



# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Established 1846 in Fredericksburg, Texas



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January 7, 2018 • The Epiphany of the Lord

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Rev. Jean Baptiste Magbia Zabusu, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Patrick Klein  
Deacon Brian Lewis  
Deacon Gregorio Martinez, Jr.  
Deacon Andrew Thomas  
Deacon Francisco De La Torre

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. MARY'S

Saturday 5:30 p.m., 7 p.m. (Spanish)  
Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

## *The Epiphany of the Lord*

"They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. "

- Mt 2:10-11

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Website: [www.stmarysfbg.com](http://www.stmarysfbg.com)



**ST. MARY'S MISSION STATEMENT**

As disciples of Jesus, we commit ourselves to building community as the body of Christ through the commission given to us at Baptism and reaffirmed in the sacraments of initiation and service. By appreciating, celebrating and sharing the gift of who we are, and what we have, we can establish a hospitable community that welcomes and cares for the needs of those who join us on our journey of faith.

**SACRAMENTS****Baptism**

Required classes for parents and sponsors are held at 9 a.m. on the second Saturday of odd numbered months and in Spanish at 7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of odd numbered months.

**Marriage**

Preparations must be made with the liturgist at least 6 months in advance. The marriage date is confirmed after preparations are completed. No weddings are scheduled during Advent or Lent.

**Reconciliation**

Saturday 4-5 p.m. at St. Mary's, 6:30 – 7 p.m. Wednesday at Our Lady of Guadalupe or by appointment.

**Communion**

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are available to bring Holy Communion to the sick and elderly of the parish.

**Holy Anointing**

Do not hesitate to call the priest in case of serious illness or injury. Call 830-997-9523 ext. 2.

**PHONE NUMBERS**

Parish Office ..... (830) 997-9523  
 Fax..... (830) 997-1037  
 Very Rev. John P. Nolan VF, Pastor.....ext 26  
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 Stephanie Cavanaugh, Secretary.....ext 21  
 Sherri Bumpas, Parish Hall Coordinator.....ext 32  
 Mary Ann Murchison, Liturgy.....ext 28  
 Rumalda Rivera, Secretary.....ext 29

**St. Mary's School**

**202 S. Orange, (830) 997-3914**

John Mein, Principal.....  
[jmein@stmarysmail.com](mailto:jmein@stmarysmail.com)  
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 Christine Duecker, Office Administrator.....  
 Susan Nixon, Registrar.....  
 Mignonne Frantzen, Development Director.....  
[mfrantzen@stmarysmail.com](mailto:mfrantzen@stmarysmail.com)

**ST. MARY'S CEMETERY**

Parishioners and family members seeking information about our cemetery are invited to come by the parish office during normal business hours. Here a careful review may be made of all the burial options available while allowing time for a thoughtful decision.

**SOMEONE IN THE HOSPITAL?**

If a member of your family is ill and would like to see a priest, please call the parish office.

**GABRIEL PROJECT/RESPECT LIFE**

Stacy Jenschke, Coordinator (830) 998-9074.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP)**

Kevin & Lisa McCormack (830) 257-7803

**ALCOHOL & DRUG AWARENESS**

If you or a loved one is affected by alcohol or drug abuse, we can help. Call John or Joy at 990-1720 or 456-3566. Your anonymity will be protected.

**If you haven't received your  
 directory photos at home,  
 please check with the church  
 office!**

## MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 8-14, 2018

**Monday, January 8**

7:30 a.m. †Dennis Grobe

**Tuesday, January 9**

12 p.m. †Viola Barsch

**Wednesday, January 10**

6 p.m. Para todos los estudiantes

**Thursday, January 11**

8 a.m. †Irene Baumann

**Friday, January 12**7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Theo  
Pohler Family**Saturday, January 13**

5:30 p.m. †Alma &amp; Bernardo Caughlin

7 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of the  
Aguilar Family**Sunday, January 14**

7:30 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul

9 a.m. St. Anne's Society

11:15 a.m. People of the Parish

PARISH  
CALENDAR

JANUARY 8-14, 2018

**Monday**

5 p.m. Parish Council Meeting @HFC

6 p.m. Catholic Daughters @ HFC

6:30 p.m. Life Teen @ HFC

6:45 p.m. RCIA @ HFC

7 p.m. St. Mary's 4-H @ Cafeteria

**Tuesday**

7 a.m. Parents Who Pray @ HFC

9 a.m. English as a 2nd Language @ OLG Hall

10 a.m. Knopp #1 Nursing Home

11 a.m. Centering Prayer Group

6 p.m. Rosary-Knights of Columbus @ Big Church

6 p.m. Women's ACTS Meeting

6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

6:30 p.m. ESL @ OLG Hall

**Wednesday**

9:30 a.m. Live Oak Nursing Home

10 a.m. Catholic Charities Counseling @ HFC

6 p.m. Catholic Daughters Rosary @ Small Church

6 p.m. Edge Youth Meeting

6 p.m. St. Joseph's Society Meeting @ Gillespie  
County Historical Center Building

6:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice @ Big Church

**Thursday**

6 a.m. Men's Prayer Group @ Peachtree

10 a.m. Knopp 2 &amp; Knopp Assisted Living

6 p.m. Men's ACTS Meeting

**Friday**

7 p.m. Pan de Vida @ OLG

**Saturday**

9 a.m. Baptism Class-English

11:30 a.m. Rogers/Rabe Wedding @ Big Church

**Sunday**

7 a.m. Coffee and Donuts @HFC

10 a.m. Confirmation Prep @ HFC

10 a.m. St. Anne's Society Meeting @ HFC

5:30 p.m. Healing of the Families @ HFC

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

December 23-25, 2017

Offertory.....	\$14,951.47
School.....	\$1,680.00
Building Improvement.....	\$30.00
Our Lady of Guadalupe.....	\$323.96
Preservation & Pride.....	\$15.00
Christmas Day.....	\$23,292.92
Assumption Seminary.....	\$1,518.10

*Thank you for your continued  
generosity and support of St. Mary's!*

## SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend is designated for St. Mary's School.

Second Collection next weekend will be designated for St. Mary's Capital Campaign.



Fr. Jim Harnan's, MSC Annual Retreat – Well Springs Retreat Center, Blanco, Texas beginning Friday, January 12 at 5:00 pm and ending Sunday, January 14, at Noon. Fee- \$100 or donation.

*Who do you say that Jesus Christ is to you?  
Who are you to Jesus Christ? Why are people  
leaving the Catholic Church? Why are we  
losing our youth? What can we do about it?*

These questions will be discussed and your opinions are very important. For more information and to register, call Fr. Jim at (830) 833-4243.



## PRAYER LINE

If you want to be a part of the prayer line or need prayers, please call Diane Reeh at 830-456-0751.

## FOR THOSE DEPLOYED

**Please pray for our service members especially those deployed:**



*Lee Alinez, Casey Burow, Alejandro Espinosa Jr., Daniel Ray Flores III, Ismael Garcia, Sammy Garcia, Luke Hamilton, Mario Mata, Jacob Newsom, and Austin Reyes.*



## OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE ILL

*Daysi Albiter, Andy Andrade, Annette Annen, Claudia Baker, William Baumert, JoAnn Belke, Santa Benitez, Scott Behrends, Gloria Bischoff, James Blume, John Boyers, Louis Brewer, Jack Brown, Lisa Brown, Minnie Carrion, Cary & Cheryl Collins, Rachel Cox, Bonnie Crenwelge, Ava Darr, Victor Diaz, Owen Dietel, Marie Durst, Joselyn Eckhardt, Kay Eckhardt, Richard Estenson, Connie Fiedler, Kevin Fritz, Joe Henry Gonzales, Cindy Grohmann, J.J. Guajardo, Juanita Guevara, Tami Harris, James Helms, Margaret Henry, John Huecksteadt, Gerald Howard, Laverne Hoyt, Viola Immel, Ed Jackson, Donald A. Klein, Emmie Klein, Gail Klein, Ruth Klein, Brenda Klier, Wesley Kozielski, Ryker Kramer-Pearce, Cole Kuhlmann, Richard LaMarre, Bonnie Land, Mimi Lodowski, Winona Leger, Irene Loth, Patricia Loth, Guenther Maenius, George & Nelda Marion, Delfina Martinez, Bryan William McGinnis, Victor Meier, Amy Yarbrough Mullins, Riley Osbourn, James Pape, Robby Parker, Nicole Parker, Heather Brennan Patrick, Macel Patterson, Heather Harper Peralez, Eric Peters, Leroy Petsch, Lois Pohler, Peter Pouthier, Carrie Pyka, Alton Reeh, Victoria Regalado, Arnie & Myrtle Rieff, Herminia Rivera, Parker Robertson, Danny Roeder, Maricela Roller, Kim Ross, Joe Salinas, Vernell Scott, Michael Shannon, Steve Shefstad, Cody Smith, Max Sokoloff, Maria Sons, Clifford Staudt, Ruby Stehling, Annie Mae Stone, Robert Straube, Darrell Sultemeier, Glen Tarang, Gil Ulbricht, Michael Usener, Ryan Usener, Calvin Vanwinkle & Family, Kenneth Verstuyft, Linda Vollmar, Ranette Wahl, Tom Wallace, Werner Weber, A.J. Weinheimer, Keith P. Weinheimer, Steven Weinheimer, Bill White, Grace Worlie & Ray Zdan.*

