



ST. CATHERINE of SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Saturday, September 13:

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Reconciliation,
5:00 p.m. Mass Fr. Lou

Sunday, September 14:

7:30 a.m. Mass Fr. Lou
9:30 a.m. Mass Fr. Tom Chamberlain
11:30 a.m. Mass Fr. Mark Hamlet
1:15 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. Mass Fr. Pat

Saturday, September 20:

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Reconciliation,
5:00 p.m. Mass Fr. Pat

Sunday, September 21:

7:30 a.m. Mass Fr. Pat
9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Mass
Fr. Ephraim Pessey
1:15 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. Mass Fr. Lou

Welcome...

ACT JUSTLY
LOVE TENDERLY
WALK HUMBL Y

From the Pastor's Office

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in Him may have eternal life.” Here is some information. The symbol of medicine printed on their headed note paper is the image of a snake on a pole. This ancient symbol is the Rod of Asclepius. Asclepius is the ancient Greek God of healing. The staff likely symbolizes regeneration, the way snakes shed their skin. In the Christian world our great healing symbol is

the image of Christ on the Cross. This reminds us that death is not the end. There is life beyond, what we call eternal life. This is a symbol of hope for people who are beaten down. The whole idea of Resurrection is such an extraordinary concept. Surely, when you are dead, you are dead. Christians have this radical teaching, which is more radical than all the rest, that death is not the end. There is a rising up, which is a miraculous thing. We see people rising up all the time. Great nations have been beaten down to a pulp. Time passes and out of the ashes of their destruction new life rises up, new hope,

new beginnings. After the great volcano spews forth its rage, the dust settles, and little seedlings begin to sprout forth again. How is that possible? It is as if we cannot stop the miracle of life. Life goes on. Death is not the end. Death might come to us. The body dies. But the soul lives on in the spirit. We all rise up. We ascend to God. We join with God for eternity. That’s kind of nice.



With love,
Fr. Pat

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH

FISCAL YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE PARISH

Fiscal Year 2025
(July 2024 - June 2025)

	Jul '24 - Jun '25	Jul '23 - Jun '24	Jul '22 - Jun '23
Income			
ASSESSABLE INCOME			
OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS	1,892,141	1,811,202	1,855,537
DEBT REDUCTION COLLECTIONS	57,008	49,283	63,413
PARISH GROUPS, INTEREST, MISC.	63,367	49,045	43,872
	2,012,516	1,909,530	1,962,822
NON-ASSESSABLE INCOME (RE, Flowers, Candles)			
ENCOUNTERING CHRIST DIOCESE CAP CAMPAIGN	236,150	414,161	108,584
RE TUITION, RETREAT FEES, PRESCHOOL TUITION	369,874	326,841	476,084
ALTAR FLOWERS & CANDLES	16,017	9,222	7,080
	622,041	750,224	591,748
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 2,634,558	\$ 2,659,754	\$ 2,554,570
Expenses			
EMPLOYEE COSTS	1,323,491	1,264,509	1,202,812
OFFERTORY ASSESSMENT PAID TO THE DIOCESE	182,436	190,068	184,212
SUPPLIES & OTHER SERVICES	193,870	208,402	207,848
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	208,327	83,189	391,861
UTILITIES	168,091	148,534	145,260
PARISH CENTER LOAN INTEREST EXPENSE	30,961	37,243	43,468
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS	45,752	47,009	37,662
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	30,688	19,491	33,670
SUPPLY PRIEST	28,192	24,271	20,882
CCS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FEES	-	-	326,086
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ASSESSMENT PAID TO THE DIOCESE	1,775	4,534	4,910
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,213,583	2,027,250	2,598,671
NET INCOME	\$ 420,975	\$ 632,504	\$ (44,101)
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PAYMENTS RECEIVED (Parish Center NOT Renew & Rejoice)	16,185	27,582	61,206
PRINCIPAL PAID ON PARISH CENTER LOAN	(216,591)	(204,809)	(211,585)
	\$ 220,569	\$ 455,277	\$ (194,480)

2025 FINANCIAL UPDATE

It has truly been an exceptional year at St. Catherine's. As you can see from the Financial Report on the previous page, we ended this fiscal year with a net income exceeding \$420,974. While it may appear that we should have an extraordinary sum in reserve, the funds raised last year are the product of the capital campaign. These funds have been reserved for the upcoming replacement of the HVAC in the Church. Also, \$75,000 of these funds were used to make the final payment for the refinishing of the pews and \$38,592 was used to resurface and repaint the west parking lot.

