

SAINT MARY CATHEDRAL

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday.....6:30am, 12:05pm
Saturday.....12:05pm
Sunday*.....Vigil: Saturday 5:30pm;
7:30am Traditional Latin, 9:30am, 11:30am,
1:30pm Español,
3:30pm Traditional Latin,
& 5:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are by appointment and can be scheduled on our website, smcaustin.org
Monday-Friday.....11:00am-11:50am
Saturday.....11:00am-11:50am
& 4:30pm-5:20pm

CLERGY AND STAFF

Most Rev. Joe S. Vásquez, STL, DD,
Bishop of Austin

Very Rev. Daniel Liu, Rector
Rev. Will Rooney, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Héctor Ortiz and
Deacon Guadalupe Rodriguez

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Facility Operations
Yvonne Bedell.....Director of Operations/Finance
Jessica Burrola.....Receptionist (church calendar)
Jaeson Drummond

Director of Catholic Faith Formation
Judy Henschen

Administrative Assistant (church bulletin)
Dr. Jeffrey Jones-Ragona...Director, Sacred Music
Robert LeGros.....Cathedral School Principal
Jeremiah Reyna.....Facility Services
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Kathy Thomas

Liturgical Coordinator & EIM Administrator
Dr. Brooks Whitmore.....Cathedral Organist

OFFICE HOURS

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Saturday 9:00 am-5:30 pm

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BAUTIZOS: Si usted desea bautizar a su hijo, lea los requisitos detallados en nuestro sitio web: www.smcaustin.org. Luego, para fijar una fecha para el bautizo, entregue el formulario de solicitud con los documentos necesarios.

MARRIAGE: See Cathedral website: www.smcaustin.org, for detailed information.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Registration forms are available on the table at the entrance of the church; in the Cathedral office, or on our website.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*Mt 14:22-33*

Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God's mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more "yours" and "mine" but only the oneness of "ours." There is no longer a need to "figure things out," and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God's greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God's hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace. ©LPi

XIX Domingo Ordinario*Mt 14, 22-33*

Ojalá, que como Pedro deseemos pedirle al Señor que nos mande a caminar sobre las aguas. En las situaciones difíciles de enfermedad, pérdida de trabajo, falta de vivienda y muerte de seres queridos, sepamos correr el riesgo de buscar a Dios a ejemplo de Pedro. Pero, sin dudar, sino con una confianza firme. Nuestra vida está en manos de Dios, dice mucha gente y hasta nosotros lo decimos continuamente. En otras palabras, aceptar la voluntad de Dios, que sea lo que Dios quiera, Dios no nos abandona, y en fin tantas palabras muchas veces vanas porque a las primeras de cambio, nos hundimos y perdemos la fe. En el fondo, como Pedro, confiamos más en nuestras fuerzas que en la misericordia de Dios.

Cada quien trae su propio costal y sabe lo que contiene, sus propias tempestades y altas olas que lo desubican y que le impiden confiar en Jesús. Hoy, el Evangelio nos pide confianza y la seguridad de dejarnos tomar de la mano de Jesús. Dios, es suave confianza e intimidad segura. Santa Teresa de Ávila lo asegura en la siguiente oración. "Nada te turbe, nada te espante. Todo se pasa, Dios no se muda. La paciencia todo lo alcanza; quien a Dios tiene nada le falta: sólo Dios basta". El Señor nos dice que no tengamos miedo, que como Pedro o cualquier discípulo de su tiempo y de este tiempo, Él extenderá su mano y nos sujetará ante la tempestad. Sólo se pide fidelidad y confianza. Hagamos la prueba y veremos la misericordia del Señor. No perdamos de vista al que camina Sobre las aguas y nos pide que vayamos a su encuentro. El tiene el poder de hacer cosas nunca vistas en todos los que creen. ©LPi

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
8:00am-4:00pm.CSSM Teacher In-Service through Friday, Aug. 14, DC Cafeteria
11:00am-noon...Confessions by appointment
12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
9:30am...Catholic Schools Convocation Mass, Cathedral
11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
3:00pm...CSSM Faculty Meeting, Library

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
4:00-5:30pm..Piano Lessons, Bishops Hall
6:00pm...Schola Rehearsal, Bishops Hall
6:30pm...Finance Council, Library

