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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette

www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org
www.lasalette.org

February 21, 2021



LENT SCHEDULE

Daily Masses
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays
and Fridays
6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday
6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Saturday
8:30 a.m.
5:30 p.m.

Sunday
7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
and 4:30 p.m. (Life Teen Music)

Daily Rosary
after 8:30 a.m. Mass
Monday, Tuesday Thursday & Friday
(except First Friday)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesdays 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Saturdays 4 to 5 p.m.

Parish Sacrament of Reconciliation
7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, March 16

1st Friday Exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament
9 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.

Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
4:30 p.m. Tuesday
- 5:45 p.m. Wednesday

The Priests who serve Mary Queen Catholic Church are Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette.

Pastor: Rev. James H. Kuczynski, M.S.

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Sibi Kunninu, M.S.

Priest in Residence: Rev. Paul Mandziuk, M.S.

Deacons: Vince Eklund, 281-482-1391
 Darrell Moulton, 281-482-1391
 Paul Robison, 281-482-1391
 Derick Soares, 281-482-1391
 Chuck Turner, 281-482-1391

Pastoral Administration

Office Administrator	Jim Miller, ext. 309
Archivist	Anita Shorosky, ext. 315
Bookkeeper	JoEllen Baker, ext. 313
Bookkeeper	Ray Valadez, ext. 313
Coordinator of Ministries & Functions	Rose Mary Baez, ext. 219
Communications Coordinator	Erin Graham, ext. 334
Receptionist	Loretta Delaney, ext. 310

Pastoral Formation

Director of Adult Faith Formation & RCIA & Confirmation Coordinator	Eby Kurian, M.A., ext. 319
Director of Elementary Faith Formation	Barbara Aubuchon, ext. 333
Director for Adolescent Catechesis and Evangelization	Terri Ryan, ext. 317
Echo Apprentice	Emily Daversa, ext. 329

Music Ministry

Music Director	Samuel Sentmanat, ext. 227
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Food Pantry/Social Concerns

Coordinator of Food Pantry/ Social Services Ministry	Chris Austgen, ext. 328
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Facilities Management

Facilities Manager	Chuck Turner, ext. 316
Maintenance	Chris Meaux, ext. 316
Maintenance Coordinator	Charles Ganter, ext. 316

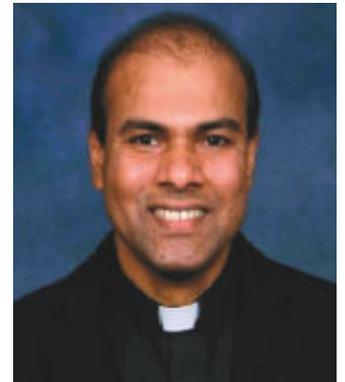


If you are new to Mary Queen parish or visiting, please stop by with any questions regarding our parish. We would love to meet you! If you have been attending Mary Queen Church and consider this your parish community, please register with the Parish Office so we can keep an accurate census. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact our parish office. Registration forms may be found in the Parish Office, Welcome Desk (in Church narthex), or on the website: www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org

Come Worship With Us!

Our Parish community worships together at Sunday Mass, Daily Masses, Holy Hour and Morning Prayer.

We pray the rosary after the 8:30 AM daily Masses (except Wednesdays & First Fridays).



Archives & Room Reservations

If you need to update your personal information in the parish database, have questions regarding Mass Intentions, need to request a copy of your baptism certificate, etc., please contact Anita Shorosky at anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org or call 281-482-1391.

All Ministries and Organizations who need to reserve a room and/or schedule events for the calendar need to contact Rose Mary at baezrm@maryqueenchurch.org.

If you have questions, please call the Parish Office, Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM, at 281-482-1391.

Sacramental Life

Sacrament of Baptism: *Congratulations for Choosing Life!* Parents should contact the Parish Office to register for preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: *Peace Be With You!* Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony: *The Lord Bless You!* Contact one of the priests at least six months in advance for preparation.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: *May the Healing Love of Christ Surround You!* If you know someone who is sick or in the hospital, contact the Parish Office so we can visit and include them in our prayers.

