

St. Mary's Chapel

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC



CAMPUS MINISTRY

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Welcome y'all!

Sunday, February 28, 2016

Third Sunday in Lent

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Upcoming Events

February	27-28	Women's Retreat Evening Prayer—5:30 Confirmation Class—8pm
	29	Theology of the Body Study —7 pm Missions Mtg—8:30
March	1	Divine Mercy Chaplet—5:45p KoC & Kappa Letters to the Infirm—6pm RCIA—7pm
	2	Adoration—9-5pm. The Circle—5pm Power Hour—11pm
	3	DotS Rehearsal—3:30pm & 5:45pm KoC wkly mtg—8pm
	4	KoC Fish Fry—11am-2pm Stations of the Cross—4 pm Friday Night Movie—8pm
	4-6	Men's hike
	5	Alliance of the Two Hearts Prayer Meeting-7:30am KoC 4th Degree—10:30 pm

Mass Times

Sunday	11:00 AM, 1:00 & 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)

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
Sunday	—9:45-10:45 & 4:45-5:45 pm

*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, February 28	11:00pm	St. Mary's Benefactors
	1:00pm	Ray DeLara †
	6:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo- <i>For the People</i>
Monday, February 29	8:00 am	Frankie Campion RIP
Tuesday, March 1	5:05 pm	Walter Ledet †
Wednesday, March 2	5:05 pm	Rene Watt †
Thursday, March 3	5:05 pm	Mary Joseph "Jodie" Fenton RIP
Friday, March 4	5:05 pm	Mary Lou Mackey (b'day)
Saturday, March 5	9:00 am	Rene Watt †
Sunday, March 6	11:00pm	St. Mary's Benefactors
	1:00pm	Ray DeLara †
	6:00 pm	Missa Pro Populo- <i>For the People</i>

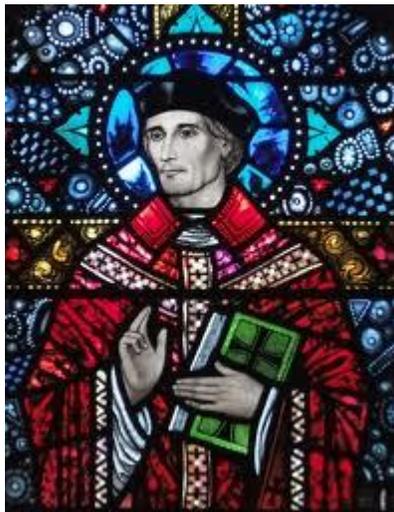
St. Oswald

February 28, 912- 992

Born into a military family in 10th-century England, Oswald was a nephew of the archbishop of Canterbury, who raised him and played a crucial role in his early education. Oswald continued his studies abroad in France, where he became a Benedictine monk.

Following his appointment as bishop of Worcester, and later as archbishop of York, he founded monasteries and introduced many reforms. He supported—and improved—scholarship at the abbeys he established, inviting leading thinkers in such fields as mathematics and astronomy to share their learnings.

He was widely known for his sanctity, especially his love for the poor. The final winter of his life was spent at the cathedral in Worcester that he so loved. At the start of Lent in February of the year 992, he resumed his usual practice of washing the feet of 12 poor men each day. On Leap Year Day, February 29, he died after kissing the feet of the 12th man and giving a blessing. The news of Oswald's death brought an outpouring of grief throughout the city.



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — Saints & Readings

Sunday, February 28— Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:3-7; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9;
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

Monday, February 29—

2 Kings 5:1-15; Psalm 42:2, 3, 43:3, 4; Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday, March 1—

Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Psalm 25:4-5, 6, 7, 8-9; Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 2—

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Luke 11:14-23

Thursday, March 3—St. Katherine Drexel

Jeremiah 7:23-28; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Luke 16:19-31

Friday, March 4—St. Casimir

Hosea 14:2-10; Psalm 81:6-8, 8-9, 10-11, 14, 17; Mark 12:28-34

Saturday, March 5—

Hosea 6:1-6; Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21; Luke 18:9-14

Sunday, March 6— Fourth Sunday in Lent

Joshua 5:9, 10-12; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;
2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Announcements

