



Weekly Newsletter for  
**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC  
 CATHEDRAL**

1200 South Washington Street  
 Amarillo, Texas 79102  
 Diocese of Amarillo



Church 376-7204      Rectory 373-7971

**Sunday Liturgies**

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, 8:00, 9:15 a.m., 12 Noon & 6:00 p. m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. Main Church  
 By appointment at other times

**Weekday Liturgies**

Monday-Friday: 7:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. & 5:15 p.m.  
 Saturday: 9:30 a.m. in St. Mary's Chapel

**Nursery**

Sat. at 5:30p.m., Sun. 9:15 am,  
 12 Noon & 6:00 p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Adoration in Mary's Chapel 24/7

**Deaf Ministry**

Sun. 12 noon Sign Interpreted

Saint Mary's Parish & School Website: [www.stmarysamarillo.com](http://www.stmarysamarillo.com)

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M is the parish symbol in the Heraldry.

*Holy Mary, pray for us.*

**October 9, 2011**

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Many are invited, but few are chosen.* (Matthew 22:14)

"Don't touch the stove; it will burn your fingers!" "Don't cross the street until you look both ways." Just as your parents gave us warnings to keep us safe, Jesus is giving us a warning in today's Gospel. He is warning us about the sad consequences people will face if they arrive at heaven's gate without the mysterious "wedding garment" (Matthew 22:11).

What is this wedding garment? The Book of Revelation gives us a clue. It describes the redeemed as wearing robes that have been made white "in the blood of the Lamb" (Revelation 7:14). It tells us that those who have been baptized into Christ—those who have immersed themselves in the gospel message of Jesus' death and resurrection—will know the privilege of joining the Lord at his final, glorious banquet.

Now it's one thing to receive this wedding garment at baptism, but it's another thing to keep that garment clean and pure throughout our lives. Each and every day, God wants us to put on our wedding garment—the holy character of Christ—and let it shape the way we think and act.

It is so tempting to be consumed with the demands of life in this world, as the people in today's parable were, and lose sight of the magnificent feast that awaits us in heaven. That's why Jesus gives us a glimpse of that feast every time we celebrate Mass. There, gathered as royal wedding guests, we feast on his word in Scripture, and we receive his body and blood. This beautiful assembly, coupled with the grace of Reconciliation, gives us all that we will ever need to keep our wedding garment clean and spotless as we await the final banquet call.



Jesus tells us: "Many are invited, but few are chosen" (Matthew 22:14). God is inviting you today. Accept his invitation! Heed his warnings! A Glorious life awaits all who keep their wedding garments clean!

*"Thank you, Jesus, for clothing me in your grace. Help me to be pleasing to you today."*

**COME TO THE FEAST** MT. 22:4

## SERVING OUR PARISH

### *Pastoral Staff*

Monsignor Harold Waldow, Rector  
Monsignor Cal Stalter  
Robert Smith, Deacon; John Peters, Deacon  
Floyd Ashley, Deacon; Bill Allein, Deacon

### *St. Mary's School*

Kathi Lewis, School Principal  
Julie Scrimpscher, Director of Montessori Program

### *Parish Program Staff*

Jim & Vanessa Rauscher,  
Music & Choir Directors  
Sheri Friemel, Youth Minister  
Kevin Raef, Director of  
Life Teen Music  
Bernice Nogger, Director of  
Religious Education  
Deacon John & Laveta Peters,  
Catechumenate Directors  
Jeannine Bellinghausen,  
Membership Coordinator  
Liturgy Assignments & Training  
Laveta Peters and Cindy Cox.  
Safe Environment Coordinators  
Dr. Faye Usala  
Parish Pro-Life Director  
Dr. Maganne Walsh  
Parish Health Ministry

### *Parish Service Staff*

Elaine Bush, Receptionist, Masses,  
Mike Deneke, Parish Plant & Building Use  
Cathy Freeby, Receptionist, Masses  
Arlene Wagner, Accountant, Bulletin  
Lora Hoelting, School Secretary  
Lloyd Fitzsimmons, Parish Plant  
Ricky Garcia, Parish Plant