RCIA: Christian Initiation of Adults: *Journey With Us In Faith!* For inquiry into the Catholic Faith, contact the Parish Office.

La Salette Reflections
Fr. Rene Butler, M.S.
and
Wayne Vanasse



Remember and Return

(1st Sunday of Lent: Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15)

God's covenant with Noah was accompanied by a sign, the rainbow. Its stated purpose is to keep God from forgetting his promise, "There shall not be another flood to devastate the earth."

Ordinary signs point us in the direction of something ahead of us. The rainbow, and other signs of other covenants, do the opposite. They tell us to look back, to remember what God has done for his people, and especially why.

La Salette is about conversion, repentance, and reconciliation. Those whom the Beautiful Lady calls "my people" had forgotten their covenant relationship with her Son, who had called on the people of his day to repent and believe in the Gospel. Her message is similar: remember, and return.

It is not surprising that she spoke in particular about Sunday Mass. "For on this day Christ's faithful are bound to come together into one place so that; by hearing the word of God and taking part in the eucharist, they may call to mind the passion, the resurrection and the glorification of the Lord Jesus, and may thank God." (Vatican II on the Liturgy, 106)

In every celebration of the Eucharist we hear Jesus' words, "Do this in memory of me." In today's Psalm we pray, "In your kindness remember me." This is not only a matter of looking back. As with all covenant signs, the purpose is to let the Lord renew his presence and action in us, so that we can move forward with new strength and courage.

Lent is an opportunity to recognize to what extent we have strayed from our first fervor, so that we can return to a faithful covenant relationship going forward. This is the "clear conscience" of which St. Peter writes in the second reading.

Both the rainbow and La Salette (especially Mary's crucifix) serve as reminders of God's fidelity. Both are miracles of light and hope. God will never again destroy all mortal beings with a flood, and Mary, if we heed her words, will never again weep at the prospect of letting fall the arm of her Son.

If during these forty days we can remember and return, maybe we can show others the way back, too.

Wayne Vanasse, and Fr. René Butler, M.S.



Saturday, February 20

8:30 AM †Verna Kitkoski, †Tommy Kitkoski,
 †Octavia & †Violeta Montestruque

5:30 PM †Dan Foster, †Francis X. Herrick, †Wayne Norris

Sunday, February 21

7:30 AM †Pedro Leos, †Carlos Rodriguez,
 Harmon & Russell Families

9:30 AM †Joseph Anthony DeBonis, †Ernest Heeb, Vera Smart

11:30 AM All Our Parishioners

4:30 PM †Monico Garcia, †Bon Trinh

Monday, February 22

6:30 AM †Marc Dabal, †Mary Bouchard

8:30 AM †Juliana Krajca, †Ken Truman, †Rose Sobitk

Tuesday, February 23

6:30 AM †Phillip Montalbano

8:30 AM †Terrence Garland, †Thomas Culling, †Leo Braun

Wednesday, February 24

6:30 PM †Mr. Nathaniel Labrie, †Frances Harrison,
 Living & Deceased Members of Rodriguez Family

Thursday, February 25

8:30 AM †Bob & †Doris Elpers, John & Helen Simsarian,
 Allie Belvis

Friday, February 26

8:30 AM †Jerry Adam, †Leo Braun,
 Joey Guerra – Birthday Blessings

Saturday, February 27

8:30 AM †Leo Braun, †Miguel & †Elsa Bocangel

5:30 PM †Carolyn Norris, †Joseph & †Margaret Sama,
 Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Nelson & Teresa
 Olavarria

Sunday, February 28

7:30 AM †Huey Sims, †Joseph Swiader, †Elizabeth Knight

9:30 AM †Carl Hemmi, †Roger Stanfield, †Mollie Caroline Walker

11:30 AM †Tony Diotalevi, †Fred Kubesch, †Brandy Magdos

4:30 PM All Our Parishioners



Mass Intentions

There are three Intentions per Mass and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Please include the preferred date and an alternate date for each request. A limit of 12 Masses per family may be requested. To make requests, visit maryqueencatholicchurch.org/mass-intention-form.

