

Mary Queen
CATHOLIC CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 14 2025



• THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS •

**FOR GOD SO LOVED
THE WORLD.**

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are Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette.**



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www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org
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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9:00 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

9:00 AM 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, September 14th

Women's ACTS Retreat Pulpit Talks (At All Masses)
 Women's Ministry Fall Luncheon Ticket Sales After All Masses (Narthex)
 Knights of Columbus BBQ Fundraiser After All Morning Masses
 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Respect Life Holy Hour of Adoration (Chapel)
 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Young Men's Service League Meeting (Mini Hall)

Monday, September 15th

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Bible Study - Youth Ministry (YC)
 5:45 PM - 8:00 PM Special Friends Program (Main Hall)
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Building Committee Meeting - Gregory (Room 110/Library)
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 452 - Pack Meeting -
 Raingutter Regatta (Church Parking Lot)
 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Women's Ministry Meeting (Mini Hall)
 6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Men's ACTS Small Group (Room 119)
 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Troop 452 - Court of Honor (YC)
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM ACTS Core Team Meeting (Room 120)
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group (Room 125)

Tuesday, September 16th

9:00 AM Exposition for 33 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry (Room 114/115)
 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Grounded in Hope Women's Bible Study-WWP (Main Hall)
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM 'Epic: A Journey Through Church History' (Mary's House)
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Grounded in Hope Women's Bible Study-WWP (Main Hall)

Wednesday, September 17th

5:45 AM - 7:00 AM 'That Man Is You - Worthy of the Call' - AFF (Main Hall)
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Meditation Prayer Group (Room 110/Library)
 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Reconciliation
 5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
 5:45 PM - 7:00 PM Catechist/Volunteer/Core Team Training - EFF
 & Jr. High FF (YC)
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Ministry of Care Meeting (Mary's House)
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Young Adults & College Students Small Group
 Fall Sessions - AFF (Mini Hall)
 7:15 PM - 9:15 PM Women's ACTS Retreat Team Meetings (Main Hall)

Thursday, September 18th

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Walking With Purpose Coordinator Mtg (Library)
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting (Room 114/115)

Friday, September 19th

Saturday, September 20th

Queen Bee Quilters Ticket Sales After All Masses (Narthex)
 Women's Ministry Fall Luncheon Ticket Sales After All Masses (Narthex)
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Pastoral Council - Discernment - New Members (Mini Hall)
 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Small Group Leader Training - WWP - AFF (Main Hall)
 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 13th

8:30 AM †William R. Stimson, Queen Bee Quilters, Living
 & Deceased Loved Ones of the Rodriguez
 Family

Sunday, September 14th

7:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
 9:30 AM †Bruno Giacomuzzi, †Jerry Montemayor, Lucia
 Boone
 11:30 AM †Maria Trevino, †Maria Rojas, †Kyle Kramer
 4:30 PM †Hector Tobon, †Godfrey Ononugbo, †Jacob
 Angeles

Monday, September 15th

8:30 AM †Mike Vukelich, †Antoinette Guzzetta, Ron &
 Carol Willenborg - Wedding Anniversary
 Blessings

Tuesday, September 16th

8:30 AM †Mark Willenborg, †Harold Fattig, Sr., †Sam De
 Los Santos, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of
 the Mullen & Stimson Families

Wednesday, September 17th

6:30 PM †Frank & +Carlotta Garza, †Gertruda Zielke,
 †John Revell

Thursday, September 18th

8:30 AM †Gary Gionnette, †Daisy Rosario, Living &
 Deceased Loved Ones of Vinnie Saccomano

Friday, September 19th

8:30 AM †Michael Doiron, Adam Post - Birthday
 Blessings, Danny Avila - Birthday Blessings

Saturday, September 20th

8:30 AM †Dan Foster, †Pam Jessen, Deacon Charles
 Turner - Birthday Blessings

Sunday, September 21st

7:30 AM †George Henry Sorrell, Jr., †Jerry Schrader,
 Fr. Trey Crespo, M.S. - Birthday Blessings
 9:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
 11:30 AM †Gloria Cruz, †Paul Gosselin, Brother Mathias
 De Cuir, O.P.
 4:30 PM †Alicia Huerta, †Godfrey Ononugbo, †Randall
 Steele

The Mass Intentions calendar for 2026 will open
 on October 6th. Please see page 10 for details
 and guidelines.

TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

Offertory: August 16, 2025 - August 22, 2025

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$49,987.79

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$45,833.00

Difference: \$4,154.79

Future Development & Maintenance: \$342.00

Food Pantry: \$8,077.00

Special/2nd Collection: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary \$4,833.00

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

Sept. 14 - Future Development and Maintenance

Sept. 21 - La Salette Feast Day

Sept. 28 - DSF Sunday: 3rd Commitment Sunday (*not a 2nd Collection*)

Building Together Campaign

Parish Goal: \$3,500,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$1,811,294.44

Total Amount Pledged: \$1,837,225.82

Total Number of Individual Pledges: 438

Diocesan Services Fund

2025 DSF Summary as of August 29, 2025

Parish Goal: \$205,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$128,031.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 263

Total Number of Gifts Received: 616

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 August 29, 2025

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$641,684.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,383.32

Total Number of Gifts Received: 2,658

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!



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.



OCIA for Adults

Interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic church? Scan the QR code to fill out our OCIA 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,

During the month of September, we will joyfully commemorate the Feast of Our Lady of La Salette, a powerful reminder of Mary's call to conversion, reconciliation, and hope. Her tears and words continue to speak to our world today, calling us to reflect on our lives, to renew our commitment to prayer, and to live with greater faithfulness and love. Our celebration will include nine days of a novena culminating in the celebration of the Eucharist at all weekend Masses on September 20–21 to honor the Blessed Virgin at La Salette. The International Rosary will be prayed in various languages as usual, and we hope to include exposition, adoration, and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The candlelight procession that was held last year was breathtaking. All are welcome at an International Luncheon in the Parish Hall immediately following the 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday, September 21. I am so glad to invite you to participate in one or more of the feast day events at our church, which will soon be announced.

As you know, the story of La Salette begins with the apparition of our Blessed Mother on September 19, 1846. The Blessed Mother appeared to two shepherd children, Maximin and Melanie, ages 15 and 11. They had no education, had never gone to school, had no money, and were very poor. They worked day and night taking care of the sheep and cattle on the mountain of La Salette and in neighboring places. Mary, at La Salette, brought the good news of God's generous love and care for those two shepherd children and for the entire world. Among the many La Salette ministries, I would like to share with you one work we do for the children of this world who are less fortunate and less privileged.

Today there are almost 1,000 La Salette missionaries working in 30 countries, especially in the missions of Madagascar, Angola, Tanzania, Mozambique, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, the Philippines, India, Myanmar, and Haiti. Next week, I would like to share with you some of my experiences and encounters during my visits with the La Salette missionaries around the world.

Let us take this opportunity to draw closer to Mary, the Reconciler of Sinners, and through her, deepen our relationship with Christ. May her message inspire us to be witnesses of peace, healing, and unity in our families and our communities.

Many Blessings,

Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS

UPCOMING EVENTS

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BARBECUE
SALE**



**SUNDAY SEPT 14 AFTER
MORNING MASSES IN
THE MAIN HALL**

Celebrate Your Heritage at Our International Reception!



As part of our La Salette Feast Day Celebration, we're hosting an **International Reception after the 11:30 am Mass on September 21**, and we want YOU to be part of it!

We're looking for individuals and families who are proud of their heritage and would love to host a table representing their country.

