



# Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock

Office of Communications

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## PASTORAL UPDATE: June 9, 2020

Planning a parish event? To choose the best date, visit our **DIOCESAN CALENDAR** (under Calendar at top of page) at [www.catholiclubbock.org](http://www.catholiclubbock.org).

Many events -- including retreats and jamaicas -- are listed.

Call us at 806-792-3943 or e-mail [pbehnke@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:pbehnke@catholiclubbock.org) with news about parish events of interest to the diocese by *noon on Tuesday*.

Sign up for weekly updates: [catholiclubbock@gmail.com](mailto:catholiclubbock@gmail.com)

## TOP NEWS – MOST RECENT

**REPORTING ABUSE OR NEGLECT:** Our clergy (bishop, priests, and deacons), seminarians, men and women in Consecrated Life, lay staff, and volunteers are trained to recognize and to report any disclosure or suspicion of physical abuse, sexual abuse, sexual assault, or neglect to the appropriate authorities. It is the policy of the Diocese of Lubbock to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to law enforcement. ([More information online](#)) Once local law enforcement, or the child abuse/vulnerable adult hotline have been called, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to Victim Assistance Coordinator Oscar Reyes at (806) 543-9178 or to diocesan officials.

**LIVE-STREAMED MASSES** and diocesan response to coronavirus- See [www.catholiclubbock.org](http://www.catholiclubbock.org)  
Masses from various parishes are livestreamed on Facebook.

**NOTE: The Catholic Pastoral Center is closed.** However, you may contact staff between 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. by calling (806) 792-3943.

**CAMP INVITATION FROM VOCATIONS OFFICE:** The Office for Vocations and Seminarian Education invites young men and women ages 13 to 17 to our annual Quo Vadis and Fiat Camp. The Quo Vadis Camp for young men will be held on August 3 to 5 and the Fiat Camp for young women will be held on August 5 to 7. The young men will depart from the Pastoral Center on Monday at 8:00 am and return on Wednesday at 2:00 pm. The young women will depart from the Pastoral Center on Wednesday at 3:00 pm and return on Friday at 4:00 pm. The cost for the camp is \$50.00 and will be held at Plains Baptist Camp in Floydada, TX. Transportation will be provided by the Diocese of Lubbock. The camps are led by priests, seminarians, deacons, deacon wives, women religious and lay men and women. For more information contact Father Rene Perez at [rperez@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:rperez@catholiclubbock.org).

**UTILITY ASSISTANCE**- Do you live in Lubbock County? Do you need help with energy bills or repairs to existing heating/AC units? Assistance is available! Contact Neighborhood House at (806) 589-1907. La asistencia está disponible ahora para fracturas de energía y reparaciones a calentadores o aires acondicionados. Llama Neighborhood House en español a (806) 775-2706. Debes vivir en el Condado de Lubbock.

**SOCIAL ISOLATION** - *Research on Impact of Young Adults Sheltering in place* highly recommends that trusted adults, particularly faith leaders, check on them to reduce anxiety and loneliness regarding COVID-19. Learn more about the impact of social isolation on young people (ages 13-25) by visiting: <https://www.springtideresearch.org/new-social-distancing-study/>

**YOUTH MINISTRY WEBINARS:** The National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM) has resources against racism, including a free webinar series on how to apply the USCCB's pastoral letter, "Open Wide Our Hearts" in a ministry context. Visit [www.nfcym.org/open-wide-our-hearts](http://www.nfcym.org/open-wide-our-hearts) for more details

**FARMER'S PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH** – Join with our farmers in prayer for a good harvest. (Page 5.)

**CENSUS INFORMATION** in English and Spanish can be found on the last page of this Update.

### COVID 19 ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

**PARISH DONATIONS:** Please continue to support your parishes during this time. You may go to the diocesan website or to <https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/dioceseoflubbockparishes> to make weekly offering online. DCA contributions can also be made online at <https://webview.shelbyinc.com/app/01236/Default.aspx?tabindex=1&tabid=17>

**FOOD AND FAMILY SUPPORT FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES** – Catholic Charities staff is available online at [www.cclubbock.org](http://www.cclubbock.org). (806) 765-8475. Most are working remotely.

For specific needs:

**Food for Your Family:** Fill out a form for assistance at [cclubbock.org/assistance](http://cclubbock.org/assistance). A case manager will call you to get additional information over the phone and via email. Go to South Plains Food Bank to pick up food when your case manager tells you.

**Support for Your Family:** Catholic Charities Youth and Family department is still here to help families' mental and emotional health. Case managers can help with family conflict, stress, anxiety and more. To be contacted by a case manager, fill out a form at [cclubbock.org/youth-and-families](http://cclubbock.org/youth-and-families).

