



# St. Mary OF THE Expectation

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON - HOUSTON

AUGUST 10, 2025 | NINETEENTH 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

### ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Pre-K Through 8th Grade  
281-332-4014 | stmarylc.org

#### 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.

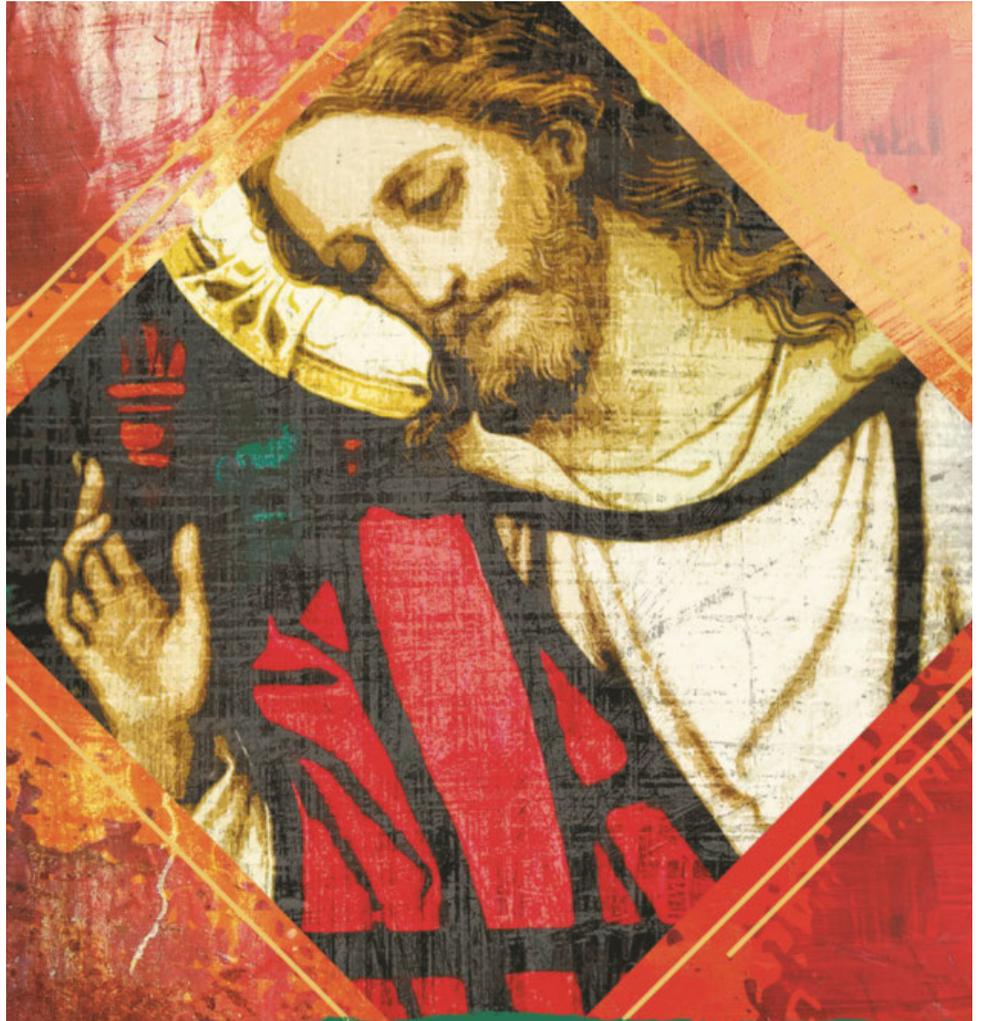
### CONTACT US

#### 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



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For at an hour you do not expect,  
the Son of Man will come.” - Lk 12:40

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### 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

### Monday, August 11, 2025

7:00 PM - † Janet Faye Schaefer

### Tuesday, August 12, 2025

8:30 AM - † Richard Peltier

### Wednesday, August 13, 2025

8:30 AM - People of the Parish

### Thursday, August 14, 2025

8:30 AM - † JoAnn Hlavaty

### Friday, August 15, 2025

8:30 AM - Carol & Greg Kennedy  
7:00 PM - The Coleman Family

### Saturday, August 16, 2025

4:30 PM - Ken & Liz Orlando

### Sunday, August 17, 2025

8:30 AM - Rosauro Gregorio  
10:15 AM - August & Lucy Niccolai  
12:00 PM - † Patrick J. Walsh

† deceased

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

Sybil Deville, Ryan Lilly, Levi Lilly • 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 •