TIME *Talent* TREASURE

Date	Weekly Offering Received	Weekly Budgeted Amount	Difference
January 30- February 5, 2021	\$29,822.50	\$36,375.00	(\$6,552.50)



Mary Queen Parish App

We invite you to download the Mary Queen App to your phone.

To contribute or to set up a recurring contribution on the app, text the words MARY QUEEN to 77977, scan this QR Code or go to <https://pushpay.com/g/maryqueencatholicchurch>. As you set up your recurring gift, you will complete the creation of your new account.

If you need assistance with setting up your account, please contact the Finance Department at finance@maryqueenchurch.org.



Offertory: January 30-February 5, 2021

This includes offertory at Mass, mail-in and online giving.

Weekly Offertory: \$29,822.50

Food Pantry: \$1,258.96

Master's Plan Debt Reduction: \$387.00

Devotional Candles: \$344.70

Upcoming 2nd Collections

February 21 - Black and Indian Missions Collection

March 7 - Future Development and Maintenance

March 14 - Catholic Relief Services Collection

March 21 - Easter Flowers

April 11 - Future Development and Maintenance

Current Loan Balance

February 10, 2021

\$2,845,289.25

2021 DSF Summary as of February 9

Parish

Goal: \$170,000.00

Total Amount

Paid: \$5,605

Total Number of Gifts

Received: 42

Total Number of Mary

Queen Donors: 37

Total Number of Mary Queen Households: 2,864



DSF 2020 goal \$165,000.00

DSF 2020 total given \$187,307.50

DSF 2020 rebate to Mary Queen \$22,307.50



Area Lenten Penance Services
All Services Begin at 7:00 PM

Wednesday, Feb. 24 - St. Mary, League City
Thursday, Feb. 25 - St. Bernadette
Wednesday, March 3 - St. Luke
Thursday, March 4 - St. Helen
Tuesday, March 9 - St. Paul
Thursday, March 11 - St. Hyacinth
Tuesday, March 16 - *Mary Queen*

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday during Lent beginning at 7:00PM in the Church.

Friday, February 26: La Salette Laity
Friday, March 5: Women's Ministry
Friday, March 12: Fr. James H. Kuczynski, M.S.
Friday, March 19: Parish Families
Friday, March 26: LIFE TEEN

**HOLY WEEK AND
 EASTER SERVICES**

<p>Palm Sunday March 28 Vigil Mass Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Mass 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Palm drive-by distribution, 1 to 3 p.m. (for those who do not attend Mass in person)</p> <p>Holy Thursday April 1 The Lord's Supper 7 p.m.</p> <p>Good Friday April 2 Solemn Stations of the Cross 3 p.m.</p>	<p>Celebration of the Passion of the Lord 7 p.m.</p> <p>Holy Saturday April 3 Easter Vigil Liturgy 8 p.m.</p> <p>Easter Sunday April 4 Mass 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12 p.m.</p> <p>Lenten Evening of Recollection with Msgr. Chester Borski 6 p.m. March 23</p>
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Lenten Alms Giving