### OFFICE FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND YOUTH

**RESOURCES FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:** Gathering Youth: [Models](#) and [Strategies](#); [Praying with Youth: Prayer Services, Liturgy, Youth and Mass, Adoration \(a sample process\)](#) [Forming Youth: Adolescent Catechesis/Confirmation](#) - print and online resources, articles and research from the *National Initiative on Adolescent Catechesis* developed by the *Partnership for Adolescent Catechesis*.

New contact: Jenna Chang – [jchang@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:jchang@catholiclubbock.org)

## OFFICE FOR EVANGELIZATION AND FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

**DIRECTOR CHANGES:** The Evangelization and Family Faith Formation Division is pleased to announce the following changes: Director of Young Adult, Campus, and Youth Ministry: Jenna Chang, OV Director of Marriage and Family Life: Deacon Juan Cavazos. (In addition to his work with prison ministry and Diaconal Ministry and Formation)

**WEBSITE FOR RCIA DIRECTORS & COORDINATORS:** TeamRCIA provides articles, webinars and Community Chats to help leaders of the RCIA process. Not familiar with the team? Sign up and receive valuable ideas & helps. *Conversion Happens Here* <https://teamrcia.com/>

## OFFICE FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

**COUPLES, MARRIAGE & FAMILY COUNSELING:** Affordable couples, marriage and family counseling available at the TTU Family Therapy Clinic. For an appointment, call 806-742-3074. Services are provided by grad students under supervision. You may ask for a Christian/Catholic counselor when making an appointment.

**YOUTH COUNSELING:** FREE counseling for youth ages 17 and under and their families available through Catholic Charities throughout all the counties in our Diocese at 806-765-8475.

***Are you or someone in MARRIAGE MINISTRY at your parish needing to:*** Promote your parish's couples' retreat or family event? Find new marriage prep programs or studies to try for ministry? Form and train your parish's marriage ministry team? Offer resources for hurting families and troubled marriages? Figure out practical ways to support healthy marriages and families?

***If you answered YES to any of the above statements, the Marriage and Family Life Office can help.*** Contact Deacon Juan Cavazos for more details at 806-792-3943 or [jcavazos@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:jcavazos@catholiclubbock.org)

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**HOLY SPIRIT PRESCHOOL & PARENTS DAY OUT** registration for the 2020-21 school year is open. Class availability limited, offered on first come, first served basis. For more information: Kim Zaccardo- 806-698-1668.

**CHRIST THE KING CATHEDRAL SCHOOLS:** Have you always wanted to have a Catholic education for your children or grandchildren? Enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year continues! Now is your opportunity to see what Christ the King Cathedral School and Diocese of Lubbock Catholic High School offer our students and their families -- a quality education that educates children in their faith as well as academics and leadership skills to become successful disciples for life. Though the current situation is restricting in-person tours of our classrooms, information can still be provided via email so you can learn more about what makes CTKC School and DCHS great places for your student and family! Tuition discounts are offered to families who are active and contributing members of all parishes in the Diocese of Lubbock. More information at [www.ctkcathedralschool.org](http://www.ctkcathedralschool.org), under Resources, or contact Becky King at [bking@ctkcathedralschool.org](mailto:bking@ctkcathedralschool.org). A short video from the dedicated staff can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/ctkschoollubbock>

## VOCATIONS OFFICE

**Vocation Blurb** –**Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ – June 13/14** – By sharing the body and blood of Christ we are sealing our covenant with God. We are given the gift of life and asked to share it with others. Give thanks for this sustaining gift. If you think God is calling you to be a priest or religious, contact the Vocations Office at 806-792-3943 ext. 226 or [rperez@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:rperez@catholiclubbock.org)

**Diocesan Priest** serves ordinary men who are responding to their call to holiness and offers guidance for the question: Is Jesus Christ calling me to be a Catholic priest? Visit [www.diocesanpriest.com](http://www.diocesanpriest.com)

## OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:** **Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ – June 13/14** – Among the compelling Eucharistic themes proclaimed in today’s readings is the notion of “participation” as found in Saint Paul’s letter to the Corinthians, or in other words, putting the Eucharist into action. Good stewards are part of a Eucharistic family that loves, welcomes and serves. An important part of living as a steward comes about in the many ways we can participate in the life of the Church. No matter how much time we have to give, no matter what our skills or interests, no matter what our level of commitment, there is a way to participate as a good steward to enrich our lives and the lives of others to build up the Body of Christ. During this time when people are anxious and fearful, what are we doing to welcome others, and to love and be of service to them.

