

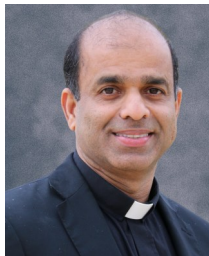


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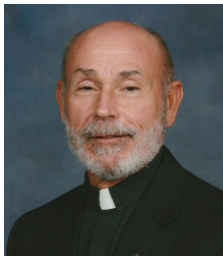
“I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth.” - Jn 14:16-17a

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



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M.S.



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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 (Livestreamed), 11:30 AM and 4:30 PM

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.

2026 Mass Intentions

Scheduled Mass intentions for 2026 are closed. You may stop by the parish office to request an unscheduled Mass intention, but these will not appear in the bulletin or be read at Mass. If you have any questions about Mass intentions, please contact Anita Shorosky at 281-482-1391 or anitashorosky@maryqueenchurch.org.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 10th - Mother's Day

CANCELED: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Respect Life Holy Hour (Chapel)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Men's ACTS Leadership Team Meeting (Mary's House)

Monday, May 11th

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Social Concerns Planning Mary's House
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Woodworkers Workshop (Mary's House Garage)
5:45 PM - 8:00 PM Special Friends Program (Main Hall)
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 452 - Den Meetings (Rooms 114-120)
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Men's ACTS Small Group (Room 110/Library)
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Women's Ministry Board Meeting (Room 114/115)
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Troop 452 - Court of Honor (YC)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group (Room 125)

Tuesday, May 12th

9:00 AM Exposition for 33 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM MQ Seniors Bingo Program (Mini Hall)

Wednesday, May 13th

8:45 AM - 11:00 AM Meditation Prayer Group (Room 110/Library)
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Woodworkers Workshop (Mary's House Garage)
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Queen Bee Quilters Meeting (Mini Hall)
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Grief & Grace Support Group (Mary's House)
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Reconciliation (Church)
5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Benediction Concludes Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM YA Bible Study Small Group - AFF (Mary's House)
7:15 PM - 9:30 PM Men's ACTS Retreat Meetings (Main Hall)

Thursday, May 14th

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM "The Bread of Life - Eucharist in Galilea" - AFF (Mini Hall)
9:45 AM - 11:45 AM OCIA & Adult Confirmation - AM Session - AFF (Room 117)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bay Area Serra Club Business Meeting (Mini Hall)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM OCIA Catechumenate Sessions - AFF (Main Hall)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Creation Care Ministry Meeting (Room 110/Library)

Friday, May 15th

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Study - Young Adults & Couples - AFF (Mary's House)

Saturday, May 16th

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Pastoral Council Day of Prayer (Mary's House)
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM Brave Chaperone Retreat (YC)
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Woodworkers Workshop (Mary's House Garage)
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Wedding - Juarez/Gonzalez (Church)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation (Church)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 9th

5:30 PM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners

Sunday, May 10th

7:30 AM Living & Deceased Mothers & Daughters of the Chavez Family
9:30 AM †Frank & †Carlotta Garza
11:30 AM Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Fitzgerald & Masterson Families
4:30 PM †Eugene Shead, †Goldie Witucki, †Christina Edwards, †Francis & †Anna Herrick, †Nathaniel Labrie, †Edgar Hartmann, †Don LaBorde, Brenda Devoncs, Michael Glanville - Birthday Blessings

Monday, May 11th

8:30 AM †Agnes Rohan

Tuesday, May 12th

8:30 AM Alex Anastas - Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, May 13th

6:30 PM Lucia Boone

Thursday, May 14th

8:30 AM Great Grandchildren of Vinnie Saccomanno

Friday, May 15th

8:30 AM †Anthony J. Barretto

Saturday, May 16th

5:30 PM †Glenn Hannigan

Sunday, May 17th

7:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
9:30 AM †Tony Diotalevi
11:30 AM †James Walls
4:30 PM Ken Welling, †Nellie Sola, †Mitchell Chuoke, Jr., †Dorothy Campbell, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Nelson & Teresa Olivarria, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Arellano-Enriquez Families, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of Beth Drone, Megan Stifter - Birthday Blessings, Jared Rheinlander - Birthday Blessings

TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

Offertory: April 11, 2026 - April 17, 2026

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$50,851.02

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$44,166.00

Difference: \$6,685.02

Future Development & Maintenance: \$4,345.00

Food Pantry: \$3,407.00

**Special/2nd Collection: Holy Land/Good Friday
\$5,783.00**

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

May 10 - Future Development and Maintenance

May 17 - Catholic Communications

Building Together Campaign

Parish Goal: \$3,500,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$1,919,044.47

Total Amount Pledged: \$1,837,225.82

Total Number of Individual Pledges: 438

Diocesan Services Fund

2026 DSF Summary as of April 28, 2026

Parish Goal: \$220,375.00

Total Amount Paid: \$77,412.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 162

Total Number of Gifts Received: 253

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 April 28, 2026

Parish Goal: \$1,886,649.00

Total Amount Paid: \$647,311.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$590,383.32

Total Number of Gifts Received: 2,679

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 276

Total Number of Mary Queen Households: 2,545

To make your gift or for more information, please visit

www.archgh.org/about/ignite-capital-campaign.

**Make the switch from envelopes to
online giving!**

**Scan the QR code to make a one-time
gift or set up recurring gifts today!**



Current Mary Queen Parishioners Update Your Family Information

Parish Soft gives current parishioners the opportunity to log in and update family information.

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

Dear Mary Queen Family,

Throughout the month of May, our hearts turn with special devotion to Mary, our Queen and Mother. This is a time when the beauty of spring reflects the gentle and nurturing love she shows to all her children. In every blossom and every breeze, we are reminded of her quiet “yes” to God—a yes that brought hope, grace, and salvation into the world.

The month of May invites us to draw closer to Mary, to trust as she trusted, and to carry Christ into our daily lives with humility and courage. Like her, we are called to listen deeply to God’s voice and to respond with faith, even when the path is uncertain.



This tradition has deep roots in the Church and is tied to themes of new life, beauty, and devotion—fitting for a month filled with springtime growth. One of the most recognizable customs is the May Crowning, when a statue of Mary is adorned with a crown of flowers. This act symbolizes her role as Queen of Heaven and expresses our love and gratitude for her care and intercession.

Here at Mary Queen, we celebrated the May Crowning on Friday, May 1. You will see Mary crowned and adorned with flowers in the church throughout the month. We also invite all parishioners to pray the special prayer prepared for you, found in the bulletin, on our website, in the chapel, and on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Another way to enter more deeply into this devotion is to make a simple pilgrimage to our chapel. The space has been arranged to invite you into prayer as you reflect on the stained-glass windows and pause at Mary’s Table. May is also a time when many Catholics pray the Rosary more frequently, meditating on the life of Christ.

Let us honor our Blessed Mother this month through prayer, acts of kindness, and a renewed commitment to love one another. May her example guide our families, strengthen our community, and lead us ever closer to her Son.

Many blessings,

Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS

AROUND THE PARISH

MARY QUEEN KC CASINO NIGHT 2026



Saturday, June 20, 2026
6:30 PM - 10:00 PM
Mary Queen Catholic Church
Main & Mini Halls

Presented by
Knights of Columbus #8494



\$40 Per Person
**INCLUDES \$1,000 IN CHIPS
& 2 BEVERAGE TICKETS**

Black Jack
Roulette
Craps
Texas Hold Em
Silent/Live Auction
Raffle for Winners
Snacks
Beer, Wine & Soda

Pulled Pork Sandwich Tickets
Sold Separately

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A MOMENT WITH *Mary*

The month of May is dedicated to Mary, Mother of Jesus. We encourage every parishioner to take "A Moment with Mary" each day.

Consider pausing at noon - or even several times throughout your day - to turn your heart to our Blessed Mother in prayer.

In these simple moments, we unite as a parish family, asking Mary to draw us closer to her Son, Jesus.

Whether at home, at work, or on the go, let this brief pause become a source of peace, grace, and connection with Christ.

Please pray this prayer each day.



DAILY PRAYER



O Mary, Mother of Jesus, gentle Mother, take my hand and lead me to your Son. Help me trust as you trusted. Draw me closer to Jesus each day, and keep me near His heart. Amen.

