

October 15, 2023 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



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Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM Friday 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM and 4:30 PM

First Saturdays 8:30 AM

Daily Mass

8:30 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 6:30 PM Wednesday

Daily Rosary

after 8:30 AM Mass Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (except First Friday)

First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30 PM Tuesday - 5:45 PM Wednesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 4:30 - 5:30 PM in the church Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM in the church

Welcome to Mary Queen!

If you are new to Mary Queen parish or visiting, please stop by with any questions regarding our parish. We would love to meet you! If you have been attending Mary Queen Church and consider this your parish community, please register with the Parish Office so we can keep an accurate census. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact our parish office or visit our website: www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org.

Mission Statement

Our Mary Queen community, inspired by faith and love. will live, worship, teach, welcome and support one another in the imitation of Christ.

2023 Mass Intentions

We are 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 15th

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Talks (at all Masses)	
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Baptisms - Church
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Sisters Seeking Scripture - AFF - Rm 110/Library
3:45 PM - 6:30 PM	Ark - Junior High Sessions - Youth Center
Monday, October 16th	
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 120
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	ACTS Core Team Meeting - 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
Tuesday, October 17th	
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 -

4:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Elementary Faith Formation Classes - Mini Hall -Classrooms

4:30 PM 5:45 PM - 7:00 PM Exposition for Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel Elementary Faith Formation Classes - Mini Hall -

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Keeping In Balance Women's Bible Study -

Special Guest - Fr. Cedric Pisegna

AFF - Main Hall

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Wednesday, October 18th

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5:45 AM - 7:00 AM	"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	Elementary Faith Formation Classes - Mini Hall -
	Classrooms
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	Confessions - Church
5:45 PM - 6:00 PM	Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM	Elementary Faith Formation Classes - Mini Hall -
	Classrooms
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Walking Through Grief Sessions - Mary's House
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	Knights of Columbus Mini Retreat/Talks - Chapel
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	"Flow Camp" Faith Sharing Group - Rm 110/Library

Thursday, October 19th

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 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Vocations Ministry Meeting - Rm 119 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting - Rm 114/115 Creation Care Ministry Meeting - Rm 110/Library 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Friday, October 20th

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Wood Badge Clinic - Scout Troop 452 - Main Hall Saturday, October 21st

Picnic in the Park Ticket Sales (After All Masses)

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Group - Rm 110/Library Mass Safety Teams Training Session - Main Hall 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation - Church

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 14th

5:30 PM †Dolores Prindiville, †Carl William Szabo, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Chatron Family

Sunday, October 15th

7:30 AM **†**Ronald Holder, **†**George Whitlet, Angela Lawniczsk 9:30 AM +Tony Diotalevi, +Teresa Pina, +Dr. Charles & †Philomena St. George

Tera Newman DaVoudi, Tecky Gregory, 11:30 AM

†Walter Macedo

4:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Monday, October 16th

+Jayne Zehentner, Anna Giering, Matthew Briscoe -8:30 AM Birthday Blessings

Tuesday, October 17th

†Mr. & †Mrs. Johann Kirchner, †Larry Larson, 8:30 AM **†**Rey Vergara

Wednesday, October 18th

6:30 PM Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Nelson & Teresa Olavarria, Tomas Ramirez, John Ridout -Birthday Blessings

Thursday, October 19th

8:30 AM +Jeff Wild, +Augustun Zielke, Jorge Lerma -Birthday Blessings

Friday, October 20th

†Dan Foster, †Bessie Kucera, Abbey & Julio Hernandez – 8:30 AM Wedding Blessings

Saturday, October 21st

5:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Sunday, October 22nd

†Paul Bui Thanh, †Phillip Nguyen, †Thuy Truong 7:30 AM **†**Carol Lorance, **†**Ernie Heeb, **†**George Whittet 9:30 AM 11:30 AM †Ronald Hopple, †Joyner Ty Harshbarger, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Stimson-Mullen Families Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Clint & Dottie Carlin. 4:30 PM Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Robert & Phyllis Rinehart, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Cochiolo/Westhoven Families

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCTOBER 15

That we learn to depend on God to supply for our all needs.

"My God will fully supply whatever you need..." -Philippians 4:19

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month - be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works, and treasure, then see how God provides for your needs.

TIME · TALENT · TREASURE

Offertory: September 23, 2023 - September 29, 2023 This includes offertory at Mass, mail-in and online giving.

Weekly Offertory Received: \$32,415.66 Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$36,819.17

Difference: (-\$4,403.51) MP-Debt Reduction: \$366.15

Future Development & Maintenance: \$532.15

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$4,666.38

Loan Balance as of October 6, 2023 was \$1,285,585.11.

