

Minutes November 14, 2016 Pastoral Council Meeting

1. Invocation: Msgr. Gully
2. Mission Statement: Council
3. October 2015 ending balance: \$26,172.82
4. New Carpet Project collections as of October 2016: \$41,162.87
5. The council was extremely pleased with the Appreciation Banquet held on Sunday, November 6, 2016. Some improvements were discussed for the 2017 Appreciation Banquet.
6. The council was grateful with the priests and deacon who spent time to bless the graves on All Souls Day. Recommended to do this again next All Souls Day.
7. The council studied the Sean Mis Testigos/Be My Witness and recommended that we continue the program.
8. The council was pleased with the approximately 60 people who attended the Liturgy Planning Meeting for Advent. The next Liturgy Planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday Feb. 7, 2017.
9. The report on CCE is that more children are registering each week. We are blessed with many teachers/catechists. Well done!
10. The Knights of Columbus is hosting a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016. Please come and see!
11. The council recommended to remodel the St. Joseph church in Coahoma into a residence making it more attractive to sell.
12. The council heard the report on the establishing a Day Care at Holy Trinity. Input is requested on the need for a Day Care.
13. Erika Galvan and Cruz Olague are organizing the Las Posadas starting Dec. 16-24, 2016. Please call the office at 714-4930 to volunteer your home.
14. The council was pleased with the Children's Liturgy of the Word allowing children to contribute to the collection.
15. Council was excited that 2 of Holy Trinity Parish men accompanied Fr. Sam to look at Conception Seminary in Missouri.
16. Benediction Msgr. Gully

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Register now for Adult Confirmation classes. Classes will be starting soon.

Call the office 432-714-4930 to register.

OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed Wednesday, November 23 at 12:00 PM thru Friday, November 25th in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The office will re-open on Monday, November 28th at 8:00 AM.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions this Thursday, November 17th from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM with Msgr. Gully.

NO CCE CLASSES

Due to the Thanksgiving holidays, there will be no class on Wednesday, November 23rd and Sunday, November 27th. Classes will resume on Wednesday, November 30th and Sunday, December 4th.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is getting ready for the preparation of Thanksgiving Food Baskets. St. Vincent de Paul's goal is to prepare approximately 50 baskets. Boxes are placed at the entrance of the church for any non-perishable food donations. You may also call 432-270-5029 for any drop offs at the St. Vincent de Paul office. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

Please be generous and help us make this Thanksgiving Day, one that our needy families will be grateful for.

Thank you for your generosity. God, Bless you!

¿¿¿¿HOLY TRINITY DAY CARE????

Our parish is exploring the need for a daycare center in our community in the future. Is it needed? How seriously is it needed? **WE NEED YOUR INPUT!!!!**

If you are interested in daycare, we are considering ages infant to 4 year olds, please call Richard Light at 432-466-9703 by Wednesday, November 30th.

LAS POSADAS – DECEMBER 16-24, 2016

Time for Las Posadas is getting near! To accomplish all nine days of Las Posadas we need various volunteers. Singers, musicians, people to open their homes to host Las Posadas, and safety persons for "crossing guards" are needed. If you and your family would like to participate in this beautiful event please call **Erika Galvan - 432-270-3965 or Cruz Olague – 432-935-3042.**

Tiempo para Las Posadas está cerca! Para cumplir con todos los nueve días de Las Posadas necesitamos a varios voluntarios. Cantantes, músicos, personas que abren sus hogares y seguridad para "guardias de cruce" son necesarios. Si usted y su familia le gustaría participar en este hermoso evento favor de llamar **Erika Galvan - 432-270-3965 or Cruz Olague – 432-935-3042.**

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



Nov. 20 – What Can I do?

