Friends of St. Mary Parish

Pastor: Rev. Stephen Vrazel

Spring 2022

JOIN US FOR MASS!

PLEASE NOTE OUR
NEW Weekend
MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday7 a.m
Sunday 6 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:30 a.m
Monday s 6 a.m. & 7:15 a.m.
Tuesdays 6 a.m. & 7:15 a.m.
Wednesdays 6 a.m. & 7:15 a.m.
Thursdays 6 a.m. & 7:15 a.m.
Fridays6 a.m. & 7:15 a.m. & 8:10 a.m
(Student Mass during the school year Fri. 8:10

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2022 LENTEN SCHEDULE

From the Pastor Father Stephen Vrazel

I remember reading the Onlooker as a child, seeing what was going on around the parish. It was informative and exciting; there's something special about a print newsletter. So I can't say I wasn't disappointed when I arrived as pastor, and we had stopped sending it out. A lot of factors contributed to this hiatus, not least of which was the pandemic. Regardless I am very grateful, especially to Marcelle Naman, that

we're back with our spring 2022 issue. Check it out: maybe you or someone you know is in this issue!



St. Mary Breaks Ground for Pavilion!

With construction beginning this spring, St. Mary's outdoor pavilion and courts will soon become reality!

St. Mary parents and parishioners **Matt Boos** and **Joe Collins** have led the efforts for this exciting new project. Present for the groundbreaking were **John Witherington** of Witherington Construction, Our Pastor **Father Stephen Vrazel**, **Sydney Boteler** and **Ben Cummings** of Cummings Architecture, our Principal **Debbie**

Ollis, and St. Mary Pavilion chairs, Matt Boos and Joe Collins.

The last new building construction at St. Mary was in 1949 when the current elementary school was built--73 years ago! To learn more and to participate in the Pavilion project, visit StMaryMobile.org.



St. Mary's Deaconate Candidate, Mark Thompson

St. Mary is pleased to announce that St Mary's, Mark Thompson is a Deaconate candidate and will be ordained June 10, 2022 at 10 a.m. at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Mark and his wife Ashley are long time St. Mary Parishioners, and have three children, Andrew, Caleb, and Anna Catherine, who all attended St. Mary Catholic School and McGill-Toolen Catholic. Mark has been an active parishioner, volunteering his time on the parish council, as a Eucharistic Minister, lector, Lenten



Stations of the Cross and Adoration leader, St. Mary Knights of Columbus, Edge Youth Ministry volunteer, sacristan, homebound visitor, and St. Mary's development efforts including the strategic planning committee and launching of our door to door parish wide fall census mission. Mark will celebrate his first Mass on Sunday, June 12 at 9:30 a.m. in our own St. Mary Church. All are invited to join us for the Mass followed by a reception.

St. Mary State of the Parish and Stewardship Update

Through the generosity of St. Mary's parishioners, over \$800,000 in pledges were made for the 2022 Stewardship Appeal. For a State of The Parish, the 2021 Financial Report, and for a link to make a pledge or volunteer, scan this QR code!





Sister Kateri Toler

St. Mary Catholic School graduate, **Emilie Toler**, class of 2015 and McGill-Toolen Class of 2019, **Sister Kateri Toler** of the Order of Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln Nebraska in 2019 made her first vows on July 31, 2021. She was elated to affirm her love and commitment to Jesus. As the Marian Sisters are a social order, Sister goes on many outings to visit students at area schools to tell the students what it's like to be a Marian Sister, which she enjoys a great deal. Sister Kateri is working on her Special Education

degree and began back taking classes this past fall. Becoming a special education teacher has been her desire for several years now and her Mother Superior agrees she would be a wonderful teacher. She is taking courses through both the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, and Southeast Community College (also in Lincoln).

In addition to taking classes full time, she teaches CCD (PSR) one night a week to fourth graders . Sister is also the director for a Marian Camp the convent hosts each summer at an offsite location for 6th-9th graders. Preparation for camp has been keeping Sister very, very busy along with her studies.

