



*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  
Community



*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

### Mailing Address for Both Churches

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### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

Every Saturday Saturday 3:00 – 4:00 pm

At the Church Office

### 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.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>October 5 – St. Mary's</b>
<b>12:00 noon</b>	† Bill Vieth by Joyce Berend
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>October 6 – St. Mary's</b>
	Intentions of Fr. Michael
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>October 7 – St. Mary's</b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary's Christian Mother's Society by St. Mary's Christian Mother's Society
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>October 8 – St. Boniface</b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	† Frank Lindemann by Mildred Lindemann
<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 9 – St. Mary's</b>
<b>3:00 pm</b>	† Melvin Berend by Joseph Zotz
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 10 – St. Mary's</b>
<b>8:00 am</b>	In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima
<b>5:00 pm</b>	Ashleigh McCall-Koper Gilmore Wedding
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 11 – St. Boniface</b>
<b>8:00 am</b>	† Living & Deceased Relatives of Paul & Mary K. Schenk Family by Family
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 11 – St. Mary's</b>
<b>10:30 am</b>	† Jerry Schroeder by Mary Ann Schroeder



### **ST. MARY'S MINISTERS**

**Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> – October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

#### **SATURDAY OCTOBER 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Lector** – Wedding

**Ushers** – Wedding

**Eucharistic Ministers** – Wedding

#### **SUNDAY OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Lector** – Ted Neeb

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

**Eucharistic Ministers** – Chuck & Mitzie Veitenheimer

**SUPPORT** – Envelopes \$3553.00 Loose \$14.00

Children \$2.00

### **ST. BONIFACE MINISTERS**

**Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> – OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

#### **SUNDAY OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Lector** – Pat Hemmi

**Ushers** – Kenneth Veitenheimer & Brad Wolf

**Eucharistic Minister** – Robert & Debbie Krah

**SUPPORT** – Envelopes \$498.00 Loose \$22.00

### **ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK** for Peace & Unity of Our Country.

**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.

**THANK YOU NOTE:** St. Mary's would like to thank Bryan & Amber Beene for their generous donation to St. Mary's Cemetery Fund in memory of Gary Brewer

**WINDTHORST SENIOR CITIZENS** meet every Tuesday at 1 pm at the Berend Family Center for bingo & games. All are welcome for an afternoon of fun and socialization.

**ST. MARY'S CHRISTIAN MOTHER'S SOCIETY** will hold their regular monthly meeting October 7<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall meeting from after Mass and Novena. The meeting will begin at approximately 7:15pm. Hope to see you there!! **Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.**

### **ST. BONIFACE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK** for our country and for a fair and just election by Altar Society.

**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.

**SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS** will have a carry out meal on Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at noon at the K of C Hall. All seniors please come – there will be plenty.

**THANK YOU NOTE:** St. Boniface would like to thank Robert & Monice J. Poirot, Knights Of Colimbus Council #6269 & Gerald Churchman for their generous donation to St. Boniface Cemetery Fund in memory of Valera Churchman.

**THANK YOU NOTE:** St. Boniface would like to thank Robert & Debbie Krah for their generous donation to St. Boniface Scholarship Fund in memory of Sammy Cruse.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR BOTH PARISHES**

**THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE** is in the home of Bert Hoffs the week of October 4<sup>th</sup>. They as well as all of us are asked to pray for world peace, military and vocations.

October 11<sup>th</sup> Joseph Zotz Family

October 18<sup>th</sup> Harold Stallcup Family

**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. **Confessions on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> will be by appointment only.**

**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:** Friday Masses will be at 3:00 pm. Monday Masses will be at 12:00 noon except the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month. **PLEASE WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MASS TIME CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.**

**NOTICE:** Due to the coronavirus 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 lights 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.

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO GIVE.** All registered parishioners should have received a letter from Bishop Michael Olson with an invitation to participate in the Annual Diocesan Appeal **"The Reason for Our Hope."** Please respond generously. We count on every family to help our parish meet its goal. If your mail was misdirected, you may contact the parish office for a commitment form or donate online at [bit.ly/ADADonate](http://bit.ly/ADADonate).

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY: October 10, 2020.** Each year, beginning in 2007, America Needs Fatima holds the Public Square Rosary Crusade, with thousands of rosary rallies in cities all across the country.

In 2017, there were 21,570 rallies and in 2018, there were 21,145 groups simultaneously praying for our country and the world all across America.

These Public Square Rosary Rallies take place on the closest Saturday to October 13, feast of the last apparition of Our Lady of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun. This year America Needs Fatima hopes to have 20,000 rallies all across America.

