



St. Mary OF THE Expectation

CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON - HOUSTON

AUGUST 3, 2025 | EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday | 4:30 PM Live & Streamed
Sunday | 8:30 AM, 10:15 AM, 12:00 PM
Monday | 7:00 PM
Tuesday - Friday | 8:30 AM

PARISH CLERGY

Pastor

Rev. John Rooney, OP (Gal/Hou)

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Simon Kipiti

Deacons

Dcn. Russ Carroll
Dcn. Andy DeYoung
Dcn. Steve Stich

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Reconciliation

Tuesday | 9:00 - 9:30 AM
Thursday | 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Location: In the church

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office or visit our website for forms.

Marriage

Contact the Parish Office for a marriage packet and information.

Communion for the Sick

Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

CONTACT US

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Thurs | 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Fri | 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Ministry Office Hours

Elementary FF | Youth & Adult Ministry
Mon-Thurs | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM



18th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." - Lk 12:15

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 2, 2025

4:30 PM - Tebertha Henderson

Sunday, August 3, 2025

8:30 AM - † Roseolary Stogre
10:15 AM - People of the Parish
12:00 PM - † Charles Brady, Jr.

Monday, August 4, 2025

7:00 PM - † Todd Malone

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

8:30 AM - Penny Brockway

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

8:30 AM - People of the Parish

Thursday, August 7, 2025

8:30 AM - † Dorothy Roche

Friday, August 8, 2025

8:30 AM - † Marvin Snowbarger

Saturday, August 9, 2025

4:30 PM - † Al & Margaret
Doherty

Sunday, August 10, 2025

8:30 AM - † George Bilotta
10:15 AM - People of the Parish
12:00 PM - † Sophie Balcar

† deceased

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Dennis Doherty, Joe Tannos, Wayne Langford, Elena Flores • Hannah Lilly • Travis Voigt, Grace Lafaro, Sandra McDermott, August Bishop, Elroy Bishop, Kaylee Klyng, Cindy Johnson, Shauna Billingsley • Kerr County • Mike Phares, Delorse Garcia • Ken Orlando, Becky Irwin, The Strebeck Family • John "Jake" William Fulkman IV, Theresa McNutt, Tebertha Henderson, Lourilla Pettit, Cathy Erminger, Letha Frederick, Francis Bergsma, Amy Pruett, The Mizwa Family • Barbara Hart, Melanie Bobrowski • Bunny Farley, Mike Reznicek, Sherri Reznicek, Jimmy Sissom, Ethel Villagonzalo, Marlowe Villagonzalo, Liberty Pazo, Amanda Gregory • Amelia Zavattieri, Laura Gardner • Joe Coronado Family, Carli Morgan, Miguel Scheurman, Lou Higgins • Mary Wagner, Donna Theriot, File Salinas, Tina Salinas, Randy Rance, Kyle Littrel, Jean Dupuis, Cathy Erminger, Robert & Linda Crooks • Marvin Schneider, Keicha Flowers, Edna Lemiska • Carol Base, Bernie Roan, Bessilyn Piazza, Harold Kingham, Melissa Messenger •

PARISH CALENDAR

MON	Grace and Wellness	9:00 AM	Annunciation Hall
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TUE	Adult Bible Study: Ephesians Knights of Columbus Legion of Mary OCIA—Come and See Night	9:15-11:15 AM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00-8:00 PM	Matthew/Mark Cargill Hall Gabriel Luke/John
5			
WED	Grace and Wellness Young Adult Couples: Women	9:00 AM 6:30-8:00 PM	Annunciation Hall Ministry Building
6			
THU	Women's Study Junior Legion of Mary Ladies Auxiliary	9:15-11:15 AM 6:30-7:30 PM 7:00 PM	Matthew/Mark Cargill Hall Matthew/Mark
7			
FRI			
8			
SAT			
9			
SUN			
10			

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17;
Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday

Nm 12:1-13;
Ps 51:1, 3-7, 12-13;
Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14;
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday

Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
Mt 16:13-23

Friday

Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21;
Mt 16:24-28

Saturday

Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51;
Mt 17:14-20

Sunday

Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22;
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12;
Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's flowers were
donated in memory of
Jennie Barker Solak.



