

Parish and School ... forming families for eternity

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Roman Catholic Diocese of Amarillo

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

Principal: Kim Lackey Office: 806.376.9112

School website: <u>www.stmarysamarillo.org</u> 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.

Mission Statement

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WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

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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 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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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of **January 14, 2024**

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

Monday:

1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday:

1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/ Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday:

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday:

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday:

1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/ Mk 3:13-19

Saturday:

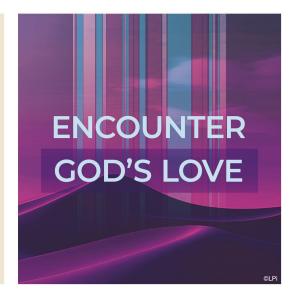
2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/ Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday:

Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/ 1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

As a priest, I'm amazed how happily married couples remember the tiniest details of their earliest encounters. They effortlessly report things like: "he wore a blue shirt," "we ordered brussels sprouts," "her hair was up in a bun," and "he spilled shrimp cocktail sauce at my family's open front door when it was ten degrees below zero," (that one's courtesy of my mom). We delight in remembering and speaking of when our new life of love began. The little details are glorious reminders that it's all real.

It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, "...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon." Why does that tiny detail matter? Because that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives. Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about God, no matter how true or sublime. It is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a human relationship.

What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there? What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail. For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9 p.m. on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad, and Laura. We were praying, singing, and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's love for us in our humanity is real.

- Father John Muir

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024 | 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Mary's Cathedral School News

Please join us in welcoming Mrs. Kim Lackey as the interim principal for the remainder of the 23-24 School Year. Mrs. Lackey comes to us with 33 years in education teaching and coaching, and 25 years as a school principal, most recently at Pinnacle Intermediate School. She has been our Physical Education Teacher this year.

Our fifth graders will participate in a shadow day at Holy Cross Catholic Academy on January 17.

Catholic School's Week begins January 28. The theme is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community." This year we celebrate 110 years of providing Catholic Education to the families in the Diocese of Amarillo. We would like to extend a special invitation to alumni and friends of our School to our School Mass February 2 at 8:15am, with Bishop Zurek as celebrant.

Holy Cross



THE HOLY CROSS CORNER

BELIEVE, DESIRE, DO.

Coffee Memorial Blood Van will be at Holy Cross Catholic Academy Wednesday, Janaury 24th at 2:30pm. Walk ins are welcome or you can visit:

https://www.yourbloodinstitute.org/donor/schedules/zip and search HCCA.

Thank you for donating.

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

Peek at the week

Monday, January 15 7:00 am: Mass—Chapel Tuesday, January 16

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

8:00 am: Garden Ministry—Garden Beds

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

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

Wednesday, January 17 7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

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

5:30 pm: Confession—Chapel

6:30 pm: EDGE—Gym
Thursday, January 18

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:00 pm: Divine Mercy Cenacle—St. Joseph Room

Friday, January 19 7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

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

12:00 pm: Seven Sorrows Rosary—Chapel

Saturday, January 20

10:00 am: Walk for Life (See below) 3:00 pm: Confessions—Chapel 5:30 pm: Mass—Church

Sunday, January 21

Mass times are 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm 10:45 am: Adult Faith Formation—CR 6 and 7

10:45 am: RCIA—CR 3 and 5 5:30 pm: Life Teen—Gym



Knights of Columbus Burritos \$3.00

Sunday, January 21st after all Masses

Walk For Life

radical solidarity

to be courageously pro-woman, promoting a choice that truly protects, accompanies, and supports women and their children

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Please bring baby items for Catholic Charities-Joseph's Project



10:00AM Mass and Prayer at St. Mary's Cathedral

11:30AM Penitential Prayer and Walk

from St. Mary's to Sanborn Park at 15th and Taylor. On-site prayer led by area priests. Knights of Columbus Counci

For more information please call: 806.414.1059

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, January 15

7:00 am: +Misty Dawn Sandoval by

Christena, Terri & Virginia Mendoza

+Norma Salazar by Her Family

Tuesday, January 16

7:00 am: Deacon Lewis Artho by

William & Deloris Jones

5:30 pm: Don & Margaret Rettenmaier by

Ioan Gulde

Wednesday, January 17

7:00 am: +Bob & Shirley Mager by

The Lee Family

Thursday, January 18

5:30 pm: Cliff Lawson by

William & Deloris Jones

Friday, January 19

7:00 am: Fr. Tony Neusch by

Young at Heart

8:15 am: Deacon Robert Smith by

Young at Heart

Saturday, January 20

5:30 pm: +Wes Davis by

His Loving Daughters

Sunday, January 21

8:00 am: Dennis McCanna by

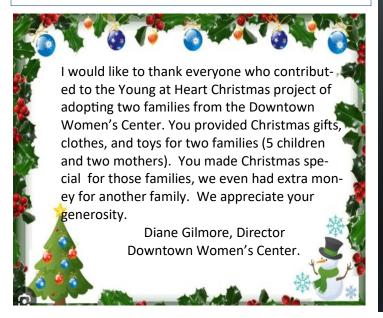
Terry McCanna

9:30 am: +Joe Bush by

Monica Williams

12:00 pm: For the Parish Family

Mass Stipends are \$5 Contact the Parish Office 806.376.7204





Faith and Action Apostolate Project

Help the Homeless Community served by the Guyon Saunders Resource Center by donating any of the following items. The items be collected at all the Masses January 6 through January 21:

