparently, since I do not know him or her personally, I do not need to know the person's name. I may not know this person but I do know that he or she exists in the everyday life of one of my children. If my children don't share with me anything about their friend or classmate, I can only assume he or she has no great impact on my sons' or daughter's daily lives. Of course, sometimes the response I get is simply my teen being a typical teen.

Has Jesus had a significant impact on your life? Do you know Jesus personally? If someone asked you about him what would you say?

My children respond the way they do to me because they are still young and immature. However, some adults are immature as well: immature in faith. We shy away from any discussion of God in our lives and we rarely share our faith. Most days we will not be asked the question, "Who is Jesus?" But we will be in situations where we are being called to share a little bit about ourselves. If Jesus has truly changed our lives and we never seem to want to share something about him with others, they may as well assume that he has had no real impact on us. On the other hand, if we are mature disciples in Jesus Christ, I suspect that others can't help but know about the great friend we have in him.

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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 for more information.



**THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS
MARY QUEEN
COUNCIL 8494**

GOLF

-Tournament-

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**



October 9, 2023
Golfcrest Country Club, Pearland
For Registration, Contact Mike Warth
houwgm@comcast.net
281-744-9411 Cell

The Multilingual Rosary Planning Group is looking for volunteers to host a table decorated as the country of your choice! Following the multilingual rosary, we will host an international reception in the Main Hall.

You will select a country of choice, decorate the table with this theme, and provide light food of your selected country.

Example: England - 'Tea Party' themed table with scones.

Date: Friday, September 8, 2023

Time: 6:30pm International Rosary

Please contact Leslie Karam at 832-282-8454 to reserve your country!

MARY QUEEN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

CAR SHOW & CHILI COOK-OFF

@ MARY QUEEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**OCT.
28TH**

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**



CONTACT:
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◆ WE WILL ALSO HAVE A COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE! ◆



Who Do You Say That I Am?

I once knew a very devout woman whose adult godchild had fallen away from the practice of the faith. This godchild still believed in God, and even felt a sense of belonging in the Church. He was a good and kind person. But poor catechesis and a society that confuses pleasure with joy had left him lax in practice, without an appreciation of the sacraments. He was making choices that threatened his soul.

His godmother wanted more for him. She planned to speak with him about his life, hoping to encourage him to return to the practice of the faith. She knew that, when she brought this up, he would reply that it wasn't important to attend Mass or to receive the Eucharist, that was all just "extra."

She told me that she was going to begin their conversation by asking him the question Jesus poses to Peter in Matthew 16:15 — the critical question in all our lives, the question whose answer will define what we become in this world and the next.

Her godson knew the answer. She was confident, unshakably, that he did. He may have forgotten it or ignored it. He may have tried to convince himself he wasn't entirely sure. He may have refused to give an answer. But he knew it. He knew the answer.

There is a reason that, after Peter's response, Jesus gives him the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

"Who do you say that I am?"

Let our whole lives be our answer.

"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."
— Matthew 16:16

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Sunday, August 27

Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday, August 28

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 29

1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday, August 30

1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday, August 31

1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 24:42-51

Friday, September 1

1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday, September 2

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

Sunday, September 3

Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27



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Isn't it a bit weird that Catholics call the Pope "papa," father? This Sunday provides us with essential Scriptural background on the papacy, the petrine office. Jesus gives Peter the "keys to the kingdom of heaven," after witnessing to the special grace Peter has to know Jesus' true identity. Many have pointed out that the "keys" refer back to the figure of Eliakim, King David's prime minister. True enough. But notice this is not mere authority or power. It's a family relationship. The Lord says to Eliakim, "He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem" (Isaiah 22:21). David's prime minister was a spiritual father to the family of Israel. Peter, and his successors, will be spiritual fathers in the family of the Church.

This means we have a serious obligation to not only recognize the Pope's authority, but also to love him with the affection of children for their papa. We should never speak about him with disrespect or rancor. We should listen to him with trusting hearts, and ignore the slander thrown at him in various media. When we show the world we are loving and obedient to our Holy Papa, perhaps they'll see more clearly that the Church is indeed God's beloved family.