**In loving memory we pray for Charles Robert Kaiser** who died recently. May God embrace him lovingly in eternal life and bring peace and comfort to his family and friends.



## Prayer List

Dear Parishioners: I have asked staff to take names off the prayer list for people who have been on the list for a particularly long time because of space limitations. However, please remember that those people will continually be prayed for at daily Mass. Thank you, *Father John*.





## Interested in St. Anne's Society?

Happy New Year! St. Anne's Society hopes that your blessings were many at Christmas & the New Year. May they be filled with peace, happy hearts,

contented homes & loved ones near. We will have our first meeting of the 2018 year on Sunday, January 14 after the 9:00 Mass. Please join us to see what we have planned for a great year.



## Interested in Catholic Daughters?

Catholic Daughters will hold their regular meeting on Monday,

January 8, 2018, beginning at 6 pm with the social, followed by the business meeting at 6:30 pm. Members are reminded that dues for 2018 are due at this time. All current members & those parishioners interested in joining, are urged to attend. For more information or questions, contact Donna Durst at [830-997-4664](tel:830-997-4664). Catholic Daughters wishes all a Happy, Healthy & Prosperous New Year.

Donna Durst  
Regent, CDA Court #1907



## NOTICE TO ADORERS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018

The Adoration Chapel will be locked from **6:00 PM to 6:00 AM**. All Adorers who are scheduled from **6:00 PM to**

**6:00 AM** must have the passcode for the West side door. If you have any questions, please contact any of the Adoration Team.

Stan & Bobbie Klein 830.456.6018/830.456.5867  
Hector Pedregon 830.456.1372  
Andy Reyes 210.632.3408



How about a New Year's resolution this year that almost guarantees meaningful and lasting results? More specifically, how about a resolution shared by you and your spouse that strengthens your relationship with your spouse as well as God?

The answer may be Teams of Our Lady (TOOL), a lay ministry for married couples that is designed to help couples live fully their sacrament of marriage. Together with other like-minded couples and under the patronage of Our Holy Mother, Teams of Our Lady provides a structured mechanism for spiritual growth of your marriage, bearing witness to the holiness of marriage and promoting marriage and family life in your community.

We are planning to form additional Teams in 2018 and will begin that process after the first of the year.

Watch the Bulletin over the next few weeks for additional information! Or you can contact Riley or Martha Kothmann (325) 347-7840 or [rrkothmann@gmail.com](mailto:rrkothmann@gmail.com) in the meantime.

## Faith Formation

### Meet Our RCIA Candidates and Catechumens!



**Daniel Norris**

Daniel Norris is a native of Alexandria, Louisiana, and has been married to wife Kathleen for 38 years. They have two adult children, Danielle and Patrick. Daniel has been employed for over 40 years by a Houston area multi-national engineering/construction company. He and Kathleen moved to Fredericksburg from the Houston area in 2015. Daniel was brought up in the Catholic Church and came to St Mary's earlier this year. He is participating in RCIA and looking forward to receiving the sacrament of Confirmation.

## Youth Ministry



For more information about one of these youth programs, please contact Royal Henk at 830-456-3589 or at the church office 830-997-9523.

## Faith Formation



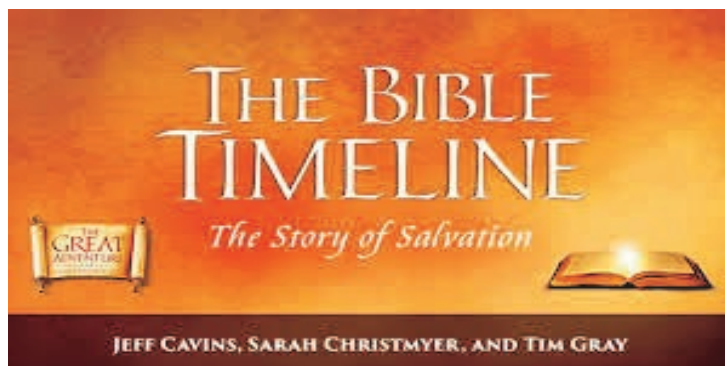
**By: Deacon Andy Thomas**

Presentation One: Thursday, January 18, 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
*Pre-Reformation Backdrop, Introduction to Humanism, Martin Luther's 95 Theses*

