



As part of the Stewardship being taught to our CCE students, we had a non perishable items and can food collection to replenish the SVdP Pantry. The class bringing the most items would win a pizza party!

**The combined class of 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> won! With the total of 181 items!!!**

6<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and third place. 6<sup>th</sup> with 80 items and 2<sup>nd</sup> with 79 items.

If you see one of CCE students, let them know they did a GREAT job!

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the Annual Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday, December 14, 2019 in the Family Center.**

For booth rental information, call 432-263-6112.

Bazaar will have food, crafts, and so much more. Come eat and do some Christmas shopping.

### LAS POSADAS

It's that time of year again! We are looking for parishioners to open their homes during the Posadas. This year will be different, we need two homes per night, the third home will be the church for Mass. The dates are December 16<sup>th</sup> thru December 24<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like to participate please call the office, 432-714-4930 to sign up.

¡Es esa época del año otra vez! Estamos buscando feligreses para abrir sus hogares durante las Posadas. Este año será diferente, necesitamos dos hogares por noche, el tercer hogar será la iglesia para la misa. Las fechas son 16 de diciembre hasta el 24 de diciembre.

Si desea participar, llame a la oficina al 432-714-4930 para inscribirse

### EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

The holiday schedule is in the Sacristy, please sign up for the Masses you can serve.

El horario de misas especiales está en la sacristía, regístrese para las misas que usted puede servir.

### PARISH MISSION LOVE CHANGES EVERYTHING EL AMOR LO CAMBIA TODO

An Advent Recollection with Fr. Jun Limbaga  
Un recuerdo de adviento con el Padre Jun Limbaga

on December 1-3, 2019 in Spanish, 6:30 – 8:00 PM  
Encounter with the Youth December 4, 2019, 6:30-8:00 PM  
December 9-11, 2019 in English, 6:30 -8:00 PM

### CHURCH CLEANING

Anyone wanting to help give the church a thorough cleaning before the Advent Season may come at 1:00 pm on Thursdays.

Cualquier persona que quiera ayudar a limpiar a la iglesia antes de la temporada de Adviento puede venir a la 1:00 pm los jueves

### WARMING UP OUR COMMUNITY SPONSORED BY YOUTH GROUP

Please go through your closets to see if you can spare any of these items: Coats, Scarves, Jackets, Gloves, Sweaters, Blankets, Socks, Thermal Underwear. (For men, women and children)

We cannot accept heaters or household items.

A container will be placed at the entrance of church, date of distribution is Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM in the Family Center.

Thank You in advance for your help!

### PEWS FREE FOR THE TAKING

If you would like a pew(s) from the old Sacred Heart, you may call the office and make arrangements to pick up. Church will not deliver.

### ST. VINCENT de PAUL

**Quarterly report for the months of April, May and June of 2019.**

	Donations	Client Aid	Expenses
April	5,015.01	1,981.32	1,463.17
May	3,586.95	2,692.97	1,256.40
June	7,111.044	1,253.89	6,193.13

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

**SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH  
RYAN RAMIREZ**



Ryan is in his 2<sup>nd</sup> year of Theology in Kenrick Glennon Seminary. His birthday is July 3, 1994, and is from Odessa, Tx. Ryan's favorite food is Buffalo Wild Wings and Chicken. He likes playing sports or just being with friends.

**KEEP RYAN IN PRAYER!**

**HALL RENTAL**

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

**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.**

**RCIA**

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?

All interested in RCIA, may call the office and sign up for the fall, classes are on Mondays at 6:30 PM. This is for newcomers and those already in the program. If you have questions please call the office, 432-714-4930.

¿Tiene un amigo o ser querido que esté pensando en unirse a la Iglesia Católica, o es usted un adulto católico bautizado que necesita Reconciliación (Confesión), Primera Comunión y Confirmación?

Todos interesados en RICA, por favor de llamar la oficina, clases los lunes a las 6:30 PM. Esto es para los recién llegados y los que ya están en el programa. Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a la oficina al 432-714-4930.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN INITIATION 'CCI'**

**CCI CLASS is on Sunday's from 9:30 am – 10:45 am in the St. Francis room. Any child not having been baptized over the age of 7 should attend this class.**

**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 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month.

**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), click on ENTER CODE, 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.

Si los católicos no pueden venir a la iglesia, entonces la iglesia viene a ellos (sacerdote / comunión).

Llame a la oficina al 714-4930 para darnos los nombres de las personas que desean recibir la Santa Comunión o recibir una visita del sacerdote.

**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.

La Unción de los Enfermos está disponible llamando a la oficina, 432-714-4930. Si tiene alguien que necesite la unción llame a la oficina. Por favor, no espere hasta el último minuto para llamar.