The date this year is **October 10th and St. Mary's will be having Mass at 8:00am & The Rosary following.** If the weather is nice The Rosary will be held at The Grotto. If the weather is unacceptable The Rosary will be said after Mass in Church.



**RHINELAND ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SAUSAGE & FRIED CHICKEN DINNER** has been cancelled.

**V.F.W. & V.F.W LADIES AUXILIARY** – The Scotland-Windthorst Post #2676 will meet **Monday October 12<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 p.m.

**WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER-** "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." Accept God's ways for your marriage. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next "virtual" Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends is Nov. 13 - 15, 2020. To apply, visit our website at: <http://www.dfwme.org>. For more information e-mail [apply@dfwme.org](mailto:apply@dfwme.org) or call Brian and Tina Little 281-773-9014. "La piedra que los arquitectos rechazaron, se ha convertido en la piedra angular". Acepta los consejos que Dios te da para tu matrimonio. Refuerza y renueva el sacramento de tu matrimonio al atender un fin de semana del encuentro Matrimonial Mundial. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [emmfdw@gmail.com](mailto:emmfdw@gmail.com) o visite <http://www.emmseccion21.org/>

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES** will have funds available soon from the Richardson Foundation for our rural parishes. If you have anyone or family that needs rental, utility or food assistance, please let us know. Also, counseling is always available through the St. Joseph's Fund. For questions or more information please contact **CatholicCharitiesFortWorth.org** or [eklement@ccdofw.org](mailto:eklement@ccdofw.org).

**SCOTLAND-WINDTHORST VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS(VFW) POST 2676 AND ITS AUXILIARY** are announcing this year's VFW "Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Scholarship Competitions" and the Citizenship Teacher of the Year award competition.

In the Voice of Democracy, high school students must write and record a 3 to 5 minute essay on the theme using an audio CD or flash drive and present their recording, typed essay and completed entry from to Scotland-Windthorst VFW Post 2676. The theme for 2020-21 is **"Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned?"** The Post winners Will earn scholarship money of \$300 for 1st, \$150 for 2nd & \$75 for 3rd. The Post winner then competes at the District level with the winner advancing to the state competition.

The Patriot's Pen essay competition is for students in grades 6-8. This competition challenges students to write a 300-400 word essay on a patriotic theme. The theme for 2020-21 is **"What is Patriotism to Me?"** Students begin at the local Post level where they can earn scholarship money of \$150 for 1st, \$75 for 2nd & \$50 for 3rd. The Post winner advances to District competition with the winner advancing to the state competition.

The **Citizenship Teacher of the Year** award recognizes **elementary, junior high and high school** teachers who teach citizenship education topics regularly and promote America's history/traditions effectively. Post 2676 will select one teacher in each category who will be awarded \$100 each. Winners will advance to district competition with the chance of earning state and national awards. Nominations can be submitted by fellow teachers, supervisors or other interested individuals (not relatives). Self-nominees are not eligible.

Official entry forms are due to Post 2676 by **November 15, 2020**. Eligibility requirements/official entry forms can be obtained from your school counselors or principal or by

emailing the Post 2676 Program Chairman, David Teichman, at [dateichman@gmail.com](mailto:dateichman@gmail.com) or by phone at 940-636-1566. Call or email the Program Chairman to obtain information on how to turn in your completed entries.

**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.



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**FOR OUR HOPE**

2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

**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), 1<sup>st</sup> 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



### **REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS!**

John Anderle Jr., Bob Baumer, Conner Berardi, Gerald Berend, Gus Berend, Nellie Berend, Patience Blake, J.C. Birkenfield, Teresa Lindeman Birkenfield, Mabel Bowlden, 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, Beth Geis, Jerry Green, Louise Green, Sister Marie Green, Jerry Gibson, Judy Hale, Artie Hallenbeck, Gary Humpert, Pat Humpert, Billie Hoff, Debbie Hoff, Ernie Hoff, Frosty Hoff, Ida Hoff, JoAnn Hoff, Marvin Hoff Sr., Pauline Hoff, Willie L. Hoff, Myra Hoffman, Libby Ingram, C.D. Knobloch, Elsie Koetter, **Misty Lindley**, Dee Litteken, Agnes Loran, Karen Lowe, Louis Lowe, Brian Lucore, Tyler 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, Cyril Schroeder, Hans Schroeder, Lauren Schroeder, Linda Schroeder, Mary Lou Schroeder, Rosalee Schroeder, Ryan Schroeder, Helen Seigler, Henri Seto, Debbie Shifflett, Geneva Simpson, Jim Simpson, Lisa 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