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

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

October 22 - Propagation of the Faith -World Mission Sunday

November 1 - All Saints

November 5 - Retired Priests

November 12 - Future Development and Maintenance

Diocesan Services Fund 2023 DSF Summary as of October 6, 2023

Parish Goal: \$185,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$123,819.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 297
Total Number of Gifts received: 591

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 October 6, 2023

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$515,201.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$592,091.54

Total Number of Gifts Received: 1,849

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.

- Go to the following link https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com
- A New User Registration Form will come up. Fill out the form and hit submit.
- Your request will be sent to Mary Queen to obtain confirmation.
- 4. Once you receive confirmation, you may set a permanent password and make changes to your family information.

This system allows you to add family members but it does not allow you to delete them. If you need assistance in adding and/or deleting information or would like to provide your updated information via telephone or e-mail, please contact Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

FORMED

To sign up for FORMED, visit www.formed.org/signup

- Select your parish Mary Queen 606 Cedarwood Dr., Friendswood, TX
- Register with your name and email address
- Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

They have also created a series of videos to guide you through logging in, signing up, and using the platform at https://watch.formed.org/formed-help-1/season:1.

FLOCKNOTE



Flocknote is the email communications platform Mary Queen uses to keep our parishioners informed about what's going on in the parish. The weekly eNews is sent out using

Flocknote, and many of our ministries and other parish groups also use it to keep their members up to date with meeting news and other information.

If you are not receiving email communications from

Mary Queen, sign up for Flocknote at https://maryqueenchurch.flocknote.com/.

ARCHIVES & ROOM RESERVATIONS

To request a copy of your parish records or to update your personal information, contact Anita Shorosky at anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

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





Sacrament of Baptism

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



Sacrament of Reconciliation

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



Sacrament of First Eucharist

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



Sacrament of Confirmation

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



Sacrament of Matrimony

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



Sacrament of Holy Orders

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



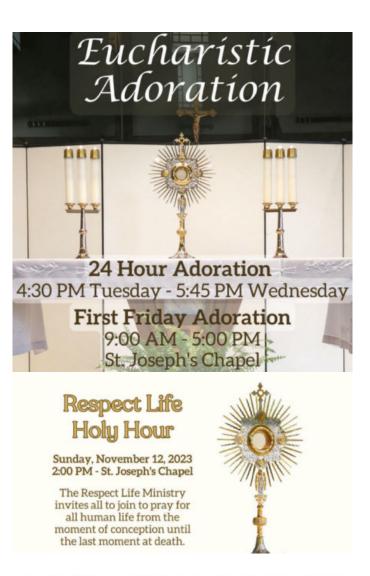
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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



RCIA: Christian Initiation of Adults

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



LIVE THE LITURGY

Art Buchwald, the longtime humorist for the Washington Post who died in 2007 is credited with saying, "The best things in life aren't things." As Christians, we know this statement to be true. Certainly the best things in our lives are not those items that money can buy or things we can create in the material world. Faith, hope, and love are more precious than anything we can see with our eyes. Yet, as humans we often find ourselves longing for the very things that we claim are not nearly as valuable. We lose sight of what is real and true.

Paul wrote in the fourth chapter of his Letter to the Philippians that he has experienced both living with abundance and then with very little. Regardless of what we have in terms of worldly goods, Paul reminds us that God provides for all our needs. God may not provide for our wants, but he does give us what we need.

The flesh seeks what it wants, but the spirit seeks what it needs. In a stewardship way of life, we must always remind ourselves that true wealth never comes from material possessions and money. True wealth comes from the love we share, the faith we develop, and the hope we bring to others. The best things in life aren't free, though. They require work, commitment, and fortitude. We need to cultivate these things daily. If we are serious about living life in this way, we will find that when our days on this earth are through, we really had it all. ©LPi

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



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 <u>WILL NOT</u> be sold at the picnic



TRUNK OR TOFAT

for all children of the parish

SUNDAY, OCT. 29TH 2-4PM

Spooktacular games! Hayrides!

Volunteer your trunk!

Contact Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org





The Wedding Garment

I like to think that any self-respecting doomsday prepper would find something to admire in my van's stores of extra clothes, snacks, boredom-busting toys, sunscreen, and seasonal outerwear. You never know when you're going to pass a free splash pad or a particularly amazing sledding hill. And you never know when one of the kids is going to find the world's most irresistible mud pile or fall into a river.

All this pre-planning for fun and disaster, and still, I usually devote a fraction of that effort to spiritual preparedness.

I swap out my traveling first-aid kit every season, imagining hypothetical emergencies — and I push confession off another week. "I haven't committed any mortal sins," I tell myself, "And I'm just so busy."

