



St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral & School



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August 14, 2022



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." - Lk 12:50-52

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St. Mary's Cathedral School
Montessori Preschool through 5th Grade

Principal: Lydia O'Rear
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School website: www.stmarysamarillo.org
www.facebook.com/StMarysCathedralSchool

Celebration of the Mass

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am (livestreamed),
12:00 pm (interpreted for the Deaf)

Daily Mass (In the Chapel)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday : 7:00 am
Tuesday and Thursday: 5:30 pm

Holy Hour

Sunday: 5:00 –6:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3:00—5:00 pm
Wednesday: 5:30-7:00 pm

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact parish office. Couple must speak with Deacon Robert Smith at least six (6) months before the wedding.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents must be a member of St. Mary's for at least six (6) months. Baptismal preparation program is required.

Sacrament of Anointing of The Sick

Please contact the parish office.

Homebound and Hospital Visits

Please contact the Parish Office.

Vocation Crucifix



Crucifix & sign-up sheet are on the podium in the Narthex. Each week an individual or family takes home the Crucifix and puts it in a place of honor. Our Diocesan Vocations prayer is attached. It may be prayed, along with other prayers, each day the Crucifix is in your home.

Please return it the following weekend to the podium.

Our Mission Statement

St. Mary's Cathedral Parish is a diverse Catholic family, united in faith, centered in the Eucharist, mindful of our rich history, dedicated to evangelization and formation, and active in proclaiming and practicing the welcoming love and mercy of Jesus the Christ.

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

Pastoral Staff

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Parish Service Staff

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Maintenance/Parish Family Center-Robert Salazar

St. Mary's Cathedral Parish Masses

Facial Masks are optional. A section of pews on the far left facing the altar is reserved for those who wish to wear masks.

Confessions/Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are in the Church.

Please park in the West Parking lot.

Reminder: Livestream of the 9:30 am Sunday Mass

- The Stream starts 2:00 mins before Mass starts.
- The links do change from week to week.
- Don't forget to sign up for Online Giving.

Please Subscribe to the YouTube Channel

For your Smart TV's and Devices
youtube.com/watch?v=FZ...

For Smart Devices and Computers
venue.streamspot.com/e...

Sacrament Information

Sacrament of Baptism at St. Mary's

1. Complete a registration form available online/Hospitality Desk (Narthex) or the Parish Office.
2. Parents who have completed the form must be active members of St. Mary's Cathedral Parish for at least six months. Godparents must be active in a Catholic Parish. Parents/Godparents are required to attend Baptism Saturday Orientation. Orientations will be held in November, February, May, and September.

Deacon Ron and Levina Herr, Ext. 3036
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**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
Interested in Becoming Catholic?
Or do you know someone who is?**

The process is known as the
Catechumenate, or
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

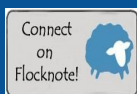
**Contact the church office for more information.
806-376-7204**

WEDDINGS

Contact the office at least six months in advance of the date you have chosen. Please call the office to set up an appointment with Father Tony.

QUINCEAÑERAS (not a sacrament)

Must have attended Faith Formation for 2 consecutive years prior to celebration and contact office at least 6 months in advance. Please call the office to set up an appointment with Father Tony.



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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2022

- Sunday:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53
- Monday:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
- Tuesday:** Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday:** Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday:** Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14
- Friday:** Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday:** Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12
- Next Sunday:** Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

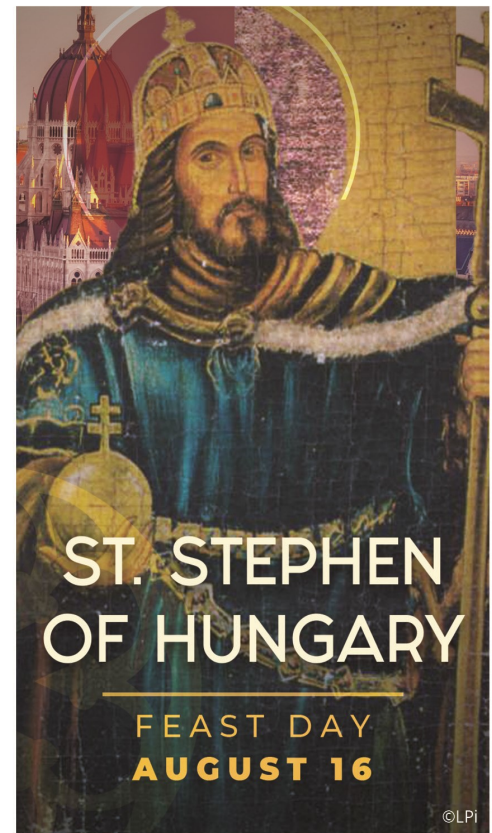
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2022

