



Mary Queen
CATHOLIC CHURCH
October 27, 2024

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TAKE COURAGE

... JESUS IS
CALLING YOU.

— MARK 10:49 —

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



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Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM
Friday 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Mass Schedule

Saturday

5:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM*, 11:30 AM and 4:30 PM (*Livestreamed)

First Saturdays

8:30 AM

Daily Mass

8:30 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
6:30 PM Wednesday

Daily Rosary

After 8:30 AM Mass Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday (except First Friday)

First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30 PM Tuesday - 5:45 PM Wednesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 4:30 - 5:30 PM in the church
Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM in the church

Welcome to Mary Queen!

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 or visit our website: www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org.

Mission Statement

Our Mary Queen community, inspired by faith and love, will live, worship, teach, welcome and support one another in the imitation of Christ.

2024 Mass Intentions

We are no longer accepting Mass Intention requests through our website. Call the parish office for information on Mass Intention requests for 2024.

If you have any questions about Mass Intentions, please contact Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 27th

Distributing Thanksgiving Boxes - Social Services

Pastoral Council - Fall Picnic Ticket Sales (After All Masses)

- 10:00 AM—2:00 PM Women's ACTS Return Meal (Main Hall)
1:00 PM - 3:30 PM Scout Troop 452 - Special Religious Awards/Pope Pius XII/ Ad Altare Dei (Mary's House)
3:00 PM - 4:20 PM High School Faith Formation Lesson 5 - YM (Youth Center)
3:00 PM - 4:15 PM Mary Queen Youth Band Rehearsal (Church)
3:45 PM - 6:00 PM Post Confirmation Session - YM (Mary's House)
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Meet Me At the Pew - Junior High Youth (Church)
5:45 PM - 6:45 PM Jr. High Faith Formation Lesson 3 - YM (Youth Center)

Monday, October 28th

- 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Youth Confirmation/RCIA Makeup Classes (Youth Center)
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Walking Through Grief Support Group (Mary's House)
5:45 PM - 8:00 PM Special Friends Program (Main Hall)
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Cub Scout Pack Meeting (Room 114/115)
6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Men's ACTS Small Group (Library)
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Troop 452 Meeting (Youth Center)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group (Room 125)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Vocations Ministry Meeting (Mini Hall)

Tuesday, October 29th

- 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry (Room 114/115)
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM "Discovering Our Dignity" Women's Bible Study - Walking With a Purpose (Main Hall)
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Joyful Lights Study Group (Mary's House)
4:00 PM - 5:15 PM Elementary Faith Formation Classes (Classrooms)
4:30 PM Exposition for 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM Elementary Faith Formation Classes (Classrooms)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM "Discovering Our Dignity" - WWP (Main Hall)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM The Bible and the Virgin Mary - AFF (Mary's House)

Wednesday, October 30th

- 5:45 AM - 7:00 AM That Man Is You Year 8 Theme 'The Light of Men' (Main Hall)
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Christian Meditation Group (Mary's House)
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Giving Tree Planning Committee Meeting (Library)
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Queen's Bee Quilters Meeting (Mini Hall)
3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Youth Ministry Open Hours (Youth Center)
4:00 PM - 5:125 PM Elementary Faith Formation Classes (Classrooms)
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Youth Ministry Bible Study (Youth Center)
5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
5:45 PM - 7:00 PM Elementary Faith Formation Classes (Classrooms)
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Jr. High Youth Council Discernment - YM (Youth Center)
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Troop 452 Merit Badge Classes (Youth Center)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM College Students & Young Professionals Faith Sharing Small Group & Bible Study (Mary's House)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Mary Queen Woodworkers (Mary's House Garage)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage Meeting (Main Hall)

Thursday, October 31st

- 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Jesus & The Eucharist: A Small Group Series for Eucharistic Revival - AFF (Mini Hall)
3:45 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Saints Potluck Party (Main Hall)

Friday, November 1st

Women's Ministry Silent Retreat - Villa de Matel

- 5:00 PM - 8:30 PM First Friday Family Night (Main Hall)

