



*St. Mary's Catholic Church
Windthorst, TX*

**St. Mary's / St.
Boniface
Vision Statement**

To serve Christ and
promote
His teachings
through Worship,
Education,
Training, Service,
and
Community
Involvement



*St. Boniface Catholic Church
Scotland, TX*

**Father Michael Moloney, O. F. S., Parochial Administrator, and
Donald Brown, Deacon**

Mailing Address for Both Churches

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9 am-5 pm
www.stmarysstboniface.org

General Information

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

on the **3rd Sunday** of the month at 8:45 A.M.
contact the office for dates and to register for classes

Marriage Preparation

contact the office at least **six to nine months prior** to
wedding date

RCIA

contact Florence Anderle @ 423-6310 or 423-6271

Funerals

in the case of a death in the family, please contact the
office as soon as possible.

Ministry to the Sick

contact the office immediately if you know of anyone
who is sick, hospitalized or home-bound

Confession

St. Mary's every Saturday 4:00 – 4:40 pm and
every Wednesday after evening Mass.
(or by appointment at the office.)
St. Boniface – First Saturday from 3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Hispanic Ministry

Tuesday & Thursday in Convent
Call Oscar or Alma Contreras at 423-6918 or 940-224-8183

Mass Schedule for the Week

Monday	August 8– St. Mary's
Wednesday <u>7:00 pm</u> †	August 10– St. Mary's Charles Lindemann by Geraldine Lindemann
Thursday <u>8:15 am</u> †	August 11 – St. Boniface Flavia Garner by Bernice Hoegger
Thursday <u>6:30 pm</u> †	August 11 – St. Mary's Bertha Wolf by Christian Mothers Society
Friday <u>8:15 am</u> †	August 12 – St. Mary's Jeff Conrady by Kenny Wolfs
Saturday <u>5:00 pm</u> <u>7:00 pm</u> †	August 13– St. Mary's Parishioners Anne Gavin by Hobie Meekins (Spanish Mass)
Sunday <u>8:00 am</u>	August 14 - St. Boniface Living and Deceased Members of St. Boniface Altar Society
Sunday <u>10:00 am</u> †	August 14 - St. Mary's Sarah Granados by Brandon Sternadel Family

ST. MARY'S MINISTERS
Monday Aug. 8, 2016 – Sunday Aug. 14, 2016

HOSPITALITY

Sat. 5:00 pm Alfred Berend & Brett Hoff
 Sun. 10:00 am Brandon & Dusty Sternadel

LECTORS

Wed. 7:00 pm Mark Veitenheimer
 Thurs. 6:30 pm Florence Anderle
 Sat. 5:00 pm Chad Steinberger & Suzette Schreiber
 Sun. 10:00 am Hannah Anderle & Karen McCann

SERVERS

Wed. 7:00 pm Brenna & Drew Anderle
 Thur. 6:30 pm Kensley Vieth & Keaira Fillingim
 Sat. 5:00 pm Max Anderle, Cade Hoffman, Bri Hoff
 Sun. 10:00 am Lindy McCall, Brenae Hoff, Clay Hoff

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Sat. 5:00 pm Beth Geis/Hosts, Jerry Anderle/Hosts, Stacey Steinberger, Arthur Litteken, Brett Hoff, Diane Schroeder, Tracy Schreiber/Hosts Choir, Brooke Schreiber/Choir
 Sun. 10:00 am Joyce Wolf/Hosts, Trissa Berend/Hosts, Jean Berend, Alex Veitenheimer, Emily McCann, Mike Schreiber, Diane Hubbard /Hosts Choir, Dawn Vieth/Choir

USHERS

Sat. 5:00 pm Gary Wolf, Leo Hoff Jr., M. J. Geis, Mason Vieth
 Sun. 10:00 am Terry Schroeder, Jay Meurer, Joey Veitenheimer, Adam Wolf

GIFT BEARERS

Sat. 5:00 pm Jay & Cheryl Pope
 Sun. 10:00 am Joey & Angel Veitenheimer

COMMUNION MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Sun. August 14th Bert & Elizabeth Hoff
 Sun. August 21st Leon & Melinda Schneider

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS

Sun. August 14th Sydney Hoegger, Marsha Frazier
 Sun. August 21st Gwen Teichman & Hannah Anderle

MONEY COUNTERS

Mon. August 8th Leroy Anderle, Harola Zotz, Chuck Veitenheimer

SUPPORT-Sunday Envelopes \$7369.00, Loose \$219.87, Children \$25.00, Building Fund \$180.00.

