



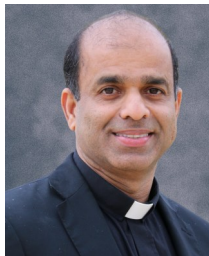
Mary Queen
CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 17, 2026



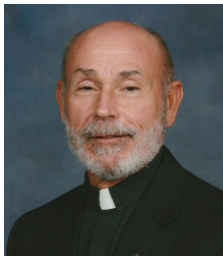
FEAST
OF THE
Ascension
OF THE
Lord

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



Pastor

Rev. Thomas Vellappallil,
M.S.



Parochial Vicar

Rev. Paul Mandziuk,
M.S.

Priest in Residence

Rev. James H. Kuczynski, M.S.

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Bookkeeper, ext. 313
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Director of Youth Faith Formation, ext. 317
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Andrea Richards
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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
**Missionaries of
Our Lady of La Salette**

www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org
www.lasalette.org

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 17th

Hispanic Ministry Breakfast Taco Sale & Coffee & Donuts (After Morning Masses)
True Cross Catholic Church/School Information Table (Morning Masses)
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 452 - Award Ceremony (YC)
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Baptisms (Church)
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM High School Catechists Dinner - Youth Ministry (Main Hall)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Men's ACTS Leadership Team Meeting (Mary's House)

Monday, May 18th

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Social Concerns Planning Mary's House)
5:45 PM - 8:00 PM Special Friends Program (Main Hall)
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Men's ACTS Small Group (Room 110/Library)
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Women's Ministry General Meeting (Mini Hall)
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Our Lady of La Salette Prayer Group (Room 125)

Tuesday, May 19th - Priest Convocation / No Mass Today

9:00 AM Exposition for 33 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Mary's Chain of Love Ministry (Room 114/115)

Wednesday, May 20th - Priest Convocation / No Mass or Confessions

6:00 AM - 7:00 AM "That Man Is You" Summer Series - Adult Faith (Main Hall)
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)
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 21st - Priest Convocation / No Mass

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM "The Bread of Life - Eucharist in Galilea" - AFF (Mini Hall)
7:00 PM - 8:45 PM Cafe Catholica Lite - Archdiocese of GH (Main Hall)
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting (Room 114/115)

Friday, May 22nd

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Jr. High Faith Formation - Water/Fun Day (YC)
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Mary Queen Fifty Five or Better Social (Mini Hall)
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Expedition Summer Camp Parent Meeting - YM (YC)
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Study - Young Adults & Couples - AFF (Mary's House)

Saturday, May 23rd

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Woodworkers Workshop (Mary's House Garage)
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Baptism - Lozoya (Church)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Reconciliation (Church)

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday, May 18th

8:30 AM †Norbert Popp

Tuesday, May 19th

8:30 AM No Mass

Wednesday, May 20th

6:30 PM No Mass

Thursday, May 21st

8:30 AM No Mass

Friday, May 22nd

8:30 AM Margo Crowder - Birthday Blessings

Saturday, May 23rd

5:30 PM Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Carlin
Family

Sunday, May 24th

7:30 AM Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Guzman
Families
9:30 AM All Our Mary Queen Parishioners
11:30 AM David & Leslie Gautreaux - Wedding
Anniversary Blessings
4:30 PM Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the Luppino
Family, Living & Deceased Loved Ones of the
Pinneri Family, †Steve Schifani, Alfredo de la
Paza

TIME·TALENT·TREASURE

Offertory: April 18, 2026 - April 24, 2026

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

Weekly Offertory Received: \$41,175.48

Weekly Budgeted Amount: \$45,833.00

Difference: (\$4,657.52)

Future Development & Maintenance: \$477.00

Food Pantry: \$2,217.00

**Special/2nd Collection: Home Missions Appeal
\$4,996.00**

Upcoming Special/2nd Collections

May 17 - Catholic Communications

May 31 - DSF Sunday (2nd Commitment Sunday)

June 7 - Corpus Christi Sunday (St. Mary Seminary)

Building Together Campaign

Parish Goal: \$3,500,000.00

Total Amount Paid: \$1,925,164.47

Total Amount Pledged: \$1,837,225.82

Total Number of Individual Pledges: 438

Diocesan Services Fund

2026 DSF Summary as of May 5, 2026

Parish Goal: \$220,375.00

Total Amount Paid: \$89,401.00

Total Number of Mary Queen Donors: 169

Total Number of Gifts Received: 298

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 5, 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!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



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!