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

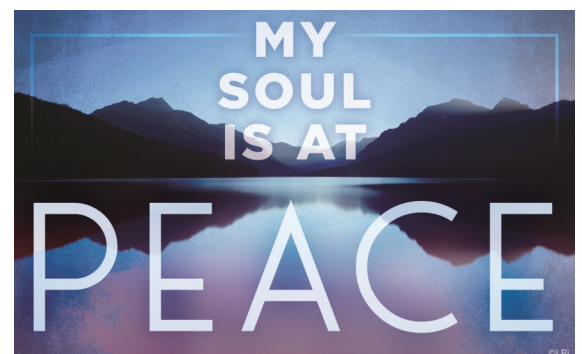
Parish office closed 10:00-11:00am for In-Service
6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
9:30am..Memorial Mass, Cathedral
10:00am.Staff In-Service, DC Cafeteria
11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
5:00pm.. Wedding Rehearsal, Cathedral
6:30pm..Vigil Mass of Assumption-Spanish, Cathedral

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00am...EF Latin Mass, Cathedral
11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
3:00pm...Wedding, Cathedral
4:30-5:20pm.Confessions by appointment
5:30pm...Sunday Vigil Mass, Cathedral

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

7:30am EF Latin Mass, Cathedral
9:30am Mass in English, Cathedral
11:30am Mass in English, Cathedral
1:30pm Mass en español, Cathedral
3:30pm...EF Latin Mass, Cathedral
5:30pm...Mass in English, Cathedral



STEWARDSHIP & DEVELOPMENT**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Offertory Collection (week of 8-2-20)**

	Sunday Coll. 8/2/20	Last Month June 2020	Year to Date 6/29-8/3/2020
Income	\$ 17,583	\$ 95,886	\$ 109,360
Expenses	\$ 17,128	\$ 91,702	\$ 85,639
Budget Excess/(Deficit)	\$ 455	\$ 4,184	\$ 23,721

Second Collection *St. Vincent de Paul***St. Killian's Candles** (a/o 8/3/2020) **\$3,284****Attendance** **701****Saint Mary Cathedral Catholic Endowment** (a/o 6/30/2020) **\$ 58,075****Diocese-Encountering Christ Campaign** (a/o 7/01/2020) **\$ 154,008**

Our giving platform Pushpay is simple to use and only takes a few minutes to set up a recurring gift or to make a one-time gift. There are three ways to donate: (1) text **smcaustin** to **77977**; (2) navigate to our website at www.smcaustin.org, click on Donation, next click on Give, or (3) enter into your browser <https://pushpay.com/pay/smcaustin> which takes you directly to the portal.

For those who are still using the previous platform Vanco for your recurring giving, **the goal is to have everyone switched over to the Pushpay platform by July 31st**. We are close to our goal but we still need to get your gifts transitioned to the new platform.

Thank you for your continued stewardship and sacrifice in supporting Saint Mary Cathedral. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Louis Barron or Yvonne Bedell in the parish office, 512-476-6182.

St. Vincent de Paul: The COVID-19 pandemic and its economic fallout has caused those previously able to manage finances to seek assistance. Please help us serve our neighbors in need as a result of wages lost due to COVID-19. Donations may be made at smcaustin.org DONATE to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...**those who have died:**

Fr. Walter Carr, Deacon Willie Cortez, David Krausse,
Greg Regalado, Astridah Mumbi Mwenya and baby Nehum

those in need of healing: *

Paul Ancira, Gisela Bernal, Jim Boyles, Juan Burrola, Sr. & Yolanda Burrola, Catarino Castillo, Judith Constantine, Kenneth Craig, Sr., Carmel & Sam DiCarlo, John Donatucci, Abel Duarte, Normajeon Earle, Ronald Erickson, J. C. Ernst, Joshua Escalona, Pedro Flores, Jr., Deyanira Garcia, Clara Hernandez, Claire Hernandez, Jesse Hutton, Sonia Irizarry, Chuck Jehlen, Hee-Jung Kim, Maria Guadalupe Ledesma & family, Jesús Amaro Lopez, Anyssa M., Elleana M., Clarisa Marcée, Alicia Martinez, Vanessa Matocha, Alejandro Medina, Lauren & Graham Miller, Mwenya -Chishimba family, Marjorie King Parker, Joan Pearsall, Mary Jane Perez, Gary Porfirio, Louise Porfirio, Ruth Resendez, Romo-Bedell family, Santos Romo, Marlene Sato, Bill Scott, Sharon family, Marlene Siering, Tim Sullivan, Jean Valerga, Estella Velasquez, Michael & Josie Velasquez, Jon Whitney, Vicente Zavala, Fr. Frank Zlotkowski, CSC

and those serving in the military:*

HR Shelby D. Aparicio	HN5 Jinuel Jehlen	LCPL Eric E. Muñoz
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Capt. Mary E. Boyle	Major David McGuire	1SG Kenneth A. Saffell
A1C Paige Derry	Capt. Lawrence McNamara	Capt. Sean Snook
PFC Rick German	Christopher Mercado, USAF	Sgt. William Speer
1LT Cory Houck	Capt. Chris Morrow	SFC Phillip Thompson
Lt. Sigifredo Homero Huerta, Jr.	Ensign Evan Moses	Spec 4 Chris Trevno
	LT Shane Moses	Christopher Ty Trevino