We borrowed \$2 million for the Parish Center in 2018. Through the generosity of this community, we have been able to repay \$216,591 of our debt on the Parish Center during fiscal year 2025. We have also been able to repay an aggregate of \$1,120,263 over the last five years. As of June 30, 2025, the balance on our loan is \$908,639. With the ongoing help of the community, we hope to continue to make additional principal payments each quarter so that we might be able to retire this loan in less than 5 years.

The last two years have been extremely difficult with the exigencies created by much needed renovations. To date we have expended approximately \$450,000 to refurbish the sacristy corridor including new bathrooms and flooring. We have expended about \$150,000 on the refurbishment of our pews and \$80,000 on all the new front doors and glass. These amounts total \$680,000 which leaves about \$820,000 to be paid out from the campaign.

Our next project is to replace the existing HVAC system entirely. Part of this change will entail building a platform over the current mechanical room for the new air handlers. The original architect for the building never took into consideration the fact that the system would someday need to be replaced. As a consequence, he did not include entries large enough to remove and install equipment. For this reason, our engineers have recommended that we move the new equipment to the roof top.

We also intend to change the design for the distribution of air within the sanctuary. Unfortunately, the original design for the Church was severely lacking. It left at least 50 percent of the space without adequate air circulation and cooling. For this reason, it is not uncommon to see parishioners in the pews fanning themselves. Those of us on the altar suffer even more greatly as there is absolutely no air or cooling on the altar. The heat of the altar is exasperated by the Cupola. The Cupola was not built with any insulating glass, so the sun beats down brutally on everyone below it.

Our current estimate for all this work is approximately \$1.2 million. This means that the amount remaining to be paid out in the existing campaign will prove insufficient for this work.

Another component of our final project is the repair of the Cupola and the roof. The Cupola was built without any insulation on the metal framing. As a consequence, when the temperatures reach the 30s or below, the Cupola will sweat and sometimes drip to the floor. Also, if you look up at the Cupola, you will see quite a bit of water damage to the glulam on its underside. This area will also need to be repaired. We have contracted with a company with this level of expertise and they have estimated that the cost of repair will be \$135,000. This repair will include a new insulating cover on the exterior metal and replacement of all the glass with a low e-glass that will block UV and heat exposure.

Finally, we desperately need to replace the flat roof which leaks in quite a few places. We estimate the cost of a new roof will be \$200,000.

So, the total for all this remaining work is about \$1,535,000 of which only \$800,000 will be covered by the remaining campaign. This leaves a negative of about \$735,000. Also, we would like to undertake this project early next year while the campaign is still in a payout mode. Since the bills need to be paid in real time we will need all of that money in hand when we begin.

For this reason, we are asking everyone to look into your hearts and consider making a substantial contribution to this effort. Monies contributed for this purpose should be clearly identified as we intend to segregate these funds for this project only. I ask that you all give prayerful consideration to the idea of giving financial support to the final repairs of our beloved sanctuary.

With Love,
Fr. Pat and Sue



Scan or click the QR
Code for Sanctuary
Repair information
and Online
Donations.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 13

5:00 pm Randy Foppiano †

Sunday, September 14

7:30 am Herm Hebert (SI)

9:30 am Susan Kahil (SI)

11:30 am Guadalupe Rodriguez †

1:15 pm Mario Amador †

5:00 pm Anita Mayorga †

Monday, September 15

12:00 pm Jay Stiteley †

Tuesday, September 16

12:00 pm Frances Escalente †

7:00 pm No Mass

Wednesday, September 17

12:00 pm No Mass

Thursday, September 18

12:00 pm No Mass

Friday, September 19

12:00 pm Suellen M. Rodi †

† = Deceased

SI = Special Intention

Altar and Ambo Flowers

The Altar and Ambo flowers were donated by **Dieu and Alyson Van Dinh** in celebration of their 41st wedding anniversary.

Donate flowers in memory of a loved one or special occasion for a specific weekend.

We ask for a donation of \$175 for the altar flowers, \$125 for the ambo flowers, or \$250 for both. Scan the code to check which weekends are available, or call the Parish Office at (512) 892-2420.



