



# St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral & School



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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](http://www.stmarysamarillo.org)**  
**[www.facebook.com/StMarysCathedralSchool](https://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, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 7:00 am  
Tuesday and Thursday: 5:30 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  
Father Tony Neusch 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.

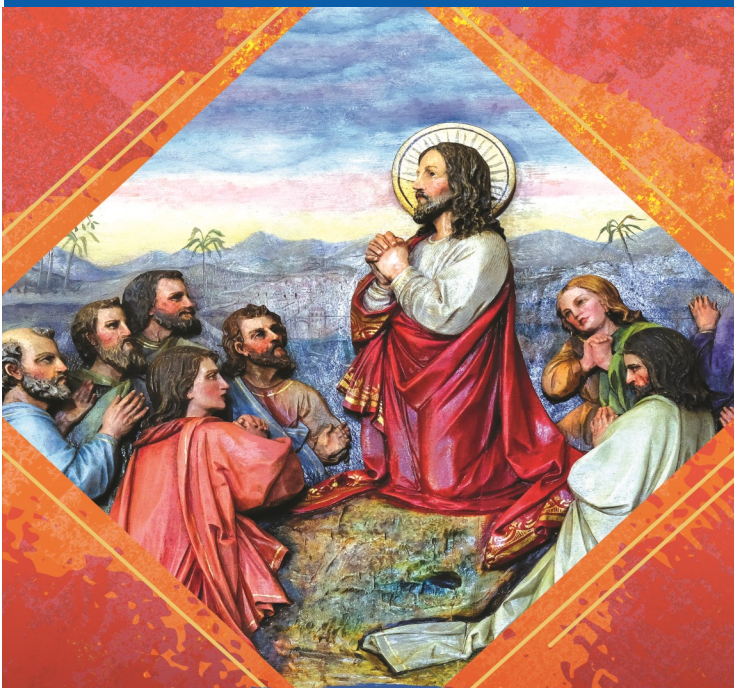
## **Vocation Crucifix**



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.

**July 9, 2023**



**14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28-30**

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## ***Our Mission Statement***

***St. Mary's Cathedral Parish and School***  
***...forming families for eternity***

# WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

## Pastoral Staff

### Rector

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### St. Mary's Cathedral School

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### Parish Program Staff

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### Parish Service Staff

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Maintenance/Buildings & Grounds— Jose Gonzalez

Ext. 3012/gonzalez@stmarysamarillo.com

## **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 Chapel.

### **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/@StMarysCathedralAmarillo](https://youtube.com/@StMarysCathedralAmarillo)

For Smart Devices and Computers

[venue.streamspot.com/e...](https://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**  
**herr@stmarysamarillo.com**



**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)*

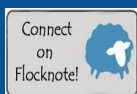
**Contact the church office for more information.  
806-376-7204**

### **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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[www.stmarysamarillo.com](http://www.stmarysamarillo.com)**



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# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of July 9, 2023

### Sunday:

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14  
(see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

### Monday:

Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

### Tuesday:

Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/  
Mt 9:32-38

### Wednesday:

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3,  
10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

### Thursday:

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17,  
18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15

### Friday:

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,  
39-40/Mt 10:16-23

### Saturday:

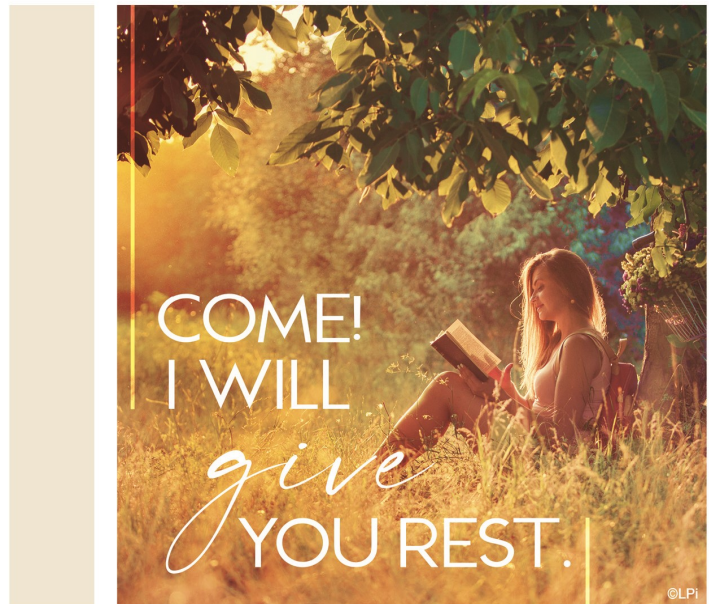
Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4,  
6-7/Mt 10:24-33

