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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, June 8th

Second Collection: Future Development and Maintenance (All Masses)
Knights of Columbus KC Blood Drive & Coffee/Donuts (After All Masses)
Knights of Columbus Casino Night Ticket Sales (After All Masses)
6:00 AM - 12:00 PM Knights of Columbus BBQ Fundraiser (Main Hall)

Monday, June 9th

5:00 pm - 6:00 PM Mystagogy Planning Meeting - Confirmation Teens (YC)
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)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group (Room 125)

Tuesday, June 10th

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Mary Queen Seniors Program/Bingo (Mini Hall)
4:30 PM Exposition for 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Bay Area Serra Club Meeting (Room 110/Library)

Wednesday, June 11th

6:00 AM - 7:00 AM

'That Man Is You' - Summer Series - AFF (Main Hall)
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Meditation Prayer Group (Room 110/Library)
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Queen's Bee Quilters Meeting (Mini Hall)
5:45 PM - 6:00 PM

Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Young Adults & College Students Small Group
Sessions - AFF (Mary's House)

Thursday, June 12th

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Summer Altar Server Training (Church)
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Creation Care Ministry Meeting (Room 110/Library)

Friday, June 13th

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Saturday, June 14th

Knights of Columbus Casino Night Ticket Sales (After All Masses)

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM BACH Homeschool Graduation Mass (Church)

11:30 AM - 4:00 PM BACH Homeschool Graduation Ceremony (Main Hall)

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

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 7th

8:30 AM Melvin Sujo, Jasmine Poyatos - Birthday
Blessings, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Al
& Joan Radous
5:30 PM †Darrell Whitehouse, †Graciano Pina, Jr.,

Sunday, June 8th

7:30 AM †Maria Trevino, †Joan Satterfield, †Roel Quiroz, Jr.

9:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Garrett Ainsworth

11:30 AM †Maria Cordova, †Margaret Cusamento, Martha Garcia

4:30 PM †Mike Goff, Marek Rudak & Jessica Rivera Rudak, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Nelson & Teresa Olavarria

Monday, June 9th

Tuesday, June 10th

8:30 AM **†**N.D. Joseph, Mark & Melody Kuhrt - Wedding Anniversary Blessings, Fr. Thomas Vellappalli - Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, June 11th

Thursday, June 12th

8:30 AM †Ada Franciscan, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Heeb & Garst Families, †Jim Walls

Friday, June 13th

Saturday, June 14th

5:30 PM †Thomas John Stimson, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Labrie Family, Carol Stuart - Birthday Blessings

Sunday, June 15th

11:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

TIME · TALENT · TREASURE

Offertory: May 17, 2025 - May 23, 2025

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$49,198.38 Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$42,432.00

Difference: \$6,766.38

MP-Debt Reduction: Diverted to Building Together

Campaign

Future Development & Maintenance: \$234.00

Food Pantry: \$842.00

Special/2nd Collection: La Salette Missions Appeal

\$18,408.43

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

June 8 - Future Development and Maintenance

June 22 - Corpus Christi Sunday - St. Mary Seminary

Building Together Campaign

Parish Goal: \$3,500,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$1,772,675.35

Total Amount Pledged: \$1,829,025.82

Total Number of Individual Pledges: 435

Diocesan Services Fund

2025 DSF Summary as of May 30, 2025

Parish Goal: \$205,000.00 Total Amount Paid: \$92,669.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 220 Total Number of Gifts Received: 413

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 16, 2025

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$638,209.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,383.32

Total Number of Gifts Received: 2,613

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.

- Go to the following link https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com
- 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!



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,

How many of you have watched the movie *The Wizard of Oz?* It was released in the 1930s, and I watched it several years ago while I was in the Philippines. More recently, I had the opportunity to see it performed as a musical by the graduating students of Friendswood, Texas—a suburb of Houston.

The story begins with young Dorothy and her dog, Toto, who are swept away by a tornado from their Kansas farm to the magical and colorful land of Oz. Dorothy finds herself in a strange Never-Never Land, and all she wants is to return home. She is lost, confused, and afraid. The natives of that place tell her that the Wizard of Oz would surely be willing to help her find her way home, and with that, love and happiness.