- Sunday:** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
- Monday:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Tuesday:** St. Stephen of Hungary
- Friday:** St. John Eudes, Priest
- Saturday:** St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

There is a "great cloud of witnesses" found in the official saints of the church and in ordinary people we meet every day. They are faith-filled inspirations who, by their example, help us to persevere in our faith. Living in a sea of conflict, change, challenge, and confusion, it is easy to grow tired and get weary. With so many things in competition for our attention, it is challenging to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and the Kingdom of God. We have to keep running the race and continue proclaiming the Good News. This message is not always welcome. It can cause division, challenge accepted mindsets, ruffle peoples' feathers, and cause some folks to become defensive. God's ways are not always our ways. Even though often rejected by the world, the message of God in Jesus Christ must continue to be preached. We can rely on the examples of faith before us and around us and not lose heart. As Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Born a pagan in the 10th century Saint Stephen was baptized as a boy when his father converted to Christianity. Saint Stephen married Gisela, daughter of Duke Henry II of Bavaria who would become Saint Henry II. He succeeded his father as leader and began to transform the nation into a Christian kingdom.

Pope Sylvester II proclaimed him the first king of Hungary in 1001, sending him a crown and gold processional cross. The crown, made in the Byzantine style, has become a symbol of Hungarian nationhood.

King Stephen's reign was a relatively peaceful and prosperous time. He outlawed paganism, mandated church building, and tithing for support of the parish, and commanded all to marry except clergy and religious. He founded a Benedictine monastery, and Hungary became an important place along the route to the Holy Land for many pilgrims.

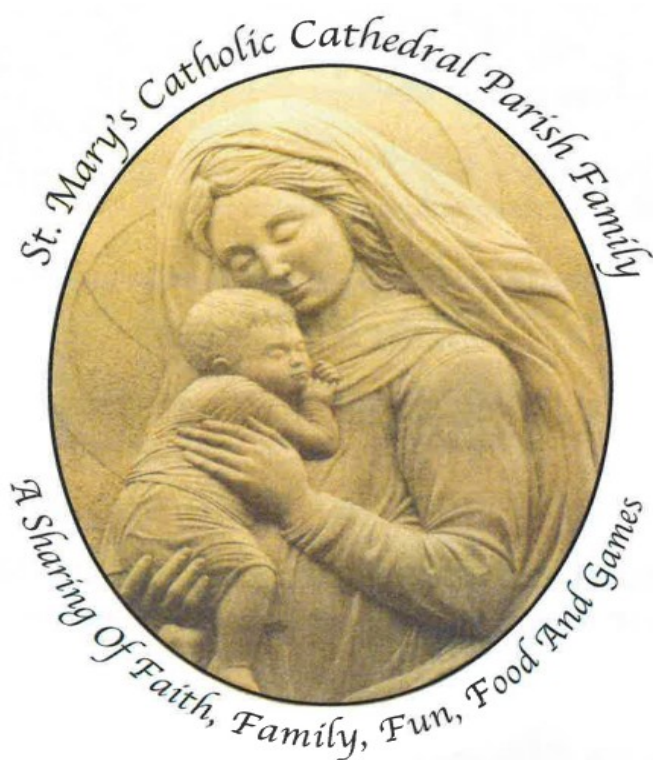
Unfortunately, Stephen's son and heir died in a hunting accident, causing much conflict over the succession when the saint died. Eventually the kingdom was won back for Christendom and father and son were canonized in 1083 by Pope St. Gregory VII. Saint Stephen I is now patron saint of Hungary.

Our Rector's Ramblings

"She travelled to the hill country in haste." She heard of her kinswoman's pregnancy in her advanced years and Mary left to assist her. Dante in his *The Purgatorio* uses this biblical quotation as the cure for Sloth, or spiritual lukewarmness. St. Thomas Aquinas calls sloth, "the sin against the Sabbath." At its root sloth is the sin of avoiding joy. It is the preference for drudgery over celebration. It is the desire for distraction rather than recreation and rest. It is the preference for something to do rather than someone to be. It is the not so gradual slide of becoming cogs in the machine, rather than active sons and daughters of the Most High God.

