

**ADULT CONFIRMATION**

Any adult 19 years of age or older who want to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation please call the office at 432-714-4930 to sign up for Confirmation classes.

The classes will begin Jan. 14, 2018. If you complete all the studies, you will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, March 5, 2018.

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**BAPTISM RETREAT**

Saturday, January 27, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, we will be having a Baptism Retreat. If you have a child from 0 to 7 years old and has not been baptized, please call the office to register for the retreat.

Also, if you are being asked to be a sponsor of baptism this retreat is needed. Call the office and register.

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**SERVING STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS  
WORKSHOP**

**Sponsored by LOYOLA PRESS**

Please join us to learn how to begin and implement programs for students with special needs in your parish! Information and strategies available for DREs, CREs, CYMs, Catechists and Families.

If interested in attending the workshop please call the office, 714-4930

**The workshop will be on Sunday, January 14, 2018 from 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 804 Ford St. in San Angelo, TX.**

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**PEACE BEGINS IN OUR HEARTS**

Peace begins in the heart and moves outward. If we're not at peace within ourselves, conflict will find its way into our daily interactions with others. If our families and neighborhoods are not at peace, turmoil in our cities will spread. As we begin the new year, make a commitment to focus on peace through prayer, through meditation, through working for justice.

—from The Peace of Christmas: Quiet Reflections from Pope Francis by Diane M. Houdek



**RETIREMENT RECEPTION**

**In honor of the 10 years of service that Richard Light has given to the church we will be having a reception for his retirement this Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 6:00 PM, right after the 5:00 PM Mass. Reception will be held in Our Lady of Guadalupe Family Center, everyone is welcome to join us for this celebration.**

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**PROJECT ANDREW**

We are having an event called Project Andrew, a discernment event for men, to be held Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 6:00 PM at St. Stephen's Parish in Midland. Bishop Michael Sis will be hosting the event. The schedule includes dinner, prayer, presentations on priesthood and an opportunity for the participants to meet priests of our diocese and find out more about the ministerial priesthood.

The inspiration for Project Andrew comes from the account in the Gospel of John where Andrew invites his brother Simon to come and meet the Lord Jesus.

The target age group includes men ages 15 to 45. Please call the office, 714-4930, to register for the event by Thursday, February 1, 2018.

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**HEALTH SCANS**

Representative from the Health Scan company will be here on this weekend, Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Affordable, painless, ultrasound screenings for the early detection and prevention of:

- Stroke Screening/Carotid artery
- AFIB Screening (arterial fibrillation)
- Abdominal Aorta Aneurysm

And Vital Organ Screenings such as Thyroid, Gall Bladder, Liver and Kidneys.

Pre-registration will be held after each Mass for the ultrasound screening event that is scheduled for January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Pro-life Hotline...1-800-395-HELP**



**January 7** "Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. ... Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all."  
For the times we are afraid to welcome life: May the Lord fill our hearts with confidence in His loving care and provide for every need, we pray to the Lord.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Fridays starting after the 7:00 AM Mass till Noon in the side Chapel.

**Pro-Life Rosary** from 12 to 12:15 PM

**Benediction** - after the rosary.

**PRAYER MEETING – ENGLISH**

All are welcome on Wednesdays at 7 PM in East Room to join us for praise, teaching, and prayer for healing.

**LADIES BIBLE STUDY**

Ladies Bible Study will be Monday, January 8, 2018. Please join us at 12:00 PM for great studies and fellowship.

**Catholic Inquiry Class**

Do you know someone who is always asking you Why Do Catholics Genuflect, Worship Idols, And Mary?? Have a friend or loved one who is thinking about joining the Catholic Church, or are you a baptized Catholic adult in need of Reconciliation (Confession), First Communion, and Confirmation? New comers welcome.

**Class on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Family Center.**

**SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH**



**FRANCISCO CAMACHO**

Francisco is 1<sup>st</sup> year Philosophy at Conception Seminary. He is from Midland, Texas and his birthday is April 29, 1999. Francisco's favorite food is Pizza and he likes playing the saxophone.

**PRAY FOR FRANCISCO!**

Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd,  
May young people in our parish  
Hear your call and follow your voice  
As they discern their vocations.  
Lead your people to heaven  
Through the ministry of holy priests  
And consecrated men and women.  
Jesus, we trust in you! Amen.

