

STEWARDSHIP

April 2nd.....	\$2,580	Good Friday, Holy Land.....	\$401
April 9th	\$1,873		
April 16th	\$3,114	Vincent De Paul.....	\$592
April 23rd.....	\$2,101		
April 30th.....	\$3,765	Seminarians and Priests.....	\$279

Bobcat Catholics like you provide more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to Christ. Contact our Development Director, Daniel Glaze, to join this mission at 512-392-5925 or Daniel.Glaze@txstatecatholic.org

MONTHLY REFLECTION

To glean the meaning of the Ascension we need to see it in the Lord's time. In God's time normal events and the rules of nature are suspended, and God disrupts things as He enters into our space and time according to His schedule. We need to see the Ascension in one event, namely as a part of the suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus. Actually it's better to see it as the closing act of the drama that began with God's Word coming down from heaven and becoming flesh in the Virgin Mary. The Ascension completes the circle. God our Father sends His son to gather us together in Him in a holy communion. He thereupon takes us back to our heavenly home, back to our Father. United in Christ, we, with Jesus, are "taken up" into heaven. We associate the word "up" with a directional measurement. But "up" is used in the sense that Jesus entered another dimension, a higher and greater one from which He came to us in the first place, a universe we call heaven. God has not left us –

God has instead comes to us in a new way. His visible presence has now passed into the Sacraments, the "body language" of His Mystical Body. It is in His sacraments that we, 2000 years later, can encounter Him. The Ascension is not a physical elevation, it is a qualitative elevation. Now, because of His ascension back to the Father, Christ sends us the Holy Spirit. This points to the necessity of Christ's movement into that higher world, for without Christ's Ascension Pentecost would not have happened. God is with us. God has always been with us and God will always be with us. The Ascension is not His departure; it is the ushering in of His new way of being with us, His presence among us now in His Holy Spirit.

from Fr. Charles Irvin

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

-Holy Day of Obligation-

Thursday May 25th

this year is transferred to

Sunday May 28th

MATCHING GIFT REPORT

Totals	Amount
Gift	\$35,000
Matched	\$23,673.90
Total	\$58,673.90

Thank you again to all those who contributed in any way to our Matching Gift Week! Especially those who participated for the first time!

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR MAY

14th The Basilica of the National Shrine of Immaculate Conception
21st St. Vincent De Paul
28th Archdiocese of the Military Services

MARIAN MEMORIALS IN MAY

13th-Our Lady of Fatima
31st-The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
For Mary's month of May, Pope Francis has recommended the "simple and effective" prayer of the Rosary. At his weekly General Audience May 3, 2017, Francis gave his advice: "At the beginning of May, let us invoke the heavenly intercession of Mary, Mother of Jesus." Zenit 5/3



Congratulations Graduates!



"FOR I KNOW
the plans
I have for you,"
declares the
Lord, "PLANS TO
PROSPER
& NOT TO HARM"
plans to give you
HOPE & *a future*
Jeremiah 29:11

Happy Mother's Day

Observe, my son, your father's bidding, and reject not your mother's teaching; Keep them fastened over your heart always, put them around your neck. *Proverbs 6:20-21*

Sunday May 14th



Happy Memorial Day!

Monday May 29th

Thank you to all our soldiers who have given of themselves for our freedom!

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK will be at St. John's: Saturday, May 13th from 10am to 1pm. Accepting furniture, clothing, household items, etc. No appliances or computer equipment please. These items are sold in the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store (Austin) and the proceeds used to assist the poor and needy to include those of San Marcos.

USCCB: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: The fourth Sunday of Easter, May 7th, is a special day of prayer for vocations to the ordained ministries, to religious life in all its forms, to societies of apostolic life, to secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

WOW

Our Women of Wisdom group is celebrating their 4th Anniversary Sunday May 7th!

They also have their regular meeting Sunday May 7th after our 10am Mass. In the Library.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

May 14th-August 20th

CONFESSIONS

- 1 Hour prior to Daily Masses
- No Sunday Confessions

MASSES

- Sunday Masses 10am and 7:30pm
- Daily Masses will continue but will change according to Fr. David's schedule.

CHANGES FOR MAY

May 22nd– 24th

Mon.– Wed. Communion Services

May 29th– June 1st

Mon.– No Services
Tues.– Communion Service
Wed.– No Services
Thurs.– Mass & Confession

SUNDAY ROSARY

- Continues as usual

OFFICE

- Mon.-Thurs. 9am-5pm
- Fridays 9am– 3pm
- Closed Mon. May 30th

AVERAGE SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE

APRIL

10AM, 210; 5PM, 144; 7:30PM, 158