* We appreciate hearing from you about how your loved ones on the prayer list are doing.

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, August 10**

6:30am.....Madere family
12:05pm.....Ernest & Marie Vinklerek family

Tuesday, August 11

6:30am.....Arias family†
12:05pm.....Emil & Mary Mekush†

Wednesday, August 12

6:30am.....Gray-Nei family
12:05pm.....Joseph Barrera

Thursday, August 13

6:30am.....Conversion of Sinners
12:05pm.....Dominic Kress

Friday, August 14

6:30am.....Jack Enright
12:05pm.....Ernest & Marie Vinklerek family
6:30pm.....Barbara Kelly†

Saturday, August 15

9:00am.....Shana Rose Emge†
12:05pm.....Madere family
5:30pm.....Cathedral Parishioners

Sunday, August 16

7:30am.....Thomas Victor Woodard, III†
9:30am.....Matt
11:30am.....Cathedral Parishioners
1:30pm.....Silvano Culverto†
3:30pm.....Intentions of SJLMS
5:30pm.....Ann & Tony Fayad†

NEXT SUNDAY

August 16, 2020

Cathedral School of Saint Mary

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saturday, Aug. 15, is NOT a holy day of obligation; however, we will have a special schedule for the Solemnity of the Assumption:

- Friday evening Vigil, 6:30pm— Mass in Spanish;
- Saturday, 9:00am—EF Latin Mass;
- 11:00am to noon—Confession by appointment;
- Saturday, 12:05pm—Mass in English

SANCTUARY CANDLE

**In Memory of
T. J. Amaro**

August 2—August 15, 2020

FAITH FORMATION



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Farewell, Fr. Antony!

On August 7, our dear priest-in-residence is moving to St. Martin de Porres Parish in Dripping Springs. He wishes to say that he is very thankful for the parishioners of Saint Mary Cathedral.

Fr. Antony arrived at our parish in February of 2019.

When he was not coordinating the Mission Appeal program for his home diocese in India, or traveling and preaching for Cross Catholic Outreach, Fr. Antony helped with the celebration of Masses, Confessions, and Anointing of the Sick.

We will miss you, Fr. Antony, and we will miss your stories! We wish you well.

If you would like to send Fr. Antony a card or letter, his new address is: St. Martin de Porres Parish, P. O. Box 1062, Dripping Springs, TX 78620, or email asavarimuthu@yahoo.com



ADULTS

Would you like to
know more about
Jesus?

Do you have
questions about the
Catholic Faith?

Are you interested in joining the Catholic
Church?

Call Fr. Will Rooney at the parish office, 512-476-6182, or email frwill@smcaustin.org



Were you married outside the Church? Would you like to have your marriage sacramentalized, or in the language of the Church, *convalidated*? Call the Parish Office at 512-476-6182, ext. 115, for information or email weddings@smcaustin.org

FAMILIES

Faith Formation Registration forms are due by August 16.
See smcaustin.org/single smcaustin.org/fam

Formación de fe Católica: **Los documentos de registro deben presentarse antes del 16 de agosto.** Ver — smcaustin.org/single smcaustin.org/fam

YOUNG ADULTS

For updates and questions, contact smcya.org.

ADULTS

Catholic Scripture Study: Available via Zoom teleconference. We are currently studying the Gospel according to St. John. Please email LJSmith78704@yahoo.com for free online access.

Book Study: I Burned for Your Peace-Augustine's Confession Unpacked, by Catholic philosopher and author, Peter Kreeft, available from online book sellers such as Amazon. Mondays, **6:30 -8:00pm** via free Skype teleconferencing. For more information contact L.J. Smith at LJSmith78704@yahoo.com

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LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA**Ser Humano es Dudar**

Los humanos dudan. Es lo que hacemos. Dudamos de nosotros mismos y dudamos de los demás.

