

**LENT SCHEDULE**

**Stations of the Cross and Confessions -- Fridays  
6:00 pm Via Cruces cada Viernes**

**Friday, February 23, 2018 –CCI**

Enchilada Dinner starting at 5:30 PM, Family Center

**Friday, March 2, 2018 - ---Olaque Family**

**Friday, March 9, 2018 - KC's**

**Friday, March 16, 2018 –English Cursillo**

**Friday, March 23, 2018 - Spanish Cursillo**

**Tuesday, February 27, 2018 - LENTEN PENANCE  
SERVICE-7:00 PM**

**LENTEN LUNCHEONS – 12:00 PM**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2018 - Holy Trinity Catholic  
Church - Pastor Craig Holstedt**

**Wednesday, February 28, 2018 - First Methodist  
Church - Pastor Mark Lindsey**

**Wednesday, March 7, 2018 - First Baptist Church - Lt.  
Rachel McKain**

**Wednesday, March 14, 2018 - Salvation Army - Pastor  
Derrell Patterson**

**Wednesday, March 21, 2018 - Episcopal Church -  
Msgr. Bernard Gully**

**DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS –**

**Thursday, March 22, 2018 – 11:00 AM - Sacred Heart  
Cathedral, San Angelo**

**Pilgrimage**

**Virgen de San Juan Basilica  
San Juan, Texas**



Sponsored by the Guadalupana Sociedad from San  
Angelo

April 28-30, 2018

Pilgrimage will include visiting the surrounding area  
churches. A special presentation by Author/Priest Jorge  
Gomez, Rector of the Basilica on his book the *Virgen de  
Guadalupe*.

Please call Lupe 325-262-0001; Alma 325-212-1288;  
Martha 325-655-4427 or Manuel 325-651-5874.

**THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE  
RELIGIOUS LIFE**

Young ladies 8<sup>th</sup> grade and up to age 35

Parents and grandparents who have questions and want to  
learn about Religious Life

Young Adults who want to help to promote Vocations

Join us on

Saturday, March 3, 2018

St. Stephens Parish

4601 Neely Ave.

Midland, TX 79707

9:30 am – 4:00 pm with Evening Mass at 5:00 pm

There will be various Religious Sisters available with  
information about their communities.

Breakout sessions include:

1. The life of Sisters- How they live
2. Understanding the Vows
3. A Parent's experience – Having a daughter as a Sister
4. What Sisters do – Ministry

For more information please contact Kristie in the Vocations  
Office at 325-651-7500

Email – [kgarcia@sanangelodiocese.org](mailto:kgarcia@sanangelodiocese.org)

**HOLY THURSDAY CANDLES**


**Holy Thursday Candles will be sold for \$4.00 each. You  
can order your candles by calling the office, 714-4930.  
Candles must be paid for by Friday, March 23, 2018.**

**JESUS IS KNOCKING**

In the book of Revelation, we find a powerful image of the Lord  
who knocks on the door of our hearts, and waits to be  
welcomed inside: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If  
anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will enter his  
house and dine with him, and he with me" (Revelation 3:20).

Jesus knocks at the door of our hearts and eagerly desires to  
dine with us at the sacrificial meal we call the Eucharist. He  
wishes to find us ready to receive him, to sit down and eat with  
him, in the upper rooms of our lives.

—from Monsignor Peter J. Vaghi's book Meeting God in the  
Upper Room: Three Moments to Change Your Life

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



**February 18** "Many parents want perfect children. Our culture is obsessed with perfection—a superficial perfection. Photos are airbrushed, and social media sites depict seemingly perfect lives. God calls us to seek perfection, too. He does not call us, however, to perfection of appearance or abilities, but to perfection in love."

In this Lenten season, may God show us the way of compassionate respect for all human life, we pray to the Lord.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Program

**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 meeting on Mondays. 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, February 19, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Family Center.**

**SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH**



**MAURICIO ROMERO**

Mauricio is 1<sup>st</sup> year Philosophy at Conception Seminary. He is from Odessa, Texas and his birthday is November 17, 1998. Mauricio's favorite food is Pizza and he likes playing the guitar and reading.

**PRAY FOR MAURICIO!**

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.

**Formed.org**

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**  
02/11/18

Mass	Attendance	Communion
5:00 PM	201	112
8:30 AM	176	103
11:00 AM	271	143
<b>Total</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>358</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b> <b>270-5029</b>		

**MSGR. GULLY'S SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> thru Wednesday,  
February 21<sup>st</sup> of 2018 – Priest Convocation  
– San Angelo



**SECOND COLLECTIONS**  
**FOR THE MONTH OF**  
**FEBRUARY**

Saturday, February 17 &  
Sunday, February 18, 2018 –  
Black & Indian  
Missions/Catholic Extension  
Society

Saturday, February 24 &  
Sunday, February 25, 2018 –  
St. Vincent de Paul

Faithfully United as the  
Trinity

Unidos Fielmente como la  
Trinidad



Sunday Collection  
02/11/2018

Envelope	\$6,611.00
Loose	<u>\$2,543.72</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,155.22</b>

**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**

**STATE FARM  
ADRIAN CALVIO**



**SCHEDULE OF ENGLISH  
ULTREYAS**

All are invited to come and  
enjoy the fellowship.

**Tuesday, February 20,  
2018 at 7:00 PM - NO  
ULTREYA**

**Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at  
7:00 PM-** in the St. Francis  
Room

**Tuesday, March 20, 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.

**ASH WEDNESDAY  
BLESSING**

Merciful God,

Your called us forth from  
the dust of the earth; you  
claimed us for Christ in the  
waters of Baptism. Look  
upon us as we enter these  
Forty Days bearing the mark  
of ashes and bless our  
journey through the desert  
of Lent to the font of rebirth.

