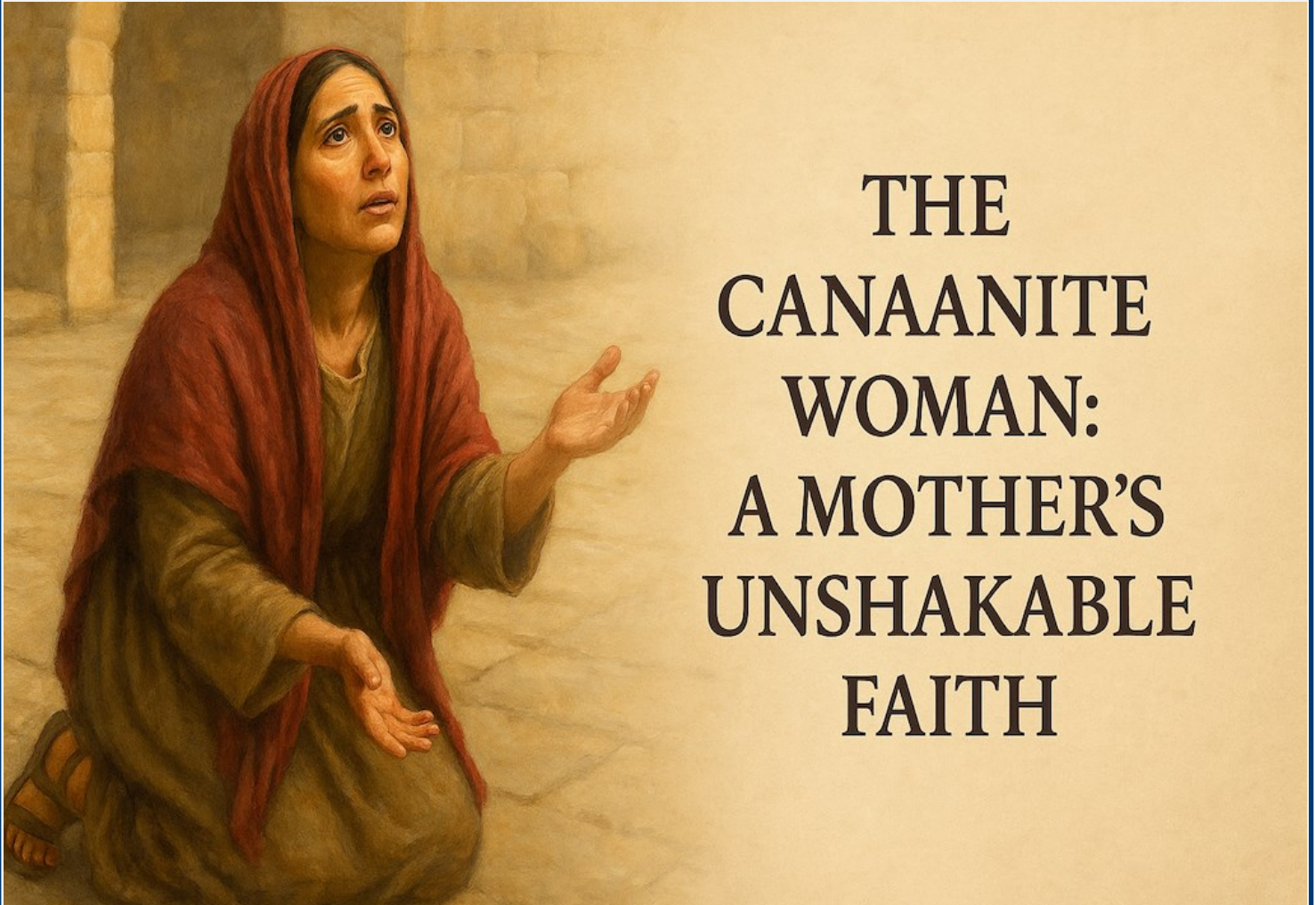


O Woman, Great is Your Faith!

Matthew 15:28

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 2026



THE CANAANITE WOMAN: A MOTHER'S UNSHAKABLE FAITH

In today's Gospel, Jesus found faith where he did not expect it. Catholic social teaching calls us to solidarity with those who are like the Canaanite woman: those who live differently, worship differently and those who don't look or behave as we do. They might be the poor, the undocumented immigrant, the person released from prison. We are called to attend to every person – even the “untouchables” in our society.

Who are they for you? How will you respond?



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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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Knights of Columbus Council #3444

2026 Gift Card Raffle Fundraiser

Only 200 tickets will be sold at \$100 each

- Drawing to be held on a Sunday after all the tickets are sold. The drawing will be held at one of the St. Mary's buildings.
- Drawing will be held after the 9:30am Mass (approximately 11:00am). An announcement will be made for those who want to witness the drawing.
- At the time of drawing, all 20 gift cards winners will be drawn.

1 - \$1000 HEB	8 - \$500 Walmart	15 - \$500 Walmart
2 - \$300 Walmart	9 - \$300 Walmart	16 - \$300 HEB
3 - \$500 Walmart	10 - \$500 HEB	17 - \$300 Walmart
4 - \$300 HEB	11 - \$1000 HEB	18 - \$500 Walmart
5 - \$400 HEB	12 - \$300 HEB	19 - \$500 HEB
6 - \$500 Walmart	13 - \$500 Walmart	20 - \$1000 Walmart
7 - \$300 HEB	14 - \$500 HEB	

Need not be present to win

Contact Larry Lagut at 254 217-3251 or Marty Janczak at 254 534-0659



Altar Flowers this weekend have been provided in loving memory of
† Laurie Colburn
by Ryan Colburn

If you would like to remember your loved ones with Altar Flowers please contact Rachel Oujezdsky or the Parish Office.

