

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



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

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Office Hours Monday - 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.

2025 Mass Intentions

We are no longer accepting Mass Intention requests through our website. Call the parish office for information on Mass Intention requests for 2025.

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

THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 2nd

Festival Gala Ticket Sales (After All Masses)

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM OCIA - "Breaking Open the Word" for Adults (Mini Hall)
11:30 AM - 2:00 PM New Parishioner Welcome Luncheon (Main Hall)
3:00 PM - 4:20 PM High School Faith Formation - Lesson 18 (Youth Center)
3:45 PM - 6:00 PM Post Confirmation Session YM (Mary's House)
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Year 2 Confirmation Group Acknowledged Mass (Church)
5:45 PM - 6:45 PM Jr. High Faith Formation Lesson 10 (Youth Center)

Monday, March 3rd

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Gabriel Project Meeting (Room 110/Library)
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Youth Confirmation/RCIA Make Up Class (Youth Center)
5:45 PM - 8:00 PM Special Friends Program (Main Hall)
6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Men's ACTS Small Group (Room 110/Library)
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 452 Den Meetings (Classrooms)
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Troop 452 - Troop Meetings (Youth Center)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Hispanic Ministry Meeting (Mary's House)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group (Room 125)

Tuesday, March 4th

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry (Rooms 11/4/115))
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM "Discovering Our Dignity" - Women's Bible Study - Walking
With Purpose (Main Hall)

4:30 PM Exposition for 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM "Discovering Our Dignity" - Women's Bible Study - Walking
With Purpose (Main Hall)

Wednesday, March 5th

Ash Wednesday - Masses 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday - Liturgy of the Word with Ashes 12:00 PM & 5:00 PM

5:45 AM - 7:00 AM That Man Is You - "The Light of Men" (Main Hall)
6:15 PM - 6:30 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Meditation Group (Room 110/Library)
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Queen's Bee Quilters Meeting (Mini Hall)

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM La Salette Laity (Room 110/Library)

Thursday, March 6th

Lenten Daily Mass - 6:15 AM & 8:30 AM

4:30 PM - 5:45 PMFirst Holy Communion Classes (Main Hall)6:30 PM - 7:45 PMFirst Holy Communion Classes (Main Hall)6:30 PM - 8:30 PMOCIA Team Meetings - Catechumenate Sessions (AFF) -

(Main Hall)

Friday, March 7th

Lenten Daily Mass - 6:15 AM & 8:30 AM

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Fish Fry - First Family Friday EFF (Mini Hall) 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Family Stations of the Cross - EFF (Church)

Saturday, March 8th

Festival Gala Ticket Sales (After All Masses)

Lenten Daily Mass - 6:30 AM

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastoral Council Day of Reflection (Mary's House)
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Troop 452 - Crew Meetings (Youth Center)
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 452 - Blue & Gold Banquet (Main Hall)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation (Church)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 1st

8:30 AM †Rozalia Mazur, Thomas & Rene Tacquard, Mary Queen Ministries

5:30 PM **†**GH Sorrell, Levi Lashley, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Gleeson & Hartman Families

Sunday, March 2nd

7:30 AM †Antoinette Helton, †Joan Radous, †Ana Nguyen Thi Thanh

9:30 AM †Jose Duplan, Sr. & †Esther Rosales, †Carroll Bailey, Duplan Family Children

11:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

4:30 PM †Antoinette Helton, Thomas & Renee Tacquard, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Nelson & Teresa Olavarria

Monday, March 3rd

8:30 AM †Dan Foster, †Woodley & †Della Credeur, Trey Brock – Birthday Blessings, Elodie Ridout – Birthday Blessings

Tuesday, March 4th

8:30 AM †GH Sorrell, Becky Adam, Thekla Adam

Wednesday, March 5th

6:30 AM †Celeste Breitenbach, †Carol Krengle, †Louis Crespo

8:30 AM Majel Braden, Sonja Schmaltz, Deacon Vince Eklund – Birthday Blessings

7:00 PM †Frank & †Carlotta Garza, †Joe Hartman, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Scruggs & Arcotta Families

Thursday, March 6th

6:15 AM †Jose & †Rosa Bosch, †Ana Nguyen Thi Thanh, †Al Radous

8:30 AM †John Hart Stevenson, +Ernie Heeb, +Allen Fikac

Friday, March 7th

6:15 AM †Ronald Hopple, †Joan Radous, †Amy Smith 8:30 AM †Herman & +Marge Wehner, Lulu Langham Potter – Birthday Blessings, Joshua Vascek – Birthday Blessings

Saturday, March 8th

8:30 AM †Rosalie Greco, †Darrell Moulton, Jr., Fr. James Kuczynski

5:30 PM †Stanley Saccomanno, †Rosalie Greco, Thomas & Rene Tacquard

Sunday, March 9th

11:30 AM †Anne Kouba, Thomas & Rene Tacquard, Thekla Adam

4:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

TIME · TALENT · TREASURE

Offertory: February 8, 2025 - February 14, 2025
This includes offertory at Mass, mail-in and online giving.