Charity is a frequent and important theme of the Gospels. As individual members of Mary Queen, each of us is called to focus more closely on almsgiving during Lent. Almsgiving is the outward action of donating money or goods to the poor as a reflection of your love for Jesus. This year during Lent we are asking every person/family to donate the following items to our Food Pantry. When you come to Mass each weekend please place the items in the Food Pantry Donation Box located in the church narthex. Items can also be dropped off at the Food Pantry Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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| February 20 & 21 | Pancake Mix, Syrup, Cereal |
| February 27 & 28 | Peanut Butter and Jelly |
| March 6 & 7 | Snacks, Crackers, Cookies |
| March 13 & 14 | Soup, Chili, Ravioli,
Spam, Chicken |
| March 20 & 21 | Oil, Sugar, Mayo,
Mustard, Ketchup |
| March 27 & 28 | Toilet Paper, Shampoo,
Dish Soap, Laundry Soap |
| Holy Thursday
 Homeless Bags
 Personal Care
 Items | Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Comb, Tissues, Disposable Razors, Wipes, Shaving Cream, Deodorant, Feminine Hygiene Items, Lip Balm, Hand Towel |

It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin. Those who regularly give alms shall enjoy a full life" (Tob 12:8-9).

For more Lenten and Easter services, please visit maryqueencatholicchurch.org/lent-2021

Eby Kurian
Director of Adult Faith Formation
281-482-1391
ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org



ATTENTION MEN OF MARY QUEEN CHURCH!

In this New Year 2021

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God?
Be a better husband? Become a more loving father?
Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek
to be the best man you can be?

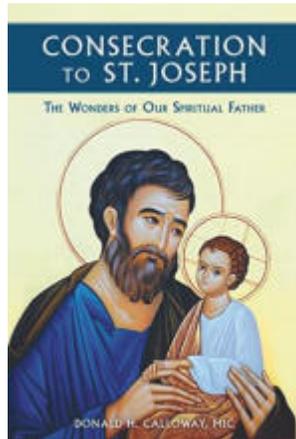
Then come join us in the Main Hall **Wednesday**
Mornings from 5:45 a.m. to 7 a.m.

For more information, please contact Eby Kurian at
ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391.

In the midst of crisis, confusion,
and a world at war with the
Church, it's time to come home
again to our spiritual father, St.
Joseph. The program by Fr.
Donald Calloway, MIC, brings
to life the wonder and the
ceaseless love of St. Joseph.

During this Year of Saint Jo-
seph, come and join the group
for a 33-Day Preparation and
Consecration to Saint Joseph. **Sundays through March**
14 from 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the **Main Hall**. Consecration
Day is on Friday, March 19 (Solemnity of St. Joseph).

Each participant will need to purchase a copy of the book,
which is \$9 thanks to a scholarship from Mary Queen
Men's Ministry. To register and purchase a copy of the
book please go to [https://maryqueencatholicchurch.org/
consecration-to-st-joseph](https://maryqueencatholicchurch.org/consecration-to-st-joseph). For more information, please
contact Eby Kurian.



The Search is an innovative video series that tackles the
key questions of every human heart and it is from the
producers of the FORMED online platform many of us use
for faith formation in Mary Queen. The well-known Catholic
evangelist Chris Stefanick hosts these seven beautifully
filmed episodes of *The Search* featuring scientists,
astronauts, artists, and fellow searchers who uncover the
answers to life's big questions on happiness, purpose,
meaning, and faith. *The Search* video series has something
for all of us, even those who are away from the Church but
are still seeking, and those who have never considered
faith before.

But *The Search* is not meant just to be watched and it's
certainly not meant to be watched alone. That's why we have
small groups meeting – both in-person and virtual – to
watch, discuss, and truly benefit and grow from
experiencing *The Search*.

Are you ready for *The Search*

The series begins February 22 for seven Mondays until
April 12.

Morning sessions (in-person) are from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00
a.m. in the Main Hall. Evening sessions (virtually via Zoom)
are from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

For more information and to sign up please contact Eby
Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation, at email
ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391, ext. 319.



*"The Lord gives each of us
a vocation, a challenge to
discover the talents and
abilities we possess and to
put them at the service of
others." ~Pope Francis*

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

281-482-1391



Come to the Table

When children ask,

“Why do we have to go to Mass?”

