



October 1, 2023

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

REMEMBER YOUR MERCY, O LORD.

PSALM 25

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



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M.S.



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**Missionaries of
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 no longer accepting Mass Intention requests for the 2023 year. Information on Mass Intention requests for 2024 is located on page 14 of the bulletin.

If you have any questions about Mass Intentions, please contact Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

THIS WEEK

OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Sunday, October 1st

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Pastoral Council Discernment Session - Mini Hall
 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM Welcome Luncheon - New Parishioners - Main Hall
 3:45 PM - 6:30 PM Ark - Junior High Sessions - Youth Center

Monday, October 2nd

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
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group - Rm 113
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Scout Troop Meeting - Youth Center
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Hispanic Ministry Meeting - Mary's House

Tuesday, October 3rd

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Hospitality Floral & Prayer Team - Walking With Purpose - Rm 110/Library
 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry - Rm 114/115
 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Keeping In Balance Women's Bible Study - AFF - Main Hall
 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
 4:30 PM Exposition for Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Keeping In Balance Women's Core Team - AFF - Youth Center
 5:45 PM - 7:00 PM EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Timeline Study Group - Mary's House
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Keeping In Balance Women's Bible Study - AFF - Main Hall

Wednesday, October 4th

5:45 AM - 7:00 AM **Kolbe Prison Ministry Retreat Meal Preparation**
 "That Man is You! Year 7 - Theme: 'Thy Kingdom Come' - Main Hall
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Christian Meditation Prayer Group - Mary's House
 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Queen's Bee Quilters - Mini Hall
 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM High School Fall Open Hours - Youth Ministry - Youth Center
 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Confessions - Church
 5:00 PM - 7:15 PM CAST - Make-Up Session - Youth Center
 5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
 5:45 PM - 7:00 PM EFF Classes - Mini Hall - Classrooms
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM College Students & Young Professionals Faith Sharing Small Group & Bible Study - Mary's House
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House

Thursday, October 5th

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM **Kolbe Prison Ministry Retreat Meal Preparation**
 Pastoral Staff Meeting - Rm 114/115
 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Convalidation - Kovacevich - Church
 4:15 PM - 7:45 PM Sacrament Preparation - First Reconciliation Class
 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM Blaze WWP Bible Study - Junior High Girls - Youth Center
 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA & Adult Confirmation Sessions - Main Hall
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Bridge Vocations Ministry - Mary's House

Friday, October 6th

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM **Kolbe Prison Ministry Retreat Meal Preparation**
 First Friday Family Fun Night - EFF - Main Hall

Saturday, October 7th

Kolbe Prison Ministry Retreat Meal Preparation
Scout/Pack Popcorn Sales - After All Masses
 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Group - Rm 110/Library
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Blessing of the Animals - Creation Care Ministry - Church Grounds
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Private Baptism - Paris - Church
 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation - Church

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 30th

5:30 PM †Jim Debbrecht, †Joseph Swiader, Fr. James Kuczynski & Fr. Thomas Vellappallil

Sunday, October 1st

7:30 AM Chris Cordary, Roy & Tracy Glanville & Family, Fr. James Kuczynski & Fr. Thomas Vellappallil
 9:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
 11:30 AM †Scott Durham, †Allen Carambat, Fr. James Kuczynski & Fr. Thomas Vellappallil
 4:30 PM †Mila Lopez, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Judy Hodges, Fr. James Kuczynski, Fr. Thomas Vellappallil

Monday, October 2nd

8:30 AM †Kim Thi Anh, †Kevin Heiss, †Maureen Scheinman, Diana Chenevert - Birthday Blessings

Tuesday, October 3rd

8:30 AM †Phil Bossert, Jr., †Aleykutty Joseph, Amadeo Montemayor, Sr., Living & Deceased Loved Ones of John & Agnes Susil

Wednesday, October 4th

6:30 PM †Luz Martinez-Garza, †Rives Benoit, †Juliet Valencerina

Thursday, October 5th

8:30 AM †Ann Balcer, †Celia Lucero, Celine Cordary

Friday, October 6th

8:30 AM †Marian Grygier, †Jim Debbrecht, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Ben & Beth Drone

Saturday, October 7th

8:30 AM †Bob Zehentner, Sr., †Larry Larson, Mary Queen Ministries
 5:30 PM †Denise Cozzitorto, †Larry Larson, †Jim Debbrecht

Sunday, October 8th

7:30 AM †Kate Ezeli, Karen Ganske, JoLynn & Kevin Stifler, Yolanda Linky - Birthday Blessings
 9:30 AM †Frank & †Carlotta Garza, †Roger Souliere, †Sue Carlow
 11:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
 4:30 PM †Hector Tobon, †Linda Meza Samudio, †Kate Ezeli

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCTOBER 1

That we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts!