Saturday, November 2nd

Distributing Thanksgiving Boxes - Social Services

- 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM All Souls Day Mass
9:00 AM—11:00 AM Mary Queen Woodworkers (Mary's House)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation (Church)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 26th

- 5:30 PM †Nicolas Lozano, Melanie Sarmiento, Lucia Boone

Sunday, October 27th

- 7:30 AM †Pam Pesl, †Gene Carlow, †Luke Dimicelli
9:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
11:30 AM †Matilde Montemayor, †Joseph Leba, †Hao Leba
4:30 PM †Crispin Martin, †Charles & †Philomena St. George, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Carlin Family

Monday, October 28th

- 8:30 AM †Charles & †Philomena St. George, John Laine – Birthday Blessings, Loretta Delaney – Birthday Blessings

Tuesday, October 29th

- 8:30 AM †Cris Valentin, †Hao Leba, †Joseph Leba

Wednesday, October 30th

- 6:30 PM †Joseph Swiader, †Charles Kratzer, †Betty Jones

Thursday, October 31st

- 8:30 AM †Alfred & †Juanita Valadez, †Berni & †Philip Macalusot, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Hitt Family
7:00 PM †Harold Doiron, †Daniel Jackson Wise, Sr., Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Martinez Family

Friday, November 1st

- 7:00 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
8:30 AM †MaryJo Dimicelli, †Eric Tetreault, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Hilman & Mary Reviere
7:00 PM †Joseph Leba, †Hao Leba, †Jameel Fahel

Saturday, November 2nd

- 8:30 AM Mary Queen Ministries, Micah Delaney – Birthday Blessings, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Judy Hodges
5:30 PM †Velma Labrie, †Debi Reyes, †Mary Ann Lowdermilk

Sunday, November 3rd

- 7:30 AM †George Whittet, Marleen Whittet, Isabella Howard – Birthday Blessings, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Thelma Rumfolo
9:30 AM †Nestor Cruz, †Anthony Ngo, †Mark Evangelista, †George Charles Cousino
11:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners



TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

Offertory: October 5, 2024 - October 11, 2024

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$61,087.39

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$79,010.00

Difference: \$(17,922.61)

MP-Debt Reduction: \$2,853.32

Future Development & Maintenance: \$1,214.00

Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$3,101.00

**Loan Balance as of October 18, 2024 was
\$763,483.47**

*Thank you to all who have donated to the
Master Plan Debt Reduction.*

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

November 1 - All Saints Day

November 3 - Retired Priests

November 10 - Future Development & Maintenance

Diocesan Services Fund

2024 DSF Summary as of October 18, 2024

Parish Goal: \$195,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$182,727.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 362

Total Number of Gifts Received: 897

Total Number of Mary Queen Households: 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit
www.archgh.org/dsf.

IGNITE Campaign

2022 IGNITE Summary as of October 18, 2024

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$603,200.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,383.32

Total Number of Gifts Received: 2,395

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 275

Total Number of Mary Queen Households: 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit
www.archgh.org/about/ignite-capital-campaign.

**Make the switch from envelopes to
online giving!**

**Scan the QR code to make a one-time
gift or set up recurring gifts today!**



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 Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

FORMED

To sign up for FORMED, visit www.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>.

FLOCKNOTE



Flocknote is the email communications platform Mary Queen uses to keep our parishioners informed about what's going on in the parish. The weekly eNews is sent out using

Flocknote, and many of our ministries and other parish groups also use it to keep their members up to date with meeting news and other information.

If you are not receiving email communications from Mary Queen, sign up for Flocknote at <https://maryqueenchurch.flocknote.com/>.

ARCHIVES & ROOM RESERVATIONS

To request a copy of your parish records or to update your personal information, contact Anita Shorosky at anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

For room reservations and/or to schedule calendar events, contact Rose Mary at baezrm@maryqueenchurch.org.

LOOKING FOR PARISH INFORMATION? START HERE!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Sacraments

Find registration information for all of our Sacraments for all ages.



Elementary Faith Formation (EFF)

Find class calendars and all other information relating to EFF.