I shove extra outfits into my car's trunk on the off-chance my son decides to paint himself in Go-Gurt — and I shrug off the daily examinations of conscience that could help me overcome a persistent sin.

I stock my purse with bags of Cheerios to ward off sneaky attacks of kid hunger — and I fall asleep without saying the Rosary, murmuring to myself: "I'm so tired. Mary understands."

I am overwhelmed by the here-and-now, consumed by the minutiae of earthly life, that I forget there is only one eventuality I — or any of us — can expect with any certainty. We will all be invited to the feast.

Is my van stocked for that?

"The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?" — Matthew 22:12

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PRACTICING CATHOLIC PRAY & REFLECT

October 15, 2023 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

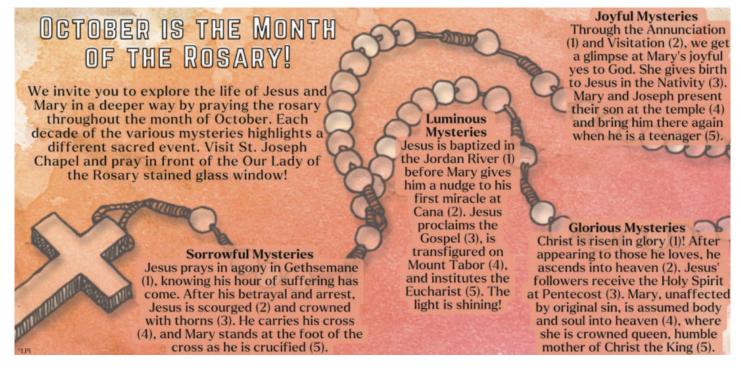
I confess that I have a soft spot for the scary things Jesus says because they are usually ignored. But there's gold in them thar hills, if we have courage to look. This week Jesus gives us a terrifying warning in his parable about the king who gives a marriage feast for his son and promptly goes berserk when people don't respond. The point: those who do not properly respond to God's generous invitation will face totally devastating consequences. The invitees who don't show up get their city burned to the ground. The poor homeless man is tortured for not wearing the correct clothes. Scary indeed.

Is Jesus trying to intimidate or bully us into following him? No, because that is certainly not how he treats anyone in the Gospels. A better view is this: to Jesus, your life matters. The universe is not an empty wasteland where anything goes. It is a theater of love offered and either accepted or rejected. How easy it can be to glide through life thinking my life doesn't make a difference. But it does. It really does.

This should not only be sobering but exhilarating. The positive side of the negative in Jesus' scary parables is the thrill and joy that he is inviting us, therefore our lives matter a great deal. There is a reason to get up in the morning. God's generous love is relentlessly calling us. True, obstinately saying no through our indifference is a catastrophe for us and those around us. But how wonderful must the consequences of our 'yes' be?

- Father John Muir

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Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & RCIA
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Our RCIA and Adult Confirmation group was blessed to have special visitors during their session last Thursday, September 21st! Very Rev. William Kaliyadan, Provincial Superior of the Missionaries of La Salette, and



Rev. Thomas Vellappallil, MS, our new Pastor, took a moment to visit with everyone and speak of how wonderful a blessing it is to go through the RCIA process. Please pray for all the inquirers & candidates as they continue through the RCIA and Adult Confirmation process!

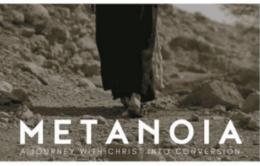












'Metanoia: A Journey With Christ Into Conversion' -A new faith sharing series for College Students & Young Professionals

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 in Mary's House (at the back of the main parking lot) after the 6:30 PM Mass. Please contact Eby Kurian for more information and/or to sign-up for this ongoing 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
continues to 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.



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



Looking for Faith Formation class dates?

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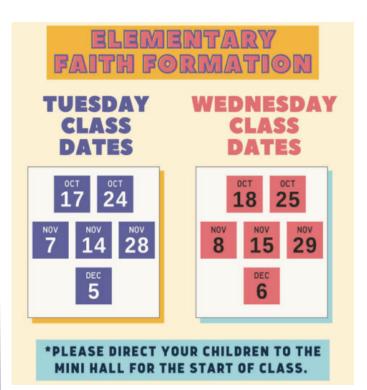
Visit our website under 'Faith Formation' to find class calendars for all grades!



www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org



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





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

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.frcedric.org.

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.



SUPPORT OUR MARY QUEEN FOOD PANTRY!



Sign-in to your Kroger Card account and link your Shoppers Card to Mary Queen Food Pantry. The Food Pantry will then receive quarterly checks from Kroger based on a percentage of spending of all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.

Questions? Contact Chris Austgen chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org 281-482-1391

Walking Through Grief

The Ministry of Compassion at Mary Queen is bereaved for finding hope along this difficult the back of our property. The series will start on October 18th at 6 PM and is open to all.



