

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The following students performed the Christmas Pageant Sunday, December 20, 2015.

I was blessed as I experienced the Christmas story performed by our students.

A special thanks to Merlinda Morón, Mary Jo and Jr. Guerra, Victor and Alicia Torres, Jesse Saenz and others who helped create such a holy time! The play and costumes were FANTASTIC!

Well done good and faithful servants!

Children's Liturgy Group:

Mary - Abigail Bose;

Angel Gabriel - Hannah Gore;

Elizabeth – Sophie Deanda;

Joseph – Brayden Bryant;

Emperor Ceasar Augustus – Josiah Patton;

Animals – Madison Bose, Allyson Bose, Brynlee Bryant; **Shepherds** – Blake Guerra, Angelo Herrera, Jonah Rayford, Noel Sorola, Marcos Sorola;

Multitude of Angels – Leah Gore, Zoie Guerra, Sophie Deanda, Amariah Patton, Mayson Bose, Daliyah;

Wise Men – Nicholas Chavira, Rush Gore, Josiah Patton; **Narrator** – Mary Jo Guerra;

Director – Merlinda Morón

Crew – Angel Ambris, Nancy Galvan, Paisley Gutierrez, Margarita Leon, John Porras, Tommy Ramirez, Mary Ramirez, Andrew Romero, Crystal Villareal, Kappi Villarreal


MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

Lectors - Members of this ministry are those who proclaim the Scripture readings at Mass. Training is required. Kathy Salazar – 432-816-6223.

PART-TIME CUSTODIAN

Applications are being taken for a part-time custodian here at the Church. If interested in applying, please call Richard at 466-9703.

WELCOME NEWCOMER'S

If you are new to our church, please register by obtaining a form from one of our Greeters and returning it to the office at 1009 Hearn.

PARISHIONERS UPDATE CENSUS FORM

Parishioners, if you have had a change of address or phone number please call the office at 714-4930 and update the census form.

ARE YOU RECEIVING THE WEST TEXAS ANGELUS?

Are you registered in the church and not receiving the West Texas Angelus? Please call the office at 714-4930 so this can be corrected.

DIOCESAN IMMIGRATION SERVICES AVAILABLE

The San Angelo Diocese Immigration Services in our three deaneries have been open for a few years. The services include processing documents for such things as Naturalization and Citizenship Applications, Alien Relative Petitions, Adjustment of Status Immigrations Benefit Applications, Temporary Protective Status, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival (Dream Act), Waiver of Disability, and Work Permits. If you or someone you know needs legal assistance with immigration, please contact the following: **Midland/Odessa deanery call the Catholic Charities in Odessa (432) 332-1387.**

Pro-life Hotline... 1-800-395-HELP



January 3 A new year brings thoughts of new life. What better place to start than at the beginning—with the human embryo? “Embryonic human beings, no less than human beings at other developmental stages, should be treated as subjects of moral respect and human rights, not as objects that may be damaged or destroyed for the benefit of others.”
Presidential Council, 2002

PRAYER MEETING – Spanish – Todos los miércoles, 7:30 PM después de la Misa, en la capilla.
PRAYER MEETING – English – All are welcome on Wednesdays at 7 PM in East Room to join us for praise, teaching, and prayer for healing.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Fridays starting after the 7:00 AM Mass till Noon in the side Chapel.
Pro-Life Rosary from 12 to 12:15 PM
Benediction - after the Rosary.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY
Ladies Bible Study is on Tuesdays from 11:45 AM – 1:15 PM in the East Room. The study is The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians. All ladies are welcome to join.

Catholic Inquiry Class

Do you know someone who is always asking you Why Do Catholics Genuflect, Worship Idols, And Mary?? Have a friend or loved one who is thinking about joining the Catholic Church, or are you a baptized Catholic adult in need of Reconciliation (Confession), First Communion, and Confirmation? Come join us on Monday at 6:30-8:00 PM in the East Room.
January 4-Epiphany

SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH

ROBERT VILLESICAS



Robert is in his 1st Year at Conception Seminary. His birthday is March 31, 1996 and is from San Angelo, TX. His favorite food is all food. Robert loves doing Insanity and having fun!

Please Pray for Our Seminarians!
O God, you wish all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of your truth: send, we beg you, laborers into your harvest, and grant them grace to speak your word with all boldness so that your word may spread and be glorified, and all nations may know you, the only God, and Him whom you have sent, Jesus Christ your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns world without end. Amen

SEARCH FOR CHRISTIAN MATURITY

The Search for Christian Maturity, a weekend Catholic program for high school and college-age people of our Diocese. Jesus' answer too many of our problems are presented. It promises to be a worthwhile weekend. If you are interested in attending, contact Merlinda Morón or the church office, 714-4930.

