



October 29, 2023
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I
love
you,
Lord,
my
strength.

Psalm 18

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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 29th

Knights of Columbus #8494 Membership Drive Talks (At All Masses)

Picnic in the Park Ticket Sales (After All Masses)

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM All Saints Day Celebration - EFF - Church Grounds
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Trunk or Treat - Halloween - EFF - Main Hall
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sisters Seeking Scripture - AFF - Rm 110/Library
3:45 PM - 6:45 PM Ark - Junior High Sessions - Youth Center

Monday, October 30th

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Mary Queen Woodworkers - Mary's House
6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Men's Small Study Group - AFF - Rm 120
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Scout Pack Meeting - Mini Hall
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 31st

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
4:30 PM - 6:30 PM "Celebration of Saints" - Main Hall
4:30 PM Exposition for Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM The Solemnity of All Saints Vigil Mass - Church

Wednesday, November 1

The Solemnity of All Saints Masses - 7:00AM; 8:30AM; 7:00PM

5:45 AM - 7:00 AM "That Man is You! Year 7 - Theme: 'Thy Kingdom Come' - AFF - 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
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Confessions - Church
5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
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
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM "Flow Camp" Faith Sharing Group - Rm 110/Library

Thursday, November 2

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

(All Souls) Masses- 8:30AM, 7:00PM

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Pastoral Staff Meeting - Rm 114/115
4:15 PM - 7:45 PM Sacrament Preparation - First Reconciliation Class - Main Hall
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM Blaze WWP Bible Study-Junior High Girls-Youth Center
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA - Night of Prayer & Discernment- Mini Hall-Chapel
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Bridge Vocations Ministry - Mary's House

Friday, November 3

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM First Friday Family Fun - EFF - Main Hall
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal - Camarillo-Verlander - Church

Saturday, November 4

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 - 5:00 PM Picnic In The Park Meal Preparation - Main Hall
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Wedding Preparation - Camarillo - Bride's Room
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Wedding - Camarillo/Verlander - Church
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation - Church

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 28th

5:30 PM †Pam Pesl, Miles Libby, Lucia Boone, John Laine – Birthday Blessings, Loretta Delaney – Birthday Blessings

Sunday, October 29th

7:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
9:30 AM †Matilde Montemayor, †Becky Gregory, †Allen Brandt
11:30 AM †Thuy Truong, †Phillip Nguyen, †Robert Jones
4:30 PM †John Morriss, †Mercy Ezeli, Patrick Ezeli

Monday, October 30th

8:30 AM †Joseph Swiader, †Anthony Ngo, Barbara Fredricksen

Tuesday, October 31st

8:30 AM †Cielito Santos, †Jeanne Lavoie, Anne Martinez – Birthday Blessings
7:00 PM †Harold Doiron, †Joe Reyes, Sr., Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Rebecca Rives

Wednesday, November 1st

7:00 AM All Mary Queen Parishioners
8:30 AM †Scott Durham, †Allen Carambat, †Jeanne Lavoie
7:00 PM †Ernie Heeb, †James Debbrecht, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Smart & Briggs Families

Thursday, November 2nd

8:30 AM †Maria Ngo, †Rives Benoit, Micah Delaney
7:00 PM All Souls In Purgatory

Friday, November 3rd

8:30 AM All Souls In Purgatory, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Mary & Hilman Reviere, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Ben & Beth Drone

Saturday, November 4th

8:30 AM †Dylan Bynum †Monica Szeja, Mary Queen Ministries
5:30 PM †Velma Labrie, †Mark Diotalevi, †Juliana Krajca

Sunday, November 5th

7:30 AM †Mary Rita & †Bob Zehentner, Sr., †Elisea Pulmarit, Fr. Piotr Stangricki, M.S.
9:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
11:30 AM †Michael Mireles, †Father Don Thomas, MS, Celine Cordary
4:30 PM †Nestor Cruz, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Judy Hodges, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Robert & Phyllis Rinehart

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCTOBER 29

That we recognize everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God.

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

– Matthew 22:37

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? Putting God first in everything helps keep us from becoming a slave to our possessions and to our pride.