THE VIRTUES OF MARY

Trust

The Blessed Mother's virtue of trust unfolds like a steady journey into the unknown, guided only by faith. In Mary, Mother of Jesus, we see a woman who trusted God not only in the joy of the Annunciation, but also in moments of uncertainty and sorrow, from Bethlehem to Calvary.

She did not have all the answers, yet she believed that God's plan was good. Her trust was active and enduring, rooted in love and surrender.

Mary teaches us that to trust God is to walk forward with hope, even when the path is unclear, confident that He is always faithful.

ON MOTHER'S DAY



Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, pray for all mothers, that they may be strengthened to fulfill their sacred vocation with love and faith.

Help them to cherish and nurture all human life from the moment of conception until natural death, and to be shining

examples for their children and all entrusted to their care.

We also lift up the women in our lives: grandmothers, aunts, godmothers, and all who have loved us with a mother's heart for the ways they have guided, formed, and nurtured us.

We pray for adoptive mothers, who have welcomed children into their hearts and homes with generous and faithful love.

Pray for their children, that they may grow to be faithful followers of your Son.

We pray for our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and gratitude.

We pray for those whose path to motherhood has been marked by waiting or sorrow, that they may be filled with peace and surrounded by tender compassion.

We pray for mothers who have lost a child, that their faith may sustain them and that they may be comforted by the love of family and friends.

We pray for mothers who have died, that God may bring them into the joy of His kingdom.

We offer these prayers through Christ, our Lord and your Son, in union with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HISPANIC MINISTRY BREAKFAST
 SUNDAY, MAY 17 AFTER MORNING MASSES

BREAKFAST TACOS & TAMALES

EGG & SAUSAGE • EGG & CHORIZO • EGG & POTATO

FRESH DONUTS • COFFEE & LEMONADE

KIDS ZONE! COLORING CORNHOLE GAMES HULA HOOPS

SUPPORT THE MARY QUEEN HISPANIC MINISTRY!

WE ARE *Hiring!*

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DIRECTOR OF
ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

For more information and full job details, visit our website!

SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT
tinyurl.com/MQ-job-opening



SCHEDULE CHANGES DUE TO PRIEST CONVOCATION

Please pray for our priests as they attend the annual Priest Convocation in Galveston from Monday, May 18, through Thursday, May 21. The following schedule changes will be in effect:

Monday, May 18
 Mass at 8:30 AM
 (No change)

Tuesday, May 19
 Mass at 8:30 AM canceled
 Exposition and 33 Hours of Adoration at 9:00 AM in the Chapel

Wednesday, May 20
 Adoration Concludes with Benediction at 5:45 PM
 Confessions at 4:30 PM canceled
 Mass at 6:30 PM canceled



Thursday, May 21
 Mass at 8:30 AM canceled

Friday, May 22
 Mass at 8:30 AM
 (No change)

Saturday, May 23 & Sunday, May 24
 Usual Schedule

MARY QUEEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
 606 CEDARWOOD DRIVE, FRIENDSWOOD

CAFÉ CATHOLICA LITE

DISCERNING THE VOCATION OF MARRIAGE:

HOW IT CAN SAVE YOU!

DISCERNING MARRIAGE IS ASKING NOT JUST "DO I WANT THIS?" BUT "CAN WE HELP EACH OTHER BECOME SAINTS?"



21 MAY 2026 7:00 - 8:45 PM

Mary Queen Catholic Church

WITH **JOSEPH MASTRANGELO**
 OWNER OF ZELIE BEANS COFFEE

WWW.ARCHGH.ORG/CAFECATHOLICA



Congratulations Father Jim!



**MAY 12TH
53 YEARS ORDAINED**

With grateful hearts, we give thanks for the gift of your priesthood and for the many years you have faithfully served Christ and His Church.

We are truly blessed to have you here at Mary Queen. Your steady witness, generous spirit, and love for God's people continue to strengthen and inspire our parish family. May the Lord who called you continue to sustain you, and may He richly bless you for your faithful "yes" lived out each day.

Mary's Chain of Love Ministry

Come Pray & Crochet with Us!

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 19
9:30-11:00 am in Room 114/115

Mary's Chain of Love is a crochet & craft ministry. We provide homemade gifts to the community, nursing homes, local hospitals, & various Catholic charities.