Sanctuary Lamp & Adoration Candles

Week of September 14

- **Adoration Chapel** - donated by **Julian Arockiaraj** in celebration of Arock Gnanupillai's birthday
- **Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine** - donated by **Evelyn Amador** in loving memory of Mario and Coco Amador
- **Sacred Heart Shrine** - donated by **Amy Stringfellow** in loving memory of Chuck and Joanie Miller
- **St. Joseph Shrine** - donated by **Heather Chapman** in honor of Stephen Chapman's heavenly birthday
- **St. Jude Shrine** - donated by **Jo Ann Campbell** in loving memory of Esther Quintanilla

Sanctuary Lamps: [Sign Up](#) to have a Sanctuary Lamp lit for a week for a special intention. Suggested donation is \$10.

Please pray for

The Sick

Mindy Cavazos

Kyle Cravens

Frank Dworaczky

Jane Dworaczky

Caroline Garcia

David Guzman

Mary Hamad

Alma Hughes

Connor Hull

Philomena Leinen

Tracy Leinen

Sharon Lufftus

Carolyn Massey

Jane McMahon

Yoli Muniz

John Naftanel

Ken Otte

Olga Marie Prieto

Carol Ramirez

Nicolas J. Salas

Betty Stone

Christina M. Tovar

Frank Yorke

Kathleen Walschlager

Jack Wolford

Our Service Members

Randall Davis

Kevin Goodlett

Corey Leinen

Michael Mazurek

The Repose of the Souls of Loved Ones

recently called home by our Savior.

Collection Amounts

Sunday, September 7 \$36,500*

* includes \$19,195 in online donations

2nd Collection: Humanitarian Relief & Pastoral Support in Gaza

..... \$6,099

Thank you for your continued support! We are grateful to this community for giving so greatly and regularly at Mass and at home through online and mail contributions.

Second Collection This Weekend

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The second collection this weekend is for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul works tirelessly to meet the needs of a growing group and will need your continued financial support to meet this challenge. Please read their informative article on page 10 to learn more about their work.

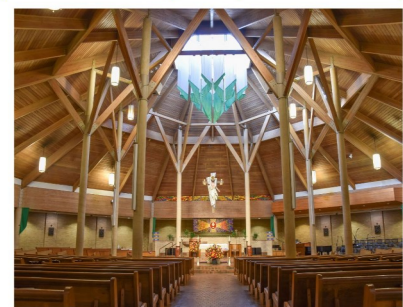
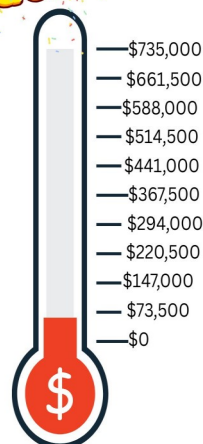


St. Vincent de Paul
CENTRAL TEXAS

GOAL!

Help us make repairs to our beautiful sanctuary!

HVAC Replacement * Cupola Repairs * Roof Replacement



Total Donations as of September 8: \$62,972

Information and Online Donations:



Liturgy

Temporary Daily Mass and Tuesday Confession Schedule Change

From August 19 through September 17, we will not have 6 p.m. confession and 7 p.m. Mass on Tuesdays, and we will not have 12 p.m. Mass on Wednesdays. **These Masses will resume as regularly scheduled on September 23.**

NO NOON MASS Thursday, September 18

There will not be noon Mass on Thursday, September 18, so that our priests may attend the installation Mass of Bishop Daniel Garcia.

Blessing of the Animals - Saturday, October 4

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, the [Blessing of the Animals](#) will take place on Saturday, October 4 at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtyard. St. Francis wrote, "All praise to you, O Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures!" He knew that the bond between person and pet is like no other. Bring your cats, dogs and other pets for a short prayer service and special pet blessing. Please arrive early!



Altar Servers Needed - Training Held in October

St. Catherine's is looking for [Altar Servers](#)! Altar Server training for new applicants is scheduled for Sundays October 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 2:00 p.m. in the church. Please plan to attend all four training sessions. All Altar Servers must meet the following requirements:

- Received First Communion
- Be at least 10 years old
- If 18 years or older, must be EIM trained

For information about duties of an Altar Server, email Deacon Cavazos, arthur.cavazos2331@gmail.com. To sign up for training, contact Katheryn at katheryn.daniel@stcatherine-austin.org or (512) 892-2420, ext. 335, or [click here](#).

