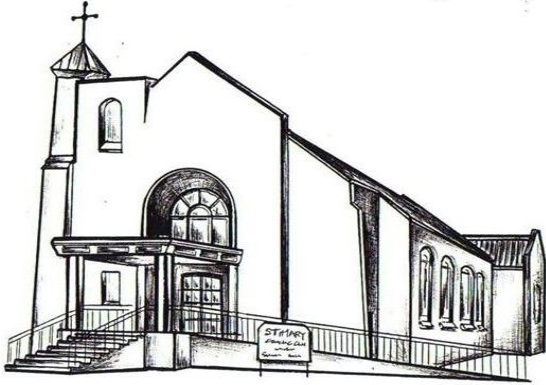


St. Mary's & Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Churches



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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Monday, Apr 4	The Annunciation of the Lord	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday, Apr 5	St Vincent Ferrer	7 PM - Marcella and + Dennis Brandt	No Mass
Wednesday, Apr 6		8 AM - + RD Friemel	No Mass
Thursday, Apr 7	St John Baptist De La Salle	8 AM - Evelyn Adams	7 PM - + Daniel Lopez
Friday, Apr 8		8 AM - Pat & Savannah Benoit	No Mass
Saturday, Apr 9		5:00 PM - Living and Deceased members of Catholic Life Insurance	No Mass
Sunday, Apr 10	Third Sunday of Easter	8:30 AM - Parish Family	11:15 AM - Parish Family

ST. MARY'S

Date	Lector	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Gifts
April 9, 2016 Saturday	Galen Reinart	Volunteers	Mary Reinart Rick Auckerman Volunteer	Volunteers
April 10, 2016 Sunday	Frances Dorsey	Alex Butcher Sonora Garrett Rhyleigh Taylor	Karen Artho Andrea Snead Regina Keller	Christian Mothers

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 1st Sunday at 10 AM
Anointing of the Sick: 2nd Saturday after mass
Question and Answers w/ Fr Christopher:
 2nd Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the hall
CYO 4th Sunday 6:00 pm. at the Hall, unless otherwise noted



Frühlingsfest 2016- Saturday, April 30th:
We need help selling tickets!

Contact Harold Artho @806.683.9265 if you would like to buy or sell tickets. *If you would like to help in the Kitchen, please contact Debbie Batenhorst @806.499.3543

United Catholic Appeal 2015

Pledged: \$15,215

Quota: \$14,178

Paid: \$13,460

If we fail to pay our quota it has to be paid out of the parish budget. Questions regarding payment, contact Fr. Christopher.

Parish Finances - March 27

Regular Collection: \$1720

Children's Collection: \$26

Weekly Bible Study, Apologetics and Social Group is back. We meet at the Dorsey's home on Thursdays at 7pm. 23360 Brown Rd, Canyon, 806.656.0766.

Just a reminder – Scheduled breakfasts after Sunday Mass. 1st Sunday is KC's; 2nd Sunday is Christian Mothers; 3rd Sunday is CYO; 4th and 5th Sunday is Parish cookie Sundays.

Christian Mother's

The next Christian Mother's Breakfast will be April 10th. Ladies that have volunteered to bring food are Lesann Hartman, Kristi Batenhorst, Frances Dorsey, and Joan Stocker.

Our next Christian Mother's meeting will be Tuesday, April 19th. It will begin with mass at 7 PM, then a guest speaker, followed by our meeting. The guest speaker will be Leesa Wood Calvi, a breast cancer survivor. She will give us information on breast and cervical cancer screening. She will also share resources for uninsured and underinsured women. Please join us.

Basic Courses for Catechesis contact Cheryl Robinson if you are interested @ 806.290.2848 Course "Ministry of Catechesis" offered at St Anthony's Hereford April 16 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. There is no charge for this course

First Communion Sunday, April 3rd. Congratulations to Blaise Snead, Breccan Crocket, and Kaytlyn Garrett on completing their Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Please join us for a reception in the hall after mass.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Date	Lector	Ushers	Eucharistic Ministers	Gifts
April 3	Lina & Chela	Roman & Francisco	Connie & Peggy	R Juarez Family

Parish Finances - March 27

Regular Collection: \$264.56

Encounter God's Call



Do you think you might have a vocation to the priesthood? Are you curious? Do you know a young man whom you think would be a good priest? The Office of Vocations for the Diocese of Amarillo is sponsoring a free trip to Conception Seminary in Missouri Friday, April 15 to Monday, April 18 for young men ages 16 to 25. This is your opportunity to experience seminary life for a few days and learn more about a priestly vocation. Contact Fr. Christopher (806-367-4606) for more info.