### *Parish and School Boards*

Tyson Berryman & Joanne Utley,  
Parish Council Co-Presidents  
Monica Williams, Parish Council Secretary  
Linda Kay Robinette and David Huseman,  
Finance Council Co-Chairmen  
Denise Wieck, Chair of School Board  
Cathy Ice, Vice Chair of School Board  
Melissa Eyer, Secretary of School Board

### *Parish Organizations*

Michelle Garvert  
Altar Society President  
Kevin Morris,  
Knights of Columbus

## M A S S I N T E N T I O N S

### Monday, October 10th

7:00 am Liturgy of the Hour/Communion  
12:10 pm Communion Service  
5:15 pm Liturgy of the Hour/Communion/ MegAnn Walsh

### Tuesday, October 11th

7:00am Liturgy of the Hour/Communion  
12:10 pm Communion Service  
5:15 pm Liturgy of the Hour/Communion/Linda McCurdy

### Wednesday October 12th

7:00 am Liturgy of the Hour/Communion  
12:10pm Communion Service  
5:15 pm Liturgy of the Hour/Communion/Janie Hale

### Thursday October 13th

7:00 am Liturgy of the Hour/Communion  
12:10 pm Communion Service  
5:15 pm Liturgy of the Hour/Communion/Catherine Wedding

### Friday, October 14th

7:00 am Liturgy of the Hour/Communion  
9:00 am Communion Service  
12:10 pm Communion Service  
5:15 pm Liturgy of the Hour/Communion/ Michael Lindley

### Saturday, October 15th

5:30 pm + John Albracht by Ann Albracht

### Sunday, October 16th

8:00 am + Cyril & Pauline Diller by Arlene & Harry Haiduk  
9:15 am + Ernie Perez by Viola & Tony Bravo  
12:00 pm + Gloria Martinez by Stephen Ministry  
6:00 pm Intention of the Parish Family

## WEEKLY READINGS

Sun: (Oct 9)Is 25:6-10; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14,19-20; Mt 22:1-14

Mon: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tue: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wed: Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3,6-7,9; Lk 11:42-46

Thur: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

Fri: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1-2,5,11; Lk 12:1-7

Sat: Rom 4:13,16-18; Ps 105:6-9,42-43; Lk 12:8-12

Sun: Is 45:1,4-6; Ps 96:1,3-5,7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21

**Young at Heart**—Senior members of St. Mary's Cathedral Church will meet in the Reception Room at 11 a.m. on October 11th to share Fun, Food, and Fellowship. Meat will be provided for the pot luck lunch. Dr. Angela Phillips will be here to give flu shots. Bring your Medicare card.



## “Sparky’s” Embers

This week I simply want to recommend to you a new offering from the Diocese of Amarillo and offered to our Catholic Communities at the Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center. Sister Doloette Farias, SSND will offer spiritual direction workshops, reflections and opportunities. Sister will also come out to parishes as she is requested. Sister will also do one on one spiritual direction if requested. Another blessing to the diocese.

### OPPORTUNITIES OPORTUNIDADES

#### October/Octubre 2011

Wednesday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9 p.m.

Living the Mysteries of the Rosary

jueves, 5<sup>th</sup> Oct., 7 – 9 p.m.

Viviendo los Misterios del Rosario

lunes, 24<sup>th</sup> Oct., 7 – 9 p.m.

Celebrando La Comunión de los Santos

Tuesday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9 p.m.

Celebrating the Communion of Saints

### Dates Posted Are Offered At the Retreat Center Las fechas publicadas son ofrecidas en el Centro de Retiros

#### November/Noviembre

miércoles, 16<sup>th</sup> Nov., 7 – 9 p.m.

Reflexiones Sobre el Adviento

Thursday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9 p.m.