Dear Mary Queen Family,

A long-standing practice at Mary Queen had been the offering of three Mass intentions per Mass. In early December 2025, however, we were informed by the Secretariat for Clergy Formation & Chaplaincy Services of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, through the Very Rev. Clark Sample, that Canon Law 948 states:

“Separate Masses are to be applied for the intentions for which an offering has been made and accepted.”

This means that each Mass stipend accepted by a parish carries one specific intention, and a priest is ordinarily obligated to celebrate one Mass for each intention received.

In addition, pastors are required to celebrate a *Missa pro populo* (“Mass for the people”) on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation for the well-being and intentions of the parishioners entrusted to their care.

Fr. Sample permitted Mary Queen to complete the 2025 Mass intention schedule as it had already been arranged. Beginning in 2026, however, we were required to fully adhere to Canon Law regarding Mass intentions. Because many 2026 Mass intentions had already been accepted before this clarification was received, the parish consulted with the Archdiocese and, with their permission, adjusted the schedule by assigning multiple intentions to the Sunday 11:30 AM and 4:30 PM Masses. As a result, the 2026 Mass intention book is now full.

What options are available?

Parishioners may still request an unscheduled Mass intention through the parish receptionist. These intentions are not published in the bulletin or announced aloud during Mass. Instead, they are sent to missionaries serving throughout the world.

This practice both supports the universal Church and assists mission priests, many of whom rely on Mass stipends for their daily support and pastoral ministry. Intentions may be offered for the living or deceased, as well as for special intentions such as healing, birthdays, anniversaries, or thanksgiving.

Gregorian Masses

Have you heard of Gregorian Masses? This traditional Catholic practice consists of offering 30 consecutive daily Masses for the soul of a deceased person without interruption. If you would like to request a Gregorian Mass for a deceased loved one, or if you have any questions regarding our Mass intention policy, please contact Anita Shorosky at the parish office.

Many Blessings,

Fr. Thomas Vellappallil, MS

Need additional information?

Call our parish office at 281-482-1391 or visit our website at www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org.

AROUND THE PARISH

*My Dear Mary Queen Parish Family,
I wish to share this news with you regarding two of our parish staff members, who have served in important positions and are now leaving us after many years of their faithful service.*

Carol Stuart

After many years of faithful and dedicated service as Director of Elementary Faith Formation, Carol Stuart will be leaving Mary Queen as she begins a new chapter with her family in North Carolina. Carol will be joining her husband Mike Stuart following his new job opportunity and will also be closer to their son and daughters.

Carol has been a tremendous blessing to our parish community. Her dynamic leadership, creativity, enthusiasm and gift for bringing new ideas to Faith Formation have inspired countless children, parents, catechists and families throughout the years. Her dedication and passion made a lasting impression on so many in our parish family.

We are deeply grateful for all the ways Carol has enriched the life of our parish through her faithful ministry, caring spirit and unwavering commitment to our young people. While we will miss her presence greatly, we rejoice with her as she embraces this exciting new season of life with her family.

Please join us in thanking Carol for her many years of service and in praying for God's continued blessings upon her and her family as they begin this new journey.

John Laine

After four wonderful years of service as Mary Queen Parish Office Manager, John Laine will be retiring from his position on June 30th. We are deeply grateful for the dedication, kindness, and care he has shared with our parish family during his time with us.

Through his dedication and professionalism and generous spirit, he helped guide and support countless ministries, events and daily operations that strengthen our church community. His quiet leadership, kindness and willingness to serve wherever and whenever needed have left a lasting impact on all who have had the privilege to work with him.

As he begins this new chapter, John and his wife Carmen will look forward to focusing on their family, as they hope to move to their dream home in Galveston, where John grew up. We pray that this long-awaited dream brings peace, joy and many blessings to him and his family.

Please join us in thanking John for his years of faithful service and in wishing him God's abundant blessings in retirement. He and his family will always remain a cherished part of the Mary Queen family.

Thank you, Carol and John, for all that you have done and please know you will always hold a special place in the heart of Mary Queen Church.

Many blessings, Fr. Thomas

Make a *Difference* with Our Youngest **Parishioners**



Mary Queen is seeking caring and committed volunteers to assist in our **Elementary Faith Formation program!** (K-5th Grade)

 **September – April**

 **20 sessions** per year

 **Choose a time** that works for you:

- Tuesdays or Wednesdays
- 4:00–5:15 PM or 5:45–7:00 PM




This is a simple and meaningful way to get involved—no preparation or teaching experience is required. You'll be paired with another catechist, follow easy-to-use materials, and mainly help guide, support, and encourage the children during class.