Hosting a table includes:

- 1) **Decorating with items from your culture**
- 2) **Providing traditional food to share**
- 3) **Educating the parish Community about your culture**

This is a beautiful way to showcase our parish's cultural diversity and honor Our Lady of La Salette, who is loved and venerated around the world.


To host a table or learn more, contact the church at 281-482-1391 or reception@maryqueenchurch.org. Let's make this a joyful and flavorful celebration of unity, culture, and faith!

*Mary Queen
Women's Ministry*

Luncheon Fundraiser Ticket Sales Will Take Place in the Narthex After All Masses Sept. 13/14 and Sept. 20/21


STOP BY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR WOMEN'S MINISTRY!

**RESPECT LIFE
HOLY HOUR**



**Sunday, Sept. 14th
2:00 - 3:00 PM
In the Chapel**

Mary Queen's Respect Life Ministry invites everyone to a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration on the second Sunday of each month to pray for the protection of all human life, from conception to natural death.



**ADOPT A HIGHWAY
NEXT 2 MILES
MARY QUEEN
CREATION CARE**

**CREATION CARE
ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY
CLEANUP**

SATURDAY SEPT. 20 7:15 - 9:30 AM

**MEET IN THE PARKING LOT
BEHIND THE H-E-B NEAR 528
ASIAN BISTRO**

**QUESTIONS?
CONTACT
JEN HAMMERLE
AT
281-961-1796**

ALL SUPPLIES PROVIDED!



*Mary Queen
Women's Ministry*

Luncheon Fundraiser

Hats Off
to the Women of Mary Queen

Donations



Ticket Purchase



Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.

Colossians 3:23

Hats of all kinds encouraged!

September 27, 2025 10:00am - 1:30pm
Parish Hall

Join us for our annual Women's Ministry Fall Luncheon!
Tickets: \$35 each · Tables: \$280. We are also looking for table hostesses. Contact **Joann Bowes-Taylor** at jbwestaylor@comcast.net for more info.





Daily Prayer Versus Mass?

Question: I have a friend who says she doesn't need to attend Mass because she prays to God every day. What are your thoughts on this justification?

Answer: If the only reason for going to church were to talk to God, your friend might be right. Prayer is not something limited to a physical place or even a holy place. If the sole purpose of the Church were prayer, it would be a narrow purpose indeed. The Church is a community of believers, formed by "one Lord, one faith, one Baptism." It is an outward sign of our faith in God instituted by Christ, and the purpose of the Church is to give us grace, that is, a share in God's life.

Coming to Mass is not really for God's sake, but for ours. If we believe that Jesus is truly present in the holy Eucharist, then we will want to be in his presence. We will want to be fed by him. Our daily prayer and good works are strengthened by our authentic encounter with our Lord. For Catholics, it is at Mass that we celebrate the source and summit of our faith. If this is true, why would we ever stay away?



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Fixing the Scales

Most people don't intend on being selfish. The reality of selfishness usually lies in the grey shades of our decision-making. We would never go out of our

way to kick a homeless person begging by the highway exit. We would never steal money from our parish collection plate.

But would we drive past the homeless person without even extending a thought or a prayer toward his need? Would we justify stinginess in time, talent, and treasure because of our own comfort? We all have been guilty of transgressions such as these in the past. We will fall again in the future.

Most of the evil in this world can be traced back to a feeling of entitlement that lurks deep within each of us — a frantic concern for our own good that we find difficult to shake. The same instinct that compelled Eve to reach for the fruit that would give her the knowledge of good and evil still compels people to focus on what they are owed, on what they have "earned," on what they have "coming to them." We are so tempted to fix the scales. We are so tempted to keep score.

