

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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## Weekend Mass Schedule:

**Reconciliation:** Saturday  
4:00–5:00pm and by appt.

Sat. Vigil : 5:30pm –English  
Sun. 8:00am & 10:00am - English  
Sun. Noon -Spanish

## Weekday Mass Schedule

Mon. - 9:00 am Communion Service  
Tues. No Communion Service  
Wed., Thur., Fri. 9:00 am  
Communion Service



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## Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2017

Mary kept all these things,  
reflecting on them in her  
heart.

— Luke 2:19

**Baptism:** Class in English in March, 1st Saturday of the month

*Please register prior to the class.*

**Bautizo:** Clase de bautizo en Español: Segundo sábado de marzo.

*Favor de registrarse para las clases.*

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## Marriage & Quinceañera Instruction :

Contact pastor one year prior to  
suggested date.

Contacte el pastor un año antes de la fecha  
sugerida.

## St. Mary Church Weekly Contributions

December 18, 2016

Regular Collection.....\$5,080.30

November Garage Sale .....\$4,700.57



### Deer Creek Nursing Home Residents:

Angela Nancy Bane, Suzette Davis, Fannie Drake, Aurora Fuentes, Betty Glisson, Marty Jeffers, Diane Jordan, Walter Martinez, Nada Sekulovich, Richard and Jean Sensat, Sheila Maureen Smith

## Mass Intentions



**Sat. December 31 @ 5:30pm—Mass**

+For the People of the Parish

**Sun. January 1 @ 8:00 am—Mass**

+Lupita Siller

By Berta Koch

**Sun. January 1 @ 10:00 am — Mass**

+Albert Aubry

**Sun. January 1 @ 12:00 pm — Mass**

+Salvador Bautista

By Araceli Martinez

+Manuel Bautista

By Araceli Martinez

**Mon. January 2 @ 9:00 am—Communion Service**

**Tues. January 3 —No Communion Service**

**Wed. January 4 @ 9:00 am — Communion Service**

**Thur. January 5 @ 9:00 am — Communion Service**

**Fri. January 6 @ 9:00 am—Communion Service**

2017 calendars are in! Please take one on your way out of Mass today. English & Spanish are available.

Los calendarios del 2017 ya están disponibles! Favor de llevarse uno después de Misa hoy!

### OFFICE CLOSED CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE NEW YEAR

The church office will be closed until 9:00 am on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. For emergencies please call Deacon Greg Sudderth or Deacon Jorge Guerrero whose numbers are on the front of the bulletin.

La oficina de la iglesia estará cerrada hasta el martes, 3 de enero de 2017 a las 9:00 am. Para emergencias, llame al Diácono Jorge Guerrero cuyo número se encuentran en la parte delantera del boletín.

Please welcome Father Angelo Bertini who will celebrate Masses with us this weekend!

¡Bienvenido al Padre Angelo Bertini quien estará celebrando las Misas con nosotros este fin de semana!

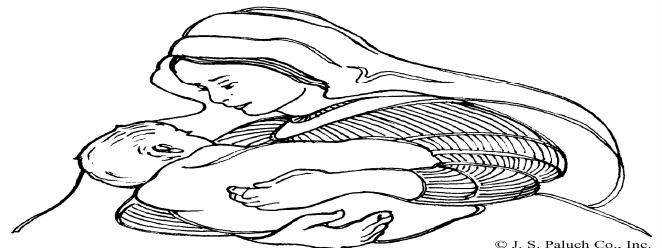
### Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Today we celebrate Our Blessed Mother, Mary. She said "Yes" to the Lord with faith in His plan. May we all have such faith and love for our Father.

Hoy celebramos a nuestra Santísima Madre, María. Ella dijo "sí" al Señor con fe en Su plan. Que todos tengamos esa fe y amor por nuestro Padre.

