

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



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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, Jan 14	1st Week in Ordinary Time	No Mass	No Mass
Tue, Jan 15		7 PM - Christian Mothers	No Mass
Wed, Jan 16		8 AM - Drew Freimel	No Mass
Thu, Jan 17	St. Anthony	8 AM - Gaylord Malecha	7 PM - Amadeo Perez Sr.
Fri, Jan 18		8 AM - Marilyn Dudenhoeffer	No Mass
Sat, Jan 19			5:30 PM - Parish Family
Sun, Jan 20	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

ST. MARY'S

Date	Lector	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Usher
January 20, 2019	Tim Steffans	Matthew Steffans Alex Butcher Johnna Finke	Dustin Artho Rick Auckerman Dustin Dorman	Harold 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

The K-C's will have their meeting January 13th. We will be planning our annual SuperBowl Party. We will be selling tickets after Mass in the Church hall.

Next Christian Mothers Meeting: Tuesday January 15th after 7pm Mass.

Parish Council: We are seeking nominations from the parish to fill open positions on Parish Council. All 18 year old and over registered members of the parish community, who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation and are in good standing with the Church, shall be eligible for election to membership in the parish council.

Parish Cookbook: Keep gathering your great recipes, give recipes to LeaAnn or email laurieartho@gmail.com.

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.

Bible Study, our Bible Study Group is studying "A Concise History of the Catholic Church" On Thursday evenings at 7pm at Bill and Frances Dorsey's home. 23400 Brown Rd., Canyon, **806-290-0734**.

Save the Date: Saturday, Jan. 26. It's the annual Respect Life Mass and Walk, beginning at 10:00am at St. Mary's Cathedral, 1200 South Washington, Amarillo. Make plans to be there and bring your family and friends. Additional information coming soon on the diocesan website, www.amarillodiocese.org ; St. Valentine Catholic Radio; The West Texas Catholic; and diocesan social media.

Annual Catholic Student Center Dinner/Auction Tickets are on sale now for the dinner and raffle! For tickets see Fr. Grant, call Betty at the Catholic Student Center at (806)655-4345, or purchase them online at www.wtscs.org under the Give tab.

Pray this prayer to St. Marguerite Bourgeoys for a generous heart

By Philip Kosloski

Her love for others gained her the name "Mother of the Colony" while working in Canada.

Generosity is one attribute that St. Marguerite Bourgeoys excelled in. She arrived in the New World ready to help the poor and suffering souls of the French colony in Canada and went to work right away.

Her generous heart was even recognized by the King of France, Louis XIV. He encouraged her and wrote a letter, saying, "Not only has she performed the office of schoolmistress by giving free instruction to the young girls in all the occupations that make them capable of earning their livelihood, but, far from being a liability to the country, she has built permanent buildings, cleared land-concessions, set up a farm ..."

To help us imitate her example, below is a prayer for her intercession that asks God to fill us with a "spirit of openness" that is "concerned for our brothers and sisters throughout the world."

O Mother Bourgeoys, you, whose compassionate power is ever increasing, show us your way of Truth, Faith and Holiness.

Make us humble enough to abandon ourselves to the Will of God, generous enough to find in the Cross the joy of the Loving Giver.

May your fidelity to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament lead us ever nearer to this source of light and peace. May your spirit of openness help us to be concerned for our brothers and sisters throughout the world.

Finally, may Our Lady of the Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bring us to this unity of eternal grace to which God has called you for all eternity.

Amen.

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Parish Finances January 5, 2018

Regular Collection: \$575.00

From Bethlehem to the Jordan: What have we learned about humility?

By Brother Silas Henderson, SDS

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." —Luke 3:21-22

Meister Eckhart, a medieval Dominican, once wrote, "As the special function of the eye is to see form and color, and of the ear to hear sweet tones and voices, aspiration is specific to the soul. To stop aspiring is sin. This energy of aspiration directed to and grasping God ... is called Hope, which is also a divine virtue. Through this faculty the soul acquires such confidence that she deems nothing in the Divine Nature beyond her reach" (Sermon 7).

We have a reason to hope because of the Incarnation. After all, this mystery of God becoming a human being—which we have celebrated this Christmas Season—is why St. Paul was able to write to Titus, "He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he richly poured out on us through Jesus Christ our savior, so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life."