A few fun facts about Sister Kateri: Her favorite Saint is Sister Kateri Tekakwitha; her favorite spiritual reading is St. Paul's Letter to The Romans; and her hobbies include crafting, and working in the tree nursery. Her visitation and communication is limited to family members. Sister Kateri loves to receive letters! Please feel friend to write Sister Kateri Toler at 6765 N 112th Street, Waverly, NE 68462.

St. Mary 2022 Outstanding Alumni and Business Partners

St. Mary honored their 2022 Outstanding Alumni and Business Partners during Catholic Schools Week on February 2 at the student Mass. This year's Distinguished St. Mary Alumnus is **Brian Lang**; the Outstanding Catholic School Alumnus is **Hays**



Zieman; and St. Mary's Outstanding Business Partners are **Robert Dueitt** and **Matt Arensberg** of Robert Dueitt Construction. Matt is also a 2000 St. Mary graduate! We thank our Alumni and Business Partners for their dedication to St. Mary Parish!

Rev. Msgr. Peter J. Cunningham Awards 2020-2021

St. Mary Catholic honored two students with the **Rev. Msgr. Peter J. Cunning-ham** Award for the 2020-2021 school year. This honor was created by the St. Mary Parish Knights of Columbus Council to recognize eighth grade students who rep-

resent the Model Christian ideals of service, academics, and kindness to others. This year's recipients are

Sarah Beth Dudley and **Joseph McCarron.** The awards were presented at the May 26 Completion Mass and Ceremony for St. Mary Catholic School 8th grade classes.



St. Mary Catholic Church, Lagniappe Nappies Coolest House of Worship!

Thank you for your vote! Father Vrazel accepted the award July 23, 2021.

"How lovely your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!" Psalm 84



St. Mary Catholic School Open Registration for the 2022-2023 School Year In Progress!



Scan the QR Code to take a peek inside St. Mary Catholic School!

St. Mary Catholic School educates children from 6 weeks to 8th grade.

Contact the School Office at (251) 433-9904 for more information or a personal visit at any time! Visit <u>www.StMaryMobile.</u> org for registration information.



Archdiocese of Mobile Seminarian, Andrew Thompson

St. Mary Catholic School Class of 2015 graduate and Mc-Gill-Toolen Class of 2019 graduate, **Andrew Thompson**, is in his third year of seminary at St. Ben's in Covington, Louisiana. He has now moved into deeper philosophical classes allowing him to deepen his intellect and take the knowledge into the many pastoral experiences he has encountered as a seminarian. An-

drew enjoys community life in seminary including playing flag football where St. Bens' beat Notre Dame seminary 14-13 at their annual bonfire game. The bonfire is the biggest tradition at the seminary dating back many years, which Andrew cherishes along with other community events. Andrew experienced great joy this past summer living at St. Jude Parish in Montgomery, where he worked at the Father Purcell Memorial Exceptional Children's Center, home to 50 severely disabled children. Andrew says the best feeling about being a seminarian is knowing you have the support of the faithful in your diocese, and especially within your home parish. One of Andrew's favorite parts of seminary formation is the ability to come home and serve for special Masses such as Christmas and Sunday Masses. Andrew was also instrumental during the 2020 Covid-19 shut down, where he spent time assisting as a lector and altar server for online Masses, and started an online morning prayer twice a week to engage parishioners at home.

Some fun facts about Andrew: His birthday is January 18 and his favorite Saint is Maximillian Kolbe. His favorite spiritual reading is Behold the Mystery: A Deeper Understanding of the Catholic Mass". Andrew's hobbies include soccer, basketball, and hanging out with friends! Andrew thanks all for the continued prayers and support and notes, "St. Mary's brings such great joy to me because I know that it is a place that I can always call home!"

ST. MARY YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



St. Mary Director of Youth Ministry, **Abigail Standish** invites all parish teens to the weekly Lifeteen

meeting held each Sunday following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Mark your calendar for upcoming summer camps to include Camp Covecrest for high school students July 18 -23, and Camp Hidden Lake for middle school students July 25 -30. All are invited to participate in our bake sales on the second Sunday of each month following the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses, and to pledge a mile or more of our route to help raise funds for our trips! For more information, contact Abigail at astandish@stmarymobile.org

ST. MARY TOY BOWL QUEEN, KING AND COURT!