LITURGICAL MINISTERS!

Do you know your EIM (Ethics and Integrity in Ministry) anniversary date? All members of liturgical ministries (including Mass Coordinators, Ushers & Hospitality, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Psalmists, Cantors, Musicians and Choir Members) over 18 years of age must remain in compliance with this Diocesan program as a required part of their service in the parish ministry. If you are new to the EIM process, please go to www.virtusonline.org to learn how to create an account and sign up for a workshop. If you have any questions, please reach out to the EIM Office at eim@austindiocese.org or (512) 949-2447. You can also contact Evelyn, evelyn.amador@stcatherine-austin.org, in the parish office, if you need assistance.

Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows - September 15

On Monday, September 15, we celebrate the feast of **Our Lady of Sorrows**, and the **Apostles of Mary** group invites you to the daily 11:20 a.m. rosary in the day chapel. After noon Mass, we will enjoy a **LUNCH** in the Parish Center. Please bring a



MAIN ITEM TO SHARE and enjoy the company of your fellow parishioners —and have a nice lunch as well!

EIM Workshop at St. Catherine of Siena - October 8

St. Catherine of Siena is hosting a live Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Workshop on *Wednesday, October 8, at 6:00 p.m.* This is a 3-hour workshop and will be held in the Parish Center in Johnson Hall (1st Floor). You must have an EIM account (complete and submit the EIM Application at VIRTUS.org) and pre-register to attend this workshop.

This workshop is for first-time participants only. If you need to renew your EIM Certification, log into your Virtus account with your user name and password to renew online.

Contact Evelyn Amador, our parish EIM Site Administrator for assistance if needed at 512-892-2420 ext. 315, or evelyn.amador@stcatherine-austin.org.

NOTES:

- 1) Plan to arrive promptly (10 to 15 minutes before scheduled time) as late arrivals will not be admitted and
- 2) **Do not bring children to the workshop.**

If you are a victim of sexual abuse and have concerns regarding your attendance at a workshop, contact Abby Turner at (512) 949-2447 to discuss an alternative workshop arrangement.

Join Us for Coffee and Donuts!

Sunday, September 14
After the 9:30 a.m. and
11:30 a.m. Masses

Parish Center | Johnson Hall

Hosted by the
Society of St. Vincent de Paul



Adult Faith Formation

Are you interested in the Catholic Church?

Curious about what we believe, how we pray, why we do the things we do? Weekly sessions for anyone interested in learning more meet on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the Cenacle, with the next meeting happening this Monday, September 15. Contact Marti at marti.salas@stcatherine-austin.org to find out more.

Women @ the Well Begins Meeting September 16

The [Women @ the Well](#) Bible study group will begin meeting on Tuesday, September 16 from 9:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. This fall, the group will be studying “Angels in the Bible” by George M. Smiga. These meetings will be held every Tuesday morning through December 9 except for the week of Thanksgiving. Cost is \$20 to cover the book and materials. For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled Bible Study

Ascension Press’ eight-session Bible study on “[Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled](#)” meets on Wednesdays through October 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center, room 233/234 (second floor). Dieu Van Dinh is facilitating this beautiful study, where you will witness key moments in salvation history including the Annunciation, the Nativity, and Jesus’ suffering, death, and glorious Resurrection. For more information, [click here](#).

Walking with Purpose Fall Bible Study

If you desire to grow in your faith in a supportive community of Catholic women, [Walking with Purpose](#) is for you! The Walking With Purpose (WWP) Bible study combines personal study workbooks with small group discussions, linking our everyday challenges to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. Regular meetings are held on Thursdays in the Parish Center (the Cenacle and Siena Hall on the second floor). The next meeting will be on September 18 at 7 p.m. Visit stcatherine-austin.org/walking-with-purpose for details or scan the QR code.



Family Faith Formation

Visit Our Jubilee Year Doors- Upstairs in the Parish Center

Faith formation classes began this week, and in celebration of the Jubilee Year of 2025, we made our very own Jubilee doors to kick off the new school year. The theme of the Jubilee Year is “Pilgrims of Hope.” The sign on the front of our Jubilee doors says: “Open gently, hope can be found in these doors.” Make sure to visit!