SILENT PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer request or would like to be a Prayer Warrior for the group, please call Gary at 281-332-1303.

DSF SPOTLIGHT: CORRECTIONAL MINISTRIES



Correctional Ministries seeks to bring Christ's healing to everyone affected by crime and violence. With help from the Diocesan Services Fund, Correctional Ministries is able to provide pastoral services to more than those in our prisons and jails, but their families as well.

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Deacon Alvin Lovelady



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DSF 2025 DONATIONS

Parish Goal\$181,000
Donations.....\$124,688.13
Remaining Balance\$56,311.87
DSF Donors.....292

ONLINE GIVING

We are thankful for any way you choose to support our parish. If online giving is your preference, both one-time and recurring options can be found by scanning the QR code or visiting www.saintmcc.org/give.



NO MONEY KEPT ON PREMISES

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

July 27, 2025

Regular Collection\$23,759.63
Faith Direct\$15,070.25
Subtotal.....\$38,829.88
Budgeted Weekly\$37,923.00
Difference.....\$906.88

PARISH REGISTRATION

Thank you for joining us for Mass today! If you would like to register as a parishioner or update your existing information with the parish, call the office or visit the 'New to the Parish' section of our website.

PARISH CONTACTS

Pastor
Parochial Vicar
Parish Administrator
School Principal
Deacon
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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING RETREATS



MEN'S RETREAT
SEPTEMBER 4-7

WOMEN'S RETREAT
NOVEMBER 6-9

Registration is now open for all men interested in this year's men's ACTS retreat!

The retreat is scheduled for September 4-7, 2025. An ACTS retreat is a wonderful opportunity for all men to become

closer to God, to receive His grace, and to be filled with His love.

Men's retreat registration forms are located in the parish office, the vestibule of the church, and on our parish website by scanning the QR Code or visiting www.saintmcc.org/future-acts-retreat.

Mail or drop off completed forms to the parish office or email them to the director, Frank Prochaska, at frankprochaska@gmail.com.

Questions may be addressed to Frank Prochaska at 281-896-7474.

Women's ACTS retreat registration forms can be found in the vestibule of the church and online.



LADIES AUXILIARY

The League City Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus is an organization for all women of St. Mary of the Expectation. We establish a creative outlet for the wives of the Knights of Columbus and the women of the parish to grow spiritually, socially, and civically. Our objective is to provide limited scholarships to senior high school students who are registered members of St. Mary of the Expectation Church and meet certain requirements.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month in Annunciation Hall, except for the months of July, October, and December.



Next Meeting:

Thursday, August 7, 2025

7:00 PM

Matthew/Mark

Annual Dues: \$15

Come join us for fellowship!!!!

ENCOUNTERING MARY THROUGH THE ROSARY

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21 • 9AM - 12PM



Join Catholic author, speaker, and spiritual director Kim Brown for a day retreat exploring *Encountering Mary* through the Rosary. Through various decades, we will gain a deeper theological, historical, and spiritual understanding of Mary's unique role in Salvation History and how she leads us closer to her Son.



\$19 PER PERSON
REGISTER

<https://retreatcentercrc.org/mary>

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK



We will have a second collection next week for infirm priests. The collection helps provide much-needed medical and emergency support for infirm priests.

Archdiocesan faithful are urged to support our ailing clergy during this time of escalating medical costs.

With more than a third of our priests over 65, the

Archdiocese is facing more responsibilities as priests age or face serious illness.

Your generosity for our infirm priests who have dedicated their active ministry years to the tireless care of the Archdiocese is greatly appreciated.

Please keep all of the infirm clergy in your prayers.



COME JOIN THE FUN!

It's a great opportunity to spend time with parishioners and local residents, serve others, and have a fellowship-filled day all while supporting our parish!

Going on vacation?



Consider picking up an extra souvenir or two for our Going Postal Booth. Mail or bring items to the parish office. We can't wait to see what you surprise us with!

Auction Items



Our Knights of Columbus coordinate both our live and silent auctions each year. They can't do it alone! Contact them at knights@kc9310.org with questions or to coordinate your auction donation.

Gift Cards



\$5, \$10, \$15, and \$20 gift cards to local establishments are needed to be given away as prizes.