### Next Sunday:

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/  
Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing — sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus' words are such stunningly good news: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is "meek and humble of heart." We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is "yoked" to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly "yoked" to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don't have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, "Come! I will give you rest." We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There he will give us rest.

— *Father John Muir*

## Our Rector's Ramblings

Only for today, I will seek to live the lifelong day positively without wishing to solve the problems of my life all at once.

Only for today, I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behavior; I will not criticize anyone; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.

Only for today, I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy, not only in the other world but also in this one.

Only for today, I will adapt to circumstances, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.

Only for today, I will devote 10 minutes of my time to some good reading, remembering that just as food is necessary to the life of the body, so good reading is necessary to the life of the soul.

Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it.

Only for today, I will do at least one thing I do not like doing; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.

Only for today, I will make a plan for myself: I may not follow it to the letter, but I will make it. And I will be on guard against two evils: hastiness and indecision.

Only for today, I will firmly believe, despite appearances, that the good Providence of God cares for me as no one else who exists in this world.

Only for today, I will have no fears. In particular, I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful and to believe in goodness. Indeed, for 12 hours I can certainly do what might cause me consternation were I to believe I had to do it all my life.

~Blessings, Father Tony~

## Peek at the week

### Monday, July 10

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

6:30 pm: Faith and Action—St. Joseph Room

### Tuesday, July 11

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

8:00 am: Garden Ministry—Garden Beds

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm Sycamore Intercessory Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm: Stephen Ministry—Reception Room

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

### Wednesday, July 12

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

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

5:30 pm: Confession—Chapel

### Thursday, July 13

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

### Friday, July 14

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

12:00 pm: Seven Sorrows Rosary—Chapel

6:00 pm: SMCCW—Mexican Pile-On Teresa & Mike's Home

### Saturday, July 15

3:00 pm: Confessions—Chapel

5:30 pm: Mass—Church

### Sunday, July 16

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

7:00 pm: Life Teen Summer Nights—Reception Room

*Father Avitus 23rd Anniversary*

**POTLUCK BBQ**



COME CELEBRATE FATHER AVITUS'S 23RD ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD MONDAY, JULY 17TH. YOU ARE INVITED TO MASS AT 5:30 PM IN THE CHURCH WITH A POTLUCK TO FOLLOW. MAIN COURSE WILL BE PROVIDED. HOPE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY CAN ATTEND.

**MARY'S DAY**  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023**

FAITH, FAMILY, FOOD, FUN  
HOT DOGS AND HAMBURGERS  
(KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS)  
POT LUCK SIDES AND DESSERTS (PARISHIONERS)

PARISH LIFE MOVIE

GAMES AND ACTIVITIES  
BOUNCING FUN

WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO FOR YOUNG AT HEART  
FACE PAINTING AND TATOOS  
CONTESTS  
WATER FUN

SNOW CONES AND COTTON CANDY

MASSSES @ 5:30 SAT., 8:00 AM 10:00 AM SUN.  
FOOD SERVE 11:00-12:30  
ACTIVITIES, GAMES AND CONTESTS 12:00—3:00



## 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, July 10

7:00 am — +Mary Joanne Rocca by  
Barbara Gray

### Tuesday, July 11

7:00 am — +Tim Dudley by  
Will & Deloris Jones  
5:30 pm — +Dominga Aguirre by  
The Aguirre Family