The next Jubilee Year won’t occur for another 25 years. The Jubilee Year is a special year of favor from God, focusing on family, resting, reconciliation and rejuvenation. A special Plenary Indulgence (a remission of the temporal punishment a person is due for their sins) is also granted to anyone who visits a parish designated as a Year of Jubilee site and fulfills a few other requirements. These parishes are Jubilee sites in the Diocese of Austin:

- St. Mary Cathedral, Austin
- Holy Cross Parish, Austin
- Holy Vietnamese Martyrs Parish, Austin
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Temple
- Our Lady of Wisdom University Parish @ Texas State University, San Marcos
- Santa Cruz Parish, Buda
- St. Joseph Parish, Bryan
- St. Mary Church of the Assumption Parish, Waco
- St. Mary’s Catholic Center @ Texas A&M University, College Station
- St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Lampasas
- University Catholic Center @ University of Texas, Austin

Make a plan to attend Mass at one of these parishes and walk through the Jubilee doors! More information on how to receive the Plenary Indulgence is on the diocesan website at [Plenary Indulgence - Diocese of Austin - Austin, TX](#).



St. Catherine's Preschool Is Hiring!

Join Our Teaching Staff!



Now hiring for 2-year-old class and Pre-K (ages 4-5)

Apply Online: 

Knights of Columbus News

Knights of Columbus Spotlight: Henry Gabb

The Knights of Columbus Council 8156 will spotlight a brother Knight each month to share his story on the St. Catherine of Siena website.

This month, Knight Henry Gabb shares his story. [Click here](#) to read Henry's story!



Knights of Columbus Monthly BBQ - September 21

On Sunday, September 21, the Knights of Columbus Council 8156 will hold its monthly BBQ of chicken, pork tenderloin, ribs and sausage in support of the Kurnool Catholic Support Team. Knights will be in the St. Catherine's Courtyard beginning after 7:30 a.m. Mass to serve your meal needs.



**Knights of Columbus
Council 8156 Monthly BBQ**

**Sunday,
September 21**

Beginning after
7:30 a.m. Mass

Chicken, Pork Tenderloin,
Ribs and Sausage

This Month's Beneficiary:
Kurnool Catholic
Support Team

Knights of Columbus Fall Banquet: St. Catherine's Got Talent - October 10

Musicians, singers, dancers, skit performers, actors and comedians! All are welcome to bring your talents to the Knights of Columbus Fall Banquet Talent Show. This event will take place on Friday, October 10, starting at 6 p.m. in Johnson Hall. Each participant in the talent show will receive a free meal! [Click here](#) to sign up.



**The Knights of Columbus
Ladies' Auxiliary is Looking
for New Members!**

If you are a wife, widow, mother, sister or daughter (over 18 years of age) of any member of the Knights of Columbus, in any parish, you are eligible to join us!

Meetings regularly held the 2nd Monday of the month.

[Click for more information!](#)

Community Ministries

Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for Coffee and Donuts after the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses in the Parish Center. This month's host is the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Mother Son Dance - Saturday, October 18

Join us for our annual [Mother-Son Dance](#) on Saturday, October 18 from 7-9 p.m. in Johnson Hall. The theme this year is Pirates & Princesses. The cost is \$35 per mother/son couple. Additional children are \$5 each. [Click here](#) or scan the QR code to register. Registration is required and closes on October 11. Payments can be made using the QR Code or by dropping a check off in the main office. Questions? Please contact Community Ministries at 512-892-2433. Don't miss out on the fun!



Donations Needed

Men's new white tube socks, gently used baby clothes 6 months – 4T, and ribbon. Please place in the wooden box in the east narthex or bring them to CMO. Thank you!

LEND A HELPING ARM

BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, September 20
9:00am - 1:00pm
St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church
Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 8156

4800 Convict Hill Austin, TX 78749
Bloodmobile Bus in the West Parking Lot



Scan QR code to make an appointment or go to weareblood.org and use group code A100
Drive Contacts - Crespin Guzman
manguze45@gmail.com
For information about eligibility email:
whocandonate@weareblood.org

EAT A FULL MEAL BEFORE
DONATING AND PLEASE
REMEMBER
TO BRING YOUR PHOTO ID.



**DRAWN TOGETHER
SINCE 1951**

Upcoming Parish Meetings & Events

Krafty Ladies Meeting - September 17

The Krafty Ladies will have their regular meeting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 17 in Siena Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to join the meeting. [Click here](#) for information about the Krafty Ladies.