We would do well to remember that our God is not a God who keeps score. He is not a God who acts entitled or who tacks on extra dues, taking as much as He can get. He is a God who seats the lowly with princes. He is a God who seeks avenues for reconciliation and mercy.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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PRAY & REFLECT

September 14, 2025

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross John 3:13-17

One of my favorite movies is the 1991 comedy *What About Bob?* Bill Murray plays a troubled, paranoid hypochondriac named Bob Wiley who innocently but annoyingly hounds Dr. Leo Marvin, played by Richard Dreyfuss. Bob is paralyzed by his fear of, well, everything, and is convinced the psychologist can heal him. But Dr. Marvin's failed attempts to heal Bob end up driving the doctor to attempt to murder Bob. He fails. The surprise is that, having faced death head on, Bob is suddenly healed. He attributes his healing to Dr. Marvin for break-through "death therapy." In facing the cause of his deepest illness and dysfunction, Bob is healed.

Underneath this light-hearted comedy is a dead-serious resonance with this week's feast: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christ is lifted up on the cross to force us to face the truth of sin and death. In that reckoning we find healing. Like Moses' snake on a pole, the cross says: this is what is causing your sickness — rebellion, disobedience, sin. Look at it! Don't run from it. Now seeing it exposed, we see life. We see our physician mercifully healing us. In this sense, we are all like Bob Wiley. The "death therapy" of the cross is our only hope for healing.

This week I invite you to "exalt the cross." If you don't have one in your house, get one. Use it for prayer. Gaze on it frequently. It teaches us to not be afraid. It heals us.

— Father John Muir
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DAILY READINGS

Readings for the week of September 14, 2025

Sunday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13



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Scriptural Apologetics: Winning Souls, Not Arguments



What comes to mind when you think of a Catholic apologist? An author with a bestselling book? A radio personality that knows the answer to every question? What about yourself?

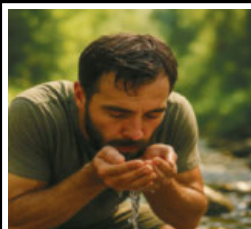
The purpose of this Bible study is to help you become an everyday apologist - an ordinary person who is able to share the beliefs of the Catholic Church in truth and love.

How is this study going to help you do this?

- Give you a vision for what apologetics is.
- Show you seven principles to use when you dialogue with others about faith.
- Outline seven key topics on the Catholic faith and give you specific Scripture verses and reasons for what the Catholic Church believes on these topics and why.

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, please contact Eby Kurian. Go to maryqueenchurch.flocknote.com/youngadults or scan the QR code to join the Young Adults email group for updates and events.



Thirsting for God?

Do you know someone not baptized or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, who is thirsting for what it means to become Catholic? Or do you know someone already Catholic but has not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion? **They may be thirsting too!**

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a place to ask questions, seek understanding and grow in Faith.

**Weekly sessions are held from
7:00 – 8:30 PM in the Main Hall**

We warmly welcome all inquiries and look forward to walking with you!

Contact: Eby Kurian, Director of Adult Faith Formation & OCIA
ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org | 281-710-8876



A New Lectio Bible Study Series about Mary

by Dr. Brant Pitre

Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? In this 8-part series, Dr. Brant Pitre examines what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary.

**Beginning on September 25th on Thursday mornings
from 9:30 am - 11:00 am.**

Here is a link to the promo video: https://youtu.be/zr_RSpLpgZU?si=IP8iUmCfALKup8wo

For more information, please contact Eby Kurian



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ABOUT TODAY'S FEAST ...

"On 13 September 335, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher (also called the Church of the Resurrection) was dedicated. The following day, the cross that Empress Helena had discovered on 14 September 320, was venerated in a solemn ceremony. In 614, the Persian King, Chosroes II, waged war on the Romans. After conquering Jerusalem, he confiscated many treasures, among which was the Cross of Jesus. The Byzantine emperor Heraclius initiated peace negotiations, but was rejected. He then waged war and won near Nineveh, asking for the restitution of the Cross, which then returned to Jerusalem. Today, the cruelty of the Cross is not what is exalted, but the Love that God manifested to humanity by accepting death on the Cross: 'Who, though in the form of God, emptied himself, taking the form of a slave. This is the glory of the Cross of Jesus!' (Pope Francis)"