## PARISH CALENDAR

<b>MON</b> <b>11</b>	Grace and Wellness	9:00 AM	Annunciation Hall
<b>TUE</b> <b>12</b>	Adult Bible Study: Ephesians Legion of Mary	9:15-11:15 AM 6:30 PM	Matthew/Mark Gabriel
<b>WED</b> <b>13</b>	Grace and Wellness Prayerfully Pieced Young Adult Couples Potluck	9:00 AM 11:30 AM-3:00 PM 6:30-8:00 PM	Annunciation Hall Luke/John Ministry Building
<b>THU</b> <b>14</b>	Women's Study Junior Legion of Mary	9:15-11:15 AM 6:30-7:30 PM	Matthew/Mark Cargill Hall
<b>FRI</b> <b>15</b>	The Feast of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation) Parish Offices Closed	8:30 AM Mass 7:00 PM Mass	Church Church
<b>SAT</b> <b>16</b>	Welcome Reception for Fr. Simon	Following 4:30 PM Mass	Annunciation Hall
<b>SUN</b> <b>17</b>	Welcome to the Parish Fr. Simon - Coffee & Donuts	Following all Masses	Cargill Hall

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday

Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15; Mt 17:22-27

### Tuesday

Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4b, 7-9, 12;  
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

### Wednesday

Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17;  
Mt 18:15-20

### Thursday

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6;  
Mt 18:21-19:1

### Friday

1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2;  
Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14;  
1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28  
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
Ps 45:10bc, 11-12ab, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27;  
Lk 1:39-56

### Saturday

Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11;  
Mt 19:13-15

### Sunday

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18;  
Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

## ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's flowers were  
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Bob and Ruby Allen



## SILENT PRAYER CHAIN

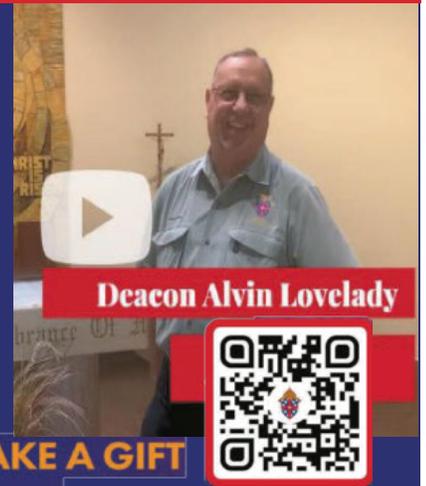
If you have a prayer request or would like to be a Prayer Warrior for the group, please call Gary at 281-332-1303.

# 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.

Through your gift, you support 64 vital ministries that care for the vulnerable, educate our youth, and form future priests. Make your commitment using the envelopes found in the vestibule or in your pews, or online at [archgh.org/dsf](http://archgh.org/dsf). To have your gift count toward our parish goal, please select St. Mary-League City when donating online.



Deacon Alvin Lovelady

**SCAN HERE TO MAKE A GIFT**



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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](http://www.saintmcc.org/give).



## NO MONEY KEPT ON PREMISES

## WEEKLY OFFERINGS

**August 3, 2025**

Regular Collection .....\$23,287.66  
Faith Direct .....\$16,582.56  
Subtotal.....\$39,870.22  
Budgeted Weekly .....\$37,923.00  
Difference..... \$1,947.22

## SECOND COLLECTION

**August 3, 2025**

St. Mary Catholic School . \$7,621.30

## PARISH CONTACTS

Pastor  
Parochial Vicar  
Parish Administrator  
School Principal  
Deacon  
Deacon  
Deacon

**Ministries and Services**  
Maintenance Facilitator  
Music Ministry  
Director of Elementary Faith Formation  
Director of Youth Ministry  
Director of Adult Faith Formation  
Coordinator of OCIA-C  
Spiritual Direction

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Elementary FF • Youth Ministry • Adult Ministry  
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# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



**MEN'S RETREAT**  
**SEPTEMBER 4-7**

**WOMEN'S RETREAT**  
**NOVEMBER 6-9**



**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR BOTH OUR MEN'S & WOMEN'S ACTS RETREATS!**

Join us on a Thursday evening through Sunday morning retreat focusing on Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service.

Both men's and women'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](http://www.saintmcc.org/future-acts-retreat).

Mail or drop off completed forms to the parish office or email them to the directors.

**Questions? Contact one of our directors!**

**Men's Retreat Director:**

Frank Prochaska  
[frankprochaska@gmail.com](mailto:frankprochaska@gmail.com)  
281-896-7474

**Women's Retreat Director:**

Michelle Kapfer  
[thekapfers@gmail.com](mailto:thekapfers@gmail.com)  
832-563-5463

## VOCATION NEWS

Verbum Tuum is vocation formation. Join us for a four-session spiritual formation program this fall, designed for young adults who are serious about the mission God is calling them to and want to learn how to discern.

