



The Catholic Church of ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

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Welcome to The Catholic Church of St. Mary the Virgin. We are a parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter authorized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012 for Anglicans seeking to become Catholic. Ordinariate parishes are fully Catholic, while retaining elements of their Anglican heritage and embracing the roots of the Catholic faith's rich tradition through reverent liturgy and historical music. All Catholics are invited to participate in our Divine Worship liturgy and receive communion by kneeling (if able) at the altar rail and receiving our Lord on the tongue.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish for details regarding the preparation program. Under Ordinariate policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

Liturgical Ministers

May 21, 2023

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| 8:00 am | Altar Server | Jon Carr |
| | Ushers | Brigitte Brignac/Kent Sawtelle |
| 10:30 am | Subdeacon | John Williams |
| | Master of Ceremonies | Brandon Gunnip |
| | Thurifer | Luke Garland |
| | Crucifer | Carlopaulo Granados |
| | Torchbearers | Jacob Garland/Matthew Garland |
| | Boat Boy | Rafael Gutierrez |
| | Ushers | Dave Kelly/Randy Irlbeck |
| 1:00 pm | Altar Server | Theo Irlbeck |
| | Ushers | Jeff Nelson/Ian Valois |

Divine Worship Order of Holy Mass

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2023

Music of the Mass

Mass Setting: Missa De Angelis

Vidi Aquam

Please see separate hymn sheet

Prelude

Entrance Hymn.....*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Offertory Hymn.....*When Christ was Lifted from the Earth*

Mystery of Faith.....*We Proclaim thy Death O Lord*

The Pater Noster

Communion Hymn.....*Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord*

Communion Hymn 2 (choir alone).....*The Head that was Once Crowned with Thorns*

Recessional Hymn.....*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Postlude

No choir rehearsals this week

Collect

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: we beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thy Holy Spirit to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen. ut end. Amen.

Scripture of the Mass

First Reading

Acts 1:12-34

After Jesus was taken up into heaven, the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away; and when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord devoted themselves to prayer; together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.

Alleluia

Alleluia . Alleluia

God reigneth over the nations:
God sitteth upon his holy seat. Alleluia

Second Reading

1 Peter 4:13-16

Beloved: Rejoice in so far as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are reproached for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer; or a thief, or a wrongdoer, or a mischief-maker; yet if one suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but under that name let him glorify God.

Alleluia

Alleluia. Alleluia.

I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world, and go to the Father.

Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

John 17:1-11a

At that time: Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work which you gave me to do; and now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory which I had with you before the world was made. "I have manifested your name to the men whom you gave me out of the world; yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you; for I have given them the words which you gave me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you did send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours; all mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you."



The Parish Offering

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| Weekly Offering Forecast..... | \$7,000.00 |
| Sunday Offertory..... | \$10,136.27 |
| Variance..... | \$3,136.27 |
| Attendance:..... | 495 |

Thank you for your generosity!

The Prayers of the People

For Those in Special Need

Fr. Stainbrook, our pastor; Fr Kennedy; Fr Allan; Linda; Mike; Kathy; Carol; Bob; Tom; Bill; Ronald; Marilyn; Christopher; Polly; Van; Erik; Tony; Ana; Charles; Ann; Sheila; Kathi; Rubye; Magdalena; Carol; Aisling; Echo; Cindy; James; Elva; Paul; Carolyn; Cyril; Joanne; Sandra; Mary; Munde; Dorothy; Bernard; Dale.

For Those Expecting Children

Kelly & Mike; Shannon & Brian; Katie & Zach; Shelby & Robert; Riana & Joe; Carmen & Gary; Julie & John; Hailey & Sam; Mercedes & Mathew.

For the Faithful Departed On the Anniversary of Their Deaths

Sunday: Virginia Sharpe; *Monday:* Gladys Maibie; *Tuesday:* Norberta Guzman; *Wednesday:* Edward Parton; John Robert Dickson; *Friday:* Dale Watts; *Saturday:* Otto Kortegast; Chuck Shepherd.

For Those Celebrating Birthdays

Sunday: Daniella Idi William; Stephen Zepeda; *Monday:* Mary Brennan; Patricia Ramirez; Sofia Aparicio; *Tuesday:* Abigail Southard; Katie Harron; Lisa Nicholas; Thomas Muller; *Wednesday:* Andrew Glicksman; Ezekiel Warren; Grace Morris; Paul Check; Thomas Nelson; *Thursday:* Billy Smith; Chien Bui; *Friday:* Gideon Grimm; Robert Lowe; *Saturday:* Patrick Horan

From the Vocations Department: Discernment Days June 27-30, 2023

The Ordinariate is hosting Discernment Days for young men considering a vocation to the priesthood. Discernment days will be held in Houston from June 27 - 30. The retreat is open to men ages 16 - 30 and includes time for prayer, conversation, and participation in the various events surrounding the Ordination to the Priesthood on June 29. Vocations to the priesthood and religious life are a clear and eloquent expression of the vitality of the parish, and the parish priest is often the first "Vocation Director," inviting young people to carefully consider their vocation. If you have a young man in your parish you would like to sponsor for discernment days, you will find [a link to the registration](#) which must be filled out by an Ordinariate priest on the clergy only resources page. It is the responsibility of the man and/or the community to provide his transportation to Houston, once here, he will be our guest staying at St. Mary's Seminary. If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Oliver in the Vocations Office

This Week at St. Mary the Virgin

Sunday, May 21

Low Mass at 8:00 a.m.
CCD classes at 9:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. (last for this session)
High Mass at 10:30 a.m.
Low Mass with hymns at 1:00 p.m.