**THE 11:30 AM MASS ON
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH
WILL BE LIVESTREAMED IN
PLACE OF THE 9:30 AM
MASS AS REGULARLY
SCHEDULED.**

TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

Offertory: October 7, 2023 - October 13, 2023

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$43,346.15

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$44,084.08

Difference: (-\$737.93)

MP-Debt Reduction: \$2,419.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$4,473.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$3,158.00

**Loan Balance as of October 18, 2023 was
\$1,274,532.96.**

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

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

November 1 - All Saints

November 5 - Retired Priests

November 12 - Future Development and Maintenance

Diocesan Services Fund

2023 DSF Summary as of October 18, 2023

Parish Goal: \$185,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$127,764.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 304

Total Number of Gifts received: 622

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 18, 2023

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$519,656.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$591,091.54

Total Number of Gifts Received: 1,878

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, November 12, 2023
2:00 PM - St. Joseph's Chapel

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



LIVE THE LITURGY

I read an interesting article about how tolerance has become a substitute for love. As Christians we often talk about tolerance toward others when truly the call of Jesus Christ is to love others, not simply tolerate them. The truth is tolerance is a lot easier than love.

In tolerance, we are asked to give nothing away. It costs us nothing to simply allow people to be who they are, where they are, and stay in the state in which they find themselves. Love requires us to step outside of our comfort zone and to offer a part of ourselves to others. This makes us vulnerable and open to possible pain and discomfort. Those whom we seek to love could take advantage of us. It is easy to see why tolerance seems a bit more popular these days.

Jesus could have tolerated the religious hypocrites of his day. He could have tolerated the Romans who oppressed the Jews. He could have simply tolerated the tax collectors, prostitutes, and outcasts of his day. Instead, he loved them. He made himself vulnerable and open to pain. When we look at the cross we see what can be the true price for love. It is easy to see why a policy of tolerance looks more desirable to many.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming Holy Days and Feast Days

The Solemnity of All Saints (All Saints)

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, October 31st

7:00 PM – Vigil Mass

Wednesday, November 1st

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

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Thursday, November 2nd

8:30 AM, 7:00 PM

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, December 7th

7:00 PM – Vigil Mass

Friday, December 8th

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

Please remember that Funeral Masses may not be celebrated on Holy Days of Obligation (GIRM 380). The Order of Celebrating Matrimony within Mass may not be celebrated, unless it is the Mass of Day (this includes Masses after 4:00 PM on the evening before) (GIRM 372, OCM 34).

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JOIN US FOR SEVERAL CELEBRATIONS!

All Saints Day Live Wax Museum

Sunday, October 29th

9:30 AM Mass

At Mass children will process up the aisle depicted/dressed up as their favorite Saint. Directly following Mass, we will have a "live" wax museum outside. Your children will share their knowledge with parishioners as our wax museum comes to life.

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, Oct. 29th

2-4 PM

All children of the parish are invited for an afternoon of fun, plenty of games, and a hayride!

Celebration of Saints Potluck Party

Tuesday, October 31st

4:30 - 6:30 PM

In the Main Hall

Dress up as your favorite saint! Join us with your whole family to build up our beautiful Catholic culture with the Litany of Saints, Saints Trivia & more. Bring your favorite potluck dish to share!

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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 November 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.



NO ADORATION THIS WEEK! 10/31-11/1



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PRACTICING CATHOLIC

PRAY & REFLECT

27 Words That Matter

One of the quickest things you learn as a parent is how dangerous it is to explain too much, especially when your kid is teetering on the brink of a rebellion. The fewer words you use, the more power they have. A kid who is about to be carried away by their feelings needs to be brought back to earth with a tether made of short, succinct directions.

There are a lot of similarities between the Pharisees of Scripture and a toddler on the edge of a meltdown. Stay with me — this will make sense, I promise. Think about it: both toddlers and Pharisees have lots of feelings and lots of opinions. Both toddlers and Pharisees think you're out to get them. Both toddlers and Pharisees keep trying to trick you to get what they think they want.

A thorough Google search informs me that there are about 80,000 words in the Torah. Eighty-thousand words, and Jesus can boil it all down to 27: "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" and "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

It doesn't make the excess words untrue; it doesn't even make them unnecessary. Sometimes I need the long explanation, the full and complete picture.

Because sometimes, as much as I hate to admit it, I act like both a toddler and a Pharisee. I am carried away by my feelings. I don't trust God. I am about to bolt.

When that happens, I need to be told in short and simple terms what my salvation means. I need a tether made of short, succinct directions.