Most volunteers find it a **joyful commitment** that fits smoothly into their schedule while making a real impact in the lives of our youngest parishioners.



If you are interested in helping, please reach out to the *Faith Formation Office.*

 ARichards@maryqueenchurch.org

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 *Compassion*

The Blessed Mother's virtue of compassion flows like a gentle river, attentive to every need and sorrow.

In Mary, Mother of Jesus, we see this most clearly at the Wedding at Cana, where she notices the quiet embarrassment of others and intercedes with care, and at the foot of the Cross, where she shares deeply in her Son's suffering.

Her compassion is tender yet strong, never turning away from pain but entering into it with love.

Mary teaches us to see others with merciful eyes, to respond with kindness, and to walk with those who suffer, offering presence, comfort, and hope.

M WE'RE Hiring! AT MARY QUEEN



DIRECTOR OF ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

Lead and inspire our K-5 faith formation program and help children grow in their relationship with Jesus.



PARISH BUSINESS MANAGER

Provide leadership and oversight of parish financial operations to support the mission and ministries of Mary Queen.



LEARN MORE AND VIEW FULL JOB DESCRIPTIONS:



www.maryqueencatholicchurch.org/employment-opportunities

Thank you for considering how you can make a difference!

Welcome!

NEW PARISHIONER LUNCHEON

SUNDAY JUNE 14TH



LUNCHEON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 11:30 AM MASS



PARISH CENTER - MAIN HALL



A TOUR OF THE CHURCH WILL BE HELD AFTER LUNCH!



We're so glad  you're here! 

RSVP TO MICHAELLA NICHOLSON AT



MICHAELLADAVIS@HOTMAIL.COM



713-907-6303



Serve in Our Adoration Ministry

Help prepare our chapel for Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction.



Mary Queen is seeking volunteers to assist with:

- Set-up before Exposition on Tuesday mornings and First Fridays
- Benediction on Wednesdays and First Fridays



Training is provided.

Volunteer time is only 15-20 minutes.



Contact

Loretta - 281-482-1391

or Joyce Miner - 281-384-8858

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!

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



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



Springs IN THE DESERT

*Infertility is a heavy burden,
but you don't have to carry it alone.*

Infertility can be an isolating experience, impacting our marriage, other relationships, and testing our faith. This Springs 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.

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

Springs in the Desert is a Catholic ministry that accompanies these women and couples by offering them a place of respite and solidarity where they can know God's love for them and discover His unique call to fruitfulness. 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.

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



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!****



Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.

Let it be done unto me according to Thy word.

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

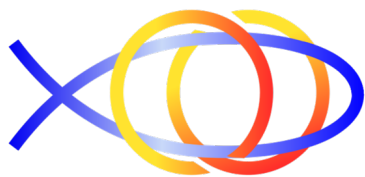
Black Jack
Roulette
Craps
Texas Hold Em
Silent/Live Auction
Raffle for Winners
Snacks
Beer, Wine & Soda

Pulled Pork Sandwich Tickets
Sold Separately

PROCEEDS BENEFIT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

EBY KURIAN, DIRECTOR OF ADULT FAITH FORMATION & OCIA
281-710-8876 | ekurian@maryqueenchurch.org



Teams of Our Lady

TEAMS is made up of small groups of 5–7 couples who meet monthly to share a potluck meal, pray together, discuss a spiritual or marriage-focused topic, and encourage one another in the vocation of married life. Over time, these groups become a source of friendship, accountability, and support as couples strive to build strong, Christ-centered marriages in today's world. As part of an international Catholic movement recognized by the Pope, TEAMS helps couples deepen their relationship with one another and with God. **For more information, please contact John or Susie Ainsworth at 713-261-6648 or 281-212-4199, or email sbainsworth@sbcglobal.net.**

Wanted: Couples Who Want to Strengthen Their Marriage **Information Night: Saturday, May 30 at 6:45 PM in Mary's House**

Mary Queen's Adult Faith Formation Department invites married couples to learn more about Teams of Our Lady (TEAMS), a beautiful and supportive ministry centered on growing together in faith and marriage.

TEAMS is made up of small groups of 5–7 couples who meet monthly to share a potluck meal, pray together, discuss a spiritual or marriage-focused topic, and encourage one another in the vocation of married life. Over time, these groups become a source of friendship, accountability, and support as couples strive to build strong, Christ-centered marriages in today's world. As part of an international Catholic movement recognized by the Pope, TEAMS helps couples deepen their relationship with one another and with God. **For more information, please contact John or Susie Ainsworth at 713-261-6648 or 281-212-4199, or email sbainsworth@sbcglobal.net.**

FAITH FORMATION NEWS



Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Sacrament of First Holy Communion celebration so beautiful and special for our children and families.