### Wednesday, July 12

7:00 am — +Mike Cruz by  
George & Marge Kenney

### Thursday, July 13

5:30 pm — +Mary Joanne Rocca by  
Barbara Gray

### Friday, July 14

7:00 am — +Elisie Gillespie by  
George and Marge Kenney

### Saturday, July 15

5:30 pm — +Kathy Rogers by  
John & Phyllis Doucette

### Sunday, July 16

8:00 am — +Lea Reynolds by  
Deacon Robert Smith  
9:30 am — +Lea Reynolds by  
Deacon Robert Smith  
12:00 pm - For the People (Parish Family)

**Mass Stipends are \$5**  
**Contact the Parish Office 806.376.7204**

## HELP WANTED

The Diocese of Amarillo needs to fill a **secretarial/executive assistant** position. Qualified candidates should have proficiency in English, with proficiency in Spanish, a plus. This is a fulltime position, which includes all benefits. Work involves ministry/public relations. Applicants must be trustworthy to keep all matters related to the task in the highest of confidentiality. The ideal candidate must be able to read a moderate to high amount of documents, be highly organized and must be proficient in Microsoft Word and the Windows operating system. Candidates must be customer friendly on the telephone and able to work in a team-oriented atmosphere.

Deadline for applications is Friday, Aug. 4.  
Please, no phone calls.  
Please send resumes to:  
**Diocese of Amarillo**  
Attn: Jim Mitchell  
P.O. Box 5644  
Amarillo, TX 79117-5644



### St. Mary's Cathedral Council of Catholic Women

**What:** Mexican pile-on  
summer bash

**Who:** All members and spouses/  
guests of SMCCCW

**When:** July 14<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm

**Where:** Teresa and Mike's  
3508 Carlton Dr.

**RSVP:** Teresa (806)236-9776  
Cherry (806)236-3432

*Please check email for list of items  
needed for meal and RSVP with  
item you want to bring and  
number of attendees.*



### Knights of Columbus Breakfast

**Sunday, July 16th**  
**after all Masses**  
**\$3.00 Burritos**

**YAH (Young At Heart)** is in charge of White Elephant Bingo for the Mary's Day Celebration! We are asking all members of the Parish to bring your "White Elephants" to church after Mass and leave them....wrapped or unwrapped....on the table in the Narthex.

You know what they say....  
someone's trash is someone else's treasure!

### SIXTH ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE For the Downtown Women's Center

**Needed especially this year are backpacks, composition books, 3-ring binders, spiral notebooks, 3-prong folders with pockets and Zip Lock bags.**  
**All school supplies welcomed.**

**Collection table will be set up the last 3 week-ends of July and the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of August.**



*Let us not grow tired of doing good...  
let us do good to all." Galatians 6:9,10*

## Holy Cross



### Did you know...

The 2023 senior gift to **Holy Cross Catholic Academy** is a beautiful statue of St. Michael the Archangel. The statue is displayed in the front foyer of the school for everyone to see as they enter the building. The students, faculty and staff pray to St. Michael after every school Mass. **Thanks to the 2023 seniors!**