And the solution is our traveling in haste. Our moving outside of ourselves to accompany another. To walk with in their time of great joy, as they prepare for the birth of a child. To stand by the side in times of great distress, as anxiety and anguish overwhelm. To support in times of great sorrow. The great cure for the spiritually lackadaisical, for those who embrace spiritual exhaustion is to be present to another. We run in haste to the side of another to share their life, and in doing so bear Christ to those we accompany.

~Blessings, Father Tony~



Mary's Day

Date: August 14, 2022

Mass 9:30 A.M. in Sanctuary

Food Served 11:00 - 1:30

Games 12:00 - 3:00

Peek at the week

Monday, August 15

OFFICE CLOSED FOR

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

8:00 am: Garden Ministry—Garden beds

6:00 pm: Life Teen Mentors—St. Joseph Room

Tuesday, August 16

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm: 1st Year Confirmation Parent Meeting—Gym

6:30 pm: 2nd Year Confirmation Parent Meeting—Gym

7:00 pm: EDGE Parent Meeting—Gym

7:00 pm: Knights of Columbus Social Meeting—KC Room

7:30 pm: Life Teen Parent Meeting—Gym

Wednesday, August 17

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

9:30 am: St. Anne's Sewing Circle—KC Room

5:30 pm: Confessions—Chapel

6:00 pm: EDGE Mentors—Gym

Thursday, August 18

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm: Divine Mercy—St. Joseph Room

6:30 pm: Safe Environment Training—Reception Room

Friday, August 19

8:15 am : School Mass—Church (Parishioners are welcome)

12:00 pm: Seven Sorrows Rosary—Chapel

Saturday, August 20

8:30 am: Abide With Him Women's Group—
San Juan Padilla Room

3:00 pm Confessions—Church

5:30 pm: Mass —Church

Sunday, August 21

Mass Schedule: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm

5:00 pm: Holy Hour—Church



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, August 21st
after all Masses

\$3.00 Burritos



*The Cathedral office will
be closed on
Monday, August 15th
for the Feast of
the Assumption of
the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

Around our Parish/Diocese

Daily Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral is celebrated by our priests.

Please request Mass Intentions for loved ones, both living and deceased.

Monday, August 15

7:00 am — † Bobby Belcher by
George and Marge Kenney

Tuesday, August 16

5:30 pm — † Lupita Lopez by
Juanita Cruz

Wednesday, August 17

7:00 am — † Henry Hernandez by
Delores Hernandez

Thursday, August 18

5:30 pm — † Johnny Mullins by
Norman and Jeannie Friddell

Friday, August 19

8:15 am — † John Connelly, Sr. by
The Connelly Family

Saturday, August 20

5:30 pm — † Ernie Cervantes by
Lance and Oralia Garcia

Sunday, August 21

8:00 am — For the People (Parish Family)

9:30 am — Norman Friddell
The Friddell/Jones Family

12:00 pm — Dickey Schacher by
Don and Margaret Rettenmaier

Mass Stipends are \$5
Contact the Parish Office 806.376.7204

Do you enjoy being around people?
Need a little extra cash?

We are looking for an Event Staff person
To help out in the evenings and some weekends.

If interested, please send a resume to:
frneusch@stmarysamarillo.com

Training Day for Evangelizing for the Catholic Booth at the Tri-State Fair

This is an invitation to all who would like to participate in evangelizing outside the Church setting at the Catholic Booth during the Tri-State Fair.

When: Saturday, Aug. 20, 9:00am to 1:30pm

Where: Conference Center, Diocesan Pastoral Center, 4512 NE 24th Ave., Amarillo.

Lunch will be provided.

Beginning Experience is a weekend retreat for divorced, separated and widowed men and women. This weekend program transforms lives. It makes a real difference. The truth is no one has to suffer alone, and although life may never be the same, it can be good again....very good. The next **Beginning Experience** weekend is August 19-21 at the Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center.

For more information or to register,
contact Jim Brockman at 806-344-7490
or jkbrockman@gmail.com.

You may also visit our web page at <https://bdrc.org>

**Please take advantage of this life changing program....
you won't regret it.**



Sycamore Registration Now Open

Sycamore is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. It gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter.