Parish Giving

August 9, 2026

Sunday Collection	\$	16,859.27
Parish School	\$	1,253.25
Building Fund	\$	1,501.27
Other	\$	32.00
Holy Days	\$	25.00
Helping Hands	\$	24.00
Total	\$	19,694.79

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

Date	Event	Location	Time
Tuesday - Friday	Adoration	Adoration Chapel	
Tues. Aug. 18 th	Seasons of Hope	O'Reilly Building	6:30 pm
Sun. Aug 23 th	Rooted Relationship Launch Day	O'Reilly Building	10:30 am
	Becoming Catholic Bible Study	O'Reilly Building (Upstairs)	11:30 am
	Open Gym	School Gym	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

For more
information:



Rooted
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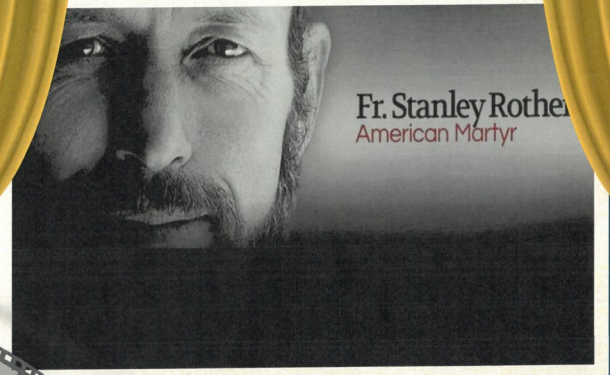
**Rooted
Relationships
LAUNCH DAY**

JOIN US FOR KOLACHES AND PRIZES AFTER
9:30A MASS IN THE O'REILLY BLDG!
REGISTER FOR MOVIE NIGHT!

"Love begins at home,
and it is not how much we do,
but how much love we put in that action."

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Rooted
Relationships



**MOVIE
Night**

Join St. Mary Parish and Rooted Relationships ministry in a private viewing
of **American Martyr: The Stanley Rother Story**. Bring your friends and
family. Children are welcome!

AUG 26, 2026 | AT 06:30PM

Cinemark Temple,
4201 S. General Bruce Dr, Temple, TX 76502

Seats are limited. Register at [BL Stanley Rother](#) or





ST. MARY'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Elementary (K-5)

Middle/High School (6-12)

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

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

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 Sno-cones!!

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.

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

Wondering what Jesus is calling you to do in our Parish?

If you've been looking for a sign ... this might be it!

Youth Formation is looking for volunteers to help teach the faith and walk with our children and teens this year.

Whether you're a seasoned teacher or simply have a heart for sharing Christ, there's a place for you!

No experience is necessary - just a willingness to say "yes."
Training and ongoing support are provided.

For more information contact Julie Rex in the Parish Office.

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!

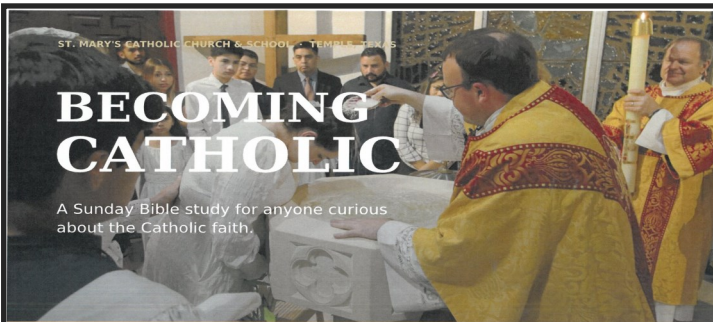
Aug 22nd	Kris & Janet Haynes	5:30pm
Aug 30th	David & Maureen Bennett	9:30am



Mass Intentions

August 17th - August 23rd

Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:15AM	Faculty & Staff of St. Mary's Catholic Church & School
Wednesday	5:30PM	† Guessan Konan
Thursday	8:15AM	Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
Friday	7:00AM	† Tamera Mojica
Saturday	8:15AM	Private Intention
	5:30PM	† Bernard & † Alice Lenart
		† Roy Stermer
		† Travis Stevenson
Sunday	7:30AM	† Gertrude & † Charles Peterson
	9:30AM	† Angelita G. Lopez For the Parishioners of St. Mary's Catholic Church



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.

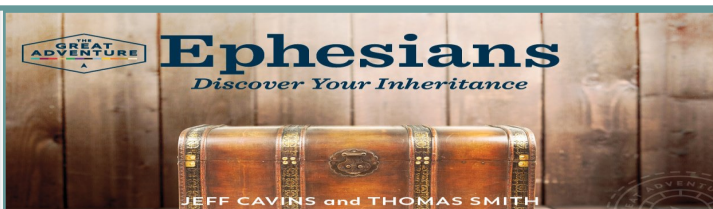
COME AS YOU ARE. BRING YOUR QUESTIONS.



QUESTIONS? EMAIL US:

re@stmarytempletx.org

stmarytempletx.org/becoming-catholic



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



**School Is Starting...
But Open Gym
Is Still Going!**

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!**