"The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." — Matthew 22:40

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DAILY READINGS

Sunday, October 29

Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

Monday, October 30

Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 31

Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday, November 1

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday, November 2

Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

Friday, November 3

Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday, November 4

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday, November 5

Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

October 29, 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In our secularized culture, we all struggle with belief in God, at least to some degree. An atheist man named Robert Bridges once wrote to his friend, the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins, asking how he could possibly learn to believe in God. Hopkins pithily responded: "Give alms." Would that help someone tempted by atheism today, like you and me?

I think so, and here's why. This week Jesus speaks of love for God and neighbor. These dual commands were nothing new when Jesus used them to sum up the Jewish law. What is new is the way he links them together in mutual dependency. In Jesus, God and man have become one. Human-love and God-love are now inseparably married forever.

The newness of the God-man means that there is now a permanently counter-intuitive way into the knowledge and love of God: love of our neighbor. To experience charity is to know God. That's what Hopkins was getting at for his friend. How we treat our fellow human beings is inseparable from faith in God. Do you want to have a stronger sense of God's loving presence and goodness? Commit to serving someone today and this week. Love him or her. Don't wait for love for God to appear in your heart before loving others. Jesus has united divine and human love. If you want to believe more in God, give alms.

— Father John Muir

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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

This is the final weekend to
purchase your tickets! Tickets
WILL NOT be sold at the picnic.

Scan the QR code
to purchase
tickets or visit
bit.ly/MQPicnic.



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





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Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

"I have called you by name, and you are Mine." - Isaiah 43:1b



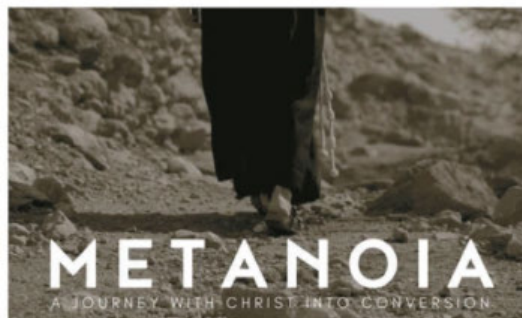
God works in our lives all the time. God calls all His people into the community. God calls us to come to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him. Some hear this call and come to our parish, asking more about how to do just that: to come into a relationship with the God we call Father. Some of them are not yet baptized. Others have already become members of the Body of Christ through the waters of baptism.

God has called and now we have the privilege of introducing these people to the one we call Lord: Jesus Christ. We share the good news and uncover God's action in our lives. For some, this leads to a remarkable beginning, a new life. For others, this deepens the relationship they already have with Christ. All of them respond to that call from Christ to abandon what they know and to come and follow him.

That story has happened again here at Mary Queen. We now mark the powerful presence of God-with-us, Emmanuel, by a special communal ritual. This ritual is called the **Combined Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens and Rite of Welcoming Candidates for Full Communion**. It marks first public declaration of God's call to follow Christ. It also marks first public declaration of their wish to live as Roman Catholic Christians.

Many things have already changed for these people. This Rite marks that change. We now know these men and women as belonging to God and to God's people gathered here in our parish. The unbaptized have a unique relationship, and a special name: catechumens. They are entrusted to this faith community to nurture in this journey of faith. Those already baptized are known to us as candidates. All are signed with the sign of our faith, the sign of the cross. They commit now to begin to follow Christ deliberately as Roman Catholics do and to learn what that means from us, through our prayer, our Scripture and Tradition, our works of charity and justice and our lives as holy/different people.

We who are already baptized are to welcome these catechumens and candidates into our homes, our lives and our ministries, and to show them what it means today to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. So this Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumenate and Rite of Welcoming are both a time of joy and a time of commitment for all of us. May we mark these Rites with the enthusiasm of the Spirit and a renewed commitment to the way of the cross. Please join us for the **Sunday, November 5th at the 9:30 am Holy Mass** to prayerfully witness the Combined Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens and Rite of Welcoming Candidates for Full Communion for Adults.



'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.

Due to 'The Solemnity of All Saints' Holy Day of Obligation Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 7 PM, the session on November 1st is canceled. We encourage all the Young Adults to attend the Holy Mass to celebrate All Saints Day.

