

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 12

5:00 p.m. Mario Sanchez, healing- begins chemotherapy

7:30 p.m. Intenciones de los parroquianos

Sunday, August 13

9:30 a.m. + Hermelinda Rodriguez, RIP 8/9/17; Millie Cruz, healing from cancer

11:00 a.m. Parishioners Intentions

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Weekly Parish Activities

August 12 to August 13

Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart

9:30 a.m. SPANISH Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Our Lady of Guadalupe

11:00 a.m. Holy Mass

St. Brendan:

6:00 p.m. Holy Mass- St. Brendan

St. Mary:

9:30 a.m. Holy Mass - St. Mary

Monday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Maximilian Kolbe

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass (St. Brendan)

Tuesday: HOLY DAY OF

OBLIGATION: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass (St. Brendan)

7:00 p.m. Holy Mass (St. Brendan)

Wednesday: St. Stephen of Hungary

7:00 p.m. Holy Mass

6:45 p.m. Bible Study at OLG

7:00 p.m. Youth Group OLG

Thursday: St. Lawrence

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

6:30 p.m. Español-Estudio Biblica en St. Brendan

7:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración St. Mary

Friday: St. Clare

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Saturday: St. John Eudes; Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 p.m. St. Brendan (English)

7:30 p.m. Santa Misa en St. Mary

ST. BRENDAN'S NEEDS

CATECHISTS!

Do you feel called to teach the Catholic faith? St Brendan's is needing some CCD teachers and assistants for the new school year. We meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. and begin in mid-September. Please contact Sharron Esquell 254-592-5002, for more information.

NOTHING TO FEAR

August 13, 2017

A rabbi was asked why God sends trials and troubles into human lives. "Because God gets lonely for his people" was the reply. There is some resonance with this wisdom in today's Gospel, as Jesus makes his disciples get into a boat without him and goes off alone while they venture into stormy waters. Of course, neither Jews nor Christians believe that the Almighty plays this sort of whimsical game with them, but there is some truth in the statement that we don't turn to God for saving help until we're in a bind. Peter's role today, as it is throughout the New Testament, is to be a sign or to represent each member of the church and the whole church. Our story is the tale told about Peter's faith today. What can bolster our faith is that even when Christ calls us to face bravely the tempests of life, if we are walking through them with our eyes fixed on him in faith, we have nothing to fear. Even when we falter or sink, simply crying "Lord, save me!" is enough to help us know the steady grasp of God's hand. Then, sheltered inside the walls of faith, the storms we endure lose their power over us.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. THIS MEANS WE ARE OBLIGATED TO COME TO HOLY MASS SO AS NOT TO FALL INTO MORTAL SIN. See Weekly Parish Schedule for Times.

The Story of the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

We find homilies on the Assumption going back to the sixth century. In following centuries, the Eastern Churches held steadily to the doctrine, but some authors in the West were hesitant. However, by the 13th century there was universal agreement. The feast was celebrated under various names—Commemoration, Dormition, Passing, Assumption—from at least the fifth or sixth century. Today it is celebrated as a solemnity.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's Assumption into heaven.

Nevertheless, Revelation 12 speaks of a woman who is caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God's people. Since Mary best embodies the people of both Old and New Testaments, her Assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman's victory.

Furthermore, in 1 Corinthians 15:20, Paul speaks of Christ's resurrection as the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28; Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Religious Education: We will be registering students, Pre-K through Seniors in High School, for St. Mary's CCD classes 2017-18 during August. Parents can register their students on Wednesdays in the Family Life Center from 3:00pm-7:00pm or by appointment. All students wishing to prepare for Confirmation, together with their parents, will make an Encounter appointment. A registration table will also be set up in the church entryway after some of the 7:30 p.m. Saturday Masses and some of the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Masses. Classes will be held in St. Mary's FLC after 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass, 11:00am-12:15 p.m. beginning Sunday, September 10th. Cost is \$10 per student with a \$20 maximum charge per family. Please call Karen Harper (254.485.0567) with questions or to make an appointment.

Martes, el 15 de agosto es día de obligacion para todos Catolicos. Es la Fiesta del **Día del Asunción** de Nuestra Madre Maria. Misa en St. Brendan a las 8:00 a.m. y a las 7 p.m.

Exciting Youth Ministry News! On **Saturday, October 14th**, St. Mary's will be hosting a Diocesan-wide Youth/Family Conference, **REVIVE** for all 6th-12th grade students and their parents. It will begin at 10:00am and go until 7:00pm and is free for parents and younger children with a participating student (\$25/student—partial scholarships available!). Includes: Family Meal, Outside Activities, Vigil Mass and Family Holy Hour. Keynote/Breakout Speakers are Jackie Francois and her husband, Bobby Angel. We will need lots of volunteers to make this happen! Please see Karen Harper for more information and to register and/or volunteer.