ST. BONIFACE MINISTERS,
Monday Aug 8, - Sunday Aug. 14, 2016

HOSPITALITY

Sun. 8:00 am Kim Hemmi & Kayla Styles

LECTOR

Sun. 8:00 am Missy Brown

SERVERS

Sun. 8:00 am Trey Schenk & Colton Canada

USHERS

Sun. 8:00 am Bryan & Brent Hemmi

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Sun. 8:00 am Pat Hemmi, Terry Berend, Patsy Stallcup, A. J. Schreiber

GIFT BEARERS

Sun. 8:00 am Robert J. Krahl Family

MONEY COUNTERS

Sun. August 14th Arthur Hemmi, Donna Tettleton, Debbie Krahl

SUPPORT – Sunday Envelopes \$850.00, Loose \$78.00, Children \$4.00.

ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

SANCTUARY LIGHT will burn this week in memory of Larry Sternadel as requested by Brandon Sternadel Family.

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS: Arthur & Shirley Litteken will receive the Chalice on **August 13th at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.** They, as well as all of us, are asked to pray for vocations.

8-21 Mary Ann Schroeder 10:00 a.m. Mass

8-27 Butch & Pat Humpert 5:00 p.m. Mass

CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON TUESDAYS.

CHURCH NURSERY- The church nursery is open for ages 1 – 3 years of age. Drop off time will start at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday 10:00 a. m. Mass ONLY.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 10TH – Adoration, Benediction, Devotion 6:00 p.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Confessions after Mass.

Note: Mass on Saturday, August 20, 2016 will be at 4:00 p.m.!!!

WINDTHORST SENIOR CITIZENS meet **Tuesday, August 9TH** in the K. C. Hall at 11:30 for lunch and games.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND AUGUST 6/7 is for the Priest Care Fund. Your contribution will help support the expenses of medical and long-term care for our retired and infirmed priests. Please give generously.

3RD DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet after Mass on **Wednesday, August 10, 2016**, in the K. C. Hall.

ST. MARY'S PASTORAL COUNCIL meet on **Thursday, August 11th.** Any person who is in charge of a ministry at St. Mary's is automatically a member of St. Mary's Pastoral Council. We will meet after 6:30 p.m. Mass.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are held once a month on a rotating basis. Alternating months the baptisms will be done during the Sunday Mass and the next month the baptisms will be on a Sunday after the Mass. Baptisms will be held on the following dates;

Aug. 14, 2016 Inside Sunday Mass

Sept. 11, 2016 Outside Mass

Oct. 9, 2016 Inside Sunday Mass

Nov. 13, 2016 Outside Mass

No Baptisms during Advent or Lent unless an emergency.

THANK YOU NOTE: "Dear St. Mary's Parish, Thank you so much for selecting me to receive one of this year's scholarships. This scholarship will help tremendously in continuing the path that God has planned for me. Thanks again and God Bless. Kylie Berend"

ST. MARY'S PARISH has several items that someone may be interested in having in their possession. Some of these are the cabinets that were removed from the kitchen in the Parish Hall, hot water heaters, and doors. For more information please call Mark at 423-6277 or Cliff at 423-6201 or the church office at 423-6687.

UPCOMING MEN'S AND WOMEN'S ACTS RETREATS – St. Mary's will be having ACTS Retreats for the men and women of our parishes. **The men's retreat will be August 18-21**, at the Bridgeport Camp and Conference Center, with **the Women's being September 15-18** at Bridgeport as well. The retreat begins at St. Mary's Parish Hall on Thursday evening at 5:00 p.m. and ends with the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday. The purpose of the Retreat is to provide an opportunity to bring parishioners closer to each other and to Christ through Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. Sign-up for this retreat by contacting the Retreat Directors, Craig Anderle (940-507-1985) or Karen McCann (940-632-6006). You will also find Registration forms at the back of Church that may be turned in to any ACTS member. Please prayerfully consider whether you are being called to attend an ACTS Retreat. God is good!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ON TUESDAYS!

ST. BONIFACE'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

SANCTUARY LIGHT—will burn this week for a bountiful Rain as requested by the Altar Society.

CHALICE FOR VOCATION: **Robert & Debbie Krahl Family** will receive the Chalice on **August 14th** at the **8:00 a.m. Mass**. They, as well as all of us, are asked to pray for vocations.

