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THE SANCTUARY LIGHT
IS OFFERED
IN
MEMORY
OF
GENE
FAJKUS

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

5:00 PM

MISSA PRO POPULO

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:30 AM

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MISSA PRO POPULO

Tuesday, November 21, at 9:30 AM

Tuesday, November 22, 10:00 AM – 11 AM

Wednesday, November 23, at 9:30 AM

Thursday, November 24, at 9:30 AM

Friday, November 25, at 9:30 AM

Saturday, November 26, at 5:00 PM

Sunday, November 27, at 9:30 AM

For the conversion of sinners

Eucharistic Adoration

For safe travels

For family unity

For all souls in purgatory

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MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 25 AND NOVEMBER 26

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday: Cup: Ron Zajac and Kathy Russell
Bread: Henry Dao

Sunday: Cup: Jeanne Kirk and Donna Manthei

Altar Servers:

Saturday: Rowdy Watkins

Sunday: Makayla and Madison Triolo

Commentators/Lectors:

Saturday: Ron Zajac

Sunday: CYM

Music:

Saturday: Men's Choir

Sunday: Julie Wolfenden

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD



Church: \$3,151.00

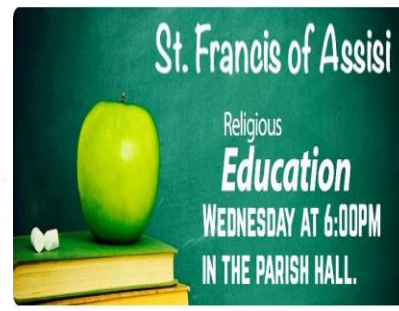
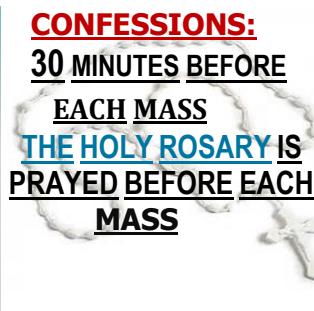
Children: \$14.00

Building Fund: \$105.00

Food Pantry: \$307.20

"For it is in giving that we receive"

- St. Francis of Assisi



Your pledge is important.

Thank you to all who have already made a pledge to our annual diocesan Catholic Services Appeal! If you have yet to do so, please return your pledge card to the diocese with your financial gift for the many ministries that this appeal supports.

Even if you aren't able to donate monetarily, we do ask that you offer your prayers for our diocesan appeal. In this case, you will still want to return your pledge card to the Diocese with the box marked on the bottom that you will pray for the success of the appeal.

Aluminum cans:

Can you recycle cans? Yes you can! You can place your aluminum cans in the recycle bin behind the parish hall, please make sure they are completely empty before you place them in the recycling container. Proceeds will benefit the R.E. ministries.

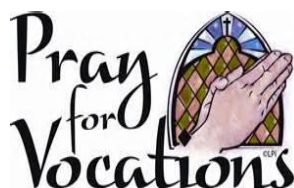
A message from Bishop Vásquez: **Diocesan Consecration to Mary**

In this Fatima centennial year and in the 70th year since the founding of our diocese, I have decided to **consecrate the local church of the Diocese of Austin to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.** On Dec. 10, I have asked all priests and people in all of our parishes to join me in a solemn prayer of consecration to the Mother of God, asking for her maternal help and protection. In doing so we are not only entrusting ourselves to her loving heart, but we are asking her to bring us ever closer to her Son, Jesus. For consecration prayers, resources, and further details, please go to www.austindiocese.org/ihmconsecration.



Fatima Tour for Peace:

The world-famous international Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima is touring the dioceses of Texas this fall as part of a nation-wide call to prayer and penance for peace in our nation and conversion of hearts. From Dec. 6-10, the statue will visit five parishes in the Diocese of Austin: St. Luke in Temple, St. Helen in Georgetown, St. Mary Cathedral in Austin, St. Thomas Aquinas in College Station and St. John the Evangelist in Marble Falls. For more information about parishes and schedules, visit www.austindiocese.org/fatima100.



Pope Francis: The Mass needs silence, not 'chit-chat'

Praying before the Eucharist is 'the highest, most sublime' way of encountering God's love, Pope Francis said.

Catholics should spend their time in silence before Mass, preparing to "meet Jesus" instead of engaging in "chit-chat", the Pope has said.

"Silence is so important," he said. "Remember what I told you last time: we are not going to a show. Silence prepares us and accompanies us." Pope Francis made the remarks on Wednesday during his weekly general audience. The Holy Father continues his new series of audience talks on the Mass, reflecting on the Eucharist as a form of prayer that is "the highest, the most sublime and, at the same time, the most concrete" way of encountering God's love.

"This is the greatest grace: to experience that the Eucharist is the privileged moment to be with Jesus and, through him, with God and with our brothers and sisters," the Pope said.

In the Gospels, he continued, Jesus teaches his disciples that the first thing needed to pray "is to know how to say 'father'" and to trust in God with the humility of a child.

Christians also must allow themselves to be "surprised by the living encounter with the Lord," he said, and not simply "talk to God like a parrot," repeating the words of prayers without thinking.

"The encounter with God is a living encounter," the Pope said departing from his prepared remarks. "It is not an encounter of a museum, it is a living encounter. And we go to Mass, not a museum! We go to a living encounter with the Lord."

Pope Francis said the Mass is also a gift and a consolation where Christians discover that God's greatest surprise is that he "loves us even in our weakness."

"The Lord encounters our frailty," the Pope said. "This is the environment of the Eucharist. This is prayer."