Monday, May 22

Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: Thomas Hargis RIP*)

Tuesday, May 23

Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: Christina Juarez RIP*)

Wednesday, May 24

Confessions at 11:00 a.m.
Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: Beverly Brumble RIP*)

Ascension Thursday, May 25

Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: Mary Rose Peck's birthday*)

Friday, May 26

Mass at 12 p.m.
Adoration 1-5 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: For the Donors to The Catholic Gentlemen & their intentions*)

Saturday, May 27

Saturday Morning Martyrs meet at 8:00 a.m.
Mass at 9:00 a.m.
Confessions at 10:00 a.m.
(*Mass Intention: Teresa Dung*)

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A Big Thank You!

A big thank you goes out to Marion, Mary and our music department for the work they did last Sunday. The joyful voices of our youth choir giving glory to our Blessed Mother was lovely. And Elena Gutierrez did a spectacular job playing the organ for us. We are blessed to have such talent in our parish.

Young Adult "Cinema Divina"

Join us today **Sunday May 21st, 1-5pm** at the home of Emilyann to watch and reflect on the movie, *A Hidden Life*, about Bl. Franz Jägerstätter in honor of his feast day. Please bring a pre-made dish to share and feel free to invite friends! For any questions, please contact Kaitlyn Gainer (kaitlyn.gainer@gmail.com).

Dear Friends in Christ:

I've written about Christmastide, Epiphanytide, Passiontide, and then Eastertide in previous letters this year. Last Thursday, May 18th, the Church entered the season of "Little Advent," the Lord's own novena given to the Apostles: Ascensiontide.

Just as in winter Advent, the Church waits in joyful and fearful expectation for the Lord's coming in the flesh, the Little Advent of Ascensiontide awaits a **mysterious** and **unknown** power promised by the Ascended Christ. As we heard in the Epistle of the Ascension. (God) *raised him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, (Ephesians 1:17-23)*

Christ has come as King to conquer the Kingdom of Satan and establish the Kingdom of God. Before He could take possession of His Kingdom, He had to fight and overcome the false king. As St. Paul says: *that, through death, he might destroy him who had the empire of death the devil: And might deliver them, who through the fear of death were all their lifetime subject to servitude (Heb. 2:14-15).* The vile and repugnant Satan is the false king who (temporarily) holds the empire of death; His Majesty Jesus Christ is the **true** King who, coming to the mountain of Ascension and *despoiling the principalities and powers, he hath exposed them confidently in open shew, triumphing over them in himself (Col. 2:15).*

The Gospel of the Feast of the Ascension is among my **favorite** passages in Sacred Scripture. It is called: "The **Great Commission**" to the Church: *All power is given to me in heaven and on earth. Going therefore, teach ye all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things*

whatsoever I have commanded you: and behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world (Mt. 28:18-20). Therefore, He says as the King who has now **conquered** and **subdued** the empire of death. Our Lord ascends His throne in Heaven to **show** that His kingdom is not of this world — not merely material. Yet He sends the Holy Spirit to make His rule as **effective** on **Earth** as it is in **Heaven** (just as we pray every day in the Our Father Prayer)—not merely spiritual, so that every kingdom and government in this world may bend the knee to the Holy Name of Jesus.

These are the deeds of our fathers, who by the Holy Spirit fearlessly converted emperors and kings who reigned through death and built that great civilization called Christendom. This "Little Advent": this Ascensiontide, let us remember eleven men and the Virgin Mary, waiting for the promised power from on high, and marvel at how this power changed the world forever.

The King still sits upon His throne, sending His power from on high. Therefore, let us not worry about the world crumbling before us, nor become **despondent** about the Church and her vicissitudes. Let us, instead, seek *ye therefore first the kingdom of God, and his justice, and all these things shall be added unto you (Mt. 6:33).*

Faithfully, Your friend and Pastor,
Fr. Christopher C. Stainbrook

Prayer for Vocations

Priest: Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. / Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers and sisters to His Holy Church.

All: O God, / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this Ordinariate / with many priests, / brothers / and sisters, / who will love Thee with their whole strength / and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

Priest: Bless our families. / Bless our children.

All: Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

Priest: Mary Queen of the Clergy!

All: Pray for us. / Pray for our priests and religious. / Obtain for us many more. Amen.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

(For the Greater Glory)

Flowers: Brignac Family for Elva Johnson's healing

Sanctuary Light: SMV for her parishioners intentions

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady: SMV for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Lamp at the Shrine of St. Joseph: Vance Family for Thanksgiving to God

Lamp at St. Therese: Brignac Family for Mary Police healing

Lamp at Blessed Karl: Oliver Family for Trenton Matthew's birthday

Lamp at St. Thomas More: SMV for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Lamp at St. John Fisher: SMV for Fr Kennedy's fast recovery

Lamp at the Altar of Relics: SMV for Fr Stainbrook's quick recovery