



Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 18, 2025



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Love one another."
- Jn 13:34a

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



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**Missionaries of
Our Lady of La Salette**

www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org
www.lasalette.org

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, May 18th

La Salette Mission Appeal (At All Masses)

Hispanic Ministry Breakfast Taco Sale and Coffee & Donuts (After all Morning Masses)

2:30 PM - 8:00 PM Blue & Gold Crossover Ceremony (Youth Center)

Monday, May 19th

5:45 PM - 9:00 PM Special Friends Program (Main Hall)

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Knights of Columbus Exemplification Ceremony (Chapel / Mini Hall)

6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Men's ACTS Small Group (Room 119)

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM ACTS Core Team Meeting (Room 110/Library)

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group (Room 125)

Tuesday, May 20th

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

4:30 PM Exposition for 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Epic Series - AFF (Mary's House)

Wednesday, May 21st

5:45 AM - 7:00 AM That Man Is You - "The Light of Men" (Main Hall)

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Meditation Prayer Group (Room 110/Library)

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Queen's Bee Quilters (Mini Hall)

5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Quinceanera Parent Meeting (Youth Center)

6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Men's ACTS Retreat Meeting (Main Hall)

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Young Adults & College Students Small Group Sessions
AFF (Mary's House)

Thursday, May 22nd

9:30 AM - 11:15 AM Lectio: Eucharist Series - AFF - (Mini Hall)

Friday, May 23rd

3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Mary Queen Fifty Five or Better Social (Mini Hall)

Saturday, May 24th

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Troop 452 Crew Meetings (Youth Center)

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 17th

5:30 PM †Ascrizzi Family, Caroline Saccomanno, William & Sara Genoa - 64th Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Sunday, May 18th

7:30 AM †Carmen Cononie, †Jerry Schrader, Tinney Grandchildren

9:30 AM †Norbert Popp, Emily Camacho - Birthday Blessings, Living & Deceased Loved One of the Heeb & Garst Family, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Vera Smart

11:30 AM MJ & Roni Kurian - 50th Wedding Anniversary Blessings, Scarlett Alvarez - 1st Communion Blessings, Audrey Brege - 1st Communion Blessings

4:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Monday, May 19th

8:30 AM †Lydia Garza, †Jewel Self, †Maria Stroehein

Tuesday, May 20th

8:30 AM †Paul Gosselin, †Sam De Los Santos, Robert & Phyllis Rinehart - Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Wednesday, May 21st

6:30 PM †John Revell, †Beverly Starr, Epse Family

Thursday, May 22nd

8:30 AM Elise Kim - Graduation Blessings, Beckett Kim - Graduation Blessings, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Gisbert Family

Friday, May 23rd

8:30 AM †Michael Austgen, †Deacon Jose Isabel Arellano, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Guzman Family

Saturday, May 24th

5:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Sunday, May 25th

7:30 AM †Florencio Patrimonio, Jr, †Sam De Los Santos, Betty Pitre

9:30 AM †Conchita Sy Tan, Olivia Buerkett - 1st Communion Blessings, Olivia Willis - 1st Communion Blessings

11:30 AM †Tony Diotalevi, †Lesbia Burgos, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Carlin Family

4:30 PM †Dr. Charles & †Philomena St. George, †Mike Goff, Irma Rocha



TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

Offertory: April 26, 2025 - May 2, 2025

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$38,106.50

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$47,378.00

Difference: (\$9,271.50)

MP-Debt Reduction: \$611.00

Future Development & Maintenance: \$559.00

Food Pantry: \$3,007.00

Special/2nd Collection:

Home Missions: \$4,670.00

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

May 18 - La Salette Missions Appeal

May 25 - Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Building Together Campaign

Parish Goal: \$3,500,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$1,661,789.03

Total Amount Pledged: \$1,726,075.82

Total Number of Individual Pledges: 431

Diocesan Services Fund

2025 DSF Summary as of May 12, 2025

Parish Goal: \$205,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$79,719.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 201

Total Number of Gifts Received: 354

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 May 12, 2025

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$637,418.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,383.32

