

**CHURCH OFFICE**

The office will be closed Monday, December 24th and Tuesday, December 25th in observance of Christmas Day. The office will resume regular hours on Wednesday, December 26th.

The following week, the office will be closed Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1st in observance of New Year's Day. The office will resume regular hours on Wednesday, January 2nd.

WELCOME NEWCOMER'S

If you are new to our church, please register by obtaining a form from one of our Greeters and returning it to the office at 1009 Hearn.

PARISHIONERS UPDATE CENSUS FORM

Parishioners, if you have had a change of address or phone number please call the office at 714-4930 and update the census form.

ARE YOU RECEIVING THE WEST TEXAS ANGELUS?

Are you registered in the church and not receiving the West Texas Angelus? Please call the office at 714-4930 so this can be corrected.

DIOCESAN IMMIGRATION SERVICES AVAILABLE

The San Angelo Diocese Immigration Services in our three deaneries have been open for a few years. The services include processing documents for such things as Naturalization and Citizenship Applications, Alien Relative Petitions, Adjustment of Status Immigrations Benefit Applications, Temporary Protective Status, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival (Dream Act), Waiver of Disability, and Work Permits. If you or someone you know needs legal assistance with immigration, please contact the following: **San Angelo Immigration Services Office, Franciscan Resource Center, 133 W. Concho, Suite 111, San Angelo, TX 76903 325-703-2002.**

ADVENT SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 16, 2018 thru Monday, December 24, 2018 at 7:15 PM – Simbang Gabi Mass

Monday, December 24, 2018:

5:00 PM - Christmas Eve Mass

7:00 PM – Christmas Eve Mass

Tuesday, December 25, 2018 at 10:00 AM – Christmas Mass

Wednesday, December 26, 2018 – Communion Service.

Thursday, December 27, 2018 – Communion Service.

Friday, December 28, 2018 – Communion Service.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at 10:00 AM – New Year's Day Mass.

VACATION

Father Serafin will be on vacation from Wednesday, December 26th thru Thursday, January 10th.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS

If you or someone you know need the Sacrament of Confirmation, and are 18 years or older, please call the office and sign up.

Classes will be on Sunday afternoons, January 13, 20, 27 and February 10, 2019.

If you have any questions regarding this class, call 432-714-4930.

WORLD YOUTH DAY USA NEAR THE CONCHO RIVER

Join us on Saturday, January 26, 2019!

McNease Convention Center

9:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Young Adults ages 18-39 only

Fee: \$25 (includes lunch)

Hosted by the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis



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

December 23 "To couples who cannot have children of their own, you are no less loved by God; your love for each other is complete and fruitful when it is open to others."

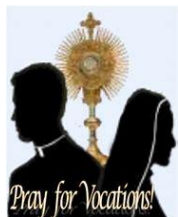
"Incluso si nosotros no pasamos dificultades para tener hijos, podemos ser canales de la misericordia de Dios para aquellos que sí pasan por ellas. Conozcamos maneras de mostrar compasión con sensibilidad en una breve lista de sugerencias en www.usccb.org/respectlife."

For married couples who long to welcome a child into their family: May the coming of the Christ Child bring hope and peace, we pray to the Lord.

Por las parejas casadas que anhelan acoger a un niño en su familia: para que la venida del Niño Jesús traiga esperanza y paz; roguemos al Señor.

– USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS!



Kevin, Lenius, Ryan Ramirez, Upton Sewell, Mike Elsner, Francisco Camacho, David Garcia, Mauricio Romero and Humberto Diaz.

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.

All interested in ACI, next class is Monday, January 14th at 6:30 PM in the family center. This is for new comers and those already in the program. Forms are at the entrance of the church to register for class. If you have questions please call the office, 432-714-4930.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

All are welcome on **Wednesdays at 6:30 PM** in East Room to join us for praise, teaching, and prayer for healing. Potluck on every 1st Wednesday of the month.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

Pro-Life Rosary from 12:00 PM to 12:15 PM

Benediction - after the rosary.

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, 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.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Join us at 12:00 PM on Wednesdays in the East Room for our Ladies Bible Study.

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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointing of the Sick is available by calling the office, 432-714-4930. If you have anyone needing the anointing call the office. Please do not wait till the last minute to call.

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 \$100

School Hall Rental:

Deposit \$50- Rental \$150- Insurance \$100

OLG Family Center Rental:

Deposit \$50- Rental \$300- Insurance \$100

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
12/16/18**

Mass	Attendance	Communion
5:00 PM	165	118
8:30 AM	225	116
11:00 AM	350	178
Total	740	412
St. Vincent de Paul 270-5029		

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY

Saturday, January 12 & Sunday, January 13, 2019 – St. Vincent de Paul



Saturday, January 26, 2019 & Sunday, January 27, 2019 – Catholic Schools Annual Collection

NO CCE CLASSES

HAVE A MERRY AND SAFE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS!

CLASSES RESUME

Wednesday, January 9, 2019 for Jr Hi and Hi School.

Sunday, January 13, 2019 for the Elementary Classes.

