

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 30, 2026



Jesus knew that he would face the cross. Like Jesus life will bring us to difficult places and we will face obstacles. Sometimes on our path of discipleship the obstacles are within us: I'm not gifted; I don't have the time, I am homebound. Sometimes the cross we are asked to carry is very near to us: praying for someone who annoys us; taking the trouble to recycle; finding and buying fair trade products; learning about Church teaching on an issue that troubles us.

What cross is yours to carry this week?



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Sunday Worship

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm
Sunday 7:30 & 9:30 am

Daily Mass

Saturday: 8:15 am
Tuesday & Thursday: 8:15 am
Wednesday: 5:30 pm
Friday: 7:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:45 am

At St. Mary's Catholic Church and School we provide opportunities to KNOW, LOVE and SERVE Jesus Christ.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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with us!



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[@St Mary's Catholic School-Temple, Tx](https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCatholicSchool-Temple-Tx)



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Do not miss the Bulletin Deadlines!



The deadline for bulletin submissions is
Monday by 12:00 noon for the Sunday
immediately following.

Please send submissions in as soon as they
are available.

Occasionally, there may be an early deadline,
due to a holiday or a Holy Day of Obligation.
Please contact the Parish Office if you
have any questions.



Join us for Open Gym!

Just because school is starting doesn't mean
the fun has to stop! **Open Gym is open to
families every Sunday from 1:00–4:00 PM.**

Come out, get active, play, laugh, and enjoy
some quality time together as a family. There's
something for kids of **all ages**, and it's a great
opportunity to connect with others in our
church family.

**Bring the family and join
us for an
afternoon of fun!**



Parish Giving

August 23, 2026

Sunday Collection	\$	13,922.59
Parish School	\$	63.00
Building Fund	\$	48.00
Other	\$	50.00
Holy Days	\$	300.00
Religious Education	\$	277.00
Helping Hands	\$	77.00
Total	\$	14,737.59

*Thank you for your continuous generosity.
Your giving makes a difference!*

THE WEEK AHEAD

Date	Event	Location	Time
Tuesday - Friday	Adoration	Adoration Chapel	
Tues. Sep. 1 st	Adult Bible Study	O'Reilly Building	1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
	Men of Joseph Presentation by Kira McCoullough	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
	Seasons of Hope	O'Reilly Building	6:30 pm
Wed. Sep. 2 nd	Religious Education Kick-Off!	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
Sun. Sep. 6 th	Becoming Catholic Bible Study	O'Reilly Building (Upstairs)	11:30 am
	Open Gym	School Gym	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - TEMPLE, TEXAS



ADULT FAITH FORMATION | FALL 2026

WHO IS...?

An Introduction to Christianity

Three evenings for the questions at the heart of faith:
Who is God? Who is Jesus? Who is a Christian?

Honest questions are welcome. No previous study is needed.



CHRIST PANTOCRATOR MOSAIC - HAGIA SOPHIA

THREE THURSDAYS

6:00-8:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

WHO IS GOD?

Thursday | 6:00-8:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 24, 2026

WHO IS JESUS?

Thursday | 6:00-8:00 PM

OCTOBER 1, 2026

WHO IS A CHRISTIAN?

Thursday | 6:00-8:00 PM

Start with the biggest questions.

Whether you are curious, returning to faith, or ready to go deeper,
come explore the heart of Christianity. Come to one evening or all three.

WHERE

O'Reilly Building St. Mary's Catholic Church | 1018 S. 7th St., Temple

Bring your questions.

COME AS YOU ARE. LET'S EXPLORE TOGETHER.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL US:

re@stmarytempletx.org

stmarytempletx.org/faith-formation/adults

JOIN OUR CHURCH Choir!

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE
unto the Lord!
Psalm 100:1



WEDNESDAYS
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM



DR. DARRELL ST. ROMAIN



music@stmarytempletx.org

All are Welcome!

Use your voice.
Lift hearts.
Glorify God together.

BE PART OF SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL.
WE CAN'T WAIT TO SING WITH YOU!



ST. MARY'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Elementary (K-5)

Sacramental Preparation
(1st Holy Communion – Yr 2)

For children who are entering 2nd grade or older and are in their second year of preparation, and are ready to receive First Holy Communion this year.

Family Catechesis (Grades K-5)

For elementary students who are not receiving a sacrament this year, including: Kindergarten through 5th grade students
Children in Year 1 of preparation for First Holy Communion

Materials Donation

A donation to help cover the cost of supplies and materials is strongly encouraged:
\$30 per child, or \$75 per family

Middle/High School (6-12)

Youth Group

For all middle and high school students, including those in Year 1 and Year 2 of Confirmation preparation.

Confirmation Preparation (Year 2)

For students who are entering 9th grade or older and are in their second year of preparation, and are ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please note: Students preparing for Confirmation must be enrolled in both Ablaze Youth Group and Confirmation Preparation.

Register Here



Those interested in leading as a catechist, please contact:
Julie Rex-Director of Faith Formation
Email: re@stmarytempletx.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION KICKOFF

WED., SEPT 2ND
6PM

Location: In Front of Parish Office

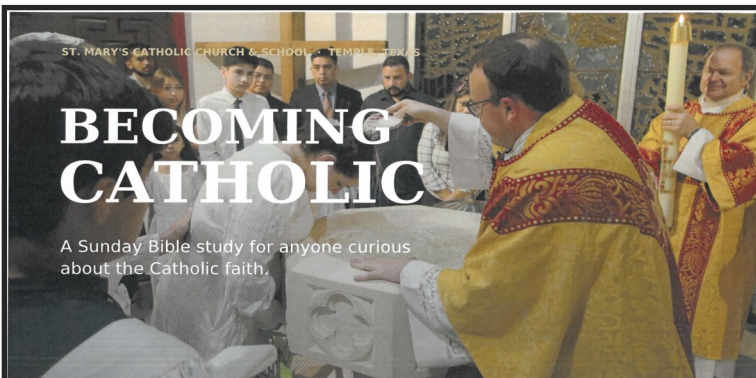
Meet Your Catechists
Receive Important Information
Connect with Other Families
Begin the Year Together in Faith
& Most importantly, FREE Kona Ice!!