Antes de que alguno de nosotros diga algo acerca de las dudas de Pedro sobre las palabras de Jesús que le dijeron que podía salir de su barca y caminar sobre el agua, debemos ser reales con nosotros mismos: ¿cómo respondería en la misma situación? Recuerdo cuando era niño tomando clases de natación. Un día simplemente apreté mis músculos y me hundi. El socorrista me saco y me preguntó qué pasó. Dije que no lo sabía. La verdad es que me estaba hundiendo bajo el peso de mi propia duda. No creía que pudiera hacer lo que claramente, me dijeron que podía. ¡Eso fue solo en cinco pies de agua en una piscina! Ahora que soy mayor, puedo mirar atrás y reír. Pero como adulto, la piscina es la vida, y estaría mintiendo si dijera que ya no hay veces que me hunda debido a nuevas dudas.

Gran parte de nuestra duda surge debido a la falta de confianza en Dios. Ponemos nuestra confianza en cosas materiales, riqueza o personas imperfectas en lugar de Aquel que es digno de nuestra confianza el 100 por ciento del tiempo. Nuestra corresponsabilidad a menudo se ve obstaculizada por nuestra duda de que Dios proporcionará todo lo que necesitamos. ¡Si doy más, puede que no tenga suficiente para sobrevivir! Cuando ponemos toda nuestra confianza en Dios, no solo nos damos cuenta de que se nos ha dado todo lo que necesitamos, sino que nuestra duda que nos hace hundirnos en la piscina de la vida se desvanece. No nos hacemos de pronto perfectos en nuestra confianza, y habrá momentos en que nos volveremos a encontrar con preocupaciones. Sin embargo, es en esos momentos que encontramos que Él todavía está allí, pronunciando las palabras que necesitamos escuchar: "Ten valor, soy yo; No tengas miedo." - Tracy Earl Welliver

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Saturday, August 15, 9:00am Sung Mass—Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Sunday, August 16, 7:30am Low Mass and 3:30pm Sung Mass—Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost.

Latin Phrase of the Week: *Deus, in adiutorium meum intende: Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina: confundantur et revereantur inimici mei, qui quaerunt animam meam.* Incline unto my aid, O Lord: O Lord, make haste to help me: let my enemies be confounded and ashamed, who seek my soul. Psalm 69:2

To receive news and updates about the TLM, visit our website: AustinLatinMass.org. Be social, "Like" us on Facebook: St. Joseph Latin Mass Society.

BEYOND OUR PARISH

"Cedarbrake Retreat Raffle" is a chance to win a weekend retreat with proceeds to benefit scholarships for those wanting to attend a retreat but may be struggling financially due to the pandemic or other personal reason. Drawing will be held on Aug. 14. To purchase a ticket go to www.cedarbrake.org or call 254-780-2436.

Regina Caeli Academy, a homeschool hybrid in the Catholic tradition, is hiring a 4th/5th grade tutor, an elementary classroom assistant, and a nursery assistant. Please pass on to any interested parties. Classes will begin in person on August 24. See below to apply! <http://rcacademy.isolvedhire.com/jobs/170082.html>

WEEKLY PRAYER**READINGS FOR HOLY WEEK OF AUGUST 9:**

Sun..... 1 Kgs 19:9a,11-13a/Ps 85:9-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33
Mon..... 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2,5-9/Jn 12:24-26
Tues..... Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14,24,72,103,111,131/Mt 18:1-5,10,12-14
Wed..... Ez 9:1-7;10:18-22/Ps 113:1-6/Mt 18:15-20
Thurs ... Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-59,61-62/2/Mt 18:21—19:1
Fri..... Ez 16:1-15,60,63/(Ps) Is 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6/Mt 19:3-12
Sat Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab/Ps 45:10-12,16/
 1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Sun Is 56:1,6-7/Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8/Rom 11:13-15,29-32/Mt 15:21-28

OBSERVANCES FOR HOLY WEEK OF AUGUST 9:

Sun 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon..... St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr
Tues..... St. Clare, Virgin
Wed..... St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
Thurs ... Sts. Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
Fri..... St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr
Sat The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sun 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**A SINGLE
ACT OF LOVE
MAKES THE SOUL
RETURN TO LIFE.**
 —St. Maximilian Kolbe

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BEING HUMAN IS TO DOUBT

Humans doubt. It's what we do. We doubt ourselves and we doubt others.

