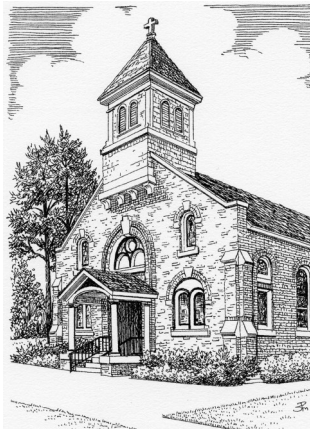


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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary's is a community of believers dedicated to the living worship of God. As the only Catholic Church in Limestone County, our faith community reflects the ethnic diversity of the towns in which we live. We gather to fulfill our mission as disciples of Jesus Christ: we hear His Word, we celebrate the Sacraments and we witness His love to others. Our Christian witness consists of sharing our spiritual gifts with the grace of God and the example and prayers of our patron saint, the Immaculate Conception, among us and with others - striving to grow in Holiness.



OFFICE HOURS / HORARIO DE DESPACHO PARROQUIAL

Sunday: 9:30AM - 11:30AM, (off 4th Sunday). Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10:00 - 4:00 PM
Wednesday: 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (Summer: 10:00 AM - 4:00PM)

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS / CELEBRACIÓN DE LOS SACRAMENTOS

Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist / Sacramento de la Santa Eucaristía

Sunday Masses / Misas Dominicales: 8:00 & 10:00 AM (English / *Ingles*); 12:00 PM (Spanish / *Español*)

Weekday Masses / Misas entre Semana: Tuesday (*Martes*) - Wednesday (*Miércoles*) 12:10 PM;

Thursday (*Jueves*) - Friday (*Viernes*) 12:10 PM

Sacrament of Penance / Sacramento de Penitencia

Sunday / Domingo: 7:15-7:45am, 9:15-9:45am, 11:15-11:45am

Wednesday / Miércoles: 5:00PM - 6:00PM

During office hours, or by Appointment / Durante las horas de la oficina o con cita.

Sacrament of Baptism / Sacramento de Bautismo

During Sunday Masses / Durante las Misas Dominicales

Pre-Baptismal class / Clase Pre-Bautismal para padres y padrinos

English class: by appointment.

Clase en Español: El tercer Domingo de cada mes a las 9:00AM-11:00AM

Sacrament of Matrimony / Sacramento de Matrimonio

Contact the office at least 6 months in advance.

Comunicasen al despacho parroquial con 6 meses de anticipó.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick / Sacramento de Unción de los Enfermos

Contact the priest immediately if you or your family members:

are seriously ill; will have a major surgery; are old aged or in danger of death.

Comunicasen con el Párroco mediatamente si usted o un miembro de su familia esta grabe

o va tener una operación seria o si es la persona es de la tercer edad o esta peligro de muerte.

DEVOTION / DEVOCIÓN

Adoration: English: Every Friday 11:00 AM

Adoración en Español: El tercer Sábado de cada Mes 7:00PM

Rosary: 30 minutes before Sunday Masses

Rosario: 30 minutes antes de la Misa Dominical

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM: +Bradley Swick

10:00AM: Pro Populo

12:00PM: +Bricio Ramírez

Tuesday-2:10PM: +All Souls In The Family

Wednesday-12:10PM: +Ed Swick

Thursday- 12:10PM: +All Souls In The Family

Friday-12:10PM: +Helen Bielamowicz

MINISTERS OF THIS WEEK

Altar Servers:

8:00AM: Zoe Crosby, Lewis Taylor, Chris Staton
Alberto Hernández & Belén Hernández.

10:00AM: Zaiden Thomas, Karla Alvarez, Andrey Reyna,
Emilee Davila & Jennifer Lopez.

12:00PM: Mary J. Sifuentes, Mariel Rodríguez, Ana Mendoza
Rey Mendoza, & Stephanie Hernández.

Lectors:

8:00AM: Pat Simmons (A) & Cindy Collins (L)

10:00AM: Bob McCain (A) & Richard Greff (L)

12:00PM: Leticia Mora (A) & Hugo García (L)

Extraordinary Minister of the Cup:

8:00AM: Sharlot Parker

10:00AM: Darlene Arrington

12:00PM: Ramiro Hernández

Pastoral Council members: Josie Brim, Enrique Crosby,
Michael Gragg, Marie Keale & Joanne McCain,
Carlos Mendoza, Polo Mora and Yocira Ramírez.

Finance Council members: Rick Schlitt, Richard Greff,
Don Altland, Marcelino Ayala, Janice Davis, Polo Mora,
Ray Zies, and Mary Seale.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep in prayer all of those in our community who are sick, in the hospital, homebound or coping with health issues.

