

A close-up photograph of a person's hand, palm up, holding three small, dark, worn coins. The background is dark and out of focus. The lighting is warm, highlighting the texture of the skin and the details of the coins.

**Mary Queen**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH  
*November 10, 2024*

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A POOR  
WIDOW ALSO  
**CAME.**

— MARK 12:43 —

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



**Pastor**

Rev. Thomas Vellappallil,  
M.S.



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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](http://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](mailto:anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org).

# THIS WEEK

## Sunday, November 10th

**Collecting Thanksgiving Boxes - Social Services (All Week)**

**Knights of Columbus Blood Drive & Coffee/Donuts (After Morning Masses)**

**Knights of Columbus BBQ Fundraiser**

3:00 PM - 4:20 PM High School Faith Formation Lesson 6 - 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)

5:45 PM—6:45 PM Jr. High Faith Formation - Lesson 4 - YM (Youth Center)

## Monday, November 11th

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Pastoral Clergy Meeting (Mini Hall)

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Youth Confirmation/OCIA Make Up 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)

6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Men's ACTS Small Group (Library)

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 452 Den Meetings (Classrooms)

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)

## Tuesday, November 12th

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry (Room 114/115)

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Mary Queen Seniors Bingo (Mini Hall)

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Discovering Our Dignity Women's Bible Study (Main Hall)

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" Women's Bible Study (Main Hall)

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM The Bible and the Virgin Mary - AFF (Mary's House)

## Wednesday, November 13th

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 - 11:30 AM Queen's Bee Quilters Meeting (Mini Hall)

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Youth Ministry Open Hours (Youth Center)

4:00 PM - 5:15 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)

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Mary Queen Woodworkers (Mary's House Garage)

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM College Students & Young Professionals Faith Sharing Small Group & Bible Study (Mary's House)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Women's ACTS Retreat Reunion (Main Hall)

## Thursday, November 14th

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Jesus & The Eucharist: A Small Group Series for Eucharistic Revival - AFF (Mini Hall)

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM OCIA Team Meetings - Evangelization Sessions - AFF (Youth Center)

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Bay Area Serra Club Meeting (Mini Hall)

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Fun Run Planning Meeting (Room 119)

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Creation Care Ministry Meeting (Room 110/Library)

## Friday, 15

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Hispanic Ministry Bilingual Rosary (Chapel)

## Saturday, November 16th

**Collecting Thanksgiving Boxes - Social Services**

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Mary Queen Woodworkers (Mary's House)

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation (Church)

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Saturday, November 9th

5:30 PM †Dolores Prindiville, John Karam, Cathy Fitch –  
Birthday Blessings

## Sunday, November 10th

7:30 AM †Mary Le, †Jeffrey Peterson, †Neal Namken

9:30 AM Jun Agustin, †Al Radous, Maria Phong Vo

11:30 AM †Ana Bac Phung, †Dominic Bui, †Joseph Leba

4:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

## Monday, November 11th

8:30 AM +Norbert Popp, +Elise Pulumbarit, All Our  
Veterans

## Tuesday, November 12th

8:30 AM †Juan Carlos Pujalt, Jerett & Melanie Bell –  
Anniversary Blessings, Beth Turner – Birthday  
Blessings

## Wednesday, November 13th

6:30 PM †Randy Walbe, Respect Life, Dolores Thomas –  
Birthday Blessings

## Thursday, November 14th

8:30 AM †Marissa Ledesma-Laurel, Living & Deceased  
Loved Ones of John & Agnes Susil, Anita  
Shorosky – Birthday Blessings

## Friday, November 15th

8:30 AM †John Garst, †John Revel, Kim Brooks –  
Birthday Blessings

## Saturday, November 16th

5:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

## Sunday, November 17th

7:30 AM †Rose Marie Lanese, †Steve Schifani, Karen  
Hatchik

9:30 AM †Amadeo Montemayor, Arellano-Enriquez  
Family, Gilbert Enriquez – Birthday Blessings

11:30 AM †Annette Bell, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of  
the Carlin Family, Marylyn Bullard

4:30 PM †Tony Diotalevi, †Daniel & †Yadira Zemeno,  
Owen Turner – Birthday Blessings





# TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

## Offertory: October 19, 2024 - October 25, 2024

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

**Weekly Offertory Received:** \$42,279.00

**Weekly Budgeted Amount:** \$45,525.77

**Difference:** \$3,246.77

**MP-Debt Reduction:** \$2,250.00

**Future Development & Maintenance:** \$334.00

**Total Food Pantry Donations with online:** \$961.00

**Loan Balance as of November 1, 2024 was  
\$763,483.47**

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

## Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

**November 10** - Future Development & Maintenance

**November 17** - Campaign for Human Development

**November 28** - Thanksgiving Day for the Poor

## Diocesan Services Fund

**2024 DSF Summary as of November 1, 2024**

**Parish Goal:** \$195,000.00

**Total Amount Paid:** \$192,898.00

**Total Number of Mary Queen Donors:** 372

**Total Number of Gifts Received:** 938

**Total Number of Mary Queen Households:** 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit  
[www.archgh.org/dsf](http://www.archgh.org/dsf).