- **God asks us to make one day holy.** God asks us to set aside one day to refocus physically, mentally and spiritually.
- **Jesus gives us the gift of himself.** When we go to Mass, we are doing what Jesus commanded his followers to do.
- **We need to be part of a community.** When we come together at Mass to pray and worship God, we fulfil a deep need inside of us to be in communion with others.
- **God has a special message for us.** When we listen to the readings, the homily, and the prayers of the Mass, God speaks to us in a special way.
- **We need to talk to God.** When we go to Mass, we speak to God through our singing, our communal responses and prayers, and our personal prayers from the depths of our hearts.
- **People need our prayers.** We can pray for other people anytime, but when we pray for others during Mass, we pray in a special way.
- **We need to stand up for what we believe.** Being a follower of Jesus is counter-cultural. At every Mass, we have the opportunity to stand up and proclaim what we believe publicly.
- **We need to acknowledge that we make mistakes.** At every Mass, we have the opportunity to review the past week. We admit that we have sinned.....ask forgiveness and we are assured that God still loves us.

Taken from “Why do we have to go to Mass?”



Safe Environment: CMGConnect Safe Haven

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has a new Safe Environment Program, CMGConnect Safe Haven. This is an online Safe Environment training which replaces the previous program, VIRTUS Protecting God's Children. The CMGConnect Safe Haven training consists of three vignette style training videos and the duration of the training is approximately 60 minutes. They are available in English and Spanish. As part of the renewal training you will complete another criminal background check that will be included at the end of the training. Live trainings will no longer be offered, all Safe Environment trainings will now be online.

Go to <https://GalvestonHouston.CMGConnect.org> and log in with your previous personal user ID from VIRTUS and enter the password 1234. Once logged in to your CMGConnect account, you will be able to change your password. If you do not remember your VIRTUS user ID or are unable to log in, please contact **Anita Shorosky, Safe Environment Coordinator**, at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

Do not create a new account in CMGConnect.

2020 Parish Social Ministry Report

The Social Ministry report will be posted in full at maryqueencatholicchurch.org/social-ministries. We will be taking a look at each ministry weekly in the Bulletin.

2020 was a difficult year to say the least. In the world of social ministry there were so many people who needed so much help. Thanks be the God, because of the generosity of so many Mary Queen parishioners, we were able to accomplish an impressive amount last year. Below is information from several ministries that fall under the umbrella a Parish Social Ministries.

If you are interested in financially supporting, volunteering or just have a question concerning any of these ministries please contact Chris Austgen at 281-482-1391 or chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org

Food Pantry

- Provided groceries for 14,000 individuals.
- Paid just over \$40,000 towards household utilities.
- Managed disbursement of \$25,000 Catholic Charities Grant

Women's Ministry Update

2021 blessings from the Women's Ministry!

All women of Mary Queen Parish are members of the Women's Ministry. Our mission is to inspire and support all women of Mary Queen into greater service and stewardship through ministry work to meet the needs of our community.

The Women's Ministry meets at 7 p.m. monthly on the second Monday of the month, except June, July and August. Currently, meetings are taking place in-person and via Zoom. Please consider joining us. If you would like to receive notices of our meetings and activities, please contact Katherine Cox, President, kgcox84@gmail.com or Stephanie Monroig, Vice President, sterinmon@msn.com to be added to our email distribution list.

2021 meetings and activities:

Meetings in Mini Hall and via Zoom:

- March 8
- April 12
- May 10

Activities:

- April 18: Corporate Communion Mass
- April 24: Day of Prayer



**QUEEN'S BEE
"QUILT SHOW & MARKET"**

You are cordially invited to attend our Quilt Show & Market. Our beautiful quilts and other boutique items will be displayed and available for purchase.

