

STEWARDSHIP

July 2nd.....	\$1,673		
July 9th	\$2,044	Peter's Pence.....	\$365
July 16th.....	\$2,339	St. Vincent De Paul.....	\$725
July 23rd.....	\$936		

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

FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD AUGUST 6th

There is always something awe-inspiring about mountains. The top of a mountain is a natural place for encountering God. Jesus is Transfigured before his apostles, Peter, James and John, on Mount Tabor. Moses and Elijah are also present speaking with Jesus. Moses is the great law giver and Elijah the great prophet. In the presence of these two, representing the law and the prophets, the voice of the Father is heard, "This is my beloved son; listen to him." For the apostles it was an awe-inspiring experience. Peter, filled with consolation says, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." But this is only a preparation for things to come. We can all identify with the apostles because in our mountain-top experiences of joy and consolation we also want to stay, and have them go on forever. We forget that our Lord did not promise us a rose garden, but a garden of olives and a crown of thorns. "If anyone will come after me let him pick

up his cross daily and follow me." The Mass is our mountain-top experience which prepares us for our trials. And in the joy and consolation of Communion we say with Peter, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." And we do not want to leave. But soon we will hear the words, "The Mass is ended. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord."

from Fr Rodney Kissinger, S.J.

ASSUMPTION OF MARY INTO HEAVEN AUGUST 15th

The Church celebrates Mary's final journey into the fullness of God's Kingdom. As with her beginnings, so too, with the end of her life, God fulfilled in her all of the promises that he has given to us. We, too, shall be raised up into heaven as she was. Through her Assumption, Mary was chosen to have a special place of honour in the Godhead. Mary's life can be summed up with four words that are found in the Gospels: 'Fiat,' in her response to the angel Gabriel; 'Magnificat,' as her response to God's grace at work in her life; 'Conservabat,' as she cherished all these

memories and events in her heart; and 'Stabat,' as she stood faithfully at the foot of the cross, watched her Son die for humanity, and awaited the fulfillment of Simeon's prophecy about Jesus' mission.

What happens to Mary happens to Christians. We are called, gifted and chosen to be with Jesus. God calls each one of us through Scripture in complete love and grace, and the response of the obedient mind is 'fiat: let it be to me according to your word.' We, too, celebrate, with our strength, the relevance of the word to new personal and especially political situations: 'magnificat.'

We ponder in the heart what we have seen and heard: 'conservabat.' But Scripture tells us that Mary, too, had to learn hard things: her soul is pierced with the sword, as she stands 'stabat' at the foot of the cross. We too must wait patiently, letting the written Word tell us things that may be unexpected or even unwelcome, but which are yet salvific. We read humbly, trusting God and waiting to see his purpose unfold.

from Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR AUGUST

August 20th– St. Vincent De Paul Monthly

AVERAGE SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE JULY
10AM, 228 & 7:30PM, 81

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Holy Day of Obligation
We will have Mass at **12:30pm and 5:15pm**
Tuesday, August 15th.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK

Will be taking donations on Saturday August 12th from 10am-1pm at St. John's in San Marcos.

REMINDER

Move in weekend is August 19th and 20th Please allow a little extra time to find parking or to walk for Mass. There will be families unloading all around our building and most likely using our parking lot. Please help us welcome the new students and families of Texas State

WOW

(WOMEN OF WISDOM)

Invites you to their first meeting of the semester on Sunday August 6th after our 10am Mass. All women of the established community are welcome to attend!

ETHICS & INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY (EIM)

Our Parish actively supports the *Ethics and Integrity in Ministry Policy* of the Austin Diocese. To that end, our Pastor expects the following groups to comply with the EIM requirements:

- Eucharistic Ministers
- Missionaries
- Angels of Mercy
- Youth Group Ministries
- Paid staff

All the members of our parish community are encouraged to be unified in support of this very essential program.

Here are two convenient opportunities

- Aug. 19 Saturday 1:00pm -3:00pm St. John in San Marcos
 - Aug. 21 Monday 7:00pm -9:00pm St. Anthony in Kyle
- Please register online at www.austindiocese.org

INSTALLATION MASS

for Fr. Craig DeYoung as Administrator for the year of Our Lady of Wisdom by Fr. David Leibham, Dean of the San Marcos Deanery on Sunday August 27th during our 5pm Mass. We will have light refreshments afterward. Next year he will be installed as Pastor.

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 may change according to Fr. Craig's schedule.

AUGUST CHANGES *No Service*

Tuesday, August 1st Communion Services
Mon-Wed August 7th-9th
Wednesday, August 23rd

SUNDAY ROSARY

- Continues as usual
- ### OFFICE
- Mon.-Thurs. 9am-5pm
 - Fridays 9am– 3pm

FIRST RETREAT

Freshmen and Transfers, If someone you know is new to our student community please invite them to join us Sat. Aug. 26th 11am-2pm for prayer and community! This event is free! We will introduce them to the center and what they can be part of to continue or get into their faith. For more information contact the office or go to our website. That evening we will have our **Welcome BBQ at 5:30pm Sat. Aug. 26th** All students are welcome!