Jr. High Faith Formation (ARK)

High School Faith Formation (CAST)



Adult Faith Formation (AFF)

Find all of the programs and Bible studies we offer for all ages ranging from 18 onwards.



RCIA for Adults

Interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic church? Scan the QR code to fill out our RCIA Inquirer & Candidate Information Form.



Sunday Bulletin

Want to read our bulletins online? Find current and past issues on our website.



Become a registered parishioner!

We welcome all to Mary Queen! If you worship with us weekly, register as a parishioner to receive parish updates and more.



Ministries

Want to get involved in our parish? Check out our list of active ministries! There is a place for you here!



Social Concerns Ministries

We are called to live out the Corporal Works of Mercy for our neighbors in need. If you feel called to help, join one of these ministries!

Need additional information?

Call our parish office at 281-482-1391 or visit our website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org.

My Dear Parishioners,

Since we celebrate All Saints Day and All souls Day on November 1st and 2nd respectively, I thought it would be interesting to share with you some of the practices and traditions regarding death, burial and belief in the afterlife in some countries I visited, while serving in the La Salette Mission Office for 13 years.

I was surprised to see that cemeteries in Haiti contained brightly colored above ground tombs. Interestingly, the Haitians graveyards are comprised of mausoleums, which make the cemeteries look like miniature villages made of concrete. Honoring the deceased is incredibly important to the Haitian people. Haitians venerate a supreme being and believe in the existence of invisible evil spirits or demons and in an afterlife. In Haiti the spirits are as real as your wife or your dog. Regardless of the economic situation or religious beliefs, Haitians strive to make sure their legacy is preserved, and their culture is portrayed with dignity even after death.

I was curious about the tombs I had been seeing everywhere in Madagascar. The Malagasy pay a lot of attention to their dead relatives and put much effort building ancestral tombs which are opened from time to time so the remains can be carried in procession before being rewrapped in fresh shrouds and replaced in the tomb. They call this practice "famadihana". There is no cemetery. Tombs are built by the homes. I was told that a family may have one hundred cows and be quite rich. They will not sell one cow to take care of the sick, but they would kill as many cows as they need to celebrate their dead. Likewise, a family may own hundreds of pigs and not sell even one to send their children to school but would be willing to kill ten to celebrate their dead with their extended family and friends.

Witnessing a funeral service in Tanzania was quite a unique experience. A group of people came from outside beating on their chests, mourning and crying over the dead. When the funeral Mass is offered, they would offer their contributions with both hands which is a sign that they offer them wholeheartedly to God. At the end of the Mass, they take the body to bury it in their own front yard. Then there are three days of prayers conducted with most people in the village present. It is certainly a village event where everyone comes to show their support for the family and offer prayers for the dead.

Filipino funeral traditions are deeply rooted in faith, family, and community. Hospitality is a hallmark of Filipino culture, even in times of mourning. Relatives and friends of the bereaved often bring food and refreshments to share with visitors during the wake. This gesture of generosity serves not only to nourish the guests but also to foster a sense of community and support during a difficult time.

Eternal rest grant unto him/her O, Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him/her. May he/she rest in peace.

Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS

UPCOMING EVENTS



Mary Queen Catholic Church invites you to join us for our annual All Souls Mass on Saturday, November 2nd at 8:30 AM.

We remember those departed in our parish family in 2023/2024, those who have been honored with a Memorial Plaque on our Memorial Prayer Wall, and all of our faithfully departed.

Come and pray for the repose of their souls.



Continuing one of our longest running traditions, the Food Pantry will once again provide Thanksgiving Blessings to 200 families.

The process is changing this year. We are asking families to take a box (or 2 or 3), purchase the items on the instruction sheet and return the box. Each box will run you about \$50. Food Pantry volunteers will be in the Narthex to sign out boxes on the weekend of October 26/27 and November 2/3.

Boxes are due back at Mary Queen no later than November 17th.

If you have any questions please contact Chris at chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391.



SEND A BOX OF JOY!



Due to your generous donations, we have distributed all of the Boxes of Joy to be sent to children in various countries. If you picked up one of the boxes,

please return your filled Box of Joy to any of the Food Pantry donation bins or leave them at the reception desk in the Main Hall beginning October 24th. All boxes must be returned by October 29th so that they can be delivered and received in time for Christmas.

