

SAINT MARIA GORETTI
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CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MORNING MASS

Monday, Wednesday - Friday, 8 AM

SATURDAY VIGIL

5:30 PM

SUNDAY

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM

11:00 AM and 1:00 PM

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday,
and Saturday 8 AM - 4 PM.

Tuesday and Thursday,
8 AM - 4 PM and 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM.
Fri., 8:30 AM - Noon in the Church;
Noon - 4:00 PM in the Oratory

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 3:30 - 5:00 PM

BAPTISM

Preparation classes are
required by the Diocese.

For more information, go to
www.smgparish.org/baptism
or call the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

The Diocese requires 6 - 9 months
in preparing for your marriage.
Please do not set a wedding
date until meeting with Fr. Maul.

HOLY ORDERS AND CONSECRATED LIFE

Please call the Diocesan Vocation
Office at 817-945-9321 or contact
Fr. Maul at the Parish Office.

Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 17, 2024

The Mother Parish of Arlington, Texas

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www.smgparish.org [www.smgparish.org](http://www.smgparish.org/smgparish.org)

Parish office hours:

Monday - Thursday, 8:30 AM - 12 noon, 1:00 - 4:30 PM;

Fridays: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Samuel Maul, Pastoral Administrator
smaul@smgparish.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week of March 18 - March 24, 2024

MONDAY

Mass, 8AM (CH)

Adoration, 8AM - 4PM (SHO)

Brown Bag Bunch, 10AM (SMC)

Rosary for Life, 7PM (CH)

TUESDAY

Adoration, 8AM - 4PM (SHO)

Transitional Diaconate Ordination for
Isaac McCracken, 6PM (CH)

American Heritage Girls, 6:15PM (SMC)

Rosary Makers, 6:30PM (SD)

Adoration, 6:30PM - 9:30PM (SHO)

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Rosary Group, 7:30AM (SMC)

Mass, 8AM (CH)

Adoration, 8AM - 4PM (SHO)

Garden Club, 9:30AM (SMC)

Angelus Choir Rehearsal, 5:30PM (CH)

Knights of Columbus, 6PM (SMC)

Youth Group, 7PM (YC)

St. Cecilia Rehearsal, 7PM (CH)

Scripture Study, 7:30PM (HFLC-H/SC/SF)

THURSDAY

Mass, 8AM (CH)

Adoration, 8AM - 4PM (SHO)

Morning Joys, 10AM (SMC)

Adoration, 6:30PM - 9:30PM (SHO)

Choro di pace Rehearsal, 7:30PM (CH)

St. Vincent de Paul, 7:30PM (PP)

FRIDAY

Mass, 8AM (CH)

Adoration, 8:30AM - Noon (CH)

Benediction, Noon (CH)

Adoration, Noon - 4PM (SHO)

Fish Fry, 5 - 7PM (C)

Stations of the Cross, 7PM (CH)

SATURDAY

Adoration, 8AM - 4PM (SHO)

Confession, 3:30 - 5:00PM (CH)

Vigil Mass, 5:30PM (CH)

PALM SUNDAY

Mass, 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM and 1PM (CH)

Adoration, 8AM - 4PM (SHO)

Confirmation Class, 2:30PM (SMC)

Men's 35+ Basketball, 6PM (G)

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***In case of an emergency outside of our parish
office hours, please call 972-943-4481.**

BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Compliments of
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*Thanks to our SMG parishioners, The Eller Family,
for supporting our beloved Church!*

LEGEND: AF=Athletic Field, C=Cafetorium, CH=Church, FF=Faith Formation, G=HFLC Gym, H=HFLC Hope Room, HFLC=Holy Family Life Center-All 3 Meeting Rooms & Gym, HFLC-MR=HFLC Music Room, L=School Library, PC=Parish Campus-All, PP=Padre Pio House, S=School Classrooms, AF=SMG Athletic Fields, S-MR=School Music Room, SC=HFLC St. Clare Room, SD=St. David Cottage-All, SF=HFLC St. Francis Room, SHO=Sacred Heart Oratory, SMC=St. Maria Center, YC=Youth Center.

