

St. John Parish

126 Hickory Street
Strawn, TX 76475

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

Reconciliation: Before Mass

Adoration Wednesday 5:30-6:30 pm

Established 1912



St. Rita Parish

1109 Blackwell Road
Ranger, TX 76470

Sunday Mass: 8:00 a.m. (English)

Reconciliation: Half Hour Before Mass

Adoration Monday 7:00-8:00 am

Established 1919



St. Francis Xavier Parish

Halbryan and Foch Street
Eastland, TX 76448

Sunday Mass: 9:45 a.m. (Spanish)

Reconciliation: Half Hour before Mass

Adoration Thursday 6:00-7:00 pm

<http://stfranciseastland.org/>

Established 1920



Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish

1108 Avenue F
Cisco, TX 76437

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

Reconciliation: After Mass

Adoration Friday 8:00-9:00 am

www.ciscoholyroary.com

Established 1920



PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office

1109 Blackwell Road, Ranger, TX 76470

254-647-3163

Parish Office Hours: Monday -Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

striaoffice2018@gmail.com

If you need Fr. VJ in an emergency (hospital, Anointing of the Sick, etc.), please call (940) 577-1874.

Pastoral Staff

Father Vijaya Raju Mareedu, S.A.C. Parochial Administrator

Ed Ferguson (830) 998 5570. Deacon

Viridiana McQuade Bookkeeper

Ann Geasland Safe Environment Coordinator

Brandi Brauker Director of Religious Education

Maritza Esquivel Youth Director

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Notify Parish Office during pregnancy – instructions for parents and godparents are required.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Before or after Mass at each Parish, as time allows. Advent and Lenten Penance Services as announced. Other times by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Contact Father VJ at least six months before the possible wedding date. Couples must participate in the Marriage Preparation Program.

CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls answered immediately. Families are asked to notify Father VJ or the Parish Office concerning parishioners who are ill or in hospital.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS: Families are asked to contact Father VJ or the Parish Office for arrangements.

MASS INTENTIONS: Please use the envelopes provided near the entrance of each Church and give to Father VJ.

RELIGIOUS STORE: St. Rita Religious Store is open on Wednesday afternoons from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sundays after Mass. Call 254-433-9393 and someone will meet you at the store.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday 8 a.m., St. Rita, Ranger
Wednesday 6 45 p.m., St. John, Strawn
Thursday 7 p.m., St. Francis Xavier, Eastland
Friday 9 a.m., Holy Rosary, Cisco

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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
1st Wednesday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Rosary
Sunday – Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke, 5 p.m.

MONTH OF DECEMBER

MONTH OF DIVINE INFANCY

December 9 All Parish Christmas party at the Lumber Yard in Eastland 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
December 10 Knights of Columbus mass at St. Francis at 6:30 pm with meeting to follow after at 7:30
December 10 St. Rita Altar Society meeting at 6:30 at St. Rita Parish Hall
December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast
December 18 Cisco Friendship Meal , Conrad Hilton Center, Cisco, 6 p.m. -7 p.m.
“Everyone In need of a meal or socializing are welcome”
December 19 Adorations and Confessions – Times and places to be announced
December 22 CCD Caroling places and times to be announced as it gets closer.
December 24 Christmas Eve Mass Times- St. John 5:00 pm, St. Rita 7:00 pm, St. Francis 9:00 pm,
Holy Rosary 11:00 pm
December 25 Christmas Mas at St. Rita 8:30 am

Thoughts from a catechist:

If you don't already know about www.holyheros.com, you need to check it out. They have a free program called "Advent Adventure," as well as a lot of free Mass prep materials and ideas for feast days for the whole year. Go there and get some ideas to make this your best Advent so far with your family!
May God bless you!

As there was little interest from 7th-12th grade students, the caroling has been changed to include 3rd-6th grade students. We will rehearse from 6:40-7:15 pm at St. Francis on 12/12 and 12/19. On Saturday, 12/22, we will be caroling at the Woodlands Assisted Living facility at 10 am.

If there is anyone who would like to participate, and cannot make it to those rehearsal times, contact Brandi Brauker: 517-677-2706.

STEWARDSHIP

December 1-2

St. Rita. 674.00

Holy Rosary. 754.00

St. Francis. 815.00

St. John. 831.12

May God bless you for your generosity

Mass intentions for St. Francis- Arturo Puebla, Miguel Mendoza, Maria de Jesus Puebla, Rogelio Gallegos, Salvador Marentes, Michael Anthony DeLeon, Guadalupe Puebla, Federico Gallegos

The four Churches of Strawn will be joining together for a community Christmas Dinner Wednesday December 12 2018 5-7 pm at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

As we all know the Parish bought property off of I-20 to be new place for the one Church. The Knights of Columbus have been working hard at getting it cleaned up to get it ready for that. Any and all help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Charles Rener or any member of Knights of Columbus if you wish to help.

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.