

St. Mary's Chapel

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC



CAMPUS MINISTRY

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Most Reverend Joseph E. Strickland, Bishop of the Diocese of Tyler, Texas

Welcome y'all!

Sunday, September 27, 2015

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Upcoming Events

September 27	Confirmation Class 8 pm
28	Mission Trip Applications due! Monday Funday—7
29	RCIA—7
30	Faculty, staff & adult Bible Study—6 pm The Circle
October 1	DotS dance practice—3:30 DotS rehearsal—5:45 Knights—8
4	Life Chain 1 pm Pizza Dinner
31	Spirit Brunch
Nov 2	St. Maria Goretti relics to visit Cathedral
8	Pizza Dinners

Mass Times

Sunday	11:00 AM & 6:00 PM
Tuesday— Friday	5:05 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM

*During summer & other SFASU breaks, 1 pm Mass is dropped.
On Holy Days of Obligation & Ash Wednesday, Mass is at 12:05 & 5:05 pm*

Confession

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:	4:00—4:55pm
Wednesday:	3:30—4:45pm
Sunday:	10:00—10:45 5:00—5:50 & by appointment

(Sacred Heart has confession @ 4:15 Saturday if you can't make one of these times)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Daily from	— 4:00 pm
Every Wednesday	—9 am—5 pm
With Benediction	@ 4:50 followed by Mass
Monday & Friday	—9 am—10 am

*If your schedule doesn't permit you
to sign up for a hour or half hour,
then just stop in anytime to visit Jesus
and say "I love you...."*

The chapel is open 24/7 (side door).

*We are a Catholic Campus Ministry at Stephen F. Austin State University
dedicated to bringing Christ to the lives of the whole campus community.*

*With our eyes on Him, we strive to pursue our faith, friendships, & vocations
as students with a holy guidance. We're not perfect (far from it), but we
would like to try to get there as a family.*

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, September 27	11:00 am	Benefactors
	1:00 pm	Dcn John Shaffer 70th b'day
	6:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo-For the People
Tuesday, Sept 29	5:05 pm	Walter Ledet †
Wednesday, Sept 30	5:05 pm	Jerry Najvar (Feast day) †
Thursday, October 1	5:05 pm	
Friday, Oct 2	5:05 pm	Pray requests from our website
Saturday, Oct 3	9:00 am	
Sunday, October 4	11:00 am	Benefactors
	1:00 pm	
	6:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo-For the People

My dear parishioners,

Our Holy Father Pope Francis' historic visit to the United States is coming to an end today, and as we will continue to hear many interpretations and perceptions about his visit, I want to encourage you to do two things: 1) pray for Our Holy Father, that he will continue to be a prophetic voice to every culture, especially to those whose culture rejects God; and 2) please, please, read his words, & not the talking heads who want to twist & change his words.

As I mentioned a few weeks ago, the two primary thrusts of my time here will be the spiritual life and evangelization. As I continue to talk about these themes in the bulletin and in homilies, I want to guide you with a little background information that can help you to be more familiar with where I am coming from. Regarding the spiritual life, I've always been inspired by the 2nd Vatican Council's document on the Church entitled *Lumen Gentium* (which means 'Light of the world/to the people'); in chapter five of this document, the Church speaks at length about the universal call to holiness of every person, and especially the Christian living in the world (i.e., not just priests and religious, but EVERYONE!). Another significant influence, again from the 2nd Vatican Council, is the document on the liturgy entitled *Sacrosanctum Concilium* (which means 'Sacred Council', from the first line of the document). This document has many rich themes which I will explore in the coming weeks with you, but I firstly want to focus on one of the most well-known catchphrases from this document, namely that the Eucharist is the "source and summit" of Christian life (SC11).