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MUSIC AND LITURGY



Easter Flower Envelopes are at the entrances/exits of the Church and in your mailed envelopes. Donations to the flowers which adorn the Altar at Easter can be made in loving memory of or in honor of a family member or loved one.

Be sure to **return your Rice Bowls** within the next two weeks. Coins should be converted into bills or checks and placed in the Rice Bowl or an envelope and drop it in the special Rice Bowl collection container at the front entrance of the Church.



Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday, March 15th at 7:00 PM in the Church. Join us for this Lenten devotion.

Next weekend is Palm Sunday (March 23/24) and the beginning of Holy Week.

Masses are at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

Masses will begin differently from usual weekend Masses since we begin with the **Commemoration of the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem and the blessing of palm branches**. Make plans to arrive a bit earlier and remember that additional parking is available at the parking lot on Benge Street (the street right in front of the Church). Masses will end in silence as we contemplate the events of the week.

(Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday Stations, The Passion of the Lord and Holy Saturday Easter Vigil as we welcome new Catholics to the faith).



THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM SCHEDULE



***THURSDAY, MARCH 28 - HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER at 6:30 PM** with the Presentation of the Holy Oils, Washing of Feet and Transfer of the Holy Eucharist with Adoration until 10:00 PM; Parish Office and Oratory are closed.

***FRIDAY, MARCH 29 – GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS at Noon**

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD at 3:00 PM with the Reading of the Passion, Presentation and Veneration of the Holy Cross and Holy Communion.

REFLECTIONS ON THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST at 6:30 PM; Parish Office and Oratory are closed.



***SATURDAY, MARCH 30 – EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT at 8:30 PM**

No confessions will be heard. Parish Office and Oratory are closed.



***SUNDAY, MARCH 31 – EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

Masses at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM; Parish Office and Oratory are closed.

THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

***MONDAY, APRIL 1** – Parish Office and Campus are closed; There is No 8:00 AM Mass; Oratory opens at 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

***TUESDAY, APRIL 2** – Parish Office opens at 8:30 AM; Oratory opens at 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM; Campus is closed.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Beginning Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 10:00 AM, the SMG group, Morning Joys, will study "Lectio: Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible," from the FORMED Lectio Series with acclaimed author and teacher, Dr. Brant Pitre. Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching. Morning Joys also meets via ZOOM. All are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please reach out to Cathy Leicht at 817-504-6290 or email her at ccleicht71@gmail.com.



WOMEN'S GUILD

Our Women's Guild Meeting is on Tuesday, March 26, at the St. Maria Center at 6:30 PM. Our program for the evening: "Way of the Cross for Women." The SMG Women's Guild invites all ladies of the parish to attend this Lenten experience.

Our next upcoming event is our Installation Dinner on Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:00 PM. RSVP Deadline is March 23rd and the cost is \$10. If you have any questions, please send an email to Sofie Barnes, Guild President, at SMGwomensguild@gmail.com.

TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION



With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Diocese of Fort Worth joyfully announces and cordially invites you to the Transitional Diaconate Ordination of Isaac McCracken through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by His Excellency, Bishop Michael Olson, at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at St. Maria Goretti Church.

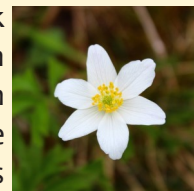
BROWN BAG BUNCH

Please come join the Brown Bag Bunch (50 plus and older members) on Mondays from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM in the St. Maria Center. We play cards games, such as Canasta and Bridge, so come play and laugh with us! For further information, please contact Judy Courtney at her email address of nanajudi70083@yahoo.com.



GARDEN CLUB

Come learn how to make No Cook Pickles at the Wednesday, March 20th Garden Club meeting. We gather in the St. Maria Center at 9:30 AM, have a light snack, and a short business meeting. This month we will also be collecting items for the St. Therese Baby's World. (Diapers, baby food and dry formula, and baby wash and lotion are especially needed, and all contributions are totally voluntary.) Come join the fun! All are welcome. Questions? Call or text Carolyn Price at 817-274-5300.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY



The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, March 22, from 5:00 - 7:00 PM in the Cafetorium. \$10 for adults (13 years and up), \$7 for kids (6-12 years) and free for kids under 5 years old.

