

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH – NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – HIGH HILL
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 – TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 20:7-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27 (124)

Wednesday, September 6 th	5:30 PM	Leonida Berger Parma
Sunday, September 10 th	10:15 AM	Otilia Berger
Wednesday, September 13 th	5:30 PM	Michael Slaton
Sunday, September 17 th	10:15 AM	James Kainer

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We extend a very warm welcome to all the visitors, friends, and relatives visiting our parish this weekend to attend our annual Parish picnic. We're glad you are here! Thank you for choosing to be with us. We wish you a pleasant and safe Labor Day weekend Rev. Jasper Liggio, Rev. Luke Prihoda, and the Parishioners of St. Mary Church.

THANKS TO ALL WHO DONATED TO THE PICNIC

We send a special Thanks to all who made significant donations to our annual picnic (in time and labor as well as financially!) We ask Almighty God to bless you for your kindness and support.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD Registration is underway. Please look for the forms on the St. Rose of Lima website <https://strosecatholic.org/ccd>. Please drop off completed forms and payment at the Parish Office. Blank forms are also available at the office. The first sessions will be Wednesday, September 6th.

MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

Join us to spend a weekend with GOD! Take this opportunity for spiritual renewal and making new friends. A Men's ACTS Fall Retreat will be held September 21st - 24th, 2023. "The LORD is near to all who call upon him..." Psalms 145:18. St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Schulenburg is hosting the retreat. Send off will take place Thursday evening at St. Rose of Lima (Schulenburg Hall-KC) and the retreat will be held at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar and then returning to St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church on Sunday, September 24th. Anyone interested or if you have questions, please contact the director, Mike Stavinoha, at: 830-309-5270. Registration forms available at the St. Rose Parish office and the church Narthex

SATURDAY SEMINAR

Join Dr. Michael Fonseca on Saturday, September 30, inspired by our recent pilgrimage to Mexico City, as he discusses Our Blessed Mother. In all her apparitions around the world her message is the same. She desires to bring the hearts and souls of the faithful to her beloved Son, Jesus. The seminar is Saturday, September 30th and will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 1 p.m. and will include lunch. There will also be a light breakfast and coffee for those who arrive early. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. To register contact GEM at 979-561-8883 or visit www.godsembrace.org.

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2024

The St. Mary's, High Hill 2024 Mass Intention books are now open! We will **ONLY** be booking for the months of January – June 2024 at this time. The same individual's name may **ONLY** be booked three (3) times from January – June 2024 (this includes if it is booked by another person or with another person's name – i.e. spouse, sibling, parent, etc.) One (1) may be booked for a Sunday Mass and the other two (2) MUST be booked for a weekday Mass (Wednesdays).

ARE YOU READY TO BECOME A SAINT?

God's Embrace Ministries is excited to announce a spiritual formation program where knowing the bible and living the bible meet. Beginning October 14, participants across the Diocese and beyond will have the opportunity to grow, understand, integrate, and share the Catholic faith in a new and transformative way. With a focus on the study of Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church and Catholic spirituality as handed down to us by the saints, this opportunity is for anyone who serves in the life of the Church and desires to bring their faith to new life. More details will be coming soon. To reserve your spot and receive more information contact us: info@godsembrace.org or the GEM offices at 979-561-8883 (please note we will be out of the office through August 21 for the Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 3	<i>Special Collection</i> – Black & Indian Missions, CCC, Catholic University of America (combined)
September 3	Polka Mass / Picnic (10:15 AM)
September 8	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
September 14	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
October 7	Our Lady of the Rosary

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Restoration (Patty Schmidt Peterson Memorials)	\$ 300.00
Restoration (Anonymous)	\$ 200.00
Restoration Box	\$ 71.50
Picnic Meat Donation	\$ 500.00
<u>Offertory (8/27/23)</u>	<u>\$ 2,313.00</u>
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 3,384.50

