

St. John Parish

126 Hickory Street
Strawn, TX 76475

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m. (English),
Reconciliation: Before Mass

St. Rita Parish

1109 Blackwell Road
Ranger, TX 76470

Sunday Mass: 8:00 a.m. (English)
Reconciliation: Half Hour before Mass

St. Francis Xavier Parish

Halbryan and Foch Street
Eastland, TX 76448

Sunday Mass: 9:45 a.m. (Spanish)
Reconciliation: Half Hour before Mass

<http://stfranciseastland.org/>

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish

1108 Avenue F
Cisco, TX 76437

Sunday Mass: 11:30 a.m. (English)
Reconciliation: After Mass

www.cisoholyrosary.com

† Feast Day of the Week †

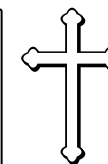
November 17th – St. Elizabeth of Hungary



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If you need a priest (Fr. Reehan) in an emergency (hospital, etc.),
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In her short life, Elizabeth showed such great love for the poor and suffering that she has become the patroness of Catholic Charities and the Secular Franciscan Order. The daughter of the King of Hungary, Elizabeth chose a life of penance when a life of leisure could easily have been hers. This choice endeared her in the hearts of the common people throughout Europe.

At the age of 14, Elizabeth was married to Louis of Thuringia, whom she deeply loved. She bore 3 children. Under the spiritual direction of a Franciscan friar, she led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor and sick. Trying to become one with the poor, she wore simple clothing. Daily she would take bread to hundreds of the poorest in the land who came to her gate (St. Elizabeth is also the patron saint of bakers!). After 6 years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades, and Elizabeth was grief-stricken. Her husband's family looked upon her as squandering the royal treasures and mistreated her, finally throwing her out of the palace. The return of her husband's allies from the Crusades resulted in her being reinstated, since her son was legal heir to the throne. In 1228, Elizabeth joined the Secular Franciscan Order, spending the remaining few years of her life caring for the poor in a hospital which she founded in honor of Saint Francis. Elizabeth's health declined, and she died before her 24th birthday in 1231. Her great popularity resulted in her canonization a short 4 years later.

Elizabeth understood well the lesson Jesus taught when he washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper. The Christian must be one who serves the humblest needs of others, even if one serves from an exalted position.

A BIG THANK YOU

St. Francis Xavier Church would like to thank everyone: the sponsors, donors and helpers of their 3rd Fall Festival. The net profit is \$16,006. Fr. Reehan personally thanks the people of St. Francis Xavier Church for sacrifice, hard work and generosity. May God bless you all.

Weekday Events in Your Parish/Eventos Durante la Semana de su Parroquia

St. Francis, Eastland	Monday – Rosario (Rosary in Spanish), 7 p.m. Tuesday – Estudio Biblico (Bible Study in Spanish), 7:30 p.m. Friday – Oracion (Evening Prayer), 7 p.m.
Holy Rosary, Cisco	Wednesday – Rosary 9 a.m., then coffee & donuts 1 st Wednesday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Rosary Sunday – Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark, 5 p.m.

Calendar of Events/Calendario de Eventos

November 13	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, 6 p.m., St. Francis Xavier Church House
November 23	Thanksgiving
December 3	First Sunday of Advent Feast Day of St. Francis Xavier Church Four Parish Christmas Party, Eastland – SAVE THE DATE!
December 8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, <i>Holyday of Obligation</i>
December 12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas
December 15	Advent Confessions: St. Francis Xavier Church, Eastland and Holy Rosary Church, Cisco, both at 6:30 p.m.
December 25	Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, <i>Holyday of Obligation</i>



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"Giving for the Common Good"**

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for it is in giving that we receive!**

Four Parish Christmas Party

December 3rd at the Lumberyard, Eastland
Please sign up – sign-up sheets are
available at the entrance of the church.

Next week (November 18th and 19th), our **second collection** will be for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection, you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

STEWARDSHIP

October 28 – October 29, 2017

Holy Rosary	\$	1,597.25
All Saints Day	\$	30.00
Mexico Earthquakes	\$	328.25
St. Rita	\$	623.00
All Saints Day	\$	80.00
Mexico Earthquakes	\$	89.00
St. John	\$	912.00
All Saints Day	\$	160.00
Mexico Earthquakes	\$	125.00
St. Francis	\$	329.20
All Saints Day	\$	181.25
Mexico Earthquakes	\$	146.00

May God bless you for your generosity.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday	8 a.m., St. Rita, Ranger
Wednesday	6:45 p.m., St. John, Strawn
Thursday	7 p.m., St. Francis Xavier, Eastland
Friday	9 a.m., Holy Rosary, Cisco

Mass Intentions

+Holy Rosary, Cisco – FRIDAY, November 10th
For the repose of the soul of Margaret Torres
Requested by the Holy Rosary Altar Society

+Holy Rosary, Cisco – SUNDAY, November 12th
For the repose of the soul of Margaret Casby
Requested by Susan and James Horton

+Holy Rosary, Cisco – FRIDAY, November 17th
For the repose of the soul of Michael de la Garza
Requested by Betty Galvan