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**Fr. Mark Dunne, Pastor**



#### Mass Schedule

**Saturday / Sabado**  
5:30 p.m. – English  
7:00 p.m. – Español

**Sunday / Domingo**  
7:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. - English  
11:30 a.m. – Español

**Monday – Friday**  
**Lunes - Viernes**  
8:00 a.m. - English

**Tuesday / Martes**  
5:30 p.m. - English

**Wednesday / Miércoles**  
7:00 p.m. - Español

**Thursday / Jueves**  
5:30 p.m. - English

**Friday / Viernes**  
7:00 p.m. – Español

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#### Office Hours Horario de la Oficina

Monday – Thursday  
Lunes – Jueves  
1:00-5:30 p.m.

#### Religious Education for Children

**Faith Formation Classes:**  
Wednesdays 6:30p.m. – 8:00p.m.  
Classes start in September.

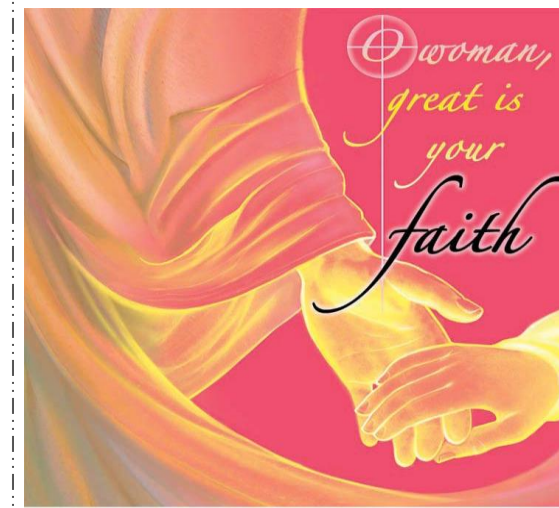
**Sacramental Prep Classes:**  
Sundays 10:30a.m. – 11:20a.m.  
Classes start in October.

**Faith Formation Coordinator**  
Cristina Narvaez (903) 204-0099

#### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 20, 2023

“O God, let all the nations praise you!”

–Psalm 67



#### Vigésimo Domingo Del Tiempo Ordinario 20 de agosto de 2023

“Oh Dios, que te alaben todos los pueblos!”

–Salmo 67

#### Exposition of the Holy Sacrament

First Friday of Every Month  
9:00 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.

#### Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

Primer Viernes de Cada Mes  
9:00 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.

#### Confessions / Confesiones

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. or by appointment. (before mass)

#### Baptisms / Bautizos

Parents and sponsors are required to take 2 Pre-baptismal classes. Please call the office to schedule & fill out forms before attending classes.

#### Pre-Baptismal Classes / Clases Pre-Bautismales

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month - Spanish  
Laurencio Velásquez (903) 434-2904  
Jesus Verduzco (903) 285- 1746

#### Marriage Formation / Formación De Matrimonio

Couples should contact the office 9-12 months before marriage formation.

#### Anointing of the Sick / Unción De Los Enfermos

By appointment or emergency.

#### Quinceañeras

Parents/Quinceañeras will receive 4 classes from Cristina Narvaez. Please contact the office first to schedule & fill out forms.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Instruction in the Catholic Faith:  
Instrucción en la Fe Católica:

