

### Weekend Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, January 14

5:00 p.m. Parishioners intentions

7:30 p.m. Intenciones personales

#### Sunday, January 15

9:30 a.m. Parishioners Intentions

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6:00 p.m. College Students

### Weekly Parish Activities

#### January 14 to January 21

\*All confessions 30 minutes before Mass

\*Sacred Heart and OLG confess after Mass

**SUNDAY:** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Sacred Heart

9:30 a.m. ENGLISH Bible Study

9:30 a.m. SPANISH Bible Study

9:30 a.m. **Sacred Heart**

#### Our Lady of Guadalupe

11:00 a.m. Mass - Our Lady of Guadalupe

#### St. Brendan:

4:15 – 5:45 p.m. RCIA in CCD Building

6:00 p.m. Mass- St. Brendan

#### St. Mary:

9:30 a.m. Mass - St. Mary

CCD 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. at FLC

**Monday:** Martin Luther King Jr. Day

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass (St. Brendan)

6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting

**Tuesday:** St. Anthony

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

**Wednesday:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

6:00 p.m. CCD St. Brendan

6:45 p.m. Bible Study at OLG

**Thursday:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Bible Study – January 12

6:30 p.m. Español-Estudio Biblica en St. Brendan

7:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración St. Mary

**Friday:** St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

Mass Intention: Alfonso Campos, Birthday

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary; St.

Agnes

**Vigil Holy Mass:**

5:00 p.m. St. Brendan (English)

7:30 p.m. Santa Misa en St. Mary (Spanish)

### THREE MISSIONS

January 15, 2017

Today we begin with one of the “servant songs” from the book of Isaiah, a song prophetic of Jesus’ ministry of service. Isaiah’s mission is not only to bring back the children of Jacob to gather in Israel; it is also to be “a light to the nations” (Isaiah 49:6). Jesus Christ, as servant, will be the fulfillment of the ancient prophecy and the basis of the new.

This Sunday we begin a series of readings from Paul’s letter to the Corinthians. Here Paul is identified by his mission: he is an apostle of Jesus Christ. The church at Corinth to whom he addresses this letter is also identified: it is part of the universal church of God. The Corinthians are called to holiness, as are all Christians.

Though the feast of the Baptism of the Lord was celebrated last Monday, today’s Gospel also alludes to the importance of that event. The reading emphasizes that Jesus “outranks” John: his baptism in the Spirit will eradicate sin. Jesus accepts John’s baptism, even though it is he himself who is the Lamb of God.

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### The Charity We are Called To Emulate Especially With Difficult People

If we feel a natural aversion toward someone, or if a certain person has done some wrong to us, we see that person’s defects far more easily than we see his virtues. It will also be easy for us to attribute to him the wrong intention now and in the future. This is the moment to be especially prayerful and careful in order to fight against our natural tendency to evil thoughts and to STOP ourselves from speaking badly of that person to others. We must oppose these thoughts despite the tendency to say I was wronged. Yes, so was Jesus wronged many times. This is the time to act as He would, to be especially kind to that person and offer him some service while looking at God in Him...loving God in him despite his fault. True charity...the charity Jesus demands of us...makes no distinction of persons, but has equal love for all, because we see and love only God in all people. We love them precisely because God does...and we love them for God and we love God in them. Yes, it is hard, but by calling on His Grace, He will grant it. St. Therese demonstrated this: “when I show charity towards others, I know that is You God who are acting in me.”

The MyConsecration.org site promotes Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary and the Flame of Love apparition. A Free Flame of Love book can be ordered in the US at [www.flameoflove.us](http://www.flameoflove.us). [www.catholicnewbie.com](http://www.catholicnewbie.com)

**PRAYER CORNER:** Prayers this week for: Jana Piskor, Abel Cruz, Filegonio Cardenas, Josefina Basulto de Solorio, Ed Withers, Maria Inez Hernandez, Juan Hernandez, Maureen Bole, Billy Joe Fulfer, Angel Coronado, David Gonzales, Jeanna DeVinney, Clyde Mayo, Kate B., Ty Harris-Coapland, Pete Sanchez, Nursing Home Patients and all those who are ill

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:** Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday:** Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21

**Sunday:** Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

### TRES MISIONES

15 de enero

Hoy comenzamos con una de las “cantos del siervo” del libro de Isaías, un canto profético sobre el ministerio de servicio de Jesús. La misión de Isaías no sólo es lograr que los hijos de Jacob se reúnan en Israel, sino también es convertirse en “una luz de las naciones” (Isaías 49:6). Jesucristo, como servidor, será el cumplimiento de la antigua profecía y la base de la nueva.