**ST. MARY'S 7-DAY LIGHTS:** Charles & Glenda Schroeder, Judy Hale, Ida Hoff, Bobby & Pat, Gerald & Sherry Berend, Larry Wolf & Kenny & Martha, Danny Joe Berend by Cordella; Rpbert & Pat Scheffe, Sick of the Parish, End to the unrest in the U.S. by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; Misty & Gregg Lindley Gerald Berend, Ernie Hoff, John & Maxine, Pauline Hoff JoAnn Hoff, For Our Health, Our Family by Raymond & Doreen; Ida Hoff, Ernie & Billie Hoff, Larry, Martha & Kenny Wolf, Gerald & Sherry, John & Maxine, The CCD Program & Teachers & Helpers & School Personnel, Fr. Michael & all Parish Helpers by Stella & Ron; My Family, Ernie & Billie, Ida Hoff, Fern Sschreiber, Gerry Meurer, John & Maxine, Doug & Betty, Bernard & Pat, Frances Hoffman, Paul & Rosalie, James Vieth, Gus & Nellie, Kenneth, Martha & Larry, Cyril & Linette, Margaret Beaman, Denise Cooper, Safety of All Our Firemen, Safety of All Deer & Elk Hunters, My Special Intentions, In Thanksging for favors by JoAnn Hoff; +Gary Brewer, Sandra & Family, Carol Campbell, Erinie & Billie Hoff, Larry Wolf, Kenny & Martha Wolf, Louise & Karen Lowe, Gary & Annette & Jess, JoAnn Hoff, Ida Hoff, Gerald & Sherry, Bernard & Pat, Butch & Pat, Rosalee Schroeder & Family,

Ralph & Clara, Safety of WVFD, Leonard & Vera Ann, Special Intentions, Margaret Beaman, Marie Veitenheimer, Gladys Wolf by Bobby & Pat; Gary & Mary Wolf, Carol & Terry Sales, Gerry & Annette & Family, Sydney & Kelly, Misty & Gregg Lindley, Agnes & Joe Loran, The Morbitzer Family, Fern Schreiber, Charles & Glenda, Margaret Beaman by Ralph & Clara; Complete healing for Gerald, Our family, Our Moms, Jim & Geneva Simpson, Gus & Nellie Berend, Safe & Successful school year for all students and staff by Gerald & Sherry; Healing for Linette & Cyril & Jim 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:** Joe & Magdalena Lindeman by Family; 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 Sumbera & 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.

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# Growing in FAITH™

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

October 2020

St. Mary's/St. Boniface

## One Minute Meditations

### True happiness

Popular theologian C.S. Lewis wrote, "Aim at Heaven and you will get Earth thrown in. Aim at Earth and you get neither." We were made for God and can't be truly happy unless we are united with him. If we focus on worldly concerns, we will never know the meaning of true happiness. If we focus on God, we will know happiness even on Earth.

### The Commandment imbalance

Of the Ten Commandments, only the first three address how we are to respect the Creator of the universe. The other seven detail how we are to treat each other. It is one way God lets us know how much he wants us to love one another.

### Silence of the heart

"In the silence of the heart God speaks. If you face God in prayer and silence, God will speak to you. Souls of prayer are souls of great silence." Mother Teresa of Calcutta

## "Live in harmony with one another"

In times of uncertainty or stress, tempers can shorten, perspectives narrow, and peace suffers. It is important to remember that Jesus came to bring love and unity. His followers are asked to do the same.

*"The rich and the poor meet together; the Lord is the maker of them all"* (Proverbs 22:2) – embrace diversity, don't just tolerate it. Different as we are, we are all made in God's image and likeness. There is great diversity in the communion of saints.

*"Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another"* (1 John 4:11) – as children of God, all humans were created with inherent dignity that we are required to acknowledge.

Trying to understand others' perspectives is the best way to realize the impact of our actions on them.

*"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God"*

(Matthew 5:9) – a steady diet of violent entertainment and media helps us become comfortable with violence and to see people as characters rather than humans. Instead, live with peace and pray for victims

of violence.

*"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts"* (Colossians 3:15). This means we have to make the choice to trust God's promises (letting His peace rule) or to rely on ourselves and reject the peace He offers.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

God gives us a free gift to share in His life, a gift that we can't earn and don't deserve. Called, "grace," this gift helps us to become His adopted children. When God shares His divine life with us as sanctifying grace, we

## What is grace?

are strengthened to act in His love. Through actual grace, God strengthens us to live in harmony with His will. Sacramental and special graces – gifts of the Holy Spirit – help us to live out our Christian vocation.