— Father John Muir

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Inquiries Welcome!

You may have a friend or family member who has never been baptized or baptized in another Christian faith. An acquaintance or coworker may have asked you questions about the Catholic Church. Someone may indicate to you they are searching for a sense of community, or a desire to hear more of the Good News of Jesus, the Gospel.

They are all cordially invited to inquire about the Catholic Christian Faith by attending an open informational meeting on Thursday, September 7th from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Main Hall. This is their opportunity to ask questions about "All things Catholic" such as what do Catholics believe and what do Catholics do? This is their opportunity to raise the issues that are on their minds or in their hearts. This is their chance to get information with no commitment!

Those who have never been baptized can investigate what it means to be Christian. Those baptized in another Christian tradition can explore the process to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. And those baptized Catholic as infants but never raised as Catholic can learn about being Confirmed and receiving the Eucharist.

The first step begins with you, today, as you invite your family members, friends, co-workers, or others to explore what it means to be Catholic.

We encourage those already members of the community to consider being a part of the RCIA team whereby sharing your faith you will receive the gift that comes by helping others grow in theirs.

Finally, we ask you to consider being sponsors, walking with and supporting the inquirers as they grow. Please welcome them warmly into our community.

Please email Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & RCIA to sign up.



College Students & Young Professionals 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 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.

Please contact Eby Kurian to get more information and/or to sign-up for this new series.

'That Man is You!' (TMIY)

Fall 2023 Semester of 'That Man is You!' (TMIY) program in Mary Queen starts on **Wednesday, September 20th** and will meet from **5:45 am - 7:00 am in the Main Hall**.

This is the **7th Year** of TMIY program in our parish, and this year's theme is **'Thy Kingdom Come.'**

In this new year, Thy Kingdom Come we explore the reality that Jesus did not say to the Jews, "I've come to save you from Roman oppression and taxation." Christ did not promise a worldly kingdom. In fact, He said, "In the world you will have tribulation ... yet I have overcome the world ... My kingship is not of this world ... My kingdom is in your midst ... My kingdom is within you!" The kingdom of God is among us. Let us live with an eternal perspective and boldly proclaim the Kingdom in both word and deed and become the authentic Catholic leader our world, our church and our families so desperately need."

Join us for food, fellowship and faith! All men are welcome! 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 to sign up.

Our Adult Faith Formation Department is working with Certified SoulCore Leader, Aimee Kindle, to offer bi-weekly sessions with morning & evening options for all men & women ages 18 and above. Don't worry if you missed last time; join anytime! Learn more and register at bit.ly/SCMaryQueen.



Monday Morning Sessions: 9:30 - 10:30 am in the Main Hall
Wednesday Evening Sessions: 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the Main Hall

August - 30th
September - 11th, 13th, 25th & 27th
October - 9th, 11th, 23rd & 25th
November - 6th, 8th, 27th & 29th
December - 11th & 13th



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YOUTH MINISTRY & CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETINGS!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR ANNUAL
MANDATORY PARENT MEETINGS FOR 6TH-12TH GRADE

AUG
27
CAST Year 1
High School
Parent/Teen
Meeting
5:45-6:45 PM

AUG
27
CAST Year 2
Confirmation
Candidates
Parent/Teen
Meeting
2:30-4:00 PM

SEPT
10
Ark 6th-8th
Jr High
(feel free to
bring your
child)
3:00-4:00 PM

SEPT
24
CAST
all groups
Kick-Off
Night
3:45-6:45 PM

OCT
1
Ark Kick-Off
Night
3:45-6:30 PM

*ALL MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE IN ST. CHARBEL YOUTH CENTER

REMINDER

**6-12th 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/6-12reg

REMINDER

**Registration for K-5th Grade
Regular Faith Formation
closes August 31st!**

Cost: \$70 per student
(registered parishioners)

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

REGISTER AT: [BIT.LY/K-5REG](https://bit.ly/K-5REG)

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 14, 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>



The Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette Annual Mission Appeal - This Weekend!