Weekly Offertory Received: \$38,945.53 Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$41,210.00

Difference: (\$2,264.47)

MP-Debt Reduction: \$1,663.32

Future Development & Maintenance: \$4,285.00 Total Food Pantry Donations with online: \$2,651.00

Loan Balance as of February 14, 2025 was \$0.00

Thank you to all who donated to make this possible!

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

March 2 - Future Development & Maintenance
March 5 - Ash Wednesday (Archdiocesan Social
Ministries Collection)

March 9 - Black & Indian Missions

Diocesan Services Fund 2025 DSF Summary as of February 21, 2025

Parish Goal: \$205,000.00 Total Amount Paid: \$20.985.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 102 Total Number of Gifts Received: 128

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 February 21, 2025

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00 Total Amount Paid: \$627,506.00 Total Amount Pledged: \$590,383.32 Total Number of Gifts Received: 2,534 Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 276

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.

- Go to the following link https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com
- A New User Registration Form will come up. Fill out the form and hit submit.
- 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!



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.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Parishioners,

Mary Queen Parish Debt-Free Celebration

CONGRATULATIONS to all Mary Queen Parishioners! On February 11th, 2025, we became a debt-free parish from the debt incurred from the construction of the new church building. You all deserve great applause for your generosity and continued support in making it possible. In celebration of our debt-free status, we will be having ice cream and cake at the church plaza after all the Masses this weekend. After 7:30 am Mass on Sunday, we will also include a ceremonial burning of the church note and releasing 10 white doves symbolizing our freedom from debt. Please join the celebration.

Two New Deacons

We are blessed with two new permanent deacons. Congratulations to Deacon Scott Ryan and Deacon Max Silva. There are seven deacons at Mary Queen. We have Deacon Chuck Turner, Deacon Vince Eklund, Deacon Derick Soares, who are active, and Deacon Paul Robison and Deacon Darrell Moulton who are retired but serve whenever they are able.

Season of Lent and Jubilee Year 2025

We will soon be entering the season of Lent. It is a season of hope and new life through our Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We hope to change our sinful ways, to pray more and to be more aware of the needs of others. On Ash Wednesday, the clergy and ministers will make the sign of the cross on our foreheads with the ashes of last year's palms by saying, "We are dust and unto dust we shall return." It reminds us of our mortality. The cross is the sign of our commitment to love. The ashes and the cross are the reminders that we are struggling human beings, and that love is sometimes hard.

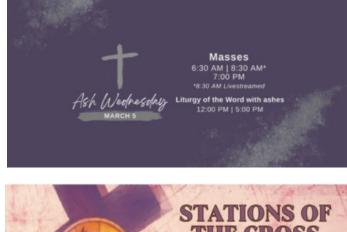
I see a close connection between the season of Lent and the Jubilee year 2025 in reference to plenary indulgences. First, we can obtain plenary indulgence by making pilgrimages to the sites designated by the Church. Another way is through our works of mercy or penance by spending time with those in need like the sick, lonely, elderly, prisoners, and disabled. We can also receive plenary indulgence through fasting, abstinence and almsgiving. In a spirit of penance, we can give up useless distractions like alcohol, gambling, cursing, gossiping and unnecessary time online.

May this time of renewal and conversion be a time of encountering the power of God's Spirit drawing us to a deeper and more abundant relationship with God. May this Lenten season be s special time for all of us as we prepare to celebrate Easter with renewed faith, enthusiasm and commitment and a time to respond to the grace of God calling us once again to turn away from sin and ever be faithful to God's call in our lives. Y'all have a Blessed Lent!

Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS

UPCOMING EVENTS









Knights of Columbus Council #8494 **Lenten Fish Fry**

Fridays during Lent

5:30 - 7:00 PM Mary Queen Parish Hall

Fish Plate Prices: Adults: \$12 per plate Children: \$7 per plate



MARY QUEEN CATHOLIC CHURCH



MAY 3 & 4, 2025

Soulle GALA

FEATURING COL. MIKE HOPKINS SATURDAY, MAY 3 AT 7 P.M. IN THE MARY QUE

TICKETS: \$75

SPONSORSHIPS & RESERVED TABLES AVAILABLE NOW!

