

St. Mary of the Visitation opportunities offered for fellowship, charity, service during the next week. You are invited to join the events below. If applicable, contact information is listed for the event.

Join Fr. Joy and the Family of the Visitation for the conclusion of Tenebrae **TONIGHT** at 7:30pm.

### Divine Mercy

Please join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena starting on Good Friday, April 18 and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27. It will be prayed on Good Friday at 3:00pm, weekdays after the morning Mass, and weekends before the Mass.

### Easter Egg Hunt

10:00am

At the Parish Center



### The Stillness of Holy Saturday



Holy Thursday brings us the Last Supper. On Good Friday, we exalt the cross and commemorate the death of Jesus. On Easter Sunday, we celebrate! But what about the day in between? Between death and life, the time holds its breath. For the first disciples, Holy Saturday was a day of silence, sorrow, and waiting. But redemption is already beginning! Jesus descends to the dead and frees righteous souls awaiting eternal life. On our own Holy Saturday, we too wait in silence. But it is not the silence of disappointment and confusion. It is the silence of anticipation. Soon and very soon dawn will alight on the horizon, and the stone will be rolled back. Until then, we wait in stillness.

### Attention all graduating high school seniors enrolled in a university, college or technical school!

Applications for our \$500 annual Parish Education Award are now available. Details and entry forms are available in the back of the church in the narthex and in the Saint Mary of the Visitation office.

**Submit provided entry form, brief autobiography, short essay and letter of recommendation to the parish office by April 30th.** Extra credit on your entry for early applications!

Notification of winner(s) will be made in May. **Questions? Email Erin Boles at [erindacy@icloud.com](mailto:erindacy@icloud.com) or call 256-603-6781**

### Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Some basic information for your consideration:

**Dates are Oct 18-25, 2025** with Via Immaculata Guided Tours, accompanied by Father Joy. Total trip cost including transportation, hotel meals and gratuities is approximately \$3500. We will be visiting Mexico City; Guanajuato; Cristero Saints; and Guadalajara. For more information, contact Michael Riley at [michael.rileyjr1@gmail.com](mailto:michael.rileyjr1@gmail.com) or Father Joy.

#### Wednesday, April 16 **TODAY/TONIGHT**

**Becoming Catholic** at Treacy Hall 6:00-7:30pm Mike Janssen, [mjj032753@gmail.com](mailto:mjj032753@gmail.com)

**Tenebrae** in the church 7:30pm

#### Thursday, April 17

**Morning Prayer** in the church 8:00am

**Mass of the Lord's Supper** 7:00pm

**Adoration** 8:00-10:00pm



#### Friday, April 18

**Morning Prayer** in the church 8:00am

**Stations of the Cross & Reflection** 12:00pm

**Divine Mercy Chaplet** 3:00pm

**Passion Liturgy** 7:00pm

### Stations of the Cross & Reflection Friday 12:00



#### Saturday, April 19

**Morning Prayer/Divine Mercy Chaplet** in the church 8:00am

**Food Blessing** in the church 9:00am

**Easter Egg Hunt** at the Parish Center 10:00am

**Easter Vigil** 8:00pm



#### Sunday, April 20

**Divine Mercy Chaplet** in the church 7:30am

**Food Pantry Food Distribution** on the sidewalk at lower parking lot 12:00-1:00pm

#### Monday, April 21

**Communion Service and Divine Mercy Chaplet** 8:00am

**St. Jerome Book Club** at Visitation Hall 7:00pm LuAnn Poniatowski, [mna-mna@comcast.net](mailto:mna-mna@comcast.net)

#### Tuesday, April 22

**Divine Mercy Chaplet** in the church 7:30am

**Pickleball** at the Parish Hall 6:00-8:00pm Bryan Miller, 256.337.1671