MARRIAGE

Please call the office, 714-4930, at least six months prior to planning wedding.

SICK VISITATION

Please call the office, 714-4930, to give us the names of the people who would like to receive Holy Communion or have a visit from the priest.

QUINCEAÑERA

Two years of religious education is required by the diocese. Please call the office, 714-4930, for more information.

REQUIREMENTS FOR BAPTIZING:

To baptize infants we require Parents to provide the child's court issued Birth Certificate. Parents must be registered in the Church. Godparents must provide a copy of their Baptismal, First Communion, and Confirmation Certificates. Married Godparents will also need to provide their certificate of marriage in the Catholic Church. For more information, please call the Parish Office, 714-4930.

Bautismo de niños/as los papás necesitan presentar el certificado de nacimiento de la corte del niño(a). Los padres deben estar registrados en la iglesia. Los padrinos necesitan presentar sus certificados de Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación. Los padrinos casados deben de presentar su certificado de matrimonio en la iglesia católica. Para más información por favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 714-4930.

HALL RENTAL

The new policy on the hall rental was approved on January 26, 2015 by the parish council and Msgr. Gully.

The **deposit of \$50 is required** at the time of reservation.

The **insurance fee** has to be sent to San Angelo Diocese **30 days before the event.**

Classroom Rental:

Deposit \$50- Rental \$50- Insurance \$120

School Hall Rental:

Deposit \$50- Rental \$150- Insurance \$120

OLG Family Center Rental:

Deposit \$50- Rental \$300- Insurance \$120

SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE
12/27/15

Due to bulletin being published early, we are unable to provide the attendance for the weekend.

St. Vincent de Paul
270-5029

MSGR. GULLY'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 29, 215 – Day of Rest
Wednesday, December 30, 2015 – Day of Rest



READY TO DO GOD'S WILL

O my great God, you can do all things and I can do nothing! If you wish to help me, I am ready. I promise to obey you! Accomplish your most adorable will in me and by me. –Blessed Marie de l'Incarnation



Sunday Collection
12/27/2015

Due to bulletin being published early, we are unable to provide the Collection for the weekend.

Average Collections per week needed: **\$9,335.00**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

“Stewardship is planned giving and does not leave giving to chance. It challenges us to plan. It asks us to appraise – deliberately – what we are doing with our time, our talent and our treasure.”



TO BE A CHRISTIAN STEWARD

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Pt 4:10).

What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

CURSILLO CORNER
SPANISH ULTREYA -
Todos los lunes, 7:00 PM
en el salón de Holy Trinity
Parish Hall.
Todos están invitados a
venir y disfrutar de la beca.



SCHEDULE OF ENGLISH ULTREYAS
Tuesday, January 5, 2016
7:00 PM in East Room.
Sunday, January 17, 2016
2:30 PM in Family Center

Please look at each date for location of Ultreya, as it is held in either the Family Center or the East Room.

All are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER
Engaged Encounter is a weekend for engaged couples of any age who are committed to marry in the Catholic Church. It is designed to give couples an opportunity to dialogue intensively and honestly about their future together. Self-identity, role expectations, money, sex, children, family, and religion are some of the topics of face-to-face dialogue with one's partner. Through a series of talks on the lived experience of the team of married couples and a priest, the engaged couples are encouraged to privately discuss all the aspects of married life.

Registration should be made at least 60 days prior to the planned wedding date and after an initial meeting with your priest.

Engaged Encounter schedule:
January 22-24, 2016
February 19-21, 2016
March 18-20, 2016
May 20-22, 2016
August 5-7, 2016
October 28-30, 2016

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED AND THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED:

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of the late **Pharrah Rios** who died this past week. We commend their souls and the intentions of the family to our continuing prayers.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Beatrice Franco, Olivia Hernandez, Don Arroyo, Jean Arroyo, Emma Leos, Kirsten Marquez, Leonides Vela Jr., Sammy Ortega, Josh & Yvette Preston, Domingo Rocha. Call the office at 714-4930 to add the names in the bulletin. **Only the person needing or immediate family member may request to be added to the prayer list.**



“And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.”

