



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday	12:15 pm
Wednesday	12:15 pm
Thursday	12:15 pm
Friday	5:30 pm
Sunday Mass	
Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
	7:00pm (Español)
Sunday	8:00 am
	10:30 am
	12:30 pm (Español)

CONFESSIONS

Weekdays, 30 minutes before
Mass.

Saturdays: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

CLERGY

Rev. Raphael Ezeh, MSP - Pastor
Fr. Edwin Kagoo—Parochial Vicar
Deacon Steve Medina
Deacon Allen Prescott
Deacon John Pelletier
Deacon Brian McNaughton

OFFICE HOURS

Monday CLOSED
Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am—5:00 pm

**Emergencies after office hours
phone number:**

(979) 451-9824

Pastoral council email:
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Behold,
I am sending my messenger
ahead of you; he will prepare
your way before you.

Matthew 11:10

Yo voy,
a enviar mi mensajero
delante de ti, para que te
preceda abriéndote el camino.

Mateo 11, 10

3rd Sunday of
Advent

3^o Domingo de
Adviento

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous deeds.
Psalm 98
Canten al Señor un cántico nuevo, porque ha hecho maravillas.
Salmo 98

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS
HORARIO DE MISAS E INTENCIONES

December 16—December 21, 2025

Tuesday/martes—December 16, 12:15pm

- † Harold Wesneski
- † George & Donna Berry (sent off)
- † Bernice & Hugh Thiel (sent off)
- † Florian Bolcerek (sent off)

Wednesday/miercoles—December 17, 12:15pm

- † Tommy Tucker
- † Patricia Hajek (sent off)
- † Tammy Brauner (sent off)
- † Willie Kubeczka, Jr. (sent off)

Thursday/jueves - December 18, 12:15pm

- † Raymond Kenjura
- † Willie Kubeczka (sent off)
- † Florian Bolcerek (sent off)
- † Inmaculada Mejia (sent off)

Friday/Viernes - December 19, 5:30pm

- † Jarrett R. Halfmann
- † Bennie & Clara Wesneski (sent off)
- † Theresa Jozwiak (sent off)

Saturday/sábado—December 20, 5:00 pm

- † Elmer Faykus
- † Louise Bolcerek (sent off)
- † Florian Bolcerek (sent off)
- † Ricky Wellmann (sent off)

7:00pm—En Español / In Spanish

Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Catolico

Sunday/Domingo—December 21, 8:00 am.

- Pro Populo
- † Louise Bolcerek (sent off)
- † Tammy Brauner (sent off)

10:30 a.m.

- John Fries Sr. on his birthday
- † Aaron David Markizer (sent off)

12:30 p.m. - En Español/In Spanish

Jaden Alexander Romero on his birthday

COLLECTION/COLECTA

Electronic giving - if you prefer to give electronically, there is a link at www.brenhamcatholic.org

Donación electrónica—para hacer su contribución automáticamente visitar www.brenhamcatholic.org

December 6-7

Weekly budgeted expenses.....	\$21,092.00
Weekend collection	\$24,686.15
Purple bag collection.....	\$4,766.41

Immaculate Conception

Masses Collection	\$2,319.00
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The staff and parishioners offer their deepest and heartfelt condolences to the family of **Charles Rybarski**. May she rest in eternal peace in the arms of God.

*El personal y los feligreses ofrecen sus más sinceras condolencias a las familia de **Charles Rybarski**. Que descanse en paz eterna en los brazos de Dios.*



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“Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love.” - St. Teresa of Calcutta

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ayuda a esos en necesidad.

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Las llamadas se mantienen confidenciales.

“No siempre podemos hacer grandes cosas, pero sí podemos hacer cosas pequeñas con gran amor.”

- Santa Teresa de Calcutta



Come pray the Rosary with us every Friday at 12:10 pm in the Church.

Acompañenos a rezar el Rosario en inglés todos los viernes a las 12:10 pm en la Iglesia.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Calendar



December 2025



24 Christmas Eve



25 Christmas Day



31 Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

December 24, 2025

Christmas Eve

December 25, 2025

Christmas Day

December 31, 2025

Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

January 1, 2026

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

January 3, 2026

Catechist Deanery Retreat

January 2026



1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God



3 Catechist Deanery Retreat

This week on St. Mary's campus. December 15 thru December 21, 2025

12/15 Monday

8:00am Walk in the PAC, Gym
11:00am St. Paul's PE, Gym
6:00pm WCJ Volleyball, Gym
7:00pm Jesus, Maria y Jose community Meeting, Cornerstone RM 203