Having brought the fullness of Life to our world when He rose from the dead, Jesus sent his disciples to share this life with all of creation. "They went forth and preached everywhere" (Mk 16:20). The Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette minister to people of every race, language, culture and way of life – beginning at the La Salette Shrine in France where our Blessed Mother appeared in 1846. Her final words, "Well, my children, you will make this known to all my people," echo Jesus' Gospel mandate. It is little wonder that the La Salette Congregation has always been mission orientated. When called upon by the Vatican to preach the Gospel in foreign lands, they eagerly responded. This spirit brought them to mission in 27 countries, especially among the poor in Angola, Argentina, Bolivia, Haiti, India, Madagascar, Myanmar and the Philippines. With your cooperation, the Missionaries of La Salette can continue to provide spiritual and financial assistance to these mission countries as they bring God's reconciling message to the poor.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Elementary
Faith
Formation

**Not a
teacher?**

We will provide training and all materials and supplies needed to be an awesome Catechist!

Classes meet once a week and only 19 times a year!

**Short on
time?**

VOLUNTEER Children's WITH Liturgy

**Can't help
during the
week?**

Volunteers meet once per month on Sundays during the 9:30 AM or 11:30 AM Mass.

Each week, children ages 5-10 are pulled out of Mass to have their own Children's Mass.

**What's
Children's
Liturgy?**

**Are you
being
called?**

A loving heart and a will to learn is all that is needed. Come and spread the love of God to the future of our church!

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Carol Stuart at cstuart@maryqueenchurch.org.

Dinner and a Movie Night

Join Mary Queen's Creation Care Ministry on September 23rd at 6:45 PM for a movie night! Following the 5:30 PM Mass, we will be showing 'The Letter' in the Mini Hall. Dinner will be provided.

This is a Creation Care & Social Concerns Ministry event in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.



SEPTEMBER 6	7:30 PM STS. SIMON AND JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH 26777 Glen Loch Dr. Spring, TX 77381	SEPTEMBER 23	6:45 PM MARY QUEEN CATHOLIC CHURCH 606 Cedarwood Drive, Friendswood, TX 77546
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RSVP to jenhammerle@gmail.com or just show up!



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 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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Terri Kettle
713-560-4503

Operations Coordinator

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Mary Queen Pastoral Council Needs Your Support!

Pastoral Council Nominations Mary Queen parishioners are invited to nominate members to the Pastoral Council. A pastoral council is a consultative body in parishes of the Roman Catholic Church that serves to advise the parish priest about pastoral issues. The council's main purpose is to investigate, reflect, and reach conclusions about pastoral matters to recommend to the parish priest as appropriate.

The nominee must be a registered, confirmed member in full communion with the Catholic Church and 18 years of age or older. Pastoral Council members serve a 3 year term and are elected through a discernment process. Nominees must be present for the Day of Discernment on Sunday, October 1st from 1:00 – 4:00 PM. The nominees must also commit to monthly Council meetings (third Thursday of the month) and extracurricular responsibilities. Parishioners may self-nominate to serve on the Pastoral Council.

To submit a nomination, visit our website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/pastoral-council to download a form.

Please email the completed nomination form to Stephanie Hermes from the Pastoral Council at stephaniehermes10@yahoo.com. There are also nomination forms available in the narthex at the welcome desk and in the parish hall at the reception desk.

Nomination forms are due by Monday, September 25th at 5:00 PM.

Invitation to Nominate!

The Pastoral Council wishes to honor a person or couple each year with a special recognition known as the Annual Parish Service Award. The Annual Service Award nominee(s) should be an individual or couple, 21 years of age or older, who has given of their time and talent to make Mary Queen Church a more vibrant gospel community over the past year (2022-2023) as registered members of the parish. Members of the Pastoral Council or the Pastoral Staff cannot be nominated. The Pastoral Council will confirm the good works of the nominees with the Pastor before the final selection of the recipients. The 2023 Annual Parish Service Award nomination forms can be found at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex and on the information table in the Parish Hall, or on the Mary Queen website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/mary-queen-councils.