Congratulations?

Congratulations to our newest Mary Queen **Pastoral Council Members!**

We welcome the newest Pastoral Council members:

Leslie Buratti Jackie Cain Steve Elsner Tami Jernigan

Marek Rudak

They were elected to serve a 3-year term after a Day of Discernment on Sunday, October 1st.

The following members will continue their service with the Mary Queen Pastoral Council:

Peggy Cunningham Nicholas Simon Mary Rodriguez William Stone Ashley Birmingham Don Goins

With much gratitude, we thank the following members for their service to our Parish over the last 3 years:

> Stephanie Hermes Yvette Camarillo Marcus Norwood Miguel Camacho

Our Adult Faith Formation Department, in collaboration with Certified SoulCore Leader. Aimee Kindle, continues to offer bi-weekly sessions with morning and evening options for all men and 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 - 23rd & 25th November - 6th, 8th, 27th & 29th December - 11th & 13th

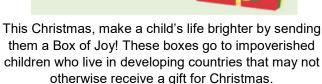
Mary Queen Fifty-Five or Better

Mary Queen Fifty-Five or Better 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.







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.

Have you visited our Memorial Prayer Garden?

Located between our Parish Office and the St. Charbel Youth Center, our Memorial Prayer Garden is a peaceful place to honor our loved ones who have passed on from this life to the next. Plaques with the name of your loved one can be purchased to be added to our memorial wall. Contact our Parish Office for more information on how to order a plaque.



October, the month of the Holy Rosary, is the perfect time to visit our Memorial Prayer Garden! Don't have a rosary with you? No problem. Pray the rosary for your loved ones while walking around the fountain.





SERRA CLUB OF THE BAY AREA Annual Wreaths and More Sale

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



Proceeds benefit our Serra Club.



COMMUNITY EVENTS



CALLED TO LIVE FOR SOMETHING GREATER

Tuesday

CULLEN HALL University of St. Thomas 3800 Montrose Boulevard





Friendswood Community Prayer Breakfast

Date: Saturday, October 21, 2023 Time: 7:10 am Coffee, 7:30 am Breakfast, 8:00 am Program, 9:00 am Closing Place: Calvary, Friendswood, TX 77546 Breakfast: \$10.00 Suggested Donation

> Program: Habits of the Heart Speaker: Richard May



For more information, visit https://houstonvocations.com/events.



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

US Army:

SPC Andrew Burnett, PFC Isaac Gross, SGT Matthew Knight, MAJ Michael Moad, 2LT Julian Monroig, CPT Brandon Nesrsta, LTC Ryan Nesrsta, WO2 Patrick Nagorski, SPC Brandon Patterson, SSG Kyle Perkins, SPC Jesse Roberts, SPC Kaitlyn Strassner, Sgt Emmanuel Thomas, MAJ Brian Y'Barbo

US Marine Corps:

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

US Navy:

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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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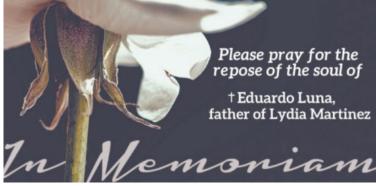
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For all those who are Health Care Workers, First Responders, Social Service Workers, those who continue to work to serve the community and all who are suffering and recovering from the Covid-19 virus.

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 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.

Communications Requests -Guidelines & Deadlines

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 <u>Sofia Medrano</u> 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.

November 5—Already submitted November 12—due October 24

Is it Right to Sue?



Is it right to sue someone? Isn't it a way of getting revenge?

Answer:

Revenge is inflicting harm for harm's sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people's intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or 'fishing for money' is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing.

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Respond with Love

Do you remember a time when you spent much time or money on a surprise or gift for someone else and they failed to appreciate it? We do open ourselves up to disappointment if our expectations do not match the response. Perhaps we reached down



deep to share a part of ourselves only to encounter apathy and insensitivity. That can hurt even if the person ignoring our gesture meant no ill will toward us.

What must God feel like when we fail to respond to what He has done for us. We probably do not purposefully slight God, but perhaps we are so busy and mindless that it becomes impossible to be responsive and mindful. We can miss the gift of God which is right before our eyes.

It is very difficult to be a good steward if we do not intentionally choose to be mindful. We miss the important stuff in life, and we neglect those placed in our path as gifts to enrich our lives. If we are to live as Jesus asks, we must work on focusing our eyes of faith on the things that matter and the gifts we have been given. If we are made in the image of God, I suppose we can guess how God might feel when His gifts are not acknowledged, or His love not returned. If I reflect on the One who loves me more than anyone, how can I choose to not offer my love in return?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



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