

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 (Total Cost \$75,000)
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.

CONFESSIONS

No confessions on Thursday, November 24th due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

¿¿¿¿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.**

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.

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



Nov. 27 – Abortion In Young Women And Subsequent Mental Health

Most debates on abortion have centered around ethical, religious and other issues concerning the rights of the unborn child in circumstances of an "unplanned pregnancy."

The study concluded, "Those having an abortion have elevated rates of subsequent mental health problems including depression, anxiety, suicidal behaviors and substance use disorders" (*Journal of Child Psychology & Psychiatry*).

By Pro-Life Articles Author
www.pro-lifearticles.org

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.

PRAYER MEETING – English – All are welcome on Wednesdays at 7 PM in East Room to join us for praise, teaching, and prayer for healing.

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 28th Advent
- December 5th Who Shepherds the Church
- December 12th Christmas
- December 19th –Pot Luck
- December 26th No Class
- January 2nd 5- Epiphany

**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
11/20/16**

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

**St. Vincent de Paul
270-5029**

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE

Msgr. Bernard Gully:
**Monday, November 28 5:00 PM thru
Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at 12:00 PM –**
Priest Fraternity, Sonora, Tx.
Fr. Sam Matthiesen:
Thursday, December 1, 2016 12:00 PM –
Deanery Meeting, St. Ann's, Midland
Fr. Matthiesen & Msgr. Gully:
December 3, 2016 6:00 PM - Bishop's
Christmas Get Together, San Angelo, Tx.

ADVENT

Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas.

The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas).

Advent devotions including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season. The Advent calendar can help you fully enter in to the season with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ.

Advent resources can be found on -
www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent

WE ARE CALLED

As Christians, every part of our life is oriented toward our place as citizens in the kingdom of God. We are called to love. We are called to serve. We are called to recognize the face of Christ in everyone around us, even our enemies, for the greater good of all.

–from **Advent with Saint Teresa of Calcutta**



**Sunday Collection
11/20/2016**

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**NEW CARPET PROJECT
As of October 31, 2016
\$41,162.87**

Goal: \$75,000

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY!**

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

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.



**SCHEDULE OF ENGLISH
ULTREYAS**

All are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.
Tuesday, December 6, 2016 – 7:00 PM in East room

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.

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.**



"Therefore, stay awake!"

Matthew 24:42

Readings for the Week of November 27, 2016

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

Monday Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday Saint Andrew, Apostle Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8,9,10,11; Mt 4:18-22

Thursday Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday Saint Francis Xavier, Priest Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday Second Sunday of Advent Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12



SANCTUARY CANDLE

[HT] November 27 – Alicia & Leo Salazar

MASS INTENTIONS

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 Apostol 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 *MM Jesse Perez*; Austin B. Reyes B'day by *Joe Viera Jr.*; Our Virgen (Mother) Mary for World Peace by *Gary & Violanda Harris*; B.S.I. Faculty & Staff by *Patsy Sanchez*

MONDAY, Nov. 28, 2016

- 7:00 AM [HT] +Chon Yanez B'day by *Lucy F. Chavarria*
- 2:00 PM [Canterbury] Jr. & Dora Escañuelas by *Orand Carroll*

TUESDAY Nov. 29, 2016

- 7:00 AM [HT] +Aida D. Sanchez 6th Death Anniv. by *Diane Ewing*
- 10:30 AM [Parkview] NOVENA FOR ALL SOULS +Mauricio & +Maria Torres by *Victor & Alicia Torres*

WEDNESDAY Nov. 30, 2016

- 7:00 PM [HT] +Luiz Martinez by *Martinez Family*

THURSDAY, Dec. 1, 2016

- 7:00 AM [HT] +Benjamin Bennett by *John Solan*
- 10:00 AM [BSSH] +Wilbert Gully by *Lucille Halfmann*

FRIDAY, Dec. 2, 2016

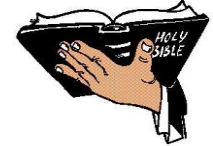
- 7:00 AM – [HT] Holy Souls by *Mary Chavez*

SATURDAY, Dec. 3, 2016

- 5:00 PM – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; St. Jude by *Mary Lou & Tony Saldana*; +Lori & +Eddie Sr. DeLeon by *Concha DeLeon*; +Gary Flores by *Luz Martinez*; +Juan 'John' Rodriguez by *Family & Friends*; +Alex Escañuelas Sr. by *Yolanda Escañuelas*; +Cristino Sr. & +Cristino Jr. Correa by *Maria Florez & Family*; St. Joseph by *Gary & Violanda Harris*; +Donna Arroyo-Divine Child of the Light by *Jean Govea*; +Ramon & +Mary Torres-Our Lady of Guadalupe by *Jean Govea*

SUNDAY, Dec. 4, 2016

- 8:30 AM – [HT] +Valentin Corrales by *Margarita Corrales*
- 11:00 AM – [HT] +Aida D. Sanchez by *Diane Ewing*; Cassie Torres Abundez B'day by *Albert & Leticia Torres*; +Juan 'John' Rodriguez by *Family & Friends*; +Santos & +Erlinda Lujan; +Ruben & +Rosalia Billalba; +Frances McKiski; +Ismael Lujan by *Lujan Family*; +Alex & +Santos Torres by *Torres Family*; +Ygnacio, +Maria & +Andy Escañuelas by *Jr. & Dora Escañuelas*; Alonzo Landin B'day by *Irma Ortega*; +Gilbert Narbaiz by *Patsy Sanchez*; +Lucy Ochoa by *Amanda & Amelia Islas*



Sunday's Reflections Romans 13:11-14

ALARM CLOCK

People act differently at night than they do in the day. In the day we are busy with personal responsibilities, but nights invite relaxation. On some nights, we relax too much. Some people let their guard down at night. In the dark we are more prone to commit crime and enter sin, as if no one can see.

When the hour comes to wake from sleep, we are filled with expectation and remorse. We look forward to the promise of the coming day, but we regret the sins of the past.

Advent is here. The alarm has just gone off. St. Paul says, "It is the hour now for you to awake from sleep." Paul is not talking about the dawn of another weekday. He speaks of the dawn of an eternal day. Our salvation is near at hand. The risen Christ longs to enter our hearts and dwell there by faith.

We have to quit acting like it is night. We should behave as if it were eternal day. Our responsibilities as Christians continue in every circumstance—when we are at work or at play, when we are active or at rest. The faithful Christian remains vigilant at all hours, so that we will be ready for Christ when he comes.

Christ is coming soon. Our salvation is near at hand. Let us spend this Advent doing the deeds of day, and avoiding the deeds of darkness.

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