

# ST. MARY'S Catholic Church

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March 8, 2026

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**Parish Office Hours**  
**8:00am-3:00pm**  
**Monday-Friday**

**Parish Office Staff:**  
**Delma Garza - Bookkeeper**  
**Anna Garza - Secretary**

**Religious Ed. Director**  
**Tomas Álvarez**

**Youth Minister**  
**Ernie Acevedo**

## MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b>	5:00 pm	Español
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Español
	10:30 am	English
	12:00 noon	English

**SACRAMENT OF  
RECONCILIATION**  
**Saturday 3:00-3:45pm**  
**and by Appointment**

**SIR, GIVE ME THIS WATER  
SO THAT I MAY  
NOT BE THIRSTY**

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

**SEÑOR, DAME DE ESA AGUA  
PARA QUE NO VUELVA  
A TENER SED**

3<sup>º</sup> DOMINGO DE CUARESMA



**MARCH 8, 2026**

**THEME: THE LIVING WATER THAT CALMS ALL HUMAN THIRST**

**READINGS: JN 4:1-41; ROM 5:1-2.5-8; EX 17:3-7**

**THE GOSPEL** narrates the encounter of Jess with a sinful woman who is a symbol of her people and who can also be a representative of sinful humanity coming in contact with God. The woman had not been happy, changing husbands, always in search of happiness. **She had a thirst which only Jesus could quench.** St. Augustine says: **“You have made us, Lord, for yourself, and our heart is restless until it rests in you.”** Jesus met her face, **at her own level**, treating her as an equal, to raise her up, breaking all kinds of prejudices: the **antifeminist prejudice** by speaking with a woman a **racist prejudice** by addressing a Samaritan, and a **mora/religious prejudice** by reaching out to a sinner.

**The woman discovers gradually the identity of Jesus, and in the process she discovers her own identity:** 1) **“You, a Jew”**- “I. a Samaritan”: 2) **“Lord”** - she, “inferior” (she is now the one asking water from Jesus); 3) **“Prophet”** -she a sinner” accepting that Jesus is right about her husbands; 4) **“Messiah”** - she becomes an “apostle” who runs to bring her good news to her people; 5) **“Savior of the World”** - She is a “disciple, learning from the people who had heard from her. Spiritual life follows a process similar to the one of the Samaritan woman; **in the measure we see Jesus in a new light** as we grow up (Child Jesus, youthful Jesus, Judge, Lord, Friend, Brother...) **we see ourselves in a new light, especially in relation to others.** Among the persons that come to Mass on Sunday, some do so because they are forced, enticed or commanded- Jesus is for them little more than **“a Jew”**. Others come because otherwise they could go to hell for a mortal sin-Jesus is for them a **“Prophet”** who could punish them. Others come because they need a remedy for their problems and labors-Jesus is for them a **“Messiah and healer”**. Others come to give thanks and praise to God because he has adopted us as his children- They see in Jesus the God and **“Savior of the World”**.

During Lent we are called to make an effort to know Jesus better, and to know ourselves with the sins we need to take out from our hearts, so that we can see others with new eyes. Jesus **“remained with them”** for two days; because of that, the Samaritans came to recognize him as the Savior of the World. **When God abides in us or we stay close to God,** we come to know him more deeply and we feel capable of becoming new persons.

### Religious Education

1st Communion families, please continue to sign in on the clipboard in the back of the church and to fill out mass booklets that you should have in your orange folder. Please return the blue information sheet as well that was given to you in your folder as soon as possible.

1st Communion Retreat will be on **Saturday, April 18th**. More information will be sent home to parents as we approach the date.

Confirmation 2 families, please continue to turn in information that I need according to deadlines in your folder. It is important that you do so.



Mar 13- St. Mary's Lectors  
Mar 20- OCIA Program  
Mar 27- Life Teen Program

They are at 6:30pm

Thurs. Mar. 12 6:30pm Holy Angels  
Tues. Mar. 17, 6:30pm St. Ambrose  
Thur. Mar. 19, 6:00pm St. Margaret  
Fri. Mar. 20, 6:30pm St. Joseph  
Tues. Mar. 24 6:30pm Cathedral



**Thank You to the donors for the new Tabernacle, So far we have collected as of Monday March 2, \$14,725.00.**

Join us in Welcoming Internationally known Catholic Charismatic Leader and Speaker Professor Matteo Calisi from Bari, Italy Appointed by Pope Benedict as a member of Pontifical Council of the Laity for work in Christian Unity for ministry and a talk on

**“Unity in the Holy Spirit”**

On March 9, 2026, at 7:00 PM  
At the Heart of Mercy Prayer Group,  
Christ the King Retreat Center  
802 Ford St., San Angelo

All are invited!



We are in need of someone to volunteer to be the next Festival Chairperson/s or if anyone knows of someone who is interested to please call the office.



