

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

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish

1108 Avenue F
Cisco, TX 76437

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

Reconciliation: After Mass

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† Feast Day of the Week †

January 13th – St. Hilary of Poitiers

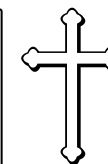
St. Hilary was born in the town of Poitiers in central France (which was then called Gaul) around the year 300. Although he was not raised in a Christian family, he studied the Old and New Testaments and, with his wife and daughter, converted to Christianity. St. Hilary was very interested in Catholic theology and was chosen as Bishop of Poitiers around the year 353. He vigorously defended the Catholic Church against the Arian heresy, which was the first of the great heresies, and was a belief that did not accept the mystery of faith that Christ was both God and man. St. Hilary made some enemies with his preaching on this controversy, and he was exiled to Phrygia (in what is now the country of Turkey). He was eventually sent back to Poitiers, and brought back many wonderful hymns from the eastern churches. He began to write hymns in the Latin language, and became recognized as the Father of the Latin hymn. St. Hilary was known throughout France as a great preacher and author, and was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church in 1851. St. Hilary of Poitiers is the patron saint for protection against snakebites and for parents dealing with wayward children.



Parochial Administrator: Father Reehan Antony

Parish Office Telephone: 254-647-3163.

If you need a priest (Fr. Reehan) in an emergency (hospital, etc.),
please call 682-207-8557



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. Note: Bible Study is on hold until Deacon Ed recovers!

Calendar of Events/Calendario de Eventos

January 8	Holy Rosary Altar Society Meeting, 5 p.m., Holy Rosary Parish Hall
January 10	CCD classes resume
January 15	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, 6 p.m., St. Francis Xavier Church House
January 16	Friendship Meal, Conrad Hilton Center, Cisco, 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. "Everyone in need of a meal is invited to attend."
January 17	St. Andrew Discernment Dinner at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (108 NW 4th Avenue, Mineral Wells). Mass at 6:30 pm, followed by dinner and discussion. Please RSVP by calling 817-945-9321 or emailing vocations@fwdioc.org .
January 22	Feast Day of St. Vincent Pallotti



New Year's Resolutions – The Pope Francis List

(A compilation of 10 of the Pope's most memorable quotes in the form of New Year's resolutions.)

1. Don't gossip.
2. Finish your meals.
3. Make time for others.
4. Choose the 'more humble' purchase.
5. Meet the poor 'in the flesh'.
6. Stop judging others.
7. Befriend those who disagree.
8. Make commitments, such as marriage.
9. Make it a habit to 'ask the Lord'.
10. Be happy.

With the start of this new year and new beginnings, consider volunteering to clean the Church in your parish.

Cleanliness is next to godliness! Cleaning the Church is a way to give thanks to God through the work of our hands. And, if you clean as a family or with friends, you can count on the Lord's presence, for He said: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). A special note of thanks for those who cleaned their Church during this past year – you are special!
May Our Lord Bless you Always!

January 1st was the final day for the Four-Parish Food Drive sponsored by our CCD classes. THANK YOU to everyone who donated food items during the month of December.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me" (Matthew 25:35)

STEWARDSHIP

December 30 – December 31, 2017

St. John	\$ 499.00
Holy Rosary	\$ Masses
St. Rita	\$ cancelled
St. Francis	\$ due to weather.

May God bless you for your generosity.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday	8 a.m., St. Rita, Ranger
Wednesday	5 p.m., St. Boniface, Dodson Prairie
Thursday	7 p.m., St. Francis Xavier, Eastland
Friday	9 a.m., Holy Rosary, Cisco

Mass Intentions

+Holy Rosary, Cisco – SUNDAY, January 7th
For the repose of the soul of Rose Trapolino
Requested by Susan and Jim Horton

The Pope's Prayer Intentions January 2018

Evangelization: Religious Minorities in Asia
That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

A BIG THANKS

A big thanks to everyone who helped with different things during the Holy Season. May God bless you all. I personally thank you all for all your love, prayers, and generous gifts.