

# SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents & Godparents need to attend a pre-baptism instruction class. Call the parish office to register.

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Before Masses or by Appointment.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples are asked to call the parish office to receive information.

## SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you are seriously ill, will have a major surgery, are old aged or in danger of death, call the priest.

## CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

### Sunday Masses:

- 5:30 p.m. (Vigil in English)
- 8:00 a.m. (Spanish)
- 10:00 a.m. (English)
- 12:00 p.m. (Spanish)
- 2:30 p.m. (Spanish)

@ 12:00 p.m..

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament on First Fridays @ 11:00 a.m.

## CCE—Catechism

On Sundays and Wednesdays

## RCIA

A program to join the Catholic Faith. Contact the parish office.

**Weekday Masses:** Wednesday through Friday



# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Tercer Domingo de Adviento*

December 17, 2017

## HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday

**5:30 pm** † Maria de la Luz Maya Pastrane by Guadalupe Palacios

† Felix Piña Jr.  
In thanksgiving for the gift of life: Birthdays of Lupe Miller & Jesse Lopez by Joe Lopez

### Sunday

**8 am** For the homebound  
**10 am** For those serving in our military  
**12 pm** For our parish community  
**2:30pm** For our children and grandchildren

## SUNDAY BREAKFAST



This Sunday breakfast is hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Treat yourselves to a Homestyle breakfast without all the fuss. For a minimal cost you can enjoy fresh tortillas, menudo, or more traditional breakfast foods. All funds are donated back to the church. Your support is appreciated.

The PCCW are sponsoring **SANTA'S VISIT TO SACRED HEART**. He arrives at 11 am at the church hall. Enjoy a great breakfast while the kids visit with Santa!

## IMPORTANT CCE DATES

**Please mark your calendar with these important dates:**

The Wednesday group will have **NO** classes on December 27 and January 3. This group will return to class on January 10.

The Sunday group will have **NO** classes on December 24 and December 31. This group will return to class on January 7. Merry Christmas to all!

## SPONSOR A CHILD

We are inviting you to consider sponsoring a student who goes to or who wants to attend a Catholic Church. Your financial contribution will allow a student attend a Catholic School. Talk to Father or just leave your donation in our collection basket with note or leave it in the office. Thank you very much.

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Last week's Sunday collection	\$ 7,873.00
Second Collection	\$ 1,523.75
Breakfast by the Guerreros de Dios	\$ 1,437.45

## ADVENT CONFESSION

We invite you strongly to celebrate the sacrament of Penance as we prepare for Christmas. Advent Confession in our deanery:

- ◆ Dec. 19th - St. Martin - Tours at 7 pm
- ◆ Dec. 20th - St. Eugene - McGregor at 6:30 pm; St. Louis - Waco at 6 pm.
- ◆ Dec. 21st - St. Mary's - West at 7 pm.

## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Please mark your calendar with these important dates and times:

- ◆ **Dec. 24th** - 5:30 pm Children Christmas Pageant followed by Mass.
- ◆ **Dec. 24th** - 11:30 pm - Aroliamento del Niño
- ◆ **Dec. 25th** - midnight - Midnight Mass
- ◆ **Dec. 25th** - 10 am - Morning Mass.
- ◆ **January 1st** at 12 pm - Mary, Mother of God Mass

## PLENARY INDULGENCE

In observance of the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the diocese a plenary indulgence may be received.

For able-bodied Catholics:

Make a pilgrimage to St. Mary Cathedral in Austin before November 15, 2018. Traveling to a pilgrimage site is an expression of one's deep desire for true conversion. A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to a sacred place which has a spiritual goal or objective. The pilgrimage is a reminder of our journey as disciples with the Lord to our eternal destination with God.

For the elderly, confined, ill or those otherwise unable to make a pilgrimage:

• Offer their sufferings to the Lord living with faith and joyful hope this moment of trial;

• OR they may also receive the plenary indulgence by completing a Corporal Work of Mercy or Spiritual Work of Mercy, especially prayers for the souls in purgatory.

In addition to one of the above, the faithful must:

- Have no attachment to sin (even venial) one may make an act of the will to love God and despise sin.
- Go to confession.
- Receive Communion while reflecting on God's mercy, preferably within Mass.
- Make a profession of faith (Nicene Creed or Apostles' Creed).
- Pray for the pope and for his intentions, which may be satisfied by praying one Our Father and one Hail Mary.