Total Number of Gifts Received: 2,605

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

My Dear Parishioners,

This is a season of holiness. It is holy because our parish had a beautiful celebration of a special Mass for 85 children who received Holy Communion for the first time last Saturday morning. Praise the Lord! Congratulations to them and to their families. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all their parents, grandparents, godparents, and family members who have cared so much for them by taking them to church and classes. This precious investment in their children's faith will certainly produce much fruit in many ways in their children's future. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all their catechists and the entire Faith Formation team for their great work. Their sacrifice for and contribution to the faith of these young souls is greatly appreciated. You might not know it, but what you teach them now is the faith foundation upon which they will build their life. As a priest for 31 years, the Mass of the First Holy Communion is always very inspiring for me. I feel like I am on cloud nine at the moment seeing the children behaved and dressed very nicely extending their hands to receive Jesus in the form of bread and wine. It is hard to put into words my joy for them and their families. I would like to ask the parents to continue to make their children's second, third, fourth, and every Holy Communion moment always special. I might sound like I am asking for too much, but that is how it should be when we promised to God on the day of their Baptism that we will raise them up in the way of faith.

In addition to the 85 children who received the First Communion on Saturday, there were 13 youths that received their First Communion last Sunday at the 4:30 PM Mass. Thanks to Trey, our Youth Director and his team in preparing them for this beautiful celebration. Once again congratulations to all 98 first communicants this year.

From the death of Pope Francis to the election of the new Pope Leo XIV

With heavy yet prayerful hearts, we mourn the passing of our beloved Holy Father, Pope Francis. In this moment of great loss, we give thanks for the life of a shepherd who embodied the Gospel with humility, mercy, and an unwavering faith in God's boundless love. From the very beginning of his papacy, Pope Francis called us to embrace the Lord's command to evangelize, urging us in *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel) to go forth boldly, reaching out to all people and proclaiming the Good News with renewed fervor. His witness has profoundly shaped our own mission, inspiring us to be a Church that is not turned in on itself but one that goes out, serving the poor, welcoming the lost and walking alongside all who seek Christ.

Habemus Papam! Cardinal Robert Prevost was elected as the first US-born pontiff Thursday, May 8th and will be known as Pope Leo XIV. The 69-year-old from Chicago stepped into his role as the 267th pope on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica on Thursday evening, addressing thousands of cheering Catholics with the words: "Peace be with you all." As we offer our warm wishes and prayers, let us recognize and follow the lead of our new Pope and Shepherd of the Universal Church.

Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hispanic Ministry Breakfast

Hispanic Ministry Breakfast Sunday May 18th, after morning Mass in the Parish Hall. Join us and support the Mary Queen Hispanic Ministry.

Eggs & sausage Burritos

Eggs & chorizo Burritos

Eggs & potatoes Burritos

Tamales

Donuts

Coffee & Lemonade



==== Kid Zone ====

Coloring books table

Cornhole

Games table

Hula hoops

Looking forward to see you all!

Hispanic Ministry Events

Please join us on Monday, June 3rd at 7:00 PM at Mary's House for our June monthly meeting. The meeting is from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Following the meeting, we will have a brief reception. You are welcome to bring your snack of choice to share after the meeting. We hope to see you there! For more information, please contact Aurora Garza at mqhispanicministry@gmail.com



You are invited to join us in prayer and participate in the Hispanic Ministry Bilingual Rosary on Friday, June 6th at 7:00 PM at St. Joseph's Chapel.

After the rosary, we will have a potluck dinner in the Main Hall and play Loteria (Mexican Bingo).

Please bring a dish to share! Thank you and God bless!



Registration is open for the 2025 Mary Queen Men's ACTS Retreat

Do you want to improve your relationship with Jesus? Are you hoping to renew yourself spiritually? Do you want to give new meaning to your prayer life? Would you like to build lasting friendships with member of Mary Queen Parish? Attending the Men's ACTS retreat answers yes to all of these questions and is one of the best gifts you will ever give to yourself.

For additional information or questions, please contact:

Director: Stephe Harrison: (713) 252-3253; e-mail: sachenv@aol.com
Co-Director: Justin Birmingham: (281) 732-4892; e-mail: jbirm78@gmail.com
Co-Director: Dan Levin: (832) 975-9959; e-mail: dan.lev2016@gmail.com
Spiritual Companion: Paul Robison: (713) 416-1585; e-mail: probisonjr@proton.me

Mary Queen Parish Men's A.C.T.S. Retreat
Thursday, May 29th through Sunday, June 1st, 2025
Christian Renewal Center 1515 Hughes Rd. Dickinson, TX 77539

Use the link below or scan the QR code to register.

bit.ly/4iNnyEc



MOVIE NIGHT!!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28TH

6.00 PM TO 9.00PM

Mary Queen Church
Youth Center



All youth who will be attending Brave camp this June are invited to attend this free event.