## IGNITE Campaign

**2022 IGNITE Summary as of November 1, 2024**

**Parish Goal:** \$1,886,649.00

**Total Amount Paid:** \$604,124.00

**Total Amount Pledged:** \$590,383.32

**Total Number of Gifts Received:** 2,406

**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](http://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](mailto:anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org).

## FORMED

To sign up for FORMED, visit [www.formed.org/signup](http://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](mailto:anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org).

For room reservations and/or to schedule calendar events, contact Rose Mary at [baezrm@maryqueenchurch.org](mailto: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](http://www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org).

My Dear Parishioners,

### **Mary Queen Ministry Fair**

Our Mary Queen Ministry Fair will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2024, after all the morning Masses. It will be coordinated with the MQ Hispanic Ministry serving Taco Breakfast along with Coffee & Donuts. There will be a presentation of the various ministries as they will be processing at the beginning of the Masses. The Ministry Fair itself will be held in the Main Hall after the Masses. It has been my goal to have each parish family to participate in one or more of the ministries as we need more and more volunteers. I asked myself this question: How can we be different from all other parishes to realize our goal to make Mary Queen the model parish in the archdiocese? It is an opportunity for all parishioners to get to know our Ministries and Sign Up. We ask you to stop by visit our many Ministries and have a taco with your coffee.

### **Indian La Salette Priests Annual Gathering**

From November 4-7, all the Indian La Salette priests serving in the United States had their second annual gathering at Mary Queen. There are sixteen of them ministering in various States. There are three in Hawaii, four in Arizona and two in North Carolina. Others were from Florida, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Georgia, Louisiana and me from the beautiful State of Texas. I am so grateful for the many parish families who offered accommodation for them. It was amazing to see the La Salette Laity stepping up to prepare a breakfast, where they were able to mingle with the priests and for the priests to get to know of the Laity ministry of our parish, who work hand in hand with the La Salette missionaries embracing the charism of reconciliation. All 16 of them together with the Mary Queen priests celebrated the Mass on Tuesday, November the 5th at 8:30 am Mass. The auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, bishop Italo Del Oro was invited to give a talk on how priests from foreign countries serving in the United States could be more effective in our respective ministry. Bishop Italo is an expert on this topic since he had served as director to the Ministries to the priests in the archdiocese prior to becoming our auxiliary bishop. We were blessed to have him with us with his busy schedule. Many thanks to the parish staff and all who helped us with accommodation, food and wonderful hospitality.

### **Our Parish Picnic**

Our parish picnic had to be moved from Stevenson Park back to the Church. The decision had to be made due to the inclement weather predicted for last Sunday. After the 11.30 am Mass, everyone was invited into the Hall for the reception with food, fun and fellowship. Everyone truly enjoyed our time together as a parish family. Mary Rodriguez wrote, "The damp weather did not dampen the spirits. Much gratitude to your staff, especially Rose Mary, Albert, John and Ray as preparations were initiated and brilliantly executed. Enlightened spirits were applauded from the Knights with their delicious cooking and grateful for the helping hands from the Boys Scouts as they run the children's games." I am more than grateful to the Pastoral Council for their wonderful leadership in spearheading this event and for all their hard work to make it a great success.

*Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS*



# UPCOMING EVENTS

**MARY QUEEN  
MINISTRY FAIR**

*Saturday, Nov. 17th*  
After the morning Masses

This year's Ministry Fair will coincide with the Hispanic Ministry's Taco Breakfast. Come join us and learn about the different ministries here at Mary Queen.

Coffee and Donuts will also be served as well as games and fun for the children.

**thanksgiving**  
— food boxes —

Mary Queen Food Pantry

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

Thanks to your generosity all of the boxes have been handed out. Now all you need to do is purchase the requested items place them in the box and return them back to Mary Queen no later than **November 17th**.

Remember you are more than welcome to decorate them, add a card, a thanksgiving prayer but you don't have to.