Before any of us say anything about Peter's doubting the words of Jesus that told him he could get out of his boat and walk on water, we need to get real with ourselves: How would I respond in the same situation? I remember when I was child taking swimming lessons. One day I simply tightened up my muscles and sank. The lifeguard pulled me up and asked what happened. I said I did not know. The truth is that I was sinking under the weight of my own doubt. I did not believe I could do what clearly, I was told I could. That was only in five feet of water in a pool! Now that I'm older, I can look back and laugh. But an adult, the swimming pool is life, and I would be lying if I

said that there are no longer times I find myself sinking due to new doubts.

Much of our doubt comes about because of a lack of trust in God. We place our trust in material things, wealth, or imperfect people instead of the One who is worthy of our trust 100 percent of the time. Our stewardship is often hampered by our doubt that God will provide all that we need. If I give more, I may not have enough to survive! When we place all our trust in God, not only do we find that we have been given all we need – our doubt that cause us to sink in the pool of life fades away. We don't suddenly become perfect in our trust, and there will be times when we find ourselves with concerns again. However, it is in those moments we find that He is still there, speaking the words we need to hear: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHY DOES MARY HAVE SO MANY FEAST DAYS AND NAMES?

Christians first began celebrating feast days in honor of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, in the fifth century. That celebration (originally called the Feast of the Dormition and now known by Roman Catholics as the Solemnity of the Assumption) was celebrated on August 15. Very soon, however, other special days dedicated to Mary began to appear in Jerusalem, Rome, and other major cities of the Christian world. These days of feasting became important parts of the life of the community. But, more importantly, each of these unique celebrations became an opportunity to focus on a different facet of the Christian faith, as believers focused their attention on specific events or mysteries of the lives of Mary and her Son.

Over the centuries, some of these celebrations became universal (such as the Assumption on August 15, the Immaculate Conception on December 8, and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1). Other celebrations were more closely tied to certain religious orders (such as the Carmelites celebration of "Our Lady of Mount Carmel" on July 16 or the Servite Friars feast of the "Seven Sorrows of Mary," which is now celebrated as

the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15).

In more recent times, Marian apparitions (like Guadalupe, Lourdes, and Fatima) have inspired special liturgical celebrations. Pope Francis has added two new celebrations of Mary to the Church's calendar: The Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church (on the Monday after Pentecost) and the Commemoration of Our Lady of Loreto (on December 10). The various

titles of Mary (like those we find in the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary) help us to reflect on different aspects of Mary's faith and the ways that the Holy Spirit is at work in her and through her, especially as the Mother of Jesus.

In the end, whatever the event or mystery being celebrated in a particular liturgy or the title of Mary being used, we are invited to always see Mary in connection with the saving work of her Son. She is, of course, a patroness and protector for every Christian, but she is also a model of discipleship

and contemplation: "Having entered deeply into the history of salvation, Mary, in a way, unites in her person and re-echoes the most important doctrines of the faith: and when she is the subject of preaching and worship she prompts the faithful to come to her Son, to his sacrifice and to the love of the Father" (*Lumen Gentium*, 65).



RESPECT LIFE

Reflection on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 15, 2020

Mary's Assumption into heaven reminds us that life on earth is a pilgrimage to our ultimate destination. We prepare in hope for our own passage into eternal life by the choices we make today. When we choose to love and follow God in our daily lives, we strengthen our relationship with Him, and this relationship is the true meaning of heaven: "To live in heaven is 'to be with Christ.'" (CCC, 1025 citing St. Ambrose, *In Luc.* 10,121:PL 15 1834A.).

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



Reflexión sobre la Solemnidad de la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María, 15 de Agosto de 2020

La Asunción de María al cielo nos recuerda peregrinación a nuestro destino final. Nos pasar a la vida eterna mediante las Cuando elegimos vivir y seguir a Dios en fortalecemos nuestra relación con El, y esta del cielo: "Vivir en el cielo es 'estar con San Ambrosio, *De Lc.*, 10,121:PL 15

Santa María, Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros, pecadores, ahora y en la ahora de nuestra muerte. Amen.

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT

Pray for those from the Cathedral currently discerning vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

- Sister Maria Paula (Amanda Fuentes), novice, Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, Ann Arbor, MI
- Philip Gaynor, St. Joseph Seminary College, St. Benedict, LA
- Mike Keathley, Holy Trinity Seminary, Irving, TX
- Nathan Leonard, Our Lady of Clark Creek Abbey
- Br. Augustine Marie Peter (Ryan Schultz), Canons Regular of St. Thomas Aquinas
- Ladd Spears-Saint Mary of the Assumption, Taylor, TX