Whether you're a beginner or an expert, we welcome you to join us every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month for our devotional and to crochet on whatever projects are needed.

To learn more, contact
Kathy Incalcaterra

281-731-2715 (texts preferred)
katherine.incalcaterra@gmail.com




Queen's Bee "Quilt Show & Market"

Sponsored by Prayer Quilt Ministry
of Mary Queen Catholic Church

You are cordially invited to attend our Quilt Show & Market. Beautiful quilts and many other items will be displayed and available for purchase. Thank you for the support of our ministry.

**Sunday, June 7, 2026
8:30am - 2:00pm**

Mary Queen Catholic Church
Parish Hall

****No admission charge for this delightful one-day event!****



MARY QUEEN GRANT & SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Mary Queen is blessed with generous ministries and parishioners who are investing in the future of our students. The following grants and scholarships are currently open for application. All eligible students are encouraged to apply - see page 10!



Spirings IN THE DESERT

For Catholics struggling with infertility and pregnancy loss, Mother's Day can be hard, but there is hope and healing in community. **Spirings 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. Join us at our next meeting on May 28th or reach out to Valerie Harris at 281-798-3592 for more information or to register. It is our honor to walk with you.

**Thursday, May 28 | 6:00-7:30pm
Room 114/115**

Infertility can be an isolating experience, impacting our marriage, other relationships, and testing our faith. This Spirings in the Desert Small Group is a place to acknowledge the pain and complex emotions associated with infertility and pregnancy loss by encountering others who are on the same path. We invite you to join us as we overcome isolation through prayer, sharing, community, and reclaiming our identities as beloved daughters of God.

**For registration, please reach out to Valerie Harris
at 281-798-3592**

Mary Queen Youth Scholarship Opportunities

Dennis J. Rocheford Memorial Scholarship

Mary Queen Catholic Church is now accepting applications for the Dennis J. Rocheford Memorial Scholarship, a \$1,000 award sponsored by the O’Leary Family. This scholarship honors a legacy of faith, service, and academic dedication.

Who is eligible?

Graduating high school seniors who are active members of Mary Queen Parish and planning to attend college or trade school. Applicants should demonstrate involvement in parish life, service, financial need, and maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0.



To apply, scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/RochefordScholarship

Deadline: May 10, 2026

Hispanic Ministry Scholarships

The Hispanic Ministry of Mary Queen is currently accepting applications for the 2026 Hispanic Ministry Scholarships. Three \$1000 scholarships are available to Mary Queen parishioners who are graduating high school seniors.

Who is eligible?

Applicants must be graduating high school seniors and active parishioners of Mary Queen who have been accepted to a college, university, trade school, or vocational program in the United States and meet minimum GPA requirements.



To apply, scan the QR code or visit <https://tinyurl.com/MQ-hispanic>

Deadline: May 17, 2026

Knights of Columbus College Education Grant

Mary Queen Council 8494 is now accepting applications for the 2026 College Education Grant, supporting undergraduate students with a focus on financial need.

Who is eligible?

Catholic students connected to Mary Queen Parish who have been accepted into an accredited undergraduate program and meet GPA and Knights of Columbus sponsorship requirements.



To apply, scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/KCsScholarship

Deadline: May 10, 2026

Women’s Ministry Scholarships

The Women’s Ministry of Mary Queen is now accepting applications for its 2026 scholarships. Five \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to parishioners pursuing higher education: three for high school seniors, one for a homeschooled senior, and one for a current undergraduate college student.

Who is eligible?

Applicants must be active Mary Queen parishioners who are graduating high school seniors (including homeschooled students) or currently enrolled undergraduate college students, and meet minimum GPA requirements.



To apply, scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/WMScholarship

Deadline: May 10, 2026

Suzie Blake Christian Leadership Award

The Women’s Ministry of Mary Queen is seeking nominations for the 2026 Suzie Blake Christian Leadership Award. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a deserving high school senior who demonstrates strong Christian leadership at home, in the Church, at school, and in the community. Parishioners are invited to submit a letter of recommendation describing a student who exemplifies these qualities.

Who is eligible?

Nominees must be graduating high school seniors who demonstrate leadership qualities. Letters of recommendation should be addressed to the Women’s Ministry, Suzie Blake Christian Leadership Award, and submitted to the reception desk at Mary Queen.

