

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



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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, Aug 6		No Mass	No Mass
Tue, Aug 7	St. Sixtus II and Companions	7 PM - No Mass	No Mass
Wed, Aug 8	St. Dominic	8 AM - No Mass	No Mass
Thu, Aug 9	St. Teresa Benedicta	8 AM - In Thanksgiving for Bruce & Sherri Hartman	7 PM - Rodin Family
Fri, Aug 10	St. Lawrence	8 AM - Christian Mothers	No Mass
Sat, Aug 11	St. Clare	No Mass	5:30 PM - Parish Family
Sun, Aug 12	19th Sunday of Ordinary Time	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

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Date	Lector	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Usher
August 12, 2018	Kristi Batenhorst	Jacie Guerrero Sonora Garrett Brylee Jesko	Karen Artho Lesann Hartman Denise Schenk	Dustin Artho

Divine Mercy Chaplet: 1st Sunday at 10:30 AM
Anointing of the Sick: By Request
CYO 4th Sunday 6:00 pm. at the Hall
CCD: Sundays at 10:15-11:30

Parish Council We are still looking for a person interested in filling the CCD position. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Fr. Grant or Lana Bracken. Also, when you see Cheryl Robinson (CCD) or Lesann Hartman (Liturgy) please thank them for their 6 years of service to our parish. They have been a great blessing to us!

If anyone is interested in helping or leading the effort on a new Parish Cookbook, please contact Leeann Handing.

St Mary's Prayer Blanket Ministry If you or a loved one suffers from a serious illness and would like a blanket, please contact Laurie Wegman or Fr Grant.

Vocations Chalice: Sign-up to take the chalice home on the parish website (Liturgy/ Vocations Chalice tab) or by filling out one of the cards found in the narthex and placing it in the collection.

Bible Study, apologetics and fellowship at Bill and Frances Dorsey's home every Thursday at 7:00 PM.
May 10th will be our last Bible Study until after Summer break. Classes will resume September 13th.
 23400 Brown Rd., Canyon, **806-290-0734.**

Christian Mothers meetings will resume August 21st.

CCD Registration August 19th after Mass. First Day of CCD Classes begins August 26th.

Knights of Columbus have been doing the lawn service this summer. We are one volunteer short for the August service on 8-11. Please call Mike Wegman 679-6913

Parish Swim Party sponsored by Catholic Life Insurance will be on **Sunday, August 5th** from 3-5pm at the High Plains Retreat Center on City Lake Road. We can arrive as early as 2:30, Please bring your lawn chairs, mosquito spray, sunscreen, and bug spray. **Please bring food, snacks, and drinks(No Alcohol) for your family.** Please join us for some fun and fellowship.

Prayer of St. John Paul II for all families

By Philip Kosloski

St. John Paul II was well known for his special love of the family. He famously said while on an apostolic visit to Australia, "As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live." John Paul II firmly believed in the family and its foundational role in society. During his pontificate he left a powerful prayer for the family that calls upon God to give specific graces to various members of a household.

Lord God, from You every family in Heaven and on earth takes its name.

Father, You are love and life. Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, born of woman, and through the Holy Spirit, the fountain of divine charity, grant that every family on earth may become for each successive generation a true shrine of life and love.

Grant that Your grace may guide the thoughts and actions of husbands and wives for the good of their families and of all the families in the world.
Grant that the young may find in the family solid support for their human dignity and for their growth in truth and love.

Grant that love, strengthened by the grace of the sacrament of marriage, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that the Church may fruitfully carry out her worldwide mission in the family and through the family.

We ask this of You, Who is life, truth and love with the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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Parish Finances July 28, 2018

Regular Collection: \$85

Donation Statements If you need a donation statement for your 2017 taxes please contact Fr. Grant.

Declaraciones de donación Si necesita una declaración de donación para sus impuestos de 2017, póngase en contacto con el Padre Grant.

5 Practical tips to help you engage in Mass more deeply

By Philip Kosloski

Do you find yourself “going through the motions” at Mass? Often when attending Mass, it is easy to feel entirely disconnected from what is going on. We stand, sit, kneel and 60 minutes later, walk out the door.