## Make holiness your goal

All people are called to be holy, "*Be you therefore perfect, as also your heavenly Father is perfect*" (Matthew 5:48). Achieving holiness requires a constant effort like climbing a mountain. To stop trying, even for a little while, is to lose ground. Daily effort will pay off with results.

**Look for Jesus' presence.** Search for Him each day. Not only will awareness of His presence help you grow in love and kindness toward everyone, you will find it easier to control your faults.

**Don't avoid suffering.** Jesus experienced extreme

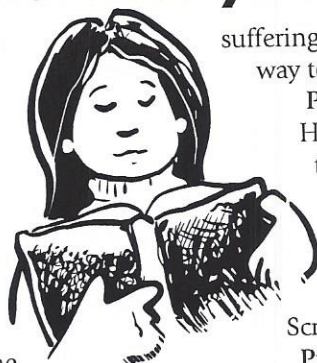
suffering in His time on Earth and used it to pave our way to Heaven.

**Pay attention to His voice.** Speak to Him, ask Him for help, express sorrow for your mistakes, tell Him you love Him.

**Nurture your faith.** Just as food nourishes our bodies, faith feeds our souls. Scripture is a staple of our spiritual diet. Ask for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to meditate on

Scripture every day.

**Practice patience.** It's the first step toward holiness.

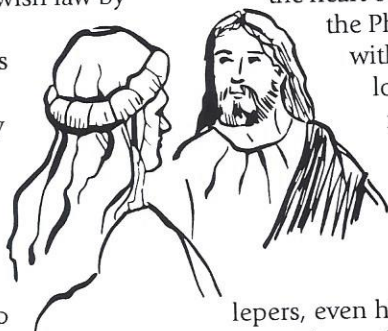


### from Scripture

### Matthew 22:34-40, Jesus has the right answers.

In their first meeting with Jesus, the Pharisees attempted to trap him into publicly contradicting Jewish law by sending a slick lawyer to "engage" him. Then Jesus could be arrested and silenced. The lawyer they sent knew that generations of Jews had debated fruitlessly about which law was the most important. Pretending to seek Jesus' opinion, he asked him to choose which of the 613 commandments of the Jewish law was the most important.

Jesus silenced them by saying that everything starts and ends with love –



love of God and love of others. To love God is to love one another. Love is at the heart of all the other laws. Even the Pharisees couldn't argue with that. While it is easy to love God, loving others is more difficult. It means including those our natural inclination says to exclude or avoid. Jesus loved prostitutes, thieves, lepers, even his political enemies.

True love of neighbor is measured by how we treat the poor, the vulnerable, and our enemies. This is how God loves and he calls us to the same.

### Feasts & Celebrations

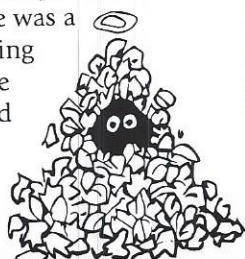
In October we celebrate the Rosary with the feast of **Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th**. The Rosary helps us meditate on the mysteries of our salvation – Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection.

**Oct. 15 - St. Teresa of Avila (1583).** St. Teresa founded a strict religious order whose nuns wore rough brown habits and sandals instead of shoes. St. Teresa established more than 17 convents of Discalced Carmelites and helped reform the Carmelite friars.

**Oct. 17 – St. Ignatius of Antioch**

(1st century). Succeeded St. Peter as the second bishop of Antioch. St. Ignatius encouraged obedience to the world's bishops and reminded people that Jesus is present in the Church and in each other.

**Oct. 28 – St. Simon and St. Jude (1st century).** St. Simon was a Zealot – Jews who believed that the Messiah would free them from political oppression. St. Jude was a fisherman. After being called by Jesus to be apostles, they ended up in Persia where they evangelized until they were martyred.



### Q & A How can I develop more faith?

Faith is not a single event or a mastered skill. It's a journey that develops and grows over time. A father asking Jesus for a miraculous cure for

his son cried out, "*I do believe, help my unbelief*" (Mark 9:24). We have to ask God to help our faith develop and grow.

The best way to develop a strong faith is to pray.

Prayer is a conversation with God. Most of us use prayer to talk at God, but it's important to listen, too.