Parish Census: It is time to update our parish census. PLEASE COMPLETE THE PARISH REGISTRATION FORM in the bulletin this weekend and place it in next week's collection. You can also register online. **Censo Parroquia:** Es hora de actualizar nuestro censo parroquial. Por favor complete LA FORMA DE REGISTRACIÓN PARROCHIAL en el boletín de este fin de semana y lo coloca en la colecta de próxima semana. También puede inscribirse en línea

Parish Council/Finance Council will meet after Mass on April 10. Please plan to attend.



The Divine Mercy Message and Devotion

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is simple:

Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

FOR BULLETIN NOTICES – Bulletin Deadline: Thursday @ noon. For St Mary's please contact Lana Bracken cell: 806.640.4672; email: LanaSueBracken@gmail.com. For Holy Name of Jesus please contact Fr. Christopher s.c.schwind@gmail.com

If you plan to use or rent the church or parish hall, please contact Fr. Christopher or Debbie Batenhorst at least 3 months before the event. Thank you for your consideration.

Baptism or Wedding in your or a loved one's future? Please contact Fr. Christopher at least 1 month in advance for baptisms and 6 months advance for weddings. Also, please complete the information forms on the parish website under the **LITURGY/SACRAMENTS** tab

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Umbarger: Saturdays at 4:30 pm and Sundays at 8:00 am or by appointment. **Happy:** Sundays at 10:45 a.m. and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. or by appointment.

If you know someone who cannot attend Mass due to age or illness, please let Fr. Christopher know so that he can bring communion to them. Si conoces a alguien que no puede asistir a la misa debido a la edad o enfermedad, por favor informe al P. Christopher para que pueda llevar la comunión a ellos.

ACTS ReKindle All men, women, and teens that have previously experienced God's love during an ACTS's Retreat are invited to attend. Where: Parish Family Center at St. Ann's in Canyon When: Saturday, April 9th 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, check in begins at 8:30 am. \$15 Registration Fee, **Deadline Monday, April 4th** actsamarillo.org or contact Cindy Cross @ 806.290.7343, Glenn Ramaekers @ 806.627.7273

Please pray for all the sick in our parishes

ST. MARY'S: Kyle Reinart, Mary Kolac, Gene Schenk, John Wilson, Bill Stocker, Kyle Henderson, Donna Kuhnert, Severo Gomez, Jose Sanchez, Ashlee Trevino (Jose's & Ali's granddaughter), Audree Rose Gomez (Jeff & Faunette Stocker's granddaughter), Patsy Huseman, Mike Smith, Oscar Olvera, Collier Friemel, Mike Wegman, Marcella Brandt.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS:

If you wish to have your name removed, please contact Lana Bracken or Fr Christopher

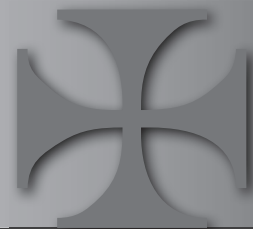
Healing the Whole Person: Experience God's HEALING and MERCY in an entirely new way presented by the John Paul II Healing Center! Teachings are augmented by private activities for personal application and healing. Held at St. Thomas the Apostle, the event will be on Thurs Apr 7th from 5:30pm-9:30pm, Fri Apr 8th from 6:30pm-9:30pm and will go through Sat Apr 9th 8am and close with a Vigil Mass at 5pm. For More Info. Contact us at (806)383-2243 Ext 129 or to register visit: <http://jpiihealingcenter.org/index.php/events/detail/healing-the-whole-person2>

Holy Family Parish, Nazareth Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3rd 4-5pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, Blessing of New Divine Mercy Image, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, Liturgical Evening Prayer

St Mary's, Clarendon 20th Annual BBQ Dinner April 10th 11-2 pm @ Clarendon Activity Center. Barbecue beef & ribs, beans, potato salad, cole slaw, homemade bread and deserts. Adults \$15/ Child \$7 (\$12/\$6 if purchased in advance). Country Store, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffle, BBQ beef & ribs for sale, Carry-outs available

St John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Borger 61st Annual Italian Meatballs and Spaghetti Dinner Sunday, April 10th Tickets \$10 Adults \$5 Kids Takeout, and bake sale.

FOR MASS INTENTIONS please call Fr Christopher or leave the intention in the collection basket.



At its heart, the Eucharist is a sacrament of communion, bringing us closer to God and to our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. If we live the fruits of the Eucharist in our daily lives, we will fill our families and our communities with the life-giving qualities that the Liturgy brings: hospitality, concern for the poor and vulnerable, self-offering, and thanksgiving.