Let us pray for the sick: Kay Martin, Rey Garcia, Jorge Campos, Cassidy López, Chris Colby, Russell De Cordova, Peyton Williams, Remington Masters, Charlie Loeffler, Mary Ellen Tate, Leonard Longer, Kristine M^cClinton, Rosa Cisneros, and Tracy Staton.

Let us pray for the deceased: Felipa Hernández Rodríguez, Alfredo Saldaña Alvarado, Tinnie Wilson, Bricio Ramírez, Lorenzo Hurtado, Cecilio Pérez, Faustino Olalde, Jesús Perez, José Ángel Ramírez, Amy Eggerling, and Tommy Beard. We pray to the Lord:

Please call the parish office to update the list.

Por favor llame al despacho parroquial para actualizar la lista.

Let us pray for all Service Members: Tony Contreras, Ramiro Rodriguez, Caleb Arrington and Karina Rivera.

*This week, we patronize our bulletin sponsor:
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*Esta semana, patrocinamos a nuestro patrocinador de
boletín: El salón de belleza de Belén*

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

January 19th & 20th – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time A fruit salad is not really a fruit salad if it only has apples in it. Christ calls us to appreciate the variety of gifts given to everyone. To accept the gifts of others is to work for Christian unity. In what ways do you appreciate the gifts and talents of others?

Rincón de Enseñanza Social Católica

Enero 19 y 20-Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Una ensalada de fruta no es realmente una ensalada de frutas si sólo está compuesta de manzanas. Cristo nos llama a apreciar la variedad de dones dados a cada uno. El aceptar los dones de los demás es trabajar por la unidad de los cristianos. ¿De qué manera aprecia los dones y talentos de los demás?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

Saturday: 2 TM 1:1-8316 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10;
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15;

1 Cor 12:12-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Heb 5, 1-10; Salmo 109, 1.2. 3. 4; Mc 2, 18-22

Martes: Heb 6, 10-20; Salmo 110, 1. 2. 4-5. 9 y 10c; Mc 2, 23-28

Miércoles: Heb 7, 1-3. 15-17; Salmo 109, 1.2. 3. 4; Mc 3, 1-6

Jueves: Heb 7, 23—8, 6; Salmo 39, 7-8a. 8b-9. 10. 17; Mc 3, 7-12

Viernes: Hch 22, 3-16 o bien: Hch 9, 1-22; Salmo 116, 1bc. 2;
Mc 16, 15-18

Sábado: 2 Tm 1, 1-8 o bien: Ti 1, 1-5;

Salmo 95, 1-2a. 2b-3. 7-8a. 10; Mc 3, 20-21

Domingo: Neh 8, 2-4a. 5-6. 8-10; Salmo 18, 8. 9. 10. 15;

1 Cor 12:12-30 o bien: 1 Cor 12, 12-14. 27;

Lucas 1, 1-4; 4, 14-21

Time, Talent and Treasure Are three important elements of our life we hardly see in connection with our Christian life. Ask the Lord how you can better yourself, your family, and your church when you put them into action!

Tiempo, Talento y Tesoro Son tres elementos importantes de nuestra vida que apenas vemos en relación con nuestra vida Cristiana. ¡Pregúntale al Señor cómo puedes mejorarte a ti mismo, a tu familia y a tu Iglesia cuando los pongas en práctica!

COLLECTION REPORT

Weekly average needed: \$3,400.00

Offering Last Sunday 01/13/19: \$ 4, 072.48

Thank you for your generosity!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

End of Year 2018 Contribution statements for tax purposes are now available at the church office for those persons who picked up a 2017 tax statement last year. If you did not pick up a tax letter last year and want to have one for 2018, please let the office know, and we will prepare one for you and have it ready for you to pick up the next Sunday.

First Communion & Confirmation Class & Mass Attendance:

- Mandatory classes from 11:00 a.m.- 11:45 a.m. First Communion & Confirmation Students will meet **today** in the Parish Hall.
- Mandatory Mass attendance: The sacramental students can attend Mass at **8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. or 12:00 p.m.** Mass. The front pews will be reserved.

Rosary Study Class Will meet tomorrow at **12:30 p.m.** at Deacon Dwight Mahoney house. You are most welcome to join us.

Knights of Columbus Will host a Chili dinner with all the Fixings' dessert will be provided by the **St. Mary's Youth Group** next Sunday, **January 27 after each Mass. \$10.00 a plate with dessert. 30% of dinner proceeds will go directly to the Youth Group. 50/50 Raffle— \$5.00 a ticket.**

2019 Collection Envelope Next year's envelopes are now available in the church foyer. We invite all to use the envelopes. Pick up a new box of envelopes and write in your new number. ***(It will not be the same as last year.)*** If you have a new address or phone number write it in so we can update our system.

Offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Celebrating Mass is a great gift to your loved ones, living and deceased or for any other special occasion. Stop by the office for open dates.

Donate Altar Flowers for Sunday Two fresh arrangements are for \$70.00. You may offer these for your loved ones, living and deceased or for any other special occasion. Stop by the office for open dates.

Website Did you know that St. Mary's has an active website? You may retrieve news articles, schedules, recent bulletins, and other information on-line at **stmarysmexia.org**

10 Pointers for Prayer

1. Pray as you can, not as you can't. God calls most Christians to an active life in the world, with family, work and community responsibilities. Such a call, while holy, does not usually allow for long periods of prayer and reflection. Lay people can become discouraged when they try to pray like a cloistered contemplative. Be realistic about what's possible.

2. Take ten — or twenty. If a half hour for prayer isn't possible, how about ten minutes, or twenty? Choose a good time of day and stick with it. Designate a special site for prayer so that spot become holy. Spouses can help by minding children during respective quiet times.

3. Pray as a family. Build upon rituals such as grace before meals. In addition to the usual "Bless us, O Lord...", encourage family members to offer thanks for the blessings of the day, as well as prayers for those in need. Couples can deepen their spiritual relationship by taking a few minutes, perhaps before bedtime, to commend to God the joys and sorrows of the day. ***To Be Continued Next Sunday...***

ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL

Fin de año 2018 La declaraciones de contribución para los impuestos ahora están disponibles en la notaria parroquial para aquellas personas que obtuvieron una declaración de impuestos de 2017 el año pasado. Si no recogió una carta de impuestos el año pasado y desea tener una para el año 2018, comuniquen con la notaria, así prepararemos una para usted y la tendremos lista para que la recoja el próximo Domingo.

Clases de Primera Comunión y Confirmación Con la presencia de asistir la Santa Misa.

- Clases obligatoria de 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. para los alumnos de Primera Comunión y Confirmación en el Salón Parroquia empezando **hoy**.
- Asistencia obligatoria a la Santa Misa los estudiantes sacramentales pueden asistir a La Santa Misa a las **8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. o 12:00 p.m.** Las bancas delanteras serán reservados para los alumnos.

Los Caballeros de Colón Organizarán una cena de chili con todos los condimentos y postre es proporcionado por **El Grupo Juvenil de Nuestra Parroquia**. Se llevara acabo el **próximo Domingo 27 de Enero después de cada misa. \$ 10.00 por plato con postre.** El 30% de los ingresos de la cena irá directamente al Grupo Juvenil. Habrá una Rifa de **50/50: \$5.00 por boleto.**

2019 Distribución de Sobres para el Ofertorio Están disponibles en el vestíbulo de la Parroquia. Invitamos a todos a usar los sobres. Pasen por su nueva caja de sobres y escriba su nuevo número. ***(No será la misma numeración del año pasado.)*** Si han cambiado de domicilio o numero de teléfono para favor escribirlo así podemos modificar el sistema.

Si usted quiere ofrecer Una Misa especial o donar las flores del altar para un aniversario de un ser querido o para un cumpleaños o una ocasión especial, lo puede hacer. Los arreglos floral son \$70.00 el par. Por favor comuníquense al Notaria Parroquial.

Si usted y su pareja no están casados por la Iglesia Por favor hablen con el Párroco Justino para él pueda dar algún consejo recuerden a veces hay cosas que se pueden hacer para validar su matrimonio en la Iglesia.

Sitio web ¿Sabía que Parroquia Sta. Maria tiene un sitio web activo? Puede recuperar artículos de noticias, horarios, boletines recientes y otra información en línea en **stmarysmexia.org**

10 Consejos para la Oración

1. Ora como puedas, no como no puedes. Dios llama a la mayoría de los cristianos a una vida activa en el mundo, con responsabilidades familiares, laborales y comunitarias. Tal llamada, aunque santa, no suele permitir largos períodos de oración y reflexión. Los laicos pueden desanimarse cuando tratan de orar como un contemplativo enclaustrado. Sé realista sobre lo que es posible.

2. Toma diez o veinte. Si media hora de oración no es posible, ¿qué tal diez o veinte minutos? Elige un buen momento del día y apégate a ese horario. Designe un lugar especial para la oración para que ese lugar se convierta en santo. Los cónyuges pueden ayudar cuidando a los niños durante los momentos de tranquilidad respectivos.

3. Ora en familia. Construir sobre rituales como dar la gracia antes de las comidas. Además del habitual "Bendícenos, Señor ...", anime a los miembros de la familia a que ofrezcan las gracias por las bendiciones del día, así como las oraciones por los necesitados. Las parejas pueden profundizar su relación espiritual al tomarse unos minutos, quizás antes de acostarse, para recomendar a Dios las alegrías y las tristezas del día. ***Continuará el próximo domingo...***



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