It is appropriate that the sacramental confession especially Communion and the prayer for the pope's intentions take place on the same day of the pilgrimage, but it is not necessary. The sacramental rites and prayers may be carried out over several days (about three weeks) and at a place of choice.

***Sacred Heart is a parish family called to be a visible sign of Christ, formed by the Word of God, strengthened by the Eucharist and empowered to serve the needs of God's people.***

## 2018 PARISH CALENDAR

Parish Calendar 2018 - Ask for a calendar (one per family, please) from one of our ushers as you exit the church today as a token of our gratitude for your Christian testimony. Thank you for all your stewardship.

## KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

As a reminder to all that Jesus Christ is the reason for our Holy Season, the Knights of Columbus have "Keep Christ In Christmas" magnets available. These "Keep Christ in Christmas" serve as reminders of Christ our Lord when you are on the road. The Knights also have the magnets in Spanish with "Cristo es Navidad".

These magnets are available after mass for \$5, they make excellent gifts as well.

Reminding our parish community to "Keep Christ in Christmas."

## THAT MAN IS YOU

**That Man is You** program for men are ongoing. We invite all men to join us every Thursday at 6 am till 7:15 am at the cafeteria. Each meeting or class stands alone. Join us and we serve free coffee and burritos.

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Practice for the Children's Christmas Pageant will be held this Sunday at 4:00 pm in the church.

## CCE CHRISTMAS STORE

Sacred Heart CCE will be having a Christmas Store for children at the CCE center so children may purchase items and give to family, relatives or friends. It will be open on Sunday the 17 and Wednesday 20.

El catequismo del Sagrado Corazón tendrá una tienda de Navidad para niños(a) donde pueden comprar algo para dárselos a familia, e amigos. Estarán abierto el día 17 de domingo y el día 20 de miércoles.

## STEWARDSHIP

Volunteers needed: we need your service to clean the church on Mondays beginning at 7 am. after the Sunday services we need to get our church ready again for the coming Sunday. Come and clean the house of God!

**DAILY ADVENT REFLECTION AVAILABLE AT OUR WEBPAGE:** [www.sacredheartwaco.com](http://www.sacredheartwaco.com) (at the bottom page) Check it out and happy advent journey.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today's Parish Special Collection is our monthly support for our deanery catholic schools. Thank you for your generosity

## ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

### 6TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018 8 AM TO 4 PM

Saint William Catholic Center Flower Rock, TX



Speakers include Tom Peterson, Andrew Wagner, and John Pristore

TICKETS: Premium Tickets \$200 - includes private lunch with speakers

Regular Tickets \$45 - Advance, \$50 At the Door

Group Tickets Available [SACREDHEART.COM](http://SACREDHEART.COM)

Sacred Heart has purchased 50 tickets and is offering it to all men for a discounted price of \$ 27.00. Get one now and save. The tickets are in the office.

## SIMBANG GABI MASS

Simbang Gabi Mass – You are invited to experience a Simbang Gabi Mass on Mass 22nd at 6:30 pm. It is a potluck and there will be a Chinese exchange gift at \$20 limit. The choir will be singing traditional songs. The Simbang Gabi originated in the early days of Spanish rule over the Philippines as a practical compromise for farmers, who began work before sunrise to avoid the noonday heat out in the fields. It began in 1669. Priests began to say Mass in the early mornings instead of the evening novenas more common in the rest of the Hispanic world. This cherished Christmas custom eventually became a distinct feature of Philippine culture and became a symbol of sharing.

## USHERS MEETING

All Ushers are asked to attend a meeting on December 20, 2017 at 5:30 pm. Please RSVP to the church office, 756-2656, in advance of the meeting.

## 2018 PARISH GOALS

Parish Goals for 2018. Do you want to make donation to our parish for these needs? We thank you for your continued support as we continue to work for our parish betterment.

Sponsor a student who wants to go to a local Catholic School for 2018 - 2019?

Our 18 A/C HVAC units in the parish activity center need new replacements. 15 units are leaking and 3 are still good and we don't know how long they will not give us problems. The estimate is \$107,000.

We plan to put asphalt where the old rectory was for better parking access for all.

We plan to built a new restroom by the KC area for charro and other outdoor festivities.

We plan to built a concrete road for CCE at the other side of the building for safety reasons.