Advent Reflections

#### December/Diciembre

Saturday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Spirituality of Gift Giving-Putting

Christ in Giving Presents

Sabado, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dic., 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Espiritualidad de dar Regalos, Poniendo

Cristo en dando presents

To Register/para registrarse

Call/llamen or/o mail/manden por correo to/a BDRC



Name \_\_\_\_\_

nombre \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

dirección \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

número de teléfono \_\_\_\_\_


*Contact the Retreat Center to schedule these opportunities to be brought to your parish.*

*Llamen al Centro de Retiros para programar estas oportunidades que se puedan ofrecer*

*En su parroquia.*

<b>Stewardship 2011 Budget</b>	<b>\$ 1,281,084.00</b>
Contributions October 2, 2011	
Envelopes/loose checks	\$ 25,537.00
Loose coin/currency	\$ <u>1,407.46</u>
Sub-total	\$ 26,944.46
Total	\$ 26,944.46
Weekly Goal:	\$ 24,636.00
<b>Over/(under)</b>	<b>\$ 2,308.46</b>

<b>A New Dream-A New Generation—2011</b>	
Amount Pledged	\$ 215,246.00
Money rec'd October 2, 2011	\$ <u>5,645.00</u>
Total Rec'd for Year	\$ 166,818.33
Balance of Pledge	\$ 48,427.67



**St. Mary's Catholic School**  
**Education for Eternity**

A fully accredited, Catholic faith-based education, full academic program and after school extracurricular activities.

Visit our school website  
[www.stmarysamarillo.org](http://www.stmarysamarillo.org)

**Kathi Lewis—School Principal**  
[lewis@stmarysamarillo.com](mailto:lewis@stmarysamarillo.com)

St. Mary's Cathedral School collects Box Tops for Education, Campbell's Soup labels, and empty Capri Sun juice pouches. If you have any to contribute, it is appreciated!

St. Mary's Cathedral Parish will have the opportunity for all who want to participate in our **24/7 Eucharistic Adoration** prayer ministry to sign up after the Masses on October 1st and 2nd, and again October 15th and 16th. There are many open hours during which Christ in the Eucharist is alone. Please pray about it and if possible commit yourself to an hour. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact one of the division leaders listed here:

Midnight to 5 a.m.	Anna Shumaker 373+0116
6 a.m. to 11 a.m.	Jo Ann Cruz-Perez 679-2537
Noon—5 p.m.	Joanne Utley 467-8129
6 p.m.—11 p.m.	Kathy Raef 655-2358 679-1262 Cell

**Respect Life Month ~ October, 2011**

“Hark!” we too might declare “hear the outcry of God”  
I gave you the most wondrous sign of my love, and you took the unborn infant’s life.  
I gave you my sons and daughters to nurture and cherish, and you threw them away.  
I gave you the miracle of married love, and you twisted it to meet your own needs.  
I gave you dignity of life, and you manipulated it to fulfill your selfish desires.

**“WEDDINGS”**

Please notify the Pastor at least five (5) months in advance of the date you have chosen.

**“BAPTISMS”**

Parents and Godparents must attend baptism classes prior to a baby’s baptism. The parents need to be a registered member of St. Mary’s for at least six (6) months.

**“QUINCEANERAS”**

Must have attended Faith Formation for 2 years prior to celebration and meet with team in January or June the year of the celebration

**Rose Memorial Service**

Sunday, October 16, 2011  
2:00 p.m.  
First Christian Church  
3001 Wolflin  
Amarillo, TX 79109

BSA Home Care and Hospice Staff and Volunteers invite you, your family, friends and caregivers to join us in a memorial service to celebrate the lives of your loved ones.  
A reception and fellowship will follow the service.

LIFE TEEN —10/9/11

*"Alpha & Omega"*

EDGE- 10/12/11

*"Prayer, A Way of Life"*



LIFE TEEN TAKES ROPES CHALLENGE

Sunday October 16th—7:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

( Boys Ranch Challenge Course )

Permission Forms @ Youth Center!