One good way to listen to God is to read his Word in the Bible. Start by reading a passage from Scripture, particularly the Gospels. Then ask yourself what the passage is saying to you, personally.

For example, ask yourself, "What is God saying to me through this reading?" Or "How can I put his message into practice in my life?" We need to meditate on the message and put it into action in our lives. Only then can the word be "*living and effective*" (Hebrews 4:12).



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Octubre de 2020

St. Mary's/St. Boniface

## Meditaciones breves

### La verdadera felicidad

El popular teólogo C.S. Lewis escribió: "Apunta al Cielo y por añadidura recibirás la Tierra. Apunta a la Tierra y no conseguirás nada". Estamos hechos para Dios y no podemos ser verdaderamente felices hasta que nos unamos a él. Si nos concentramos en asuntos terrenales nunca conoceremos el significado de la auténtica felicidad. Si no nos concentramos en Dios, conoceremos la felicidad también en la Tierra.

### El desequilibrio de los Mandamientos

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## "Vivan en armonía unos con otros"

En tiempos de incertidumbre o estrés, se nos pone mal genio, disminuye la perspectiva y se resiente la paz. Es importante recordar que Jesús vino para traer amor y unidad. A sus seguidores se les pide que hagan lo mismo.

*"El rico y el pobre tienen esto en común: el Señor los hizo a los dos."* (Proverbios 22:2); acojan con brazos abiertos la diversidad, en vez de meramente tolerarla. A pesar de nuestras diferencias, todos estamos hechos a imagen y semejanza de Dios. Hay gran diversidad en la comunión de los santos.

*"Queridos, si Dios nos amó de esta manera, también nosotros debemos amarnos mutuamente"* (1 Juan 4:11); como hijos de Dios, todos los seres humanos fuimos creados con dignidad inherente que debemos reconocer. La

mejor forma de entender el efecto que nuestros actos tienen sobre los demás es procurar entender su punto de vista.

*"Felices los que trabajan por la paz, porque serán reconocidos como hijos de Dios"* (Mateo 5:9); una dieta constante de violencia en las diversiones y los medios de comunicación contribuye a que nos sintamos cómodos con la violencia y a que veamos a las personas no como seres humanos, sino como personajes. Vivan, por el contrario, con paz

y recen por las víctimas de la violencia.

*"Que la paz de Cristo reine en sus corazones"* (Colosenses 3:15); Esto significa que tenemos que elegir entre confiar en las promesas de Dios (permitiendo que reine su paz) o depender de nosotros mismos y rechazar la paz que él nos ofrece.



¿Por qué hacen eso los católicos?

¿Qué es la gracia?

Dios nos da un don gratuito para que compartamos su vida, un don que no podemos ganarnos y no nos merecemos. Este don llamado "gracia" nos ayuda a convertirnos en sus hijos adoptados. Cuando Dios comparte con nosotros su vida divina con la gracia

santificante, recibimos fuerzas para actuar en su amor. Mediante la gracia, Dios nos fortalece para que vivamos en armonía con su voluntad. Las gracias sacramentales y especiales—los dones del Espíritu Santo—nos ayudan a vivir nuestra vocación cristiana.





## Que la santidad sea su meta

Todos estamos llamados a la santidad: "Por su parte, sean ustedes perfectos como es perfecto el Padre de ustedes que está en el Cielo" (Mateo 5:48). Alcanzar la santidad requiere esfuerzo constante, como para escalar una montaña. Si dejamos de intentarlo, aunque sea poco tiempo, perdemos terreno. El esfuerzo diario dará resultados.

Busque la presencia de Jesús. Búsquelo cada día. Ser consciente de su presencia le ayudará no sólo a crecer en amor y bondad para todos, sino que además le resultará más fácil controlar los defectos que usted tenga.



No evite el sufrimiento. Jesús experimentó sufrimientos extremos durante su tiempo en la Tierra y lo usó para allanar nuestro camino hasta el cielo.

Preste atención a su voz. Hable con él, pídale ayuda, exprese pena por sus errores, dígame que lo ama.

Nutra su fe. Lo mismo que los alimentos nutren nuestros cuerpos, la fe alimenta nuestras almas. La

Sagrada Escritura es un alimento básico de nuestra dieta espiritual. Pida la inspiración del Espíritu Santo para meditar cada día sobre la Sagrada Escritura.

Practique la paciencia. Es el primer paso hacia la santidad.