**Verbum Tuum**  
DISCERNMENT GROUP

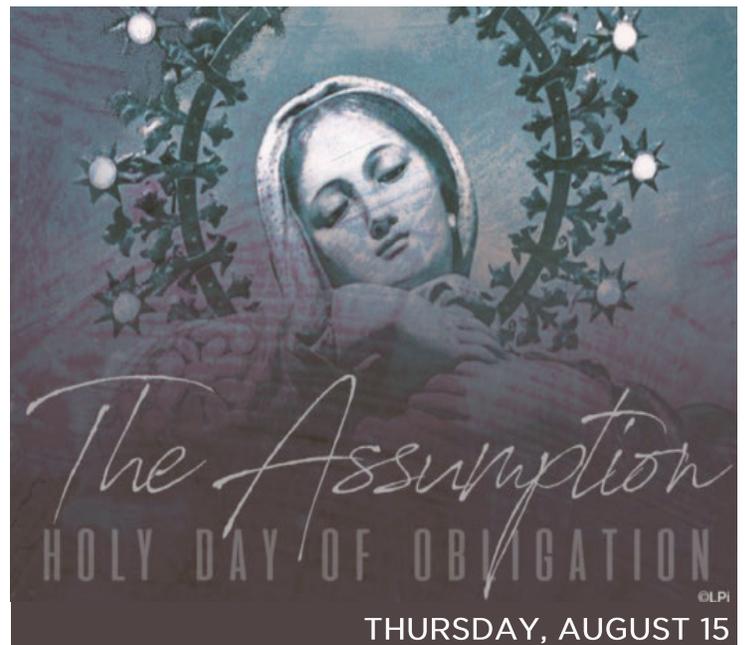
*2 retreats + 2 meetings*  
*Formation and Freedom*  
*for Virtue, Vocation, and Life*

Tuesday, August 19  
6pm-9pm  
St. Theresa Catholic Church, Houston

September 26-27  
Overnight Retreat  
Christian Renewal Center, Dickinson

Tuesday, October 14  
6pm-9pm  
St. Theresa Catholic Church, Houston

Saturday, November 1  
One Day Retreat  
St. Dominic Center, Houston



## PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Parish offices will be closed Friday, August 15, in observance of The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Please join us in celebrating this Holy Day of Obligation.

**Mass times:**

8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## WELCOME BACK!

Our St. Mary School teachers and staff received a special blessing at Mass in preparation for the school year. Please continue to keep them and their students in your prayers, now and throughout the year.



## St. Mary of the Expectation BAZAAR

OCTOBER 12, 2025

**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 while supporting our parish!

### New this year!

Bazaar donations will be collected after Masses on select weekends.

We will also accept donations in the parish office during normal business hours. Thank you for your continued generosity!

### Donation drop-off weekends

Aug. 16/17: Going Postal Items  
Aug. 30/31: Gift Cards  
Sept. 6/7: Auction Items  
Sept. 20/21: 2 liter bottles of soda

See website for a complete listing!

## EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

Congratulations, Luke Rao, on receiving your Eagle Scout award. Thank you for choosing to address the erosion occurring on our parish property for your Eagle Scout project.



**DID YOU KNOW THAT OUR GOING POSTAL BOOTH AT THE BAZAAR IS POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO GRAB AN EXTRA SOUVENIR OR TWO WHILE THEY ARE AWAY?**

**ALL DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED! WE CAN'T WAIT UNTIL BAZAAR WEEKEND TO SEE WHAT FUN ITEMS YOU HAVE PICKED UP WHILE ON VACATION!**

**DONATION DROP-OFF FOR GOING-POSTAL IS NEXT WEEKEND, AUGUST 16 & 17, AFTER ALL MASSES!**

ITEMS WILL STILL BE DROPPED OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS!

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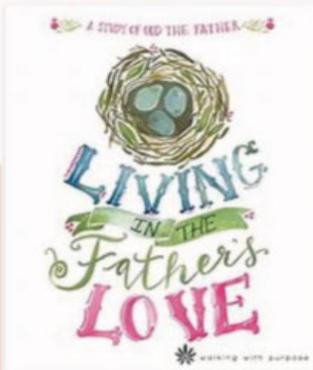
# ADULT FAITH FORMATION



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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 10<sup>TH</sup>  
IN THE MINISTRY BUILDING

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

## 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](http://www.saintmcc.org/adult).

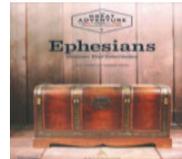


**TUESDAY EVENINGS**

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.

