Choose Life Midland will sponsor a coach bus on Saturday, January 26, 2019 for the March for Life Rally in Austin, Texas.

The coach bus leaves at 6:00 a.m. from the St. Ann’s Church parking lot and will leave Austin after the rally is over at 3:00. One day trip. Call De’Ann and Mike Hernandez at 432-638-2375 to reserve your spot with a $10.00 refundable deposit. Breakfast burrito and lunch from Jason Deli will be provided along with a T-Shirt to be worn at the rally to identify our group. Call today and always protect life from conception to natural death. Further questions call Choose Life Midland 432-695-6955.

To Report Sexual Abuse - The Catholic Diocese of San Angelo is firmly committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children and vulnerable adults. If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by anyone who serves the Church, and you need a place to talk with someone about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, we are here to help you. To report incidents, call Lori Hines, Victim Assistance Coordinator, 325-374-7609 (cell), or write Diocese of San Angelo, Victim Assistance Ministry, PO Box 1829, San Angelo, TX 76902. If the incident occurred outside this diocese, our Victim Assistance Coordinator will assist in bringing your concern to the attention of the appropriate diocese. Please keep in mind that one always has the right to report abuse to civil authorities, and civil law requires that any abuse of a minor must be reported.

Para Reportar Abuso Sexual - La Diócesis Católica de San Ángelo está firmemente comprometida a crear y mantener el ambiente más seguro posible para nuestros niños y adultos vulnerables. Si usted o alguien que usted conoce ha sido víctima de abuso sexual por cualquier persona que sirve a la Iglesia, y necesita un lugar para hablar con alguien sobre sus sentimientos de traición o herida por la Iglesia, estamos aquí para ayudarlo. Para reportar incidentes, llame a Lori Hines, Coordinadora de Asistencia a Víctimas, 325-374-7609 (celular), o escriba a la Diócesis de San Ángelo, Ministerio de Asistencia a Víctimas, PO Box 1829, San Ángelo, TX 76902. Si el incidente ocurrió fuera de esta diócesis, nuestra Coordinadora de Asistencia a Víctimas le ayudará a traer su preocupación a la atención de la diócesis correspondiente. Por favor, tenga en cuenta que uno siempre tiene el derecho de reportar el abuso a las autoridades civiles, y la ley civil requiere que cualquier abuso de un menor de edad debe ser reportado.

Mandatory Meeting for Parents and Altar Servers

When: Monday, Feb. 4, 2019
Time: 6:00 – 7:30
Where: Sanctuary of the Church
Subject: New vestments for servers, information updates

We are not planning on having a training for servers at this meeting. However, we are asking that all servers and parents attend so we can provide information updates, share information about new vestments to be ordered and most importantly measure all servers for the new vestments. We plan to have a short information meeting and then measure servers. We will not have pizza so families will be able to leave as soon as we are finished measuring.

Parents and High School Students,
We are proud to announce the opening of a Catholic High School in our community. Holy Cross Catholic High School will open in August to Freshman and Sophomore students. If you would like more information, please call our office at 432-701-0741 and we will provide more information. We are also posting events on our website, holycrosschs.org. We plan to host parent meetings in January and February, so please call and find out our dates/times or watch for information posted on our website.

St. Stephen’s Catholic Homeschool Co-op

Do you homeschool? Have you been wishing that our area had a homeschool co-op that supported families in raising children in the faith? We have too! Join us for a parent meeting on Friday January 25th at 7pm in the Parlor at St Stephens. We will be discussing plans for our future co-op and will also plan social activities for this Spring. For more info, follow us on Facebook @StStephensCHSC
Mass Intentions
For the week of January 20, 2019

Sunday, January 20 - Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00 am  Joe Munoz Jr. (Happy Birthday) by Parents
10:30 am† Rebecca L. Torres by Family
12:30 pm† For the Parish
Spanish Mass
5:00 pm Father’s Intention
7:00 pm† Minerva Robles by Robles Family
Spanish Mass

Monday, January 21
7:00 am† Frank Hernandez by Olga
12:15 pm Amanda Betancourt (Healing) by Family
5:30 pm† Genny Mitchell by Fred & Lucy
Spanish Mass

Tuesday, January 22
7:00 am Fran Thetford by Gloria Oetting
12:15 pm Mo Dominguez by Family
5:30 pm Steve Oetting by Family

Wednesday, January 23
7:00 am Gladys Qualls (Happy Birthday)
12:15 pm In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
5:30 pm Henry Wilson by Family

Thursday, January 24
7:00 am Luis Diaz by Wife
12:15 pm RJ Bryan by Gloria Oetting
5:30 pm† Adelmo Velarde by Maria Velarde
Bilingual