Congratulations to St. Mary's 2021 Toy Bowl Court for raising over 20,000 for the CYO 73rd Annual Toy Bowl Classic. St. Mary was represented by our court and this year's royalty,

Toy Bowl **Queen Lila Baggett** and **King Brayden Hicks** who together raised over \$5,000! St. Mary is proud of our 8th grade court members who raised funds for their CYO sports program:

St. Mary Court members: Queen Lila Baggett, King Brayden Hicks, Garrett Harrison, Addie Arensberg, Joseph

Huff, Joey Baker, Wesley Stevens, Grace Brack, John-Carter Conger, Jeanne Marie Castleberry, Lars Hansen, Jennifer Dolan, Matt Collins, Lorelai Fancher, Charlie Warner, Anna Grace D'Olive, Connor Ollis, Emma Grubbs, Jack Tobias, Lucy Jensen, Brian Lang, Jaden Kidd, Mark Washington, Ella King, Jude Moore, Cara Morrow, Brayden Turner, Porter Murray, William Glass, Lucy O'Donnell, Charlie Tyler, Basil Zafiris, AnnaRose Rankin, Connor McCorkle, Deria A. Scott, Stewart Carroll, Lilly Seibert, Harris Collins, Macy Tobias, Joshua Sasser, Lucy Wallace, LaMarien Miller, Ella White, Luke Bretchel, Ansley Woodard and Christopher Roberts



St. Mary 11th Annual Lighting Up Midtown Christmas Tree Lighting!

Through the generosity of many volunteers, the 11th annual Lighting Up Midtown event was a success! Pictured is St. Mary's tree lighting Angel, St. Mary's kindergarten teacher Ellen Marston, with Santa and members of the Lafayette and Crichton Fire Station Crews who brought in Santa and helped Ellen light the tree! All St. Mary students participated in the event including a special Christmas Pageant performance and creating handmade ornaments for St. Mary's tree.



Steve Thompson Memorial Golf Tournament!

Thanks to our Knights of Columbus and all who made the 2021 Steve Thompson Memorial Golf Tournament a success! With 130 golfers and over 100 individual event/course/in-kind sponsors, the tournament netted \$36,000 to benefit St. Mary's Pavilion project. Thank you to our Corporate Sponsors: UJ Chevrolet and Roof Doctors; Platinum Sponsors, The LeGrone Family, Boos Navarre, LLC, Callaghans, The Tobias Family, United Rentals, and Bay Area Oral Surgery; Gold sponsors, The Richardson Wealth Management Group - Merrill Lynch,



American Home Lending-Brandon Hambright, The Strickland Family, Robert Dueitt Construction, Royalty Products, American Weatherstar, EMO TRANS, INC, Bill and Julie Reece, Bryant Bank, and Zoghby's Uniforms; Silver sponsors, Benton, Toni, and Anne Blake Thompson, Lad Drago State Farm, Goosehead Insurance, Mike and Monica Thompson, Hansen Heating & Air, Foosacklys, Harvey and Thomas Orthodontics, David Wallace, and Jon Zimlich – Strategic Wealth Specialists



Fall Generosity

Thank you to all who supported our Thanksgiving and Christmas basket food drives, and our Angel Tree Project. St. Mary Catholic School partnered with St. Mary Church and St Mary's St. Vincent de Paul Society to purchase Christmas gifts for children and seniors in our community in need through the annual Angel

Tree Project under the leadership of Chair, **Beth Sayler.** These groups also collected food items for the annual Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for families in need. Pictured are St. Mary Middle School students after loading the last car of gifts for delivery to Catholic Social Services.



St. Mary First Annual Trivia Night!