In our culture of death, no doubt the "least of these our brothers and sisters" are the defenseless, innocent children in the womb who are so incredibly vulnerable. So, here are some ideas of what we can do to make a real difference:

- ◆ Join or Support the Respect Life Committee in our Parish
- ◆ Start or Support a Gabriel Project in Your Parish
- ◆ Meet with and write to your Legislators as a Constituent, Communicating the Catholic Church Position on Life Issues
- ◆ Support Local Pregnancy Centers by donating Your Time, Talents, and Treasure
- ◆ Tell Others about Project Rachel, a Post-Abortion Reconciliation/Counseling Program (Toll Free 888-456-4673)
- ◆ Pray for Those Who Have Been Involved in an Abortion
- ◆ Pray for the life of all, particularly giving witness outside our local abortion clinics

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.

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?

Classes on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the East Room.

November 14th – MassQ9 & Church Tour Q11

November 21 – Church Year “Liturgical Calendar”

November 28th Advent

**SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH
 THOMAS SHOWS**



Thomas is 2nd Year Theology at St. Mary's Seminary in Houston. His birthday is July 12, 1989 and is from Abilene, TX. His favorite food is Indian food and Rosa's Cafe. Thomas enjoys Playing video games, running, making model miniatures and practicing the harmonica.

Please Pray for Our Seminarians!

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** must 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

11/13/16

Mass	Attendance	Communion
5:00 PM	215	170
8:30 AM	180	104
11:00 AM	280	203
Total	675	477
St. Vincent de Paul 270-5029		

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE

Fr. Sam Matthiesen:
Thursday, November 25, 2016 – Day of Rest
Saturday, November 26 & Sunday,
November 27, 2016 – Weekend in Stanton &
 Lenora



SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

On Saturday, November 19th and Sunday November 20th, the second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ "... to bring good news to the poor ... release to captives ... sight to the blind, and let the oppressed go free." (Luke 4:18)

The belief that those who are directly affected by unjust systems and structures have the best insight into knowing how to change them is central to CCHD. CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out.



"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." Luke 12:15



SCHEDULE OF ENGLISH ULTREYAS

All are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.

Sunday, November 20, 2016 – 2:30 PM, Family Center

Tuesday, December 6, 2016 – 7:00 PM in Eastroom

Please try to participate in Las Posadas as part of our Ultreya activity.

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.

LORD, GIVE ME COURAGE

Heavenly Father, I don't have to look very far—barely outside my front door—to see people who desperately need a word of hope, who need to know about you. Give me courage to open my mouth and share my faith with someone today.

—from Advent with Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Sunday Collection
11/13/2016

Envelope \$5,457.00
Loose \$3,220.74
Total \$8,677.74
St. Vincent de Paul \$2,663.74

NEW CARPET PROJECT

As of October 31, 2016
\$41,162.87

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

The Gospel message is so contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not store up or hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle.



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

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

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Becky Mendoza, Juan Cervantes, Celia Lopez, Clara York, Jesse Loya Jr., Ida Sanchez, Martina Espinoza, Maria Dominguez, Miranda Tolle, Eric Hudson, Reynaldo Hernandez Sr. 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.**



"Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal."

Luke 23:40-41

**Readings for the Week of
 November 20, 2016**

Sunday Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 2
 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5;
 Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

Monday The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rv
 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab,
 5-6; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr Rv
 14:14-19; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot Rv
 15:1-4; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday Saint Andrew Dúng-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs Rv
 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 21:20-28

Friday Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr Rv
 20:1-4, 11—21:2; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a, and 8a; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday Rv
 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday First Sunday of Advent
 Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

SANCTUARY CANDLE

[HT] November 20 – Alicia & +Leo Salazar



SATURDAY, Nov. 19, 2016

- 5:00 PM – [HT] +Aida D. Sanchez by *Diane Ewing*; +Martha G. Arispe by *M/M Jimmy Marin*; +Jimmy Yanez by *Lucy F. Chavarria*; +George Martinez by *Luz Martinez*; +Ray Morón B'day by *Salazar Family*; +Juan 'John' Rodriguez by *Family & Friends*; +Petra & +Sonny Ruiz by *Jr. & Dora Escañuelas*; +Cruz & +Joe 'Prieto' Martinez by *Amelia Martinez*; +Magdalena & +Simon Correa Sr. by *Maria Florez & Family*

