

*St. Mary Catholic Church
Windthorst, TX*

St. Mary / St. Boniface Vision Statement

To serve Christ and
promote
His teachings
through Worship,
Education,
Training, Service,
and
COURAGEOUSNESS



*St. Boniface Catholic Church
Scotland, TX*

Father Michael Moloney, O. F. S., PASTOR

"There's no such thing as a bad priest, just priests whose people don't pray enough for them." St. John Vianney

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BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 9:15 A.M.
contact the office for dates and to register for classes

Marriage Preparation

contact the office at least nine to 12 months prior
to wedding date

RCIA

contact Fr. Michael at 423-6687

Funerals

in the case of a death in the family, please contact the office as
soon as possible.

Ministry to the Sick

contact the office immediately if you know of anyone
who is sick, hospitalized or home-bound

Confession

St. Mary's every Saturday 4:00 – 4:40 pm and
every Wednesday after evening Mass.
(or by appointment at the office.)
St. Boniface – Last Saturday from 3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Hispanic Ministry

Tuesday & Thursday in Convent
Call Oscar or Alma Contreras at 423-6918 or 940-224-8183

Protecting Our Children Sessions

Call Sharon Humpert @ 423-6283

Mass Schedule for the Week

Please wear a mask & practice social distancing at all
Masses. Sunday & Wednesday services will be live-
streamed.

Monday	August 3– St. Mary's
12:00 Noon	All the Sick of the Community by Mildred Pennartz
Tuesday	August 4– St. Mary's
	Intentions of Fr. Michael
Wednesday	August 5– St. Mary's
6:00 pm	† Dolores York by St. Mary's Christian Mothers Society
Thursday	August 6 – St. Boniface
6:00 pm	† Clara Fleitman by Mildred Lindemann
Friday	August 7 – St. Mary's
9:00 am	† John Rife by Family
Saturday	August 8 – St. Mary's
9:00 am	† Fr. Matthew Kavipurayibam by Fr. Michael
5:00 pm	† Arnold & Lillian Lindeman by Danny Schlumpfs
	Spanish Mass
	Parishioners
7:00 pm	
Sunday	August 9– St. Boniface
8:00 am	† Wilbert & Anna Mae Block by Bill Hemmis
Sunday	August 9 – St. Mary's
10:30 am	† Kathleen (Hoff) Donovan by Bert Hoffs

ST. MARY'S MINISTERS

Monday August 3rd – Sunday August 9th, 2020

SATURDAY August 8th

Lector – Jerry Anderle

Ushers – Roy & Julie Koetter, David Green, Doug Wolf

Eucharistic Ministers – Ricky & Whitney Schreiber

SUNDAY AUGUST 9th

Lector – Brenda Doyal

Ushers – David McCann, Donnie Fleitman, Terry Schroeder
Nathan McCann

Eucharistic Ministers– Shelley Schlumpf, Dawn Vieth

SUPPORT – Envelopes \$4340.00 Children \$0.00

Loose \$188.00 Building Fund \$25.00

Priest Care Fund \$180.00

ST. BONIFACE MINISTERS

Monday August 3rd – Sunday August 9th, 2020

SUNDAY August 9th

Lector – Pat Hemmi

Ushers – Kenneth Veitenheimer, Dan Smith

Eucharistic Minister– Robert & Debbie Krah

SUPPORT – Envelopes \$1420.00 Loose \$30.00

Priest Care Fund \$320.00

ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK For world peace & an end to the Covid-19 virus.

The Christian Mothers of St. Mary's will not hold their regular monthly meeting on August 5th due to the corona virus. We would like everyone to stay safe & well. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 2nd. Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend.

CEMETERY MEETING: The annual St. Mary's Cemetery Association meeting will be held on Sunday, Aug. 16th @3PM in the 1st section of the Parish Hall. All members and any interested parishioners are encouraged to attend. The term of Danny Joe Schroeder is up for re-election. Everyone will be required to wear a mask and the social distancing guidelines will be kept.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES are offered on the third Sunday of the month at 9:15 a.m. Classes need to be attended by Parents and Godparents. Baptismal classes need to be refreshed every three years. You may attend the class before the baby is born. Please call the office at 423-6687 or Diane Hubbard at 631-1803 to register. Thank you.

The next Baptism will be Sept. 27th - following 10:30 Mass.

ST. BONIFACE ANNOUNCEMENTS

SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK for the health and welfare of Altar Society members and their families by Altar Society.

7 - DAY LIGHTS Special Intention, Sis Smith by Family; Happy Birthday in Heaven Frank Moer, Complete recovery of Debbie Hoff by Joyce Moer; For a complete and speedy recovery for Sis Smith by St. Boniface Christian Mothers; For the welfare of Sammy Cruz by Robert & Debbie Krah.

WEEKLY BULLETINS: Since the Church is locked most of the week days, the bulletins will be placed in the bulletin board at the entrance of Church after Mass each Sunday if you would like to pick one up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR BOTH PARISHES

THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE is in the home of John & Lillie Wolf the week of August 2nd. They as well as all of us are asked to pray for world peace, military and vocations.

August 9th Joey Veitenheimers

August 16th Ralph Veitenheimers

Confessions: Father Michael will be hearing confessions on Saturdays at the Church Office from 3:00 to 4:00pm. All parishioners of St. Boniface & St. Mary's please take note of the time and place. **Note: No Confessions on St. Aug. 8th.**

ACTS OF CHARITY: Please wear a mask at all Masses and practice social distancing (3 ft. apart). This is an act of charity to our neighbors when we practice social distancing & wear a mask.

