

St. Philip Catholic Mission

China



Spring

Visitors

Thank you for spending time with us today!

We know that these are unprecedented times and many of you are looking for a measure of spiritual comfort and peace. We are encouraged that you are here and are praying for you. Please feel free to look around our website, follow us on social media, and join our Masses and programs.

New Parishioners

Welcome home!

If you are ready to register, you may at www.stphilipcs.com/parish-registration. For further information please contact our pastoral associate, Amy Viertel, at amy@stphilipcs.com.

December 27, 2020 - The Feast of the Holy Family

As we prepare for the new year, may the peace of Christ control our hearts. And may the word of Christ dwell in us richly.



THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY

(a Holy Day of Obligation)

Vigil Mass

December 31st New Years Eve

8am St. Louis

6pm St. Philip

Masses

January 1st New Years Day

8am St. Louis

6 pm St. Louis

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Parents should make arrangements with the parish office prior to the birth of the child.

MATRIMONY: Contact the parish office to make preparations at least six months prior to the date. New baptismal certificates must be obtained from the home parish showing that the couple are free to marry.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Families should notify the parish office of members admitted to hospitals and convalescent facilities. For emergencies call (254) 754-1221.

VOCATIONS: Anyone considering a vocation to the religious life should speak with our clergy or contact Rev. Greg Gerhart at (512) 949-2430 or: fr-greg-gerhart@austindiocese.org

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday | Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-5/Col 3:12-21/Lk 2:22-40

Monday | 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-8/Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday | 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-6/Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday | 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-10/Lk 2:36-40

Thursday | 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-13/Jn 1:1-18

Friday | Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Saturday | 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 1:19-2

TV MASSES

6:00am, KWTX - *REBROADCAST*
of last week's Mass

9:30am, CW - *LIVE BROADCASTS*

Antenna: 46.1 (46-1)

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Not available due to publisher schedule

We appreciate your generosity!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

In the near future, you will begin to see some changes on our campus that have been long-awaited. As was stated in our Encountering Christ Campaign, we wanted to fix the front of the rectory's landscaping and to add security lighting. After working with the parish building committee and pastoral council, I'm pleased to announce that God's plan was much bigger. Through God's providence and the generosity of the faithful, we will soon embark on a remodel of the entire paved area at the front of the church to address many safety issues, especially the cracked cement and asphalt. Very soon the first parking lot entrance, handicap parking, and the front driveway and sidewalk will all be regraded and repaved. As that is being done a few more things will be added like more drainage to protect the church, new walking and family prayer spaces near the rectory, fresh landscaping, and an abundance of landscape lighting to highlight our beautiful oak trees and add security. This entire project is being paid for by the parish Encountering Christ campaign funds and the exceptional generosity of a few. This of course will mean some momentary inconvenience for us as a community as we adjust to the temporary construction. I ask for your patience, understanding, and prayers. I want to also thank each of you who donated to Encountering Christ and for those whose generosity has made this possible. We are truly blessed as a parish and it is wonderful to see how God moves unexpectedly.

Fr. Ryan

INDOOR PROTOCOLS

ST. PHILIP CATHOLIC MISSION

PRECAUTIONS

Masks are encouraged. Hand sanitizer will be available at the church entrance. Self screening protocols will be enforced for all ministers.



SEATING

Each person is asked to grab a chair and a kneeling pad from the hallway and walk into the sanctuary. Ushers will assist in the placement of chairs. Please observe 6 ft. social distancing rules.



SECTION FOR AT-RISK PARISHIONERS

The kitchen will be reserved for at-risk parishioners.



DISTRUBITION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The priest and ministers will make their way through the church to administer the Eucharist.



AFTER MASS

Leave your chairs where they are so that they can be properly cleaned after Mass.



OVERFLOW

In the event that the church is full, classrooms and Facebook live will be utilized to accommodate parishioners in attendance.



2021 COLLECTION ENVELOPE BOXES

Tables will be stationed at the entry of the church with your collection boxes starting December 6th. Please stop to pick up your box. If you are new to the church and would like more information on donating please stop and speak with one of the parish staff members.

Remember, you can always donate electronically at the following website: <https://stphilipcs.com/give>.

CONFIRMATION REMINDER

In the coming months, we will begin more intensive formation for high school students preparing to receive the sacrament of confirmation. In this sacrament, the Holy Spirit enriches the graces the person received during baptism and strengthens the relationship the person has with Christ and the Church. Therefore, to receive confirmation, a person must be baptized and should be living in relationship with God by receiving the Eucharist at Mass on Sundays, praying daily, going often to the sacrament of reconciliation, and growing in their knowledge of the Lord through faith formation. Please keep these things in mind as you or your child prepares to receive this sacrament. For more information about confirmation and specific requirements for eligibility, please visit stlouiswaco.com/st-louis-youth.

Second Collection

The feast of the holy family will be taken up this weekend to support family and pro-life activities in the Diocese of Austin. Thank you for your generosity!

REPORT ABUSE

It is up to us to keep all our parishes safe. Please report the abuse of minors, elderly adults or adults with a disabilities to local law enforcement or to the Texas Abuse Hotline at www.txabusehotline.org or (800) 252-5400 and to the diocese at (512) 949-2447 or www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse.

HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR SACRAMENTS?

If you or your children have not made all your sacraments and are interested in completing them, please contact Amy Viertel, Director of Religious Education at St. Philip at amy@stphilipcs.com.

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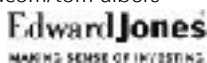
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our wounds,
and grants us the grace we need.

*in memory of
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