- ⇒ During **Lent**, we focus on **Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving**. As St. Mary's, we particularly want to help you grow in the latter two areas. Join us Sundays from 9:45-10:45 and 4:45-5:45 for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
- ⇒ *Stop by the office and get your **parking tag towing begins March 1**.*
- ⇒ **RCIA on March 1: Going to Confession:** Finding strength in the Confessional & Presentation of the Creed
- ⇒ The Knights of Columbus are coordinating with the Lumberjacks for Life to bring the **Hike for Life** to East Texas. It's a 5K that raises funds for heartbeat as well as the pregnant/parenting scholarship fund. The hike is tentatively scheduled for Saturday April 16th.
- ⇒ Men who are interested in joining in our first **Men's Hike** March 4-6 should contact David Jarzynka at 817-789-7134.
- ⇒ *Please keep all of the men and women going on Mission Trips over Spring Break in your prayers!* Students and Missionaries will be going to Guatemala, Jerusalem, and Mexico.
- ⇒ Join us Tuesday, March 22nd at 9pm for a viewing of the **Passion of the Christ**. It's an incredible way to enter into Holy Week!
- ⇒ We will have special hours of **confession** on
March 4th from 4-5 pm and 7-9 pm &
March 5th from 8-9 am and 7-9 pm



2016 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

This weekend is the **Bishop's Annual Appeal Commitment Weekend** at our parish and throughout the diocese for 2016. Gifts to the Appeal fund the formation of our seminarians, the care of our retired priests, and the ministries, programs and services that provide a shepherd's care for all our families. Your gift ensures that the Church in East Texas can continue to provide that care. So if you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please pray about your decision and make a pledge or one-time gift. Please be as generous as possible. *Thank you in advance for your support.*

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!
Stewardship - A Way of Life

Sunday Collection (2/21) \$ 2181
St. Patrick Catholic School \$189

Thank You!

The Essentials of Lent (continued)

To become like Christ, we must spend each day doing the following three things: Prayer, Sacrifice, & Good Works

Being Christian is Focusing NOT on Ourselves

Good Works is the final stage of the process. Jesus' message is that we (as he was) are not the center of our world. The work of the Lord is to share the gifts we have been given with others. In the world, the point is that everyone strives to get his or her fifteen minutes of fame. Jesus tells us that God is not like that and he doesn't seek that. We who try to live his life-style worry more about helping and serving and sharing than getting.

Return, Repent, Reform

These three words dart in and out of our Lenten Readings and Prayers. Jesus uses these words to have us take a time of scrutiny.

We are asked to take our lives and give them a "searching study." We are to "scrutinize" our attitudes, our values, our actions, our words, our indifference, our neglect and failure to act then to reform-repent-return.

Without that "searching look" our unexamined lives will drift along in mediocrity and we'll stay dull and unconverted. So much in life helps to deafen us to God's call.

Old Insulating Walls

We build walls to keep out—the urging toward growth, toward conversion, toward uprooting sin from our lives—that which God continually gives to us. We hear hard words in these scrutinizes that make it difficult for us to stifle, ignore or drown out the deafening words of Jesus' "Return, Repent, Reform."

In the third, fourth, and fifth weeks of Lent, we are called, along with the Elect (those unbaptized, who are preparing to come into the church,) to acknowledge our sinfulness, to have our sight restored, to reject sin, to be strengthened against temptation and the deceits of sin. We are urged with them to "examine" or "scrutinize" our lives and root out anything that is hurting ourselves or another.

Of course, for us who are already "baptized in the Lord Jesus" that is what Lent is for—to scrutinize. Saint Paul says that the Word of God is like a two-edged sword that cuts through our marrow and bone and exposes the very heart of us." During Lent, we are urged to uncover the demons of sinfulness that hide in our hearts and are killing the life of God within us. These demons make us blind to the needs of our fellow humans, deaf to the call of the Lord and kill our love and compassion. All of us must submit to the "Scrutinizes" of the Word of God, lest we die the eternal death.

There is no end to Lent. The spiritual journey of life in Jesus doesn't end at Easter; we just see the reward of our sharing in Christ's life-style. If we quit the lifestyle, we soon will be back where we were before we began. This is a lifetime experience. The rest and reward comes in Heaven — if we can get there.



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.

\$1,100,000 = Goal

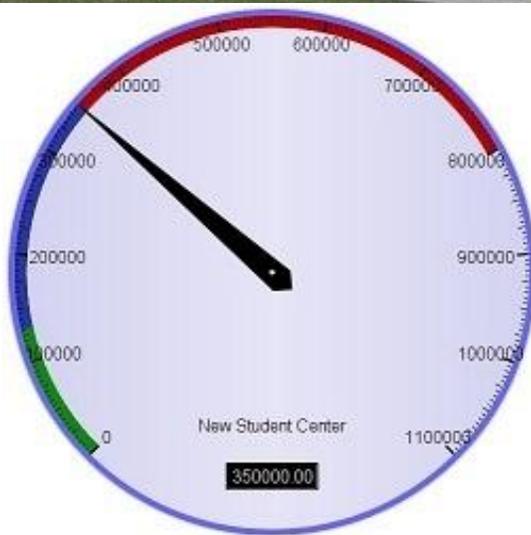
**Red = June 2016 Goal
\$800,000**

Blue =

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Green =

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our seminarians!
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-The Bolinger Family



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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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