## de las Escrituras

### Mateo 22:34-40, Jesús tiene las respuestas correctas.

En su primer encuentro con Jesús, los fariseos intentaron tenderle una trampa para que contradijera en público la ley judía, enviando a un hábil letrado a que entablara conversación con él. Así Jesús podría ser arrestado y silenciado. El letrado que enviaron sabía que, durante generaciones, los judíos habían debatido en vano qué ley era la más importante.

Haciendo como que buscaba la opinión de Jesús, le pidió que eligiera cuál de los 613 mandamientos de la ley judía era el más importante.

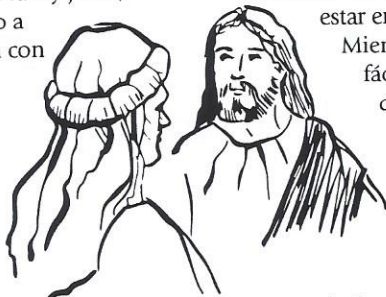
Jesús los calló diciéndoles que todo empieza y termina con el amor, el amor a Dios y el

amor a los demás. Amar a Dios es amar a los demás. El amor está en el centro mismo de las otras leyes. Ni los fariseos podían estar en desacuerdo con eso.

Mientras que amar a Dios es fácil, amar a los demás es más difícil. Significa que debemos incluir a personas que por inclinación natural excluiríamos o evitaríamos. Jesús amaba a las prostitutas, a los ladrones, a los

leprosos, incluso a sus enemigos políticos.

El verdadero amor al prójimo se mide por la forma en que tratamos a los pobres, a los vulnerables y a nuestros enemigos. Es así como Dios nos ama y nos pide que hagamos lo mismo.



## Fiestas y celebraciones

El mes de octubre celebramos el Rosario con la fiesta de Nuestra Señora del Rosario el 7 de octubre. El Rosario nos ayuda a meditar en los misterios de nuestra salvación: el nacimiento, la vida, la muerte y la resurrección de Jesús.

15 de octubre- Santa Teresa de Ávila (1583). Teresa fundó una estricta orden religiosa cuyas monjas vestían hábitos pardos y sandalias en lugar de zapatos. Santa Teresa estableció más de 17 conventos de Carmelitas Descalzas y ayudó a reformar a los frailes carmelitas.

17 de octubre – San Ignacio de Antioquía (siglo I). Sucesor de san Pedro

como segundo obispo de Antioquía, san Ignacio exhortaba a obedecer a los obispos de todo el mundo y recordaba a la gente que Jesús está presente en la Iglesia y en cada persona.

28 de octubre – San Simón y san Judas (siglo I). San Simón pertenecía a los zelotes, judíos que creían que el Mesías los liberaría de la opresión política. San Judas era pescador. Jesús los llamó a que fueran apóstoles y terminaron en Persia, donde predicaron el evangelio hasta su martirio.



## P & R ¿Cómo puedo desarrollar más fe?

La fe no es un acontecimiento aislado o una habilidad que se domina. Es un viaje que se desarrolla y crece con el tiempo. Un padre que le pedía a Jesús una cura milagrosa para su hijo exclamó: "Creo,

ayúdame porque tengo poca fe" (Marcos 9:24). Tenemos que pedirle ayuda a Dios para que nuestra fe crezca y se desarrolle.

La mejor forma de desarrollar una fe fuerte es rezar. La oración es una

conversación con Dios. La mayoría de nosotros usa la oración para hablarle a Dios, pero también es importante escuchar.

Una buena manera de escuchar a Dios es leer su palabra en la Biblia. Empiece por leer un pasaje de la Sagrada Escritura, en particular los Evangelios. Luego pregúntese qué le dice a usted, personalmente, ese pasaje.

Por ejemplo, pregúntese "¿Qué me dice a mí Dios mediante esta lectura?" O "¿Cómo puedo poner en práctica este mensaje en mi vida?" Debemos meditar en el mensaje y ponerlo en acción en nuestras vidas. Sólo así puede ser "viva y eficaz" la palabra (Hebreos 4:12).