The deadline for submission of forms is 5:00 PM on Thursday, September 21st. You may submit your nomination at the welcome desk in the Narthex, the reception desk in the Parish Hall, or by email to stephaniehermes10@yahoo.com.

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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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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



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.

Mary Queen Fifty-Five or Better

Mary Queen Fifty-Five or Better now meets on the second and fourth Friday of every month from 4 - 7 PM!

For additional information, please contact Vinnie Saccomanno at 832-526-5070 or Peggie Madison at 281-482-2860.



Mary Queen Seniors (60+)

Mary Queen Seniors (60+) meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 9:30 AM.

The meeting is open to all seniors, and newcomers are always welcome. If you would like additional information, please contact Jo Ann Truman at 713-899-1682.



Texas Catholic Herald

Did you see Mary Queen's VBS program featured in the August 15th edition of the Texas Catholic Herald?

Check out the digital edition of the Texas Catholic Herald! Read the latest issue online now at www.archgh.org/digitaleditions or visit www.archgh.org/tch.

Communications Requests - Guidelines & Deadlines

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Contact: Sofia Medrano, Communications Coordinator
email: smedrano@maryqueenchurch.org
phone: 281-482-1391 x334
text: 409-218-8213

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.

September 17—August 28
September 24—September 5



The Giving of Treasure

Question:

Why are Catholics required to give money to the Church?

Answer:

Offering money and other goods to God and the Church is, before all else, a statement of gratitude. We see this when we look at how our spiritual ancestors showed their gratitude to God for the gifts they had received (e.g. Genesis 14:18-20 and Genesis 28:16-22). One of the ways they offered thanks to God was through a practice called "tithing," in which 10 percent of a person's goods (crops, livestock, money, etc.) were given back to God.

Today, the practice of tithing — giving 10 percent — is still common in many Protestant communities, but it is not required for Catholics. Instead, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that, "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to [their] own abilities" (no. 2043). This means that, although we are not bound to practice "tithing" in the traditional sense, we do share a responsibility to share our money or other resources with our parish communities. Like our spiritual ancestors, we give as a sign of our gratitude for the many gifts that God has given to us. Beyond this, we also share our resources with other Catholic organizations to help them finance their ministries, to continue and grow their outreach to the poor and the needy, and to provide just wages for their employees.

How much we give depends on our individual circumstances, but since we share a responsibility for the programs, outreach, and health of our parish communities and Catholic organizations, this question gives us a wonderful opportunity to ask some important questions about the quality of our giving and what our priorities are. Remember, we are only stewards of our time, talents, and treasures and as the First Letter of Peter reminds us, "As each one of you has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied graces" (4:10).

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The Choice of Stewardship

What does it mean to be a good steward? Does it mean to be an active parishioner, or something more? Are we better stewards because we give more in terms of our money and time to our parish, or are we called to do even more than that?



The truth is that stewardship is a way of life. We are not simply called to be active parishioners, but instead be active disciples all the time. In fact, what we learn to do in our parish should serve as preparation for the mission field of the world. What have we really done if we only act like disciples of Jesus Christ while we are assembled with others who claim to be the same?

The choice before us is to give of ourselves in all aspects of our day and life. The call of Jesus will come in our everyday lives with our co-workers, family, and friends more often than it will within our parish community. First, if we can't become good stewards when we are among those who proclaim Jesus as Lord, how will we be able to do so when we are with those who are non-believers? Second, when our muscles of gratitude, generosity, and graciousness are strengthened within our parish community, we are more able to meet the challenges of this world. However, we do not become good stewards by accident. We must always choose to live this way. What will you choose?

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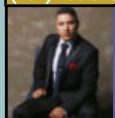
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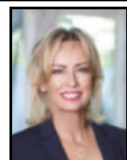
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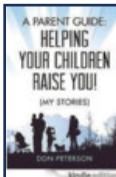
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