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..."
 -Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.

TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

Offertory: September 9, 2023 - September 15, 2023

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$37,144.01

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$36,884.08

Difference: \$259.93

MP-Debt Reduction: \$684.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$3,950.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$14,253.90

**Loan Balance as of September 25, 2023 was
\$1,285,585.11.**

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

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

October 8 - Future Development and Maintenance

October 22 - Propagation of the Faith -
World Mission Sunday

Diocesan Services Fund

2023 DSF Summary as of September 25, 2023

Parish Goal: \$185,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$120,401.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 292

Total Number of Gifts received: 571

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 September 25, 2023

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$513,030.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$592,091.54

Total Number of Gifts Received: 1,830

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.

**Make the 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.



Respect Life Holy Hour

Sunday, October 8, 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

Remember a time when jealousy or envy reared its ugly head and you wished you had something that someone else owned? Maybe it was a house, a car, a bank account, or even that luscious green lawn. All humans have had that feeling before and some of us more often than others. After the emotion hit you, hopefully you considered all the good gifts you did have in your life and gave thanks for them. Let's pray that you are still not hanging onto those feelings. Unfortunately, we do live in a world that seems to fuel those desires and push us toward wanting more and more.

But let's level the field here. Did you ever hear of someone who died and was able to take any of those things into the afterlife? The reality is that nothing we have in this life truly belongs to us. We come into this world with nothing and as time goes by more gifts are entrusted to us but we never truly own them. So whom do they belong to anyway?

Of course, you know the answer. All that we have has been entrusted to us by God; to be cherished, cultivated, and then given back to him for his glory. God doesn't need any of these things, and we only need them short-term. All that we need long-term is God. If he is all we need in the end, I bet our lives would be more fruitful and happier if we focused on that now instead of later.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

PICNIC IN THE PARK

SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 5TH
STEVENSON PARK
11:30 AM OUTDOOR MASS
AT GAZEBO

FOLLOWED BY BBQ MEAL
SERVED 12:30-2:00PM

- \$10 BBQ Sandwich with Chips
- \$10 Loaded Baked Potato
- FREE Hot Dogs & Ice Cream for Kids
OR
- Bring Your Own Picnic Lunch

Games and Races for the Kids
Volleyball • Basketball •
Tennis • Playgrounds

Limited Seating
Bring Lawn Chairs & Blankets

Chance of Rain?
Check Mary Queen Website for
venue change

SOFT DRINK AND WATER
DONATIONS NEEDED:
COKE • DIET COKE • SPRITE •
DR. PEPPER • BOTTLED WATER
DROP OFF IN PARISH HALL



Tickets will be sold after all
Masses on

- October 21st, 22nd, 28th,
and 29th

At the reception desk on
• October 16th-20th and
23rd-27th

On the parish website
• October 16th-29th

Tickets WILL NOT be sold
at the picnic

Mass and an Hour with Father Cedric Pisegna

The Knights of Columbus are hosting an hour
with Father Cedric Pisegna on Wednesday,
October 18th after the 6:30 PM Mass.

All parishioners are invited to attend.

You can learn more about Father Cedric on his
website at www.frccedric.org.

KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS

BBQ FUNDRAISER

Ribs

Chicken

Sausage

Purchase after
Masses
Sunday,
Oct. 15th



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

PRACTICING CATHOLIC

The Vineyard

The second son never showed up to the vineyard. Did he get lost? Did he get tired? Did he not know where to begin?

When it comes right down to it, good intentions amount to very little. We all know this, don't we? "Show me, don't tell me." "I'll believe it when I see it." It's as true in the workplace and in relationships as it is in the life of the Christian disciple.

It doesn't matter if we intend to work in the vineyard. It doesn't matter if we promise to, if we think about it a lot, or if we make grand plans for what we will accomplish there. None of that matters if we don't show up. Before we show up, we have to find the way.