As the Magnificat antiphon for Evening Prayer II of the Solemnity of the Epiphany reminds us, this feast forms part of the Epiphany mystery—which includes the visit of the Magi, the Baptism of the Lord, as well as the Wedding at Cana—and helps us to understand more fully what has been revealed to us in the Christmas feast. This is why the Church also invites us to listen to the words of Isaiah the Prophet in our First Reading:

Thus says the Lord

*Here is my servant whom I uphold,
my chosen one with whom I am pleased,
upon whom I have put my spirit;
he shall bring forth justice to the nations ...
to open the eyes of the blind,
to bring out prisoners from confinement,
and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.*

To receive baptism is an act of humility and, in accepting John's baptism, Jesus fully embraced what it means to be human, with all of humanity's weakness, limitations, and suffering. This full embrace of the human condition is one of the reasons why Jesus is depicted as being nude in icons of the Baptism of the

Lord—he has completely divested himself of divinity and glory to enter the waters shared by sinful women and men. That Jesus, the Son of God, humbled himself in this way shows that he chose humility as the way he would redeem us. The Savior of the world did not come with any sort of fanfare or grandeur. Instead, after spending 30 years in an obscure, out of the way village, he appeared quietly, in the company of sinners who were receiving John's baptism of repentance.

Jesus never showed anything but the most profound compassion for those who were suffering. By accepting our humanity, and humbly embracing death, Jesus shows us how much God loves us: "In the four accounts of Jesus' life and death [i.e. the Gospels] you can see very clearly that the more conscious he becomes of the mission entrusted to him by the Father, the more he realizes that the mission will make him poorer and poorer. He has been sent not only to console poor people, but also to give this consolation as one of them himself" (Henri Nouwen, Letters to Marc about Jesus).

Through our own baptism, we have been united with Christ and have been lifted up above our broken human nature, to become sharers in God's divine nature.

What does the baptism of Jesus teach you about humility?

What gifts have you received from God during this Christmas Season?

How will you carry the Christmas and Epiphany mysteries with you into the coming weeks of Ordinary Time?

Words of Wisdom: "And we saw in faith and miracles his glory in many revelations of heavenly miracles. He was without sin and did not open his mouth to deceit, or for the revenge of anger, or for any storm of the flesh by which the human is shaken. Glory as of the only begotten Son from the Father, as this glory was like that of an only begotten son, whom a father loves very much and to whom he gives great glory, so that henceforth, there will be no such son. For just as God created no human but one from dust, for that reason the second Adam is from God."—St. Hildegard of Bingen, Homily 9—The Lord's Baptism

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

FOR BULLETIN NOTICES – Bulletin

Deadline: Thursday @ noon. Please Contact Fr. Grant email: frgrantspinhirne@gmail.com or phone: (806)499-3531.

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: Anita Adams, Sawyer Lane, Mary Beth Sayers, Jeanie Bartley, 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, Mike Smith, Oscar Olvera, Collier Friemel, Marcella Brandt, Tuffy Schenk, Lusi Ortiz, John Kreighauser, Sean Schenk, Misty Blevins, Chris Adams

Holy Name of Jesus: Silvia Silva, Rosa Villa, Astrid Perez, Santos Perez, Gloria Rodin, Larry Simons, Mario Soto, Pedra Soto, Louis Castellon, Lionel Sosa, Maryann Sosa, Martina Martin

**The Office of the Victim’s assistance
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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.

**Would you Like to attend an
ACTS Retreat Weekend?**

Next Retreat: **January 17-20, 2019**
Men’s Retreat

There is more information about the ACTS Retreat online. If you or someone you know would like to attend you can register online at: **ACTSamarillo.org**

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend,
February 22-24**

Married Couples – Worn out from the Holidays? Are you looking for a special weekend away together? Attending the Marriage Encounter Weekend on February 22-24 at the Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center in Amarillo, might just be what you need to rekindle your romance, renew your commitment, and enrich your communication. Apply online (<http://www.meAmarillo.org>) before January 20 to receive \$25 discount off your \$100/couple application fee (use promo code: EarlyFeb). For more information, contact Rick & Bev Feller at 405-323-9119 or applywwmeAmarillo@gmail.com.