Presentation Two: Thursday, January 25, 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
*Luther, Zwingli, and Calvin*

Presentation Two: Thursday, February 1, 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
*Henry VIII, The Council of Trent*

**ALL PRESENTATIONS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HOLY FAMILY CENTER**  
***WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!***



We are happy to offer the Bible Timeline study put forth by Jeff Cavins as a good introduction to the story of Salvation History. The bible study will be facilitated by Deacon Andy Thomas and Deacon Brian Lewis.

Please contact Deacon Andy at the church office to register. The bible study will take place in the Holy Family Center on Thursdays at 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The dates are as follows:

February 15, February 22, March 1, March 8,  
 March 15, March 22, April 5, April 12





## Hope for the Future Scholarship Assistance

Hope for the Future Tuition Assistance Application is now open. Hope for the Future is the scholarship assistance from the Archdiocese. The online enrollment is now open and can be found at: <https://school.stmarysfbg.com/financial-aid>. Please contact the office at [830-997-3914](tel:830-997-3914) if you need help enrolling. Don't delay in applying. The early round closes March 9.



Pre-K through 8th Grade  
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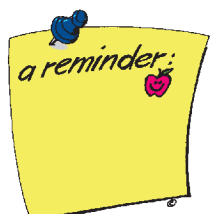


## SMS Registration

SMS Registration for the 2018-2019 School year will open to parishioners on January 15. If you are interested in visiting campus or talking with someone regarding Catholic education, please call the office at [830-997-3914](tel:830-997-3914).



We appreciate everyone who bought Catholic Life Sweepstakes Raffle tickets from our students. We were able to raise \$15,980 for SMS!



## School Holiday

There will be no school on Friday, January 12.



## Change in Church Decorations over the upcoming weeks.

This Sunday, January 7th, the Christmas decor in both churches will be removed in preparation for Ordinary Time. For those who have contributed towards the poinsettias, and would like to have one, the flowers will be taken down after the 11:15 a.m. mass. This process will begin at about 12:15--12:30 p.m. You are welcome to come to the church at that time to receive a poinsettia. Your generosity in providing flowers for Christmas is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,  
The Environment Ministry

Beginning the weekend of January 13 & 14, 2018, Ordinary Time decor for both of our churches this year is focusing on Life and Water and the way these two elements play a role in the ministry of Jesus as we will see in the coming weeks. The blue and green fabrics used represent water and life and the way water and life are always connected. We added the bare birch branches to remind us that nature is taking a rest and regrouping, just as we should after the busy season of Christmas. It is our hope that we have created an inspiring environment that leads to deeper understanding of the readings during this time of the liturgical year.

Thank you,  
The Environment Ministry



## Christmas Flowers in Honor and Memory of

Louis Crenwelge  
Wanda Crenwelge  
Opal Pfiester  
Jack Koenig  
Edmund & Lottie Reeh  
Addyson Staats  
Mr. & Mrs. H.E. Staudt  
Mr. & Mrs. Frannic Stehling  
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Loth  
Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Staudt  
Mr. & Mrs. Carlos Staudt  
Church Choir  
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Staudt  
April Staudt  
Kim Stehling  
Barbara Durst  
Walmart Family  
Mr. & Mrs. Emil Bernhard  
Mr. & Mrs. Gregor Staudt  
Toni Hogan  
Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Kiehne

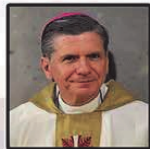






ARCHDIOCESE  
OF SAN ANTONIO

# Prayer Vigil Procession Mass Sunday, January 21, 2018



Mass presided by  
Most Reverend Gustavo  
García-Siller, M.Sp.S.  
Archbishop of San Antonio

YOUR PRAYERS  
MAKE A DIFFERENCE...  
YOUR PRESENCE MATTERS...

