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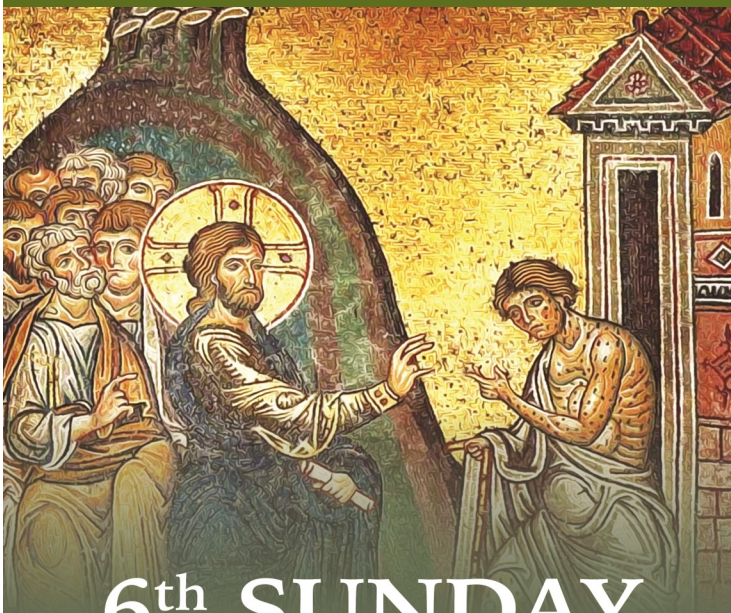
St. Mary's Cathedral School
Montessori Preschool through 5th Grade

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February 11, 2024



6th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said,
"If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he
stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him,
"I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41

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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.

Mission Statement

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

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

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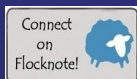
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Sign up for Flocknote at:
www.stmarysamarillo.com



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.

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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 February 11, 2024

Sunday:

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/
1 Cor 10:31–11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Monday:

Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday:

Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday:

Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20–6:2/Ps 51:3-4,
5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday:

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 9:22-25

Friday:

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday:

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday:

Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/
1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recently I had a skin rash, and it was awful. (Please don't tell anyone.) I am embarrassed to admit that I didn't handle it well. Complaining, whining, begging for sympathy, and crying were my responses to the merciless itching and burning. In the aftermath, a silver lining emerged. I feel a new heartfelt sympathy for all those vexed with chronic skin problems. If you've ever had a seemingly unending skin problem, you know how that sympathy flows up from deep inside.

This gut-level compassion is something like what the Gospel describes in Jesus when the sore-covered leper says, **"If you will it, you can make me clean."** At this, just before the healing, Jesus was **"moved with compassion."** The Greek word used here is strong and earthy, closer to "his bowels and guts trembled with the deepest emotions of sadness, pity, and love." In Jesus, God heals our infirmities not from a divine distance but by learning what it *feels like* to be us. He acquires first-hand experience of what it costs us to be afflicted and still be faithful to God. He sympathizes with the burning, itching, and blistering of human existence in the deepest, first-hand way. To discover that is to touch Jesus' heart.

What in your life, right now, is breaking out like diseased skin? What is getting worse the more you try to soothe it? Perhaps only you feel it. Or maybe it's exposed to all. A bad habit, broken relationship, loneliness, fear of failure, self-hatred? Name it, and then find a way to bring it confidently to Jesus who will *feel what we are feeling*, and thereby heal us.

— Father John Muir

Our Rector's Ramblings

Lent is again upon us. This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. It begins our 40 day pilgrimage to the cross. We are adding a couple of Lenten activities that may fit into your schedule and we hope will bring you closer to Jesus Christ this season of prayer.

- During Lent, you are invited to spend an hour with Jesus in our Adoration Chapel. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 7:30 am to 9:00pm. During office hours, you may enter through the main office doors. If the evenings are a better time for your life of prayer, please stop in to receive the ode for the Doors.
- Have you ever wanted to tell the priest how to put together his homily? Several years ago Fr. Jim Schmitmeyer started a homily advisory group for Lent and Advent. He mentioned how enriching and helpful it was to put his homily together. I have added this as well. It will include a period of *Lectio Divina* or Holy Reading and discussion. If you would like to join in prayer and help form the Homily for Palm Sunday you are invited for a simple meal, prayer, and discussion on March 18, 6-8pm. Please call the church office to register so there is enough food.
- At each of the exits this weekend there are Lenten reflection books and Rice Bowls to support Catholic Relief Services. Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at 6:00pm in the Church.

May this Lent help us empty our lives of our sin and fill up our souls with Christ. ~Blessings, Fr. Tony~



FAT TUESDAY Pancake Dinner



Cost:

By Donation

February 13th | 5:30- 7:00

**St. Mary's Cathedral
Gym**



All funds collected to benefit Youth Mentor Training

Peek at the week

Monday, February 12

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

6:30 pm: Pastoral Council—CR2

6:30 pm: SMCCW —History of Lent—Reception room

Tuesday, February 13

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

8:00 am: Garden Ministry—Garden Beds

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

6:30 pm: Pastoral Council—Reception Room

Wednesday, February 14 (ASH WEDNESDAY)

7:00 am: Mass—Church

8:15 am: Mass—Church

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

12:15 pm: Mass—Church

5:30 pm: Confession—Chapel

NO EDGE

7:00 pm: Mass—Church

Thursday, February 15

5:30 pm: Mass—Chapel

Friday, February 16

7:00 am: Mass—Chapel

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

12:00 pm: Seven Sorrows Rosary—Chapel

Saturday, February 17

3:00 pm: Confessions—Chapel

5:30 pm: Mass—Church

Sunday, February 18

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

NO LIFE TEEN

6:00 pm: Lenten Mission—Church



Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

**Sunday, February 18th
after 8:00 and 9:30 Masses**

St. Mary's Council of Catholic Women Meeting

We'd like to invite all women of the parish to join us on February 12th, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Msgr. Smyer Room for our monthly gathering. Our Speaker this month will be Deacon Robert Smith who will be sharing with us the **History of Lent**.