An online donation of \$9 is requested to cover postage. All information is on the pamphlet that was included in your box. The link below will direct you to the website to make the donation. Please print a copy of the shipping receipt and enclose it inside your box. Please do not tape the box shut as it will need to be inspected in order to be shipped.

<https://crosscatholic.org/box-of-joy/online/#shipping>

If you have any questions, please contact Sheri Barber at 713-824-8091.

The Safety of Darkness

Leprosy and blindness and deafness — oh, my. The disabilities cured by Jesus in his public ministry really are quite something, aren't they? Vividly symbolic and rich food for reflection. It just wouldn't be the same if Jesus had cured eczema or athlete's foot or compulsive nail-biting.

Blind Bartimaeus, sitting by the side of the road, in particular captures my imagination. Because I have a confession to make, sometimes, I like to sit in the darkness, even though I know it isn't very good for me.

Well, listen: it's just easier, isn't it? You don't have to care about or fix the problems you can't see. No one expects you to rush to someone's aid if you don't see their injuries. The darkness is a good place to be, if you don't feel very brave or very smart or very able.

And when Jesus passes you by, if your whole world is darkness, it's easy enough to pretend you just didn't notice him at all.

But Bartimaeus chose not to stay in his darkness. More than that, he cried out to be released from it, even when everyone around him told him to shut up. He was so persistent that he caught the notice of Jesus, and when he heard those words — "Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you!" — what did he do? He didn't stammer and run away. He had courage. He got up.

It takes courage to ask for what you need to follow Christ. Because if you ask for it, you'll get it. And then begins the terrifying, wonderful journey of discipleship — testifying to what you have seen. Life in the light, no longer sitting by the side of the road but on the road, journeying toward the greatest destination of all.

"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asks us.

Do we have the courage to answer him?

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October 27, 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Near my house there is a school for the blind. Often, I see blind people learning how to navigate the world with only a walking stick, even on a busy street with roaring traffic. I'm amazed to see how adept and carefully they get around without sight. Nevertheless, often a sadness arises in me that he or she cannot see all the beautiful colors, images, and persons filling the world around them. Those days, I find myself deeply grateful for the basic privilege of sight.

That's part of why the mystery of Jesus as the sight-giver is so moving to me. This week, it's wonderful how Bartimaeus the blind man is no longer content with his limitation and bel-lows out his desire for Jesus' mercy. In beautiful simplicity, he cries out to the Lord, "Master, let me receive my sight." Jesus quietly heals his sight. And off he goes, fully taking in the world around him. Imagine the delightful new way in which he is able to respond to the world.

Like blind Bartimaeus and the courageous people in my neighborhood, we may be able to get around reasonably well in our daily lives. But we are blind to the gestures of heroic love of people close to us. We can't see the desperate need of the hungry, thirsty, imprisoned, exploited, endangered, and so on, in our midst. We can't see Jesus drawing near to us in so many ways, but he is. This Sunday let's cry out to him: Lord have mercy on me! I want to see! And little by little — or perhaps in a flash — we'll see once again, or perhaps for the first time.

— Father John Muir
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DAILY READINGS

Sunday, October 27

Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Monday, October 28

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

Tuesday, October 29

Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday, October 30

Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday, October 31

Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35

Friday, November 1

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/
Mt 5:1-12a

Saturday, November 2

Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/
Mt 11:25-30

Next Sunday:

Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/Heb 7:23-28/
Mk 12:28b-34



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That Man is You! (TMIY)

Fall 2024 Semester of 'That Man is You!' (TMIY) program at Mary Queen started **Wednesday, September 18th**. We meet Wednesday mornings from **5:45 am - 7:00 am** in the **Main Hall**.

This is the **8th Year** of TMIY program in Our Parish, and this year's theme is **'The Light of Men'**

Join us for food, fellowship and faith! All men are welcome! The great thing about this program is that even if you stopped coming in the past, now you can jump into this new content!