If you have any questions please contact Chris at [chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org](mailto:chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org) or 281-482-1391.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**BBQ FUNDRAISER**

**Ribs** **Chicken** **Sausage**

Purchase after Masses This Weekend

SECOND ANNUAL  
MARY QUEEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**5K FUN  
RUN/WALK**

PLANNING MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH  
7 - 8 PM - ROOM 119



## Thanksgiving Pie Sharing - Wednesday November 20th

Thanksgiving is right around the corner! Join the Women's Ministry for our annual Thanksgiving Pie Sharing event!

Join fellow parishioners in tasting delicious pies. Bring a homemade or store bought pie to share. No Pie? No Problem! Bring an appetite and a friend!

We will gather in the Main Hall after 6:30pm Mass to enjoy each other's company and plenty of delicious pie!

## Giving From Abundance

If you're like me, and you're far, far below the "having buildings named after you" tax bracket, you might just think that today's Gospel has nothing to do with you.

You might kick back and relax, thinking of all the poor, rich suckers sitting in the pews, shifting uncomfortably as Jesus praises the meager gift of the widow and disdains those who only give from abundance, those whose charity results in admiration and praise and all manner of temporal reward.

"In this economy, every gift I give is from my poverty," you might think to yourself with a chuckle.

But you — and let me be clear, I'm talking mostly to myself here — would be wrong. Because we all have an abundance of something, even if it isn't money.

What I've come to realize about myself is that I find plenty of ways to give only from my abundance. For instance, if I answer any request with the words, "Sure, I can, but..." chances are high that I'm about to work out a way to give, but only in a way that doesn't really impact me.

I'm willing to help. I just don't want to feel it.

But here's the thing about Jesus: he cares what's in our hearts as well as what's in our hands. A good deed, an act of charity? That's great! But what's the story behind it? Because a world full of moral actions and selfish hearts doesn't do anyone any good.

When we give from our poverty — our poverty of money, our poverty of time, our poverty of patience — we are giving the gift of the widow.

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November 10, 2024

32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Once at an evening Mass as a poor college student, the collection basket was fast approaching, and I only had a ten-dollar bill. I was planning on using that to buy my favorite Chipotle burrito that night for dinner. Should I keep the money? Who would know if I did? If I gave it away, what would I eat? Would I be okay? I kissed my future burrito goodbye, dropped the money in the basket, and winced. But strangely, the rest of the Mass I felt more engaged than usual. I had skin in the game. I left the Mass excited to see how God would take care of me. And he did, in amazing ways.

When the poor widow places two copper coins in the temple treasury, Jesus doesn't pity her. He praises her. He blesses her. He brags about her. He celebrates her as the temple's largest benefactor. Her giving is an act of radical, concrete trust in God. It is as if she is entering a new level of giving that excites Jesus, because she contributes not out of her abundance, but she gives "everything she had."

What a challenge this is to each one of us! How easy it is to ignore this! But imagine the eruption of the energy of faith, hope, and love that would be unlocked if our financial sacrifices to the Church actually tapped into daily bread and not only our disposable income. I challenge us to try this in some way this coming week and see what happens in our hearts. Even if it costs us a burrito.

— Father John Muir

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## DAILY READINGS

### Sunday, November 10

1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

### Monday, November 11

Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1-6

### Tuesday, November 12

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10

### Wednesday, November 13

Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19

### Thursday, November 14

Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25

### Friday, November 15

2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37

### Saturday, November 16

3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8

### Next Sunday:

Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32





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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!



The Virgin Mary has been called the greatest woman whoever lived, it's time to understand who she really is, unveil the mystery of Mary woven into sacred

*"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***

Marian Series began on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> and continues to 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 our parish Mary Queen throughout this 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

November 6 & 22 ~ December - 4 & 20







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## YOUTH FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING SCHEDULE

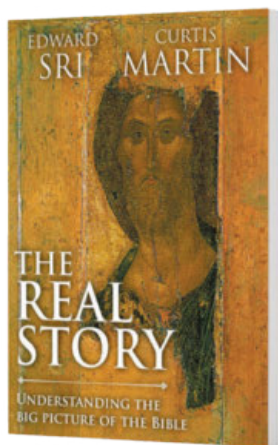
High school and OCIA	Jr. high <small>(has received First Communion)</small>
Nov 10	Nov 10
Nov 17	Dec 1
Nov 24 (No Class)	Dec 15
Dec 1	
Dec 8	

## ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

TUESDAY CLASS DATES	WEDNESDAY CLASS DATES
November 12	November 13
Thanksgiving Break	Thanksgiving Break
December 3	December 4
(Play Rehearsal)	(Play Rehearsal)
December 10	December 11
(Nativity Play)	(Nativity Play)
Christmas Break	Christmas Break

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

### High School and OCIA



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

**High School Bible Study, *The Real Story*, starts on Nov. 13th (4:30 - 5:30 PM).**

**Email Trey Brock if you are interested in attending.**

### First Grade Nativity Play

Please have your child present for both rehearsal and the play. Your 1st Grade child will participate during their regularly scheduled class time.