Showing up is the whole point. The work is the point, not the intention.

But all this begs the question: what does the work mean for us as baptized Catholics in the modern world? Spending our Saturdays in soup kitchens and homeless shelters? Standing on a street corner shouting out the words of the Gospel?

Our baptismal call is to the vineyard. Where is our vineyard? How do we show up? We are ready, Lord, we say. We intend to work. But where do we go?

My vineyard is not your vineyard, and so it's not my place to tell you how to get there. I am glad you want to go, but you'll have to find your own way, just like I will. But I can tell you this: only one voice will lead you there. If you listen to it, you will find your vineyard.

"Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way." — Psalm 25:8

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PRAY & REFLECT

October 1, 2023

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A life-long Catholic friend of mine recently mumbled to me, "I can't stand all these converts to the faith. They're always rocking the boat." It surprised me because he is dedicated to evangelization, and yet he struggles with openness to new Catholics. It made me realize how easily I close my heart to those whom I perceive to be outsiders who become new members of the Catholic community. Almost unconsciously I reduce the world to the categories of "us" and "them." The result is that meaningful community silently shrinks in my life. Don't we all do that to some degree?

This week Jesus' punchy parable about the two sons blows up that black and white world. One son said he wouldn't get to work, and then did. The other said he would, and then he did not. "Which did the will of his father?" asks the Lord. Like so many of us, in identifying the first as the answer, the religious authorities manifest hidden hypocrisy in refusing to follow Jesus. They — like us — intuit the correct path but simply won't do it. The tax collectors and prostitutes are indeed following Jesus and thereby getting to work in the kingdom of God. Everyone is called to do God's will regardless of the labels we may apply to them.

This week let's reject the convenient but damaging categories of "insiders" and "outsiders." Instead, let's embrace a grateful attitude that Jesus is calling fallen, weak, and broken men and women like you and me. Then we begin to see that the tax collectors and prostitutes aren't them. They are us. And Jesus wants all of us working in his boat, no matter the rocking.

— Father John Muir

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We welcome our new pastor, Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, back to Mary Queen! He will celebrate all Masses on Sunday, October 1st, so be sure to say hello and give him a warm welcome!


PICK UP YOUR COPY OF THE WORD AMONG US

As part of the Eucharistic Revival Initiative, our Department of Adult Faith Formation is pleased to gift our families 'The Word Among Us' magazine, which is the largest monthly devotional for Catholics based on the Scripture readings from Mass.

Pick up the October issue in the Narthex!

The magazine is free to all, but donations are greatly appreciated and will be used to cover the subscription cost.

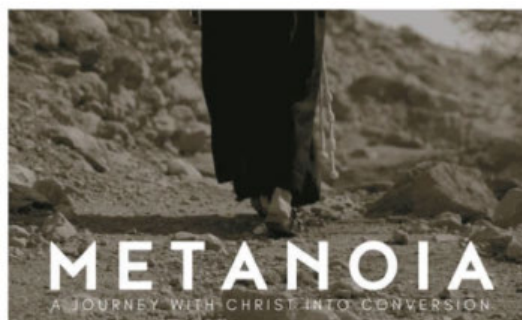
Donate at bit.ly/AdultFaithDonation or scan the QR code.





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We were blessed to have Very Rev. William Kaliyadan, Provincial Superior of the Missionaries of La Salette and Rev. Thomas Vellappallil, MS, our new Pastor, talk to the RCIA and Adult Confirmation group on Thursday, September 21st.



'Metanoia: A Journey With Christ Into Conversion' - A new faith sharing series for College Students & Young Professionals

Calling all Young Adults: Whether you are navigating life post-high school, attending college or trade school, or establishing yourself as an early career professional, join us for a new series, 'Metanoia: A Journey With Christ Into Conversion'.

This follow-up series to The Wild Goose by Father Dave Pivonka, TOR, President of Franciscan University, focuses on eight different areas that invite us to a deeper metanoia of who Jesus is and how He desires us to know Him.

