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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 30, 2023



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out
and separate the wicked from the righteous." - Mt 13:49-51**

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Mission Statement

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

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

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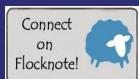
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Sign up for Flocknote at:
www.stmarysamarillo.com



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

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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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of July 30, 2023

Sunday:

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday:

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday:

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday:

Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday:

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

Friday:

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday:

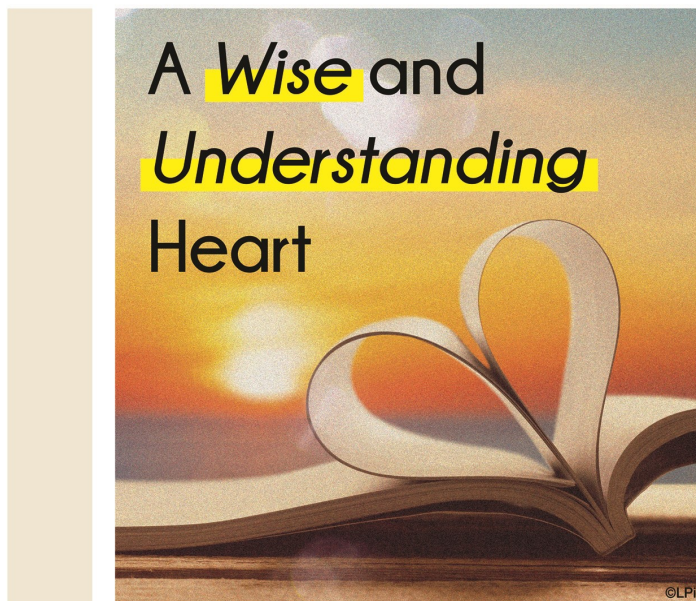
Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Our culture seems more polarized and divided than ever. Into this wounded situation, our Catholic faith has a healing remedy to offer: the gift of wisdom. When the Lord offers to give King Solomon anything the monarch desires, he requests “an understanding heart” (1 Kings 3:9). In his polarized situation, the King doesn’t ask for power to defeat his enemies. He asks for a wise and understanding heart to judge right from wrong. This wisdom is elevated and fulfilled in Jesus who teaches us to bring forth “both the new and the old” (Matthew 13:52).

In our fractured society, we Christians should stop pining for political power to crush our perceived enemies. That often just makes things worse. Rather, it’s much more useful to beg for the grace of true wisdom which transcends both sides of the aisle. This places us in a fresh position from which we can help our culture see what is true and good all across the ideological spectrum. Sometimes we’ll look like liberals (e.g., in our love for the poor and marginalized) and other times like conservatives (e.g., in our sexual ethics and views on religious freedom). Because this wisdom is free from ideological narrowness, it will help to heal these painful fractures. Lord Jesus, this week, pour into us your healing wisdom.

— Father John Muir

Our Rector's Ramblings

In Psalm 119 the longest in the Canon of Scripture, the Psalmist again and again writes about the Law of the Lord and the mouth of the follower. He asks for the truth to remain in his mouth. He compares the promise of the commands of God to honey. The psalmist compares the law that comes from the mouth of God as more than gold and silver.

There are words that just feel good to my mouth, I like to say, "myriad" and "photosynthesis" and "velvet." I don't have much use for them, but I like them. There are words I don't like to say, "chocolaty" and "interrogation." I don't oppose their meanings, they just feel funny in my mouth.

How does the Word of God feel in your mouth? The closer we are to Jesus the more like honey I suspect. The further from Him, the more like sand or sawdust. The deeper I fall in love with Jesus Christ, the easier to consume His words. The more we love Him, the sweeter his commands. His words of salvation will flow from our mouths like milk and honey, mercy and comfort for the entire world.

~Blessings, Father Tony~

The latest edition of The West Texas Catholic is now available online at westtexascatholic.org.



Mary's Day Volunteers

We are asking for volunteers, both men and women, to help set up games, etc. on Mary's Day, **August 13th, 2023!**

We will begin setting up at 9:00 am and clean-up will begin at 3:00 pm.