Plants



When trimming your yard this summer, consider nurturing those seedlings and donating them to the plant booth for others to enjoy! Plant drop off is the Saturday of bazaar weekend.

See the back page of the bulletin for more information and a listing of our donation drop-off weekends.

Save the Date

FR. SIMON KIPITI

WELCOME RECEPTION

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16
(FOLLOWING 4:30 PM MASS)

COFFEE & DONUTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17
(FOLLOWING ALL MASSES)

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

INTERESTED
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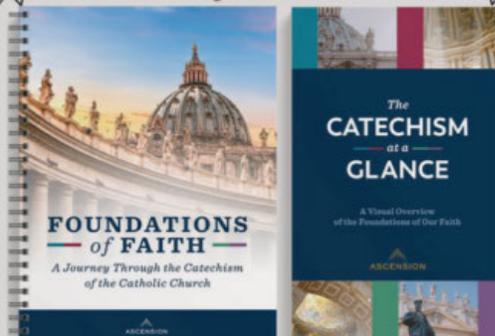
COME & SEE SESSION
Tues, Aug 5th
7pm: Ministry Building
RSVP or Contact Terri Ryan
at: Terri.Ryan@saintmcc.org
for more info.



Join Terri for a night of Q&A on the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). This session is informational only. No commitment is required.

Catechism Class for Adults is Finally Here!
Presented by: Ascension Press

Register Today! Deadline Sept 2nd.



Have you ever wished you would have learned more as a youth about our Catholic Faith? If so, you're not alone, and now is your opportunity to dive in by joining us for a journey beginning this September. This is a 2-Semester Course that will be offered with your choice of a Tuesday Morning or Thursday Evening session.

Online Registration Now Open!
saintmcc.org/tuesday-thursday-study

CURRENT & UPCOMING OFFERINGS

Registration and further details on our events and studies are available on our parish website by scanning the QR code or visiting: www.saintmcc.org/adult.



GRIEF SHARE TUESDAY EVENINGS
5:00 - 6:30 PM
August 26—Nov 18

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you as you grieve a loved one.

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IN A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY OF CATHOLIC WOMEN—
JOIN US!

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
7PM-8:30PM
OR
THURSDAY MORNINGS
9:15AM-11:00AM
BEGINNING SEPT 10TH
IN THE MINISTRY BUILDING

SCAN TO REGISTER



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBPAGE OR CONTACT: TERRI.RYAN@SAINTMCC.ORG

THE BRIDGE (21-30 yr old)
Young Adult Hangout

To Request to join the GroupMe Scan below or go to:
groupme.com/join_group/95987004/2CLq3wLH

Scan QR Code to sign up for the GroupMe for updates and more events (Sports, Dinners, Games, etc.)



YOUNG CHURCH MOVEMENT & FAITH FORMATION

HOT TAKE

In general, as Catholics, we love to let others take the lead. Ever walked into a church where several people are already gathering for Mass, but no one is sitting in the front row? This is all too common. Likewise, I often notice that when it's time to pray, many of us prefer to pass the responsibility to someone else. Maybe it's your grandma who never misses church, or your uncle who used to be a youth minister. That's fine, but being Catholic means we must pray, and we must be spiritual leaders. We cannot simply sit back and practice our faith passively. When it comes to our teens here at the parish, I'm careful not to put them on the spot. That was something I hated when I was in school. Teachers would always pick on me to read, but as someone who is dyslexic, reading was very difficult. I would often mess up and feel embarrassed. Because of this, I am intentional about not making students read or answer questions unless they volunteer, but I do call on teens to pray in front of the group. Why? Because prayer is not optional. If someone comes to you today because they know you're a Catholic Christian and they say they're struggling and need prayers, and you respond, "I don't know how to pray," that's not a good enough answer. There is nothing more essential to the Christian life than prayer. With that in mind, you can pray the Lord's Prayer that Jesus taught us in today's Gospel, or the Hail Mary. There's no rule against that, but you must be willing to pray whenever you're called upon. Lastly, when you do pray, do you trust that God will answer? It's one thing to say the words, and another to believe them. Jesus challenges us in today's Gospel reading to pray for what we truly need, and if we have faith, God will always answer our prayer. God bless -David

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUG 5	Teen Drop-in	3:00-5:00 PM	Ministry Building
AUG 6	Teen Bible Study	3:00-5:00 PM	Ministry Building
AUG 12	NO Drop-In *Back to School*		
AUG 13	NO Bible Study *Back to School*		
AUG 23	Core Team Training Day	8:00 AM	St. Dominic Center

PAPAL POST

“Do not be afraid! Accept the invitation of the Church and of Christ the Lord!”

