



SAINT MARY CHURCH

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CELEBRATION OF MASS:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 10:00 A.M.

Weekdays: 5:00 P.M. Tuesday

8:30 A.M. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the last Sunday of the month at the 10:00 A.M. Mass. Parents must be registered, participating members in the Parish for at least six months and have attended an instructional class held on the first Sunday of the month at 1:00 P.M. To pre-register for this class, please call the Parish Office at 883-2883.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Diocesan Guidelines require initial interview with the Priest to be held at least six months prior to the wedding. One must be a registered, participating member of the Parish at least one year prior to the wedding or registered with your family of origin.



Vacation Bible School will be held July 13—17 from 8:30am—13:30 pm. **This year's theme is Rainforest Falls**, where children will discover the nature of God through faith-filled activities and fun. Register your children or grandchildren.

You can use the QR code to register online or pick up a Form at the Parish Office.



DEAR PADRE

For the past year or so, I have been trying to pray on a regular basis, but I am constantly distracted. My mind wanders so easily. Do you have any suggestions?

Distractions in prayer are an inescapable part of the human condition and the results of our imagination. Even great saints experienced distractions in prayer. Some of their suggestions may help. For example, when St. Thérèse of Lisieux struggled with prayer, she would recite an Our Father or Hail Mary or read from the gospels. Praying as an act of faith or returning to God's presence and love can turn our focus away from other concerns, but, even then, distractions may still arise.

When we become aware of distractions, we should calmly renew our focus and continue our prayer. Saint Teresa of Ávila wrote in *The Interior Castle*, "We should not be distressed by reason of our thoughts, nor allow ourselves to be worried by them.... [Thoughts are] inevitable. Do not let [them] disturb or grieve you." No matter how often distractions return or how long they last, they are not sinful; rather, they are opportunities to show God that we are sincere about praying.

Saint Alphonsus, another great teacher of prayer, reminds us that prayer is necessary, beneficial, and always possible. He advises us to hang in there, because the devil would like nothing better than for us to stop praying. ●

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9th ANNUAL
CATHOLIC MEN'S
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August 15, 2026
7AM-5PM
Beaumont, TX

St. Mary Youth Group meetings are held on the second and fourth Sunday of each month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.
Youth Director, Patricia Daleo 409-656-9259

GOOD NEWS

Secrets. The disabling fear of discovery. Trying so hard to conceal something that we do not want others to know. Often, we guard secrets closely because we believe we will be embarrassed, punished, or excluded if our secrets are made known.

Sometimes, we hold tightly to secrets because we are ashamed. We keep other secrets because of the dynamics of family life: "We do not share our family business with anyone." All secrets can be difficult to keep—some more than others. Perhaps the most difficult secret to hold is one that we fear defines our personal integrity and authenticity. It is the fear not only of discovery but also of perception: How will I be perceived if this is made known? Will I still be accepted? Or, even more painful: Will I be rejected, and how complete will the rejection be?

The "good news" of the gospel is that "nothing is concealed that will not be revealed" (Matthew 10:26). In other words, there is nothing that can remain tucked away forever. Everything is revealed in one way or another. Gospel grace and freedom result when a person chooses to freely release whatever it is that burdens them, including closely held secrets. It is the ultimate experience of dying to self to claim eternal life. ●

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

June 21—27

Church & Chapel Sanctuary Candle
Prayers for all our Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 20, 4:30 p.m.
+Mark Dupree

Sunday, June 21, 10:00 a.m.
St. Mary Parish Family

Tuesday, June 23, 5:00 p.m. Mass
Devotional of Our Lady of Perpetual Help after Service
+Dominique Hogan

Wednesday June 24, 8:30 a.m.
+ R.M. & +Marian Lincecum

Thursday, June 25, 8:30 a.m.
+ Betty & +Joseph Lucia, Sr.

Friday, June 26, 8:30 a.m.
(Holy Hour 7:30—8:30 a.m.)
+Frank Giarratano

Saturday, June 27, 4:30 p. m.
+Living & Deceased of Fortini Family

Sunday, June 28, 10:00 a. m.
St. Mary Parish Family



PRAYING FOR THE SICK.....

It is our responsibility in the Lord to remember the sick who are especially close to the Redeemer in their suffering. In the listing below you will find the names of those who have requested our prayerful intercession.