Faithfully United as the Trinity
Unidos Fielmente como la Trinidad



**Sunday Collection
12/16/2018**

Envelope	\$6,148.00
Loose	\$2,697.50
Children 's	\$15.98
Total	\$8,861.48
St. Vincent	\$3,908.43

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



NOVEMBER 2018

**Monthly Income for November
\$38,362.83**

**Monthly Expenses for November
\$39,420.98**

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

FAYE'S FLOWERS



SCHEDULE OF ENGLISH ULTREYAS

All are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM-in the East Room

Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 7:00 PM-in the East Room

SPANISH ULTREYA

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

CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN INITIATION 'CCI' CLASS
No class until Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 6:00 PM – 6:45 PM



"Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

- Luke 1:42

The Magic of
Christmas
is not in the presents
but in *His* presence

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED AND THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED:
We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of the late **Hortencia Martinez and Socorro Correa** who died this past week. We commend their souls and the intentions of the family to our continuing prayers.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK
Johnny Flores, Albert Robles, Steve Escañuelas, Lucy Cruz, John & Margie Rodriguez. 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.**

**Readings for the Week of
December 23, 2018**

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

Monday Morning Mass: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79
Vigil Mass: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday Solemnity of The Nativity of the Lord — Christmas Night Mass: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn Mass: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day Mass: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Wednesday Feast of Saint Stephen, the First Martyr Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17; Mt 10:17-22

Thursday Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Friday Feast of The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Saturday Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Sunday Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

SANCTUARY CANDLE


December 23 – Leticia & Bella Mendoza

MASS INTENTIONS
SATURDAY, December 22, 2018

5:00 PM Mass – [HT] +Pedro & +Manuela Baltazar by *M/M Steve Escañuelas*; +Gary & +Ginny Flores by *Luz Martinez*; +Michael, +Jose Sr. & +Maria by *Nora Morales*; **St. Jude-In Thanksgiving** by *Rita Franco*; +Jimmy DeLeon by *Rudy DeLeon*; **Randy Ortega B'day** by *Irma Ortega*; +Dr. William Cox by *Elida Bernal*; +George Martinez by *Luz Martinez*; +Helen Rodriguez by *Gary & Violanda Harris*

SUNDAY, December 23, 2018

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] +Francisco & +Merced Escovedo by *Erlinda Rios*
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] +Aida D. Sanchez & +Gilbert Duron by *Diane Ewing*; +Jesse James Collins by *Connie Alvarado & Family*; +Bernabe, +Pascuala & +Petra Ruiz by *Jr. & Dora Escañuelas*; +Bonnie Cantu by *Delfina Leos*; +Theresa Lewis by *Chance Urias*; +Esequiel Hernandez by *Brian Hernandez*; **St. Martin by Librada M. Lopez**; **Deceased Guadalupanas** by *Guadalupana Society*; +Tereso R. Molina by *Molina Family*

MONDAY, December 24, 2018

- 5:00 PM [HT] 2018 Deceased Members of Holy Trinity by *Victor & Alicia Torres*
- 7:00 PM [HT] +Luis Rios by *Erlinda Rios*

TUESDAY, December 25, 2018

- 10:00 AM [HT] +Domingo S. Rocha & +Leo Salazar by *Sylvia S. Rocha*

WEDNESDAY, December 26, 2018

- 7:00 PM [HT] COMMUNION SERVICE

THURSDAY, December 27, 2018

- 10:00 AM [BSSH] COMMUNION SERVICE
- 12:15 PM [HT] COMMUNION SERVICE

FRIDAY, December 28, 2018

- 7:00 AM [HT] COMMUNION SERVICE

SATURDAY, December 29, 2018

5:00 PM Mass – [HT] +Damas J.D. Barrera B'day by *Gary & Violanda Harris*; +Eddie Sr. & +Lori DeLeon by *Concha DeLeon*; +Alex Escañuelas Sr. by *Yolanda Escañuelas*; **St. Jude-In Thanksgiving** by *Rita Franco*; +Josie DeLeon by *Rudy DeLeon & Family*; **All Souls** by *M/M Steve Escañuelas*; +Reynaldo & +Apolonio Hernandez by *Elida Bernal*; +Teresa S. Rocha by *Sylvia S. Rocha*; **All Souls in Purgatory** by *Gary & Violanda Harris*

SUNDAY, December 30, 2018

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] +Imelda Melendez by *Amalia Moran*
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] +Aida D. Sanchez & +Gilbert Duron by *Diane Ewing*; +Jesse James Collins by *Connie Alvarado & Family*; +Israel Miramontez by *Delfina Leos*; +Linda Villa by *Juan Pantoja*; **St. Jude-In Thanksgiving** by *Juan Pantoja*; **Sacred Heart of Jesus-In Thanksgiving** by *Yolanda Mendoza & Family*; **Infant Jesus of Prague** by *Librada M. Lopez*; **St. Anthony-In Thanksgiving** by *Rita Franco*; **All Souls in Purgatory** by *Diane Ewing*


**Sunday's Reflections
Hebrews 10:5-10**
WHY JESUS WAS BORN

The Letter to the Hebrews explains why Jesus was born. It quotes two phrases from the Book of Psalms. In the first, the psalmist says that God is displeased with sacrifices. Some people had been offering sacrifices without much meaning. They went through the ritual, but they put no heart into the words and actions. The psalmist sings, "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire." Whatever they were doing to please God wasn't working.

In the second phrase, the psalmist has a new idea—a different offering that might please God. What is this new offering? The psalmist. "Behold, I come to do your will." If God was not pleased with the smoke of dead animals, perhaps God would be pleased with the obedience of a living psalmist.

Hebrews recalls these two phrases as they reflect on the birth of Jesus. Jesus came because whatever we were doing to please God was not working. He came and said, "Behold, I come to do your will." He has taken away the old sacrifice and replaced it with himself. The new sacrifice involves heart: having the intent to do God's will.

Because Jesus came into the world, Hebrews says, "We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ." We celebrate the birth of Jesus this week, but we also celebrate our consecration as the people of God. In thanksgiving, let us resolve to do God's will.

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