### Adult Bible Study



*Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance*  
**TUESDAY MORNINGS**

9:00-11:30 AM  
June 17-August 19

### Women's Study

*The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary Presented by Paradisus Dei, along with meditations by Anne Catherine Emmerich*



MYSTERIES  
of the ROSARY  
PARADISUS DEI

**THURSDAY MORNINGS**

9:15-11:15 AM  
June 26-August 14

**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](http://saintmcc.org/tuesday-thursday-study)

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

**WHAT IS THE BRIDGE?**  
Hangout with other young adults at one of the churches. Join us for games, talks, food, service, or prayer at a church in our Deanery on two Thursdays every month at 7 pm. Check the app for details!

**Dates:**

- June 5 - @St Luke's
- June 19 - @ Off-site Meet-up
- July 3<sup>rd</sup> - Happy 4<sup>th</sup> - No Meeting!
- July 17<sup>th</sup> - @St Mary's
- Aug 7<sup>th</sup> - @St Luke's
- Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> - @St Clare's
- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> - @St Mary's

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

The past few of weeks have been hot. There hasn't been a lot of rain or relief from the heat. Every time I turn on the weather, it feels like the newscast is on repeat—very hot, near-record highs, high-pressure system continues, and so on. Each week, there's also a day or two with a slim chance of rain. Maybe it's Thursday or Friday, and the chance is only 20%, but often the weatherman or other news anchors say something like, "Let's hope Friday is our day." What has struck me during this is how positive the weatherman and news anchors have remained. No matter how miserable the forecast seems, they're always looking toward something hopeful—that blessing of a scattered rain shower or a cool breeze. Honestly, I've really appreciated that. After a newscast one night, I was thinking about this, and I couldn't help but ask myself: Why can't we do this more often as Catholic Christians? So much of what we hear about in the Church is discouraging. We hear about people we look up to falling into sin, bishops and priests that are imperfect and make mistakes in their leadership decisions, and many Catholics don't live out their faith at all. Sometimes, being faithful can feel like a miserably hot forecast—lots of trials, with no end in sight. But why can't we look toward the good like those news anchors do? Where do you see God in your day-to-day life? What simple things bring you joy? How can you be the hands and feet of Christ? Our faith is built on the virtue of hope. During the last few months of this Jubilee year of Hope, as declared by the Pope, let's return to being a people of hope. We must also remember that hope is built on trust in God to bring us good even out of the bad things in life, not simply built on wishful thinking. God will answer our prayers! So the next time it feels "hot" in our faith forecast, let's hope it's because our faith light is shining so bright. Be blessed! -David

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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
AUG 24	Mandatory Confirmation 2 Parent and Teen Meeting	5:00 PM	Annunciation Hall
	Mandatory Confirmation 1 Parent and Teen Meeting	6:30 PM	Annunciation Hall

## PAPAL POST

"God loves us, God loves you all, and evil will not prevail!"

-Pope Leo XIV



Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Eucharist, and Matrimony (only if a spouse passes away) are all sacraments that can be received multiple times.

## STAY CONNECTED



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# ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

## Saint Spotlight

**St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr**

**Feast Day: August 14**

St. Maximilian Kolbe was born in Poland in 1894. He grew up having a great devotion to Mary. As part of his adult ministry he ran a daily newspaper in the monastery where he lived call "The Knight of the Immaculate." He was a Catholic priest during World War II and was imprisoned in a Nazi camp. He died giving his life for another man.



## HOLY HEROES MASS PAGE

Did you know we have additional Mass resources for kids on our website?

Head to [saintmcc.org/holy-heroes](http://saintmcc.org/holy-heroes) to print out fun Mass activity pages for kids to use during Mass.



## 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.*

## CATECHIST TRAINING

**CATECHIST VOLUNTEER TRAINING:**

Saturday, September 6

10:00 AM

Interested in getting started in volunteering?

Email Hannah at [hannah.richardson@saintmcc.org](mailto:hannah.richardson@saintmcc.org)

**HOLY HEROES** August 10: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. (Luke 12: 35b)

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**THANK YOU TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, LADIES AUXILIARY, & BELLES!**

We extend our deepest gratitude to the Knights of Columbus, Ladies Auxiliary, and Belles of St. Mary for the many ways they support St. Mary Catholic School. Your dedication to our students, staff, and families is a true blessing.

From organizing and serving at Spaghetti Dinners, to preparing delicious lunches for our students and staff on Field Day, to generously providing scholarship funds to help families in need—your commitment to our school community is a reflection of Christ’s love in action.

At St. Mary Catholic School, our mission is to ensure that every child who desires a Catholic education has the opportunity to receive one. Thanks to your support—both financial and through your time and service—we are able to reach more families and help students thrive spiritually, academically, and personally.

Thank you for being a vital part of our school family. May God continue to bless you for all that you do!





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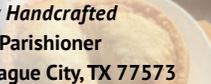


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after all Masses

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