MASS TIME CHANGES: Monday Masses will be at 12:00 noon except the 4th Monday of each month. **PLEASE WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MASS TIME CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.**

NOTICE: Due to the corona virus surge, we would like to ask that you call the office to make an appointment for any type of transaction, such as a visit with Father Michael, book the hall (For the future), or any type of concern you might have at this time. First of all it is to make sure the person you would like to speak with is in the office the time you plan to come by. We also ask that you wear a mask. This is for the protection of all concerned..we have the health and safety of our visitors in mind. You may continue to drop off bulletin notices, requests for lighs in the slot of the office door. You may also drop off your stewardship donations if you would like. Even though the Church is serving a 50% capacity, the bills still continue. Thank you for your understanding.

MISSALETES have not been used or in our pews since the corona virus pandemic began. Since the Churches have a standing order with J.S. Paluch, Fr. Michael thought that maybe you (the parishioners) might like to take & have a copy. So on the weekend of August 8th, if you would like to have one, the missalettes will be available for you to pick up in the vestibule as you enter the Church. You may use it during the Mass but please take it home with you afterwards. **IF LEFT IN THE PEW IT WILL BE DISPOSED OF.** You may bring it back each week or each time you attend Mass but please take it with you upon departure. The missalette will be a useful tool for those who watch the Mass by live-stream.

THANK YOU NOTE: We would like to thank everyone for the beautiful sympathy cards, spiritual gifts, food, phone calls and words of sympathy for the loss of our brother, James. He was really special to us & we will miss him immensely. May God bless all of you & keep you in His loving care.

Jim & Lois Wolf & family & Pauline & family

THANK YOU NOTE: ST. Mary's would like to thank the following for their generous donations:

To St. Mary's Cemetery Fund in memory of James Wilde by Charles & Diane Zotz.

To St. Mary's Building Fund in memory of Duane Zotz by Bernard & Pat Scheffe.

PRIEST CARE FUND SPECIAL COLLECTION: Our special collection today is for the **Priest Care Fund**. One hundred percent of this collection remains in the Diocese of Fort Worth to pay for medical and long-term care expenses that are not covered by insurance. "A Lifetime of Service Asks for a Moment of Support." Please give generously to the **Priest Care Fund** on August 1-2 at Mass, through our parish envelopes, in the basket at Church or in the slot of the office door or at bit.ly/PriestCare.

Nuestra colecta especial hoy es para el Fondo de Cuidado al Sacerdote. El cien por ciento de esta colecta permanece en la Diócesis de Fort Worth para pagar los gastos médicos y de cuidado a largo plazo no cubiertos por el seguro. "Una Vida Servicio Requiere un Momento de Apoyo." Por favor, aporte generosamente al Fondo de Cuidado al Sacerdote durante las misas del 1 y 2 de Agosto, a través de las donaciones en línea de nuestra o en bit.ly/PriestCare.

FAMILY LIFE AND MISSION OUTREACH: Once again they are offering vouchers for Srs. Over 60 years of age. Participant's income must be below the maximum gross household income of 185% of annual poverty income guidelines.

You must register for vouchers. A representative will be at the Parish Hall at the next Family Life Distribution which will be Thursday, August 6th.

WINDTHORST FAMILY LIFE & MISSION OUTREACH meet on **Wednesday, August 5th, at 5:00 p.m.** in the Classroom of St. Mary's Parish Hall to fill boxes for the food distribution on Thursday.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION will be on **Thursday, August 6th**, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (or until all boxes are distributed) in the Parish Hall Meeting Room.

WANTED: CCD classes will begin in August for K through 5. We are in need of CCD teachers. Would you please volunteer to become a teacher for this school year? Because of the Covid 19 virus, things are a little uncertain at this time, but we must plan ahead. Please offer your services and volunteer to be a CCD teacher. Thank you. Please call Fr. Michael at 782-3200 or Clara at 423-6402 and learn more.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION: August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption. It is a Holyday of Obligation but it will not be observed this year because the 15th falls on a Saturday. In honor of the Assumption, Mass will be held @ 9AM Saturday, the 15th.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Like Jesus fed the crowd with 5 fish & 2 loaves, let Him feed your marriage on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends is Sept. 11-13 & Nov. 13-15, 2020. Dates fill fast. To apply, visit our website at ken_cathy_101577@verizon.net. For more information call 469-444-0904. "Ayuda a tu esposo/a a alcanzar el Reino del Cielo, Ve como lo puedes hacer asistiendo al proximo Fin de Semana del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a ken_cathy_101577@verizon.net o visite <http://www.emmsection21.org>

SCAM ALERT: Be careful! The scammers are back. If you receive an e-mail from Fr. Michael requesting anything of you, please do not respond and notify the Church Office. If Fr. Michael is requesting something of you he will call or text you. So please beware.

10 DAY IRELAND PILGRIMAGE

HOSTED BY FATHER MICHAEL MOLONEY

October 18 – October 27, 2021

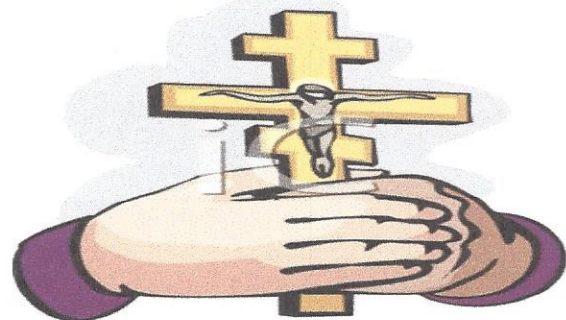
The dates for this trip have changed and we are now able to enroll more interested parties. Please contact Denise Cooper at 940-781-3931 for more details.

REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS!