— Vatican News

More Information

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tbrock@maryqueenchurch.org

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

UPCOMING K - 5TH GRADE CLASS INFORMATION



Parents: Please Bring a Cell Phone on Opening Night

Tuesday Class Times	Wednesday Class Times
4:00–5:15 PM	4:00–5:15 PM
5:45–7:00 PM	5:45–7:00 PM
Class 1 - Sept 23	Class 1 - Sept 24
Night One: Walk directly to the classroom by grade-level. Bring a cell phone to take an "exit ticket" photo for dismissal.	



Sacrament Preparation: Reconciliation
Parent & Student Attendance Required

Thursday, October 2, 2025
4:00–5:15 PM & 5:45–7:00 PM
Location: Main Hall

Please attend the class time you signed up for.

Catechist, Volunteer & Core Team training

Wednesday, Sept. 17th
5:45-7pm

In the Youth Center



MISSION BRIEFING FOR ALL ELEMENTARY & JR HIGH CATECHISTS AND VOLUNTEERS

MISSED ORIENTATION? NO WORRIES - BUT THIS NEXT TRAINING IS YOUR LAUNCHPAD!

TO RECEIVE YOUR TEACHING SCHEDULE, MATERIALS, AND A DOSE OF SPIRITUAL FUEL FOR THE JOURNEY, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY.

LET'S GET READY TO GUIDE OUR YOUNG STARS IN FAITH THROUGH THE CHURCH YEAR!

JOIN US WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH FROM 5:45-7PM IN THE YOUTH CENTER

AROUND THE PARISH



YOU'RE INVITED!

MARY QUEEN WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT
NOVEMBER 13-16, 2025



BUT FOR YOU WHO FEAR MY NAME, THERE WILL ARISE
THE SUN OF JUSTICE WITH ITS HEALING RAYS
MALACHI 3:20

WHAT IS ACTS?

ACTS is an acronym for **A**doration, **C**ommunity, **T**heology and **S**ervice. The purpose of an ACTS weekend is to provide an opportunity for retreatants to develop a deeper relationship with the Lord and fellow retreatants.

This ACTS Retreat allows women to focus on their faith and its application in daily life, to build purpose in prayer life, to increase their presence at the liturgy and to cultivate friendships with others who share our faith.

The retreat begins on a Thursday evening (**Nov. 13**) with check-in at the Mary Queen Parish Center. You are encouraged to bring family members or friends to see you off. Transportation will be provided to and from the Christian Renewal Center in Dickinson. The weekend concludes on Sunday, Nov. 16 at the 11:30 a.m. Mass at Mary Queen. All denominations are welcomed. Retreatants must be 21 years or older.

Contact any of the following to learn more:

Clarissa Silva, Director

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Guidelines for 2026 Mass Intentions

Opening of Intentions

Mass Intentions for 2026 will be accepted beginning Monday, October 6 at 9:00 a.m. Please submit all requests in person at the Parish Office during regular business hours. Forms are available at the receptionist's desk.

Submitting Requests

- All requests must be written on the official Mass Intention form and must be clearly legible.
- Please list both a preferred date and an alternate date for each request. If no alternate date is provided and the preferred date is unavailable, an alternate will be assigned.
- Keep a personal copy of your requests. You will only be contacted if one of your dates cannot be scheduled. If there are no conflicts, you will not receive a confirmation call or email.

Offering & Payment

- The suggested stipend is \$5 per Mass, whether scheduled or unscheduled.
- Payment may be made by cash or check (payable to Mary Queen Catholic Church).
- Please note: *PushPay may not be used for Mass Intention offerings.*

Family Limits

- Each family may request up to 12 scheduled Mass Intentions per year.
- No more than 3 Intentions per family may be scheduled for any single Saturday/Sunday Mass time. Remaining requests should be scheduled for weekday or other Masses.

