

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



Diocese of Amarillo

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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, Sep 12		No Mass	No Mass
Tues, Sep 13		No Mass	No Mass
Wed, Sep 14		8 AM -	No Mass
Thurs, Sep 15		8 AM -	7 PM - Vocations to Priesthood
Fri, Sep 16		8 AM - Vocations to Priesthood	No Mass
Sat, Sep 17	Blessed Virgin Mary	5 PM - Parish Family	No Mass
Sun, Sep 18	25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 AM - Parish Family	11:15 AM - Parish Family

ST. MARY'S

Date	Lector	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Gifts
Sat, Sep 17	Melvin Wieck	Volunteers	Kathy Wieck, Galen & Mary Reinart	Volunteers
Sun, Sep 18	Suzy Hicks	Natalie Finke, Blaise Snead, April Artho	Michael Snead, Harold Artho, Danny Hicks	Volunteers

Divine Mercy Chaplet: 1st Sunday at 10 AM
Anointing of the Sick: 2nd weekend 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

Sunday Breakfasts will resume on August 21. We will also begin registration for faith formation that day.

CYO NEWS!! Do you love to be around other Catholics your age? Engage in fun youth rallies and conferences? Serve your church and community? Participate in mass and faith formation with other youth? Then join us in CYO! Anyone in grades 7th - 12th is welcome to join St. Mary's Catholic Youth Organization. Participation in CYO provides opportunities to learn about our faith through action in community service projects, youth rallies, conferences, and other outreach projects. We also provide breakfast once a month as a fundraiser for the organization. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Brandon or Tina Finke @ [806-683-7777](tel:806-683-7777) (text or call) or by email finkes5@sbcglobal.net

Parish Finances September 4
 Regular Collection: \$
 Children's Collection: \$

Bible Study at the Dorsey's will resume Thursday, August 18th, 7 PM 806.290.0734. Come and enjoy, fellowship, apologetics, and bible study.

Tuesday Sept 20th, Umbarger Men's Re-ACTS, 7:30pm after mass. Food, Fellowship, and Drinks provided. **ALL ACTS** men are invited.

Sausage Festival News

*****UPDATE***** Saturday, September 17th - Sauerkraut
 *Please bring sauerkraut cutters, so we can have them for setup. Contact Karen Artho 806.433.3426
 *We need bread makers for the Festival. To volunteer to make bread, please contact Carolyn Skarke at 806.223.9783 or 806.258.7380.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults If you know someone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church please have them contact Fr Christopher so we can plan for this year's RCIA class.

Christian Mothers

Next meeting Tuesday, September 20th after 7 pm mass. Please wear your Christian Mothers medals on the second Sunday of each month. Just a reminder, on the Second Sunday, during mass we are responsible for the collection and bringing up the gifts; after mass, we are responsible for breakfast. DCCW Fall Convention Oct 21 & 22 @ St Mary's Cathedral, more information to follow. Sept 11th Christian Mother's Breakfast. Ladies that have volunteered to bring food are Yeyette Steffens, Suzy Hicks, Stefanie Crockett, Tina Finke.

The World Youth Day Pilgrims would like to thank the parish for your support by inviting you to a **Mexican pile-on dinner on Sunday, Sep 11 at 5:30** in the parish hall. We will also have bingo with some prizes that Fr Christopher brought back from Poland. If you would like to donate other prizes for the bingo please bring them by the church.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS



Faith Formation

Faith Formation will begin on **September 18**. This year classes will be from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Sunday mornings.

Doctrina comenzará el **18 de septiembre**. Este año clases estará 10 a.m.-11 a.m. los domingos por la mañana.



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Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos Si conoces a alguien que esté interesado en unirse a la Iglesia Católica haz que se comuniquen con el padre Christopher, así que puede planear para la clase de RICA de este año.

Parish Finances September 4

Regular Collection: \$693
August Grants: \$500

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers Please sign up for the weekends that you are able to serve. The lists are on the bulletin boards in the entrance to the church.