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SUNDAY, MAY 4 THE FUN STARTS AT II A.M.

FOOD @ ENTERTAINMENT GAMES @ & MORE



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PRACTICING CATHOLIC

THE LOG IN YOUR EYE

Mini Reflection: If we see a splinter in another person's eye, or a problem in the world that needs to be fixed, what Jesus is saying is not that we should ignore it and move on. He's merely saying that, when we see these things, we must take them first as a challenge to examine ourselves.

The Log in Your Eye

Today's Gospel is a big favorite of non-Christians — or Christians who don't like being told what to do.

That trusty ol' remove the wooden beam from your own eye line is a classic. Mind your business, Christians! You're not perfect either.

And that's entirely true. None of us are perfect. We've all got logs in our eyes. We can't approach life acting like we have the answers simply because we follow Jesus.

Jesus has the answers, and we have Jesus.

The real problem with having someone remove a splinter from my eye, if he himself has a log in his eye, is not that he has no business removing the splinter from my eye. It's that he can't see clearly to do it. His own eyesight is occluded.

If we see a splinter in another person's eye, or a problem in the world that needs to be fixed, or a scandal in the community that should be addressed, what Jesus is saying is not that we should ignore it and move on. He's merely saying that, when we see these things, we must take them first as a challenge to examine ourselves. To address the problem as it exists within our own souls, so that we ensure we are seeing clearly. Then, if we reach out to pluck the splinter, we will do so with clear eyesight.

He wants us to worry as much about our own souls as we do about other people's.

We tend to look at the world and feel anxious — so much evil! So much hate! So much sin! We pray, God, when will you change it?

And He whispers back: I will change it here. Now. In your own heart. You just have to ask.

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PRAY & REFLECT

March 2, 2025 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 6:39:45

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, "For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles" (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

DAILY READINGS

Sunday, March 2

Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Monday, March 3

Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday, March 4

Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday, March 5

JI 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/ Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, March 6

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday, March 7

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, March 8

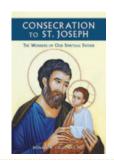
Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday:

Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13



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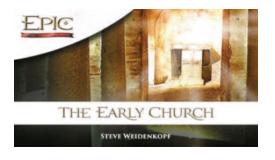


'Consecration to Saint Joseph – Group Preparation Sessions' continue to meet for one hour per week in the St. Joseph Chapel on Wednesdays after the 6:30 pm Mass from 7:00-8:00 pm on:

March 5 (No Session due to Ash Wednesday)
March 12

March 19 - Day of Consecration - Solemnity of St. Joseph

For more information and to register, please contact - Eby Kurian



An Exciting Study of the Church's First Five Hundred Years

Discover the extraordinary story of the Church's beginnings - a time of courageous saints, brilliant philosophers, eloquent theologians, ruthless emperors, and heroic martyrs. **Epic: The Early Church Dr. Steve Wiedenkoph** encourages you to grow closer to Christ through a deeper understanding of his Church.

We will begin Tuesday, March 4th, from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM.

Each participant needs to register and order the workbook from Ascension Press which can be found on this link -https://ascensionpress.com/collections/epic-the-early-church

For more information, please contact: Mike Warth - houwgm@comcast.net



'That Man is You!' (TMIY)

Spring 2025 Semester started on Wednesday, February 5th and continues to meet 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'.

We have a special *LENTEN JOURNEY* planned for Men that will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 5th.

The great thing about this program is that even if you stopped coming in the past, now you can jump into this new content!

Registration is FREE! Please contact: Eby Kurian to sign up ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org



New Lenten Eucharistic Series

Lectio: Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible Acclaimed author and teacher Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching.

Starting on Thursday, March 6th for 10 weeks from 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM facilitated by Ms. Becky Adam & Ms. Janet Wild.

For more information and to register, please contact - Eby Kurian.



Archdiocesan Rite of Election - Volunteers Needed on Sunday, March 9, 2025

The Rite of Election is for the catechumens and candidates who are completing their period of preparation. They offer their names for enrollment as an expression of their wish to enter fully into the life of the Church. This step is called election because the acceptance made by the Church is founded on the election by God, in whose name the church acts.

Mary Queen Church is again the host parish for this year and English speaking and Bi-lingual volunteers are needed for welcoming our guests, usher and register the attendees from various parishes in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.

For more details & to sign-up, please contact: Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & OCIA - ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org

JR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL



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HS & OCIA
3:00 PM - 4:20 PM

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MARCH

HS & OCIA

ament Prep NO CLASS Year 2 Spring Break

Upcoming Lesson...