All young adults ages 18 - 35 are invited to attend our faith sharing small group session from 7:00 - 8:30 PM on Wednesday evenings after the 6:30 PM Mass. Please contact Eby Kurian for 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 started on **Wednesday, September 20th** and will meet from **5:45 - 7:00AM** 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 faith and fellowship! All men are welcome!
 "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."
 —Proverbs 27:17

Registration is **FREE!** Please contact Eby Kurian to sign up.



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YOUTH MINISTRY MEETINGS!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR UPCOMING 6TH-12TH FAITH FORMATION NIGHTS!

OCT 1

Ark (Jr. High) Kick-Off Night

3:45-6:30 PM

OCT 8

CAST (High School) Night

3:45-6:45 PM

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

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

TUESDAY CLASS DATES

OCT 3	OCT 17	OCT 24
NOV 7	NOV 14	NOV 28
	DEC 5	

WEDNESDAY CLASS DATES

OCT 4	OCT 18	OCT 25
NOV 8	NOV 15	NOV 29
	DEC 6	

*PLEASE DIRECT YOUR CHILDREN TO THE MINI HALL FOR THE START OF CLASS.



7th & 8th Grade Middle School Girls' Bible Study

Walking with Purpose

DATES:

October 5th, October 12th, October 19th,
 October 26th, November 3rd, November 10th

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

St. Charbel Youth Center

606 Cedarwood Dr, Friendswood, TX 77546

Questions?

Email Stephanie Rinaldis-Monroig at sterinmon@msn.com or call (281) 482-1391 Ext. 317

RSVP by September 28th by 5PM. Snacks provided!

RSVP Here!



Elementary Faith Formation Parents:
 we are launching a new program entitled,

"Two Hands of Christ"

Elementary Faith Formation 2023/2024
 Family volunteering as the Hands of Christ
 Please select 1 fall event from the list below:

<https://bit.ly/2HandsofChrist>

AROUND THE PARISH

THE FIRST FRIDAY FAMILY FUN MINISTRY
INVITES YOU TO

PUMPKINS, PAINTING & PIZZA

Friday, Oct. 6th | 6-8 PM | Main Hall
Bring your own pumpkin (carving sized work best)
Painting supplies will be provided

Prizes for best painted pumpkins!
Bring the entire family!

Welcome!
New Parishioner Luncheon

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

12:45 - 2:30 PM

PARISH CENTER – MAIN HALL

Please RSVP to Michaela Nicholson at
michaelladavis@hotmail.com or
713-907-6303.


**Blessing of the
ANIMALS**

Please join the Creation Care Ministry
on Saturday, October 7th at 10 AM
under the big oak trees for the annual
Blessing of the Animals to celebrate the
Feast of St. Francis. We look forward to
seeing you and your pets!

 **SERRA CLUB OF THE BAY AREA**
Annual Wreaths and More Sale

Order your fresh
evergreen products
ONLINE ONLY
at GiftItForward.com.

User ID: SERRATX001
Proceeds benefit our Serra Club.



Join the MQ Arts & Environment Team for a

Festive Fall Flower Arrangement Class



OCT. 14TH | 10 - 11:30 AM | \$75 | MARY'S HOUSE

Take home an arrangement with fall
mums and roses, all in a wooden box
container that will add autumnal
ambiance to your fall celebrations!

Register at: bit.ly/MQFlowers

Women's Ministry Silent Day of Prayer

Friday, October 6, 2023

Ruah Spirituality Center at Villa de Matel
Meet at Mary Queen at 7:45 AM to carpool

Lunch will be provided.
A love offering will be taken.

For reservations or questions,
contact Sheri Barber at 713-824-8091.
Space is limited.

**SEND A
BOX OF JOY!**



This Christmas, make a child's life brighter by sending them a Box of Joy! These boxes go to impoverished children who live in developing countries that may not otherwise receive a gift for Christmas.

The Mary Queen Social Concerns Ministry will be collecting Boxes of Joy throughout the month of October. Visit the Narthex or Parish Hall to pick your box with instructions on how to fill it!

Seafarer Bags

In coordination with Bay Area Deanery Council of Catholic Women, we will be collecting items for the Seafarer's coming into the Port of Galveston. We package the bags and deliver them to the port. This may be the only gift sailors get while working at sea this Christmas.

This year, we are asking for only a few items as we are coordinating our efforts with area Deanery churches. Items needed are: Knit Caps, Disposable Razors, Nail Clippers, Ink Pens, Decks of Cards/Card Games/Word Searches/Sudoku, and Work Gloves. Any of these items are appreciated and may be dropped off in the collection boxes located in the Parish Center and the Church Narthex now through Sunday, October 15th.