**Knights of Columbus®**

**40 CANS FOR 40 DAYS OF LENT!**



**THE CHALLENGE:**  
COLLECT 1 CAN PER DAY FOR 40 DAYS  
UNTIL EASTER SUNDAY.  
THEN, DEPOSIT YOUR CANS IN THE BINS LOCATED IN THE CHURCH.

**HELP SUPPORT ST. MARY'S FOOD PANTRY!**

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



<b>Sat. Mar. 7, 2026</b>	5:00pm	†	Cruz Trevino & Arabella Medellin por Mante Martinez
<b>Sun. Mar. 8, 2026</b>	9:00am	†	St. Mary's
	10:30am	†	Nicholas Matthew Gonzales
	12:00pm	†	Richard Hernandez by Louie Perez
<b>Tues. Mar. 10, 2026</b>	6:30pm	†	Elizabeth Cook by Cody & Laura Halfman
<b>Thur. Mar. 12, 2026</b>	6:30pm	†	Leon Beimer by Richard & Jean Lange
<b>Sat. Mar. 14, 2026</b>	5:00pm	†	Lupe & Tony Rincon por familia Rincon
<b>Sun. Mar. 15, 2026</b>	9:00am	†	Ramon Garza por Angela Delgado
	10:30am	†	Hector Rios by Family

## The Week Ahead

**Sunday Mar. 8, 2026**  
 9:00am Spanish  
 10:30am English  
 12nn English Mass

**Monday Mar. 9, 2026**  
 6:15pm OCIA  
 6:30pm Choir Practice

**Tuesday Mar. 10, 2026**  
 7:00pm Confirmation 1  
 6:30pm Mass  
 7:00pm Spanish Adoration

**Wednesday Mar. 11, 2026**  
 6:00 – 7:15pm Kinder/ Elem  
 7:30-8:45pm Jr. hi & Hi school CCD

**Thursday Mar. 12, 2026**  
 6:30pm Mass  
 7:00pm Adoration

**Friday Mar. 13, 2026**  
 6:30pm Stations of the Cross  
 St. Mary's Lectors  
 7-9pm XLT in the Gym

**Saturday Mar. 14, 2026**  
 3:00-3:45pm Confession  
 5:00pm Mass

**Sunday Mar. 15, 2026**  
 9:00am Spanish  
 10:30am English  
 12nn English

### Angelo Catholic News

**Lenten Fish "Fry-Days":** We are getting ready for our annual Lenten Fish Fry Fridays! Every Friday during Lent at 5 PM, we will be serving Fishplates in Holy Angels Parish Hall. Plates will include Fish, Fries, Coleslaw, Hush Puppies, & Dessert for \$13. Please join us!

#### Thinking About a Catholic Education for Your Child?

If you've always hoped to provide your child with a Catholic education but weren't sure it was possible, the Texas Education Freedom Account (TEFA) program may help open the door. Scan the QR code to learn more about Angelo Catholic School and how TEFA can make a Catholic education more affordable for your family.



**Resource Fair:** Angelo Catholic School will be hosting a "Resource Fair" that will be held Friday, March 6th, from 4pm to 6pm, at 2317 A and M Ave, San Angelo, TX 76904. There will be more information and help for TEFA available, as well as other resources offered in San Angelo. (For example: Catholic Outreach, ADACCV, La Esperanza Clinic, Legal Aid of North West Texas, and more. Texas roadhouse and Tom's Traveling Coffee Truck will have free products there as well.) Please join us!

### Weekly Offerings

March 1, 2026

Envelopes \$ 5,768.00 Loose \$ 5,074.00

Children's Envelopes: \$

Online Giving: Feb.18 –Feb. 24  
 \$ 670.00

**TOTAL: \$11,512.00**

### WEEKLY READINGS

**Mon:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab Lk 4:24-30(237)  
**Tues:** Dn 3:25,34-43 Mt 18:21-35(238)  
**Wed:** Dt 4:1,5-9 Mt 5:17-19(239)  
**Thurs:** Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23(240)  
**Fri:** Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34(241)

## TERCER DOMINGO DE PASCUA

TEMA: EL AGUA VIVA QUE CALMA LA SED DEL SER HUMANO

LECTURAS: Juan 4:1-41; Romanos 5:1-2, 5-8; Éxodo 17:3-7

EL EVANGELIO narra el encuentro de JESÚS con una mujer pecadora quién es un símbolo de su pueblo y que también puede ser una representante de la humanidad pecadora que tiene un encuentro con DIOS. La mujer no había sido feliz, cambiando de maridos, siempre en busca de la felicidad. **Ella tenía una sed que solo JESÚS podía saciar. San Agustín dice: “Nos hiciste, SEÑOR, para ti y nuestro corazón está inquieto hasta que descanse en TI.** JESÚS se encontró con ella cara a cara, a su propio nivel, tratándola como a una igual, para elevarla, rompiendo toda clase de prejuicios: el prejuicio antifeminista al hablar con una mujer, un prejuicio racista dirigiéndose a una Samaritana y un prejuicio moral/religioso tendiendo la mano a una pecadora.