One of the hardest lines in all of the New Testament is when Jesus says, "I have not come to bring peace, but a sword" (Matthew 10:34). What does this mean? Doctor of the Church, St. Jerome, says about this verse: "For in the matter of belief in Christ, the whole world was divided against itself." This was true 2,000 years ago, and it is still true today! The gospel is controversial because it is something that radically changes our lives, and it is something that we can either accept or reject. And so long as we're living and breathing, we have the opportunity to do this.

More Information

Trey Brock, Youth Director 281-482-1391 (ext. 317) tbrock@maryqueenchurch.org



Youth Sports!

Friday, March 28th, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Basketball game with St. Bernadette Catholic Church Contact Trey Brock if interested.







JR HIGH REMAINING LESSONS:

SUNDAY 3/2- LESSON 10 SUNDAY 3/23- "MEET ME AT THE PEW" AND LESSON 11 SUNDAY 4/6- FINAL LESSON 12

Other Events:

Wednesday 3/5 - (Ash Wednesday) Lent One Day at a Time for Catholic

Teens begins...Please let me know if you are interested ASAPII
Wednesday 3/19 - Jr Council Meeting 5:30-7:30pm (Mass together at 6:30pm)
Friday 4/4- Youth Night Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

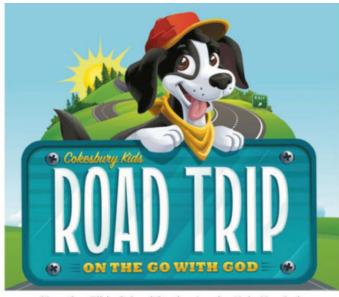
For more information, contact: Sarah Kennepohl, Jr High Coordinator 281-482-1391 Ext. 100 sekennepohl@maryqueenchurch.org



Carol Stuart, Director for Elementary Faith Formation 281- 482-1391 Ext. 333 cstuart@maryqueenchurch.org



Mini Hall for the start of class.



Vacation Bible School Station Leader Help Needed: We are looking for two station leaders for Vacation Bible School Date: 16-20th

BONUS: Your kids get to attend VBS for Free!

Two Station Leaders Needed:

- Games You plan the games and kids get to play them!
- 2. Kid Vid Video themes for the day- Have the Bible come alive!

AROUND THE PARISH

Lenten Penance Services

St. Paul Tuesday, March 11

St. Bernadette Wednesday, March 12

St. Mary Expectation Thursday, March 13

> Mary Queen Tuesday, March 18

St. Luke Wednesday, March 19 St. Helen Wednesday, March 26

St. Claire of Assisi Thursday, March 27

St. Mary, LaPorte Tuesday, April 1

> St. Hyacinth Thursday, April 3

*All services begin at 7 PM.

Lenten Almsgiving

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 AM to 2 PM.

March 8/9: Pancake Mix, Breakfast Bars, Cereal

March 15/16: Peanut Butter and Jelly
March 22/23: Snacks, Crackers, Cookies

April 5/6: Canned Goods (Veggies, Fruit, Beans, Soup,

Ravioli, etc.)

April 12/13: Oil, Sugar, May, Mustard, Ketchup

Toilet Paper, Shampoo, Dish Soap, Laundry

Soap

"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)

St. Joseph Altar - March 15 & 16



Mary Queen will be celebrating the Feast Day of St. Joseph with a St. Joseph Altar the weekend of March 15th & 16th.

According to legend the St. Joseph Altar originated in Sicily many centuries ago during a period of drought and famine. In desperation, the people turned to St. Joseph asking for his help and intercession. When the rains came and crops prospered, their prayers were answered. In thanksgiving, the community made offerings to St. Joseph of their most appreciated gift - FOOD!

If you would like to help with this event, would you please consider signing up as soon as possible for just **one** item, using the link below. This will help us plan the event.

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PASTORAL COUNCIL-LIFETIME SERVICE AWARD

e Pastoral Council wishes to honor person or couple each year with a special recognition - the Mary Queen Lifetime Parish Service Award. The nominees should be individuals or couples who have given of their time and talent to make Mary Queen Church a more vibrant gospel community. The nominees must be a registered, confirmed members with a minimum of 25 years at the parish, and cannot be a member of the Pastoral Council or the Pastoral Staff. Nomination Forms can be submitted online, from the Mary Queen website, under **DOCUMENTS. Paper nomination forms** can also be submitted in the drop box near the welcome desk in the church Narthex or in the drop box near the Reception desk in the Parish Center. Paper nomination forms will be located next to the drop box. The deadline for submission of forms is 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 19, 2025.