Call Jeannie in the office – 806 376-7204 if you have any questions.



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, February 12

7:00 am: +Patricia Paredes by
Rob & Tess Walters
+Doris Wollen Sarzynski
Mike & Teresa Sarzynski

Tuesday, February 13

7:00 am: +Don & +Margaret McMillin by
Iris Upchurch
5:30 pm: + Norma Davis by
Her Loving Daughters

Wednesday, February 14

7:00 am: Prisoners and Their Families by
Dieu Thi Hoang
8:15 am: Staff & Students of St. Mary's
12:15 pm: For the Parish Family
7:00 pm: +Norma Salazar by
Stephen Ministry

Thursday, February 15

5:30 pm : +Cathy Zable by
Iris Upchurch

Friday, February 16

7:00 am: +Wilma Temple by
St. Mary's Staff & Students
8:15 am: Barragan Family by
Dorali Calderon

Saturday, February 17

5:30 pm: +Jackie Gray by
Barbara Gray

Sunday, February 18

8:00 am: For the Parish Family
9:30 am: Greg Onofrio by
Young at Heart
12:00 pm: +Eva Parks & Ray Hurtado by
Mike Rivera & Andrea Rojas

Mass Stipends are \$5

Kids Can't Learn When They're Hungry...

Parish Lenten Outreach

Aquinas Project Needs Your Support To Provide Weekend Snack Paks for 30 Wolflin Elementary School students:

\$20.00 Feeds a Wolflin student for one month

\$240.00 Sponsors a student for a year

Envelopes available at the Faith and Action Apostolate table from Ash Wednesday through Holy Thursday. Donations go directly to Snack Pak 4 Kids for Wolflin Elementary. 100% of donations buys food.

Kids Can Change The World When They're Full



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

Aquinas Project is a Faith and Action Apostolate Ministry

United States Fasting and Abstinence Norms

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

More information can be found at USCCB.org search "Fast and Abstinence"

Bulletin Announcement for CY-2024 Rice Bowl Campaign

The "**CY-2024 Rice Bowl Campaign**" to help sisters and brothers around the world (*especially people experiencing poverty and hunger) has begun.

In response to our call for **Prayer, Fasting and Alms Giving**, the Rice Bowl Campaign provides us with the perfect opportunity to focus on these three callings.

Beginning on **Ash Wednesday, February 23rd**, you can pick up a Rice Bowl from the table located in the Narthex. Please return the filled Rice Bowl by **Good Friday, March 29th, 2024**.

Thank You for helping **Catholic Relief Services' (CRS)** in fulfilling their work around the world.



CALLING ALL MEN!!!

Would you like to grow closer to God as Lent draws near?

Prayerfully consider attending the Men's ACTS Retreat @ the Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center. It begins on Thursday evening, Feb. 22 and will conclude with Mass on Sunday, Feb. 25. Sign-up deadline is Wednesday, Feb. 16.

Please sign up at actsamarillo.org/retreat-registration

Holy Cross



THE HOLY CROSS CORNER

BELIEVE. DESIRE. DO.

PSIA

Private Schools Interscholastic Association

Good Luck to all our students participating in PSIA on Saturday, February 24th in Lubbock at Christ the King School. If a student places, he/she will advance to State Competition in Houston, Texas on April 27th.

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

Youth



NO LIFE TEEN ON February 11th

OR February 18th!!

NO EDGE on February 14th



Attention High School Teens: If you are a High School Senior, please email me at ythdir@stmarysamarillo.com with your name and high school (or if you are home-schooled, please indicate) by Feb 1st to be included in the West Texas Catholic Graduation edition. You do not have to attend Life Teen to be included-we want to recognize all High School Seniors for their achievement!

Youth Faith Formation

February
G.I.F.T

LESSON A

FEBRUARY 4 & 11

LESSON B

FEBRUARY 18 & 25



Youth Faith Formation

St. Francis Catholic Church
66th German Sausage Dinner

Country Store & Raffles

Sunday, March 3 2024

CC AND Debit accepted

11 am to 2 pm

Adults: \$14

Children: \$6 (7 -12)

Kids 6 & under eat free

Takeouts: \$14

Uncooked sausage
will be sold by the pound
during the dinner.
Contact Gerald Detten for
advance orders at 382-8813

St. Francis Parish Hall
5005 Klink Rd
Amarillo Tx
(10 miles east of Amarillo off Hwy. 60)
(1 mile east of Tyson)



St Monica's Little Saints

St. Monica's Little Saints playgroup meets weekly and is open to families with children of all ages! Please call or text **Sarah McWhorter** (806)677-8440 or **Jessica Robertson** (806)340-4045 for more information.

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

First Year Confirmation Retreat!!

Stephen Ministry



Sometimes Valentine's Day Isn't Happy.

For some people, Valentine's Day is a painful reminder of a broken relationship, the death of a loved one, a recent relocation, a chronic illness, or another life challenge. If you are going through a difficult time, our Stephen Ministers can bring Jesus' love (God's ultimate Valentine) back into your life. Stephen Ministers 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 struggle.

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. Someone will contact you within 24 hours. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!



Eucharistic Adoration

EUCCHARISTIC 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.