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Have you logged on to the see all the available videos, books and studies that can be done on this site?  
Go to [formed.org](http://formed.org), register under the parish, enter the Parish Code **NJK8TT** and enjoy!  
This is a free subscription.  
If you experience any problems, please call the office and we can assist.

**SICK VISITATION**

If Catholics cannot come to church, then the church comes to them (priest/communion). Please call the office, 714-4930, to give us the names of the people who would like to receive Holy Communion or have a visit from the priest.

**MARRIAGE**

Please call the office, 714-4930, at least six months prior to planning wedding.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR BAPTIZING:**

To baptize a child we require Parents to provide the child's court-issued Birth Certificate. Parents must be registered in the Church. Godparents must provide a copy of their Baptismal, First Communion, and Confirmation Certificates. Married Godparents will also need to provide their certificate of marriage in the Catholic Church. For more information, please call the Parish Office, 714-4930.

Bautismo de niños/as los papás necesitan presentar el certificado de nacimiento de la corte del niño(a). Los padres deben estar registrados en la iglesia. Los padrinos necesitan presentar sus certificados de Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación. Los padrinos casados deben de presentar su certificado de matrimonio en la iglesia católica. Para más información por favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 714-4930.

**HALL RENTAL**

The new policy on the hall rental was approved on January 26, 2015 by the parish council and Msgr. Gully.

**Classroom Rental:**

Deposit \$50- Rental \$50- Insurance \$120

**School Hall Rental:**

Deposit \$50- Rental \$150- Insurance \$120

**OLG Family Center Rental:**

Deposit \$50- Rental \$300- Insurance \$120

The **deposit of \$50 is required** at the time of reservation.

The **insurance fee** must be sent to San Angelo Diocese **30 days before the event.**

**SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE  
12/31/17**

Mass	Attendance	Communion
5:00 PM	222	161
8:30 AM	Canceled	
11:00 AM	Canceled	
<b>Total</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>161</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul 270-5029</b>		

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND,  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 13<sup>th</sup>  
AND SUNDAY, JANUARY 14<sup>th</sup>**



St. Vincent de Paul St. Vincent helps the surrounding counties of Howard, Martin and Glasscock.

**SECOND COLLECTION THE  
WEEKEND, SATURDAY,  
JANUARY 27<sup>th</sup>  
AND SUNDAY, JANUARY  
28<sup>th</sup>**

Catholic Schools Annual Collection - The Catholic Schools of the Diocese of San Angelo continue to provide a fervent commitment to educational excellence and Catholic formation grounded in faith and service.

The Diocese of San Angelo has three Catholic schools serving the youth of the diocese: Angelo Catholic School in San Angelo, St. Ann's School in Midland, and St. Mary's Central Catholic School of Odessa.

**Faithfully United as the  
Trinity**

**Unidos Fielmente como la  
Trinidad**



**Sunday Collection  
12/31/2017**

**Envelope \$2,593.00**  
**Loose \$1,575.00**  
**Total \$4,168.00**  
**CHRISTMAS**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
GENEROSITY!**

*“Take care to guard  
against all greed, for  
though one may be rich,  
one’s life does not consist  
of possessions.” Luke  
12:15*

Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not store up or hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle.

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

**Larry’s Body Shop**



**SCHEDULE OF ENGLISH  
ULTREYAS**

All are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.

**Tuesday, January 16,  
2018 at 7:00 PM-** in the St. Francis Room

**SPANISH ULTREYA**

Todos los lunes, 7:00 PM en el salón de St. Frances. Todos están invitados a venir y disfrutar de la beca.



The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things. Epiphany comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man.

**PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED AND THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED:**  
We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of the late **Fermin Florez Jr. and Ruben Ortiz**, who died this past week. We commend their souls and the intentions of the family to our continuing prayers.

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**  
Jimmy DeLeon Jr., Nora Landin, Guadalupe Ornelas, Jeff Moery, Jesse Loya Jr., Melissa Gonzales, Mary Ann Franco, Martin Castaneda, Josephine Uranga. Call the office at 714-4930 to add the names in the bulletin. **Only the person needing, or immediate family member may request to be added to the prayer list.**





“They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.”