John Anderle Jr., Bob Baumer, Conner Berardi, Andy Berend, Gus Berend, Patience Blake, J.C. Birkenfield, Teresa Lindeman Birkenfield, Mabel Bowlden, Gary Brewer, Mark Brockriede, Al Cabrera, David Carcaño, Jesús Colchado, John Deason, Brandy Evans, Danielle Mueller Fontenot, Emily Foster, Jeanne Fischer, Annette Fleitman, Rick Fleitman, Cindy Frerich, Kimberly Fulford, Tootsie Gardner, Jerry Green, Louise Green, Sister Marie Green, Jerry Gibson, Artie Hallenbeck, Gary Humpert, Pat Humpert, Billie Hoff, Debbie Hoff, Ernie Hoff, Frosty Hoff, JoAnn Hoff, Marvin Hoff Sr., Pauline Hoff, Willie L. Hoff, Myra Hoffman, Libby Ingram, Karen Lowe, C.D. Knoblach, Elsie Koetter, Nick Koetter, Dee Litteken, Agnes Loran, Brian Lucore, Kyler Marlar, Annette Meurer, Jess Meurer, Hans Meyer, Madi Scogin, Skylar Mueller, Kim Nelson, Travis Nelson, Jerry Ostermann, Rita Pearson, Nancy Pennartz, Colby Peterson, Gina Phillips, Phillip Rafferty, Dawson Reynolds, Bradley Rodgers, Cassey Schenk, Frank Schenk, Leonard Schenk Sr., Paul Schenk, Roch Schenk, Rosalie Schenk, Vera Ann Schenk, Agnes Schreiber, Fern Schreiber, Gerald Schreiber, Nelda Schreiber, Roxanne Schreiber, Alex Schroeder, Ashley Schroeder, Bruce Schroeder, Carolyn Schroeder, Hans Schroeder, Lauren Schroeder, Linda Schroeder, Mary Lou Schroeder, Rosalee Schroeeder, Ryan Schroeder, Helen Seigler, Henri Seto, Debbie Shifflett, Geneva Simpson, Jim Simpson, Lisa Smith, Sis Smith, Weldon Snyder, Kate Talley, Margaret Green Tift, Trent Tipton, Randy Townsend, Ann Veitenheimer, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, John Veitenheimer, Ralph Veitenheimer, Gayle Vieth, James Vieth, Tim Vieth, David Williams, Debbie Williams, Charles Winkles, Sarah Witten, Jim Wolf, Kenny Wolf, Larry Wolf, Martha Wolf, Pauline Wolf, Alphonse Zotz Jr., Bruce Zotz, Chuck Zotz, Harola Zotz.

If you wish your name removed or there are any changes, please call the office. Prayer of the Faithful:

Lord Jesus, we lift those on our weekly list to you; You are the healer of the sick and we keep praying and hoping for those who are ill. May we continue to pray for all who are sick and hurting and may your peace come to each and every one of us. Amen



MILITARY PRAYER LIST –Charles Berend, Jr. (Navy), Fermin Estrada Jr., (Army), Sgt. Bill Foster, Capt. Sean Fuhrmann (Marines), Lt. Colonel Tony Garcia (Navy), Cpl. Kellen Green (Marine), Luke Grotelueschen (Army), Captain Brian Hoff (Marine), Tracey Hoff (Navy), Damian Hoffman (Army), Master Sgt. Nicholas Klein (Army), Stephen Koetter (Army), Adam Lambert (Army), James Devon Lindeman (Army), PVT Miguel Luna Jr., Jess Martinez (Army), Joshua Millican (Navy), Sgt. Kenneth (K.J.) Nichols (Army), Major David Ogura (Army), Kyle Page (Marine), Frank Prokop, (Colorado Air National Guard), Sgt. Robert Rhinehart, Private Trey Schenk (Marine), Tracy Hoff Schmitt (Army), 1st Class Craig Slaten (Air Force), Staff Sgt. Ricky Smith (Air Force), Judy Solorio (Navy), Staff Sgt. Matthew Tubbs, Sgt. Ann Schreiber Turner (Air Force), Cpl. Logan Veitenheimer (Marine) Josh Winter (Army), Major Audrey Wolf (Army), Zachary Zotz (Army). (If there are any changes or additions please call the office.) Dear Heavenly Father, please protect our troops as they protect us. Bless them and their families for all that they are doing for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

ST. MARY'S 7-DAY LIGHTS: Bernard & Pat, Leonard & Vera Ann, Darlene Schenk, John & Lucille Schenk, Kenny, Martha, & Larry, James & Pat, Butch & Pat, Donnie & Cindy, M.J. & Beth, Bill & JoAnn, Agnes Schreiber, Margaret Beaman, Ralph & Clara, John & Maxine, Andy & Ann Berend, For the welfare & safety of our VFD, Pauline Hoff, James Vieth Sr., +James Wilde, All of James Wilde's Family, Lillie Rife, +Dolores York, Dolores York's Family, Bob & Mary Baumer, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, Ann Veitenheimer, Gerald & Sherry, Mark & Evan Hoff, Mark & Kristi Veitenheimer, Suzette Schreiber, Fern Schreiber, Rosalee Schroeder & all her family, All battling cancer, Very Special Intentions, Dale & Angie by Bobby & Pat; John & Maxine, Spencer & Katie, For a good school year for all, For all those affected by corona virus, Margaret Beaman-thanks, Doug & Betty, Bobby & Pat, Corella, Rosalee Schroeder Family, Stella, Ron, Gloria, Jimmy & Evelyn, JoAnn & Bill, Frances Hoffman, Patty Sosa Family, Cheryl & Jay Pope, Mildred Lindemann, Mark & Kristi, Beth & M.J., For all Religion Teachers, Church Helpers by Ralph & Clara; Pat & Robert Scheffe, Sick of the Parish, Father Michael by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; JoAnn Hoff, Bill Vieth by Joyce Berend; Fr. Michael, Margaret Beaman, Frances Hoffman, Geneva & Jim Simpson & Family, Healing for Ryan, Special Intentions for Rick Fleitman, Special Intentions for Brady Vieth, Our children, Our grandchildren, Mom, Our family, Special Intentions by Denise & Jerry Cooper: For Bobby & Carolyn Schreiber, Donnie & Cindy Frerich, Ray & Myra Hoffman, Frances Hoffman, Shirley Williams, Russell Williams, Fern Schreiber, Bobby & Pat Scheffe, For all my family by Rosalee Schroeder; Cyril by Mom; Rick Fleitman by Grandma; Our Sick Members, For an Increase in Priestly & Consecrated Life Vocations, Students of WISD/CDA #296 Members by Catholic Daughters Court#296