**Texas Catholic Pro-Life Day** is Jan. 28. The day will begin with a prayer vigil to end abortion at Planned Parenthood (201 E. Ben White Blvd. in Austin). Then the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 9:15 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin followed by Mass at 10 a.m. with Bishop Joe Vásquez. Everyone will proceed to the March for Life at 18th and N. Congress Ave., which begins at 1 p.m. then the Rally for Life starts at 2 p.m. For more information, contact Luisa De Poo at (512) 949-2487 or [luisa-depoo@austindiocese.org](mailto:luisa-depoo@austindiocese.org).

Fatima Trinitarian 20 Decade Rosary is prayed every Sunday at 5 p.m. at St. Anthony Parish in Kyle (except on national holidays). Participants celebrate the centenary of Our Blessed Mother's appearances at Fatima outlining the path to personal and world peace. Rosaries and material are distributed each week. Those arriving are invited to choose and pray one decade as we journey. In pleasant weather participants walk, sit, kneel, stand and/or sing an antiphon outside; if there is inclement weather, prayer is inside. No registration is necessary. This is coordinated by Father Robert Becker. For more information, call (512) 268-1325.



By believing and obeying, Mary gave birth to the Son of God, and so we call her Mother of God. By responding to the grace of baptism and by our own belief and obedience, Christ is truly present in and through us. This is a great mystery upon which we should constantly reflect. May we constantly look to Mary as a model of discipleship. In this new Year of Grace, "The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!

Al creer y obedecer, María dio a luz al Hijo de Dios, y es así que podemos llamarla Madre de Dios. Al responder a la gracia del bautismo y por nuestra propia creencia y obediencia, Cristo está verdaderamente presente en nosotros y a través de nosotros. Este es un gran misterio sobre el cual debemos reflexionar continuamente. Miremos a María constantemente como un modelo de discipulado. En este nuevo Año de Gracia, "¡Que el Señor le bendiga y le conserve! ¡Que el SEÑOR deje brillar su luz sobre usted! ¡Que el SEÑOR amablemente lo conserve y le de paz!"

Thank you to all who helped collect for, set up, run and dismantle the garage sale! Our 2016 garage sale netted \$4,700.57.

¡Gracias a todos los que ayudaron a reunir para recoger, armar, ejecutar y desmantelar la venta de garaje! Nuestros ingresos netos de la venta de garaje de 2016 eran \$4,700.57.

2017 Contribution boxes are in. If you do not find your name on a box and would like one, please come to the office, and we will assign a box to you.

2017 Cajas de contribución son en. Si no encuentras tu nombre en una caja y quisiera uno, por favor venga a la oficina, y asignaremos una caja de te.

If you would like a 2016 tax statement from St. Mary please call the office at (512) 847-9181 and give us your name, address and phone number. Statements will be mailed out or ready for pick up, no sooner than January 31.

Si usted gusta copia de sus donaciones por el año, para declaración de impuestos de 2016. Por favor llame a la oficina al (512) 847-9181 para darnos su nombre, dirección y número de teléfono. Declaraciones serán enviados por correo o puede usted, recoger su copia. Sus copias estarán listas el 31 de enero.

#### Stephen Ministers Care

When was the last time someone really listened to you? We're talking about that undistracted, full attention kind of listening. That's one of the ways our Stephen Ministers will be caring for others..

We need Stephen Ministers to care for those in our parish family who are making that long journey through the valley of a life crisis. We at St. Mary are committed to providing them with quality Christian care by equipping some of our people to serve as Stephen Ministers. Will you consider serving in this way? Find out more about what the ministry has to offer. Contact Jerry Waldron @ 512-749-2115 or Rex Wilson @ 512-757-3561 for more information.

"I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." (John 10:10)

#### Ministros de Stephen Cuida

¿Cuándo fue la última vez que alguien te escuchado? Hablando de escuchando sin distracciones --- escuchando con toda la atención. Esa es una de las maneras en que nuestros Ministros de Stephen estarán cuidando a otros.

Necesitamos Ministros de Stephen para cuidar de los de nuestra parroquia que están haciendo ese largo viaje por el valle de una crisis de vida. En St. Mary estamos comprometidos para proporcionar atención cristiana de calidad, equipando a algunas de nuestras personas para servir como Ministros de Stephen.