**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.

**SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE  
11/24/2019**

Due to bulletin being published early we do not have the attendance for the weekend of November 23 & 24.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR  
DECEMBER**

**November 30 & December 1, 2019** – Parish Appeal – Holy Cross Parish, Philippines  
**December 7 & 8, 2019** – Retirement Fund for Religious

**ONLINE GIVING**

If interested in online giving, please go to church website. [bigspringcatholic.org](http://bigspringcatholic.org)



**Readings for the Week of  
December 1, 2019**

**Sunday of Advent** Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

**Monday** Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11

**Tuesday** **Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

**Wednesday** **Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church** Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

**Thursday** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday** **Saint Nicholas, Bishop** Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

**Saturday** **Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Sunday** **Second Sunday of Advent** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

**Faithfully United as the  
Trinity**  
**Unidos Fielmente como la  
Trinidad**



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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
GENEROSITY!**



**SEPTEMBER 2019**

**Monthly Income for  
SEPTEMBER  
\$46,819.56**

**Monthly Expenses for  
SEPTEMBER  
\$38,632.95**

**CCE CLASSES**

**CCE classes are on Wednesdays for 1<sup>st</sup> grade thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade with snack at 6:00 PM in the family center and class at 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM.**

**Registrations for the 2019-2020 CCE year are now closed!**



**SCHEDULE OF ENGLISH  
ULTREYAS**

All are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month 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.



**PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED  
AND THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED:**

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of the late **Consuelo Balderas and Esther Chavarria**, who died this past week. We commend their souls and the intentions of the family to our continuing prayers.

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**

Abraham Villafance, Nathaniel Hernandez, Sergio Espinoza, Brent Fowlkes, Tony Saldana, Cruz Olague, Elvira Atkinson, Frank Joy, Larry Hass, Arthur Saldívar Jr. 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.**

**Reflexiones del domingo**
*Romanos 13:11-14*
**DESPERTADOR**

Las personas actúan de manera diferente en la noche que en el día. Durante el día estamos ocupados con responsabilidades personales, pero las noches invitan a la relajación. En algunas noches, nos relajamos demasiado. Algunas personas bajan la guardia por la noche. En la oscuridad somos más propensos a cometer crímenes y a pecar, como si nadie pudiera ver.

Cuando llega la hora de despertarse del sueño, estamos llenos de expectativa y remordimiento. Esperamos la promesa del próximo día, pero lamentamos los pecados del pasado.

Adviento está aquí. La alarma acaba de sonar. San Pablo dice: "Es hora de que te despiertes del sueño". Paul no está hablando del amanecer de otro día de la semana. Él habla del amanecer de un día eterno. Nuestra salvación está cerca. El Cristo resucitado anhela entrar en nuestros corazones y morar allí por fe.

Tenemos que dejar de actuar como si fuera de noche. Deberíamos comportarnos como si fuera el día eterno. Nuestras responsabilidades como cristianos continúan en todas las circunstancias: cuando estamos en el trabajo o jugando, cuando estamos activos o en reposo. El cristiano fiel permanece atento a todas horas, para que estemos listos para Cristo cuando él venga.

Cristo viene pronto. Nuestra salvación está cerca. Pasemos este Adviento haciendo las obras del día y evitando las obras de la oscuridad.

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**SATURDAY, November 30, 2019**

- 5:00 PM Mass – [HT] +Gina Salazar by Rosa & Tom Arista

**SUNDAY, December 1, 2019**

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] For the People
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] +Elias & +Licha Bustamante by Gloria Diaz

**MONDAY, December 2, 2019**

- NO MASS

**TUESDAY, December 3, 2019**

- 12:15 PM +Mary Wilbanks by Wanda Anderson

**WEDNESDAY, December 4, 2019**

- 7:00 PM +Monica & \_Demetrio Rocha by Margie Valverde

**THURSDAY, December 5, 2019**

- 10:00 AM [BSSH] NO MASS
- 12:15 PM +Luis & +Patrick Rios by Erlinda Rios

**FRIDAY, December 6, 2019**

- 8:00 AM Mass [HT] +Hortencia Martinez by Quiroz & Zavala Family

**SATURDAY, December 7, 2019**

- 5:00 PM Mass – [HT] Fidel & Lupe Saldivar-70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by Saldivar Family

**SUNDAY, December 8, 2019**

- 8:30 AM Mass – [HT] +Conception Anderson by Wanda Anderson
- 11:00 AM Mass – [HT] +Mary Doporto by Rosario Medrano

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**


December 1 – Leticia & Bella M.

**Sunday's Reflections**
*Romans 13:11-14*
**ALARM CLOCK**

People act differently at night than they do in the day. In the day we are busy with personal responsibilities, but nights invite relaxation. On some nights, we relax too much. Some people let their guard down at night. In the dark we are more prone to commit crime and enter sin, as if no one can see.

When the hour comes to wake from sleep, we are filled with expectation and remorse. We look forward to the promise of the coming day, but we regret the sins of the past.

Advent is here. The alarm has just gone off. St. Paul says, "It is the hour now for you to awake from sleep." Paul is not talking about the dawn of another weekday. He speaks of the dawn of an eternal day. Our salvation is near at hand. The risen Christ longs to enter our hearts and dwell there by faith.

We have to quit acting like it is night. We should behave as if it were eternal day. Our responsibilities as Christians continue in every circumstance—when we are at work or at play, when we are active or at rest. The faithful Christian remains vigilant at all hours, so that we will be ready for Christ when he comes.

Christ is coming soon. Our salvation is near at hand. Let us spend this Advent doing the deeds of day and avoiding the deeds of darkness.

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