

Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church



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Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

Closed Saturday and Sunday

Eucharistic Worship Celebration

Mass: Mon. Wed-Fri. 6:30am—Tue. Novena 6:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 3-4:15pm or by appointment

Adoration: First Friday from 12 Noon to Saturday 12 Noon

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT. 1/09/2016 4:30PM
 Margaret "Margo" Lewis (D)
 Clayton & Dorothy Daigle
 Bryan & Aundria Evans (D)
 Eli, Ruthie & Danny Evans
 Bettye R. Smith (D) Julia Poullard

SUN. 1/10/2016 7:00AM
 Special Intention for Abbot Family
 Danny Abbott
 Joseph Wiltz (D) Viola Roy
 Daniel Poullard (D) John Poullard, Jr.
9:00AM
 For the Parish Fr. Case
11:30AM
 James Haynes & Marie Haynes Charlton
 (D) Alma & Velina
 Myrtle Broussard (D)
 George & Foy Doucette

MON. 1/11/2016 6:30AM
TUE. 1/12/2016 6:00PM
 Agnes Wiltz (D)
 Viola Roy & Joseph Wiltz
 Regina Robertson (D) Joyce Mouton

WED. 1/13/2016 6:30AM
THUR. 1/14/2016 6:30AM
 Devine Melonson (D) Melonson Family

FRI. 1/15/2016



Prayer List



Mary Durio, Leo and Catherine Monroe, Ella Moore, Percy Wheeler, Mable Green, Eileen Pumphrey, Dorothy "Bootsie" Fontno

After 30 days, please call the Rectory to remain on the Prayer List

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OSERVANCE

- 11 Mon. First Week in Ordinary Time Begins
Begin Year 2 of the Weekday Lectionary for Mass
- 13 Wed. Optional Memorial of St. Hilary
- 16 Sat. Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings

- Mon. 1 Sam 1:1-8, Ps 116, Mark 1:14-20
- Tue. 1 Sam 1:9-20, Ps 1 Sam, Mark 1:21-28
- Wed. 1 Sam 3:1-10, 19-20, Ps 40, Mark 1:29-39
- Thur. 1 Sam 4:1-11, Ps 44, Mark 1:40-45
- Fri. 1 Sam 8:4-7,10-22a, Ps 89, Mark 2:1-12
- Sat. 1 Sam 9:1-4,17-19, 10:1a, Ps 21, Mark 2:13-17



All Ministries and Organizations who have not filled out a Calendar Schedule for the year 2016 must do so in order to have a meeting or function on the Church grounds. You are required to fill out a Calendar Schedule each year in order to reserve a space. We appreciate your prompt response.



Pray for the Sick and Shut-In

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

LIVING THE EUCHARIST TRAINING 2016

Would you like to become a small group leader for the Living the Eucharist session during Lent? If so, please plan to attend one of the group sessions. Materials will be distributed at that time:

Small Group Leaders

Thursday, January 14, 2016, the Lectio Divina method for 2015 small group leaders 6PM, School Library

Thursday, January 21, 2016, 6PM-School Library

Saturday, January 23, 2016, 9AM-School Library

Thursday, January 28, 2016, 6PM-School Library

Saturday, January 30, 2016, 9AM-School Library

Family Group Training

Monday, January 25, 2016, 5:30PM/For family with children in CCD or Choir.

Wednesday, January 27, 2016, 5:30PM/For family with children in choir/not in CCD or Choir

JOSEPHITE CALENDARS

The Josephite Calendars will be in next week.



SOUTHEAST TEXAS

RALLY FOR LIFE

Sunday, January 17, 2016, 2:00PM

St. Anne Catholic Church

Keynote Speaker:

Deacon Chris Penning, D.O.

Please donate newborn baby items for our Baby Shower. We encourage all youth groups from SETX to participate. Trophies will be presented to the 3 churches with the largest youth group. Music Provided By: Debbie Anderson, Darlene Jennusa and Lisa Stubbs. These three amazing women have given their time and talent to assist in making a CD entitled "Created in His Image", which will be available for \$10.00 at the rally. For more information call Darrell Segura at (409) 720-9999 or Karen & Vic Soares at (409) 866-8652.

Revival

Jan 16-17 Revival

Fr. Maurice Nutt All Masses

Jan. 18 MLK Day 6:30am

Jan 18-19 Revival 6:30 pm



CCD Class

CCD classes will resume on January 11, 2016.

Margaret Denson and Staff

Parish Advisory Council

The Parish Council meets every 3rd Wednesday of the Month. Parish Council meeting is January 20, at 6pm in meeting room 1. Any parishioner who wishes to address the Council **MUST** be on the Agenda to speak.



The Knights and Ladies will be having a Pork Chop Dinner fundraiser on Friday, January 15 in the hall. Donation \$8.00. Delivery of 5 or more dinners.



Men of Mercy Movie Night

The Men of Mercy Ministry's "*Men's Movie Night*" has been changed to January 23, 2016 at 6:30pm in the Church Hall. Sign-up sheets will be in the Vestibule and the Rectory. Deadline to sign-up is *January 15, 2015*.

Snacks will be served.

Altar Flowers



For Floral Arrangements, contact Alma Haynes at 842-0879, or the Church Rectory.

[Is 42: 1-4, 6-7; Ps 29: 1-4, 9-10; Acts 10: 34-38; Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22](#)

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. This officially brings to an end the season of Christmas. You might say this is a second Epiphany. It is important to us as Catholics and Christians because it represents a second creation involving the entire Trinity. In fact in the Eastern Church this feast is called Theophany because God appears in three persons. Jesus the Son is baptized; the Holy Spirit descends upon Him; and God declares “You are my beloved Son; with You I am well pleased.” We recall our own Baptism on this day, because Christ’s Baptism represents in many ways what occurred at our Baptism. At Christ’s Baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him. At our Baptism the Trinity occupied our soul; Christ was declared the “Beloved Son”; at our Baptism we became a child of God. At Jesus’ Baptism the heavens were opened, and at our Baptism heaven was opened to us.



WELCOME TO OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long time residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you are not registered at Our Mother of Mercy or registered and need to make changes, please fill out the form below and place in the collection or mail to the parish office.

Name _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Phone/ _____ Cell _____

Email _____

- New Parishioner
- New Address or New Phone Number
- Moving– Please Change Address
- Moving—Please Remove From Census List

**Stewardship of Treasure
Mass Attendance**

413

Offering.....13,765.00

2nd Collection.....\$4,820.00

God Bless your Generosity



QUESTION?

Have I set aside fixed time for daily prayer, morning and evening, as part of my baptismal commitment? When do I find myself praying spontaneously in the course of the day?

**On Earth as it is in Heaven...*thy kingdom come, thy will be done...* ~Matthew 6:10
Stewardship/ Bishop Faith Appeal**

The end of the year is fast approaching, and our parish has not made it yearly goal for the Bishop's Faith Appeal. If you have not paid your pledge, please do so. If you have not made a pledge, please join your fellow parishioners in making a gift contribution. Thanking you in advance.

Regards, the Stewardship Committee

***Fr. Lowell D. Case, SSJ Pastor
Langston Adams, 2015 BFA Chair
Greg Pumphrey, Stewardship Committee***

Pledge Goal....975....\$100,141.00 Actual

Pledge.....213 ...Parishioners.....\$93,621

Actual Payment.....\$79,091

Under Goal.....\$21,050