
CONFESSIONS

Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM with Fr. Sam Matthiesen.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Ladies Bible Study will be beginning on Tuesday, February 14th at 12:00 PM in the East Room. The study will be focused on Mary-Virgin, Mother, and Queen: A bible Study guide for Catholics. The cost of the book is \$10.00.

Please call Suzanne Haney at 432-270-5764 if you are interested in attending this study group.

FESTIVAL MEETING

Festival meeting on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 7:00 PM in Family Center, to discuss upcoming Festival plans.

If you have ideas or would like to help with the Festival, please join us at the meeting.

FAT TUESDAY

The youth group will be hosting "FAT TUESDAY" on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Come enjoy lots of food and try for a door prize!

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, March 1, 2017 is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Catholic services being planned.

The LENTEN LUNCHEONS will start on Wednesday, March 8, 2017. The first luncheon will be here at Holy Trinity.

A full schedule will be in the bulletin next week with locations and addresses.

WEEKEND FUNDRAISERS

For all the ministries and families wanting to do a fundraiser for the New Carpet Renovation, we have some weekend dates available:

February 18-19th;
March 4-5th; March 18-19th; March 25-26th;
April 1-2nd; April 8-9th; 15-16th.

If you are interested in any of these weekends, please call the office, 714-4930 and reserve a weekend!

12th ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Today's man faces many challenges and is in search of the good for himself, his family, and his future. Come to the San Antonio Catholic Men's Conference for men of all ages on Saturday, March 18, 2017 in Bill Greehey Arena at St. Mary's University. The conference will offer powerful speakers, BBQ lunch, Mass with Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, and much more!

Individual registration is \$55.00 till March 13, 2017; after this date registration is \$65.00 at the door.

Check out CMCSanAntonio.com or call or come by the office for a brochure.

REPEAT OF MINUTES**PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES JANUARY 30, 2017**

1. Total through December New Carpet total collection: \$41,241.14
 2. Monsignor Gully: We have 12 small group leaders for Be My Witness and 3 small group leaders for Sean Mis Testigos. The plan is that the small groups will start in Lent.
 3. Richard Light: Parents are bringing children to CCE classes in large numbers. The Adult Confirmation class has 9 participants. The RCIA has 10 adults and the Children Christian Initiation CCI has 5.
 4. Liturgy committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017 in Family Center at 7 pm.
 5. The remodeling of the St. Joseph Church, Coahoma into a 3 bedroom 2 ½ bath home is underway. Hopefully, to be finished in May 2017. Be looking for more information.
 6. The Pastoral Council discussed the need for the Big Spring community to have more infant and child day care. Beginning the discussion of remodeling of the old school cafeteria into 4 classrooms and men/women's bathroom with showers.
 7. 2016 Christmas Las Posadas were discussed. Monsignor Gully was extremely happy with the effort and dedication of the people. Looking forward to next Christmas.
 8. Merlinda Moron: Youth trip to Dallas Stuebenville LoneStar trip, reported that cost for 30 youth to be \$10,000.00. The youth will have fund raisers to help with the cost.
 9. Benediction: Father Sam Matthiesen.
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GET BACK ON YOUR FEET

When you fall, get back up. Our relationship with Jesus Christ gives us the power to rise again. When we turn to God with a repentant heart, he always helps us up. A man who keeps falling and rising will make more progress than the one who falls and stays down.

-from *A 40-Day Spiritual Workout for Catholics*

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



Feb. 12 - "A political society endures when it seeks, as a vocation, to satisfy common needs by stimulating the growth of all its members, especially those in situations of greater vulnerability or risk."

Pope Francis, Address to the Joint Session of the U.S. Congress, September 24, 2015 (www.goo.gl/9HGt2d)
For our country: May the Lord, the giver of life, grant respect for each person that shapes our law and way of life; We pray to the Lord:

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.

MARRIAGE

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

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.

February 13 The Sacraments: An Intro

February 20 The Sacrament of Baptism

February 27 Lent

March 1 Attend Ash Wednesday Services

**SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH
JOSH GRAY**



Josh is 4th Year Theology at Mundelein Seminary. His birthday is March 3, 1991 and is from Early, TX. His favorite food is steak. Josh enjoys running and reading.

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 Merliinda Morón or the church office, 714-4930.

SICK VISITATION

If Catholics cannot come to church, then the church comes to them (priest/communion). 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
02/05/17**

Mass	Attendance	Communion
5:00 PM	236	145
8:30 AM	125	69
11:00 AM	391	194
Total	752	408
St. Vincent de Paul 270-5029		

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE

Msgr. Bernard Gully:
Friday, February 10th thru Friday, February 17th, 2017 – Oblates in San Antonio, Tx.

Fr. Sam Matthiesen:
Tuesday, February 14, 2017–Deanery Meeting, Odessa
Friday, February 17, 2017-Day of Rest

**CARING FOR LOVED ONES
AT LIFE'S END**

An old Irish proverb says, "It is in the shelter of each other that the people live." Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to "shelter" them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them.

1. Invite God in
2. Listen
3. Inform yourself
4. Be Steadfast in Compassion
5. Help them Achieve Closure
6. Provide Opportunities for Resolution
7. Reminisce
8. Provide a Peaceful Presence
9. Show Tenderness
10. Bear Their Transition Patiently

Accompanying a loved one in his or her last days is enormously important work, but we do not need to fear our own limitations. Pope Francis tells us, "[God] comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others."

<http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program/2016>



**Sunday Collection
02/05/2017**

Envelope	\$5,962.00
Loose	\$2,504.25
Total	\$8,466.25

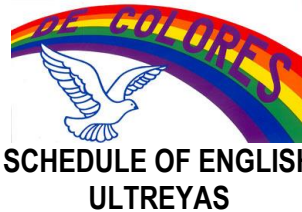
NEW CARPET PROJECT
As of December 27, 2016
\$41,241.14

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.