12/16 Tuesday

8:00am Walk in the PAC, Gym
10:30am Scripture Study, PAC small meeting room
11:00am St. Paul's PE, Gym
11:45am Confessions, Church
12:15pm Mass, Church
1:00pm St. Paul's PE, Gym
6:00pm Choir Practice, Church
6:00pm WCJ Volleyball, Gym
6:30pm Councils Meeting, Office Meeting Room
6:30pm English Baptism Class, CR meeting room
7:00pm Seguidores de Jesus Community Meeting, CR Meeting Room

12/17 Wednesday

8:00am Walk in the PAC, Gym
11:45am Confessions, Church
12:15pm Mass, Church
1:00pm St. Paul's PE, Gym
4:15pm Religious Education, All Campus
5:30pm Choir, Church
6:00pm WCJ Volleyball, Gym
7:00pm Spanish Choir, Church
7:00pm Evangelization Retreat Follow-up, PH Room 102

12/18 Thursday

8:00pm Walk in the PAC, Gym
11:00am St. Paul's PE, Gym
11:45am Confessions, Church
12:15pm Mass, Church
1:00pm St. Paul's PE, Gym
6:00pm WCJ Volleyball, Gym
6:00pm Adult RCIA, Cornerstone Room 202
7:00pm Amor Hacia Cristo Small Community Meeting, Cornerstone Meeting Room

12/19 Friday


12:10pm Rosary, Church
5:00pm Confessions, Church
5:30pm Mass, Church
7:00pm Unidos en Cristo Community Meeting, Providence Room 102
7:00pm Evangelization Groups Meeting, AV Room

12/20 Saturday

6:00am Spanish Men's Prayer Group, Church
7:00am Women's Spanish Prayer Meeting, Cornerstone Meeting Room
3:30pm Confessions, Church
5:00pm English Vigil Mass, Church
5:00pm Comunidad Unidos en un Corazón, Cornerstone Meeting Room
5:00pm CRHP Meeting, Cornerstone Room 202
7:00pm Spanish Vigil Mass, Church

12/21 Sunday

8:00am English Mass, Church
10:30am English Mass, Church
10:30am Spanish RCIA, RE AV Room
12:30pm Spanish Mass, Church
6:30pm Hispanic Posada, PAC All Rooms



The possible presiding priest for this Sunday's masses is:

Saturday Vigil	5:00pm	Fr. Edwin
	7:00pm	Fr. Raphael
Sunday	8:00am	Fr. Edwin
	10:30am	Fr. Raphael
	12:30pm	Fr. Raphael

St. Mary, Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

ADVENT PENANCE

Instead of one single Advent Penance service, we will offer multiple times and opportunities for everyone to go to confession as we prepare spiritually to celebrate the birth of Christ our Lord. Our Advent confession times are as follows:

En lugar de un solo servicio de Penitencia de Adviento, ofreceremos múltiples momentos y oportunidades para que todos se confiesen mientras nos preparamos espiritualmente para celebrar el nacimiento de Cristo nuestro Señor. Nuestros horarios de confesión de Adviento son los siguientes:

Thursday/Jueves - December 18

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Frs. Edwin & Raphael
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm Frs. Edwin & Raphael

Friday/Viernes - December 19

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Frs. Edwin & Raphael
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm Frs. Edwin & Raphael

Note: Regular Mass & confession times remain the same.

Nota: Los horarios regulares de Misa y confesiones se mantienen igual.



Parishioner Registration

Welcome to St. Mary's. We are so happy that you have chosen St. Mary, Immaculate Conception Parish as your faith community and spiritual home.

To become a registered parishioner, please complete a registration form on our website or in person in the Parish Office. Please inform the parish office of any changes to your contact information.

Registro de feligreses
Bienvenido a St. Mary's. Estamos muy contentos de que haya elegido la Parroquia de Santa María Inmaculada Concepción como su comunidad de fe y hogar espiritual. Para convertirse en un feligrés registrado, complete un formulario de registro en nuestro sitio web o en persona en la oficina parroquial. Informe a la oficina parroquial de cualquier cambio en su información de contacto.

Holy Days & Christmas

Christmas Eve / Noche Buena

Dec. 24

4:00 pm - Kids English
6:00 pm - English
8:00 pm - Spanish
11:45 pm - Midnight Mass

Christmas Day / Navidad

Dec. 25

10:30 am - English
12:30 pm - Spanish

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God / Solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios

Dec. 31

5:00 pm - English
7:00 pm - Spanish

Jan. 1

10:30 am - English
12:30 pm - Spanish



Perpetual Adoration

Spend time with the Blessed Sacrament 24/7

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with him and make your soul everlasting more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth.