¿Consideraras servir de esta manera? Conozca más sobre lo que ministerio tiene para ofrecer. Contactas Jerry Waldron @ 512-749-2115 o Rex Wilson @ 512-757-3561. Su participación solo lo hará mejor.

"Yo he venido para que tengan vida y para que la tengan en abundancia." (Juan 10:10)



#### Important Information:

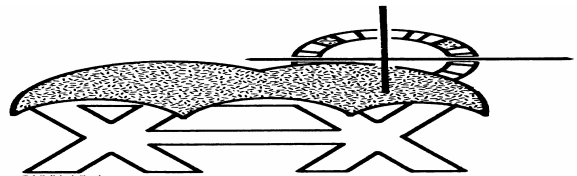
- If you are not yet registered with the parish, please come by the office to register or pick up a form from the cry room & bring to the office at your convenience. If you have a new address or phone number please call the office to let us know. This helps us get in contact with you.
- Consider remembering St. Mary in your will. Contact the parish office for more information.
- Considere la posibilidad de recordar a la Iglesia de Santa María en su testamento. Póngase en contacto con la oficina de la parroquia para más información.
- If you would like to receive emails from our Bereavement Committee or our e-prayer line please email us at office@saintmaryswimberley.com or call the church office.
- **Bulletin Deadline:** To get an item into the bulletin contact the office two to three weeks before your event. **Note:** the bulletin is sent to the printer on Tuesday morning.

#### Invitación de las clases "ESL"

Aprendan ingles como su Segundo Idioma el martes, enero 10, 2017 en el salón parroquial a las 6 de la tarde Vengan, disfruten de algunos refrescos y entérense del programa "Gratis ESL" Aprendizaje con un tutor personal, o usando el programa Rosetta Stone instalado en nuestras computadoras.

#### English as a Second Language

Tuesday, January 10, 2017 in the Parish Hall at 6:00 pm  
Come and enjoy refreshments and learn about the free ESL Program  
Learn with a personal tutor or using the Program Rosetta Stone installed in our computers.



**A note from Fr. Paul Meaden:** Christmas is a time for memories. From my Minnesota upbringing Christmas is a time when lights and all those colors reflect off the snow giving even the cold some redeeming qualities. I received both light and colors in my soul during my years at St. Mary. Thank you for providing that. May God continue to bless and guide the parish on its journey. Merry Christmas!

**Una nota del p. Paul Meaden:** La Navidad es un momento de recuerdos. De mi Minnesota crianza Navidad es un tiempo cuando las luces y los colores reflejan la nieve dando incluso el frío algunas cualidades redentoras. He recibido luz y colores en mi alma durante mis años en Santa María. Gracias por qué. Que Dios siga bendiga y guía de la parroquia en su viaje. ¡Feliz Navidad!

### Calendar of Meetings/Events

#### January 1—January 7

|              |                              |                              |
|--------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Sun.</b>  | Children's Liturgy           | During 10am & 12pm Masses PH |
| <b>Mon.</b>  | Cenacle of Prayer            | 9:30am CH                    |
|              | Trinity Prayer Group Meeting | 7:00-9:00 pm BH/CH           |
| <b>Tues.</b> | No RE Classes                |                              |
|              | Choir Rehearsal              | 7:00-9:00pm CH               |
| <b>Wed.</b>  | No RE Classes                |                              |
| <b>Thu.</b>  | Scripture Sharing            | 9:30am PH                    |
|              | Chaplet of Divine Mercy      | 3:00pm CH                    |
|              | KC (Casino Night) Meeting    | 4:00pm RH                    |
| <b>Fri.</b>  | First Friday Adoration       | 9:30am-12:00pm CH            |
|              | DCYC Crew Retreat            | 4:00pm-All Night BH/RH       |
|              | Trinity Prayer Group Meeting | 7:00-10:00pm PH              |
|              | Office Closed                |                              |
| <b>Sat.</b>  | DCYC Crew Retreat            | All Day/All Night BH/RH      |