**For English:** Greg Leitheiser

**For Spanish (RICA):**

Cristina Narvaez (903) 204-0099

#### Bible Study (Spanish)

**¡Miembros Nuevos son Bienvenidos!**  
Cada 1º y 2º Martes del Mes – 6:00 p.m.  
Emma Mendez (903) 285-2562

#### Bible Study (English)

**New Members Welcome!**  
Monday’s 5:30 P.M.  
David Rice (817) 713-5905

#### Choir (English)

Stephanie Hyman – Music Director

#### Choir (Spanish)

Monday’s @ 7:00 P.M.  
Corazón González – Directora de Música

#### Jóvenes Y Adultos Para Cristo Grupo De Evangelización

Sundays 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Juan Guerrero

#### Texas Rosary Rallies [texasneedsfatima.org](http://texasneedsfatima.org)

**Bookkeeper-** Marisol Hernández

## Faith Beyond Borders

In the gospel for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, we encounter Jesus engaging with a Canaanite woman. Although Jesus initially seemed distant, His encounter with her teaches us a vital lesson about faith. The woman was not part of the Jewish community and didn't follow their religious laws, making her an outsider. Despite this, her unwavering faith caught Jesus' attention. It is easy to see how Jesus' disciples sought to dismiss her due to their cultural norms, but Jesus recognized the depth of her belief.

This story reminds us that faith knows no boundaries. Jesus looked beyond cultural barriers and saw the sincerity of her heart. As followers of Christ, we should emulate His inclusive love, welcoming all who seek Him with genuine faith, regardless of their background.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The Lord brings foreigners into his house of prayer (Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7).

**Psalm** - "O God, let all the nations praise you!" (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** – The call of God is irrevocable (Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32).

**Gospel** – Great is the faith of the Canaanite woman (Matthew 15: 21-28).

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## Catechist Conference (English)

The St. Philip Institute will be hosting the annual English Catechist Conference in Canton this year.

Date: October 28 (English)

Location: St. Therese Parish Hall, Canton, TX

Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

**Ticket Registration:** [www.stphilipinstitute.org/events](http://www.stphilipinstitute.org/events)

## Conferencia de Catequistas (español)

El Instituto San Felipe organizará la Conferencia Anual de Catequistas en español en Canton este año.

Fecha: 7 de octubre (español)

Ubicación: Salón parroquial de Santa Teresita, Canton, TX

Hora: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Costo: \$15 (incluye almuerzo)

Registro de entradas: [www.stphilipinstitute.org/events](http://www.stphilipinstitute.org/events)

## Offerings August 5-6

First Collection – \$ 1, 652.00

Second Collection – \$ 190.00 (Catholic Charities)

## Offerings August 12-13

First Collection – \$ 2, 609.00



## Mass Intentions

**Saturday 5:30p.m. Mass - Fr. Mark Dunne**

Please turn in your mass intentions to the parish office so that we can add them to our calendar and avoid any confusion. Thank You.



## Fr. Mark P. Dunne 1972-2023

Our beloved friend and Pastor, Fr. Mark, passed away August 4, 2023 from complications related to heart disease and cancer. He is survived by his brothers,

Michael and Oliver, and his sister, Eimear and nieces Chloe, Michaela, Rebecca, Aimee and nephew, Oscar. Fr. Mark was laid to rest in his hometown of Carrick-on-Shannon, Ireland.

We thank Fr. Mark for bringing joy and laughter to our community of Sacred Heart. We will truly miss him. May he rest in peace.



## Registration for Faith Formation

Registration for Faith Formation classes starts this Sunday. We will have registration before and after mass for the next few Sundays up until classes start.

**Faith Formation classes** will start on September 20<sup>th</sup> on Wednesdays and are from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Sacramental Preparation classes** will start on October 15 on Sundays and are from 10:30 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.

For information on the registration fee, please ask the coordinator at the time of registration.

## Ethics & Integrity - Upcoming In-Person Training

### Protecting God's Children for Adults

**Where:** Our Lady of Victory  
3300 Clarksville St  
Paris, TX 75460

**Date:** Saturday, August 26, 2023

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## Evangelizing Spouses: Marriage Retreat

**You are invited to be part of the marriage formation movement in the Diocese of Tyler!**

Join us Saturday, August 26th for a day of prayer and fellowship as we grow in our vocation as spouses and disciples. The presentation speakers for this event will be Bishop Strickland, Mary-Rose and Ryan Verret, and Deanna Johnston.

All Married Couples in the Diocese of Tyler are invited!