Friday, January 25
7:00 am† Evangelina Talamantez by Pablo Talamantez
12:15 pm† Remie Ramos by Becky & Fernando Espino
5:30 pm† Lupe & † Eloy Chavez by Art & Anna Carrasco

Saturday, January 26
8:00 am† Camilo Chavez Sr. by Fr. Frank Chavez
5:00 pm Curry Family

Sunday, January 27 - Third Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00 am  Carlos Garcia by Galindo Family
10:30 am Lisa Wilson
12:30 pm† Tammi Dutchover by Family
Spanish Mass
5:00 pm For the Parish
7:00 pm† Evangelina Talamantez by Pablo Talamantez
Spanish Mass

Ordinary Time

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION
Regular Deposit: $34,721.98
Other Income: $14,021.00
Building Fund: $ 40.00
Financial reports are available in the parish office.

CORRECTION FOR 1/13/19 COLLECTION
Regular Deposit: $32,038.12
Other Income: $ 1,411.00
For the Poor: $23,245.21
Financial reports are available in the parish office.

This weekend’s collection will be for the Annual Collection for Catholic Schools. Thank you for your generous donation!

ALTAR SERVER NEWS
Mark your calendar for the upcoming Altar Servers Meeting for 2019
When(cuando): February 4, 2019
March 4, 2019
April 1, 2019
May 6, 2019
Time(hora): 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Where(dónde): Sanctuary of the Church
If you have questions, please contact:
Anne Hobbs 432-934-3192
Bianca Gonzales 432-894-9554

ST. STEPHEN’S CONFESSION SCHEDULE
Monday - Tuesday - Thursday - Friday
6:45 am - 7:00 am; 12 noon - 12:15 pm; & 5:00 - 5:30 pm

Wednesday
6:45 a.m.-7 a.m.; 12 noon-12:15 p.m.; 5-5:30 p.m.; & 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Saturday
7:45 am - 8:00 am; 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Sunday
20 minutes prior to each Mass
And anytime, by appointment
January 20
Jet Altman
Omar Gutierrez
Dayami Rodriguez
Julie Rodriguez
Nolan Sweatt
Julia Tarin
Anna Ybarra

January 21
Josie Brenner
Catherine Canon
Vanessa Gonzales
Angelica Grajeda
Keira Hayden
Wayne Jefferson
Idaly Lujan
Ana Pena
Gianna Rendall
Dylan Roe
Jesty Valdez

January 22
Arianny Acosta
Josue Alvarado maria
Maria Anaya
Monica Bates
Angel Bermea
Christopher Brenon
Maxwell Browning
Kassandra Cabello
Alan Chavez
Viviana Florez
Mark Gabaldon
Griana Gamboa
Steve Hanson
Dino Lara
Gaudy Lujan
Anthony Munoz
Emma Munillo
Andrea Olivas
Jocelyn Valles
Kaleb White

January 23
Cesar Almazan
Alexandro Dominguez
Raul Flores
Angela Garcia
Eloy Gutierrez
Paisley Hayden
Cathi Kinzer
Jerren Poor
Gladys Qualls
Alfonso Rivera
Arthur Salazar

January 24
Alex Bles
Franchesca Garcia
Alden Gardea
Yasmin Lujan
Jorgy Marin
Douglas May
Erin Rivera
Gene Sweatt
Francisco Vera
Marcos Ybarra Jr.

January 25
Aleynah Alvarado
Crystal Barela
Bianca Bejarano
Aracely Campos
Pedrito Chavez
Dennesly Deras
Jessie Dominguez
Becky Espino
Jim Ketter
Abril Licon
Emily Madrid
Claudia Rodriguez
Lydia Saucedo
Suzanne Stewart
Kristin Thummel

January 26
Angel Grajeda
Larry Marcum
Anthony Pena
Michele Pinal
Maribel Ramos
Thomas Schlegel
Martin Villalobos
Marcos Zaragoza Jr.

January 27
Xavier Carrillo
Priscilla De La Rosa
Jose Luis Favela Jr.
Phillip Jaguez
Christina Lopez
Josefina Moreno
Sharon Radigan
Todd Williams


Email frontdesk.sssc@att.net or call the office at 520-7394 to be added to the prayer list! If someone needs to be removed from prayer list please contact the office to remove request. Thank you!

If you are interested in helping with preparation classes for Baptism please call Alex 432-520-7394.

VALENTINE’S DINNER & DANCE
ST. STEPHEN’S BALLROOM
February 9, 2018
6:00 p.m. Social Time
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Dinner by Chef Felix
8:00 PM 11:00 PM DANCE -DJ Music
Tickets: $30 per person $60 per couple

For Tickets call: Liz Madrid at 432-352-1961

If you are planning on celebrating your fifteenth birthday, starting in April there will be a Quinceañera Formation Class required to attend. For more information please call the office.