May our fasting be hunger  
for justice; our alms, a  
making of peace; our  
prayer, the chant of humble  
and grateful hearts.

All that we do and pray is in  
the name of Jesus, for in his  
Cross you proclaim your  
love forever and ever.

**Amen.**

**PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED  
AND THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED:**  
We extend our sincere sympathy to the family  
of the late **Jose Ontiveros and Vickie  
Gonzales**, who died this past week. We  
commend their souls and the intentions of the  
family to our continuing prayers.

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**  
Luciano Rodriguez, Moses Cannales, Carmen  
Harbour, D. J. Hernandez, Elisa Martinez, Ramona  
Acosta, Debra Torres, Maria Dominguez, Ronnie Ruiz,  
Crissy Hinojos, Destiny Garcia. 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.**



The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert...

— Mark 1:12

**Readings for the Week of  
February 18, 2018**

**Sunday First Sunday of Lent** Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

**Monday** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

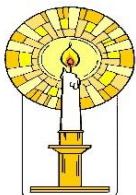
**Thursday The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle** 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19

**Friday Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

**Sunday Second Sunday of Lent** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**



[HT] February 18 – Gabi M. & Alicia R.



**SATURDAY, February 17, 2018**

5:00 PM Mass – [HT] +Eddie DeLeon & +Amparo Franco by *Rudy DeLeon & Family*; +Luis Valverde-Death Anniversary by *Saldana Family*; Juanita F. Dessi D. & Lori C. by *Demetria Reyna*; +Fermin Florez Jr by *Florez Family*; Alicia M. Rivera-B'day by *Salazar Family*; +Eduardo Flores-Death Anniversary by *Lucy F. Chavarria*; Nino de Praga-Thanksgiving by *Victor & Alicia Torres*; Shawn Olague by *Arthur & Cruz Olague*; +Marie Lopez-Death Anniversary by *Lucy F. Chavarria*

**SUNDAY, February 18, 2018**

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; +Chila Serrato by *Wanda Anderson*
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] +Adolph Garcia by *Maria Garcia*; +Theresa Brito by *Brito Family*; +Henry Valverde by *Margie Valverde*; +Sevi Rocha by *Margie Valverde*; Ysa Rubio Jr. by *Ysa Sr., Sophia & Rubio Family*; +Sammy Arsiaga by *Petra Rios-Rios*; Norberto Ochotorena by *Gus Ochotorena Jr.*; St. Jude & Virgen de San Juan by *Patsy Sanchez*; +Conception Anderson by *Wanda Anderson*

**MONDAY, February 19, 2018**

- 7:00 AM [HT] NO MASS

**TUESDAY, February 20, 2018**

- 12:15 PM [HT] NO MASS

**WEDNESDAY, February 21, 2018**

- 7:00 PM [HT] Mass - Simon Saldana Jr. by *Saldaña Family*

**THURSDAY, February 22, 2018**

- 7:00 AM [HT] MASS - +Jesse Valverde – Heavenly B'day by *Saldaña Family*
- 10:00 AM Mass [STATE] NO MASS

**FRIDAY, February 23, 2018**

- 7:00 AM [HT] MASS - Doroteo Alviar III B'day by *D.J. & Nina Alviar*

**SATURDAY, February 24, 2018**

5:00 PM Mass – [HT] +Josie DeLeon by *Rudy DeLeon & Family*; +Gabriel DeLeon & +Phillips Mendoza by *Rudy DeLeon & Family*; Seven Choirs of Angels-Special Intention by *G.M.L.*; +Reyes Delira-Padilla Heavenly B'day by *Saldaña Family*; \_Pedro & +Manuela Baltazar by *M/M Steve Escañuelas*; St. Jude – In Thanksgiving; Msgr Bernard Gully & All Priests by *Delma Valencia*; +Jose Ortega Jr & Ortega Family by *Irma Ortega*; Juan & Lupe Diaz & Family by *Irma Ortega*

**SUNDAY, February 25, 2018**

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] San Judas Tadeo Apostol by *Jose Enrique Gonzalez*
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; +Henry Valverde by *Margie Valverde*; +Sevi Rocha by *Margie Valverde*; +Reynaldo Hernandez Sr. by *Elida Hernandez*; +A. Hernandez by *Elida Hernandez*; Henry & Cruz Hinojos by *Delma Valencia*; Anthony & Sammy Rodriguez by *Tina & Sammy Rodriguez*; +Lupe Ortiz by *Nora & Irma*; +Lupe Ortiz by *Jesus Ortiz*; +Delia O. Hoyte by *Jesus Ortiz*



**Sunday's Reflections**  
1 Peter 3:18-22

**THE FLOOD OF BAPTISM**

Lent starts with ashes and ends with water. On Ash Wednesday we confessed our sin before God, and on Easter we will witness baptisms and be sprinkled again with the water that recalls our rebirth in Christ.

For those who are already baptized, Lent attempts a thorough scouring. We spend these six weeks mindful of our transgressions, penitent in word and deed, anxious to reform our ways.

For the unbaptized, these six weeks embrace a serious preparation for the mystery of new life. There is a difference between those who are baptized and those who are not, as the First Letter of Peter makes clear.

That letter compares baptism to the story of Noah's ark. The flood waters separated the saved from the sinners. The letter even notes that eight persons were saved in the ark—Noah, his three sons, and all of their wives. This is one reason why some baptismal fonts have eight sides. They remind us that within these waters sin is destroyed and the good are saved.

We begin Lent in the ash of sin, and we end it with the promise of water. As we enter this sacred time, we look forward to the saving grace that God alone gives. God freely gives it to all of us who float in an ark of hope above the waters of temptation, till we reach the shore of eternal life.

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