"SNACK ATTACK!!"

Please bring 2 snacks - one to share with friends and one to be donated to the Food Pantry! Popcorn will be provided. Come for fun, fellowship, and meet your new Brave friends from other parishes!!

RESEMBLING JESUS

Mini Reflection: When we love someone, we want to be associated with them. We want to be recognized as theirs somehow. And if we love Christ, we should want to be known as belonging to him. We should want those who see us to know we are his.

Resembling Jesus

I once wrote an article about several women residents of a local nursing home. In researching the piece, I discovered that they had grown up in the same neighborhood as my grandmother, and that one of the women was, in fact, my grandmother's dearest childhood friend.

When I visited this woman to take her photograph, she took a long look at my face, and I could see in her eyes that she was reaching back in her memory across the years.

She said: "You resemble her." I wept on the way home.

My grandmother died when I was nine, and for the last several years of her life she suffered from Alzheimer's disease. I have always deeply grieved the time we lost, the relationship we could have had. I have hazy fragments of memory from before her illness that lead me to believe we loved each other very much.

Being told I look like my grandmother by someone who knew her well — being identified as belonging to her in some way — was one of the more beautiful things to happen to me.

When we love someone, we want to be associated with them. We want to be recognized as theirs somehow. And if we love Christ, we should want to be known as belonging to him. We should want those who see us to know we are his.

The only way we can resemble Jesus is through love. It is his most recognizable quality, his most famous trait. This is how all will know that you are my disciples.

As Catholics, we are always talking about finding ways to live our faith boldly, unapologetically, publicly. Good — we should! But if we want people to know we are Catholic, we should love them. Bravely. Recklessly. Sacrificially.

As he loves us.

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May 18th, 2025

5th Sunday of Easter

John 13:31-35

I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "As the Father loves me, so I love you" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "Love another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: "Love one another." So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you."

— Father John Muir

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DAILY READINGS

Sunday, May 18

Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday, May 19

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 20

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 21

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 22

Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Friday, May 23

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, May 24

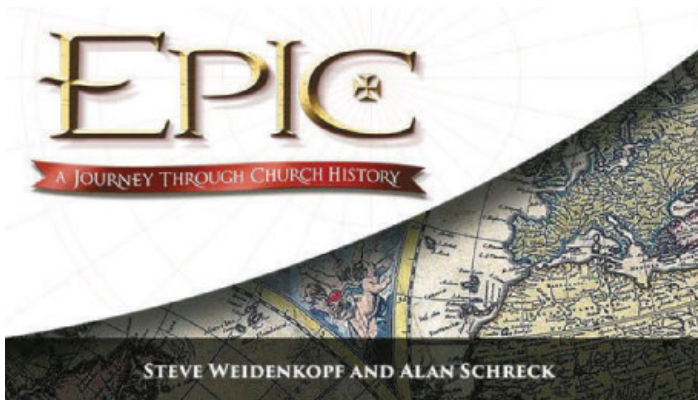
Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-2

Next Sunday:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29



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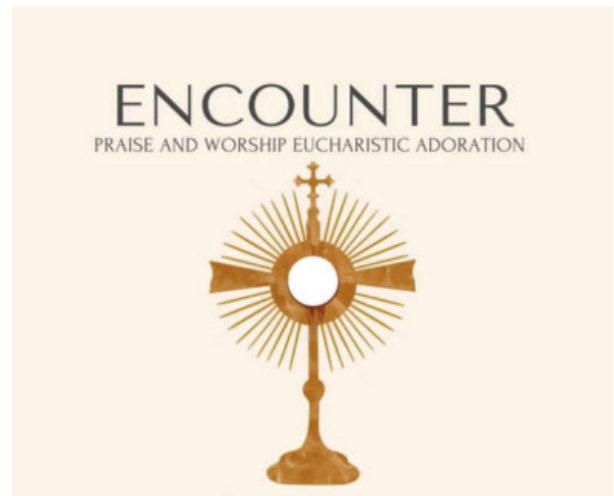
A New Catholic Church History Series for Adults!