- Adult warm coats, scarves, gloves, hand warmers and hats
- Coffee, jars of creamer, bulk sugar
- Instant oatmeal packets (brown sugar maple is desired)
- Top Cup Ramen noodles (must have cup)
- Antibiotic ointments, cough drops, band aids, extra strength acetaminophen
- ♦ GSRC has an Amazon page that includes these items as well as others that can be shipped directly to their location at 200 S. Tyler, 79101



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

Parent Meeting/Confirmation



Adult Faith Education Opportunities

Adult Faith Formation Spring 2024

We have availability for new participants in our Thursday evening classes. We begin with a meal at 6 and classes conclude by 8pm. Registration will be after all Masses the weekend of January 7th, or you can call Cindy Cox at 806-672-3105 to sign up.

Praying with the Gospel of Mark Thursday Evenings 6-8pm

This fall and spring we will be offering an opportunity to pray with the Gospel of Mark. The shortest of the four Gospels, we will read and pray with a chapter of Mark's Gospel each Thursday evening. This is a moment to immerse ourselves and savor the words of this coming Year's Gospel, by practicing Lectio Divina as a small faith community. We will meet for eight weeks this fall and eight weeks in the spring. Each Thursday we will meet for a simple meal read a Chapter of the Gospel, and pray together. This is not a class, but a time of communal Gospel prayer. Those participating will pay a fee of \$30 to help cover the cost of the meal. The different members of the Parish Clergy will be leading this time of prayer.

Sycamore Thursday Evenings 6-8pm

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. 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.

A simple meal will be offered free of charge. There will be 11 sessions this spring.

Sign up for Sycamore after Mass, call the church office at (806) 376-7204 or email your contact information to sycamore@stmarysamarillo.com.

For more information visit sycamore.fm

What We Believe **Sunday Morning at 10:45**

John and Phyllis Doucette will be presenting "What We Believe: The Beauty of the Catholic Faith" by Marcellino D'Ambrosio (Dr. Italy) and Andrew and Sarah Swafford. Maybe you've been Catholic your entire life. Maybe you're just beginning to explore the Catholic Faith. Wherever you may be in your journey, you will be profoundly moved by the beauty and the riches of the Catholic Church. The classes will begin Sunday, January 21st in classroom number 6 at 10:45. Class size will be limited. Contact Cindy Cox at 806-672-3105 if you would like to join us.

Youth





Life Teen: January 14th 25:30 pm Edge: January 17th 26:30 pm Meet in the Gym.....

BPVIGE



The Faith in Action Program at St. Mary's Gathedral is contributing to the Guyon Saunders Resource Genter during the month of January. As a service project for &dge & Life Teen, we would like to invite the kids and families to participate in this program. We will be accepting the following donations from now until January 17th. The last day to turn these items in at the church is January 21st. For 4 items that are donated by each teen/family, that teen can earn I service hour. Please feel free to send these items with your child to &dge up until January 17th. After that, they will have to be turned in at Ghurch in the Narthex by January 21st. If you have questions, you can reply to the flocknote or call Amy at 806-350-2026.

Items: Gloves Mand Warmers (packs of a Goffee Sugar Instant oatmeal packets (in unopened boxes) Top Gup Ramen Noodles, packs of 6 (MUST have a GUP) Triple Antibiotic ointment

> Gough Drops (in unopened packages) Thank you for your support!!

Youth Faith Formation





Lesson B

January 21 or 28

Lesson A

February 4 or 11

Lesson B

February 18 or 25



Stephen Ministry



Like the weather in the Texas Panhandle, our lives are unpredictable. A recent loss through death, divorce, or relocation may leave us feeling lonely. A hospitalization, a cancer diagnosis, or

ongoing medical problems may leave us feeling isolated. The loss of a job, the fear of layoffs, or a financial setback can devastate one's self-esteem. Family and personal struggles may leave us with nowhere to turn for support. If you are going through a difficult time, our Stephen Ministers can bring God's warm love back into your life. They provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care. They will meet with you privately on a weekly basis to listen, to support and encourage you, to pray with and for you, and to walk with you for the duration of your crisis.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, call 806-350-2930 and leave a message. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!



Eucharistic Adoration

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Come, let ME love you."

- Adoration resumes on the Tuesdays, Wednesday, and Thursdays in January, 2024 and going forward
- If there is to be no Adoration, it is indicated where one checks in each time
- ♦ Suggestions for Adoration in the binder
- ♦ All are welcomed whether on the list or not
- ♦ Hours of Adoration are 7:00 AM through 9:00 PM
- Drop-ins are welcome
- ♦ 7:00 am 9:00 am Enter through Chapel door
- ♦ 9:00 am 5:00 pm Enter through Parish Office
- ♦ 5:00 pm 9:00 pm Enter through Chapel door

*Confidentiality form must be signed before receiving the code to the chapel door. Please do not share code with anyone!

Binder is available in the chapel to check being present Subs - please check in with your name or as a Substitute

Suggestions for Adoration in the binder

If no one comes for the next hour please contact Fr. Tony at 806 570-5706. The Blessed Sacrament is not to be left unattended or put elsewhere. Thank You.