BH — Badger House    RH — Raphael House  
PH — Parish Hall      CH — Church  
CR — Cry room        AB—Admin. Building  
PL — Parking Lot    WCC —Wimberley Community Center  
O — Outside         MO — Morag's Office

#### TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En Nicaragua y otras naciones latinoamericanas se celebra el final de un año con la "quema del año viejo". Construyen grandes muñecos con ropa vieja, pólvora y papel que se encienden a medianoche entre los dos años. Celebrar el comienzo de un año nuevo tiene una larga trayectoria en la historia humana. Hace unos 4000 años el pueblo de Babilonia ya festejaba la llegada de un nuevo año con grandes fiestas de primavera. Los judíos, al igual que otros pueblos agrícolas, también celebraban su año nuevo durante la primavera, el primer día de Nisán (a principios de abril).

Fue Julio César quien nos dio la fecha del primero de enero como el inicio de nuestro calendario. En 1582 el Papa Gregorio XIII reformó el calendario para darnos el que actualmente está en uso. No obstante, los cristianos continuaron celebrando el año nuevo en primavera para evitar los excesos del "hombre viejo". Hace 400 años la Iglesia comenzó a celebrar el día primero de enero buscando cristianizarlo lo mejor posible. Por eso en el calendario litúrgico este día es dedicado a María, Madre de Dios.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

# Happy New Year!

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#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

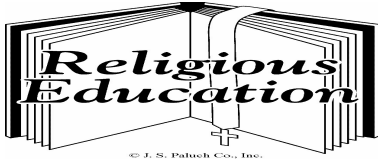
"Octave" comes from the Latin word for "eight," and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the "eighth day," since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord's Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn't claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God.

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**St. Vincent De Paul Society at 512-847-5251**

Leave a detailed voicemail and they will contact you as soon as possible.



RE Classes  
Pre-K thru 5th grade Tues-  
days 6:00-7:15 pm  
6th grade thru Confirmation  
6:30-7:30 pm (New Time!)

- Registration donations, payable to *St. Mary R.E.*, are as follows: \$45 for 1 child, \$80 for 2 children, \$90 for 3+ children
- Book donation for children 3rd grade and up, who have not received 1st Communion is \$30.00.
- First Communion and 1st & 2nd year Confirmation material fee of \$20.00 due at registration. Additional fees for sacrament materials, books & retreats may apply throughout the year.
- OFFICIAL Birth and sacrament certificates are due at the time of registration. Please ask if you have questions or concerns.

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Pre-K hasta el 5º grado Martes 6:00-7:15 pm; 6to. grado a través de la confirmación de las 6:30-7:30 pm (¡hora Nueva!).

Donaciones de registro, cheques a nombre de: *St. Mary R.E.*, son los siguientes: \$45 por 1 estudiante, \$80 para 2 estudiantes, \$90 por tres o mas estudiantes

- \$30.00 Comprar libros de Preparación Religiosa para chicos del 3º Grado, y que aún no han recibido el Sacramento de la Primera Comunión.
- Primer Año de Comunión y Primer y Segundo año de confirmación hay una cuota de \$20 adicional en la registración.
- Igualmente, queremos informarles que durante el año escolar de Educación Religiosa, quizá sea necesario aplicar cuotas adicionales en la preparación para recibir los Santos Sacramentos, libros y materiales y retiros.
- Certificados de nacimiento y en los sacramentos oficiales vencen en el momento de la inscripción.

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**There will be no Religious Education classes Jan. 3/4.  
Classes will resume January 10 and 11.**

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**No habrá clases de educación religiosa de los 3/4 de  
enero. Las clases se reiniciarán el 10 de enero y el 11.**



### **St. Mary STARS Youth Ministry**

**DCYC is January 27-29!**

For more information call Morag at 830-385-1232 or email morag.stmary@yahoo.com.

**Youth Ministry Coordinator:**  
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