

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, December 27 2015
Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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Mass Times

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

*During summer & other SFASU breaks, such as Thanksgiving weekend,
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)

Upcoming Events

December 23-25	Christmas Break—offices closed
24	Christmas Eve Mass—5:05 pm
25	Christmas Mass—11:00 am
31—1	New Year Break—offices closed
January 1	Mary, Mother of God Mass—10:00 am
1-5	FOCUS SLS (Fr. D gone)
3	Sunday Mass—6:00 pm only
18	MLK—Offices closed
19	Classes begin
30	KoC—2nd & 3rd Degree
February 1-5	Annual Priest Retreat

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, December 27	11:00 am	Benefactors
	6:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo- <i>For the People</i>
Monday, Dec 28	8:30 am	
Tuesday, Dec 29	5:05 pm	Walter Ledet †
Wednesday, Dec 30	5:05 pm	AnnaMarie Najvar b'day 12/30
Thursday, Dec 31	5:05 pm	Jerry Najvar - anniv 12/31
Friday, January 1	10:00 am	
Saturday, Jan 2	No Mass	
Sunday, January 3	6:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo- <i>For the People</i>

Holiday Mass Schedule

December	27	11:00 & 6:00 pm
	29—31	5:05 pm
January	1	10:00 am Mary, Mother of God Mass
	2	NO MASS
	3	6:00 pm only
	4 & 5	NO MASS
	6—8	5:05 pm
	9	9:00 am
	10	11:00 am & 6:00 pm
	12—15	5:05 pm
16	9:00 am	
17	11:00 am & 6:00 pm	

Our offices will be closed December 23, 24, 25 & 31
And January 1st & 18th

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINT'S — *Saints & Readings*

Sunday, December 27— The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28;
Psalm 128:1-5 or Psalm 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10;
Colossians 3:12-21 or 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24; Luke 2:41-52

Monday, December 28— Feast of the Holy Innocents
1 John 1:5—2:2; Psalm 124:2-3, 4-5, 7-8; Matthew 2:13-18

Tuesday, December 29—
1 John 2:3-11; Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; Luke 1:46-56

Wednesday, December 30—
1 John 2:12-17; Psalm 96:7-8, 8-9, 10; Luke 2:36-40

Thursday, December 31—
1 John 2:18-21; Psalm 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; John 1:1-18

Friday, January 1—The Octave Day of Christmas
Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God
Numbers 6:22-27; Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

Saturday, January 2—Memorial of Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
1 John 2:22-28; Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; John 1:19-28

Sunday, January 3— The Epiphany of the Lord
Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;
Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthews 2:1-12

Chaplain's Desk → Breaking the Word The Feast of the Holy Family:



We understand today that family Life is grounded in the mutual love and communion of both husband and wife. Their loving and sacramental union is essential for healthy and happy and holy children, and an antidote to the doom and gloom that is often reported.

In the lineamenta of the recent Synod on Family, we read: "The Gospel of the Family, faithfully preserved by the Church from the time of Christ's revelation, both written and transmitted through the ages, needs to be proclaimed in today's world with renewed joy and hope, continuing all-the-while to look at Jesus Christ. The vocation and mission of the family is fully configured to the order of creation which develops into that of redemption, as summarized by the desire of the (Vatican Council), "let the spouses themselves, made to the Image of the Living God and enjoying the authentic dignity of persons, be joined to one another in equal affection, harmony of mind and the work of mutual sanctification. Thus, following Christ who is the principle of life, by the sacrifices and joys of their vocation and through their faithful love, married people can become witnesses of the mystery of love which the Lord revealed to the world by the dying and rising to life again" (Gaudium et Spes, 521)".

The Feast of the Holy Family is an opportunity to proclaim the Gospel of the family to a world in need of Good News on Family.

May y'all have a blessed New Year!

Fr. D.

Announcements

Fr. D will be gone to the FOCUS SLS from immediately after the 10 am Mass on the first, through the 5th.

Adoration during break will be from 9 am—1:00 pm Wednesdays and every day from 4 pm to 5 pm. There will be no adoration or daily Mass from January 1—5th since Fr. D will be gone to the FOCUS SLS. We will not have Adoration December 30th as Father Denzil has a funeral to do.

Poinsettia Memorials & Honorees

Walter Ledet †

E M Knipmeyer †

C W Bolinger †

Helen Bolinger †

Helen Kay Bolinger Aaron †

Ryan & Amanda Grimmett

Thank you!

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. Denzil, Michael, Jodi, or Kim or go to our website at sfacatholic.net.

Thank you for your generous support!
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Sunday Collection (12/20) \$ 1822

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Thank You!

St. John

December 27th

Patron: art dealers; authors; bookbinders; booksellers; burns; composers; editors; engravers; friendships; lithographers; painters; papermakers; poisoning; printers; publishers; tanners; theologians; typesetters; writers

St. John, the Evangelist, who is styled in the Gospel, "the beloved disciple", was a Galilean, son of Zebedee and Salome, and brother to St. James the Greater, both of whom were fishermen. The two were called by Jesus to be disciples as they were mending their nets by the Sea of Galilee.

Jesus showed St. John particular instances of kindness and affection above all the rest. He had the happiness to be present with Peter and James at the Transfiguration of Christ, and was permitted to witness His agony in the Garden. He was allowed to rest on Our Savior's bosom at the Last Supper, and to him Jesus confided the care of His holy Mother as He hung dying on the Cross. St. John was the only one of the Apostles who did not forsake the Savior in the hour of His Passion and Death.

It seems that St. John remained for a long time in Jerusalem, but that his later years were spent at Ephesus, whence he founded many churches in Asia Minor. St. John wrote his Gospel after the other Evangelists, about sixty-three years after the Ascension of Christ; also three Epistles, and the wonderful and mysterious Book of the Apocalypse or Revelation. He was brought to Rome and, according to tradition, was cast into a caldron of boiling oil by order of Emperor Domitian. Like the Three Children in the fiery furnace of Babylon, he was miraculously preserved unharmed.

He was later exiled to the Island of Patmos, where he wrote the Apocalypse, but afterwards returned to Ephesus. In his extreme old age he continued to visit the churches of Asia. St. Jerome relates that when age and weakness grew upon him so that he was no longer able to preach to the people, he would be carried to the assembly of the faithful by his disciples, with great difficulty; and every time said to his flock only these words: "My dear children, love one another."

St. John died in peace at Ephesus in the third year of Trajan (as seems to be gathered from Eusebius' history of the Saint); that is, the hundredth of the Christian era, or the sixty-sixth from the crucifixion of Christ, St. John then being about ninety-four years old, according to St. Epiphanius.



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We now begin the Kick-off for our future Student Center.
Please join us in praying the Memorare for this endeavor.



MEMORARE

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

**GOD BLESS
ALL
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*Blessing to all who serve
on the altar of the Lord
at St. Mary's.*

-Betty Ledet



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