SUNDAY, Nov. 20, 2016

- 8:30 AM – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; +Pedro, +Nettie, +Virginia Diaz by *M/M Jimmy Marin*
- 11:00 AM – NOVENA FOR ALL SOULS - [HT] Jordan Lee Dunn B'day by *Dianna Valdez*; +Elvira Olivas by *Irene Dominguez*; +Robert Cody Trevino by *Trevino Family*; +Juan 'John' Rodriguez by *Family & Friends*; +Jimmy Yanez by *Diane & Alicia*; Jay Viera B'day by *Joe Viera Jr.*; Arturo Arsiaga by *Gary & Violanda Harris*; +Eva Dominguez, 5th Anniv. Of Death by *Grandchildren*; +Lucy Ochoa by *Patsy Sanchez*

MONDAY, Nov. 21, 2016

- 7:00 AM [HT] +Lucy Ochoa by *Saragosa Ochoa*

TUESDAY Nov. 22, 2016

- 7:00 AM [HT] +Petra Arguello by *Victor & Alicia Torres*

WEDNESDAY Nov. 23, 2016-NOVENA FOR ALL SOULS

- 7:00 PM [HT] +Julia Lopez by *Luz Martinez*

THURSDAY, Nov. 24, 2016 - Thanksgiving Day

- 9:00 AM [HT] +Pedro & +Manuela Baltazar by *M/M Steve Escañuelas*

FRIDAY, Nov. 25, 2016

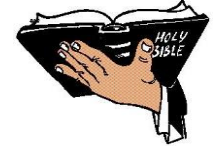
- 7:00 AM – [HT] +Elvira, +Jose Maria, +Guadalupe Hilario by *Elsa Hilario*

SATURDAY, Nov. 26, 2016

- 5:00 PM – [HT] +Aida D. Sanchez by *Diane Ewing*; +Tony Guzman by *Luz Martinez*; +Esequiel & +Katy Hernandez by *Nora Hernandez*; Terry Cervantes B'day by *Salazar Family*; +Juan 'John' Rodriguez by *Family & Friends*; +Christopher Valencia B'day, +Stephen Valencia Jr. by *Delma Valencia*; +Marcos Correa & +Irma Natividad by *Maria Florez & Family*; Accion de Gracias by *Demetria Reyna*; +Jose J. & +Julia Lopez by *Children*

SUNDAY, Nov. 27, 2016

- 8:30 AM – [HT] NOVENA FOR ALL SOULS San Judas Tadeo Apastol by *Jose Enrique Gonzalez*
- 11:00 AM – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; +Jose Mario Sr. & +Jose Mario Jr. by *Elsa Hilario*; +Johnny Arispe Sr. by *Sylvia S. Rocha*; +Juan 'John' Rodriguez by *Family & Friends*; +Fermin Florez Sr. by *Maria Florez & Family*; +Chon Yanez by *Diane, R.J. & Chon*; +Elvira Olivas Death Anniv. by *M/M Jesse Perez*; Austin B. Reyes B'day by *Joe Viera Jr.*; Our Virgin (Mother) Mary for World Peace by *Gary & Violanda Harris*; B.S.I. Faculty & Staff by *Patsy Sanchez*



Sunday's Reflections
Colossians 1:12-20

CHRIST OUR SOURCE OF UNITY

Strive to live a united life. Let all the parts of your life work together. If you have a family, devote yourself to their needs, more than your own preferences. If you apply for a job, apply for one that helps you contribute to society with the particular skills you have. When you choose entertainments, choose those that give you life, not ones that belittle others or that feed your uncontrollable passions. And when you go to church, express your faith and open your heart to the revelation of God. Then, from Sunday to Sunday, from Eucharist to Eucharist, day in and day out, you will live the Christian life. All the parts of your life will be united.

Some people separate their lives into compartments. They engage in illicit activities at work, but they say it isn't really who they are. They never bring their faith with them into the voting booth. They sing hymns of God's love at church, but they practice selfishness at home. They say they love their family, but they betray them in the lusts of a moment's weakness.

You cannot live peacefully that way. You need a united life. There is one who can unite life for you, because there is only one who unites all things. "He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church." He is Christ the King.

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