"Where is the Wizard of Oz?" she asks. They reply, "Just follow the yellow brick road."

"But where is the yellow brick road?" she asks again.
They respond, "Right there under your feet—it will lead you to the Wizard of Oz, and to love, happiness, and all the good things in life."

Off she goes, singing, "We're off to see the Wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz!"

As Dorothy skips down the yellow brick road, she meets several interesting characters: the Scarecrow, who has no brain and wishes to be smart; the Tin Man, who has no heart, and is neither compassionate nor loving; and the Cowardly Lion, who is supposed to be brave, but is actually afraid. Together, they face many challenges, but they overcome them all. Filled with wisdom and understanding, love and compassion, peace and joy, they move forward—ultimately reaching the Wizard of Oz and the place of their dreams.

The lesson from these first scenes of the movie is this: So often, we are lost, confused, and afraid. We don't know where to find answers to our problems. We fail to realize that love and happiness are often right there beneath our feet. We don't have to chase after our dreams; we simply need to look down and within. They are already present—in our parents, in our children, in our brothers and sisters, and in our friends.

Another lesson is that many of our problems can be solved with a bit of logic and common sense. Sit down, think, and ask the right questions: Where do I want to go? What do I want in life? What must I do to get there?

Today, in the Gospel, we read that the disciples of Jesus were hiding—filled with fear—behind closed and locked doors. They shut out the world, which to them felt hostile, persecuting, and terrifying. Huddled together in isolation, they were planning what to do next and where to go. And then—surprise!—into their isolation, Jesus comes. He walks through the closed doors. Their initial reaction must have been shock, then joy as they realized who it was.

Jesus tells them to come out of isolation and fear. He commands them to go and announce the Good News. You are bearers of the Gospel, He says, announcers of salvation and forgiveness. You must go—you have a mission.

The Spirit is full of surprises. The feasts of the Ascension and Pentecost remind us that God is still present, still speaks, still sends out disciples to make a difference—and still calls.

On this Pentecost Sunday and always, may the Holy Spirit lead us, guide us, fill us, and strengthen us with the gifts of wisdom and understanding, counsel and fortitude, knowledge and piety, and fear of the Lord.

Many Blessings,

Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS

UPCOMING EVENTS





Quilts by Queen's Bee Quilters

Please join us in viewing the annual display of our handmade, majestic Military & Patriotic Quilts on July 4th, 2025. The display will be set up and available after all Sunday Masses in the Parish Hall.

All quilts are available for sale, waiting for you to come and select yours. All proceeds benefit Prayer Quilt Ministry and Mary Queen Church. Queen's Bee Quilters will be delivering many of these quilts in the Fall to local veterans.









PRACTICING CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: What's so special about Pentecost that it wasn't until this moment — and not any of the equally world-changing moments that came in the weeks before it — that the Apostles became the Church?

Leaving the Room

I was a full-grown adult before I realized that Pentecost is known as "the birthday of the Church," and it only resonated with me because someone showed up to a church function with cake and candles. Leave it to buttercream frosting to drive home a theological reality I had been missing for 25 years.

I knew what Pentecost was, of course. It simply went over my head that, despite all the incredible, world-changing things that had come before the moment of Pentecost, prior to this day, the Apostles were just a group of guys in a room. It wasn't until Pentecost that they became the Church.

So what makes the Church...well, the Church, capital C? What makes it more than just a group of guys in a room?

It's true, they were a very special group of guys. They had the Truth — capital T. They had borne witness to Christ's miracles, to his life and to his passion and death.

But they were still in that room.

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they received graces and gifts that made them fit to carry out the Great Commission. The Truth wasn't enough, even with a capital T. They needed the Spirit — capital S — and more than that, they needed to receive it with the courage and faith necessary to do what needed to be done.

To get up and leave the room.

Because what good is any of it unless they leave the room? What does it matter, the tongues of fire and the miraculous bilingualism and, frankly, the coming of the Spirit, if no one ever hears about it?