To nominate a student, submit a letter of recommendation describing the student’s Christian leadership. Letters should be addressed to the Women’s Ministry, Suzie Blake Christian Leadership Award, and dropped off at the Mary Queen reception desk. For questions, please contact Valerie Harris at 281-798-3592 or valerieelizabethmesnier@gmail.com. Deadline: May 10, 2026

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

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

THANK YOU, CATECHISTS!

We would like to say a very special THANK YOU to all of our amazing catechists! Your "yes" to serving is such a gift to our parish and to every child you teach.

Week after week, you show up with patience, kindness, and love. You give your time, your energy, and your hearts, helping our children learn about God, grow in faith, and feel welcomed and known. Even on the busy days, you continue to lead with joy and dedication, and that does not go unnoticed.

Seeds of faith are being planted that will last a lifetime because of YOU.

Thank you for walking with our children, for sharing your faith, and for volunteering all year long. We are truly blessed and so grateful for each one of you!

"Each of us can be a small light for others." — Pope Francis

Sacrament Invitations will be emailed beginning May 1, 2026

Our Sacrament program is a special journey for both parents and children. Throughout the year, families attend one class per month together, growing in understanding and faith as they prepare for these important milestones. Children will prepare for First Reconciliation (Fall) and First Holy Communion (Spring).

To be eligible, children must be entering 2nd grade or higher and have completed at least one year of consistent attendance in our Faith Formation program. This ensures a strong foundation as they begin preparing to receive the Sacraments.

We are excited to walk alongside your family during this meaningful time and look forward to celebrating these beautiful moments together!

Please note: This registration is separate from Faith Formation grade-level classes. Registration for those classes will take place in July. Children will attend both grade-level classes and Sacrament preparation in the Fall.

JR. HIGH FAITH FORMATION

Sarah Kennepohl, Jr. High Faith Formation Coordinator
281-482-1391 Ext. 100 | skennepohl@maryqueenchurch.org

JR HIGH EVENTS

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MAY

SATURDAY

16

EXPEDITION & BRAVE CHAPERONE RETREAT

SATURDAY MAY 16TH IN YOUTH CENTER

BRAVE @ 9:00AM - NOON | EXPEDITION @ 1:00PM - 3:00PM

Summer FUN WATER DAY

YOUTH CENTER @ 2 - 5PM

FRIDAY

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FRIDAY

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EXPEDITION PARENT & CAMPER MANDATORY MEETING

YOUTH CENTER @ 5:30 - 6:30PM

SAME DAY!!

2026
With a grateful heart, I want to thank our Core Team & volunteers in Jr High Faith Formation for walking with our youth this year. Your witness of faith, service, and love has helped them encounter Christ in a powerful way. May God bless you abundantly –join us again next year as we continue the mission!

*In Christ's Light,
Sarah Kennepohl
Jr High Coordinator*

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

Trey Brock, Director of Youth Faith Formation
281-482-1391 Ext. 317 | tbrock@maryqueenchurch.org

MYSTOGOGY

MAY
14

Mystagogy for Youth OCIA
5:30-6:30 pm

MAY
17

High School Catechist Dinner
5:45 pm

MAY
21

Mystagogy for Youth OCIA
5:30-6:30 pm

JUNE
14

Mystagogy for Confirmation
5:45-7:00 pm



On Thursday, May 7, all high school and junior high students who were baptized at the Easter Vigil, received into full communion on Divine Mercy Sunday, or received First Holy Communion on April 18 gathered for their first mystagogy class.

"The need for ongoing catechesis in the mysteries of Christ and of the Church, a catechesis traditionally known as *mystagogia* ("initiation into the mysteries"), has been noted in Church circles for years. Mystagogy is the stage of exploratory catechesis that comes after apologetics, after evangelization, and after the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation) have been received. Baptism and Confirmation may be given only once. Christian initiation, though, is a continuing adventure, since the grace of these sacraments is the source of a new life of prayer that must continue to grow if it is not to wither and die."