YEARLY LIGHTS: For my family & in memory of +Henry & +Troy Pennartz by Hillary; For all battling cancer by Charles & Joyce Vieth; In Memory of +Janice, +Ed & +Catherine, Lois Luig, +Nanci Luig Carr & +Geraldine Lindemann by Eddie Luig Family; For World Peace and safety of our Military, especially for Damian Hoffman (Army), David Ogura (Army), & Zachary Zotz (Army) by Grandmommy; For Jeanne & Family, Ray & Myra & Family, Chuck & Diane & Family, Terry & Kathy & Family, Dolores Sumner & Family by Frances Hoffman; Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #30; Our Family & For The Safety of Our Military by Ralph & Clara; For +Joe Schreiber & +Joseph Schreiber by Agnes Schreiber; For Mom by Johnnie & Alice; For Students of W.I.S.D. & C.D.A. #296 Members by C.D.A. #296; The Holy Spirit's Daily Guidance in Endeavors for each member of my family by Donor; For +Lawrence & +Helen Berend Family by Terry & Carol Sales; For Our Family by Joe & Lugenia Zotz; +Arnold & +Lillian Lindeman by the Family; +Thomas & +Leona Schlumpf by Danny Schlumpf Family; Ben's safety by Mom & Dad; For our Family by Frank & Joyce Wolf; For all our Family by Don & Benita Essler; For Our Family by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; Sick & Hurting of St. Mary's Christian Mother's Society by the Christian Mothers; For my Family & for Bruce by Anna Mae Veitenheimer; Safety of Volunteer Firemen, Safety of Ben Wolf, Gina Loran, Brett Hoff, Kevin Schroeder, Corey George, & Greg Schlumpf, Living and Deceased Members of Charles & Mary Lindemann family by Benny Lindeman; Thank you for all the graces & blessings received for our Country, Community & Family by Bert & Elizabeth Hoff; Living & Deceased Members of Alphonse & Caroline Zotz by the Family; For our Family by George & Juanita Martin; My Family by Margaret Beaman; My Family; Living & Deceased members of Himmels Family, For my family & For +Al Veitenheimer by Ann Veitenheimer; Dad & Mom by Nubbin & Angela; +Floyd & Betty Humpert by the Family; For Our Family & In Memory of +Alfred Berend by Cordella; Guidance & Protection for our Military Service Men & Women by V.F.W.

ACT OF CONSECRATION

By National CDA

Lord Jesus

I give You my hands to do Your work;
I give You my feet to go Your way;
I give You my eyes to see as You do;
I give You my tongue to speak Your words;
I give You my mind that You may think in me;
Above all, I give You my heart that You may love in me. You, Father and all mankind;
I give You my whole life that You may grow in me,
So that it may be You, Lord Jesus, who works and loves and prays in me.

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Branch #36 of Scotland.**

CEMETERY NOTES:

St. Mary's Cemetery is a Care & Upkeep Cemetery, formed in the 1980's. It has a Board of directors who serve a term of four years and a maintenance person (who is on the payroll). At the present time the Directors are: Fr. Michael Moloney, Donnie Frerich, Terry Schroeder, Roy Conrady and Danny Joe Schroeder. Russell Koetter is the maintenance person. Guidelines have been set at the annual cemetery meetings as well as any changes and additions. Members pay a fee for a gravesite. Included in this fee is that the gravesite is maintained by the maintenance person. When one pays this fee this gives the person the right to be buried in St. Mary's Cemetery -one does not own the property—only the right to be buried in this site.

If someone has a complaint or an issue concerning the cemetery, please contact any of the board members. We ask that you do not go into the cemetery and try to remedy what you don't like the appearance of. There usually is a reason for what is being done.

Just another reminder: In the guidelines it suggests that you allow at least 6 months after a death before you have a headstone set. This allows for settling of the dirt. Gravesites are filled in by the maintenance person. How soon this is done depends a lot on the weather. There have been times when there has been no rain and the site sinks after more than 6 months. In cases when you have a monument set for a loved one, before the 6 month time frame and the site sinks -YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO FILL IN THAT SITE. The family will be contacted to do the work.

St. Mary's is proud of its cemetery. Our maintenance people, both past and present, take much pride in seeing that everything looks good and in order and are doing great work and a great job. We ask for your cooperation in keeping St. Mary's Cemetery a pride of St. Mary's and of Windthorst.

Sunday, Aug 02, 2020

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The glass is still half empty

August is National Water Quality Month, which may not sound exciting, or even like a religious issue. Yet the sacred character of water is attested from the Creation story, in which God's Spirit hovers over the waters, during the corrective flood in Noah's time, at the Red Sea's freedom crossing, up to the cleansing sign of Baptism. Isaiah issues the divine invitation: Come to the water! But what if that water is risky to drink, as it is for some of our nation's citizens and a sizeable percentage of the world population? Support clean water projects, because water is life.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 55:1-3; Romans 8:35, 37-39; Matthew 14:13-21 (112). *"Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water!"*

Monday, Aug 03, 2020

A port for any storm

Jesus' mother Mary has many titles—one of them is Our Lady, Star of the Sea. Under this name, she is a protector of seafarers. But Mary is a guiding star for all of us as we seek her son through the storms of life. Saint Bernard of Clairvaux wrote: "If the winds of temptation arise; if you are driven upon the rocks of tribulation look to the star, call on Mary. If you are tossed upon the waves of pride, of ambition, of envy, of rivalry, look to the star, call on Mary." Don't lose sight of her, and you won't lose your way to Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 28:1-17 (407); Matthew 14:22-36 (408). *"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."*

Tuesday, Aug 04, 2020

MEMORIAL OF JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST

Come to the curer of souls

Most male Catholic saints were priests. Some were priests whose great intellect sparked important theological concepts. Others traveled to exotic places to teach about Christ. Still others died as courageous martyrs. But the French saint John Vianney—commonly known as the Curé of Ars—became a saint simply by being an ordinary, but extraordinarily dedicated, parish priest. In French, the word *curé* means "pastor," or one who is "charged with the care of souls." Vianney cared for thousands of souls who sought spiritual healing in the confessional, where he spent up to 16 hours a day. Seek ordinary ways to be holy today.