LAY MINISTERS

Rosary
Eucharistic Minister
Lector
Altar Servers
Ushers
Ushers
Gifts

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 10

Lillian Hilscher – Kim Wellborn
Lyle Hanna
Susie Shank
Claire Oeding
Buddy Dittrich – Lyle Hanna
Eric Oeding – Mark Vecera
Mark & Barbara Vecera

SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 17

Jan Ripper – Carrie Schulz
Eric Oeding
Pam Slaton
Mikayla Stang
Forrest Lauher – Matt Prihoda
Jim Holub – Alex Wellborn
Alex & Kim Wellborn

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Renee Mazoch, Glen McLaren, Henry Miksch, Connor Machicek, Ken Dittrich, Francis Pio Pilkington, Leon Shank, Mary Shank, Larry Nuhn, Jessi Wilcox, Gordon Ross, Diana Heinrich, Doris Anders, Jan Ripper, Cheryl (Kobza) Powell, Nadine Kriskchke, Steve Hopkins, Barbara Nugent, Luke Friedel, Orly R. Elizondo, Wilbert Demel, Elroy Demel, Terri Hanna, Georgia Kalich, Bruce Treybig, Carrol Ray Demel, Francis Ripper, Julia Oeding, Lillian Hilscher, Leon Popp, Mary Demel, Marilyn Adamcik, Lad Trojacek, Joyce Dittrich, Mildred Hollas, Kathy Kutac, Al Martinez, Willy Schmidt, and Edward Schwenke.

PICNIC INFORMATION

REMAINING PREPARATIONS FOR THE PARISH PICNIC:

Saturday, September 2 @ 7:00 a.m.	Peel potatoes, season chickens, preparation of the associated foods in the kitchen, set up remaining booths
Sweepstakes Tickets	Additional tickets are available in the back of the church. You may call Michelle Prihoda at.254-289-8061
To make a donation for the picnic Or the Fireworks Show	Place donation in an envelope and mark it "Picnic Donation" and place it in the weekly collection at Mass.
Auction Items	If you plan to donate auction items which need to be picked up prior to the picnic, please call Buddy Dittrich at (979)743-5585.

Proceeds from the annual picnic are used to maintain the church facilities, therefore this event becomes very important to the future of our church. For information about the picnic, you may call Picnic Chairmen, Buddy or Joyce, at (979)743-5585 or 979-561-6803

We invite everyone to come out and enjoy the picnic on Sunday September 3rd. Printed below is a schedule of the day's events. There is something for everyone at the picnic.

PICNIC SCHEDULE – SUNDAY, September 3rd, 2023

9:30 AM	Flag Raising Ceremony in front of the church
10:15 AM	Polka Mass – St. Mary Church
10:30 AM	Drive thru food line will be formed on the south side on FM 2672 Hall food line and the Pavilion food line open
11:00 AM	Cake Walk Booth & Ring Toss, Country Store, Duck Pond, Face Painting, Soda Water, Snow Cone Stand, Train Ride, Wheel of Fortune, Kids' Sand Box
11:30 AM	Music on the Dance Pavilion
1:00 PM	Corn Hole will start at 1:00 till??
11:00 AM	All booths now open
1:00 PM	Auction begins on the New Pavilion
2:00 PM	Bingo in the Air-Conditioned Parish Halls
1:00 PM	Music on the Dance Pavilion
8:00 PM	Sweepstakes Drawing – Gazebo area
10:00PM	Spectacular Fireworks Show

Additional food & drink items: Iced Tea, Lemonade, Nachos, Hamburger, High Hill Sausage, French Fries, and Onion Rings.

Music during the day by Texas Sound Czech and Mark Halata with Texavia.
The dance at night is free and features DAVID LEWIS BAND.

Come out, meet your friends, and enjoy the fun at the St. Mary Church Picnic!

Don't forget ... Monday, September 4th (Labor Day) is clean-up day after the picnic. If we all come out early Monday to help, this chore will be easy, and we will all feel great for doing our share. Thank you all!