Lectores, ministros de la Eucaristía, y monaguillos por favor de registrarse para los fines de semana en que pueden servir. Las listas están la entrada a la iglesia

Sharing in the function of Christ, priest, prophet and king, the laity have an active part of their own in the life and activity of the church. Their activity within the church communities is so necessary that without it the apostolate of the pastors will frequently be unable to obtain its full effect."

Decree on the Apostolate of the Lay People

Due to recent damages, the parish hall will no longer be available for rental. It will only be made available for parish functions.

Debido a los daños recientes, el salón parroquial ya no estará disponible para alquiler. Sólo estará disponible para las funciones parroquiales.

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

Baptism or Wedding Please contact Fr. Christopher at least 1 month in advance for baptisms and 6 months advance for weddings.

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.

To use or rent the church or parish hall, please contact Fr. Christopher or Debbie Batenhorst at least 3 months before the event.

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

Please pray for all the sick in our parishes

ST. MARY’S: Aline Stocker, 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, Tuffy Schenk, Vince Meyer, Lana Bracken, Lusi Ortiz (Cheile Ortiz’s sister)

HOLY NAME OF JESUS: Casandra Castro
 If you wish to have your name removed, please contact Lana Bracken or Fr Christopher



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, October 21-23

Looking for a way to increase the love and romance in your marriage? Do you need time just for the two of you, away from the chores, the kids, and all the hassles? The Marriage Encounter Weekend on October 21-23, at the Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center in Amarillo, may be the perfect answer! Contact Rick & Bev Feller, (405-323-9119) or email rbfeller@gmail.com for more information, or apply online at <http://www.meamarillo.org> by September 25 to receive a \$25 discount off your \$100 application fee (use Promo Code: Early Bird).



Ministries of Charity Anyone involved with a ministry of charity such as chaplaincies, bringing communion to the homebound, visitors to hospitals and nursing facilities, prison ministries, and those involved in outreach through Catholic Charities is **invited to a special Mass with Bishop Zurek on Oct 18, 7:00 PM at St. Mary’s Cathedral.**

Natural Family Planning (NFP). Learn NFP at home and at your own pace with the **Home Study Course** from NFP International, www.nfpandmore.org. Includes Ecological Breastfeeding (it really *can* space babies), a double-check system of fertility awareness, and Catholic teaching that’s easy to understand. Work with a live instructor by email. Completion certificate. Only \$70.

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September 11, 2016

Dear St. Mary's Parishioners,

As you all know, our parish hall is over 60 years old and in need of some work. There is an issue with water intrusion and foundation subsidence in the basement, there are some potential structural issues with the roof trusses (especial over the kitchen area), the wheelchair ramp is in need of repair/replacement, and there are a number of other issues which should be addressed to ensure that the building remains viable for the future.

In June the Parish Council approved meeting with Plains Builders and an architect (Shiver Megert & Associates, LLP) to begin discussing these issues and how best they could be addressed. This meeting took place on Wednesday of last week. In addition to the parish hall, we also discussed some maintenance issues with the church and the garage. At the conclusion of this meeting I felt it would be best to take a holistic approach to the entire parish campus by formulating a plan which identifies all of the maintenance issues and prioritizes them so that as we begin to address them we can spend our money wisely and on the things that need the most attention. The architect is experienced in master planning of this nature and is able to help in this regard.

This preliminary meeting was at no cost to the parish but if we proceed with developing a master plan for the parish we can expect to pay the architect around \$5000 for their services. As we begin to implement the plan there would be additional charges for specific design work. I believe this would be money well spent as it will allow us to focus our resources on what needs the most attention.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the discussions we have had to date and to begin a dialogue on this topic. No decisions have been made and no money has been spent. We will be discussing this in more detail during the October Parish Council meeting so I encourage you to talk with me and with your fellow parishioners on the Parish Council. We have a wonderful heritage at St. Mary's and we want to preserve and protect it for our children and grandchildren.

Your Servant in Christ,

Fr. Christopher Schwind