**la mujer descubre gradualmente la identidad de JESÚS y en el proceso descubre su propia identidad: 1) “Tu, un Judío” – “yo una Samaritana”; 2) “DIOS” – ella, inferior”** (ella es la que ahora le está pidiendo agua a JESÚS); **3) “Profeta” – ella una pecadora”** aceptando que JESÚS tiene razón acerca de sus maridos; **4) “Mesías” – ella se convierte en “apóstol”** quién corre a traer la buena nueva a su pueblo: **5) “Salvador del Mundo” – Ella es un “discípulo, aprendiendo de las personas que habían oído hablar de ella. La vida espiritual sigue un proceso similar al de la mujer Samaritana; en la medida en que crecemos vemos a JESÚS bajo una nueva luz** (Niño JESÚS, Joven JESÚS, Juez, SEÑOR, Amigo, Hermano...), **nos vemos bajo una nueva luz, especialmente en relación con los demás.**

Entre las personas que vienen a Misa el domingo, algunos lo hacen porque están obligados, persuadidos u ordenados – JESÚS es para ellos un poco más que **“un judío.”** Otros vienen porque de lo contrario, podrían ir al infierno por un pecado mortal – JESÚS es para ellos un **“Profeta”** que podría castigarlos. Otros vienen porque necesitan una solución para sus problemas y trabajos – JESÚS es para ellos un **“Mesías y Sanador.”** Otros vienen a agradecer y alabar a DIOS por adoptarnos como sus hijos – Ven en JESÚS el DIOS y **“Salvador del Mundo”.**

Durante la cuaresma estamos llamados a hacer un esfuerzo por conocer mejor a JESÚS y conocernos a nosotros mismos con los pecados que necesitamos sacar de nuestros corazones, para que podamos ver a los demás con nuevos ojos. JESÚS **“se quedó con ellos”** dos días; por eso, los Samaritanos llegaron a reconocerlo como el Salvador del Mundo. **Cuando DIOS habita en nosotros o nos mantenemos cerca de DIOS,** llegamos a conocerlo más profundamente y nos sentimos capaces de llegar a ser nuevas personas.



Sodas? Sweets? Alcohol?  
Don't give up for Lent.

Join up  
follow The Family Warrior Battleplan for Lent

Every day you will receive:  
Daily Scripture to sharpen your spiritual vision  
Practical challenges to master the flesh and strengthen the will.  
Concrete actions to protect and bless your wife and children.



[www.thefamilywarrior.org/lenten-battle-plan](http://www.thefamilywarrior.org/lenten-battle-plan)

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## More Education Options for Texas Families

Parents can now submit applications for the Texas Education Freedom Accounts (TEFA) program.  
Education freedom accounts are designed to open doors, expand opportunities, and give each Texas child the chance to learn in the environment that fits them best.

*Freedom to learn your way.*



**Applications Now Open**

**Don't miss your opportunity!**  
Get more information today at  
[educationfreedom.texas.gov](http://educationfreedom.texas.gov)



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325-949-1747

JOIN US FOR A BEAUTIFUL TIME OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP WHERE HEARTS ARE LIFTED AND FAITH IS RENEWED. COME AS YOU ARE AND EXPERIENCE UPLIFTING MUSIC, POWERFUL PRAYER, AND A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM OUR GUEST SPEAKER! WE WOULD LOVE TO WORSHIP TOGETHER WITH YOU.

**JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF PRAISE & WORSHIP WITH A GUEST SPEAKER!**

**MARCH 13 2026**

ST. MARY'S GYM  
7 W AVEN, SAN ANGELO TX

**GUEST SPEAKER: ALEX GOTAY  
MUSIC BY SPECIAL GUEST:  
NICOLE RICHARDS**

**MARCH 13, 2026  
7-9PM**



**2026 Medical Mission to Honduras**

July 1 - 8, 2026

Please join us on our mission to Honduras this summer

Looking for Medical Professionals

Special needs for OB/GYN, General and Pediatrics

Contact us at [info@sanrafaelexpeditions.org](mailto:info@sanrafaelexpeditions.org) or

call Jannelle O'Connell at 325- 668-3397

The Family Warrior Presents

**MEN'S LENT WORKSHOP  
SURRENDER**

A Call for Men Who Refuse to Stay the Same

What do you need to surrender in order to grow in your faith?

Join us as Alex Gotay speaks to men with fire, honesty, and conviction.



March 14, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

St. Mary's Gym, 7 West Avenue N., San Angelo, Texas 76903,

To reserve your seat, contact Robin Miller

325-651-3823 or [robinmiller@thefamilywarrior.org](mailto:robinmiller@thefamilywarrior.org)

\*free lunch will be provided\*

Angelo Catholic School

**Lenten Fish "Fry Days"**

EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT 5 PM \$13 A PLATE

Dine in or Drive Through

Meal Includes: Fish, Fries, Coleslaw, Hush Puppies, & Dessert

FEBRUARY 20<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH 6<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup>

Holy Angels Parish Hall  
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