St. Mary Parish held their first annual Trivia Night on October 28, 2021 with this year's theme, a Night at the Movies! Featuring an online silent auction leading up the event, the event boasted a night of trivia games, great food, door prizes, and a highlight of bidding on priests to answer the rounds of religious trivia questions. Thank you to Msgr. Bill Skoneki, Father Dan Good, and our pastor, Father Stephen Vrazel for putting their priestly knowledge up for bidding, and Father Pat Arensberg and Msgr. Warren Wall for developing the religious questions. Prizes were awarded to the winning trivia team, "Happy to Be Here", and best costume to "The Bells of St. Mary's". Proceeds of this fundraiser benefit the endowment fund for St. Mary Parish, with this first event contributing over \$14,000 to the fund! Thank you to our event sponsors, Demouy General Contracting and Sean Demouy of Edward Jones, and the many businesses and individuals who donated items and services for our online auction and door prizes. Special thanks to our awesome Trivia Night Committee for making this possible and to our evening emcee, Jon Green for making this a fun night for all! Mark your calendar for Trivia Night 2022 slated for Thursday, October 27!

St. Mary's & St. Joan of Arc Parishes 2022 Lenten Schedule of Event

(SM=St. Mary's, SJA=St. Joan of Arc)

LITURGY & WORSHIP

ASH WEDNESDAY March 2, 2022

SM: 6am, 7:15am, 8:15am (school Mass) 5:30pm Vespers w/Ashes Only (Not a Mass) SIA – 12pm Mass

Weekday Masses

<u>SM</u>: (Mon-Fri): 6am, 7:15am, 8:15am (school Mass on Fridays) Saturday: 7am

Sunday Masses

<u>SM:</u> 6am, 9:30am, 11:30am <u>SJA:</u> Saturday: 4pm (Vigil), 8:30am

Confession Schedule

SM - Tuesday/Thursday: 5-6pm ½ hour before Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am Masses OR BY APPOINTMENT SIA - Saturdays 3:30pm

ADORATION/STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ADORATION

<u>SM</u>: Fridays 6:30am-5pm in the Chapel. (If you are interested in scheduling a regular time slot, please contact Millie Dixon at 251.432-8678.)

SM: Tuesdays/Thursdays 5-6pm (with Confessions)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SM: Fridays 6:00pm

KOC FISH FRY FRIDAYS – 5:30pm-7:30pm - GYM



March 4th - FISH FRY

March 11th - FISH FRY

March 18th - PASTA DINNER **

In observance of the Eve of the Solemnity of St. Joseph/St. Joseph's Altar (see St. Joseph's Altar section for more details)

March 25th - PARISH FEAST **

In celebration of the Solemnity of the Annunciation, St. Mary's Parish Feast Day

April 1st - FISH FRY

April 8th - FISH FRY

** Exemption from the Lenten requirement to abstain from meat due to the feast day.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION: March 14-16th

6pm-8pm

(Mass will be celebrated each evening beginning at 6pm followed by presentation)
UNEXPECTED SAINTS



Meg Hunter-Kilmer is a speaker, blogger, and hobo for Christ. In a world where comfort and stability trump passion and purpose, being homeless and unemployed for the sake of the kingdom doesn't make a lot of sense. Surely when Jesus sent the disciples out with only a walking stick he wasn't suggesting that I do the same, we think, and go back to scrolling through Facebook. But God is still calling and still

demanding radical discipleship. For some people, this radical discipleship takes place within the context of a "normal" life. For me, it's a little different. After two degrees in theology and five years of teaching religion, I felt that God was calling me to follow him in a more literal way, so I quit my job, packed everything into my car, and hit the road. Since June 2012, I've been a hobo for the kingdom, traveling the country speaking to anyone who'll listen about the goodness of God, Catholic apologetics, Christian morality, and the life of prayer. Go to www.stmarymobile.org or see the bulletin for further details.

PASTOR'S LENTEN BIBLE/BOOK STUDY

Pastor, Fr. Stephen Vrazel, will offer a bible/book study for four weeks beginning the 2nd Sunday of Lent from 5-6pm in the Sister of Mercy Building. The Passion Narratives will be discussed based on Fr. Raymond Brown's book, "A Crucified Christ in Holy Week: Essays on the Four Gospel Passion Narratives". The study dates are: March 13, 20, 27 and April 3. Suggested donation for book is \$10. Please call the parish office to order a book.

ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR Friday, March 18th (Eve of the Feast Day) 5:30pm - GYM

(An Italian tradition with St. Patrick's Day included)

The Feast of St. Joseph, which always falls in the middle of Lent (March 19th), is specially commemorated and celebrated with a shrine and feast in many Italian churches and families. In Italy it is also Father's Day—fitting, as St. Joseph was, of course, the foster father of Jesus. This celebration is a symbolic "thank you" to Saint Joseph. It is a shared celebration with the entire community where the riches of food are given as alms to the poor: traditional etiquette is that no one can be turned away from this table. The heart of this tradition can be found in these three aspects:

*Veneration—special recognition of St. Joseph during Mass and at the "table."

*The Altar or Table—both a kind of "altar of reverence", and a communal celebration.

*The Poor—The intention of all the gifts is to help those in need.

Parishioners bring symbolic foods to the Altar to share. Irish AND Italian foods are welcome to celebrate St. Patrick and St. Joseph since the feast days are so close to one another. Donations and non-perishable goods will be collected to support the poor of our community. If you would like to be part of the committee to plan this beautiful celebration, please contact Emily Montague at emontague@stmarymobile.org.

SPECIAL EVENTS

MARRIAGE NIGHT

Tuesday, March 8th 6-8pm Sister of Mercy Building "How You Get Through Disagreements" Bridget Hannahan, PhD

RITE OF ELECTION (THIS IS NOT A MASS)
Sunday, March 13th 3:00pm at the Cathedral

LIFETEEN CAMP FUNDRAISERS

Bake Sales Second Sunday of the Month after the Masses Saturday, March 26th 6-8pm Movie Night/Parent Night Out

PARISH EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 17h following the 9:30am Easter Sunday Mass.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Beginning Ash Wednesday, March 2, all are invited to join a local Lenten vigil of prayer and fasting in front of Planned Parenthood Abortion Clinic located at 717 Downtowner Loop. St. Mary parishioners will meet each Friday from 6am-noon. For more information, log on to mobile40daysforlife.com

SAVE THE DATE

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

May 1st 3pm-SM

FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING

Monday, March 7th 6pm - SM

FIRST COMMUNION INTERVIEWS

March 28-April 8th (more information on available time slots will be emailed out)

SAVE THE DATE

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

April 30th-May 1st - @ Holy Spirit Hall Fairhope, AL



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Tuesday, May 10th - 6pm SM

(There will NOT be adoration/confessions in the Church on this Tuesday evening due to Confirmation)

GUIDELINES FOR FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics, 14 years of age or older, on all Fridays during Lent (Code of Canon Law 1249-53). Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and on the Friday of the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ (all adults are bound by the law of fast until the beginning of their sixtieth year). On all the weekdays of Lent, the U.S. Bishops strongly encourage the faithful to participate in Mass and to observe a self-imposed fast. The law of fasting allows only one full meal aday but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening. Customarily, the two smaller "collations" when considered together, should not equal the main meal and ideally should be eaten only if needed to maintain one's strength.

*WHAT IS TENEBRAE?

"Tenebrae is named after the Latin word for darkness and is a unique celebration typically of the early morning prayers of the Divine Office for the three days of the Easter Triduum. Tenebrae is first and foremost a catena of prayer, Scripture readings, and homiletic texts in which the words, events, and imagery of the Old and New Testaments converge. It has become the Church's cry of anguish in contemplating the death of her Divine Bridegroom. The immediate context concerns the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonians, but their underlying meaning transcends the limits of any one point in history. What is being recounted is not simply the ruin of a city. It is the ruin and downfall of a universe, a lament for the entire gamut of human suffering that has descended upon the world because of the sin of Adam. It is a vision of destruction on an apocalyptic scale, a catastrophic vision of a world without Christ, a world without God." Tenebrae includes the use of fifteen candles on a hearse, the triangular candlestand. There is a ceremonial extinction of these candles as the prayers progress leaving one candle lit at the end of the rite, symbolizing Christ.

