

St. John Parish

126 Hickory Street
Strawn, TX 76475

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m. (English),
Reconciliation: Before Mass

St. Rita Parish

1109 Blackwell Road
Ranger, TX 76470

Sunday Mass: 8:00 a.m. (English)
Reconciliation: Half Hour before Mass

St. Francis Xavier Parish

Halbryan and Foch Street
Eastland, TX 76448

Sunday Mass: 9:45 a.m. (Spanish)
Reconciliation: Half Hour before Mass

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish

1108 Avenue F
Cisco, TX 76437

Sunday Mass: 11:30 a.m. (English)
Reconciliation: After Mass

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† Feast Day of the Week †

October 11th – Pope St. John XXIII

Although few people had as great an impact on the 20th century as Pope John XXIII, he avoided the limelight as much as possible. In fact, one writer has noted that his “ordinariness” seems one of his most remarkable qualities.

The firstborn son of a farming family near Bergamo in northern Italy, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was always proud of his down-to-earth roots. In Bergamo’s diocesan seminary, he joined the Secular Franciscan Order. After his ordination in 1904, Father Roncalli returned to Rome for canon law studies. His service as a stretcher-bearer for the Italian army during World War I gave him a firsthand knowledge of war. During World War II, he became well acquainted with Orthodox Church leaders. With the help of Germany’s ambassador to Turkey, Archbishop Roncalli helped save an estimated 24,000 Jewish people. He was named a cardinal and appointed patriarch of Venice in 1953. A month short of entering his 78th year, Cardinal Roncalli was elected pope.

His most famous encyclicals were *Mother and Teacher* (1961) and *Peace on Earth* (1963). Pope John XXIII enlarged the membership in the College of Cardinals and made it more international. At his address at the opening of the Second Vatican Council, he criticized the “prophets of doom” who “in these modern times see nothing but prevarication and ruin.” Pope John XXIII set a tone for the Council when he said, “The Church has always opposed... errors. Nowadays, however, the Spouse of Christ prefers to make use of the medicine of mercy rather than that of severity”. “Good Pope John” died on June 3, 1963. Pope Saint John Paul II beatified him in 2000, and Pope Francis canonized him in 2014.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday, October 9th, at 6 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier Church House, Eastland

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2018

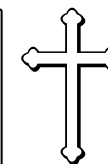
Please generously support the Annual Diocesan Appeal 2018 and be part of “Giving for the Common Good”.



Parochial Administrator: Father Reehan Antony

Parish Office Telephone: 254-647-3163.

If you need a priest (Fr. Reehan) in an emergency (hospital, etc.),
please call 682-207-8557



Weekday Events in Your Parish/Eventos Durante la Semana de su Parroquia

St. Francis, Eastland	Monday – Rosario (Rosary in Spanish), 7 p.m. Tuesday – Estudio Biblico (Bible Study in Spanish), 7:30 p.m. Friday – Oracion (Evening Prayer), 7 p.m.
Holy Rosary, Cisco	Wednesday – Rosary 9 a.m., then coffee & donuts 1 st Wednesday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Rosary Sunday – Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark, 5 p.m.

Calendar of Events/Calendario de Eventos

October 1-31	Blessed Mother Devotion throughout this month
October 8	Celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, Potluck Meal after Mass, Holy Rosary Parish Hall, Cisco
October 9	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, 6 p.m., St. Francis Xavier Church House
October 14	"40 Days for Life" Prayer at Planned Parenthood, Fort Worth
October 17	Friendship Meal, Conrad Hilton Center, Cisco, 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
October 28	3 rd Annual Fall Festival, St. Francis Xavier Parish, Eastland
November 1	All Saints' Day, <i>Holyday of Obligation</i>
November 2	All Souls' Day – The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
November 4	Magi's Bazaar, Holy Rosary Altar Society, Holy Rosary Parish Hall

CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY

*** Sunday, October 8th ***

We will celebrate Sunday Mass at Holy Rosary Church on **October 8th**, followed by a **Pot Luck Meal in the Parish Hall**. Come join us for food and fellowship!

St. Francis Xavier Parish Fall Festival

The 3rd Annual Fall Festival for St. Francis Xavier Parish will be held on the Eastland Courthouse Square on Saturday, October 28th from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. All are invited!

As part of "**40 Days for Life**" that started on September 27th, we have planned for parishioners from our 4 parishes to go and pray outside the Planned Parenthood offices in Fort Worth on Saturday, October 14th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Sign-up sheets are at the entrance of the church.



STEWARDSHIP

September 30 – October 1, 2017

Holy Rosary	\$	613.00
Hurricane Irma	\$	544.26
St. Rita	\$	1,657.00
Hurricane Irma	\$	96.00
St. John	\$	1,077.00
Hurricane Irma	\$	200.00
St. Francis	\$	752.50
Hurricane Irma	\$	100.02

May God bless you for your generosity.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday	8 a.m., St. Rita, Ranger
Wednesday	5 p.m., St. Boniface
Thursday	7 p.m., St. Francis Xavier, Eastland
Friday	9 a.m., Holy Rosary, Cisco

Mass Intentions

+Holy Rosary, Cisco – FRIDAY, October 6th
Mass for repose of the soul of Father Xavier Rayappan
Requested by Holy Rosary Altar Society

+Holy Rosary, Cisco – SUNDAY, October 8th
Mass for the repose of the soul of Bud Vicars
Requested by Holy Rosary Altar Society

+St. Francis Xavier, Eastland – SUNDAY, October 8th
Mass Intention for Elvia Cruz Y Familia

All CCD Parents

Please return your registration forms to any CCD teacher. There is also a small registration fee to help cover the cost of books and supplies.

1 child- \$10, 2 children - \$15,
3+ children \$20