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Matthew 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14 (408). *"People brought to him all those who were sick."*

Wednesday, Aug 05, 2020

MEMORIAL OF THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY MAJOR

The Word made flesh set in stone

How many papal basilicas are there in Rome? St. Peter's gets primary attention, but actually there are three more, each with its own rich history, including St. Paul Outside the Walls and St. John Lateran. The one whose dedication we celebrate today, St. Mary Major (Santa Maria Maggiore) pays homage to Mary our mother and her role in the life of her son. Pope Sixtus III built this basilica after the Council of Ephesus (431) decreed that Mary is the mother of God incarnate (*Theotokos*). The theology is important. Once again, the church makes clear that Jesus was

both divine and human. Thus, we believe in the sacredness of human life, and we look to Mary's unflinching love, as God-bearer and first disciple, for inspiration.

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28 (409). *"With age-old love, I have loved you."*

Thursday, Aug 06, 2020

FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Shining like the sun

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is important enough to be part of Matthew, Mark, and Luke's gospels, and the Feast of the Transfiguration has been celebrated since the ninth century and officially on the Roman Catholic calendar since the mid-15th century. This emphasis points toward our deep human longing for transcendence, for a glimpse of divine light such as that experienced by Peter, James, and John. What can you do today to open yourself up to Jesus' light? Perhaps pray for the gift of perception, of receptivity to God's presence.

TODAY'S READINGS: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9 (614). *"And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light."*

Friday, Aug 07, 2020

MEMORIAL OF CAJETAN, PRIEST

Faith takes courage

Since the first followers of Jesus, the church has had its struggles, but always, the Holy Spirit keeps the church faithful. Courageous people in every age rise up to lead renewal within the church. In the early 1500s, that person was Cajetan, who felt the pain of the Body of Christ and dedicated himself to doing something about it. With friends, he founded a group of clergy dedicated to trusting in God's providence and claiming no property nor money from the people—the opposite of clergy at the time who were becoming wealthy off the backs of the people. In time, the same church that Cajetan sought to reform recognized him as a saint. Who are the courageous ones in your life who help you stay faithful? Draw strength from them to help institute necessary reforms in our time.

TODAY'S READINGS: Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Matthew 16:24-28 (411). *"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny [themselves], take up [their] cross, and follow me."*

Saturday, Aug 08, 2020

MEMORIAL OF DOMINIC, PRIEST

Listening is the first step in preaching

Into a 13th-century world where few knew basic theology, and wealthy, mediocre preachers traveled with retinues, Dominic brought dramatic change. He encouraged his friars to study the essentials of the faith, preach eloquently, live simply on what they could beg, and leave enclosed monasteries to reach out to people where they saw the need. By putting himself amid people, Dominic found opportunities to brilliantly counter the Albigensian heresy, a popular dualism that saw spirit as good, matter as evil, and denied the Incarnation. Take time to hear what others are saying so that you are sure to respond as Dominic did with the gospel of love that promotes the dignity of all.

TODAY'S READINGS: Habakkuk 1:12—2:4; Matthew 17:14-20 (412). *"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed . . . nothing will be impossible for you."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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August 2020

St. Mary's/St. Boniface

One Minute Meditations

St. Alphonsus Liguori

Born near Naples, Italy, St. Alphonsus left his successful legal career for the priesthood. He founded the Redemptorists to educate the faithful. Internal problems resulted in the Order's rejecting St. Alphonsus. Despite failing health, he was made a bishop. He lived simply and was generous with the poor. He combatted Jansenism, which imposed a burdensome, legalistic morality, and promoted a more moderate, realistic morality – one driven by love rather than guilt. He is a Doctor of the Church.

Pay God first

It takes money to do God's work in the world and the top funding source for the Catholic Church's ministries is her generous people. Set aside a portion of every paycheck for charity just as you do for your rent or mortgage. Write that check first. Your parish needs your support now, more than ever.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?" (Psalm 27:1).



Lean on our Faith during tough times

Throughout the history of God's dealings with humanity, He has continually brought good out of evil. During this unprecedented time of pandemic, we can remember this history and lean on Him.

Participate in weekly worship. If public Mass is not an option for you, find ways to join in worship safely. Participate in Mass online and don't miss a Sunday. Support others by setting up a prayer group or Bible study with friends through calls, chats, or online meets.

Practice listening during prayer. Even though our schedules may have slowed down, our thoughts probably have not. Make mental space to listen to and hear from the Holy Spirit, and

allow Him to bring truth and consolation.

Look for the ways God is working in the crisis. Our fear and anxiety can arise from worrying about what might happen. It helps to look for the good coming out of the crisis.

Can you spot unexpected blessings?

Create a safe space in your home. Create a place – a corner, a chair, a large closet – where you spend at least 15

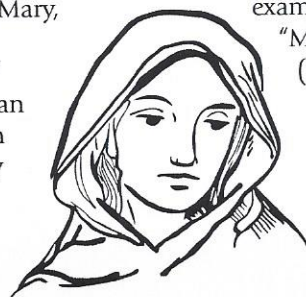
prayerful minutes each day. Take this time to remember that you are not alone.

Be not afraid. Choosing to trust God is a decision we can each make. It comes from a determination to surrender with confidence knowing His love is enough.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Everything we say about Mary, ultimately, is about Jesus, including her "devotional" titles. Each title highlights an aspect of God's saving plan and Mary's role in it. Many of them have to do with her sinlessness and her motherhood. For



Why do Catholics have so many titles for Mary?