Thanks for your help making Mary's Day a fun day for everyone!

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Peek at the week

Monday, July 31

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

Tuesday, August 1

NO 7:00 am MASS

8:00 am: Garden Ministry—Garden Beds

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm: Pastoral Council—CR 2

6:00 pm Sycamore Intercessory Prayer—Chapel

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

Wednesday, August 2

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

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

NO CONFESSION

Thursday, August 3

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm: SMCCW—Reception Room

6:00 pm: Divine Mercy—St. Joseph Room

Friday, August 4

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

12:00 pm: Seven Sorrows Rosary—Chapel

6:00 pm: Watermelon Feed—Reception Room

Saturday, August 5

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

3:00 pm: Confessions—Chapel

5:30 pm: Mass—Church

Sunday, August 6

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



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 31

7:00 am — +Bob & Shirley Mager by
The Lee Family

Tuesday, August 1

5:30 pm — Colby McNeil by
Family of John Connelly, Jr.

Wednesday, August 2

7:00 am — No Mass

Thursday, August 3

5:30 pm — Celeste Connelly by
Family of John Connelly, Jr.

Friday, August 4

7:00 am — Sheila Connelly by
Family of John Connelly, Jr.

Saturday, August 5

5:30 pm — +Cathy Zable by
Iris Upchurch

Sunday, August 6

8:00 am — +Bob Ellis by
Tom & Angela Ellis

9:30 am — Nieves Ornelas by
Cardona & Ornelas Family

12:00 pm - For the People (Parish Family)

Mass Stipends are \$5
Contact the Parish Office 806.376.7204

Part-Time Custodial Position Available

At St. Mary's Cathedral

Flexible Hours

**If interested please send your resume to
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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 weeks of July and the 1st weekend of August.



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



Event Staff Monitor Position Available

At St. Mary's Cathedral

Hours will vary during the week

**If interested, please send your resume to
Fr. Tony Neusch at frneusch@gmail.com**

Holy Cross



Holy Cross Catholic Academy Back to School! Thursday, August 3rd

3:00 pm 6th Grade/New Student Orientation
5:00 pm Back to School Night
5:15 pm New Student Orientation Parent Meeting

First day of school - August 10

Check the school website for school supply lists and additional information.

Welcome back Mustangs!

Misc.

St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women
is asking for volunteers, both men and women, to help
with funeral dinners. If you would like to help with
this please call
Cherry Sanchez, 806 - 236-3432
for more information.

ITALY & AMALFI PILGRIMAGE

12 DAYS: NOVEMBER 6 - 17, 2023

VISITING: FLORENCE * ASSISI * SORRENTO * AMALFI COASTLINE
POMPEII * MONTE CASSINO * ROME * PAPAL AUDIENCE



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For More Information, Please Contact

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DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!



Youth



Edge summer nights: August 2nd

Life teen: August 6th

Youth Formation Orientations. A parent must attend one of the following orientations. All orientations will take place in the gym.

Saturday August 5th:

10:30 am- Pre-Con (1st yr prep)
11:00 am- Edge
11:30 am- Con (2nd yr)
12:00 pm- Life Teen

Tuesday August 9th:

6:00 pm- Pre-Con (1st yr prep)
6:30 pm- Edge
7:00 pm- Con (2nd yr)
7:30 pm- Life Teen

Tuesday August 29th:

6:00 pm- Pre-Con (1st yr prep)
6:30 pm- Edge
7:00 pm- Con (2nd yr)
7:30 pm- Life Teen

Faith Formation

TIME TO REGISTER FOR
YOUTH FAITH FORMATION
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



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Weekly Collection (Including holy days/ building)	\$ 21,140.14	\$ 60,950.01		
Other Receipts	\$ 300.00	\$ 5,476.71		
Weekly Total	\$ 21,220.14	\$ 66,426.72		
Weekly Goal	\$ 30,373.69	\$ 91,121.08		
Over/Under (Not including special collections)	\$ (8,933.55)	\$ (24,694.36)		
Annual Expense Budget	\$ 1,579,432.00			
Church in Africa: 1,882.12				



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.