Mary Queen Catholic Church
Friendswood, Texas 77546
Family Life Center

Preview Nite Saturday, Mar. 13, 2021 @ 6:30 pm
Sunday, Mar. 14, 2021 @ 8:30am - 2:00pm

*****No admission charge for this delightful event.*****



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"Mother's Butterfly Haven"

Quilt Raffle by Queen's
Been Quilters
76x94

Second and third place
prizes

Quilt Raffle Tickets are
\$5 each or 5 for \$20

Tickets are available at
the Receptionist Desk

Drawing will be held
July 4, 2021

At the July 4 Display in Main Hall @ 1:00pm

Mary Queen Catholic Church
606 Cedarwood Dr.
Friendswood, Tx 77546

Need not be present to win!



Lenten Fish Fry



All parishioners, families, friends and the public are invited to enjoy a **take-out only** catfish dinner, served by Mary Queen Knights of Columbus,

Council #8494 as a charity fundraiser. The dinner will be \$10 and served from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Friday during Lent.

175th Anniversary of the Apparition at La Salette

September 19th, 2021 will mark the 175th Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady of La Salette in France. Our 175th Anniversary Pilgrimage to the Holy Mountain of La Salette, Geneva, Assisi, and Rome will be an extraordinary way to celebrate the Actual Feast Day on September 19th with all the La Salette's around the world and mark this special day in time for their missionary order.

I would like to invite you to join us on this pilgrim journey in the footsteps of our Blessed Mother on the Holy Mountain where she appeared to two shepherd children, Maximin and Melanie. Departing from Houston on September 15, 2021 and returning on September 27, 2021. Join with us in what promises to be a wonderful experience celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady of La Salette.

~ Fr. Jim Kuczynski, M.S.

For Further Information, Please Contact:

Deacon Chuck Turner

Tel: 281-482-1391

Email: deaconchuck@maryqueenchurch.org

You can find registration forms in the travel pamphlet near the reception desk near the Main Hall.

The Hispanic Ministry Scholarships

The Hispanic Ministry of Mary Queen is currently accepting applications for the 2021 Hispanic Ministry Scholarships. Two \$1000 scholarships are available to Mary Queen parishioners that are graduating high school seniors.

Please submit your application online via the Mary Queen website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org. It can be found under the "Update, Forms, Resources" tab. Completed applications are due on Saturday, April 3, 2021, by 5:00 PM.

If you have questions, please contact: Israel Garza at mghispanicministry@gmail.com.

FORMED has amazing content and is available 24/7! During this time while things are closed, it's a great tool to take advantage of. There are videos for everyone! It's easy to get started!

Go to formed.org/signup

- **Select your parish – Mary Queen 606 Cedarwood Dr, Friendswood, TX**
- **Register with your name and email address**
- **Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED**

They have also created a series of videos to guide you through logging in, signing up, and using the platform at <https://watch.formed.org/formed-help-1/season:1>



Current Mary Queen Parishioners Update Your Family Information

Parish Soft gives current parishioners the opportunity to log in and update family information.

1. Go to the following link <https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com>
2. A **New User Registration Form** will come up. Fill out the form and hit submit.
3. Your request will be sent to Mary Queen to obtain confirmation.
4. Once you receive confirmation, you may set a permanent password and make changes to your family information.

This system allows you to add family members but it does not allow you to delete them. If you need assistance in adding and/or deleting information or would like to provide your updated information via telephone or e-mail, please contact Rhonda Hansen at 281-482-1391 or rhansen@maryqueenchurch.org.

Women's Ministry Scholarship

Mary Queen High School Seniors are invited to apply for a one-time Women's Ministry Scholarship of \$500.

For details about how to apply and to download an application, go to maryqueencatholicchurch.org/womens-ministry-service-scholarship-application.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. March 29. Only completed submissions will be considered.



BEST LENT EVER

Which one do you think will help you become a-better-version-of-yourself:

- A. Stop eating chocolate for 40 days
- B. Praying every day for 40 days

Join Matthew Kelly for BEST LENT EVER this year as we take a 40-day journey through his new book "I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit."

Giving up chocolate could be helpful. Learning how to pray will be life changing!