Si planeas celebrar una fiesta de quince años, a partir de abril habrá una clase de formación para celebrar tu celebración. Para más información por favor llame a la oficina.
Our new Dynamic Catholic 8-week study on "The Gospel According to John" is off to a good start and we are already on Session 4 this week. Not everyone who was hoping to attend this Study was able to obtain the Study Materials before they were all purchased. Don’t let that happen to you with the new 6-week Lenten Study which will begin March 6 and 7. Study materials on "Lent: The Road to Redemption, Cycle C" have been ordered from Saint Benedict Press and will arrive soon and be available at the Church Office. This Lenten Study incorporates the ancient method of Lectio Divina (praying the Scriptures) and prepares us for our own 40 days in the desert with Jesus. When they arrive, don’t wait...... purchase your Study Guide early so as not to be left out of this special Lenten Study. Call JoAnn at 432-559-2658 or Beverly at 686-8425 for more information.

Marriage Jubilee 2019 - All couples who are celebrating their 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and above wedding anniversaries (Church marriage, not civil marriage) in the calendar year of 2019 are invited to the Diocesan Marriage Jubilee celebration on March 24, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Cathedral, San Angelo. Families and friends are invited to accompany our jubilarians to this celebration. Renewal of vows will take place within the Mass. This celebration will conclude with a reception in the Cathedral gymnasium, to which all are invited. For registration information, please contact Parish Office. The deadline to register for this celebration is Monday, March 11, 2019.

World Youth Day USA Near the Concho River

Young adults throughout the world will soon be traveling to World Youth Day 2019 in Panama. Join young adults (ages 18-39) in the Diocese of San Angelo as we celebrate locally at the McNease Convention Center (501 Rio Concho Dr., San Angelo, TX 76903) on Saturday, January 26, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

The day will open with a Eucharistic Procession and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by a video welcome by Pope Francis, music, talks, discussions and livestreaming of World Youth Day. The cost is $25 per person and includes lunch.

For online registrations, please visit our website at: https://sanangelodiocese.org/

The Closing Mass will be held at 4:30 p.m. and is open to all young adults and families. You do not need to register for it.

If you are interested, St. Stephen's will be taking a bus. Space will be limited, bus will leave at 6:00 am please call the office to secure your space.

RCIA News
by Bill Berry

This week in RCIA, we are honored to have Father Freddie teach us about the Sacraments of Holy Orders and Anointing the Sick. We see the origin of the Sacraments in the words of Jesus and in the life of the early church. What a blessing the Sacraments are to us! "RCIA" stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. It’s the process by which adults come into full communion with the Catholic Church. It’s free, childcare is provided, we have a lot of fun and we always have something good to eat! If you have questions, feel free to email me at billberry100@aol.com.

Fr. Freddy invites you to A Holy Land Experience!

Treat yourself or a loved one to an adventure of a lifetime—a pilgrimage to the Holy Land with a Catholic Bible scholar, historian, and New York Times best-selling author as your guide. Directed by Dr. Marcellino D’Ambrosio (known as “Dr. Italy” on Catholic radio and TV), the trip departs on April 29, 2019, and returns on May 9, 2019. This trip, with wonderful times of prayer, liturgy & music daily under the spiritual direction of Fr. Freddy Perez, promises to be a fascinating journey into a deeper life in Christ and richer understanding of the Bible. For more information online, visit www.goholyland.info or call Cyndi from the Crossroads Initiative at 214-882-7262. Act now--the remaining places are going fast!——
20 enero 2019, **Il domingo de Tiempo Ordinario, ciclo “C”**.

“**HAGAN LO QUE EL LES Diga**”

Todo milagro es signo de que Dios está con Jesús, más aún de que Jesús es Dios; pues como llegaron a manifestar algunos de sus contemporáneos: “Si hago obras de Dios, crean a las obras” “Mujer, déjame, todavía no ha llegado mi hora”. A la delicada petición de la madre, Jesús –igual que a los doce años– responde que no se meta en la forma de realizar su misión, que es un mandato del Padre. No es el momento, no es todavía “su hora”, la hora del poder de su palabra y sus milagros, que culminará en la cruz, resurrección, ascensión y entronización en los cielos. La circunstancia prevista era la próxima Pascua en Jerusalén, en que Jesús –dice Juan– hizo muchos milagros (Jn 2,23) ... Sin embargo, María sabe que, pese a eso y respetando plenamente la voluntad del Padre, siempre hay lugar para la misericordia y la benevolencia en el corazón de aquel Padre, que se rinde a la oración humilde y confiada y se arrepiente de sus amenazas si el pecador se arrepiente. Nos recuerda la rebaja en las exigencias a Abrahán cuando le anuncia que destruirá a Sodoma y Gomorra (Ge 18) ... La circunstancia prevista era la próxima Pascua en Jerusalén, en que Jesús –dice Juan– hizo muchos milagros (Jn 2,23) ... Sin embargo, María sabe que, pese a eso y respetando plenamente la voluntad del Padre, siempre hay lugar para la misericordia y la benevolencia en el corazón de aquel Padre, que se rinde a la oración humilde y confiada y se arrepiente de sus amenazas si el pecador se arrepiente. Nos recuerda la rebaja en las exigencias a Abrahán cuando le anuncia que destruirá a Sodoma y Gomorra (Ge 18) ... La circunstancia prevista era la próxima Pascua en Jerusalén, en que Jesús –dice Juan– hizo muchos milagros (Jn 2,23) ...