For additional information, please contact Deana Atteberry at datteberry2@yahoo.com or 469-230-8272. We do not need shoeboxes this year.

Walking Through Grief

The Ministry of Compassion at Mary Queen is offering a nine week DVD series, Walking Through Grief. This series is designed to supply tools to the bereaved for finding hope along this difficult journey. The classes will be held in Mary's House at the back of our property. The series will start on October 18th at 6 PM and is open to all.



THE BRIDGE

(21-30 yr olds)

Dates:
October 5th
November 2nd
December 7th

Meetings:

Get connected with other young adults. Join us with games and food in the back of Mary Queen's Parking Lot, @ Mary's House on the First Thursday of the month at 7pm. Bring a friend!

Sponsored by the Vocations Ministry.

Scan QR Code to sign up for the GroupMe for more events (Sports, Dinners, Game, Bars, etc.)



**Text 832-260-2691
for more
information.**

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

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bus Trip

Bus trip to Our Lady of Walsingham & Bering's Hardware

When: Monday, October 9th

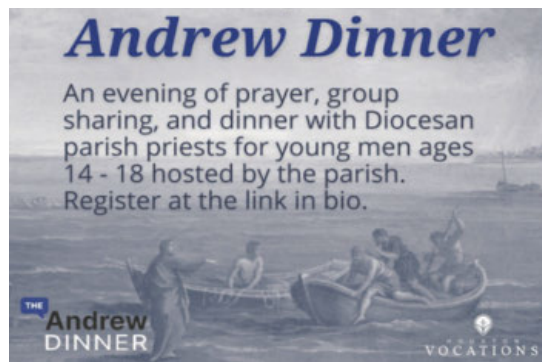
Meet at: St. Bernadette Catholic Church
back parking lot fence - 15500 El Camino Real

Time: 8:45 am - 4:00 pm

Cost: \$15 (Lunch is on your own)

Men and women 50 years of age or older are welcome.
For more information, contact Gretchen at 832-605-8360 or
Gretchenmitchell@gmail.com. RSVP by Oct. 4th.

Fundraiser sponsored by Bay Area Deanery Council of
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Upcoming Dates:

Friday, Oct. 13 – St. Anthony of Padua, The Woodlands

Friday, Oct. 13 – St. Ignatius of Loyola, Spring

Friday, Nov. 10 – St. Thomas More, Houston

Pearland Life Chain 2023

Each year on Respect Life Sunday, life chains form in cities nationwide to make a public, prayerful, peaceful stand for the sanctity of life. More than 1,500 cities across the US and Canada are expected to participate. We invite you bring your family and friends to stand and pray for one hour at the Pearland Life Chain. Signs will be provided. Please visit <https://www.lifechain.net/> for more information or email

Carrie Schoeffler at csschoeffler@gmail.com.

When: October 1, 2023, 2:30-3:30 PM

Where: Chase Bank parking lot at the intersection of
FM 518 and Pearland Parkway

Rain or shine! Water, strollers, umbrellas, and lawn chairs
are welcomed and encouraged!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

"Complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing." Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience held November 3rd-5th at the Holiday Inn Houston Westchase.

Contact Brian and Tina Little at 281-773-4014 or
brian.tina.little@wwme.org, or go to houstonme.org to apply.

Please note: The hotel has a 3-week cancellation policy with a minimum of 10 couples, so early registration is highly recommended. We will be at Mary Queen after each Mass on October 14-15 to answer questions.



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

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A1C Alexis Copeland, A1C Phillip Downey,
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SSgt Brandon Ojala, Maj. Zac Pendleton,
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SGT Matthew Knight, MAJ Michael Moad,
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SN Rand Smith, CAPT Mike Svatek

US Space Force:

Spc3 Lucy Gregory

US Coast Guard:

Cadet 4/c 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. Include the rank of the individual, their name and their branch of service.

Thank you and God Bless America!

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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



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.

Guidelines for 2024 Scheduled Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions for 2024 will be accepted starting on Wednesday, October 11th at 9 AM. Please submit your scheduled Mass Intention in-person.