Este domingo comenzamos una serie de lecturas de la carta de san Pablo a los corintios. Aquí se define a Pablo de acuerdo a su misión: es un apóstol de Jesucristo. La Iglesia en Corinto a quien se dirige en su carta también se define: es parte de la Iglesia universal de Dios. Los corintios, como todos los cristianos, son llamados a la santidad.

Aunque la fiesta del Bautismo del Señor se celebró el domingo pasado, el Evangelio de hoy también alude a la importancia de dicho acontecimiento. La lectura enfatiza que Jesús “tiene precedencia” sobre Juan: su bautismo en el Espíritu erradicará el pecado. Jesús acepta el bautismo de Juan, a pesar de que él mismo es el Cordero de Dios.

**Evento de Vocaciones del Sacerdocio** - Jóvenes, escuela secundaria a 35 años de edad, están invitados a la Cena de Discernimiento de St. Andrew el jueves, 2 de febrero de 2017 en la Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes (108 NW 4th Avenue, Mineral Wells, TX 76067). El obispo Olson celebrará la misa a las 6 pm, seguido por la cena y el tiempo de discernimiento. Por favor responde llamando al 817-945-9321 o enviando un correo electrónico a [vocations@fwdioc.org](mailto:vocations@fwdioc.org).



**Agnes of Rome** (c. 291 – c. 304) is a virgin–martyr, venerated as a saint in the Roman Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodox Church, the Anglican Communion, and Lutheranism. She is one of seven women, who along with the Blessed Virgin, are commemorated by name in the Canon of the Mass. She is the patron saint of chastity, gardeners, girls, engaged couples, rape survivors, and virgins.

Agnes is depicted in art with a lamb, as the Latin word for "lamb", *agnus*, sounds like her name. The name "Agnes" is actually derived from the feminine Greek adjective *hagnē* (ἁγνή) meaning "chaste, pure, sacred".

Agnes' feast day is 21 January. In pre-1970 versions of the General Roman Calendar an additional feast of the same saint is given one week later, on 28 January (see Tridentine Calendar). The 1969 revision removed this as a duplication of the 21 January feast.

### CLASES DE BAUTISMO

Las pláticas para las clases de bautismo empiecen para el mes de enero en St. Brendan. Favor de llamarle a Irma Chacon en (325)642-4473. Gracias.

### FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Parishioners, please, when making funeral arrangements, please remind the Funeral Home Director to call the church office before committing to a time or day because Fr. Matthew may have other commitments scheduled. Thank you for your cooperation.

### ARREGLOS FUNERALES

Los feligreses, por favor, al hacer los arreglos funerarios, por favor recuerden a la Directora de la Funeraria llamar a la oficina de la iglesia antes de comprometerse a un tiempo o día por que el P. Mateo puede tener otros compromisos. Gracias por su cooperación.

### NEWS FOR ALL PARISHES

**Priesthood Vocations Event** – Young men, high school to 35 years old, are invited to the St. Andrew Discernment Dinner on Thursday, February 2, 2017 at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (108 NW 4th Avenue, Mineral Wells, TX 76067). Bishop Olson will celebrate Mass at 6 pm, followed by dinner and time of discernment. Please RSVP by calling [817-945-9321](tel:817-945-9321) or sending an email to [vocations@fwdioc.org](mailto:vocations@fwdioc.org).

### Monday, January 23, 2017

The Annual Respect Life Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Olson on **Monday, January 23, 2017 at St. Patrick Cathedral** in downtown Fort Worth. Please join us at 7:00 p.m. to pray for mothers, fathers, family and babies. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.



### BABY BOTTLES

Sunday, January 15, 2017, is Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. Baby Bottles will be distributed for you to fill with your spare change. Choices Clinic & Life Resource Center (formerly Cross Timbers Pregnancy Care Center) benefits financially from this fundraising event. The material and spiritual assistance given to women experiencing unexpected pregnancies saves the lives of babies in our community. Choices provides free pregnancy tests and information on parenting, adoption, and counseling. A free sonogram is provided for all women. Parenting classes prepare the parent-to-be to take care of her baby. Clients earn Boutique Bucks to spend in the Baby Boutique to purchase diapers, clothes, blankets, bedding, formula and other infant items. Clients can take Bible and relationship classes to earn a free baby crib. In addition to caring for those with unexpected pregnancies, Choices presents an abstinence education program to area junior high and high school students called T.R.U.T.H. (Teen Revolution Uniting Through Honesty). Choices provides free STD testing. Please take one Baby Bottle per family and return your Baby Bottle Sunday, February 26. Thank you for your generosity.

**Bulletin:** Send to: [stsbrendanmarybulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:stsbrendanmarybulletin@yahoo.com) Please call or text (512) 652-8006. Give name, announcement and parish, or prayer intention. Deadline: Wednesday