"If anyone does not wish to have Mary Immaculate for his Mother, he will not have Christ for his Brother."

St. Maximilian Kolbe

Protestants often argue that Catholic beliefs about Our Blessed Mother are not biblical.

Can you defend the faith?

Enroll in ***The Bible and the Virgin Mary***

Classes begin Tuesday, October 15th and meet weekly at Mary's House, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Purchasing workbook & Haily Holy Queen book is optional to join this Study

Contact Eby Kurian to enroll.



Purchase Workbook Here



Order Haily Holy Queen Book



Adult Confirmation Sacrament Preparation Sessions in Mary Queen are offered by the Department of Adult Faith Formation on Thursday nights from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the Fall & Spring. Sessions focus on a re-introduction and re-familiarization of all of the Catholic sacraments with special emphasis on the Sacrament of Confirmation, as well as topics such as the Church and living a sacramental and moral life.

To register for the 2024 – 2025 Adult Confirmation Preparation Sessions, please contact: Eby Kurian.



Jesus and the Eucharist is a dynamic, 7-session study designed to help you connect with your fellow Young Adults parishioners as you fall deeper in love with our Eucharistic Lord. Immerse yourself in the beauty of our faith in an intimate small group setting, hear from some of the most brilliant voices in Catholicism, and explore the mystery of the Eucharist anew as a part of the National Eucharistic Revival.

This powerful series bore great fruit and we want to offer it again for the benefit of those who missed it as well as the new and reverted Catholics who will be attracted to your parish throughout the Year of Mission.

All young adults of ages 18 & above are invited to attend our Faith Sharing Small Group Sessions from 7:15 - 8:30 PM in Mary's House (located in the back of the Mary Queen parking lot) on Wednesday evenings after the 6:30 PM Holy Mass.

Please contact Eby Kurian to get more information and/or to sign-up for this new series.



SOULCORE
 BODY MIND SOUL

Upcoming SoulCore sessions at Mary Queen!

Adult Faith Formation Department is partnering again with Certified SoulCore Leader, Aimee Kindle, to offer twice a month sessions with Friday Morning & Wednesday Evening options for all Men & Women of ages 18 and above. Don't worry if you missed it last time; please join us anytime!

Wednesday Evening Sessions: 7:15 - 8:15 PM

Friday Morning Sessions: 9:30 - 10:30 AM

October 9 & 25 ~ November 6 & 22 ~ December - 4 & 20





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YOUTH FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING SCHEDULE

High school and OCIA	Jr. high <small>(has received First Communion)</small>
Oct 27	Oct 27 - Meet at the Pew
Nov 10	Nov 10
Nov 17	Dec 1
Nov 24 (No Class)	Dec 15
Dec 1	
Dec 8	

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

TUESDAY CLASS DATES	WEDNESDAY CLASS DATES
October 29	October 30
November 5	November 6
November 12	November 13
Thanksgiving Break	Thanksgiving Break
December 3	December 4
December 10	December 11
Christmas Break	Christmas Break

***PLEASE DIRECT YOUR CHILDREN TO THE
MINI HALL FOR THE START OF CLASS.**

Message from the director:

High schoolers and OCIA students meet every week from 3:00 - 4:20 PM.

Everybody meets at the St. Charbel Youth Center.

Our Confirmation retreat is Nov. 2-3 at the Christian Renewal Center (Dickinson, TX)

Our next Sacramental Preparation class is Wednesday, Nov. 6th from 5:45 - 7:00 PM.

Junior High Faith Formation

Our first *Meet Me at the Pew* night is tonight October 27th. Please join us at the 4:30 PM Mass, Fr. Trey will have a special message for the youth. Reserved seating for Jr. High will be available. Class will be immediately following.

Junior Youth Council Discernment night
 Wednesday, October 30th

We will meet at the 6:30 PM Mass and then proceed to the Youth Center for a night of discernment, prayer and pizza. We will conclude at 8:30 PM

Areas for discernment include:

Service, Social and Spiritual

Mary Queen K-5th Grade

Have you prayed the rosary with your family? October is the month of the rosary. Please let us know if you complete a rosary.