A gardening opportunity is available for you and your family and friends. Adopt a raised bed at Mary's Garden, MQ's Vegetable Garden, and help grow vegetables for the MQ Food Pantry. You will be provided with the seeds and plants to grow. With that, you will be given tips and directions by our Master Gardeners on how to maintain, weed, and grow your produce. Ultimately, success in growing vegetables and providing for others will bring much enjoyment. Weeding and maintaining your "space" for the Spring/Summer (March – July) growing season is all that is required. Introductory meeting soon so look for details.

There are 16 spaces available. Please contact Carmen Laine 713-254-1850 to reserve your space!





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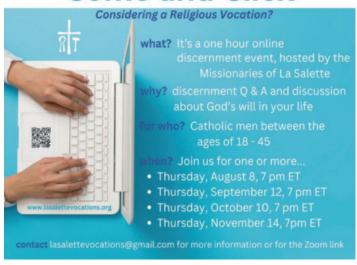
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If you have loved ones in the Armed Services and wish their names be listed in this column and to be remembered in our prayers, please email anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org. Include the rank of the individual, their name and their branch of service.

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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.



Dear Women of Mary Queen Parish,

We are excited to start planning for our 2025-2026 Women's Ministry season! As such, we need LOTS of volunteer help in order to have a successful year!

Our ministry cannot and will not continue to thrive

and survive without your help! Please prayerfully consider your gifts and how you can help our ministry.

Please complete the google form below by clicking on the link by 3/5/25 so that we can fill upcoming open board positions and committee lead positions for the 25-26 year.

We welcome involvement from ALL of the women in our parish!

Please let us know how you are interested in volunteering so that we can help get you plugged into the right position for next year. We will present potential board members at our March meeting (3/12/25) and vote on new Board members at our April meeting (4/9/25).

If you have any questions about volunteer opportunities for next year, please reach out to me at joannakrancher@gmail.com or by text at 713-591-1162.

Thank you for helping us support our amazing Women's Ministry!

Joanna Krancher WM President 2024-2025

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Bulletin, eNews, website, or social media

Contact: Albert Cipolla, Communications Coordinator email: acipolla@maryqueenchurch.org phone: 281-482-1391 x334

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

March 2 - Already Submitted

March 9 - February 26

March 16 - March 5



Q&A

Ash Wednesday Ashes

Question:

Why do we place ashes on our forehead each Ash Wednesday?

Answer:

Ashes are rich in spiritual symbolism. We recall in the second chapter of Genesis, when the human person is fashioned "out of the dust of the ground" and receives the breath of life (Genesis 2:7). In death, a person returns to the ground from which we came. The ancient Hebrews used ashes as a sign of repentance, reminding themselves that God is God and we are not. As the minister places ashes on our forehead, we hear either "remember that you are dust and unto dust you shall return" or "turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel." When we receive ashes, we remember our own mortality. We're reminded that we have limited time on this earth and we ought to make the best use of it that we can! People are in need of love, care, and compassion. We all need to continually rediscover the love of God. The Gospel invites every person in every stage of life to encounter and imitate Jesus here and now. The forty days of Lent are the perfect time to assess our own awareness of these realities.

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Everyday Stewardship

Planted in the House of the Lord

Grocery delivery apps are all the rage these days, and I can't deny the convenience of tapping your finger a few times and seeing your week's shopping dropped on the doorstep. But there is one aspect of this trend that seems to make a lot of shoppers nervous — fruits and vegetables.



A lot of us have strong opinions on our fresh produce and aren't ready to delegate this highly subjective selection process to a total stranger. My father was a produce manager and I remember as a child learning about the complexities of choosing correctly. Getting a bad bag of under ripe tomatoes after shopping on an app could easily sour one on the whole idea.

Forrest Gump said life is like a box of chocolates. I say, we're all like grab-bags of produce dumped on someone's doorstep — but if we're Christians who live our faith publicly, we're stamped with the name of God. If your thumb is green enough, you know that you can tell a lot about a gardener from the produce he grows. We who are planted in the house of the Lord — what do we reveal about our Gardener?

What do our actions show of His teachings? What do our words reflect of His voice? What does our strength reveal of the soil from which we sprang and the life-giving waters that nourished us?

When we open ourselves up to those we encounter, let's make a special effort to show the care we have had — lest our peers come away from the experience thinking God doesn't know how to garden, when in reality, it's us who don't always know how to grow.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©I Pi



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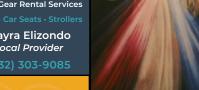
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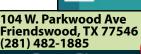
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