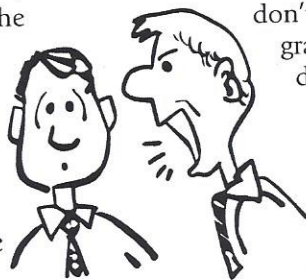
example, Mary is called the "Mirror of Justice," Theotokos ("God-bearer"), "Seat of Wisdom", "House of Gold," etc. Mary's titles – like Mary – are meant to draw our focus not to Mary, but to Jesus. Mary always leads us to her Son.

Turn conflict into growth

Criticism can bring you down if you let it. Instead, finding a gracious way to handle criticism can be the key to improving your life, attracting new friends, and becoming a better Christian.

Stay calm. The person delivering the criticism may be having a bad day or seeking attention. Or, she may really want to help and just not be skilled in delivering criticism. Staying calm and avoiding defensiveness helps you look for the rose among the nasty thorns.

Thank the commenter, no matter what is said or



how it is delivered. People who make rude comments don't expect you to listen to them, much less be grateful for their comments. Being appreciative is disarming. That's how to turn a critic into a friend.

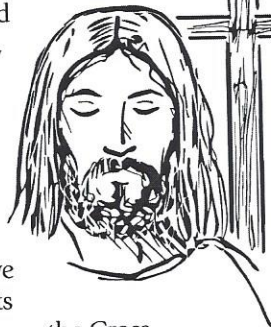
Weigh the criticism. Do the comments contain something helpful you can use to become a better person? Is the person trying to help, to make things better, to keep you from repeating mistakes, to suggest positive improvements? If not, forget it and move on without anger.

from Scripture

Matthew 16:21-27, Our ways are not God's ways

This passage seems like bad news. First, Jesus predicts his own death. This must have shocked the disciples, to whom it was just revealed that their Master was the long-awaited Messiah. Instead of an epic, Roman-conquering battle plan, Jesus told them he would be executed – seemingly tragedy and defeat, not joy and triumph.

Second, Peter did what we often do when God permits setbacks and suffering. He saw the Cross and wanted to flee – and was harshly rebuked. Yet, if Jesus listened to Peter and turned aside, we would have died in our



sins, unable to get into Heaven. Instead, he chose the Cross – for us. He chose us. Through our post-Resurrection lens, what seemed a devastating defeat was actually a decisive victory against sin and death.

Let's be clear: our Father wants us to be happy, but he wants us to be happy forever, not just for today. The key is not to avoid the crosses he sends us, but to accept them trustingly, peacefully, as

Jesus did. Jesus helps us carry our crosses, with him taking the heavier end.

Q & A Can the seal of Confession ever be broken?

The seal of Confession refers to the silence binding a priest, under severe penalties, about what he hears in Confession. "[The priest] can make no use of knowledge that confession gives him about penitents' lives." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1467). The penitents are not bound by the seal.

The only two "exceptions" are: If the penitent wants to discuss his previous confession to Fr. X with him, Fr. X must first ask the penitent's permission. Or, if a priest needed guidance from another confessor, he must still ask the penitent's permission and keep the penitent's identity a secret.

In truth, in the Sacrament of Confession the penitent is really addressing Jesus Christ, not the priest, who is simply the "phone line" between the two parties. The purpose of the seal is to encourage people to approach the Lord in complete confidence and experience his mercy. While this enforced silence may seem strange and possibly problematic, the first priority is the salvation of souls. The rest is entrusted to God.

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Feasts & Celebrations

Aug. 10 – St. Lawrence (258). A Roman deacon to Pope St. Sixtus II, St. Lawrence presented the poor and destitute as the Church's treasure, in answer to Rome's demands for the church's gold. He was martyred shortly afterwards.

Aug. 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1500). Declared a dogma of our faith by Pope Pius XII, the Assumption celebrates Mary being taken up into Heaven body and soul at the end of her life. Note: This year, this is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation.

Aug. 25 – St. Joseph Calasanz (1648). Seeing the suffering of neglected children, this Spanish priest founded the Clerks Regular of Pious Schools, called the Piarists to educate them. He suffered opposition for his work, which he bore with patience and humility.

Aug. 27 – St. Monica of Hippo (387). St. Monica is best known for converting her wayward son and pagan husband by her patience, piety, and prayers. Her son, St. Augustine, became a great saint of the Church.



Creciendo en la Fe

Descubriendo esperanza y gozo en la fe católica.

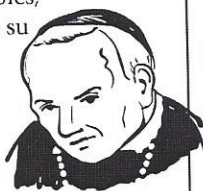
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St. Mary's/St. Boniface

Meditaciones breves

San Alfonso María de Liguorio

Nacido cerca de Nápoles, Italia, san Alfonso dejó su exitosa carrera de abogado por el sacerdocio. Fundó la congregación de los Redentoristas para educar a los jóvenes. A causa de problemas internos, Alfonso se ve excluido de la congregación. A pesar de su mala salud, fue nombrado obispo. Vivió con sencillez y fue generoso con los pobres. Combatió el jansenismo, que imponía una moralidad rigorista y legalista, y promovió una moralidad más moderada y realista, guiada por el amor más que por la culpa. Es doctor de la Iglesia.



Paguen a Dios primero

El dinero hace falta para realizar la misión de Dios en el mundo y la principal fuente de ingresos para las obras de la Iglesia católica es su pueblo generoso. Reserven una porción de cada cheque para obras de caridad lo mismo que hacen para su alquiler o su hipoteca. Escriban ese cheque en primer lugar. Su parroquia necesita su apoyo, ahora más que nunca.

"El Señor es mi luz y mi salvación, ¿a quién temeré?"
(Salmo 27:1).



Apóyese en la fe en tiempos difíciles

A través de la historia de la relación de Dios con la humanidad, él ha sacado constantemente bien del mal. Durante esta pandemia sin precedentes, podemos recordar esta historia y apoyarnos en él.