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## Sunday, Oct 04, 2020

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Celebrate the joy of new life

In a happy collision of observances, October is dedicated to respecting life, supporting fair trade, employing the differently abled, and praying the Rosary. Today is not only Respect Life Sunday but also, in memory of Francis of Assisi, an occasion to bless the animals who share our lives. If you're seeking an integrated moral code, here's your chance to champion the spectrum of life. The Rosary's Joyful Mysteries lead the way: embrace new life, encourage mothers, support child-affirming laws, recognize the gifts of all God's children, and respect the wisdom of young people.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43 (139). *"Finally, [the landowner] sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.'"*

## Monday, Oct 05, 2020

MEMORIAL OF BLESSED FRANCIS XAVIER SEELOS, PRIEST

### A saint for this season

As we've lately learned, it's hard to be happy during a health crisis, but Redemptorist Father Francis Xavier Seelos was called the "Cheerful Ascetic," even while serving the sick during a disease outbreak. Known for his kindness and missionary zeal, this German-born priest kept his sermons simple for everyone to understand and was sought out as a compassionate confessor. He was an itinerant preacher throughout the Eastern and Midwestern United States, before being sent to New Orleans where he died of yellow fever. Those seeking healing can submit their prayer petition to the National Shrine of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos.

TODAY'S READINGS: Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37 (461). *"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart . . . and your neighbor as yourself."*

## Tuesday, Oct 06, 2020

MEMORIAL OF BLESSED MARIE ROSE DUROCHER, VIRGIN

### When Mary receives a Martha job

Jesus said his friend Mary was right to cease activity, to simply sit at his feet and listen. But the church may ask you to be more like Martha—to reach out to the world, as Jesus also called on his followers to do. Such was the dilemma of Marie Rose Durocher. This quiet and frail young woman preferred the quiet life but was pressed into pastoral service by her brother, a Montreal priest in the 1830s. Then her bishop asked her to start a new religious community to help educate the young. How is God asking you to move beyond your own comfort zone today?

TODAY'S READINGS: Galatians 1:13-24; Luke 10:38-42 (462). *"A woman whose name was Martha welcomed him."*

## Wednesday, Oct 07, 2020

MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

### Protect us from harm

The Rosary has been a favored Catholic form of prayer for centuries. Inviting us to pray five Our Fathers, 50 Hail Marys, and five Glory Be's while meditating on gospel stories from Mary's and Jesus' lives, this spiritual practice has helped generations of Catholics ask for Mary's intercession. In October 1571, Catholic soldiers prayed the Rosary to prepare for battle with Turkish soldiers in the Gulf of Corinth. When they won that battle, Pope Pius V claimed that October 7 would be known as the Feast of

Our Lady of Victory. Two years later, his successor, Gregory XIII, changed the name to the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. As our world faces the challenge of the COVID-19 virus, we again ask for Mary's intercession. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.

TODAY'S READINGS: Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14; Luke 11:1-4 (463). *"Jesus was praying in a certain place."*

## Thursday, Oct 08, 2020

### Persistence pays off

Prayer is not like an ATM whereby requests are entered and dispensed. Ultimately our model is Jesus. Christ's persistence in prayer united him with God but did not erase his suffering. He sweated blood, he was crucified. When we do not receive the answer we are hoping for to our prayer request, we may suffer too, but, like Jesus, we can open ourselves to deeper union with God. Take time today to offer God your needs, trusting that God's strength and presence always suffices.

TODAY'S READINGS: Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13 (464). *"If you . . . give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"*

## Friday, Oct 09, 2020

### God casts out evil

Although Hollywood has popularized exorcism with such movies as *The Exorcist* (1973) and more recently *The Conjuring* series, exorcism is a legitimate rite in the church. An exorcism is actually a form of prayer. It is used in situations where the faithful experience a force of evil or the "powers of darkness," which we call the devil or demons. Recognizing the place of exorcism in the prayers of the church is important because it reminds us that God has already freed us from the snare of evil. As you encounter various "demons" in your life, remember to pray: Call upon God to be with you and to separate you from all that is evil and to surround you with God's love.

TODAY'S READINGS: Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26 (465). *"But if it is by the finger of God that [I] drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you."*

## Saturday, Oct 10, 2020

### Put on your dancing shoes!

On this day, the Jewish community celebrates Simchat Torah. This joyous harvest festival marks the beginning and end of the annual Torah reading, and culminates in dancing with the sacred texts. In a similar sense of celebration, Jesus says to his disciples, "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it." Choose scripture as your companion, and get ready to shimmy, shake, rock and roll, and trip the light fantastic all for the greater glory of God.