Your meal will include fish, hush puppies, coleslaw, fries, macaroni and cheese and a dessert. Please pre-order your meal by emailing the Knights at smgkoc14549fishfry@gmail.com with your name, phone number, the number of fish fry meals you want and method of payment (cash, check, or credit card). You can also purchase your tickets at the door, but it will be helpful if you preorder so we know how much fish to make. Thank you!

FAITH DIRECT

Signing up with *Faith Direct* is a great way to focus on almsgiving throughout the year. It is a secure and convenient way to make a conscious decision about your financial support of our many wonderful ministries. You can find paper enrollment forms in the parish office, or you can sign up online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/TX373>.

FINANCIALS

Sunday, March 10, 2024:

Registered Families	1,890
Mass attendance	1,596
You Gave:	\$ 11,536.00
We needed:	\$ 10,200.00
We are over by:	\$ 1,336.00

We raised \$2,781.00 for Catholic Relief Services

MASS INTENTIONS

Weekend - March 16 - March 17, 2024

Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	† Kathryn Keglovits
Sunday	7:30 am Mass	Donafrio Family
	9:00 am Mass *	† Castano & Schutt Families
	11:00 am Mass	SMG Parishioners
	1:00 pm Mass	† Antonia Omeogu

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Monday	8:00 am Mass *	† Bill Cotter
Wednesday	8:00 am Mass *	† Coworkers at Catholic Life
Thursday	8:00 am Mass *	† John Buck
Friday	8:00 am Mass *	Fago Family
Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	† Felipe Cabardo
Sunday	7:30 am Mass	† Thomas Battles, Sr.
	9:00 am Mass *	Herb Fedora
	11:00 am Mass	† Jim Parnell
	1:00 pm Mass	SMG Parishioners

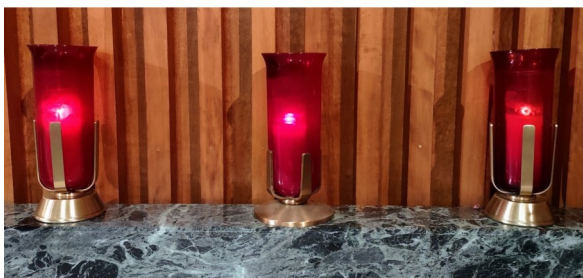
*These Masses are livestreamed.

MASS OF REPARATION FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE

The Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth invites you to attend a Mass of Reparation for Victims of Abuse to help heal those who have been harmed by the terrible evil of abuse and for the reparation for sins of sexual abuse perpetrated against minors and the vulnerable. Principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Michael F. Olson, STD, MA. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at St. Patrick Cathedral in downtown Fort Worth. Following the Mass, we will have a luncheon for the participants at the parish hall and will also be hosting our annual facilitator's meeting after the luncheon.

VOTIVE LIGHTS

Have a birthday or an anniversary coming up? Or would like to honor a deceased loved one during the Lenten Season? Consider offering the gift of a votive candle under Mother Mary's or Saint Joseph's Altar. A Votive Candle represents our prayers burning before God. If you would like to honor someone with this prayer, please contact Sherry Lewis in the Parish Office at 817-274-0643.



SACRAMENTALS:

Saturday, March 16 - Friday, March 22, 2024

VOTIVE LIGHTS

Mother Mary

- * Intentions of Lanre and Busola Lawson and Family
- * In Loving Memory of David Ferman by His Family

Saint Joseph

- * Intentions of Lanre and Busola Lawson and Family

The Sanctuary Light burns in the month of March In Loving Memory of Jesus Garcia by His Family.

**The Sanctuary Light burns near the Tabernacle in the Church. The light indicates that Christ is present.*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lord Jesus, you came as healer of body and of spirit, in order to cure all our ills. We pray, Lord, for our brothers and sisters, who are struggling in some way, especially **Al Hydak** and **Mike Alvey**. Sustain all the sick with your power and fill their hearts with your love. Amen.

Saint Joseph, Pray for Us!