**Solemnidad del Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo** - *Entre los temas eucarísticos convincentes proclamados en las lecturas de hoy está la noción de “participación” como se encuentra en la carta de San Pablo a los corintios, o en otras palabras, poner la Eucaristía en acción. Los buenos corresponsables son parte de una familia eucarística que ama, acoge y sirve. Una parte importante de vivir como corresponsables se produce de muchas maneras en que podemos participar en la vida de la Iglesia. No importa cuánto tiempo tengamos que dar, no importa cuáles sean nuestras habilidades o intereses, no importa cuál sea nuestro nivel de compromiso, hay una manera de participar como un buen corresponsable para enriquecer nuestras vidas y las vidas de los demás para construir el Cuerpo de Cristo durante este tiempo, cuando las personas están ansiosas y temerosas, ¿qué estamos haciendo para dar la bienvenida a los demás, amarlos y servirles?*

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**OUR LADY OF VICTORY RADIO:** Visit 102.9 FM website at <http://www.olvradio.com> to hear live streaming of EWTN. For program schedule, please see <http://www.ewtn.com/radio/schedule.asp>.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA RADIO- Plainview:** Tune in to LP 100.7 FM 24 hours a day, seven days a week! Mass streamed live on Sundays at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

**TWITTER:** *Bishop Coerver is now on Twitter. You can follow him @BishopLubbock.*  
<https://twitter.com/BishopLubbock>

**CONNECT WITH THE DIOCESE OF LUBBOCK:** Follow: @CatholicLubbock on Twitter & Instagram  
**SEND South Plains Catholic** story ideas, stories, and photos (including names and explanations) to: PO Box 98700, Lubbock, Texas 79499-8700, or [lflores@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:lflores@catholiclubbock.org). The next deadlines are:

**EDITION DATE:** July     **DEADLINE:** June 19

**SAVE THE DATE** - Kaleidoscope family conferences-**February 13, 2021.**

**JAMAICAS/FIESTAS**

**July 12** - Morton Saint Ann, Cochran County Park, 11 a.m.

**September 19** –Woodrow San Ramon

**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

O my sweet Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all others and above all things. I earnestly desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, I pray

that you will please come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there, and unite myself to you with all my heart and soul.

I pray that you will never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

**CONTRITION** – Perfect and imperfect

**IN THE ABSENCE OF CONFESSION.** . . Remember your First Confession and being taught we must be sorry for our sins to be forgiven?

**There are two types of sorrow (contrition) for sins.**

-Imperfect Contrition -- focus on ourselves, fear of even greater punishment. –Perfect Contrition -- focuses on the Other. Not the fear of hell, rather offending One who is all-loving. Perfect Contrition focuses on the relationship rather than the sin, the Redeemer rather than oneself.

**Why seek out the Sacrament of Reconciliation?**

-Personal abandonment to the Mercy and Grace of God

**What about now with the pandemic and “shelter in place?”** - Rely on the words of Psalm 103:8, *“Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger, abounding in mercy.”*

- With Perfect Contrition, seek the Lord.

- Allow His Grace to penetrate the core of your being.

-Earnestly pray an Act of Contrition. - Resolve to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as soon as possible.

-Continue to restore your relationship with the Lord.

-Be confident that His Love is greater than our offenses; His mercy is everlasting.

Farmer's Prayer to Saint Joseph

O glorious Saint Joseph, foster father of Jesus, you did provide for the Holy Family. We commit to your protection all our crops and farm industries. Deign, we beseech you, to intercede in our behalf with Almighty God, who rules the seasons, so that our fields being safe from pests and favored by the weather, may yield abundant crops that will allow us to supply the wants of life. Thus freed from earthly worries may we after your example apply all our thoughts to eternal life.

We beseech you to instill a love of the land into the hearts of our youth for their own salvation and that of Christian unity so that we may all share hereafter in the same blissful life you enjoy in heaven. Amen.



Help businesses decide where to locate or expand, which also leads to new jobs. Census data also dictates if job training programs are needed, including vocational rehabilitation and job services for people with disabilities. By filling out your 2020 Census questionnaire, you're making sure you and your community count to ensure an accurate and complete count of your city and state.

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Ayude a las empresas a decidir dónde localizarse o expandirse, lo que también conduce a nuevos puestos de trabajo. Los datos del censo también dictan si se necesitan programas de capacitación laboral, incluidos los servicios de rehabilitación vocacional y de empleo para personas con discapacidades. Al completar su cuestionario del Censo 2020 se está asegurando de que usted y su comunidad cuenten para garantizar un conteo preciso y completo de su ciudad y estado.

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