BEST LENT EVER is a free email program that sends daily inspirational videos directly to your email inbox. This acclaimed program will help you prepare your heart and mind during the season of Lent for the coming of Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday.

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/len/best-lent-ever.html>

La Salette Laity

September 2021 is the 175th anniversary of the apparition at La Salette.

All are welcome to join us as we learn more about Our Lady of La Salette. For those who are interested in becoming part of the International La Salette Laity, the formation process will take place during the monthly meetings. We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 2:45 PM with our first meeting this year being on March 2nd. The meetings are in-person and Zoom (contact Chris for the Zoom link). If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Chris Austgen at 2814821391 or chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org.



Let us pray for the grace to allow God to carry us, to gather us together into his flock and comfort us with love.

Archdiocesan Events

Steps for Students 5K race

The 16th annual Steps for Students 5K will be virtual this year! Registration is open; you may register today at www.steps4students.org.

Messages of Hope

During these difficult and trying times, priests of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston will be offering spiritual reflection videos on Scriptures of the day to help us stand firm in faith and hope.

New videos in English and Spanish will be posted on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Find all the video reflections online at www.archgh.org/messagesofhope.

Audio of the reflections are also available on our podcast channel via your favorite podcast app.

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston Health Updates website includes resources and updates related to COVID-19.

Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston will collaborate with the USCCB beginning in June 2020 on Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service. The initiative is designed to help each parish better publicize resources available for pregnant women and mothers in need in its region and to prayerfully discern how it may begin to assist, or build upon assistance already provided, to women in need. Additional information is available at www.walkingwithmoms.com. If you would like more, please contact the Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-741-8728 or email jkfritsch@archgh.org.

Texas Catholic Herald

Did you know the Texas Catholic Herald is online? Bookmark our website to get the latest news, stories,





**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION
AT OUR PARISH**

St. Joseph Chapel

24 Hour Adoration

4:30 PM on Tuesday to 5:45 PM on Wednesday

First Friday Adoration

9:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Please join us. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend quiet time with Jesus and in prayer.



**Mary Queen
Women's ACTS Team**

The Women's ACTS Retreat originally scheduled for April 2021 has been rescheduled for November 11-14, 2021, at the Journey Retreat Center in Houston.

If you would like additional information or have questions, please contact Robin Fischer at 281-827-9937 or fischr36@gmail.com or Sherry Howard at 713-417-4213 or rumorsmom@att.net.



Rite of Baptism

Mary Queen will now be offering Baptism Preparation classes online. For more information on how to sign up for a class or information on having your child baptized, please contact **Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 ext. 315 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org**.

"I invite everyone to turn to Our Lady. Let her inspire you with a Christian outlook, so as to live like and imitate her Son Jesus ever more."
~Pope Francis



Readings of the Week

Daily Readings

Saturday, February 20 Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, February 21 Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Monday, February 22 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday, February 23 Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday, February 24 Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday, February 25 Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12

Friday, February 26 Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday, February 27 Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Sunday, February 28 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

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**Encourage Deeper
Understanding of Scripture
February 21, 2021
1st Sunday of Lent**

St. Oscar Romero said, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more." These powerful words provide the perfect framework for a conversion oriented Lenten experience. God is giving us this Lenten sign to stop being concerned about what you have and focus on who you are. This requires that we create a desert space and listen more attentively for God to reveal His presence. It is all so wonderfully simple on the one hand and so incredibly challenging on the other. The message is simple: love God, neighbor, and self. Those simple words make great sense, but we struggle translating them into reality. Our attachments, compulsions, obsessions, addictions, routines, and busyness all anchor us to the "idol of the self," keeping us mired in our compulsive need for self-aggrandizement. It's not about us!