You may request a form from the Parish receptionist during business hours. All Mass Intentions requests that are submitted to the receptionist must be on the Mass Intention form and clearly legible.

When filling out your scheduled Mass Intention form either through our website or one to be turned into the office, please include the preferred date and an alternate date for each request. If you do not list an alternate date and your preferred date is unavailable, an alternate date will be selected for you. Please make a copy of your requested 2024 scheduled Mass Intentions, as you will only be contacted if one of your date(s) is not available. Calls or emails will not be made confirming your selection of Scheduled Masses, if there is no conflict. If you drop off your Mass Intention form with the receptionist, checks should be made out to Mary Queen Catholic Church. Cash is also accepted. The suggested Mass Intention stipend is \$5 per Mass for either a scheduled or unscheduled Mass Intention.

Each family has a limit of 12 Scheduled Mass Intentions per year. Any scheduled Mass Intentions that you request throughout the year, will be counted towards these 12. If you request 12 scheduled Mass Intentions on October 11th for 2024, you have met your limit for 2024. We will not be able to schedule anymore Mass Intentions for you during 2024. In addition, each family will only be able to schedule up to three Mass Intentions for any given Saturday/Sunday Mass for the year. For example, you may only schedule three Mass Intentions for the Sunday, 4:30 Mass for 2024. The remainder of your scheduled Mass Intentions should be for another Mass, either on a Saturday/Sunday or a weekday.

If you have used up all 12 of your Scheduled Mass Intentions during 2024, we have several options for a Mass Intention. You may request an unscheduled Mass Intention, which is not published in the bulletin or said aloud during Mass. This must be done in person, in the office, during business hours. Only cash is accepted for an unscheduled Mass Intention. Another option is to request a Mass through the La Salette Missionary Association. These Masses are offered by the Missionaries of La Salette around the world. Information and cards are available at the receptionist desk during business hours.

Any questions about Mass Intentions, should be directed to Anita Shorosky at the Parish office.



Who Can Offer Anointing of the Sick?

Question:

Can anyone offer the Anointing of the Sick to a sick or dying person, or is that only something a priest can do?

Answer:

The Letter of James speaks to us of the ancient tradition of a special anointing and blessing of those who are sick: "Is there anyone sick among you? Let him send for the presbyters of the Church and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord ... If he has committed any sins, they will be forgiven him" (5:14, 15b). This passage forms the foundation for the theology of the sacrament that we call "Anointing of the Sick." In keeping with what we read in the Letter of James and the ancient tradition of the Church, the anointing of a person who is sick or dying many only be performed by a priest or bishop. Although deacons and other members of the Church are not able to celebrate the sacrament with a person who is sick, we can read Sacred Scripture and pray with and for those who are ill. Resources like the Book of Blessings also contain special blessings that can be celebrated by deacons or lay ministers. In the end, we want to be sure that we show a special care and concern for the sick, helping them to always experience God's loving comfort made tangible through our acts of charity and service.

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Is It the Thought That Counts?

I can remember times when I received a gift that I would not have chosen for myself. At those times I certainly thought to myself that "it was the thought that counts." I was happy that the gift-giver thought of me at all. Then there have been times when my children have not given me a gift and then chose to tell me all about what they were going to give me. They would then follow it up by saying, "it was the thought that really counts." Really!?! I don't think so. I could think of sending my wife on a cruise, but that is not in any way the same as going on the cruise. I think there are times when all of us think we are more generous than we are, simply because we were thinking about being generous.



This way of thinking can be dangerous. Jesus teaches us to say what we mean and mean what we say. The intentionality of our actions is important, but intentionality without action is meaningless. How we act and what we give serves as evidence of our intentions and indicates where our heart truly lies. If we fool ourselves into thinking we are someone we are not, it can become difficult to see the truth. We need to look for the fruit in our lives. We need to make sure our desires and thoughts are moving us to act. You know that other saying about intentions, don't you? Don't pave the road to a place no one wants to end up with your intentions. Instead, let your intentions and actions lead others to another place where Jesus can be found.

— Tracy Earl Welliver
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Bulletin, eNews, pulpit announcements, website, or social media

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.

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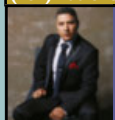
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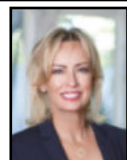
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