Participe en el culto semanal. Si la misa en público no es una opción, halle otras formas de participar sin riesgo en el culto. Participe en la misa en internet y no se pierda un domingo. Apoye a los demás creando un grupo de oración o de estudio bíblico mediante llamadas, conversaciones digitales o encuentros en la red.

Practique la escucha durante la oración. Aunque el ritmo de nuestros horarios sea un poco más lento, es probable que el de nuestros pensamientos no lo sea. Reserve espacio mental para oír

y escuchar al Espíritu Santo y permítale que le aporte verdad y consuelo.

Identifique las maneras en las que Dios se manifiesta en la crisis. Es posible que nuestros miedos y ansiedades surjan de la preocupación por lo que podría suceder. Es útil buscar el bien que nace de la crisis. ¿Puede

detectar bendiciones inesperadas?

Cree un espacio seguro en su hogar. Dedique un lugar—un rincón, una silla, un armario grande—para pasar en él al menos 15 al día en oración.

Aproveche este tiempo para recordar que no estamos solos.

No tema. Confiar en Dios es una decisión que puede tomar cada uno de nosotros. Nace de la determinación para entregarnos con confianza sabiendo que su amor nos basta.



¿Por qué hacen eso los católicos?

¿Por qué tienen los católicos tantos títulos para María?

Todo lo que decimos de María, en el fondo se refiere a Jesús, incluso sus títulos "devotos". Cada título resalta un aspecto del plan salvador de Dios y del papel que María desempeña en él. Muchos se refieren a su santidad y a su maternidad. Por ejemplo, llamamos a



María "Espejo de justicia", "Madre de Dios", "Trono de sabiduría", "Casa de oro", etc. Los títulos de María—como María—deben llevar nuestra atención no a María sino a Jesús. María siempre nos conduce a su hijo.

Convierta el conflicto en crecimiento

Las críticas pueden abatirnos si se lo permitimos. Sin embargo, hallar una forma amable de gestionar las críticas puede ser clave para mejorar nuestra vida, hacer nuevas amistades y ser mejores cristianos.

Mantenga la calma. Es posible que la persona que critica tenga un mal día o busque atención. O quizá quiera ayudar de verdad pero no sea muy hábil al expresar las críticas. Mantener la calma y evitar ponerse a la defensiva le ayudará a buscar la rosa entre las molestas espinas.

Agradezca a quien comenta, al margen de lo

que diga o de cómo se exprese. La gente que hace comentarios irrespetuosos no se espera que los escuche y mucho menos que les den las gracias. La expresión del agradecimiento desarma. Así es como convertimos a un crítico en un amigo.

Sopese las críticas. ¿Contienen las críticas algo útil que puede usar para ser mejor persona? Quien le critica, ¿está intentando ayudarlo, mejorar las cosas, evitar que usted repita errores, le sugiere mejoras positivas? Si no es así, olvídelo y aléjese sin enojo.

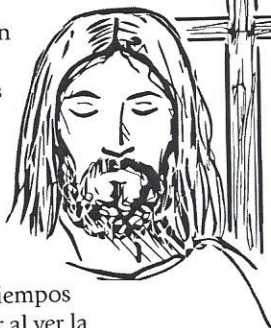


de las Escrituras

Mateo 16:21-27, Nuestros caminos no son los caminos de Dios

Parece que este pasaje nos da malas noticias. Primero, Jesús predice su propia muerte. Seguramente esto conmocionó a los discípulos a quien se les acababa de revelar que su Maestro era el ansiado Mesías. En lugar de un plan de batalla épico que derrotara a los romanos, Jesús les dijo que lo iban a ejecutar: tragedia y derrota en lugar de gozo y triunfo.

En segundo lugar, Pedro hizo lo que hacemos con frecuencia cuando Dios permite contratiempos y sufrimientos. Quiso escapar al ver la cruz y fue reprendido con dureza. Pues si Jesús hubiera escuchado a Pedro y se hubiera apartado, habríamos muerto en nuestros



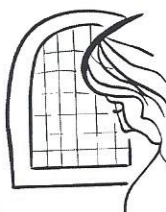
pecados, sin poder llegar al cielo. Jesús, en cambio, eligió la cruz por nosotros. Nos eligió a nosotros. Vemos a través de nuestra lente tras la resurrección, que lo que parecía una derrota abrumadora fue una victoria decisiva sobre el pecado y la muerte.

Hablemos con claridad: Nuestro Padre quiere que seamos felices, pero quiere que seamos felices para siempre, no sólo hoy. Es clave que no evitemos las cruces que nos envía sino que las aceptemos con confianza, con serenidad, como hizo Jesús. Jesús nos ayuda a llevar nuestras cruces y él lleva el extremo más pesado.

P & R ¿Puede romperse el secreto de confesión?

El secreto de confesión (o sigilo sacramental) se refiere al silencio que, bajo penas muy severas, debe guardar el sacerdote sobre lo que escucha en la

confesión. "[El sacerdote] tampoco puede hacer uso de los conocimientos que la confesión le da sobre la vida de los penitentes" (*Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica*, #1467). Los penitentes no están sujetos al sigilo.



Las únicas dos "excepciones" son: Si el penitente quiere comentar con el padre X su confesión previa con él, el padre X debe pedir primero permiso al penitente. O, si un sacerdote necesita guía de otro confesor, debe pedir permiso al penitente y conservar en secreto la identidad del penitente.

En realidad, en el sacramento de la confesión, el penitente se dirige directamente a Jesucristo, no al sacerdote, el cual es simplemente "la línea telefónica" entre las dos partes. El propósito del sigilo es animar a la gente a acercarse al Señor con absoluta confianza y experimentar su misericordia. Aunque este silencio forzoso pueda parecer extraño y posiblemente problemático, la prioridad fundamental es la salvación de las almas. El resto hay que encomendárselo a Dios.