Hermana Gertrudis Muñoz Mendieta I.C.A.S.

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**Engaged Encounter**, Encuentro de Novios, para las relaciones que buscan el sacramento del matrimonio es un retiro que les preparará para el sacramento y el resto de su vida. Proximo retiro en Odessa sere Marzo 1-3 para mas informes hablen con el Padre Freddy a la oficina 432-520-7394.

**Reunión obligatoria para padres y servidores de altar**

Cuándo: Lunes, 4 de febrero de 2019.
Hora: 6:00 - 7:30
Dónde: Santuario de la Iglesia.
Asunto: Nuevas inversiones para servidores, actualizaciones de información.

No estamos teniendo entrenamiento para servidores en esta reunión. Sin embargo, estamos solicitando que asistan todos los servidores y los padres para que podamos compartir información sobre las nuevas inversiones que deben solicitarse y, lo que es más importante, medir todos los servidores para las nuevas inversiones. Planeamos tener una breve reunión informativa y luego medir los servidores. No tendremos pizza para que las familias puedan irse tan pronto como terminemos de medir.
Carlos and Antonia, who lost their first child, a son, in the second trimester of their pregnancy, were eagerly awaiting the birth of their second child, a daughter. Christina arrived two months early. Her lungs were underdeveloped. Antonia spent two months in the hospital recovering from her difficult delivery. Christina also remained in the hospital in an incubator to help her breathe. It was determined that Christina needed to be in a Dallas hospital, and so the couple packed up and moved to be with their baby girl. She remained in the hospital for an additional 3 months, struggling to survive, but in the end she, like her brother, went to heaven.

Carlos and Antonia had pleaded with the manager of the apartment complex they lived in to please hold their apartment until they could return to Midland. They explained why they had been in Dallas. When they returned to Midland they found that they had no place to live. The apartment complex they had stayed in had evicted the couple for non-payment. All of their possessions were confiscated. They used what little money they could scrape up to bury their daughter next to their son. They found a small motel room, and both of them returned to their jobs, which had been held for them during this tragic ordeal. The cost of the motel room ate up their income as soon as they got it and, like so many other motel residents in Midland right now, they found themselves trapped, unable to save up enough to get their own place. We met with Antonia. She proudly showed us pictures of her little girl. The first two pictures showed her in the incubator, with tubes attached to her body. The third picture showed her precious baby after death, lying peacefully in her little white baptismal gown, and finally free of the tubes. The young mother gently caressed the picture and with tears in her eyes, she smiled as she looked at her little angel.

We were privileged to help this young couple move into another apartment. There they can grieve the loss of their children. Please pray that this couple finds healing and is one day able to have that family that they yearn for so desperately!

STORE NEWS
Stop by our jewelry cases up front and check out our ever-changing selection of James Avery, Brighton, sterling silver, gold and other assorted brands. It’s not too early to start thinking about Valentine’s Day! And remember…all of your purchases go to assist the poor of Midland with their rent, utilities and medical needs.

Helping Hands is an all-volunteer organization. If you are interested in joining our family, please call Mary at (432) 528-6265 anytime.

**NOTE: NO BYOB is allowed due to change in church policy. Reservations may be mailed to Club Dance, P. O. Box 7421, Midland, TX 79708. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, January 23, 2019. For more information, please contact our Reservations Coordinator at: clubdancemidland@hotmail.com.**

Club Dance
St. Stephen’s Catholic Church
4601 Neely
Gloria Denman Ballroom

**DATE:** SATURDAY, January 26, 2019  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m
**COST/ATTIRE:** $30.00 per person/Casual  
**CATERER:** Felix Buenrostro with Catering Express
**MENU:** Beef and chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, beans, fiesta salad, chips & salsa, apple and peach cobbler, vanilla ice cream, tea and water.

Please remember to make advance reservations, if possible, for this dance so that we may have an accurate count for our wonderful caterer!

**NO ALCOHOL MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE BALLROOM BY INDIVIDUALS**

Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done in the past week:

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