NEWS FOR ALL PARISHES

WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT, Last week Myra Speers came to speak to the parish about the ACTS retreat, as well as a witness by one of our own parishioners, Laurie Shelton. The next retreat will take place on **October 5-8, 2017 at Bridgeport, Texas**. Grow in your relationship with God and meet those who want to grow in faith and love. Transportation is provided. Fee is \$185 (\$100 deposit will hold your spot). Payment /Deposit may be made at the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Office, 108 NW 4th Ave., Mineral Wells, Texas 76067 or contact **Susan Moore at 325-338-3789 or susan.moore@cisco.edu**

GUITAR LESSONS

Guitar lessons each Saturday at **10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart**, ages 10-18. Please bring your own guitar. All parishes are invited to participate. Contact Annette Calderon at 325-330-2431 for information.

PASTORAL COUNCIL – The pastoral council will meet tomorrow on August 14 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Brendan CCD building.

PRAYER CORNER: Please pray for the different intentions of each person this week for: Peter DeJong, Teresa Villadesanchez, Marisol Sanchez, Tino Bernal, Lupita Ojeda, Maria Bernal, Ben Hamrick, Rudy Guerrero, Filegonio Cardenas, Ben Hamrick, Josefina Basulto de Solorio, Maria Inez Hernandez, Maureen Bole, Billy Joe Fulfer, David Gonzales, Tom Bole, Jeanna DeVinney, Lisa Lagarde, Bill Luther, Kate B., Pete Sanchez, Teresa Sanchez, Robert Gifford, Bonnie Kennedy, Ken And Jaqueline, Ed Withers, Lindsay Schouten, Jaime Dittrich, Estela Patlan, Mrs. Nguyen, Nursing Home Patients, homebound parishioners, and all those who are ill

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY:

Catholic University of America-----Sept 2-3
World Mission Sunday-----Oct 21-22

ANUNCIOS

JUNTA DEL CONCILIAR DE PASTORAL Y FINANCI

Tendremos una junta de la parroquia y financia conciliar el 84de Agosto en St. Brendan a las 6:30 p.m. Todos son invitados a participar.

NECESITAMOS CATEQUISTAS EN ST. BRENDAN

¿Te sientes llamado a enseñar la fe católica? St Brendan's necesita maestros y ayudantes de CCD para el nuevo año escolar. Nos reunimos los miércoles por la noche a partir de las 6:00 p.m. A 7:15 p.m. Y comienza a mediados de septiembre. Póngase en contacto con Sharron Esquell 254-592-5002, para obtener más información.

¡Nuevas noticias de la pastoral juvenil! El sábado, 14 de octubre, Santa María se celebrará una conferencia de la juventud/familia de toda la diócesis, **REVIVE** para todos los estudiantes de grados 6-12 y sus padres de familia. Comenzará a las 10:00am y hasta las 7:00pm y esta gratis para los padres de familia y los niños más pequeños a estudiantes participantes (\$25/estudiante con becas parciales disponibles!). Incluye: Comida, actividades, Misa de vigilia y hora Santa familiar. Conferenciantes son Jackie Francois y su marido, Bobby Angel. ¡Necesitamos muchos voluntarios para que esto suceda! Para más información y para inscribirse y/o ayudar, por favor hable con Karen Harper.

Clases de doctrina Nos registraremos estudiantes, Pre-K – Seniors en la escuela secundaria, para las clases de CCD de Sta. Maria 2017-18 en agosto. Los padres pueden inscribir a sus estudiantes el miércoles en el Centro Familiar de 3:00pm-7:00pm o por cita. Todos los estudiantes que deseen prepararse para la confirmación, junto con sus padres, hará una cita de encuentro. Una mesa de registro también estará en la entrada de la iglesia después de las misas de sábado de 7:30pm y de las misas del domingo 9:30am. Las clases se realizará en FLC Sta. Maria después de la misa 9:30am CADA domingo, 11:00am-12:15pm, empezando en el domingo, 10 de septiembre. Costo es de \$10 por estudiante con un cargo máximo de \$20 por familia. Preguntas o para hacer una cita por favor llame a Karen Harper (254)485-0567.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES AND NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

North Central Texas Aging and Disability Resource Center would like to partner with Catholic Charities of Ft. Worth and Parishes in the Fort Worth Diocese to hold three two-hour seminars, one each in Palo Pinto, Erath and Somervell Counties. These seminars would each focus on Caregiver Resource for non-paid caregivers in one of the following three areas:

- **Caregivers of Older Adults**
- **Caregivers of persons with disabilities**
- **Grandparents (or other relatives) raising children under 18 years old.**

There will be a 3 hour training in September. Date and times will be given later.

Catholic Charities will be present on October 8 to speak with and meet parishioners.

If you are in need of assistance, please call our HOPE hotline at 817-534-0814, Option 2.