### Junior High Faith Formation



Our next Jr. High lesson will be Sunday, November 10th following the 4:30 PM Youth Mass. Our theme will be Prayer - How does daily prayer life help me know and love Jesus Christ?

December 3rd or 4th – First Grade Rehearsal

\*December 10th or 11th – First Grade Nativity Play

\*All parents, grandparents and friends are welcomed to watch the performance in our Main Hall.

If you have a first-grade actor and could bring some cookies to celebrate that would be appreciated.

# AROUND THE PARISH

## Parish Picnic

The Mary Queen Picnic in the Park was not dampened by the change in venue due to the weather conditions. Many families came out and enjoyed delicious food, prepared by our Knights and children took pleasure in eating hot dogs and ice cream as well as playing games in the Mini Hall with the help of the Boy Scouts. We would also like to thank Chico's Hotdog Stand and the Twisted Kow. A big thanks to the Pastoral Council for all their hard work ensuring a fun event for everyone.



Do you have a child that would like to sing in the Children's Choir for Christmas? We will be rehearsing for our Children's Christmas Mass on Wednesdays from 5:15 to 5:45 PM in the choir room in the church. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please email Jose Arredondo at [jarredondo@maryqueenchurch.org](mailto:jarredondo@maryqueenchurch.org).

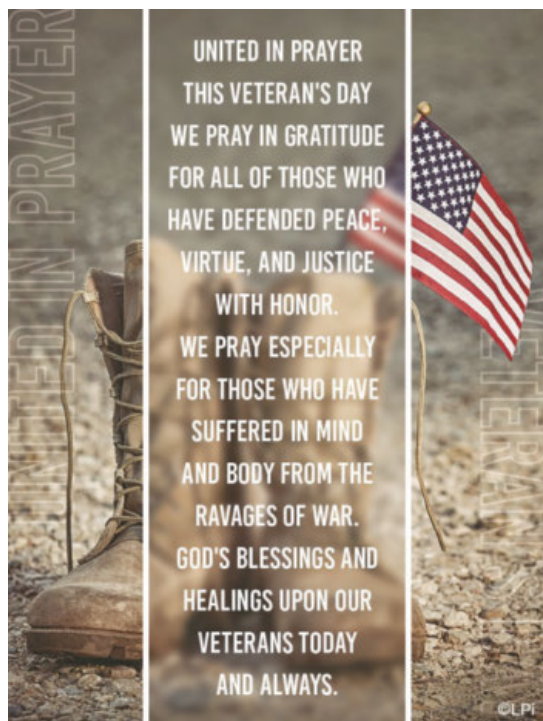


The Giving Tree gifts for children this year will be distributed at a new event, Pancakes with Santa. This event is for pre-registered children of Food Pantry clients and Gabriel Project moms. Pancakes With Santa will take place in our Parish Hall on Sunday, December 15th from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

The success of this event depends on many volunteers. We need help with arts and crafts, games, registration, hall monitors, runners, crew leaders for groups of children, etc. These volunteers need to be 14 and older. If the volunteer is 18 and above, they will need to be CMG trained. This is a one hour online course offered by the Archdiocese. You can access the training <https://www.archgh.org/offices-ministries/office-of-child-and-youth-protection/safe-environment-training-for-adults/>

We will need volunteers for this event so watch for announcements in the bulletin for opportunities to help.

We appreciate all your help in making this event very special for these children.







**You are cordially invited!**

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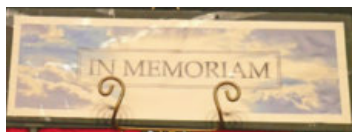
**Luncheon 11 am - 2 pm**

Please browse the 60 Exhibitors who will display a lovely variety of high quality handmade crafts/gifts for your visit. Our Luncheon is served in three areas and the Bakery will be well stocked for that family treat.

Bring a friend, register for door prizes and enjoy shopping.



Mary Queen celebrated All Souls Day, with a morning Mass remembering our loved ones.



## Family Planning for Long-Term Care Complimentary Presentation

The Knights of Columbus at Mary Queen and St. Bernadette Catholic churches are offering a free presentation regarding Long Term Care planning. If you would like to learn more about quality Long-Term Care services, what they cost, and how to plan for them, then you should attend this presentation.