An ancient saying in the Church reads “*lex orandi, lex credendi*,” meaning that the law of prayer is the law of faith. More loosely: as we pray, so we believe. To that we might add *lex vivendi*, meaning that as we pray, so we believe, and so we live. In the third edition of the *Roman Missal*, the bishops and translators took great care to ensure that the prayers accurately and fully reflect the mysteries of our faith. Thus, the words that we pray in each liturgical celebration help to form and strengthen our understanding of the faith.

However, if the effects of the Liturgy stop at the doors of the church, we have not made our prayer and our faith part of our law of living. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) teaches that the Eucharist helps us to grow in union with Christ, avoid sin, increase in charity, strengthen communion with our brothers and sisters, and recognize Christ in the poorest and most vulnerable members of society (see CCC, nos. 1391-1397). But what does that mean in daily life?

LIVING A LIFE OF PRAYER

Our prayer lives should not be limited to a single hour on Sunday mornings. In fact, the richer our prayer lives are throughout the week, the more fully we will be able to enter into the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist. Here are some ways to make your daily life more prayerful:

- ✠ Try attending daily Mass at least once a week. Your parish may have an early morning Mass, or a church near your job may offer a lunchtime Mass.
- ✠ Stop in a church before or after work or on your lunch hour for fifteen minutes of quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

- ✠ Make it a practice to say grace before every meal—even if you are eating in the car.
- ✠ Schedule time for family prayer at least once a week. This prayer can be as simple as saying the Our Father or a decade of the Rosary together.
- ✠ Take time during the week to read or listen to the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The readings are available online (in print and audio) at www.usccb.org/bible.
- ✠ Begin your day with a brief prayer of thanksgiving to God, offering your day to him.
- ✠ End your day with an examination of conscience, looking at your successes and failures in what you have done or what you have failed to do. If you are aware of serious sin, receive the Sacrament of Penance before you receive Holy Communion again.

LIVING A LIFE OF LOVING SERVICE

Celebrating the eucharistic Liturgy and receiving Holy Communion should strengthen us to conform our lives more closely to the example of Christ. As Jesus knelt before his Apostles to wash their feet (see Jn 13), giving them an example of humble service, so must we who bear the name Christian live our lives in service to our brothers and sisters.

To help us in this endeavor, Church Tradition has identified works of mercy. These fourteen practices demand great sacrifice and generosity, but they also draw us more deeply into conformity with the Lord. Focusing on one of these works each week may be a practical way to integrate them into our personal, family, and parish lives.

Corporal Works of Mercy

- ✠ Feeding the hungry
- ✠ Sheltering the homeless
- ✠ Clothing the naked
- ✠ Visiting the sick
- ✠ Visiting the imprisoned
- ✠ Giving drink to the thirsty
- ✠ Burying the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- ✠ Converting sinners
- ✠ Instructing the ignorant
- ✠ Advising the doubtful
- ✠ Comforting the sorrowful
- ✠ Bearing wrongs patiently
- ✠ Forgiving injuries
- ✠ Praying for the living and dead

Our parishes and civil communities offer numerous opportunities to live out these works, from assisting with religious education classes or volunteering at a food bank to encouraging our legislators to put forward policies that protect the life and dignity of each person. As we grow in conformity to Christ, we see more clearly that all people are made in the image and likeness of God (see Gn 1:26) and so have an inherent value and dignity. By helping to build a more just and compassionate society, we act as Christ's Body in the world.

IT ALL COMES BACK TO THE EUCHARIST

Living the Christian life is not easy. "What material food produces in our bodily life, Holy Communion wonderfully achieves in our spiritual life. Communion with the flesh of the risen Christ . . . preserves, increases, and renews the life of grace received at Baptism. This growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage" (CCC, no. 1392).

And so, each Sunday, we return to the eucharistic table, bringing all our efforts of the previous week, the good and the bad, the successes and the failures, the

joys and the sorrows. We gather with our brothers and sisters in the Lord and, together with our priest, we join these efforts to the perfect sacrifice of Christ, asking that God will receive what we offer back to him in humble thanksgiving. The *Catechism* explains it as follows:

The Church which is the Body of Christ participates in the offering of her Head. With him, she herself is offered whole and entire. She unites herself to his intercession with the Father for all men. In the Eucharist the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of his Body. The lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer, and work, are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value. Christ's sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering. (CCC, no. 1368)

Then, strengthened by Holy Communion, we are once again sent forth into the world to glorify the Lord in our lives.

REFERENCE

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