8-21 Kenneth Veitenheimer Family

8-28 Grady & Rhoda Schenk Family

ST. BONIFACE 7-DAY LIGHTS: Special Intention by Donor; For Special Intention by Donor; For Peace, Our Members by St. Boniface Christian Mothers' Society; Living & Deceased Members & Relatives of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #36.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR BOTH PARISHES

APPOINTMENTS WITH FATHER MICHAEL – If you have a concern and wish to visit with Fr. Michael, please call the office for an appointment. Or you may e-mail Father at mmoloney@comcell.net.

CONFESSIONS: Confessions on First Saturday afternoon at St. Boniface. – Father Michael will have Confessions every Saturday afternoon from 4:00 – 4:40 at St. Mary's, and on Wednesdays after evening Mass at St. Mary's. Confessions at St. Boniface will be on the first Saturday of the month from 3:15 to 3:45 pm. If you are unable to make those times, please call the office at 423-6687 or e-mail Father Michael at mmoloney@comcell.net for a time convenient for both you and Fr. Michael

NOTE: Those people going for elective surgeries in the coming weeks are encouraged to consider coming to confession on Saturday afternoon (4:00 – 4:40) and return for an anointing of the sick following Mass.

THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE- will be in the home of **Joey Schroeder Family** the week of **August 14th**. They are asked to pray for world peace, military, and vocations.

8-21 Joyce Ostermann

8-28 Floyd & Mildred Hilbers

SPECIAL NOTICE – We are in need of catechists. If interested, please apply at the Church Office 423-6687 or to Clara at 423-6402. Kindergarten through 5th grade teachers teach on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 7:25 – 7:55 a.m. *(see below)

If you think God is calling you to help in this ministry come forth and say "Here I am Lord, send me"!

*Wednesday evenings 5:45 to 6:45 please call Shelley at 237-6676 for 6th Grade on up.

PRAYER FOR MEN'S ACTS RETREAT – We will have the sign up poster outside of church, on **Saturday and Sunday, August 13th and 14th** at St Mary's and St. Boniface. You can choose a time you wish to pray for the retreatants and the team. Prayer can be done in church, in your home, car or wherever you wish. On Friday, August 19th there will be Adoration in Church after 8:15 Mass to 12 noon. Thank you and God Bless You All!

V.F.W. LADIES AUXILIARY – The Scotland-Windthorst Post #2676 will meet downstairs in the Windthorst K. C. Hall **Monday, August 8th** at 7:00 p.m.

V. F. W. POST #2676 will meet **Monday, August 8th** at 7:00 p.m. in the K. C. Hall.

NOTE OF THANKS: "We would like to thank everyone for the cards, visits, phone calls, food, flowers, donations, prayers and the support during the recent loss of our mother, Etta Mae "Mazie" Berend. She faithfully served the Lord and our community by filling the church with her musical talent which will be missed by many. May God bless each of you with good health." The families of Jason, Gary, Curtis, Brandon, Chelsey and Nubbin.

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH in Megargel invites everyone to their Centennial on **Saturday, August 13, 2016** starting at 10:00 a.m. with games, activities, music and more and Lunch at 1:00 p.m. Concluding Mass at 6:00 pm. with The Most Rev. Michael Olsen, Bishop of Fort Worth celebrating the Mass.

NEW MEMBER OF THE TRIBUNAL ADVOCATE TEAM AT ST. MARY'S/ST. BONIFACE –

We are pleased to announce that **Mr. Jay Pope** has completed his training at the Diocese of Ft. Worth to be a new team member of the **Tribunal Advocate position** for our parishes. He, Deacon Don Brown along with Father Michael Moloney are the recognized Advocates for our parishes by the Tribunal in Ft. Worth.

For Those Seeking an “Annulment” of a previous marriage, or information about the process of “annulment” of a previous marriage, please contact either **Deacon Don Brown or Mr. Jay Pope**. If you are wanting your present marriage recognized by the church, please contact **Fr. Michael Moloney**. These are the recognized Advocates for the Tribunal for St. Mary's and St. Boniface. They are available most anytime to try to work out any problems you may have in this area. Please call Deacon Don Brown at 903-850-5215 or Father Michael at mmoloney@comcell.net and they will be happy to arrange a meeting time and place.

DIVORCED AND RE-MARRIED?