Refreshments will be provided, and space is limited. Below is a description of the event and how to RSVP to reserve your spot.

### Event Description:

Long-Term Care is any personal assistance you need to maintain your quality of life as you get older. Chances are, you'll need Long-Term Care at some point. In fact, 7 out of 10 people turning age 65 will need Long-Term Care in their lives. <sup>1</sup>

Nearly half of all Long-Term Care services are provided in the home, and the cost of this care is significant. Without having a plan, your family may not be able to provide or afford the care you need and deserve. Furthermore, the cost of this care may drain the retirement income and savings that you and your spouse depend on.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear expert speakers from the Houston area.

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. LongTerm-Care.gov, Feb. 2020

### Event Details:

**Date** Monday, November 18, 2024  
**Time** 6:30pm – 8:00pm  
**Location** Main Hall, Mary Queen Catholic Church, 606 Cedarwood Drive, Friendswood, Texas 77546

**How to RSVP** Contact Chris Coforio at 713-352-1603 or [chris.coforio@kofc.org](mailto:chris.coforio@kofc.org)



**Box  
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A big Thank You to all of those that participated in our Box of Joy program. With your kind donations, Mary Queen will be sending over 70 boxes to children all over the world spreading some Christmas Joy. Fr. Thomas blessed the boxes and they are on their way.



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- Thursday, October 10, 7 pm ET
- Thursday, November 14, 7pm ET

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### Silver Anniversary Mass

The 2024 Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass honoring couples celebrating their Silver (25th) Anniversary of marriage in the Catholic Church is open for registration.

The event is Sunday, November 17 at 3 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart (1111 St. Joseph Pkwy., Houston, TX 77002).

Registration is \$40 per couple and includes an Archdiocesan certificate of each anniversary, a special issue worship aid and a commemorative pin. For more information or to register, visit [www.archgh.org/familylife](http://www.archgh.org/familylife).



"Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth."

Deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is November 08-10 at the Double Tree Houston Westchase (10609 Westpark Drive, Houston, TX 77042).

Contact Brian & Tina Little at 281-773-4014 for more information or go online to [www.houstonme.org](http://www.houstonme.org).

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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.



## 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 26<sup>th</sup>, 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.



## Nursery News

The Mary Queen Nursery will be closed on the following dates.

Sunday, November 24, 2024 - Thanksgiving

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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 17 - Already Submitted**  
**November 24 - November 6**



## Saints

### Question:

Our prayer group has been reading the lives of some saints, and we were struck by how some of them thought they were such sinners. Why would such holy people think they had such serious sin?

### Answer:

Professional athletes practice the fundamentals of their sport over and over again, reaching for better form, consistency, and better performance. They focus on the basics, review past performances, and visualize greater success. Practice makes better, if not perfect!

Spiritual masters such as the saints also looked for perfection. They practiced their faith in the search for holiness, grace, and virtue. Through sacraments, prayer, study, good works, and penance, they raised their level of awareness, their sensitivity to the presence of God, the demands of the Gospel, and the workings of the Holy Spirit. They examined their consciences daily, reviewing the day for moments of failure and times that they could have been more virtuous in one way or another. They resolved to do better, be more attentive and alert!

Therefore, anything that would distract them or interfere with their relationship with God would be like a small black spot on a bright white wall — you can't miss it! The great saints were aware of sin and the presence of evil because they were so tuned in to the struggle between good and evil that was fought in their own lives, hearts, and souls. We must guard against becoming desensitized to sin in our lives and unaware of the harm it causes us. A goal of any spiritual practice is to become more aware of our sinfulness so that we seek God's forgiving and healing love.

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## Everyday Stewardship

### The Look

Have you ever made the mistake of telling your spouse that you're out of something — only to see them respond with The Look? Then you realize it: of course, he or she knows you're out of butter. They knew it before a butter shortage was even a blip on your radar.

We might go to the fridge and lament the complete lack of ketchup. Then someone moves a couple items and show us the ketchup that so savagely eluded us just moments before.

Sometimes, we all have "the look" when dealing with God. We tell Him our stores are empty. "I'm out, God! I can't do any more! Can't give any more. Can't take any more. It's all gone." But we forget: God is the keeper of our stores. He is the one who fills them, and the one who watches as they empty.

See, we don't know how much we are capable of loving. We don't know how much we are capable of serving. We don't know how much we are capable of hoping. We see everything with spouse eyes. Only our Creator truly knows the limits of His creation.

Do you ever make the mistake of telling God "I'm done"? Be careful the next time you do. Chances are, He's far from finished working

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