Fiestas y celebraciones

10 de agosto – San Lorenzo (258). Diácono romano del papa san Sixto II, Lorenzo presentó a los pobres y desamparados como el tesoro de la Iglesia cuando Roma le reclamó el oro de la Iglesia. Poco después fue martirizado.

15 de agosto – Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María (1950). Declarada dogma de nuestra fe por el papa Pío XII, la Asunción celebra que María fue llevada al cielo en cuerpo y alma al final de su vida. Nota: Este año no es día de precepto.

25 de agosto – San José de Calasanz (1648). Al ver el sufrimiento de los niños

pobres, este sacerdote español fundó la orden de los Clérigos Regulares de las Escuelas Pías, y encargó a sus miembros, los Escolapios, de la educación de esos niños. Sufrió hostilidad a causa de su trabajo, pero la sobrellevó con paciencia y humildad.

27 de agosto – Santa Mónica de Hipona (387).

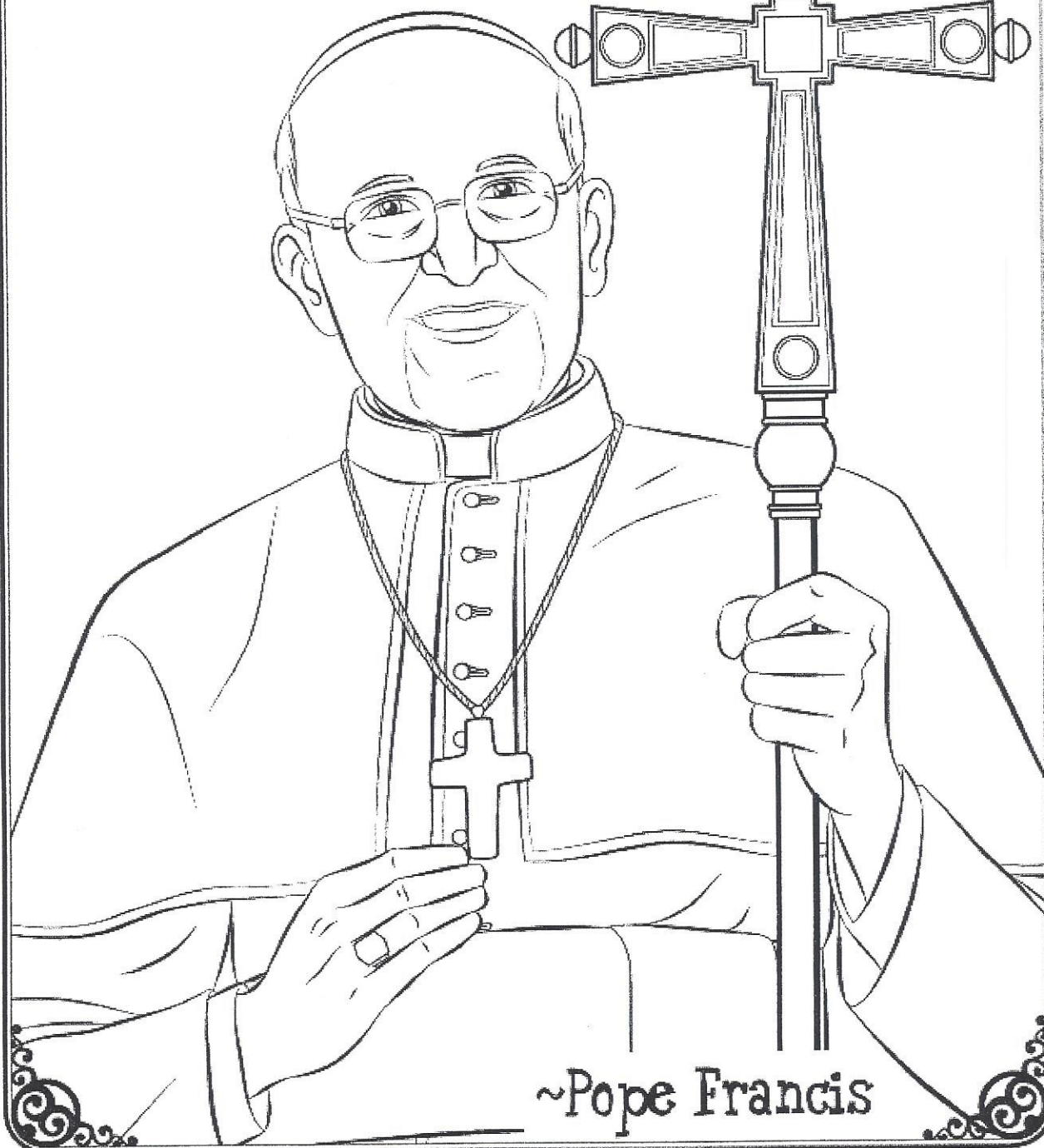
Conocemos a santa Mónica por la conversión de su hijo descarriado y su esposo pagano mediante su paciencia, su devoción y sus oraciones. Su hijo, san Agustín, llegó a ser un gran santo de la Iglesia.



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"Pray for me."



~Pope Francis

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SATURDAY AUGUST 8 Mass St. Mary's 9:00 am St. Mary's' Mass 5:00PM Live-streamed at 5 St. Mary's Mass 7:00PM (Spanish) Please wear a mask & practice social distancing at all Mass	SUNDAY AUGUST 9 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed	MONDAY AUGUST 10 Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. VF VFW Ladies Auxiliary	TUESDAY AUGUST 11 Church Office closed	WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12 Mass St. Marys 6:00 pm Adoration 6:30 pm Chaplet 6:30 pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed 3 rd Degree K of C #1824 3 rd Degree K of C #1715	THURSDAY AUGUST 13 Mass St. Boniface 6 pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. St. Boniface Prayer Hour 10:00am	FRIDAY AUGUST 14 Mass St. Marys 12 noon Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.
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