The vigil begins at 4:00pm at St. Mary's Church - Downtown, followed by a prayerful procession (10-12 min. walk) to San Fernando Cathedral at 4:30pm. The Mass will start at 5:00pm

Because of the prayerful nature of this event, please do not bring signs or distribute literature of any kind



**Free Parking - Frost Bank Parking Lot**  
121 North Main Avenue San Antonio, TX 78205

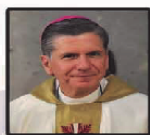
**For additional information, contact:**  
Nicky Mata | (210) 734-1651 | [Nicky.Mata@archsa.org](mailto:Nicky.Mata@archsa.org)



ARQUIDIÓCESIS  
DE SAN ANTONIO

Invita

# Vigilia de Oración Procesión Misa Domingo, 21 de Enero de 2018

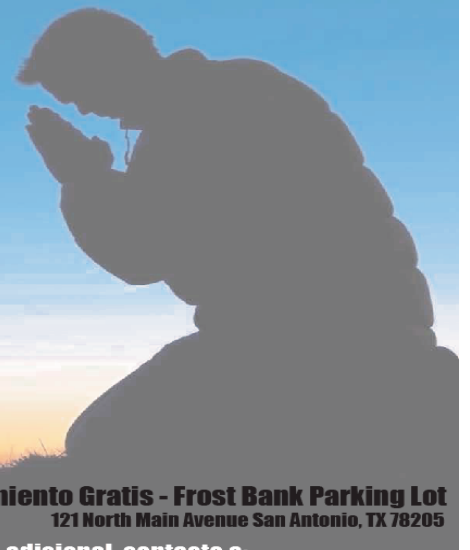


Misa presidida por  
Rev. Mons. Gustavo  
García-Siller, M.Sp.S.  
Arzobispo de San Antonio

TUS ORACIONES  
HACEN LA DIFERENCIA...  
TU PRESENCIA ES IMPORTANTE...

La vigilia comienza a las 4:00pm en la iglesia St. Mary's Church - Downtown, seguida de una devota procesión (caminata de 10-12 min.) hasta la Catedral de San Fernando. La Misa comenzará a las 5:00pm

Debido al carácter de oración de este evento, por favor, no traiga carteles ni distribuya material de ningún tipo



**Estacionamiento Gratis - Frost Bank Parking Lot**  
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**Para información adicional, contacte a:**  
Nicky Mata | (210) 734-1651 | [Nicky.Mata@archsa.org](mailto:Nicky.Mata@archsa.org)



The 2018 Archbishop's Appeal has begun with a theme In the Spirit of Love and an overall Appeal goal of \$4.5 million. Our 2018 Appeal parish goal is \$84,946.80. The Archbishop's Appeal is the annual ongoing effort of the Catholic community, which supports more than 40 ministries that evangelize Christ's people locally in the faith and serves those in need. Pray on how you and your loved ones may consider renewing your gift or making a gift for the first time. Your support is essential to ensuring that we as the local church are able to continue providing the Catholic Appeal ministries that aid homeless women and children, care for our retired clergy, clothe and feed the poor, support the education and spiritual formation of men preparing to serve our parish communities as a priest or deacon, comfort the hospitalized, share our mission of faith with the incarcerated, provide Catholic tuition assistance to families in need and so much more! Please pray for the success of the Archbishop's Appeal and make your gift today by completing the Archbishop's Appeal pledge card sent to your home, here in the pew on the weekend of January 20-21, online at [www.archsa.org/archbishops-appeal](http://www.archsa.org/archbishops-appeal) or by calling the Office of Archbishop's Appeal at 210-734-1604. If this is your first time making a gift to the Appeal and are unsure of how much to give, consider a gift of 1% of your total household income, \$1 for each day of the year (\$365), or a gift in any amount that your circumstances permit. You may also make pledge gift payments. Gifts of all size are appreciated and 100% of your gift will go directly to ministries. Share the light of hope and the love of Christ with others through the Archbishop's Appeal. Your gift will also help us to meet our 2018 Appeal parish goal. Thank you for your prayers and generosity. May God bless you!





## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Please consider signing up for the following times**

**Tuesday — 7-8 p.m.**

**Wednesday—8-9 p.m.**

**Thursday—7-8 p.m.**

**Saturday—4-5 a.m.; 11a.m.- Noon**

**Sunday—3-4 p.m.**

Please call any of the division leaders to sign up.

Stan & Bobbie Klein, (830) 997-8758

Hector Pedregon, (830) 456-1372 or

Andy Reyes, (210) 632-3408.



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2018

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 [27b]/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19 [2]/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

## Observances for the Week of January 7, 2018

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week

Monday: The Baptism of the Lord

Saturday: St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**“Be still and know that I am God.”**

