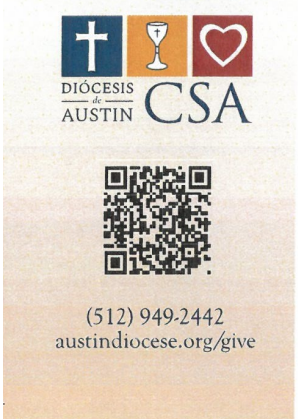




Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11, 2026



In today's Gospel we see that God continues to invite, but that the first on the list did not accept the invitation. The second-tier invitees did come, but we see in the parable that it is possible to be asked to leave if we are not ready to accept all that God has to offer, both the banquet and the wedding garment. When we accept being in a relationship with God, we are called to embrace whole new ways of being and thinking which are determined by God's will, not ours. Some invited by God might not be on our list, who is it that God is calling us to accept that might be difficult right now?



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Sunday Worship

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:30 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

Friday 7:30 am

Saturday 3:00 pm

Sunday 8:45 am

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

**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. Placement in the bulletin is subject to available space.

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.



Sunday ~ Open Gym!

Join us each Sunday afternoon
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!

****No Open Gym Oct. 18th****

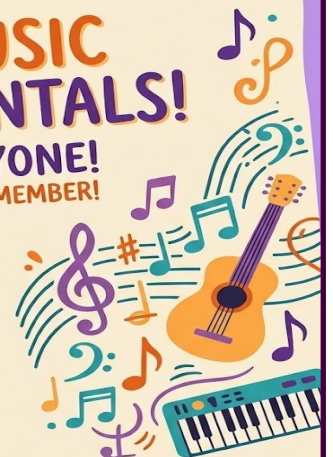


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OPEN TO EVERYONE!
NO NEED TO BE A CHOIR MEMBER!

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

Parish Giving

October 4, 2026

Sunday Collection	\$	13,800.89
Parish School	\$	1,308.00
Building Fund	\$	28.00
Other	\$	67.00
Helping Hands	\$	102.00
Total	\$	15,305.89

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

Date	Event	Location	Time
Tuesday - Friday	Adoration	Adoration Chapel	
Tues. Oct 13 th	TMIY "That Man Is You" Meeting	O'Reilly Building	6:00 am - 7:30 am
	Adult Bible Study	O'Reilly Building	1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
	Men of Joseph	O'Reilly Building	7:00 pm
Wed. Oct 14 th	Sacramental Preparation	O'Reilly Building	6:15 pm
	Middle School & High School Youth Groups	O'Reilly Building & Ave Maria Building	6:00 pm
Thurs. Oct 15 th	Adult Faith Formation "The Creed"	O'Reilly Building	6:00 pm
Sun. Oct 18 th	Becoming Catholic Bible Study	O'Reilly Building (Upstairs)	11:15 am
	Open Gym	School Gym	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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!

Oct 17th	Bill Keller	4:30pm
Oct 25th	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

October 12th - October 18th

Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:15AM	† Guessan Konan
Wednesday	5:30PM	† Laurel Clements
Thursday	8:15AM	Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
Friday	7:00AM	† Frances Pechal
Saturday	8:15AM	Nadia Flack Birthday
	4:30PM	† Charles Klepac
		† Herbert Brook
		All Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	7:30AM	† John Kaminski
		† Mary Ann Colburn
	9:30AM	For the Parishioners of St. Mary's Catholic Church

Religious Education Information October

Sacramental Prep

7th & 28th
6:15pm
upstairs in O'Reilly bldg.

Family Catechesis

14th & 21st
6:15pm
downstairs in O'Reilly bldg.

St. Mary's Youth Group

Middle/High School

Youth Nights: 14th, 21st, 28th
6-7:30pm

MS & HS-Ave Building

Special MS/HS

Youth Night

7th -Grace in Every Bead:
The Rosary—More Than
Repetition

w/Dcn. Bonifacio Rodriguez
(meet in downstairs O'Reilly bldg.)



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE CREED

What do Catholics
believe—and why?

5 THURSDAYS • OCTOBER 8–NOVEMBER 5

6:00–8:00 PM • O'REILLY BUILDING

REGISTER NOW • COME JOIN US

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Confirmation 2027

All Sessions will be held on
Sundays, 1:30-3:30pm
at St. Mary's Catholic School Auditorium

Dates:

October-18

November 1, 8, 15

December 6, 13

Retreat 1/9-1/10

DCYC 1/29-1/31

January 17, 24

February-7, 14, 21, 28

March-7

Confirmation Date: TBA



A certificate of Baptism &
First Holy Communion will
need to be presented to the
Parish Office as soon as
possible.