'That Man is You!' (TMIY)



Due to 'The Solemnity of All Saints' Holy Day of Obligation Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 7 AM, the session on the morning of Wed., Nov. 1st will meet only from 5:45 - 6:45 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 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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SAVE THE DATE

TRIVIA NIGHT

FUNDRAISER
SUPPORTING MARY QUEEN YOUTH MINISTRY

\$240
8-person table

\$30
individual ticket



ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST
BE 21 YEARS AND OLDER

**JANUARY
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6:30 PM - 9:30 PM**

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ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

TUESDAY CLASS DATES

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| NOV 7 | |
| NOV 14 | NOV 28 |
| DEC 5 | |

WEDNESDAY CLASS DATES

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| NOV 8 | |
| NOV 15 | NOV 29 |
| DEC 6 | |

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

FALL Open Hours

Wednesdays 3:30pm-5:30pm
St. Charbel Youth Center



Parents:
Need some free
time over
Thanksgiving
Break?

Art Day at Mary Queen

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

**Monday, 11/20/23
9:30AM-11:00AM
In the Mini Hall**

For K-5th grade students
No RSVP required!

Supplies and snacks provided.
Please walk students into the Mini Hall.

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AROUND THE PARISH



Reminder!

The nursery will be closed
Sunday, November 5th, due to
Picnic in the Park.

Psalm 150 proclaims,

'...everything that has breath gives praise to the Lord!'

Our Music Ministry supports and enhances the singing of the assembly. It expresses things that we are unable to express in words alone. If you have ever been interested in music ministry, now is the perfect time! Join us on **Sunday, November 19th** after the 9:30 AM or 11:30 AM Masses in the choir room for light refreshments and to see and hear what we're all about.

All are invited to
the Installation Mass of
Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, M.S.

as Pastor of
Mary Queen Catholic Church

Sunday, November 12th
11:30 AM Mass

The parish will be hosting a celebratory reception
following the 11:30 AM Installation Mass.

Please RSVP for all who will attend by Nov. 5th:
bit.ly/FTInstallation

The celebration will be a potluck with the entrée
provided. We ask that parishioners bring a side or
salad to share based on the following request:

Parishioners with last names beginning with A-J -
bring a salad or vegetable dish

Parishioners with last names beginning with K-Z -
bring a side dish that pairs with chicken

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

The First Friday Family Fun Ministry
invites you to

Pizza Popcorn & Pie
Potluck with BINGO

Friday, November 3rd
6 - 8 PM in the Main Hall

Pizza and Popcorn will be provided.
Bring your favorite pie to share and a
non-perishable food item to donate to the
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RSVP at: bit.ly/1stFriBingo

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Looking for another way to give?

Consider our Christmas Gift Catalog!

Giving Tuesday and Christmas are right around the corner! Please consider donating a gift from our Mary Queen Social Concerns Gift Catalog in honor of a loved one. There are many options to choose from, ranging from \$5 to \$1,700. Each donation receives a card to send to the person whom you are gifting. Families in need will greatly benefit from your gift.

For more information, pick up a
Gift Catalog from the Narthex or
Reception Desk, or scan the QR code.



The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Mary Queen Catholic Church cordially invites you to join us for our annual All Souls Mass on Thursday, November 2nd at 8:30AM or 7PM. We remember those departed in our parish family in 2022-2023, those who have been honored by a family member or loved one with a Memorial Plaque on our Memorial Prayer Wall, and all of our faithfully departed. Come and pray for the repose of their souls.

All Souls Memorial Display

Our parish will have an All Souls Memorial Display in the church during the month of November. It will be in the alcove to the left of the main aisle. Beginning October 23rd, please bring a picture of any deceased family member who you would like to be remembered and place it on the Memorial table. The picture should be in a frame and no larger than 8x10. Please include your name and phone number on the back of your picture. For additional information, contact the Parish Office.