It can be a monotonous ride that gets repeated Sunday after Sunday, leaving you spiritually lethargic.

To help you get started, here are five simple tips that can help you remain engaged in Mass, breaking the cycle of boredom.

1. Study the amazing symbolism and scriptural basis of the Mass

For many people, the Mass never “clicks” until they begin researching and digging deeper into why we do certain things at Mass. It can all seem like a collection of random actions, mixed with candles and incense. However, when you discover the amazing symbolism behind everything at Mass (ever single word and gesture), the Mass can open up and become what it truly is: the Wedding Feast of the Lamb. Until you understand the richness and depth to the Mass, it will always be a strange ritual that is hard to understand.

2. Read the Mass readings before getting to church

It is often difficult to listen to the readings at Mass. Thoughts can wander or the sound system can make it hard to hear the lector. This is why it is extremely beneficial to read the readings beforehand, as you will already be familiar with scripture passages and will have a better chance of paying attention. These readings are always available online at the USCCB website, or through a vast array of apps, such as iBreviary.

3. Arrive early and/or observe 15-30 minutes of silence before Mass

It is much easier to remain attentive at Mass when you don't come flying in at the last moment (or after the homily begins). A few moments of prayer can allow a person to decompress from the busyness of life and focus their attention on God. If you are not able to physically get to Mass early, then the next best thing to do is turn off the radio in the car. We need to allow our soul time to disconnect from the distractions of the world and that is why it is essential to reduce the noise that we experience as we travel to Mass.

4. Use the missalette or bring a missal

Typically there is a small missalette in the pews that allows a person to follow along with the words at Mass. What can be helpful is to follow along with the words of the priest, which then focuses a person's attention on the Mass. Sometimes it is easy to be distracted while the priest is saying the Eucharistic Prayer and so reading the words he is saying can help focus your attention. The words at Mass are really quite beautiful and very easy to miss if we are not aware of what is going on. Besides using a missalette, a person can purchase their own missal to bring along, or subscribe to a monthly publication like Magnificat that publishes the prayers and readings for Sunday and daily Masses.

5. Ask your Guardian Angel to help you stay attentive

It is easy to forget that Mass is a meeting between Heaven and Earth and that your Guardian Angel is the perfect helper to keep you immersed in the liturgy. They are there at your side and ready to help. All we have to do is ask. They especially appreciate the invitation to accompany you as you receive Holy Communion. They will never have the opportunity to receive Jesus in the Eucharist and so being with you during that time is a special event.

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 Lana Bracken cell: 806.640.4672; email: LanaSueBracken@gmail.com.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Umbarger: Sundays at 8:30 am or by appointment. **Happy:** Saturdays at 5 p.m. and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. or by appointment.

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

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

Please pray for all the sick in our parishes

ST. MARY'S: Mary Beth Sayers, Marie Wieck, Jeanie Bartley, Emma Weid, Dianna Donathon, Jeremy Koch, Bill Stocker, John Grabber, April Artho, Mary Kolac, Gene Schenk, John Wilson, Kyle Henderson, Jose Sanchez, Ashlee Trevino, Audree Rose Gomez, Patsy Huseman, Mike Smith, Oscar Olvera, Collier Friemel, Marcella Brandt, Tuffy Schenk, Lusi Ortiz, Willie Wieck, John Kreighauser, Sean Schenk, Misty Blevins, Darrol Adams, Chris Adams, Misty Vasquez

Holy Name of Jesus: Rosa Villa, Astrid Perez, Santos Perez, Gloria Rodin, Larry Simons, Pedra Soto, Louis Castellon, Lionel Sosa



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Upcoming Events Sponsored by Diocese of Amarillo Office of Family Life

Spanish Engaged Encounter - September 1-2

This is our very first Spanish engaged encounter, for quite some time now our people have sought and asked and here we are, please be sure to let all your newly engaged couples know!

Beginning Experience Retreat - October 26-28.

New to our Diocese, a retreat for all those who have lost a loved one either by death, divorce, or separation. This experience is designed to help one cope with grief, loss, and pain.