Vicki Chesser, Brittany Taylor, Gene Smith, Pat Lyons, Burton Guidry, Karen Toohey, Victoria Wingate, Faye Black, Margaret Williams Beverly Gunter, Cori Norwood, Bob Morgan, Mary Broussard, Beth Ann Clark, Lyndia Patronella, Kathy Fuqua, Denese Bass, Robert Marroquin, Michael Anderson, Marie Cormier, David Waller, Joan Gunn, Charissa Broussard, Vivian DeJohn, D. Thomas Abshire, Jr., Jennifer Hinson, Joshua Bergeron, Pat Seay, Michael Savigano, Lisa Hamerly, Susan Morris, Jim Jones, Carolyn Smith, Brian McCall, Tammy Norwood, Aimee Tait, Lisa Pitre, Marie Theresa Adames, George Mason, , Evelyn Giarratano, Joel Rivera, Camilo Molins, Milton Westbrook, Lynne Theriot, Wayne Lofton, Karen Ball, David Lester, Walter & Yvonne Trahan, Debra Harrington, Mandy McDaniel, Brenda Hill, Bonnie Buford, Angela Dean, Janie Bauman, Felix Anderson, Mary Carolyn James, Letitia Calderon, Jeanette Burleson, Faye Richard, Cheryl Boyd Simar, Doris Touns, DeAnn Lumpkin, Glenn McGuire, Kayden James, Rocky Breaux, Lydia Wolfford, Kim Berlinger, Brenda Lanclose, Troy Dore, Jack Spears, Kathleen Ramirez, Claire Howard, J.C. Russo, Paul Vandermaas, Jr., Joyce Broussard, Patty Stout, Sharon Fontenot, Donna Richard, Lillie Bourge,

May they be touched by the healing hand of the Divine Physician, Our Lord Jesus Christ, and restored to the full and active life of our Church community and their families. (If you or someone you know should be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish Office).

June 21—27

Soup Kitchen serves at 11:30a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus BBQ — Sunday June 28th
after the 10 a.m. Mass

ST. MARY

June 13—14

ENVELOPES.....	\$ 10,611.00
LOOSE.....	..\$ 664.00
TOTAL.....	\$ 11,275.00

Thank you for your continued support

Scripture Readings For the Week of June 21, 2026

Sunday	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rm 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33
Monday	2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday	2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday	Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist <i>Vigil:</i> Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab and 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17 <i>Mass during the Day:</i> Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80
Thursday	2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Mt 7:21-29
Friday	2 Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Mt 8:1-4
Saturday	Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21; Mt 8:5-17

Altar Flowers June 20—21

Blessed Sacrament Altar
In Honor of Bryan & Leah Bayliss Wedding Anniversary
from Billy & Susan Bayliss



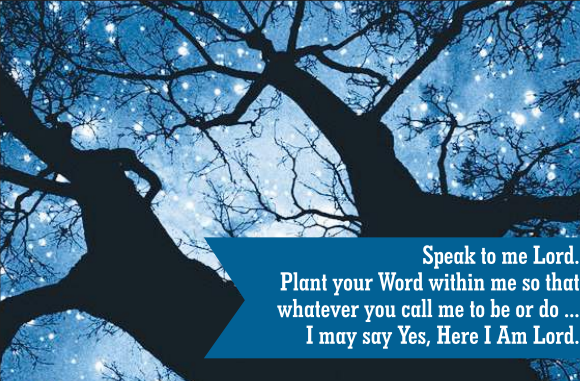
Please Pray for Service Men & Women

Garrett Jackson, Chris Rose, Kaden Baugh, John Lucky LeGault, Sheldon Becker, Bo McDaniel, Samantha McNamara, Taylor Doucet, Michael A. Peveto, Michael & Brooke Chalambaga, Troy Thomassee, John Ardoin III, Charles Moody, William Travis Johnson, Charlee Thousand, Greg Lewis, James Dupre, Richard Powell, Brian Stancoven, Austin Chesson, Colis Dunham, Joseph Brown, & Nicholas Perez, Alec Doolittle, Nathan Hughes, Devin Waller, Colby Hughes. Brenden Fenter, Braelyn Fenter, Blaycie Fenter, Cade Watson, Noah Watson



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