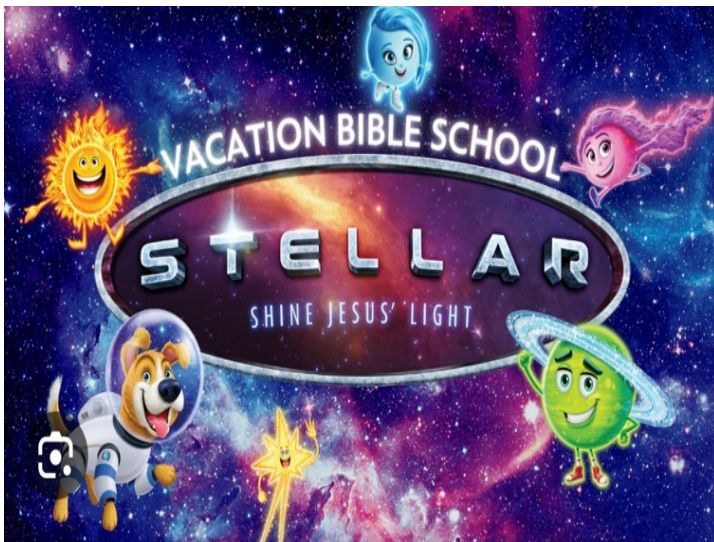
### Summer Hours

Tuesday – Thursday from 10am-2pm

The office will be closed the first week in July.  
School begins August 10<sup>th</sup>.  
Please contact us for questions.

**Holy Cross Catholic Academy**  
4110 S. Bonham St.  
Amarillo, TX 79110  
(806) 355-9637

## VBS



**July 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am-Noon**

Cost \$35.00 per child 2- \$50.00 3 or more \$60.00  
(includes shirt)

Children must be 5 years of age by  
January 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 to attend .

Register at:

<https://amarillo.regfox.com/stellar-st-marys-vbs-2023>

Volunteer at:

<https://Amarillo.regfox.com/2023-st-marys-vbs-volunteer-form>

## Youth



Edge summer nights: July 19<sup>th</sup>

Life teen: July 16<sup>th</sup>

## Faith Formation

TIME TO REGISTER FOR  
YOUTH FAITH FORMATION  
[WWW.STMARYSAMARILLO.COM](http://WWW.STMARYSAMARILLO.COM)

G.I.F.T.  
PreK-5th



**First Holy  
Communion**

**Confirmation**

**Edge  
6th-8th**

**Life Teen  
9th-12th**

Please feel free to call  
Yvonne Vasquez at 350-2924  
with G.I.F.T. or Sacramental questions  
or  
Andrea Lopez at 350-2926  
with Life Teen or Edge questions



## Bulletin Reminder

**Submissions Due NO LATER than Friday at Noon,  
(9) nine days prior to the Sunday you wish to have  
your announcement included.**

Bulletin editor reserves the right to adjust all submissions  
due to print space available. Email requests to:

**[sjones@stmarysamarillo.com](mailto:sjones@stmarysamarillo.com)**

CONTRIBUTIONS — GENERAL 6.25.2023		7.01.2022—6.25.2023	<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP</b>  <b>The <span style="color: red;">easiest and most efficient</span> way to support St. Mary's Cathedral Church is to go to Online Giving at: <a href="http://www.stmarysamarillo.com">www.stmarysamarillo.com</a></b>  <b>Your generosity helps with the Cathedral's everyday bills.</b>
Weekly Collection (Including holy days/ building)	\$ 24,002.15	\$ 1,305,011.27	
Other Receipts	\$ 845.52	\$ 78,290.10	
Weekly Total	\$ 24,847.67	\$ 1,383,301.37	
Weekly Goal	\$ 28,483.88	\$ 1,481,162.00	
Over/Under (Not including special collections)	\$ <span style="color: red;">(3,636.21)</span>	\$ <span style="color: red;">(97,860.03)</span>	
Annual Expense Budget	\$ 1,481,162.00		

<b>Attendance: 1.029</b>	<b>Black Bag Collection: \$3,251.36</b>
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### **Stephen Ministry at St. Mary's Cathedral**

The name *Stephen* comes from St. Stephen, who was the first layperson commissioned by the Apostles to provide caring ministry to those in need (Acts 6). Stephen Ministers are not counselors. They are trained Christian caregivers. Their role is to listen and care—not counsel or advise. Stephen Ministry is a supervised ministry. Stephen Ministers engage in twice-monthly supervision to ensure that they are providing the best-quality Christian care. Stephen Ministry is a confidential ministry. What a care receiver tells a Stephen Minister remains confidential. Even in supervision, the names of care receivers and specific details are never discussed. Stephen Ministers do not make cold calls. They are assigned only to people who agree to receive the care of a Stephen Minister – men with men and women with women.

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) 350-2930 and leave a message. Someone will get back to you.