Luke 2:52

**Readings for the Week of
January 3, 2015**

Sunday The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Monday Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious 1 Jn 3:22—4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday Saint John Neumann, Bishop 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday Saint André Bessette 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest 1 Jn 4:19—5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5, and 6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday The Baptism of the Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

SANCTUARY CANDLE

[HT] January 3 – Mark, Dylan, & Coytt Corrales
[St. Joseph] January 3 – OPEN



SATURDAY, January 2, 2015

- 5:00 PM – [HT] For the People; +Howard Stevens by Karen Stevens; St. Jude by Mary Lou Saldana; +Ramon & +Mary Lou Torres by Jean Govea; Child of the Light, +Donna J. Arroyo by Arroyo Family; Our Lady of Guadalupe, +Erlinda & +Domingo Torres by Jean Govea; +Robert S. Ross Sr. by Wanda Anderson; +Alex Escañuelas Sr. by Yolanda Escañuelas; +Felix Robles Jr. by Family; +Gilbert & +Edward Reyna by Demetria Reyna

SUNDAY, January 3, 2015

- 8:30 AM – [HT] +Herminia Hernandez by Mary Vera
- 11:00 AM – [HT] +Ruben, +Rosalia Billalba, +Santos, +Erlinda Lujan by Family; +Frances McKiski by Family; +Eva Madrid by Gus Ochotorena Jr.; +Elvira A. Olivas by Sylvia Rodriguez; +Paula Olague by Irma Ortega; +Jose Rivera by Family; +Elias Gamboa Sr. by Gil Gamboa; +Ramon Gonzales by Christopher Gonzales; +Michael Yanez by Lucy F. Chavarria

MONDAY, January 4, 2015

- 7:00 AM-[Chapel] +Ted Podhirny by Mary Chavez
- 1:30 PM-[State] OPEN

TUESDAY January 5, 2015

- 7:00 AM [Chapel] NO MASS
- 10:30 AM [Parkview] In Thanks giving St. Jude by Consuelo Morales

WEDNESDAY January 6, 2015

- 2:00 PM [Canterbury South] Lupe Ortiz B'day by Dianna Valdez
- 7:00 PM-[HT] Souls in Purgatory by Consuelo Morales

THURSDAY, January 7, 2015

- 10:30 AM – [BSSCC] Infant Jesus by Cecilia Treviño

FRIDAY, January 8, 2015

- 7:00 AM – [Chapel] +Gavina Nunez by Mary Chavez

SATURDAY, January 9, 2015

- 5:00 PM – [HT] St. Joseph S. I. by Jean Govea; St. Anthony S. I. by Jean Govea; +Gilbert & +Juanita Reyna by Demetria Reyna; +Rudolfo, +Francis Rodriguez & Deceased Fam. Members & Fr. James DeLaney, OMI by Jose & Mary Martinez; Monika Kennemur by Family; +Mary Lou Rangel & Fr. James DeLaney, OMI by Jose & Mary Martinez; +Felix Robles Jr. by M/M Jimmy Marin; +Teresa Hodnett by Jean Govea; +Felix Robles Jr. by Conchita Rodriguez

SUNDAY, January 10, 2015

- 8:30 AM – [HT] For the People; +Felix Robles Jr. by Family
- 11:00 AM – [HT] +Manuel Gutierrez Jr. by Gus Ochotorena Jr.; +Macedonio Sr. & Belia Landin by Irma Ortega; +Pedro & +Nati Diaz by Petra Rios-Rios; +Ruben, +Rosalia Billalba, +Santos, +Erlinda Lujan, +Frances McKiski by Family; +Robert & +Margarita Ross by Petra Rios-Rios; +Valentin Corrales by Margarita Corrales; +Jose Maria Jr. & +Guadalupe Hilario by Elsa Hilario; +Lucy Ochoa by Saragosa Ochoa; Olivia Hernandez B'day by Salazar Family



Sunday's Reflections
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

SECRET PLAN

The birth of Jesus became the worst kept secret in the history of the world. All along, people knew God had a plan. God had told everyone from Adam and Eve, to Abraham and Sara, to Moses and Miriam, to David and Bathsheba, to Hosea and Gomer, to Mary and Joseph that there was a plan. Nobody fully understood it. Nobody knew how God would bring the plan to fulfillment. But they all believed. They had seen God work mighty deeds in their lives, and they believed that one day the promise of redemption would be fulfilled.

Jesus was God's secret. When Jesus was born in humble surroundings outside of royalty and pageantry, only a handful of people even began to realize what God had done.

But the secret got out. Angels appeared in the sky. Shepherds showed up. And Magi traveled from a faraway land. Everyone was finding out God's two great surprises: Jesus was born as the promised Messiah, and he came not just for his own race, but for all the people of the world.

The Letter to the Ephesians says, God's mystery "was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit." Jesus was born, and he came to save each of us, no matter what family we came from, what we believed, or how we behaved. The mystery of God's love is open now to the whole world. That is the epiphany, the revelation of God's secret.

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