Sycamore will be offered at St. Mary's on Tuesday evenings beginning September 13 from 6 to 8 pm. A simple meal will be served. We will do nine sessions this fall, and eleven sessions in the spring.

This is an opportunity for parishioners to grow in our faith together. It is also an opportunity to invite others who may not belong to a church family. Please prayerfully consider any friends or family members who could most benefit from this program. There will be information in the gathering area that you can give them when you extend the invitation, and someone who can answer any questions you may have.

To register for Sycamore please call the church office at (806) 376-7204 or email your contact information to sycamore@stmarysamarillo.com.

For more information visit sycamore.fm

Catholic Schools



Welcome back Mustangs!!

Holy Cross Catholic Academy
welcomes back students to class

on 08/15/22. We are looking forward to a great year
with our families and want to remind you that it is
NEVER too late to invest in Catholic education.

Holy Cross, where faith and knowledge meet!

Welcome!

Makayla Smith, 4/5 Math and Science

Kevin Metzler, 4/5 Reading and Social Studies

Angela Gladman, Grade 1

Ashley Leake, Montessori Lead

Jordan Carrasco, Specials

Deanna Fedkowskyj, PE

Landree Steadman, Music

Tifanie Rathbun, Dyslexia Specialist

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL SCHOOL



The Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center is now accepting applications for an Executive Chef. It is a full-time position, with benefits. Responsible for managing kitchen operations including but not limited to ensuring compliance with health regulations, developing menus, procuring and preparing food, hiring staff and maintaining dining room. Mostly weekend work, with flexible weekday schedule. Plan and execute up to three meals a day for groups of 10 - 100, and special events of up to 200. Must pass background check and have current food manager certification.

For more information call
Sister Stella Maris 806-383-1811.

Faith Formation/Youth

Fall Faith Formation Information:

First Holy Communion First and Second Year

All incoming 1st grade, 2nd grade or any child needing
First Holy Communion

Thursday, September 1st 6:30-7:30

G.I.F.T. Growing In Faith Together Family Based Faith Formation

Pre-K- 5th grade

Parent must attend **ONE** of the following meetings

G.I.F.T. a requirement for First Holy Communion preparation

Saturday, August 27th 10:00-11:00

Sunday, August 28th 10:50-11:50

Wednesday, August 31st 6:30-7:30

CONFIRMATION

Parents must attend **One** of the following meetings

Incoming 7th graders First year

Tuesday, August 16th 6:00pm

Saturday, August 27th 10:30am

Second Year Confirmation 8th graders

Tuesday, August 16th 6:30pm

Saturday, August 27th 11:00am

**Please call Yvonne Vasquez with any questions.
806.350.24**

Youth



Edge and Life Teen registration is now open online.

Parents Orientations will be taking place in the next few weeks. Please plan to attend one of the following meeting times in the Reception Room or Gym.

Edge:

August 13th at 11:00 pm

August 16th at 7:00 pm

Life Teen:

August 13th at 11:30 pm

August 16th at 7:30 pm

CONTRIBUTIONS — GENERAL 8.07.2022		7.01.2022—8.07.2022
Total Annual Goal for 2021/2022	\$ 1,481,162.00	
Weekly Collection/Building	\$ 28,170.97	\$ 132,599.63
Other	\$ 3,626.62	\$ 5,244.07
Weekly Total	\$ 31,797.59	\$ 137,843.70
Weekly Goal	\$ 28,482.88	\$ 170,903.31
Weekly Over/Under	\$ 3,313.71	\$ (33,059.61)
Attendance: 882		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP
The **easiest and most efficient** way to support
St. Mary's Cathedral Church is to go to Online Giving at:
www.stmarysamarillo.com
Your generosity helps with the Cathedral's everyday bills.



Stephen Ministry serves to bring Christ's healing love to those who are hurting. Jesus instructed his disciples to "love one another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). Stephen Ministry, as a caregiving ministry, equips people to offer that love through their caring presence, listening, encouraging, and praying with their care receivers.

In this way, Stephen Ministry falls under one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy: Comforting the sorrowful. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops describes this work of mercy as "listening and comforting those who are dealing with grief" and lending "a listening ear to those going through a tough time." That description perfectly matches what Stephen Ministers do in their one-hour, weekly meetings with their care receivers.

If you or someone you know is going through a tough time, let a Stephen Minister walk with you. Fill out a request card and drop it in the prayer box in the Chapel or call 806-359-2930. Someone will contact you with more information.