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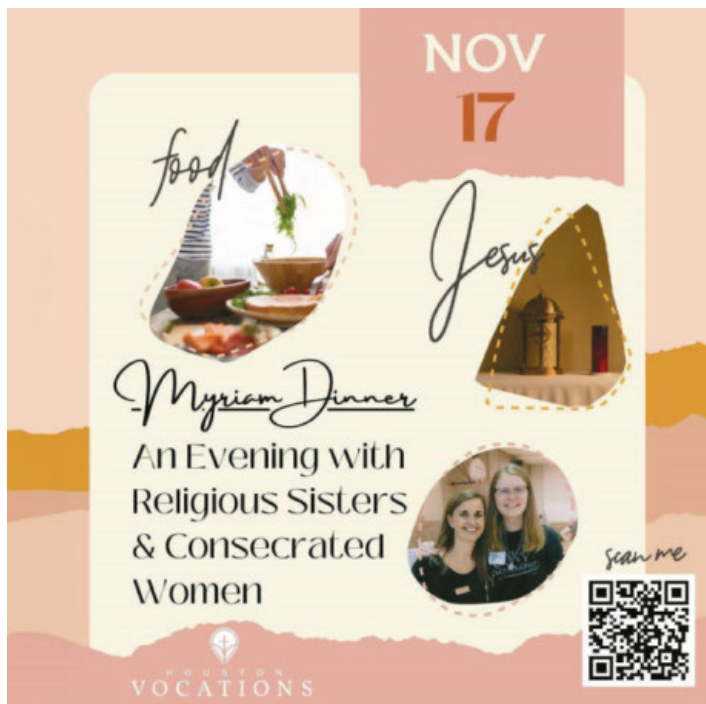
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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston Council of Catholic Women (G-H ACCW) Save the Dates:

Wed., November 1st - G-H ACCW Day of Prayer for Life
7:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Fri., December 15th - Advent Seafarers Mass & Luncheon
with Cardinal DiNardo
9:30 AM – 1:00 PM



For more information, visit
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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.



Family of the Month

The Otto Family



Charlene and Greg got married in 1996 at Our Lady of Lourdes in Hitchcock, Texas. While Charlene had a strong catholic upbringing through her mom, Greg took another 16 years to convert to Catholicism. They moved to Friendswood in 2002 and joined Mary Queen. They were blessed with two children, Melanie (1997) and Harrison (2000), who have both graduated from Texas A&M. Charlene and Greg say it's easy to be involved with Mary Queen because they are passionate about their faith and their church community. This dedication has led to both their children being involved in their respective parishes.

As a couple, Charlene and Greg often reflect on Matthew 25:37-46, "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." Collectively, they serve as lectors, EMHC, acolyte, part of the Emergency Management Ministry, Ministry of Care, beer booth coordinators at the annual festival, involved with the Food Pantry and Prison Ministry. When they travel, they find options to attend Mass (regardless of country or language – and have even shared the church aisle with chickens)! As part of this commitment, they have lectured in 5 different countries.

Outside of the church Greg and Charlene support the FVFD and neighboring committees. Greg is a fire fighter, president of FVFD, and an EMT. Charlene is involved with the Galveston County Fair and Rodeo and lector/helper at Our Lady of Lourdes.

As some who believe God works through individuals and their efforts, Charlene and Greg encourage all to reflect on Matthew 25 and ask how they can help the least.

Communications Requests - Guidelines & Deadlines

Bulletin, eNews, pulpit announcements, website, or social media

Contact: Sofia Medrano, Communications Coordinator
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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.

November 19—due October 30
November 26—due November 2



Coming Back to Church

Question:

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

Answer:

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

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Calculating Love

Have you ever Googled the word "love"? If you did you may have come across something called the Love Calculator. It is a website where you can supply two names, and the percentage chance of a successful relationship is calculated. Curious, I entered my name and my wife's. Twenty percent! I hope my wife doesn't read this!



I then decided to add my name and God. A whopping thirteen percent! Then for the last attempt, I put in my name and Jesus. A very disappointing zero percent! Am I that unlovable? Of course, then I read the small print at the bottom of the page: "Please note that this site has no serious intention whatsoever." Shocking!

The truth is, the modern world increasingly seems to have no real idea what love is or how to determine when love is real. That makes the seemingly simple words of Jesus about loving God and your neighbor very complex indeed. How can you love God with your all your heart, soul, and mind when you have no idea what the act of loving means? And then, what constitutes loving a neighbor? To make it more complicated, Jesus commands you to love them like you love yourself. I bet you can agree with me that there are a lot of people out there who do not even come close to loving themselves. Knowing what love is in modern times is just not that easy. How is a well-meaning person able to find out the true meaning of love?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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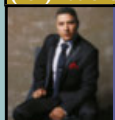
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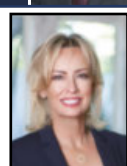
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