The mission is what made them the Church. It's what makes us the Church. Without it, we're just a bunch of guys in a room.

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorma
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PRAY & REFLECT

June 8th, 2025 Pentecost Sunday John 20:19-23

When I was a seminarian almost 20 years ago, a bank vice president taught us etiquette classes. She said, "Gentlemen, please make sure your breath isn't bad. Take some breath mints before you hear confessions, okay?" We nervously laughed because the proximity that makes breath noticeable (whether pleasant or not) can be a bit awkward.

When Jesus breathes on his Apostles (John 20:22), he must have been within inches of at least some of them. This closeness of his breath has a purpose: the purpose of forgiveness of sins. "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them" (John 20:23). Why in the world would the almost uncomfortable closeness of his breath forgive sins?

In the Bible, breath is spirit or wind. It comes from above and makes that which is below to have identity. To not have a single identity is to be multiple, divided. The word "sin" comes from an ancient word that means "to split" or "render asunder." Sin divides us sinners and the world around us; our spiritual "breath" leaves us and our identity splinters. Only breath from above restores. For example, a shattered vase is rendered whole because the craftsman breathes the spirit of the vase back into it when he repairs it. A human being shattered by sin is made whole by the breath of God, breathed by Jesus through his priests. His breath alone forgives sins. It's always done with his gentle, loving closeness.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

DAILY READINGS

Sunday, June 8

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Monday, June 9

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34 **Tuesday. June 10**

2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16 Wednesday, June 11

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, June 12

2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26 Friday, June 13

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday, June 14

2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 5:33-37

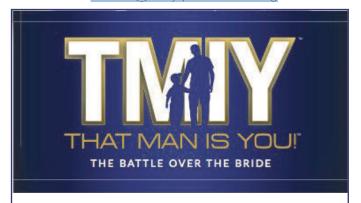
Sunday, June 15:

Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a)/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15



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We are kicking off the Summer Series of 'That Man is You!' at Mary Queen on May 28th!

Meetings are every Wednesday morning from 6:00 am - 7:00 am in the Main Hall through August 20th.

The theme of 'The Battle Over the Bride' will help men grasp the depth and beauty of the Church's vision of love and marriage by considering 7 "moments" in the Catholic Nuptial Mass, provides a mystical vision of the beauty of love that lies hidden behind the "mundane details" of everyday life, and relates stories from around the globe of couples who have lived the mystery of love to its very end.

It will enable men to take the next step in male leadership. By attaining clarity of thought and developing integrity of action regarding the Church's vision of love and marriage, men are able to transform their homes into the foundation for a new springtime of Christianity.

Summer is the perfect time to bring a friend. Invite a man in the pew, a neighbor, family member or coworker!

Come to TMIY and join the band of brothers!

For more information, please contact Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & OCIA at ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org or 281 - 710 - 8876.

To sign-up for the TMIY Summer series scan the OR code



or visit

https://maryqueenchurch.flocknote.com/ThatManlsYou



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (formerly *RCIA*) is the normative process by which adults are gradually introduced to the Catholic faith and sacramental life. Rooted in Sacred Scripture, guided by the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and sustained by prayer and the support of the Christian community, this journey mirrors the ancient catechumenal formation of the early Church (cf. RCIA, nos. 1–5).

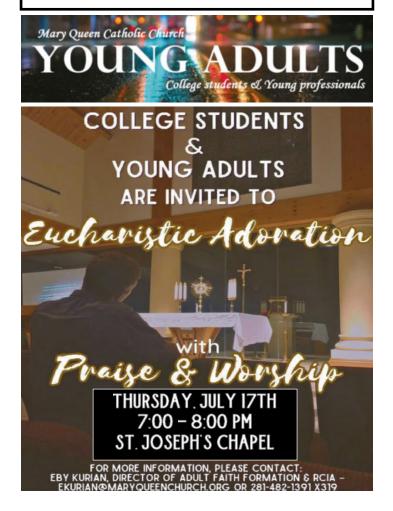
This process is intended for:

Unbaptized adults, who seek to receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.