October

We Celebrate the Month of the Holy Rosary

Decades of the rosary:

<p>Sorrowful Mysteries</p> <p>Jesus prays in agony in Gethsemane (1), knowing his hour of suffering has come. After his betrayal and arrest, Jesus is scourged (2) and crowned with thorns (3). He carries his cross (4), and Mary stands at the foot of the cross as he is crucified (5).</p>	<p>Luminous Mysteries</p> <p>Jesus is baptized in the Jordan River (1) before Mary gives him a nudge to his first miracle at Cana (2). Jesus proclaims the Gospel (3), is transfigured on Mount Tabor (4), and institutes the Eucharist (5). The light is shining!</p>
<p>Joyful Mysteries</p> <p>Through the Annunciation (1) and Visitation (2), we get a glimpse at Mary's joyful yes to God. She gives birth to Jesus in the Nativity (3). Mary and Joseph present their son at the temple (4) and bring him there again when he is a teenager (5).</p>	<p>Glorious Mysteries</p> <p>Christ is risen in glory (1)! After appearing to those he loves, he ascends into heaven (2). Jesus' followers receive the Holy Spirit at Pentecost (3). Mary, unaffected by original sin, is assumed body and soul into heaven (4), where she is crowned queen, humble mother of Christ the King (5).</p>

AROUND THE PARISH

REMINDER:

Due to the Parish Mass and Picnic in the Park, there will not be an 11:30 AM or 4:30 PM Mass in the church on Sunday, November 3rd.



All Souls Memorial Display

Our parish will have an All Souls Memorial Display in the church during the month of *November*. It will be in the alcove to the left of the main aisle. Beginning October 26th, please bring a picture of any deceased family member who you would like to be remembered and place it on the Memorial table. The picture should be in a frame and no larger than 8X10.

PICNIC IN THE PARK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD
11:30 AM OUTDOOR MASS
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Sunday, November 3, 2024 for the Picnic in the Park

Sunday, November 24, 2024 - Thanksgiving

Sunday, December 22, 2024 - Christmas



**BANNS – Ordination to the Diaconate for
Scott Matthew Ryan**

It is herewith announced that **Scott**, a candidate for the Order of Diaconate will be ordained a deacon on **Saturday, February 15, 2025**, at a Mass to be celebrated by Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston.

If any persons know of a serious reason why this candidate should not be called to ordination, please notify

Deacon George Silva, Director of Formation
Office of the Diaconate
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
281-543-2986
george.silva@smseminary.com.

Please keep **Scott and Terri** in your prayers as he prepares for ordination into this sacred ministry. May he always be faithful to the diaconal ministry of service of word, liturgy, and charity to which he is about to be ordained.

This announcement is in compliance with Canon 1051:2 of the Code of Canon Law.



**BANNS – Ordination to the Diaconate for
Max Silva II**

It is herewith announced that **Max**, a candidate for the Order of Diaconate will be ordained a deacon on **Saturday, February 15, 2025**, at a Mass to be celebrated by Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston.

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Please keep **Max and Clarissa** in your prayers as he prepares for ordination into this sacred ministry. May he always be faithful to the diaconal ministry of service of word, liturgy, and charity to which he is about to be ordained.

This announcement is in compliance with Canon 1051:2 of the Code of Canon

**Annual Service Award
Mary Queen Pastoral Council**

Please congratulate David and Mary Merlau along with Terri Kettle on receiving the Annual Service Award from the Mary Queen Pastoral Council. These deserving recipients enrich our Mary Queen Parish in so many ways! Thank you for your service to making Mary Queen a model parish in the Arch-diocese of Galveston-Houston!



Terri Kettle has impacted so many women at Mary Queen as well as surrounding parishes through Walking with Purpose. Her service to growing the Walking with Purpose program has positively impacted the lives of hundreds of women!