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 10th- PALM SUNDAYREGULAR MASS SCHEDULE AT BOTH PARISHES

Wednesday, April 13th

6pm SMS Living Stations of the Cross SM

Thursday, April 14th-HOLY THURSDAY

10:00am SMS Living Stations of the Cross <u>SM</u>
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper <u>SM</u>
8:30pm-12am Adoration at the Repository <u>SM</u>

Friday, April 15th - GOOD FRIDAY

3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion <u>SM</u> 6:30pm Stations of the Cross <u>SM</u> 7pm Tenebrae* <u>SM</u>

Saturday, April 16th - HOLY SATURDAY

9am Tenebrae* <u>SM</u>
3pm Confessions Available <u>SM</u>
8pm Easter Vigil <u>SM</u>
(For <u>SJA</u> Triduum service times, please contact SJA
Parish Office at 251.432.3505.)

Sunday, April 17th - EASTER SUNDAY

SM 6am, 9:30am, 11:30am (Easter Egg Hunt following 9:30am Mass) SIA 8:30am

* See above for explanation of Tenebrae

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 2

ASH WEDNESDAY - LENT BEGINS

ASHES AT ALL MASSES - 6 a.m., 7:15 a.m. and 8:10 a.m. VESPERS AND ASHES - 5:30 p.m. (no Mass)

There will also be a 12 Noon Mass at St. Joan of Arc 40 Days for Life Begins

All are invited to join in a local vigil of prayer and fasting in front of Planned Parenthood Abortion Clinic located at 717 Downtowner Loop. St. Mary Parishioners will meet each Friday from 6 a.m. to Noon. For more information, log on to 40daysforlife.com

March 4

FIRST STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6 p.m each Friday during Lent

FIRST LENTEN FISH FRY! - 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. sponsored by our Knights of Columbus

March 7

FIRST COMMUNION MEETING - 6 p.m.

March 8

ST. MARY MARRIAGE NIGHT!

Reencountering Your Spouse:

"How you Get Through Disagreements"

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Join us for dinner, dessert, and dialogue! Suggested minimum donation per couple, \$30.Bring a bottle of wine to share! Child care included. Please RSVP to Laurel Wallace for both dinner and child care at lwallace@stmarymobile.org by March 7.

March 11

KOC LENTEN FISH FRY, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

March 13 - April 3

PASTOR'S LENTEN BIBLE STUDY BEGINS!

Focus on The Passion - Sundays, March 13 - April 3, includes 4 sessions - 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Suggested \$10 donation for book to go with study, "A Crucified Christ in Holy Week: Essays on the Four Gospel Passion Narratives". Please contact Parish Office to place your order for book at (251) 432-8678.

March 13

RCIA RITE OF ELECTION

3 p.m. Cathedral of Immaculate Conception

March 14-16

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

"Unexpected Saints" with Meg Hunter-Kilmer. 6 p.m. each evening beginning with Mass and followed by presentation.

For more information on Meg Hunter-Kilmer, visit https://www.piercedhands.com

March 15

PARISH MISSION CONTINUES, 6 p.m

March 16

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March 17

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

March 18

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

Pasta Dinner 5:30 p.m.

by Father Vrazel and St. Joseph Altar in the gym.

March 20

PASTOR'S LENTEN BIBLE STUDY WEEK 2

5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

March 25

FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION

St. Mary Parish Feast Day, 5:30 p.m. Vespers

March 26

LIFETEEN CAMP FUNDRAISER MOVIE /PARENT NIGHT OUT! 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

March 27

ST. MARY FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

with reception following the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

March 27

PASTOR'S LENTEN BIBLE STUDY WEEK 3

5 p.m. to 6 p.m. .

March 28- April 1

FIRST COMMUNION INTERVIEWS

April 1

KOC LENTEN FISH FRY, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

April 3

PASTOR'S LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Final Session - 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

April 4 - April 8

FIRST COMMUNION INTERVIEWS

April 8

KOC LENTEN FISH FRY, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

April 10

PALM SUNDAY

HOLY WEEK BEGINS

April 12

ST. MARY LIVING STATIONS PUBLIC PERFORMANCE, 6 p.m. in church

April 14

HOLY THURSDAY

ST. MARY LIVING STATIONS SCHOOL PERFORMANCE,

MASS OF LORD'S SUPPER, 7 p.m.