If you are divorced and remarried outside of the Catholic Church without a Decree of Nullity/Invalidity, or if you are a Catholic and are married outside of the Catholic Church, you may not partake of the Sacraments, including the reception of Holy Communion. Until it is shown otherwise through the ministry of the Tribunal, no person is free to enter into another marriage without the appearance or occasion of serious sin. However, a divorce alone does not affect or hinder in any way, your participation in the Sacraments. A divorced Catholic is free to receive the sacraments. However, if you are divorced and have remarried, or if you are divorced and in a new relationship, or if you are living with someone without a Decree of Nullity/Invalidity (and your former spouse is still living) you may not partake of the sacraments, including the reception of Holy Communion). Consider seeking a Decree of Nullity/Invalidity which will enable you to return to a full participation in the sacramental life of the Church. For more information please Contact Father Michael at mmoloney@comcell.net. Thanks.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES

– Want to learn the secret to living your marriage sacrament freely, totally, faithfully and fruitfully? Come learn Natural Family Planning: it's highly effective and can do wonders for your relationship. The couple to Couple League offers Natural Family Planning classes at Sacred Heart! They teach the symptom-thermal method in a series of three classes. This is a safe, healthy method of family planning that is over 99% effective in postponing pregnancy. It is also very effective when used to achieve a pregnancy. To learn more or register for a class, please visit www.ccli.org or call Lauren Morath at 940-631-1798.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

– Let us turn our hearts back to God and allow him to lead and guide us so that we can fulfill God's plan and purpose for our lives and marriages. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are August 19-21 and November 4-6, 2016. Dates fill fast. To apply visit our website at <http://www.dfwme.org/apply> For more information e-mail apply@dfwme.org or call 469-444-0904. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a emmdfw@gmail.com o visite <http://www.seccion15org/>

REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS!

Caroline Anderle, Zack Andrus, Conner Berardi, Andy Berend, Nellie Berend, Don Bilbrey, Patience Blake, J.C. Birkenfield, Teresa Lindeman Birkenfield, Daphne Borgman, Diane Borgman, Paula Bradley, Deacon Don Brown, David Carcaño, Maria Carcaño, Jesús Colchado, Sue Conrady, Freida Day, Brad Dennis, Karen Edge, Royce Gilmore, Marlene Ermis Marshall, Jeanne Fischer, Margie Frazier, Father Nicholas Fuhrmann, Kimberly Fulford, Sister Marie Green, Jerry Gibson, Artie Hallenbeck, Cathey Heitman, Floyd Hilbers, Mildred Hilbers, Margie Himmels, Billie Hoff, Cathy Hoff, Ernie Hoff, Frosty Hoff, Marvin Hoff Sr., Wilfred A. Hoff, Willie L. Hoff, Bill Hoffman, Chris Hogue, Beth Holovak, Libby Ingram, Casey Jeter, Judy Koetter, Braylen Lavy, Jim Lowe, Brian Lucore, Kyler Marlar, Annette Meurer, Jess Meurer, Loretta Meurer, Frank Moer, Kathleen Moer, Anna Moloney, Geraldine Moore, Clyde Morbitzer, Mary Morbitzer, Skylar Mueller, Steve Munchrath, Kim Nelson, Travis Nelson, Lena Ostermann, Rita Pearson, Henry Pennartz, Troy Pennartz, Gina Phillips, Michelle Hubbard Riddles, John Rife, Terry Shefflett, Cassey Schenk, Roch Schenk, Rosalie Schenk, Gerald Schreiber, Mike Schreiber Jr., Nelda Schreiber, Gail Schroeder, John (Hans) Schroeder, Linda Schroeder, Richard Schroeder, Caroline Stallcup, Kate Talley, Marie Teichman, Margaret Green Tift, Trent Tipton, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, Margie Vieth, Paul Wachsman, Richard Wachsman, Don Windham, Charles Winkles, Sarah Witten, Anton Wolf, Dorthy Dell Wolf, Dorothy V. Wolf, Kellar Wolf, Kenny Wolf, Larry Wolf, Lorine Wolf, Martha Wolf, Pauline Wolf, Ronnie Wolf, Alphonse Zotz Jr., Chuck Zotz. If you wish your name removed or there are any changes, please call the office. **Prayer of the Faithful:** Lord Jesus, we lift those on our weekly list to you; You are the healer of the sick and we keep praying and hoping for those who are ill. May we continue to pray for all who are sick and hurting and may your peace come to each and every one of us. Amen.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