-Pope Leo XIV



The largest Mass ever celebrated was somewhere between 5-6 million people in the Philippines in 2015!

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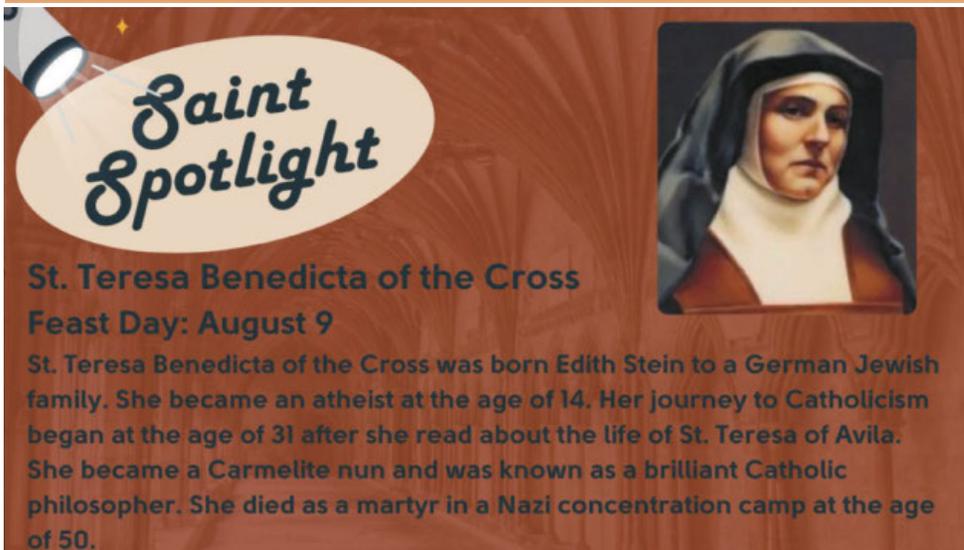


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ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION



Saint Spotlight

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Feast Day: August 9

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross was born Edith Stein to a German Jewish family. She became an atheist at the age of 14. Her journey to Catholicism began at the age of 31 after she read about the life of St. Teresa of Avila. She became a Carmelite nun and was known as a brilliant Catholic philosopher. She died as a martyr in a Nazi concentration camp at the age of 50.



PARENT ORIENTATION

Save the date!

This orientation is for all parents with children registered for in-person faith formation classes in grades Kindergarten—Fifth Grade.

Sunday, August 24

2:00 PM

Annunciation Hall

(located in the Ministry Building)

Come pick up your parent packet and parent passes, review *Circle of Grace* curriculum, and check the class placement for your child.

Parents with children registered for home-based faith formation classes will attend a different orientation. More information for that coming soon.

CLASSES BEGIN:

Sunday, September 21

and

Wednesday, September 24



CATECHIST VOLUNTEER TRAINING:

Saturday, September 6

10:00 AM

Interested in getting started in volunteering?

Substitutes are needed for both sessions.

Email Hannah at hannah.richardson@saintmcc.org

HOLY HEROES Mass Worksheet for Beginners - August 3, 2025

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ The color vestments the priest is wearing are...
 circle your answer!

 RED
  GREEN
  VIOLET
  ROSE
  WHITE

+ The first reading is from the Book of Ecclesiastes.
 Fill in the letter **S** to complete the word.

ECCLE__IA__TE__

+ Responsorial Psalm
 If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts."

+ The Second Reading is from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians

+ The Gospel is according to Luke

"God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you.' [...] Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."

The foolish rich man stored up grain in his barns rather than treasure in Heaven.
 Circle the barn that is DIFFERENT.





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BACK TO SCHOOL SCHEDULE

August 11: Meet the Teacher
(Supplies may be dropped off)

August 12: Staff Retreat

August 13: First Day of School!



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