Unscheduled Intentions

Once your family has reached the 12 scheduled Mass Intentions limit, you may request unscheduled Mass Intentions:

- These are not published in the bulletin and are not announced at Mass.
- Requests must be made in person at the Parish Office during business hours.
- Payment for unscheduled Intentions may be made by cash or check.

Questions?

For more information, please contact Anita Shorosky at the Parish Office, 281-482-1391.

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August 15, 2025*



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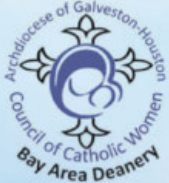
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If you have loved ones in the Armed Services and wish their names be listed in this column and to be remembered in our prayers, please email anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org. Include the rank of the individual, their name and their branch of service.

Thank you and God Bless America!

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Vera Smart
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Nadine Valek
Audrey VanBuren

Bruce Wahl
Paula Wick

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.



THE APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE

ON SEPTEMBER 19, 1846, IN THE SMALL MOUNTAIN VILLAGE OF LA SALETTE IN THE FRENCH ALPS, THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY APPEARED TO TWO YOUNG SHEPHERD CHILDREN, MAXIMIN GIRAUD (AGE 15) AND MÉLANIE CALVAT (AGE 11). THE CHILDREN WERE POOR, UNEDUCATED, AND HAD NO SPECIAL STATUS, YET MARY CHOSE THEM TO RECEIVE A MESSAGE FOR THE WHOLE WORLD.

MARY WAS WEeping AS SHE APPEARED, SEATED ON A STONE WITH HER FACE IN HER HANDS. SHE THEN STOOD AND SPOKE TENDERLY WITH THE CHILDREN. HER TEARS AND WORDS WERE A CALL TO CONVERSION AND RECONCILIATION, REMINDING THE FAITHFUL OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF SIN BUT ALSO OF GOD'S ABUNDANT MERCY. SHE URGED THE CHILDREN TO CALL PEOPLE BACK TO HONORING THE LORD'S DAY, TO LIVE LIVES OF PRAYER, AND TO TURN AWAY FROM INDIFFERENCE AND NEGLECT OF GOD. HER MESSAGE WAS NOT ONE OF DESPAIR BUT OF HOPE—POINTING TO THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF REPENTANCE, PRAYER, AND FAITHFULNESS TO CHRIST.

THE APPARITION AT LA SALETTE WAS APPROVED BY THE CHURCH IN 1851, AND ITS MESSAGE OF RECONCILIATION BECAME THE HEART OF THE MISSION OF THE LA SALETTE FATHERS, BROTHERS, AND SISTERS, WHO SERVE AROUND THE WORLD TO THIS DAY. THEIR CHARISM IS ROOTED IN MARY'S WORDS AT LA SALETTE: TO BE MINISTERS OF RECONCILIATION AND AMBASSADORS OF GOD'S MERCY.

FOR US AS A PARISH, THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE IS A SPECIAL CELEBRATION, SINCE WE ARE A LA SALETTE MISSION PARISH. AS WE HONOR HER FEAST EACH YEAR, WE ARE INVITED TO REFLECT ON MARY'S TEARS AND MESSAGE—HOW THEY STILL SPEAK TO OUR WORLD TODAY—AND TO OPEN OUR HEARTS ANEW TO CHRIST, THE SOURCE OF TRUE PEACE, HEALING, AND UNITY.

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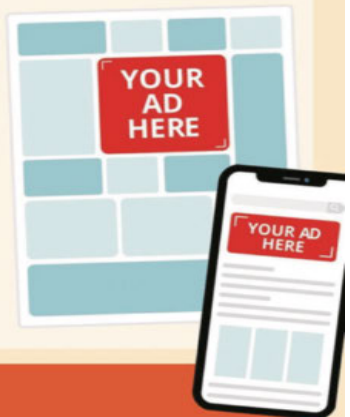
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