MASS OF LUKD'S SUPPER, / p.m.
ADORATION AT REPOSITORY, 8:30 p.m. to midnight

April 15

GOOD FRIDAY

PASSION OF THE LORD, 3 p.m.

Stations of the Cross, 6:30 p.m.

TENEBRAE, 7 p.m.

April 16

HOLY SATURDAY

TENEBRAE, 9 a.m. CONFESSIONS, 3 p.m.

EASTER VIGIL MASS, 8 p.m.

Anril 17

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES, 6, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

EASTER EGG HUNT

After 9:30 a.m. Mass

April 17-25

ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL EASTER BREAK

April 25-30

MUSTANG SPIRIT WEEK!

Stay tuned for a week of activities including family days, the Mustang online auction, a Friday Night Pavilion Social, and Steak Out on April 30th!

April 29

ST. MARY WATER FUN DAY!

April 29

PAVILION REVEAL RECEPTION, 6 p.m.

April 30

STEAK OUT! - 6-10:30 pm, See Back page for details

April 30 - May 1

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

at Holy Spirit Hall in Fairhope

May 1

FIRST COMMUNION, 3 p.m.

May 3

ST. MARY MARRIAGE NIGHT!

Reencountering Your Spouse: "How you Pray Together"

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Join us for dinner, dessert, and dialogue! Suggested minimum donation per couple, \$30.

Bring a bottle of wine to share! Child care included. Please RSVP to Laurel Wallace for both dinner and child care at lwarch.no.nd/ warch 7.

May 2

MAY CROWNING, 8:30 a.m.

May 5

SCHOOL MUSICAL, GODSPELL

May 10

CONFIRMATION MASS, 6 p.m.

May 25

8TH GRADE COMPLETION MASS, 6 p.m.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, 11:30 a.m. dismissal

May 27

May 30

MEMORIAL DAY

PRIEST'S RETREAT WEEKEND

Workshop Day to make organization banners for Feast of Corpus Christi Procession 12:30 p.m. in Sisters of Mercy Building Bring your scissors, scrap materials, etc!

June 19

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Parish procession begins at St. Mary following the 9:30 a.m. Mass and ends at St. Joan of Arc with luncheon to follow at St. Joan of Arc Trolley will be provided for those who are unable to walk. A workshop will be held on June 5 where St. Mary organizations can make a banner for the procession. 12:30 p.m. in Sisters of Mercy Building. Bring your scissors, scrap materials, etc! For more information, contact the parish office at (251) 432-8678.



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Mustang Spirit Week! Mon. April 25 to Sat., April 30 **Our Week Includes:**

Mustang Silent Auction

Monday, April 25 from 12 noon to Friday, April 29 at 4 p.m. Visit 32auctions.com

Two Mustang family nights

at Nixon's and Callaghan's (Date TBA)

Friday Night Pavilion Reveal

Friday, April 29: 6 p.m.

Steak Out!

Saturday, April 30: 6pm Gates open and steak tasting begins with winners announced at 8 p.m.

Live music by **Blackwater Brass Band**

from 8:15 p.m. until 10:30 p.m.

Cooking Teams are welcome!

20 available slots at \$400 a team with steaks provided





20 Group Tasting Team Tickets

available for 8 people at \$800 per team

30 Corporate Tasting Team Tickets

available for 8 at \$1250 per team

4 Title Sponsors Tasting Teams

are available at \$2500 for 12 people at \$2500 each

All Teams include keys with a chance to win a Golf Cart, a Solo Fire Pit, and other prizes TBD!

Cooking Teams and each team level will receive other items and recognition as listed on our website, www.StMaryMobile.org.

For details and to reserve your spot for Steak Out, contact Joe Collins at joe@elminfo.com.

Scan the QR Code for all information on Steak Out and Mustang Spirit Week!

Get Your News Faster!

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by logging on to www.StMaryMobile.org or contacting Marcelle Naman at mrnaman@stmarymobile. org.

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