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!





Materials Donation
A donation to help cover the cost of supplies & materials is strongly encouraged: \$30 per child, or \$75 per family
Donations can be made at the Parish Office, online at the St. Mary Church Website or scan QR.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

A Sunday Bible study for anyone curious about the Catholic faith.

EVERY SUNDAY

DONUTS

Refreshments after the
9:30 AM Mass

11:30 AM

Bible study begins

UPSTAIRS

O'Reilly Building

Curious? Seeking? Just wondering?

For those seeking Baptism or Confirmation, exploring becoming Catholic, or simply curious. Each week, we open the Scriptures proclaimed at Mass, make room for honest questions, and help you take a next step.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE CATHOLIC.
YOU DO NOT HAVE TO ATTEND MASS FIRST.
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED - JUST COME.



LEARN MORE

CATHOLIC? BRING A FRIEND WHO IS CURIOUS.

This is your place.

COME AS YOU ARE. BRING YOUR QUESTIONS.



QUESTIONS? EMAIL US:
re@stmarytempletx.org
stmarytempletx.org/becoming-catholic

LEARN MUSIC FUNDAMENTALS!

OPEN TO EVERYONE!
NO NEED TO BE A CHOIR MEMBER!

Discover the
building blocks
of music!

All ages & skill
levels welcome.



WEDNESDAYS 6:30 - 7:00pm

DATES: AUGUST 19 & 26
SEPTEMBER 9 & 23

OCTOBER 7 & 21
NOVEMBER 4 & 11

VOCATION PRAYER MINISTRY

Open to all parishioners.

To sign-up, call Debra Hollingsworth
at (713) 586-9800.

Thank you for participating in this prayer initiative and may God richly bless you with every good gift as you pray for priestly vocations!

Sep 6th	Kathleen Hampton	9:30am
Sep 13th	Bruce & Stephanie McAtee	9:30am
Sep 20th	Nestor & Vicki Centeno	9:30am
Sep 27th	SMCS Class Rotation	9:30am

**Help us pray for new priests and
religious sisters!**

**Sign up to host the Vocation Tablet in your
home for one week. During your week,
spend a few minutes each day in prayer,
asking God to bless our Church with holy
and faithful vocations to the priesthood and
religious life. Individuals and families are
welcome to participate.**



Mass Intentions

August 31st - September 6th

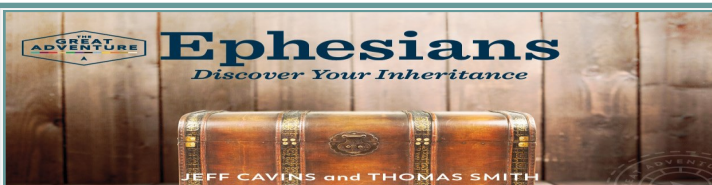
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:15AM	† James 'Pappy' Munoz
Wednesday	5:30PM	Ian Hunter
Thursday	8:15AM	Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
Friday	7:00AM	† Frances Pechal
Saturday	8:15AM 5:30PM	† Travis Stevenson † Gilbert Lefner † Chantel Brown † Angeline Kosel
Sunday	7:30AM 9:30AM	† Debbie Lipuma For the Parishioners of St. Mary's Catholic Church



The Altar Society would like to thank the ladies who cleaned the Altar & hosted Hospitality for the month of August: Elaina Castillo, Isabel Enriquez, Margie Gilmore, Anna Ware and Anna's daughters Alanna, Olivia & Bella.

We would also like to thank Melinda Pena, Maria Hudkins, Linda Matthews & Jan Janczak for their help with Hospitality for the month August.

If you would like more information about how you can help please contact Pam Engbrock or the Parish Office.



Join our Adult Bible Study group as we begin a
new 8 week session ~ Ephesians ~

During this session you will discover what it
means to be a son or daughter of God, an heir to
all he has to give, learn about the great mystery
of how we can love one another as Christ loves
the Church, and find out that you have a place in
God's plan of sheer goodness.

September 1st
1:30pm - 3:30pm
O'Reilly Building



Month of the
Rosary

Why has Mary repeatedly asked us to pray the Rosary?

Rosary Retreat

Presented by the St. Mary Altar Society
Wendy Staab, Chair of the Austin DCCW Leadership commission, will address the history
and miracles of the Rosary as well as Mary's messages and promises to those who
pray this powerful prayer.

Open to Men & Women

Saturday, October 3, 2026
9:30 AM - Lunch
Doors open at 9:00 AM

St. Mary Catholic Church
1018 South 7th St., Temple, TX 76504

Register by September 28, 2026
Use QR Code to Register - Payment Due at the Door
>OR<

Cost: \$10 per person **Make checks payable and mail to:**
includes lunch & handouts St. Mary Altar Society
c/o Pam Engbrock
1018 South 7th St., Temple, TX 76504

Questions: Contact Pam Engbrock 254-541-6120

Rosary Need Repair?
Jim Staab will repair it on site for you free of charge.