— Stratford Caldecott, Catholic author

PRAY & REFLECT

May 10, 2026
6th Sunday of Easter
John 14:15-21

In my family, we can hardly speak about orphans without tears. My father was adopted as a baby. He frequently told us stories of how his parents welcomed him not just into their home but into their hearts. It was never merely a relocation or a legal transaction. It was the joy of being chosen, of receiving a family, a name, and a place where he belonged forever. Even in his later years, recalling that gift still moves him to tears of tender gratitude.

That is the kind of tenderness behind Jesus' words in today's Gospel: "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you." (John 14:18) He is going away, but not abandoning us. Instead, he sends us the Advocate, the Holy Spirit — his own Spirit, shared with the Father — who dwells in us. Through the Spirit, Christ is present in us, and we are present in him. His Spirit gives us a home and a family.

We deepen this knowledge in the sacraments, in prayer, and in the daily life of the Church. The Spirit is the bond of belonging, the power that makes us God's sons and daughters, not spiritual orphans. And this is not a one-time event. There is always a deeper outpouring of the Spirit available to us, a fresh appropriation of the promise that we are never abandoned.

If only we could be as grateful as my dad is for his adoption, realizing that we have been adopted by God Himself. In Christ, we are never left as orphans.

Father John Muir
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DAILY READINGS

Readings for the week of May 10, 2026

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148: 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47: 2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20



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

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US Marine Corps:

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US Navy:

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US Coast Guard:

CAPT TJ Loftis, Cadet 2/c Manon Murphy
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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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Tom Gregory, III

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Colin Huff

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Selena Jones

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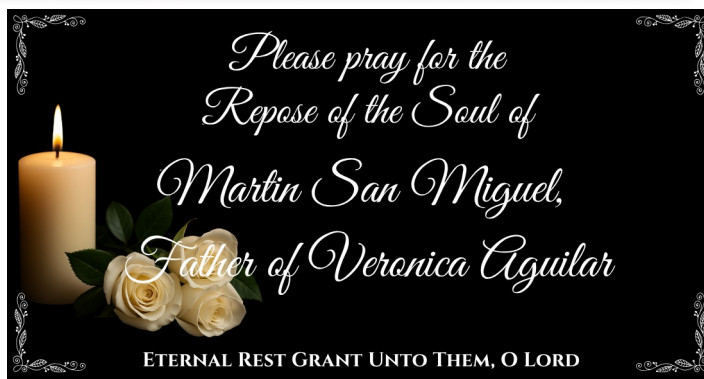
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Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience with pain. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen



We offer the **Vigil Candle** as a Memorial Candle each week to interested parishioners who would like to request that it burn "***In Memory of...***" or "***In Honor of...***" a loved one, living or deceased. To reserve the candle, contact the Receptionist in the Parish Office at 281-482-1391. The name of your loved one will be published in the bulletin and near the Sanctuary Candle in the Church.

Prayer List Requests

If you have a family member or friend who needs special prayers by our parish community, please consider placing them on the Mary Queen Prayer List after getting their permission. Provide the name to Loretta Delaney at reception@maryqueenchurch.org. Names will be added to the list for 60 days. Once the initial time is up, we kindly ask that you not renew your request for another 60 days. Due to the overwhelming amount of requests, we will abide by this policy in order to accommodate all new prayer requests.

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End-of-the-Year Luncheon

Join us as we gather in faith and friendship to close out the year.

Wednesday, May 20, 2026
9:00 AM – Noon

Esteban's Café & Cantina
402 West Main Street, League City

Morning meeting and raffle, followed by lunch at 11:00 AM.

Coffee will be provided. Each guest will receive a separate check and may order from the menu.

RSVP: Lillian
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Meals for Clergy Ministry Volunteers Needed!

The Meals for Clergy Ministry provides evening meals Tuesday, Saturday, and Sunday for the priests at the rectory. Members decide what meals to prepare - homemade or takeout - and deliver it to the rectory. To learn more or to sign up, please contact Rose Mary Baez at 281-482-1391 or baezrm@maryqueenchurch.org

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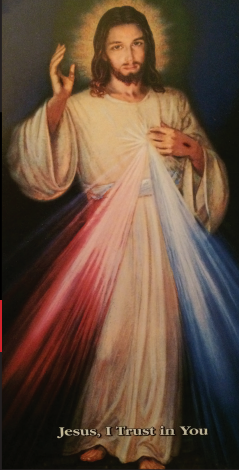


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