The Merlaus are involved in a wide array of ministries including the Food Pantry, the Gabriel Project, Adult Faith Formation/RCIA, and the La Salette Laity to name just a few. The Merlaus are moving and will be missed as part of our Mary Queen family.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

Archdiocesan White Mass

St. Anne Catholic Church

The annual White Mass for all Catholics working in healthcare (doctors, nurses, mental health professionals, technicians and administrators) will be celebrated at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, at St. Anne Catholic Church in Houston. the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in downtown Houston. Bishop Italo Dell'Oro, CRS will preside. Following Mass, dinner will be offered with two expert speakers on the topic of recognizing and responding to human trafficking as healthcare providers.



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Cadet 3/c Manon Murphy

If you have loved ones in the Armed Services and wish their names be listed in this column and to be remembered in our prayers, please email anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org. Include the rank of the individual, their name and their branch of service.

Thank you and God Bless America!

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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



We offer the **Vigil Candle** as a Memorial Candle each week to interested parishioners who would like to request that it burn **"In Memory of..."** or **"In Honor of..."** a loved one, living or deceased. To reserve the candle, contact the Receptionist in the Parish Office at 281-482-1391. The name of your loved one will be published in the bulletin and near the Sanctuary Candle in the Church.

Prayer List Requests

If you have a family member or friend who needs special prayers by our parish community, please consider placing them on the Mary Queen Prayer List after getting their permission. Provide the name to Loretta Delaney at reception@maryqueenchurch.org. Names will be added to the list for 60 days. Once the initial time is up, we kindly ask that you not renew your request for another 60 days. Due to the overwhelming amount of requests, we will abide by this policy in order to accommodate all new prayer requests.

**New
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Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training
Thursday, November 7 ~ 7:00 - 8:30 PM ~ Church

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For additional information or if you have questions, please contact
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Contact: Albert Cipolla, Communications Coordinator
 email: ahcipolla@maryqueenchurch.org
 phone: 281-482-1391 x534

Send pulpit announcement requests to **Albert Cipolla**
 by the Tuesday before the requested Mass date.
 (Requests will be announced upon the pastor's approval.)

Send bulletin submissions by noon on the deadline dates listed below.

November 3 - Already Submitted
November 10 - October 30
November 17 - November 6



All Souls

Question:

November is called the month of All Souls. More recently, it has been called the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Can you tell us more about this feast and the remembrances of this month?

Answer:

November 2nd, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, dovetails with November 1st, the feast of All Saints. The saints, our models of Christian living, are one with God in heaven. All the faithful departed are those who have died with hope and trust in a loving God who calls us to greater growth and development, even beyond death. This growth and development occurs in a state of being that we have traditionally called purgatory.

While the Western Church has emphasized the cleansing and purifying nature of purgatory, the Eastern Orthodox Church has emphasized the growth and development aspect of it. Today, belief in purgatory allows one who has died in Christ to continue growing and developing before meeting God face to face. God continually invites communion with these loved ones, but some feel the need to continue growing and developing before entering into full communion with God.

These November feasts vividly remind us of the rich reality known as the communion of saints. This belief stresses the strong affirmation that the church is always one in Christ. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death.

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Everyday Stewardship

Giving as God does.

Ask yourself this question — what would you pray for if you really believed God could and would do anything for you? In my experience, we all have something. We all have that miracle we're afraid to request, afraid we will be disappointed.



Do we doubt God's readiness to give because we ourselves have such an imperfect understanding of charity and love? Maybe if we had better faith in God we would be more ready to give of ourselves — and maybe if we were more ready to give of ourselves, we would understand more clearly the ways of God.

Because we're not really afraid that God can't do something. We know He can do anything. What we're afraid of is that He will do what He always does: give us what we need, not what we want.

Have you ever had a friend in need and you just wanted to give them something — a meal, a phone call, a text? Not because you knew it would help, but simply because you wanted to reach out. And have they ever said to you: It wasn't so much what you gave, but the fact that you did. You gave them what they needed even if it wasn't what they specifically asked for.

When we give in this manner, we are giving as God does. Sometimes we are afraid to ask because we don't want to be disappointed. But remember, the blind man on the road got what he asked for, but he would have gotten what he needed even if his answer had been the opposite. God's generosity is always reckless, and it's always perfect.

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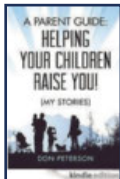
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