**Beans & Cornbread**

Monday, November 7, 2011

11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Amarillo Civic Center Heritage Room

Under the Overpass benefit luncheon for the homeless

Author, Advocate & Guest Speaker

Mike Yankoski

For tickets, information or reservations call 806-378-6276

\$15 in advance or \$20 at the door.

Presented by the Amarillo Coalition for the Homeless, Atmos & Excel Energy

The next women's **ACTS Retreat** begins on Thursday, October 20th. Please offer prayers for the women attending and the team that will be serving them. The prayer board is in the gathering area of the cathedral—please be so kind as to offer an hour of prayer. Thank you and God bless!

Saint Benedict Monastery

17825 S. Western St.

Canyon, TX 79015

**International Bazaar Sale!**

November 5, 2011

9 a.m.—3 p.m.

Join us for our fifth annual sale of unique items from disadvantaged producers who market their work through SERRV International: OUR mission—to eradicate poverty wherever it resides.

Purchase for hope and justice—make a difference !  
Bring joy to your family and friends as well as support your Sisters at the local Benedictine Monastery in Canyon. For more information call 806-655-9317

**RENEW** will begin again on Wednesday, November 30th in the gym at 7 p.m. We will be using the same Booklet that we started in Lent. You will also need a Bible. If you still need a Bible, you can pick one up when you come to RENEW. If you didn't register for Lent RENEW and would like to be part of this formation, we still have 18 copies of the booklet and Adult Catechism available. The first 18 people who come to register get the books.

"If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:14)

**"39 Parishes and 1 Cathedral in 40 Days"**

St. Mary's Cathedral will pray each day for 40 days during 24/7 Adoration. Will you come and pray in the comfort of our parish before the Blessed Sacrament for an end to abortion, an end to sins against life as well as for your own hearts intentions? Please prayerfully consider giving one hour of your day to pray. **All are Welcome.** Take Courage and Join the GOOD FIGHT!

**Married Singles Lifestyle**— The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. For confidential information about, or to register for the November program beginning with a weekend on November 4-6th, please call Rob or Mary at 806-282-2500 or email: [retrocouple@suddenlink.com](mailto:retrocouple@suddenlink.com).

**School Sisters Harvest of Blessings Gala** to benefit the School Sisters of St. Francis in Panhandle will be on Saturday, November 19th, at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church Gym. The beef tenderloin dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m., and the reverse raffle for the \$10,000 Visa Card. There will be silent and live auction items. Anderson, Fletcher, & Key playing your favorites to dance to, and other fun activities. Tickets are \$100.00 for two people to enjoy the full evening and all chances. For details, go to [www.panhandlefranciscans.org/gala](http://www.panhandlefranciscans.org/gala) and for tickets, contact Sr. Mary Michael at 806-537-3182.



### **St. Mary's Annual Turkey Dinner**

Sunday, November 6th  
10:45 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

St. Mary's Cathedral Activity Center  
Amarillo

You are invited to St. Mary's Cathedral Rosary Altar Society Turkey Dinner, Bake Sale, and Raffle

Advance Ticket Prices

Ages 13 & up: \$8

Ages 4—12: \$3

Free for Ages 3 and under

At the door:

Adults: \$9 Children: \$4

Take out meals available

Buy tickets from any Altar Society member or at the church office.



#### **Don't suffer alone. Help is available.**

If you're sad or struggling inside, **don't suffer alone**. Ask for help. We've got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to provide confidential one-to-one care, encouragement, and support to help you through a tough time. Find out more about Stephen Ministry by calling the confidential care line at 350-2930. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life.

#### **Prayer Ministry**

Prayer Ministers are available in St. Mary's Chapel immediately following each weekend Mass to pray with those who may need a brief, one-on-one intercessory prayer for a specific need or a specific request. Referral cards or appointments are not necessary—parishioners who need prayer simply come to the Chapel immediately after Mass.