— Matthew 2:10-11

**Readings for the Week of  
January 7, 2018**

**Sunday The Epiphany of the Lord** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**Monday The Baptism of the Lord** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mk 1:7-11

**Tuesday** 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday** 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

**Friday** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17

**Sunday Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**



[HT] January 7 – +Lupe Ortiz



**SATURDAY, January 6, 2018**

5:00 PM Mass – [HT] All Souls in Purgatory by Gary & Violanda Harris; +Alex Escañuelas by Yolanda Escañuelas; +Luis Rios Sr. by Concha DeLeon; Deceased Rubio Family by Friend; +Reyes Delira-Padilla by Saldaña Family; +Richard Torino by Mary Chavez; +Lori & +Eddie Sr. DeLeon by Concha DeLeon; Blessed Mother-In Thanksgiving by Cruz & Elyse Salazar; +Juan Rodriguez by Rodriguez Family

**SUNDAY, January 7, 2018**

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; San Judas Tadeo Apostol by Jose Enrique Gonzalez
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] +Melba Chavez by Manuel Chavez & Family; +Lupe Ortiz by Wanda Anderson; +Virginia Diaz by Petra Rios-Rios; +Narcissa Abundez 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv. Of Death by Jimmy & Nellie Robles; +Elvira & +Jose Sr. Hilario, by Elsa Hilario; +Jose Jr., & +Guadalupe Hilario by Elsa Hilario; +Manuel Sosa by Cecilia Trevino; Our Lady of Guadalupe-Thanksgiving by Demetria Reyna; +Theresa Lewis by Family

**MONDAY, January 8, 2018**

- 7:00 AM [HT] NO MASS
- 10:30 AM Mass [BSSCC] +Melba Chavez by Manuel Chavez & Family

**TUESDAY, January 9, 2018**

- 12:15 PM Mass [HT] +Conception Anderson by Wanda Anderson

**WEDNESDAY, January 10, 2018**

- 7:00 PM Mass [HT] +Josie DeLeon by Rudy DeLeon & Family

**THURSDAY, January 11, 2018**

- 7:00 AM [HT] Mass Our Lady of Carmel by Cecilia Trevino

**FRIDAY, January 12, 2018**

- 10:00 AM Mass [STATE] COMMUNION SERVICE
- 7:00 AM Mass [HT] Special Intention by Cruz & Arthur Olague

**SATURDAY, January 13, 2018**

5:00 PM Mass – [HT] +Melba Chavez by Manuel Chavez & Family; St. Anthony; +Dr. William Cox by Elida Hinojos; +Cruz Morón by Wanda Anderson; +Jesusita & +Gilbert Hinojos by Elida Hinojos; For All Deceased Veterans by T.J. Stewart; For the Protection of All Animals by T.J. Stewart; Health of Rocky Ramirez by Essie & Lupe Ortiz; Blessed Mother – In Thanksgiving by Cruz Salazar & Brenda Nack

**SUNDAY, January 14, 2018**

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] +Herminia Hernandez by Mary Vera
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; +Virginia Diaz by Petra Rios-Rios; +Theresa Lewis by Louise & Stephen Montgomery; +Antonio C. Arispe by Joe & Mary Martinez; In Thanksgiving by Demetria Reyna; +Fermin Florez Jr. by Florez Family; Lisa & Anita Reyna by Demetria Reyna; Brenly Garce Cline-Successful Day Surgery by Bill & Grace Phelps; +Cynthia H. Stuhlmiller by Grace & Bill Phelps



**Sunday's Reflections**  
*Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6*

**SECRET PLAN**

The birth of Jesus became the worst kept secret in the history of the world. All along, people knew God had a plan. God had told everyone from Adam and Eve, to Abraham and Sara, to Moses and Miriam, to David and Bathsheba, to Hosea and Gomer, to Mary and Joseph that there was a plan. Nobody fully understood it. Nobody knew how God would bring the plan to fulfillment. But they all believed. They had seen God work mighty deeds in their lives, and they believed that one day the promise of redemption would be fulfilled.

Jesus was God's secret. When Jesus was born in humble surroundings outside of royalty and pageantry, only a handful of people even began to realize what God had done.

But the secret got out. Angels appeared in the sky. Shepherds showed up. And Magi traveled from a faraway land. Everyone was finding out God's two great surprises: Jesus was born as the promised Messiah, and he came not just for his own race, but for all the people of the world.

The Letter to the Ephesians says, God's mystery "was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit." Jesus was born, and he came to save each of us, no matter what family we came from, what we believed, or how we behaved. The mystery of God's love is open now to the whole world. That is the epiphany, the revelation of God's secret.

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