Epic: A Journey Through Church History by Steve Weidenkopf

This is our story, our family. As Catholics, we are the inheritors of holy men and women who over two thousand years built a great civilization and spread the gospel throughout the world. The history of the Church is not just the recitation of popes and saints; it is a story of adventure, intrigue, rebellion, reform, and devotion. In this study you will learn about the important people, places, and events in two thousand years of Church history, presented in twelve easy-to-remember color-coded time periods. You will discover the true stories behind the Crusades, the Spanish Inquisition, and the Protestant Reformation. You will also learn about the massive persecution of Christians in the twentieth century. Throughout, you will be gaining an understanding of the workings of the Holy Spirit in our Church. The better we know our history, the better prepared we will be to face the future.

Beginning on July 8th on Tuesdays for 20 weeks from
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in Mary's House.

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



Please mark your calendars this summer for three
Thursday nights of Eucharistic Adoration with Praise
& Worship for all the Families from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

June 19
July 17
August 21



All Young Adults of ages 18 & above are invited to join us on
Wednesday evenings after the 6:30 pm Mass at Mary's House
from 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

For more information & to sign-up, please contact: Eby Kurian



We have reached the 4th period of the OCIA process, which is the Neophyte year. All those who received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) on Easter Vigil are called neophytes in this period, until the anniversary of their initiation next Easter. All those who made the Profession of Faith and received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist on Easter Vigil are called newly received. The final period of regular weekly formation extends through the Easter season until May 15th on Thursday nights. This post-baptismal catechesis is called Mystagogy. It is a time for deepening the Christian experience, especially in the appreciation for the sacramental life, for spiritual growth, and for entering more fully into the life and unity of the Catholic community. The neophytes now share with Christ, and his Body in the Mary Queen parish community, the intimate communion of the Eucharist. Now they have access to all the means of sanctification. We as Mary Queen parish community pledge to help them grow and mature in the Christian life and to develop a genuine Catholic worldview. Please pray for all those who God has called us to join us as we continue on our pilgrimage to our Father in Heaven.

JR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL



Why Our New Pope Chose His Name ...

"I chose to take the name Leo XIV. There are different reasons for this, but mainly because Pope Leo XIII in his historic Encyclical *Rerum Novarum* addressed the social question in the context of the first great industrial revolution. In our own day, the Church offers to everyone the treasury of her social teaching in response to another industrial revolution and to developments in the field of artificial intelligence that pose new challenges for the defence of human dignity, justice and labour."

More Information

Trey Brock, Youth Director
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18
MAY

POST-SACRAMENT
CLASS

3:00-4:00 PM

25
MAY

POST-SACRAMENT
CLASS

3:00-4:00 PM

28
MAY

YOUTH BIBLE
STUDY

5:30-6:30 PM

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JUNE

POST-SACRAMENT
CLASS

3:00-4:00 PM



Carol Stuart, Director for Elementary Faith Formation

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Never stop learning and educating yourself

Dear Catechists:

Are you aware the archdiocese has classes you can attend online or in person to learn more about our beautiful faith?

Please see the link below and consider taking a class online or in person this summer. Each class has different lengths of time...some are just one hour!

You will need to create a free Capernaum account to see what is available.

Some classes you may be interested are:

Intro to Scripture: New Testament

Intro to Scripture: Old Testament

Formation toward Christian Ministry

<https://www.archgh.org/capernaum>

Jr. High Faith Formation



MOVIE NIGHT!!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28TH

6.00 PM TO 9.00PM

Mary Queen Church
Youth Center



Vacation Bible School Campers

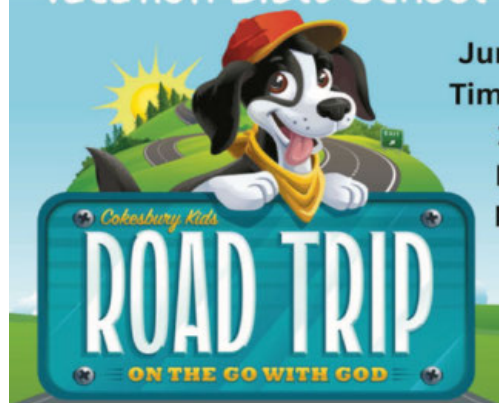
June 16 - 20th

Time: 9:00 am -

12:00pm

Location:

Main Hall



CAMPERS: Please bring the following with you this week:

- A water bottle labeled with your name
- Wear SPF lotion
- Pick up your t-shirts day one
- Walk your child into the main hall and come pick them up from the main hall each day

DAY ONE: All parents please plan to remain for 15 minutes

AROUND THE PARISH



Parish Festival 2025



Live Auction



Silent Auction



Fun Kids Zone!



Our Knights



Mother's Day Blessings



God Bless All Mamas!

DIFFICULT TIME WITH MOTHER'S DAY? **WE ARE HERE WITH YOU.**

For Catholics struggling with infertility and pregnancy loss, **Mother's Day can be hard—but there is hope and healing in community!** Springs in the Desert is a Catholic ministry that accompanies these women and couples by offering them a place of respite and solidarity where they can know God's love for them and discover His unique call to fruitfulness.

For virtual and in-person events, encouraging blog posts, podcast episodes, and more, visit www.springsinthedesert.org. It is our honor to walk with you!



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IN THE
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CATHOLIC INFERTILITY MINISTRY

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Altar Server TRAINING CLP

The Altar Server Ministry is open to youth finishing 3rd grade through high school who have received their First Communion. Training sessions are from 6 – 7/7:30 PM (depending upon number of servers who come) in the Church on the following days: June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 10, 17, 31; and August 7. No additional dates will be added.

To become an altar server, the child needs to attend three sessions, not necessarily in consecutive weeks. Current servers need to attend one session as a refresher. There is no need for registration. For questions please contact Kara Pohlkamp at kara.pohlkamp@gmail.com



Celebrating our First Communicants!

Congratulations to all 98
of our youth who
received their
First Holy Communion
this May!



COMMUNITY EVENTS





We Fly To Your Protection
The Blessed Virgin Mary,
our New Eve!

Fullness of Truth's Springtime Marian Conference

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Question:

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Answer:

The problem of evil is perplexing. If God is all-powerful and all-good, why doesn't He stop bad things from happening? He must either not be all-powerful, or perhaps He's not very good after all. Human beings have faced the possibility of evil since the very beginning of our existence. In granting us free will, God gives us the ability to make free choices. God does not force us into moral perfection. We are not forced to love Him or to love our neighbor. We must make the decision ourselves. This means, of course, that we have the ability to choose against love.

One small decision of selfishness, jealousy, or pride may not seem so bad. But every decision — good or bad — is like a stone dropped into a still pond. The ripples extend much farther than the original stone. When decisions against love begin to compound, they affect families, neighborhoods, and nations. This is all the more reason for Christians to be faithful to our baptismal call to love one another as Christ has loved us!

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Think about the times in your life when this has been said to you. Maybe it was after someone complimented you on a job well done, and you realized that you were walking through life with a little more confidence. Maybe it was after meeting someone special, as you carried the glow of that relationship wherever you went. Chances are, if someone has noticed something different about you, it's because, inwardly, you've been changed by the loving or respectful actions of another person.

Love, you see, can make us into new creations. From the love of God flows the grace to tackle any challenge, including the biggest challenge of all: loving each other well. Christ knows what a big request this is. He was human, too. He came and lived among us. He knew intimately what it was to love people in the chaos of their own flaws. He knew what he was asking of us when he said, "As I have loved you, so you should also love one another."

In essence, this is the call to stewardship: loving as Christ loves, amidst the messiness of everyday reality. Loving with accountability, challenging ourselves and our brothers and sisters to be faithful even when it is hard. Loving with an unflinching sense of hospitality that welcomes even those we do not agree with or understand. Loving with gratitude, giving thanks for the great variety of ways that Christ can make himself known to us through others.

It isn't easy — we all know that. But if we ask God for the grace to remain steadfast in this greatest commandment, we will be given what we need to live as new creations.

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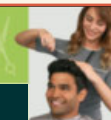
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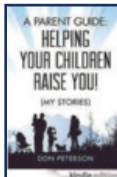
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