To live our lives as if the Eucharist is truly the center of our life, the source of our joy, the end to which all our activity is oriented, can be a bit overwhelming-but this is what the Church truly believes about its members, and I would argue that when it is, the work of evangelization is a natural act of gratitude for the great feast of faith we are so blessed to be a part of. But to let the Eucharist be the center of our lives requires greater commitment on our part to Our Lord; to adore Him in the Blessed Sacrament, to reverence Him worthily through our gestures and postures, to properly receive Him in Mass with humility, attentiveness, and care, and to learn more about how HE makes Himself known under the appearance of bread and wine. If we make this endeavor, I promise you, you'll be richly rewarded, and the strength of a truly Eucharistic faith will be your firm foundation to face any challenge that comes your way.

Let us continue to fast and pray for the success of the Spirit Brunch, and if you haven't recently, invite a friend to Mass with you next Sunday-it's the best gift you can give someone!

Fr. Braun

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — Saints & Readings

Sunday, September 27— Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Numbers 11:25-29; Psalm 19:8,10,12-13,14;
James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

Monday, September 28—

Zechariah 8:1-8; Psalm 102:16-18,19-21,29,22-23; Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday, September 29—Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12; Psalm 138:1-5; John 1:47-51

Wednesday, September 30—Memorial of Saint Jerome

Nehemiah 2:1-8; Psalm 137:1-2,3,4-5,6; Luke 9:57-62

Thursday, October 1—Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Nehemiah 8:1-4,5-6,7-12; Psalm 19:8,9,10,11; Luke 10:1-12

Friday, October 2—Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

Baruch 1:15-22; Psalm 79:1-2,3-5,8,9; Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Saturday, October 3—

Baruch 4:5-12,27-29; Psalm 69:33-35,36-37; Luke 10:17-24

Sunday, October 4— Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 2:18-24; Psalm 128:1-6; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16

Points of Reference for Reverence

In order to be well informed about reverence in the Church and at Mass in particular, it is important to realize we are whole persons, spirit and flesh, and the two form one another: ergo, our actions speak to the truth in our hearts, and our actions are outward signs of our interior love (of God and neighbor-that is why modesty and respect are important in human relationships also). So here's some easy pointers to help you:

1. When entering or leaving the Church, we should genuflect to Our Lord's presence in the tabernacle (slowly, and on bended knee-crossing yourself is an optional devotional practice, but should always accompany your entrance and exiting of the Church with holy water).
2. Bow your head at the name of the Jesus (Christ), the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Saint of the Day if their name is mentioned in the liturgy. Also, when the Blessed Trinity is named in the fullness of the Godhead (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) it is fitting to make a more profound bow from the waist (for instance in the Glory be, solemn blessings, etc).
3. During Mass, any minister (priest, deacon, server, reader, usher) should pause and bow towards the altar if he/she is entering/leaving or crossing through the sanctuary. For all others, during Mass, if you are leaving your pew to use the restroom or to care for children, an appropriate sign of respect is to genuflect towards the tabernacle (slowly, and on bended knee if physically possible).
4. Regarding the Eucharist: if standing to receive, you are always to make a profound bow from the waist before receiving, whether in the hand or on the tongue. If receiving on the hand, please place your preferred receiving hand over the other (like a throne) and take Our Lord out of your hand and place Him in your mouth in front of the priest (not while walking away or stepping to the side). There is no expectation that you cross yourself at this time, though you may choose to do so for devotional purposes. If receiving on the tongue, simply remember to say AMEN before the priest places the sacred host on your tongue (same goes for those receiving on the hand).

5. The venerable and ancient practice of receiving on the tongue while kneeling is still the custom of the Church; a special indult has been granted for some 30+ consecutive years in the United States to receive on the hand, and this practice will remain in place here at St. Mary's. However, I do want to encourage folks who are comfortable and physically able to never shy away from receiving on the tongue while kneeling or standing-it is your right, and no priest has the right to tell you otherwise (same goes for those who receive in the hand while standing).

6. Attire: basically, you are going to meet the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, the Holy of Holies, so please make basic efforts to be clean, groomed, modestly dressed, and dressed well! You dress up for parties, presidents, weddings, funerals, etc.-why not make a similar effort for Our Lord? Remember, this is a sign of reverence and love you have for Our Lord, and outward signs can express interior dispositions. Certainly we should all be mindful of the distinctions of daily and Sunday Mass/Feast Days, and the fact that we are on a college campus-this however does not give us license to be slovenly or lazy in our preparation and participation in Holy Mass.

7. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: when entering/leaving the pew/Church at times Our Lord is exposed, it is appropriate to minimally genuflect for a prolonged time, or if you prefer, to do a double genuflection on both knees and at the waist. Crossing ourselves is an optional devotional practice.

Our Sunday Offering

St. Mary's Chapel & the Campus Ministry mainly depends upon the generous support of all who join with us in the celebration of the Lord's presence in the Eucharist, which really means "thanksgiving." What we offer to God through our donations is also a sign of our thanksgiving to God for his generosity. Without your help and support, our Chapel and Campus Ministry cannot function. Please be generous as God is generous to you in many ways. God loves a cheerful giver.

St. Mary's is not a traditional parish. We must rely on financial support from persons who understand the very important role of campus ministry in the nurture of Catholic youth. We are a dynamic growing ministry and need your support. Consider a 1 to 4 year financial commitment through our Living Faith Society.

Call the office at 936-564-0661, talk to our staff—Fr. Braun, Michael, Jodi, or Kim or go to our website at sfa-catholic.net.

Thank you for your generous support! **Stewardship - A Way of Life**

Sunday Collection (9/21)	\$ 2537
St. Patrick Catholic School	\$ 319

Thank You!

Announcements

- ⇒ **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Wednesday from 9am-5pm. Please consider spending 30 minutes to an hour with our Lord every week! We still need a few more spots filled.
- ⇒ Every Wednesday, join us at **the Circle!** Come for Mass, then come on over to Ganter Hall around 5:45pm for FREE dinner, fellowship, and opportunities to learn more about the faith. During October, we will be learning more about prayer.
- ⇒ If you still interested in **helping at Mass as a Reader, EM, or Altar Server** and didn't make it to any of the scheduled training times, e-mail Jodi Phillips at phillipsjm1@gmail.com to schedule another session!
- ⇒ Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, and perhaps even being baptized? Join us for **RCLA** on Tuesdays at 7pm in Ganter Hall. For more information, contact Jodi Phillips at 402-650-4234
- ⇒ **Confirmation Classes** have begun, but if you are still interested in being confirmed before Thanksgiving come to our meeting at 8pm tonight in St. Joseph's. For more information, contact Jodi Phillips at 402-650-4234
- ⇒ We would like to invite everyone to **pray and fast** with us in whatever manner you are able to for the next 7 Fridays for our upcoming **Spirit Brunch** on October 31st.
- ⇒ St. Mary's would like to add a new or like **stove**(\$400) for St. Joseph's kitchen and **new pool table**. If you happen to have one that you would like to **donate** or buy for us, you know that they would get lots of appreciation & use.
- ⇒ **Life Chain** will be Sunday, October 4th. Check the insert in this week's Bulletin for more information!
- ⇒ Are you interested in using your **Spring Break** to serve others? Consider joining other students from St. Mary's on a trip to Mexico. Applications can be found in the back of the Chapel. Meetings will begin October 5th from 7:30-9:30, though applications aren't due until October 19th - come learn more about this incredible opportunity! Not sure Mexico is where you want to go? Come to the meetings anyway to learn about many other **Mission opportunities** over Spring Break and Summer, led by our Focus Missionaries.
- ⇒ We are starting an **adult faith formation Bible study** after Mass at 5:45 pm. Lectio Divina study of the weekly readings.

All St. Mary's community members are encouraged to fast & pray every Friday, between now and October 31, for the success of the Spirit Brunch.

Join us in reaching for the heights of celebration & fun in SFA's Homecoming Week at

St. Mary's Catholic Jacks

Spirit Brunch



Investing in Jack Saints!



Saturday, October 31, 2015

9:30 – 11 a.m.

Ganter Hall

Live Jazz Band, Cupcake Auction & Raffle
\$15 per person for Champagne Brunch

Casual Attire
Advance reservation required by October 1

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at St. Mary's.*

-Betty Ledet



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