The retreat includes lunch, snacks, and retreat materials. Space is limited! There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. Register at [www.stphilipinstitute.org/events](http://www.stphilipinstitute.org/events)

## Fe más allá de las fronteras

En el evangelio del vigésimo domingo del tiempo ordinario, año A, nos encontramos con Jesús hablando con una mujer cananea. Aunque Jesús inicialmente parecía distante, su encuentro con ella nos enseña una lección vital sobre la fe. La mujer no era parte de la comunidad judía y no seguía sus leyes religiosas, lo que la convertía en una forastera. A pesar de esto, su fe inquebrantable llamó la atención de Jesús. Es fácil ver cómo los discípulos de Jesús buscaron descartarla debido a sus normas culturales, pero Jesús reconoció la profundidad de su creencia.

Esta historia nos recuerda que la fe no conoce fronteras. Jesús miró más allá de las barreras culturales y vio la sinceridad de su corazón. Como seguidores de Cristo, debemos emular su amor inclusivo, dando la bienvenida a todos los que lo buscan con fe genuina, independientemente de su origen.

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## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — El Señor trae a los extranjeros a su casa de oración (Isaías 56: 1, 6-7).

**Salmo** — "Oh Dios, que te alaben todos los pueblos" (Salmo 67)

**Segunda lectura** – El llamado de Dios es irrevocable (Romanos 11: 13-15, 29-32).

**Evangelio** — Grande es la fe de la mujer cananea (Mateo 15: 21-28).

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## Rosarios de la Virgen de Guadalupe

No se les olvide que todavía necesitamos familias para los rosarios de la Virgen de Guadalupe. La Virgen se queda en su casa por una semana y se les pide que hagan el rosario durante ese tiempo.

Las familias que tendrán a la Virgen el mes de Agosto son:

20 de Agosto – Familia Torres

27 de Agosto – Familia Escobedo

## Ofrendas de Agosto 5-6

Primera Colección - \$ 1, 652.00

Segunda Colección. – \$ 190.00 (Caridades Católicas)

## Ofrendas de Agosto 12-13

Primera Colección - \$ 2, 609.00



## Intenciones de la Misa

**Sabado -Misa de 5:30p.m. – Padre Mark Dunne**

Por favor, entregue sus intenciones de misa a la oficina parroquial para que podamos agregarlas a nuestro calendario y evitar cualquier confusión. Gracias.



## Padre Mark P. Dunne 1972-2023

Nuestro amado amigo y Pastor, el Padre Mark, falleció el 4 de agosto de 2023 por complicaciones relacionadas con enfermedades cardíacas y cáncer. Le sobreviven sus hermanos Michael y Oliver, su hermana

Eimear y sus sobrinas Chloe, Michaela, Rebecca, Aimee y su sobrino Oscar. Padre Mark fue enterrado en su ciudad natal de Carrick-on-Shannon, Irlanda.

Agradecemos al Padre Mark por traer alegría y risas a nuestra comunidad del Sagrado Corazón. Realmente lo extrañaremos. Que descanse en paz.

## FORMACIÓN EN LA FE



## Inscripción para Formación en la Fe

La inscripción para las clases de Formación en la Fe comienza este domingo. Tendremos registro antes y después de misa para los próximos domingos hasta que comiencen las clases.

**Las clases de Formación de Fe** comenzarán el 20 de septiembre los miércoles y son de 6:30 p.m. a las 8:00 p.m.

**Las clases de Preparación Sacramental** comenzarán el 15 de octubre los domingos y son de 10:30 am a 11:20 am.

Para obtener información sobre la cuota de inscripción, por favor pregunte al coordinador en el momento de la inscripción.

## Ética e Integridad: Próxima Capacitación en Persona

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**Dónde:** Our Lady of Victory  
3300 Clarksville St  
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**Fecha:** 26 de agosto de 2023

**Tiempo:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.

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