TODAY'S READINGS: Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28 (466). *"And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise."*

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



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**OCTOBER 3, 2020 – OCTOBER 30, 2020**

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>SATURDAY OCT. 3</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Saturday</b> <b>Mass St. Mary's 8:00am</b>  <b>St. Mary's' Mass 5:00PM</b> Wedding at 5:00PM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Harvest Moon for Vocations Turtle Creek K of C #1472	<b>SUNDAY OCT. 4</b> <b>27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY</b> <b>TIME</b> St. Boniface Mass 8:00 AM  St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed	<b>MONDAY OCT. 5</b> CCD 7:25am  Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon  Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.	<b>TUESDAY OCT. 6</b> CCD 7:25am  Mass St. Mary's  <u>Church Office closed</u> Sr. Citizens 1pm Berend Family Center	<b>WEDNESDAY OCT. 7</b> CCD 7:25am St. Mary's Mass 6:00 pm Adoration 6:30 pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed St. Mary's Mother's meeting after Mass St. Boniface Mother's meeting 7pm	<b>THURSDAY OCT. 8</b> St. Mary's Prayer 7:25am  Mass St. Boniface 6pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.	<b>FRIDAY OCT. 9</b> Word & Worship St. Mary's 7:25 am  Mass St. Mary's 3:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.
<b>SATURDAY OCT. 10</b> Mass St. Mary's 8:00am Our Lady of Fatima Rosary  St. Mary's' Mass 5:00PM Wedding at 5:00PM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.	<b>SUNDAY OCT. 11</b> <b>28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY</b> <b>TIME</b> St. Boniface Mass 8:00 AM  St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed Scotland Sr. Citizens 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday Movie Night 5:00pm	<b>MONDAY OCT. 12</b> CCD 7:25am  Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. VFW & VFW Ladies Aux. 7pm	<b>TUESDAY OCT. 13</b> CCD 7:25am  Mass St. Mary's <u>Church Office closed</u> St. Boniface Fatima Prayer Hour Sr. Citizens 1pm Berend Family Center	<b>WEDNESDAY OCT. 14</b> CCD 7:25am K-12 Youth Mass St. Mary's 6:00pm Adoration 6:30pm Chaplet 6:30pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree K of C #1824 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree K of C #1715	<b>THURSDAY OCT. 15</b> St. Mary's Prayer 7:25am  Mass St. Boniface 6pm  Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.	<b>FRIDAY OCT. 16</b> Word & Worship St. Mary's 7:25 am  Mass St. Mary's 3:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.
<b>SATURDAY OCT. 17</b> Mass St. Mary's 12:00 NOON Confessions 3:00 – 4:00 At the Church office St. Mary's' Mass 5:00PM Spanish Mass 7:00PM Live-streamed at 5 Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: World Mission Sunday (Propagation of Faith)	<b>SUNDAY OCT. 18</b> <b>29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY</b> <b>TIME</b> St. Boniface Mass 8:00 AM  St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: World Mission Sunday (Propagation of Faith)	<b>MONDAY OCT. 19</b> CCD 7:25am  Mass St. Mary's 12:00 noon  Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.	<b>TUESDAY OCT. 20</b> Mass St. Mary's CCD 7:25am <u>Church Office closed</u> Sr. Citizens 1pm Berend Family Center	<b>WEDNESDAY OCT. 21</b> CCD 7:25am K-12 Youth Mass St. Mary's 6:00pm Adoration 6:30pm Chaplet 6:30pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed CDA #296 meeting after services	<b>THURSDAY OCT. 22</b> St. Mary's Prayer 7:25am  Mass St. Boniface 6pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing	<b>FRIDAY OCT. 23</b> Word & Worship St. Mary's 7:25 am  Mass St. Mary's 3:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.
<b>SATURDAY OCT. 24</b> Mass St. Mary's 12:00 NOON Confessions 3:00 – 4:00 At the Church office St. Mary's' Mass 5:00PM Spanish Mass 7:00PM Live-streamed at 5 Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.	<b>SUNDAY OCT. 25</b> <b>30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY</b> <b>TIME</b> St. Boniface Mass 8:00 AM  St. Mary's Mass 10:30 AM Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Both Masses live streamed	<b>MONDAY OCT. 26</b> CCD 7:25am  Mass St. Mary's 6:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree K of C meeting after Mass	<b>TUESDAY OCT. 27</b> Mass St. Mary's CCD 7:25am <u>Church Office closed</u> Sr. Citizens 1pm Berend Family Center	<b>WEDNESDAY OCT. 28</b> CCD 7:25am K-12 Youth Mass St. Mary's 6:00pm Adoration 6:30pm Chaplet 6:30pm Novena 7:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing. Mass will be live-streamed	<b>THURSDAY OCT. 29</b> St. Mary's Prayer 7:25am  Mass St. Boniface 6pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing	<b>FRIDAY OCT. 30</b> Word & Worship St. Mary's 7:25 am  Mass St. Mary's 3:00pm Please wear a mask & practice social distancing.