– Taylor Anderson (Air Force), Charles Berend, Jr. (Navy), Fermin Estrada Jr., (Army), Sgt. Bill Foster, Capt. Sean Fuhrmann (Marines), Lt. Colonel Tony Garcia (Navy), Luke Grotelueschen (Army), Tracey Hoff (Navy), Sgt. Damian Hoffman, Ethan Hoffman (Air Force), Sgt. Whitney Jeter (Marine), Sgt. Nicholas Klein (Army), Jess Martinez (Army), Blake Newby (Army), Kenneth (K.J.) Nichols (Army), Major David Ogura (Army), Kyle Page (Marine), Frank Prokop, (Colorado Air National Guard), Sgt. Robert Rhinehart, Hank Schenk (Air National Guard), Rock Schenk (Army), 1st Class Craig Slaten (Air Force), Staff Sgt. Ricky Smith (Air Force), Judy Solorio (Navy), Staff Sgt. Matthew Tubbs, Sgt. Ann Schreiber Turner (Air Force), Sgt. Matt Turner (Air Force), Ben Veitenheimer (Navy), Josh Winter (Army), Major Audrey Wolf (Army). (If there are any changes or additions please call the office.) Dear Heavenly Father, please protect our troops as they protect us. Bless them and their families for all that they are doing for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

ST. MARY'S 7-DAY LIGHTS: For Deana Vieth, For Sick Members, For Increase in Priestly and Consecrated Life Vocations by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas #296; Marlene & Donnie Marshall by her parents; Annette & Jess Meurer, All the cancer patients by Floyd & Mildred; Floyd & Mildred Hilbers on their Anniversary by their Children; Happy 66th Anniversary to Mom & Dad, Marlene Ermis Marshall by Linda; Special Intention by Donor (Okla.); A Special Intention for Family by Donor; Recovery & healing for Judy & Annette by Gail & Beaver & Family; For help and my intentions by Donor; Good health & well being for Annette, Good health & well being for Judy by Suzette & Richard; For improved health for Gail Schroeder by Mom and Brothers and Sisters; Safety of Ben Wolf, Safe trip for Abby Wolf, Get Well Judy Koetter by Lorine Wolf; Annette & Jess Meurer, Judy & Russell Koetter, Richard & Suzette Schreiber, Lorine Wolf, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, Gail & Joey Schroeder, Margie & Jerry Vieth by Alfred & Cordella; Chuck, Elaine & Family, Happy Birthday Aunt Lillie, Abby, Successful surgery & speedy recovery for Daphne Borgman, For all the sick that they may find healing by Frank & Joyce Wolf; Our Family, Happy 80th Birthday Willie, Mary Ann & Bill, Tanya & Mike, All the Sick, Special Intentions by the Paul Schenks; Peace in our country and World, The Chuck King Family, Good health for Steve Munchrath, For all the sick of the Parish, Special Intentions by Scott, Jean & Family; Special Intentions, All the sick, Our Family by Charles & Glenda; **YEARLY LIGHTS:** The Holy Spirit's Daily Guidance in Endeavors for each member of my family by Donor; For World Peace and the safety of all our military, especially for Staff Sgt. Damian Hoffman (Army), Ethan Hoffman (Air Force) and Maj. David Ogura (Army) by Grandmommy; Our Family by Alfred & Cordella; For our Military Personnel by V. F. W. Auxiliary Post #267; For Students of W. I. S. D. & C. D. A. #296 Members by C. D. A. #296; Ben's Safety by Mom & Dad; For our Family by Joe & Lugenia Zotz; Living & Deceased Members of Alphonse and Caroline Zotz by the Family; For our Family by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; Arnold & Lillian Lindeman by the Family; Thomas & Leona Schlumpf by Danny Schlumpf Family; In loving memory of Rusty & Shannon and all dear departed of Lindemann & Green Families, For my Children & Grandchildren to always stay faithful to the Church and its teachings, don't fall away and to keep God in their lives, For peace, our beloved country, and all the brave military, For the sick & elderly of our parishes and for all my dear friends who are so kind and helpful to me, For all the faithful Priests and Religious and for more vocations by Geraldine Lindemann; For the Living & Deceased Members of the Charles & Mary Lindeman Family, Safety of Ben Wolf, Gina Loran & Brett Hoff by Benny Lindeman; My Family by Ann Veitenheimer; For my Family and for Bruce by Anna Mae Veitenheimer; For my Family by Lena Ostermann; For my Family by Margaret

Beaman; For my Family by Elmer Schroeder; For our Family by Henry & Mildred Pennartz; For the safety and welfare of Blake Newby (Army) by Grandma Dorothy V. Wolf; Joe Schreiber & Joseph Schreiber, Jr. by Agnes Schreiber; Mom by Johnnie & Alice; Janice, Ed & Catherine and Lois Luig and Geraldine's health by Eddie Luig; For our Family by Marvin & Elsie Hoff; Floyd Humpert by Betty; Sick and hurting of St. Mary's Christian Mothers Society by St. Mary's Christian Mothers; Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #30.