Baptized non-Catholic Christians, who desire to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church through a profession of faith, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

Baptized Catholics, who have not yet completed their sacraments of initiation (Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion).

Questions? Please contact Eby Kurian to learn more at 281-710-8876 or ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org





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8 JUNE

PENTECOST SUNDAY

18

CONFIRMATION MYSTAGOGY

3:00-4:00 pm

11

JUNE

JUNE

5:30-6:30 pm

5:30-6:30 pm 22 JUNE

THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

"For evangelization today, the Heart of Christ must be recognized as the heart of the Church: It is He who calls us to conversion, to reconciliation. It is He who leads pure hearts and those hungering for justice along the way of the Beatitudes. It is He who achieves the warm communion of the members of the one Body. It is He who enables us to adhere to the Good News and to accept the promise of eternal life. It is He who sends us out on mission. The heart-to-heart with Jesus broadens the human heart on a global scale."

- Pope St. John Paul II

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If you have not been a volunteer as an adult or a teen, you are really missing out! It is so much fun!

COME!!!

You will make 70 other friends along the way volunteering with you!

June 16-20th

(we all set up on the Sunday the 15th after

the 9:30am Mass)

Time: 8:30-12:30pm

Please sign up below:

https://www.marvqueencatholicchurch.org/vbs

Vacation Bible School Campers

June 16 - 20th 9:00 am - Noon in the Main Hall

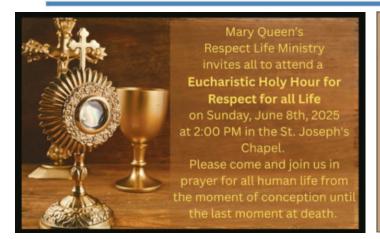


CAMPERS: Please bring the following items with you:

- · 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



The Altar Server Ministry is open Altar Server to youth finishing 3rd grade TRAINING - through high school who have

received their First Communion. Training sessions are held in the Church on the following days:

June 12, 17, 26; July 10, 15, 31; and August 7 from 6:00 - 7:00/7:30 PM.

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

MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION AT MARY QUEEN



SATURDAY JUNE 21 8:00 AM - 10 AM





Mary Queen Food Pantry is partnering with the Galveston County Food Bank to offer a Mobile Food Distribution at Mary Queen on Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Set up and tear down help is also needed.

This blessing of groceries will take about 30 volunteers!

Sign up at this link or scan the QR code

SIGN UP 🗲

https://bit.ly/MQfoodpantry



Volunteer Guidelines:

- ◆ Closed-toe shoes required
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- Volunteers 18+ must be CMG-trained (Safe Environment)
- More info: Chris Austgen at (281) 482-1931
- Email: chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org





On the weekend of May 17th and 18th, the Pastoral Council was blessed to be able to present the 2025 Mary Queen Lifetime Service Award to six deserving parishioners. We are blessed with many wonderful people willing to volunteer their personal time and talent to Mary Queen Catholic Church and its parishioners. They have dedicated many years of service to making Mary Queen a vibrant and welcoming parish. These parishioners give of themselves, not for a pat on the back or for an award, but for the glory and honor of God. The recipients of this award are recognized as people that live and witness the Catholic faith. Recipients include: Sheri Barber, Dan Buchanan, Mary Katherine and Ernie Heeb, Joann and Bob Larson, Joyce Miner, and Dolores Richards.

Congratulations and thank you!



Dear Parish Families,

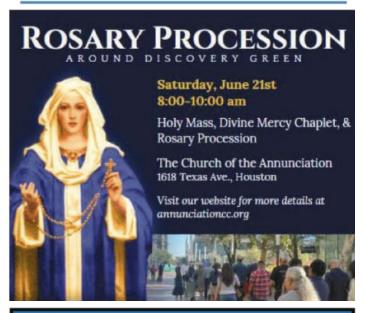
We would like to invite you and your children to a special *family-friendly* Eucharistic Holy Hour!

During this Summer as a Eucharistic Revival Parish, this is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a family and reflect on the gift of the Eucharist in our lives.