For More Detailed information
contact Julie Rex
re@stmarytempletx.org



MARRIED COUPLES:

How would you like to
spend a weekend away
with your spouse be-
fore the holidays – just
the two of you?

Away from everything: the kids, job, phone, bills
and house? It's a positive, simple, common sense,
private experience between husband and wife that
revitalizes your marriage. Sign up for the next
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend – it's
the best gift you'll ever give to each other! The
next Weekend is scheduled for November 13-15 at
the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel Austin North-
west/Lakeline. To apply online visit: austinme.org
or contact Zeb & Geraldine Evans: 512-677-
WWME (9963) or email [wwmeaus-
tin@gmail.com](mailto:wwmeaus-tin@gmail.com). Call early to ensure a space.



ST. MARY'S
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All Are Welcome!

Trunk-or-Treat & Open House

 **October 25th**
 **2:00-4:00 PM**

Kids are welcome to wear their costumes!

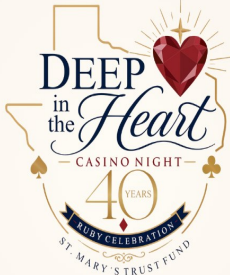
Join us for candy, games, trunk-or-treat fun, and a chance to explore St. Mary's!

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SAVE THE DATE

Join Us for
BBQ, Cocktails,
& Texas Tunes!



DEEP in the Heart
CASINO NIGHT
40 YEARS
ANNIVERSARY
ST. MARY'S TRUST FUND



**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 14**

Doors Open at 6:00 PM
Christ The King Parish Hall

**Deep in the Heart Casino Night is
Saturday, November 14, 6–10 p.m.
at Christ the King Parish Hall in Belton.**

Join us for BBQ, Texas tunes, casino games, and auctions as the St. Mary's Trust Fund celebrates 40 years of support for Catholic education.



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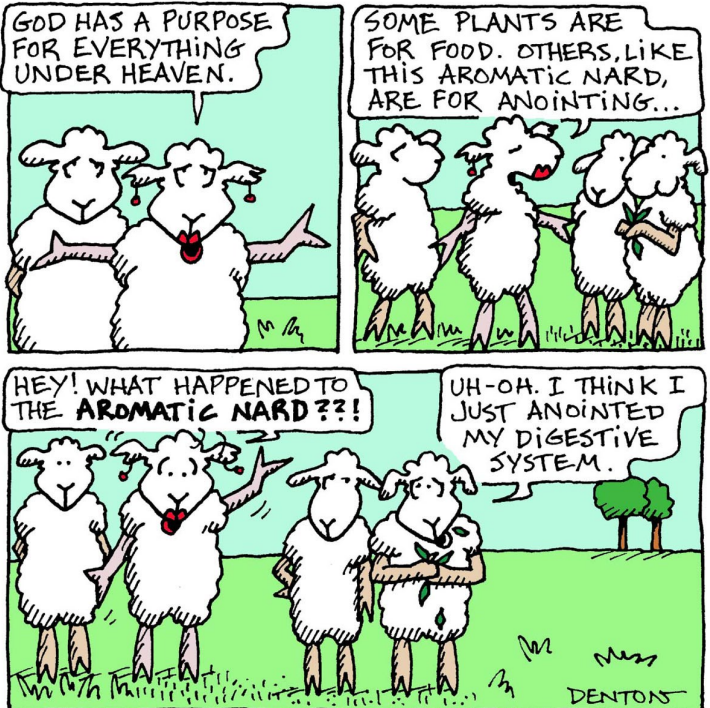
United in Mission

100 YEARS OF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Home Mission – Sunday, Oct. 18, 2026

“Let us be charitable about the missions, remembering that the Lord who said ‘Go teach all the nations’ is the same Lord who bemoaned: ‘I have mercy on the multitudes.’”

– Blessed Archbishop Fulton Sheen



DENTON

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Altar Flowers this weekend have been provided in loving memory of +Juanita Castillo's birthday by Martha Duarte

“My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.”

Sheepish Question:

What grace has God given me this week? What shall I do with it?