All are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.

- Tuesday, February 21, 2017** 7:00 PM in East room
- Tuesday, March 7, 2017** 7:00 PM in East room
- Tuesday, March 21, 2017,** 7:00 PM in East room
- Tuesday, April 4, 2017** 7:00 PM in East room
- Tuesday, April 18, 2017,** 7:00 PM in East room

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 **Erlinda Luna and Jose Victor Hilario**, who died this past week. We commend their souls and the intentions of the family to our continuing prayers.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Mark Anthony Torres Jr., Flora Salazar, Steve Escañuelas, Angie Arenivaz, Joanie Gonzalez, Imelda Melendez, Domingo Cerato, Chila Cerrato, Angela Torres, Melba Chavez, Christian Audon Flores. 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.**



“..leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift.”

—Matthew 5:24

**Readings for the Week of
February 12, 2017**

Sunday Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

SANCTUARY CANDLE

[HT] February 12 – Gabi Mendoza & Alicia Rivera



SATURDAY, Feb. 11, 2017

- 5:00 PM – [HT FOR THE PEOPLE; +Luiz Martinez by Martinez Family; +Wilbert Gully by Bobby & Karen Eggemeyer; For Rodriguez Family's Health by Augustine & Mina Garcia; +Esequiel & +Katy Hernandez by Nora Hernandez; +Gilbert +Juanita, +David & +Mickey Reyna by Demetria Reyna; +Juana Torres by Eloisa Gonzales; Virgen de Guadalupe by Librada Lopez; +Josie DeLeon by Belen Alvarez; +Juana & +Frances Torres by Alice Salazar

SUNDAY, Feb. 12, 2017

- 8:30 AM – [HT] San Judas Tadeo Apostol by Jose Enrique Gonzalez
- 11:00 AM -- [HT] +Elgin Suazo Death Anniversary by Adrienne Cambell; +Eulalia Viera by Joe Viera Jr.; +Aida D. Sanchez by Diane Ewing; +Wilbert Gully by Nell Fischer Edmiston; +Robert Rubio by Diane Ewing; +Wilbert Gully by Leonard & Sandra Jansa; +Genobebo, +Petra, +Jesusita Morales by Nora Morales; +Pedro & +Nati Diaz by N. Diaz & Family; +Nacho, +Maria, +Andy Escañuelas by Jr. & Dora Escañuelas; +Pilar, +Petra, +Goya Escañuelas by Jr. & Dora Escañuelas

MONDAY, Feb. 13, 2017

- 7:00 AM [HT] +Conception Anderson by Wanda Anderson

TUESDAY Feb. 14, 2017

- 7:00 AM [HT] Valentin Molina B'day by Molina Family

WEDNESDAY Feb. 15, 2017

- 7:00 PM [HT] +Marie Lopez, Death Anniversary by Lucy F. Chavarria

THURSDAY, Feb. 16, 2017

- 7:00 AM [HT] +Alifonso Escovedo by Family
- 10:00 AM [BSSH] +Wilbert Gully by Richard & Joanna Moeller

FRIDAY, Feb. 17, 2017

- 7:00 AM – [HT] Alicia Martinez B'day by Salazar Family

SATURDAY, Feb. 18, 2017

- 5:00 PM – [HT FOR THE PEOPLE; +Robert Anderson by Wanda Anderson +Luiz Martinez by Martinez Family; +Wilbert Gully by Harold & Melva Gloden; Margie Barron by Augustine & Mina Garcia; +Francisco, +Maria, +Tony & +Porfirio Reyna by Demetria Reyna; +Juana Torres by Eloisa Gonzales; +Edward Flores, Death Anniversary by Lucy F. Chavarria; Santo Nino de Praga by Librada Lopez; +Narcissa Abundez by Wanda Anderson

SUNDAY, Feb. 19, 2017

- 8:30 AM – [HT] FOR THE PEOPLE; +Wilbert Gully by Bill & Amy Fuchs
- 11:00 AM -- [HT] +Aida D. Sanchez by Diane Ewing; +Lupe Padilla by M/M Albert Torres & Family; +Wilbert Gully by Dennis & Barbara Fuchs; +Pedro & +Nati Diaz by N. Diaz & Family; +Josie DeLeon by Linda Berry; Sacred Heart of Jesus-Thanksgiving by Cecilia Trevino; Sacred Heart of Jesus-Thanksgiving by Sofia Ortega; Orand Carroll by Jr. & Dora Escañuelas; +Alberto, +Juan & +Goyo Gonzales by Jr. & Dora Escañuelas



Sunday's Reflections
1 Corinthians 2:6-10

EXPERT ADVICE

An expert can quickly solve problems you may spend hours trying to figure out. If you cannot get the software to work on your computer, for example, you might waste a lot of time trying to figure out what is wrong. But someone who knows the software can fix it up in a snap. The same is true of everyday crises from car repair to plumbing. Experts seem to have a different kind of wisdom. We are blessed when they share it.

We each have some wisdom we can share, too. Other people need our experience, advice, and love. Each of us has solved some of life's problems in a way that would help some others to know.

It is most true of God. God has a wisdom beyond what we have learned. The puzzles of life cannot be solved by our own experience or reason. Some things we turn over to the maker of life, trusting in the divine plan.

Paul tells the Corinthians, "We speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages for our glory." God has prepared things for us that we cannot experience now. Our sight and hearing help us appreciate the world around us, but in the end they will fail. God's goodness is beyond what we can imagine.

When we need an expert, someone to help us solve the puzzles of life, we turn ourselves over to the wisdom of God.

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