The Eucharistic Adoration with Praise & Worship will take place on three Thursday nights this Summer on June 19, July 17 & August 21 from 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM in the church. It will be a time for quiet reflection, prayer, and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Music will be offered to lead us in worship to the Lord. We encourage you to take this time to deepen your family's relationship with Jesus Christ and to reflect on the many blessings in your lives.

Join us for this special time of prayer and reflection!

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Christian Renewal Center Water Aerobics & Rosary Monday & Wednesday at 11AM for Women



Join Kim Brown for water aerobics and rosary, Monday's & Wednesday's starting June 16 – July 30 at 11AM. This event is for women only. We will pray the rosary, guided by spiritual and theological meditations while doing water aerobics on each Hail Mary. Cost only \$75.



Come strengthen your temple of the Holy Spirit! www.retreatcentercrc.org



Texas Catholic Herald

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES

US Air Force:

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

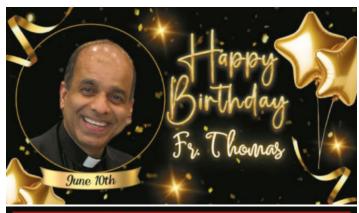


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VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

COME, HOLY GHOST, CREATOR BLEST, AND IN OUR HEARTS TAKE UP THY REST; COME WITH THY GRACE AND HEAV'NLY AID, TO FILL THE HEARTS WHICH THOU HAST MADE.

O COMFORTER, TO THEE WE CRY, THOU HEAV'NLY GIFT OF GOD MOST HIGH, THOU FOUNT OF LIFE, AND FIRE OF LOVE, AND SWEET ANOINTING FROM ABOVE.

O FINGER OF THE HAND DIVINE, THE SEVENFOLD GIFTS OF GRACE ARE THINE; TRUE PROMISE OF THE FATHER THOU, WHO DOST THE TONGUE WITH POWER ENDOW.

THY LIGHT TO EVERY SENSE IMPART, AND SHED THY LOVE IN EVERY HEART; THINE OWN UNFAILING MIGHT SUPPLY TO STRENGTHEN OUR INFIRMITY.

DRIVE FAR AWAY OUR GHOSTLY FOE, AND THINE ABIDING PEACE BESTOW; IF THOU BE OUR PREVENTING GUIDE, NO EVIL CAN OUR STEPS BETIDE.

PRAISE WE THE FATHER AND THE SON AND HOLY SPIRIT WITH THEM ONE; AND MAY THE SON ON US BESTOW THE GIFTS THAT FROM THE SPIRIT FLOW, AMEN.

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Sunday Mass

Question: Why Do We Use Incense at

Mass?

Answer: The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today.

Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives.

The use of incense in the Church's liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, "Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering" (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant.

Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it's because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during eucharistic adoration and benediction, and the body of the deceased at the end of the Mass of the Resurrection (the Funeral Mass).

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Everyday Stewardship Do You Speak Stewardship?

If you are married, I'm guessing that you know the best way to break bad news to your spouse, whether you realize it or not. Maybe it's simply that you know not to talk about the budget after your wife's football team has lost. Maybe you know your

husband will take the news that your sister is coming to stay a little easier if you tell him over his favorite dinner. We do the same thing with our children, our friends, our coworkers — we have all learned the language of the people we love.

The truth is the same in every language, but it's important for us to convey that truth graciously. That's what Pentecost teaches us. The gift of being able to speak in tongues afforded the Apostles a practical skill to spread the Gospel message, but it also served as a powerful symbol of the importance of effective communication. Evangelization can only happen when you're speaking in words a person is able, ready, and willing to hear.

Let's ask ourselves: what is the language we need to speak to share the truth with the person who is standing in front of us? Is it the language of quality time? The language of concern? The language of laughter and friendship? The language of authenticity, of plain talk and frankness?

The Holy Spirit gave the Apostles the ability to speak in tongues, and it seems miraculous when we read about it in the Gospels — but only consider that we all have this same ability, in a certain way. The Holy Spirit can and will show us how to speak the truth, if we only ask.



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