God vowed, long ago, to nurture, sustain and protect the relationship He has with His people. He called us into being, nurtures us in being, and sustains us in being. Without the Loving Divine Presence, all life would cease. Once we slow down a bit and clear away some of the clutter, we can see how the journey of our life is unfolding. We can see what brings us in and out of tune with God's love and how we can better imitate God's loving fidelity in our relationship with Him. In short, we will see our myopic short sightedness and figure out how we can better share the Divine Fire within with others. Lent isn't just about giving stuff up for forty days and indulging again at Easter. We need to push things much farther and wrestle with the question of how we can be more. "Being more" means becoming more fully alive and in touch with the holiness of life and the divinity that lives in and empowers all beings and things. It is realizing that the "quality" of our presence is crucial to being an effective witness and herald of God's unconditional love.

The illusion we have bought into causes us to believe that the wrong things and systems matter. We tirelessly fight to keep things the way they are, to return to the former ways of doing things or restore some nostalgic fantasy memory of "life in the good old days." Lent isn't about maintaining what we have or returning to something that is gone. It's about becoming something new. It's about being more focused, centered, convicted, and grounded so that we can be a person who truly loves and treasures being made in the image of God. The secret to Gospel living is not found in accumulating anything for ourselves, even merit points for heaven. Gospel living means learning how to live with less so that others can live with more. The thought of permanently giving something up makes us feel uncomfortable. Truth often does.

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Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit and patience with pain. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



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~ In Memoriam ~

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

† *Priya Manawadu, father of Dilshan Manawadu*

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Genuflecting & Kneeling

Q: Does it matter what leg you kneel on when genuflecting?

A: Genuflection is an act of devotion that literally means “to bend the knee.” For many Catholics, it’s an almost automatic gesture that we perform before entering our pew or row of seats at Mass. But, like many of the symbols and gestures of our faith tradition, genuflecting can also be an invitation for deeper reflection.

The practice of “bending the knee” is an ancient way of recognizing the presence of someone greater than we are. It has been said that the practice dates back to the time of Alexander the Great, but it became a common part of etiquette in the royal courts of the Middle Ages. From throne rooms and palaces, it was a small step to genuflecting, becoming part of the devotional lives of Christians who used this secular gesture as a way of recognizing the presence of the One who is King of Kings, especially in the Eucharist. In our tradition, although many have been taught or prefer to genuflect by placing their right knee on the ground, there is no prescribed way to genuflect. This is especially important to keep in mind if physical limitations or age make certain movements difficult for us.

Today, Catholics are asked to genuflect in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (whether in the tabernacle or exposed on the altar during eucharistic adoration). So, while it has become second nature to genuflect before entering your seat in church, we should pay attention to where the Blessed Sacrament is kept in each church or chapel we visit, and genuflect in the direction of the tabernacle where the Blessed Sacrament is kept. In churches or chapels in which the tabernacle is in a separate space, we are invited to simply bow toward the altar.

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The Unlikely Suspects

Have you ever taken a nature walk? Have you leisurely strolled through a forest or field, with no real destination in mind and your only objective being receptivity to and observation of all God’s creation?

Sometimes, Scripture readings can feel like a nature walk. All of salvation history plays out against the backdrop of the natural world, with all elements of God’s creation — plants and animals and the dust of the earth itself — turning in a supporting performance. How about Jesus in the hot and dusty desert, tempted, living “among the wild beasts?” Noah departed from his ark with the animals he rescued, observing God’s sign in the very clouds of the sky. Even God Himself, offering us salvation from original sin through the waters of baptism.

How often do we remember that God speaks to us through all of His creation, even in the unlikely suspects?

Let’s go back to the nature walk. It sounds like a lovely way to pass an afternoon, amongst wildflowers and butterflies, but don’t forget the beating hot sun, mosquitos, and threat of rain on the horizon. Remember, we’re not in heaven yet. Here on earth, God may be present in His creation, but that doesn’t mean it’s easy to endure.

Lent is, essentially, a time to listen for the voice of God in places we may not expect: the mild irritations you experience when you’re craving the chocolate you gave up, or the dull pangs of hunger during the Ash Wednesday fast. It’s a golden opportunity to see the divine hand in all of creation, even those unlikely suspects.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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