A special thank you to the Women's Ministry for sponsoring the flowers, to our Arts and Environment Team for their beautiful setup, and to all who spent their Friday late afternoon and evening completing all the decorations.

Your generosity, time, and dedication helped create a truly memorable day for our parish community.



With heartfelt gratitude,
Carol Stuart



Registration for
K-12th grade
Faith Formation will begin
July 20–August 31, 2026



ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH COUNCIL 2026-27



Evan Patterson
10th grade



Heidi Lozano
10th grade

Congratulations to our youth!

We are proud to announce our two new representatives from Mary Queen to the Archdiocesan Youth Council! The council is made up of high school students from across the Archdiocese who are nominated by their parish or Catholic school, complete a discernment process, and are commissioned to serve for one year. During their term, they help plan and lead programs sponsored by the Office of Adolescent Catechesis and Evangelization.

1 Timothy 4:12
"Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity."

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

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

Elementary Faith Formation Grade Level Classes (K-5th Grade)

Registration for the 2026/2027 School Year Opens: July 20 – August 31

We offer four class time options for families to choose from, and placement is accepted on a first come, first served basis.

Catechists Needed! See page 6 for details!

Sacrament of First Holy Communion / First Reconciliation

Registration Opens:
July 1 – July 15

An invitation email will be sent on July 1st to families of children entering 2nd grade and above who have completed one year of Faith Formation. Please be sure to sign up during this registration window.

JR. HIGH FAITH FORMATION

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

JR HIGH EVENTS

JR HIGH EVENTS

MAY

FRIDAY 22

Summer FUN WATER DAY

Youth Center @ 2 - 5PM

EXPEDITION PARENT & CAMPER MANDATORY MEETING

Youth Center @ 5:30 - 7PM

FRIDAY 22 SAME DAY!!

JUNE 3-6

Expedition Camp
Please pray for our campers!!

EXPEDITION SUMMER CAMP

PARENT & CAMPER MEETING

FRIDAY, MAY 22ND
AT MARY QUEEN YOUTH CENTER
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HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

Trey Brock, Director of Youth Faith Formation
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MAY 17

High School Core Team Dinner
5:45 pm

MAY 21

Mystagogy for Youth OCIA
5:30 pm

MAY 24

Pentecost Sunday

JUNE 04

First Summer Bible Study
4:00-5:00 pm

The Letter of James

Hearing and Doing the Word
"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."

Faith without Works is Dead
"You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone."

Taming the Tongue
"With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who are made in the likeness of God."

Resisting the Devil

"Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and he will draw near to you."

Patience in Suffering

"Be patient, therefore, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. Behold, the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient over it until it receives the early and the late rain."



Starts June 4
4:00 pm (Youth Center)

PRAY & REFLECT

May 17, 2026
7th Sunday of Easter
John 17:1-11a

Not long after my brother's first child was born, a beautiful little girl named Mary Elise, I asked him what it was like. Was he nervous? Overwhelmed? He said, "When I first held her, I was in such shock. I think I just said, 'I am your dad. I am your dad.'" That moment marked a deep transformation for him. He was not just holding a baby; he was stepping into a new identity. Over the years, I have seen him live his fatherhood with quiet sacrifice, joy, and faithfulness. It started with that moment of truth.

This, I propose, is a glimpse of what Jesus means when he prays, "Consecrate them in the truth." (John 17:17) To be consecrated is to be set apart in love, not taken out of the world. Consecration sends us into it with a new identity, always one that binds us to him and to others in love. Our bond to Jesus and others is the deep truth that he continually renews.

Whenever we speak deep truths about ourselves, we experience this renewal: "I have sinned;" "I need help;" "I forgive you;" "I take you as my husband;" "I believe in one God..." Whether in confession, in the liturgy, or in a recovery group, truth heals and transforms.

And the deepest truth of all? That we belong to the Risen and Ascended Christ. Our lives are no longer just ours. We are his and he is ours.

Name one truth you need to step into more deeply, about yourself, someone else, or God. Maybe put it on a note on your mirror. Let that truth consecrate you this week.

Father John Muir
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DAILY READINGS

Readings for the week of May 17, 2026

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

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/ Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: 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 and 35, 27-28, 29b-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 or, for the Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 (see Lectionary for Mass Supplement, 62) Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23



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

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US Army:

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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
CPO Thomas Paz

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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Nadine Valek

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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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bay Area Deanery Council of Catholic Women
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.

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