"Blessed Teresa of Calcutta"

For more information or to sign up please contact the office at 979-836-4441

Adoración Perpetua

Pasa tiempo con el Santísimo Sacramento 24/7

El tiempo que pasas con Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento es el mejor tiempo que pasarás en la tierra. Cada momento que pases con Jesús profundizará tu unión con él y hará que tu alma sea eternamente más gloriosa y hermosa en el Cielo, y ayudará a lograr la paz eterna en la tierra.

"Santa Teresa de Calcutta"

Para mas información o para registrarse por favor comuníquese con la oficina al 979-836-4441



Joy

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy; they will meet with joy and gladness, sorrow and mourning will flee

Isaiah 35:10

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BLOOD DRIVE

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Brenham

Sunday, January 4
8:00 am - 12:30 pm
Parish Activity Center

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Brooks Tyler Goehring
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Aaliyah Esperanza Moya

Whom received the sacrament of Baptism on December 6

Quienes recibieron el Sacramento del Bautismo el día 6 de Diciembre.

We also congratulate their parents and godparents.

Tambien felicitamos a sus padres y padrinos.



"I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"



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DEACON'S CORNER

What do we want to hear when you come to Church? Do you come to hear a priest saying that sin does not exist, or that maybe for us this or that sin does not really matter? Or are we attracted to the Church because we are good people and we want to hear the truth no matter how unpopular it may be? I am convinced that we go to Church because we are good people, who want to be better people. I am convinced that we go to Church because like the people who went out into the desert to see John the Baptizer, we are attracted by the truth. I am convinced that we go to Church because like the people of Jesus' day, we are disgusted with those elements of society that pervert truth to serve their own needs.

More than this, I am convinced that all of us want to be freed of the darkness within ourselves that threatens to enslave us in our own selfishness. The truth alone can set us free. This truth that sets us free is more than a concept. It is the Spirit of Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit. "I am the way, the truth and the life" In a world that would relativize and pervert every aspect of life to serve its own self interests, in a world of darkness, we have found light. That light is Jesus Christ. "Are you the Messiah, Jesus, or should we look for another?" John the Baptist's disciples asked. People of Good Will, people who have heard angels singing Gloria, have asked the same question throughout the ages. "Look around," responded Jesus. The signs of the Messiah are all around you. The time of light is upon you. Rejoice! It is Gaudete Sunday. Rejoice Sunday. Our joy is far more profound than the superficial happiness of contrived Christmas emotions. We rejoice because the light of truth has destroyed the darkness of sin. We rejoice because we have been drawn by the truth. We rejoice because Jesus Christ is the truth. He embodies the truth. He is the truth. REJOICE!

Dcn Al

RINCON DEL DIACONO

¿Qué queremos oír cuando vienes a la Iglesia? ¿Vienes a escuchar a un sacerdote decir que el pecado no existe, o que tal vez para nosotros este o aquel pecado no importa realmente? ¿O nos atrae la Iglesia porque somos buenas personas y queremos escuchar la verdad, por muy impopular que sea? Estoy convencido de que vamos a la Iglesia porque somos buenas personas, que queremos ser mejores personas. Estoy convencido de que vamos a la Iglesia porque, como quienes fueron al desierto a ver a Juan el Bautista, nos atrae la verdad. Estoy convencido de que vamos a la Iglesia porque, como la gente de la época de Jesús, nos disgustan los elementos de la sociedad que pervierten la verdad para satisfacer sus propios intereses. Más aún, estoy convencido de que todos queremos liberarnos de la oscuridad interior que amenaza con esclavizarnos en nuestro egoísmo. Solo la verdad puede hacernos libres. Esta verdad que nos libera es más que un concepto. Es el Espíritu de Jesucristo, el Espíritu Santo. "Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida". En un mundo que relativiza y pervierte cada aspecto de la vida para servir a sus propios intereses, en un mundo de oscuridad, hemos encontrado la luz. Esa luz es Jesucristo. "¿Eres tú el Mesías, Jesús, o debemos buscar a otro?", preguntaron los discípulos de Juan el Bautista.

Las personas de buena voluntad, las personas que han escuchado a los ángeles cantar Gloria, se han hecho la misma pregunta a lo largo de los siglos. "Miren a su alrededor", respondió Jesús. Las señales del Mesías los rodean. El tiempo de la luz está sobre ustedes. ¡Alégrese! Es Domingo de Gaudete. ¡Alégrese, domingo! Nuestra alegría es mucho más profunda que la felicidad superficial de las emociones navideñas artificiales. Nos regocijamos porque la luz de la verdad ha destruido la oscuridad del pecado. Nos regocijamos porque hemos sido atraídos por la verdad. Nos regocijamos porque Jesucristo es la verdad. Él encarna la verdad. Él es la verdad. ¡ALEGRÍA!

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