

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH – NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – HIGH HILL
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Rev. Jasper Liggio, Pastor

Rev. Luke Prihoda, Parochial Vicar - Rev. Augustine Owusu-Peprah, Parochial Vicar

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2025 - FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Colossians 3:12-21 or 2:12-17 Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 (17)

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| Wednesday, December 31 st | 5:30 PM | Alfons & Matilda Stang |
| Sunday, January 4 th | 10:15 PM | Harlan Hilscher |
| Wednesday, January 7 th | 5:30 PM | Leon Popp |
| Sunday, January 11 th | 10:15 PM | Leon Popp |

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, January 1, 2026, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics in the United States. St. Mary Catholic Church will offer a vigil Mass.



CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

The 2026 contribution envelopes can be found in the entrance of the church. If you do not find envelopes in your name and would like some, please contact Darla Kubala. Contribution statements for 2025 will be mailed out in January to the address shown on the current envelopes. Please report any change of address or phone number updates to Darla Kubala as well. You can e-mail her at darlak@cvctx.com or text her at (979)249-7171.

PARISH CALENDARS

Parish calendars for 2026 are available in the foyer of the Church after Mass. Please take one per family for your home.

LIGHTING CANDLES YEAR-END GIVING CAMPAIGN

God's Embrace Ministries invites you to consider a year-end gift through our Lighting Candles Campaign, inspired by Cherrie Fonseca's words: "Rather than cursing the darkness, we decided to light candles." Your gift supports spiritual direction, retreats, parish book studies, and the formation of Faith-FULL disciples. You may also light a candle in honor or memory of a loved one, whose name will be placed on our altar this Advent. Give or learn more: www.godsembrace.org/lighting-candles-campaign. Thank you for supporting GEM's mission!

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections for the Pastoral Council will be held in December. Parishioners are asked to consider serving on the Council which is responsible for governing the activities of the Parish. There are two positions up for election and both are two-year terms. Position 3 is responsible for Parish Hall and Pavillion rentals. Position 3 Incumbent Buddy Dittrich has chosen not to run for reelection. Position 4 is responsible for Parish Picnic and other Fundraising Events. For information or to place your name in nomination, please call Fr. Jasper Liggio (979-743-3117). Nominations close on December 20th.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Be who God meant you to be: A journey of CALL, GIFT and MISSION. Join us January 24, 2026 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Cathedral Center in Victoria. To register visit <https://www.victoriadiocese.org/2026-womens-conference>. Coming soon: an opportunity to begin a journey to discover the unique call God has for you, and the gifts He gives you to fulfill your mission in life! It all starts with the Called & Gifted workshop! A teaching team from the Catherine of Siena Institute in Colorado Springs will offer the introductory Called & Gifted workshop on Saturday, January 24.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| January 1 | Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God |
| January 4 | The Epiphany of the Lord |
| January 11 | The Baptism of the Lord |
| January 22 | Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children |
| January 25-31 | Catholic Schools Week |
| February 2 | Feast of the Presentation of the Lord |
| February 18 | Ash Wednesday |

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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| Restoration | \$ 53.00 |
| Restoration (Anonymous) | \$ 100.00 |
| Restoration (Anderson Donation) | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Restoration(Rodney Chaloupka Memorial) | \$ 20.00 |
| Miscellaneous (Church Flowers) | \$ 140.00 |
| <u>Offertory (12/21/25)</u> | <u>\$ 1,325.00</u> |
| Total Deposit | \$ 6,638.00 |

LAY MINISTERS

SUNDAY-DECEMBER 28

WEDNESDAY-DECEMBER 31

SUNDAY-JANUARY 4

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| Rosary | Kim Wellborn – Lily Hilscher | ----- | Maria Bohac – Dorothy Meyer |
| Rosary | ----- | ----- | Mary Stavinoha |
| Eucharistic Minister | Carrie Schulz – (Rhonda Srubar) | Stacy Oeding – Kim Wellborn | Eric Oeding – (Carrie Schulz) |
| Lector | Susie Shank | Mary Stavinoha | Kim Wellborn |
| Altar Servers | Charlie Shank | | Mikayla Stang |
| Ushers | Forrest Lauher – Tony Shank | Buddy Hemann – Forrest Lauher | Buddy Hemann – Elmer Meyer |
| Ushers | Ronnie Bohac – Jim Holub | | Craig Schulz – Richard Marburger |
| Gifts | Forrest & Mary K. Lauher | | Richard & Gigi Marburger |

**To submit items in the bulletin, please e-mail Susie Shank at weshank6@gmail.com by the Tuesday before it will be published.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Francis Pio Pilkington, Leon Shank, Jan Ripper, Luke Friedel, Orly R. Elizondo, Wilbert Demel, Elroy Demel, Terri Hanna, Georgia Kalich, Carrol Ray Demel, Francis Ripper, Lillian Hilscher, Mary Demel, Lad Trojacek, Kathy Kutac, Al Martinez, Willy Schmidt, Edward Schwenke, Angie Schwenke, Beth Hollywood, Carolyn Prihoda, Collins Lehrmann, Buddy Dittrich, Patrick Pilkington, Estella Kobza, Gerald Kobza, Pat Richter, Ruth Fabian, Bob DeWitt, Sharon DeWitt, Christian Kpodo, Eugene Schramek, Mark Meysembourg, and Joyce Dittrich.