CATHECHISM IN A YEAR

May the Eucharist be administered to non-Catholic Christians?

Holy Communion is the expression of the unity of the Body of Christ. To belong to the Catholic Church, one must be baptized in her, share her faith, and live in union with her. It would be a contradiction if the Church were to invite to Communion people who do not (yet) share the faith and life of the Church. It would damage the credibility of the sign of the Eucharist.

Individual Orthodox Christians may ask to receive Holy Communion at a Catholic liturgy, because they share the Eucharistic faith of the Catholic Church, although their Church is not yet in full communion with the Catholic Church. In the case of members of other Christian "ecclesial communities" or denominations, Holy Communion may be administered to an individual if there is a grave necessity and evidence of faith in the Real Presence in the Eucharist. Joint celebrations of the Eucharist / Lord's Supper by Catholics and Protestants are the goal and the wish of all ecumenical efforts; to anticipate them, however, without having established the reality of the Body of Christ in one faith and in the one Church is dishonest and therefore not allowed. Other ecumenical liturgies, in which Christians of various denominations pray together, are good and are also desired by the Catholic Church.

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Union Branch #30 of Windthorst and
Branch #36 of Scotland**

Prayer tip from St. Simeon

"Sit down alone and in silence. Lower your head, shut your eyes, breathe gently, and imagine yourself looking into your own heart. As you breathe in say, "Lord Jesus Christ," and as you breathe out say, 'have mercy on me.'"

PLENARY INDULGENCE: The remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sin whose guilt has already been forgiven. A properly disposed member of the Christian faithful can obtain an indulgence under prescribed conditions through the help of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints. An indulgence is partial if it removes part of the temporal punishment due to sin, or plenary if it removes all punishment.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST ARE:

Universal: That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world.

Evangelization: That Christians may live the Gospel, giving witness to faith honesty and love of neighbor..

The four conditions to receive a Plenary Indulgence after going through the Door of Mercy in a designated Church are: Praying the Apostles Creed, Praying for the Intentions of the Holy Father, Going to Confession within a couple of weeks, and receiving Holy Communion weekly.

Prayer of Pope Francis for the Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father and have told us that whoever sees you sees him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal: and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD: A common term for the practice of contraception or, when this fails, of abortion. Also the organized policy of governments and international cartels to coerce people by means of economic or other sanctions to practice contraception or abortion, or submit to sterilization.

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY

O Lord, I dare to stand before the throne of Your mercy, not because I am worthy but because You are Love. Cover me, dear God, with your wings of compassion, bind my wounds, relieve my sorrow, and fill me with Your peace.

You know my past and You know my pain and these too I commend to Your most merciful heart, confident you will hear and answer me. You who are all knowing forgiving and kind shower me now with Your grace.

Lord, You became human and shared our life that we might one day share Yours. Turn Your eyes of mercy toward us once again and see us whom You created in Your image that all the world may come to know You as the One, True and Most Merciful God. Amen.

THE SEVEN CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY:

- 1 Give drink to the thirsty.
- 2 Clothe the naked.
- 3 Shelter the homeless.
- 4 Visit the sick.
- 5 Visit the imprisoned.
- 6 Bury the dead.
- 7 Give alms to the poor.

THE SEVEN SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY:

- 1 Counsel the doubtful.
- 2 Instruct the ignorant.
- 3 Admonish sinners.
- 4 Comfort the afflicted
- 5 Forgive offenses.
- 6 Bear wrongs patiently.
- 7 Pray for the living and the dead.

PRAYER FOR LIFE

Lord Jesus, come to our aid and bring an end to the horror of abortion and all the evils that flow from it. May every human being love and honor all human life, from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death; May we, Your disciples always choose the Gospel of Life. Through the Eucharist, the great sacrament of life, let us be Your instruments in bringing an end to the culture of death. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

O God, throughout the ages you have called women and men to pursue lives of perfect charity through the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience. We give you thanks for these courageous witnesses of Faith and models of Inspiration. Their pursuit of holy lives teaches us to make a more perfect offering of ourselves to you. Continue to enrich your Church by calling forth sons and daughters who, having found the pearl of great price, treasure the Kingdom of Heaven above all things. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever Amen.