That Man is You! - September 18

[That Man is You](#) meets again on Thursday, September 18! If you want to meet other men in the parish, deepen your relationship with God, or just enjoy a good breakfast and a cup of coffee, then join us! Our theme this year is "Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart." Breakfast starts at 6 a.m. upstairs in the Parish Center. A video will be shown at 6:30 a.m. with a conversation to follow in the Cenacle. (Online participation via Zoom is available starting at 6:30 a.m.) We end promptly at 7:30 a.m. so you can get on with your day. Each of the Thursday sessions is standalone, so join us whenever your schedule allows. Prayerfully consider joining TMIY this Fall and enriching your faith journey!



Bridge Club (Mondays)

Experienced bridge players are welcome to join the Bridge Club every Monday from 1 - 4 p.m. in the Parish Center, Room 222 (next to Siena Hall on the second floor). Questions? Contact nancydobbs@yahoo.com.



St. Catherine's Cross Stitch Group (Wednesdays)

Can you count to 10 and make an X? Would you like to explore a new hobby? Would you like to join a friendly group of parishioners who share an interest in needlework? If the answer to each of these questions is Yes, then St. Catherine's Cross Stitch group may be the place for you! Come check us out 1 p.m. Wednesdays in the Parish Center, rooms 231/232. ALL experience levels invited! No tools needed to get started! Contact Glenda Massey at m4force@aol.com for more information.



Senior Ministry - September 25

Join Senior Ministry for the first presentation from Fr. Lou Brusatti's series "Fr. Lou and the Church." Listen as Fr. Lou shares with us what Pope Leo did this summer. Also, he will break open the Nicene Creed, one of the oldest statements of our church. The meeting will be held on Thursday, September 25 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Cenacle room of the Parish Center (on the second floor). Open to all ages! [Click here for more information on Senior Ministry.](#)



Upcoming Parish Meetings & Events

Prayer Shawl Ministry - September 25

If you know of someone in need of prayer, (grieving, illness, new baby, etc.), please contact Heidi Langan at scprayershawl@stcatherine-austin.org or (512) 497-1082 for a complimentary prayer shawl. Our next meeting is on Thursday, September 25, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. in room 231/232 of the Parish Center. Experienced crocheters and knitters are always welcome.



Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary

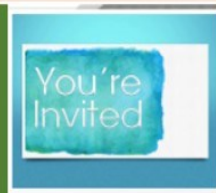
The [Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary](#) is looking for new members! If you are a wife, widow, mother, sister or daughter (over 18 years of age) of any member of the Knights of Columbus, in any parish, you are eligible to join us! We meet every 2nd Monday of the month at 7 p.m. The next meeting is on Monday, October 13. Come be a part of something special! Meetings take place in Siena Hall (second floor) of the Parish Center. For more information, please e-mail Pamela White at pamela.larawhite@gmail.com.



October 2025

Prime Timers

EVENTS



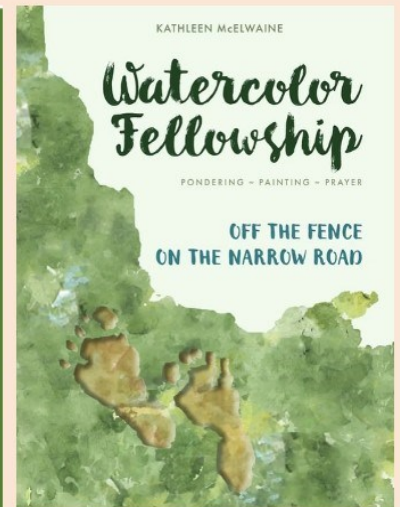
Come Enjoy a Fun Lunch

Wednesday, September 24 at 1:00
Join us to celebrate the start of the Fall season at Casa Garcia's for a delicious lunch. Come for an afternoon of relaxation in a warm, family-friendly atmosphere with good food, camaraderie and friendship. No meeting just lots of time for conversation and socializing. Discover authentic Mexican flavors with their handcrafted tortillas.

Bring money for lunch.

RSVP: primetimers20@gmail.com
Deadline: Monday, Sept. 22

1901 W. William Cannon
Suite 159



Brown Bag Lunch with KATHLEEN McELWAINE

Wednesday, October 8-12:30 pm Siena Hall
Watercolor Fellowship is more than a book—it's a message of comfort, truth and the deep love of God. The book by artist and teacher Kathleen McElwaine, explores her personal journey of faith through the metaphor of watercolor painting. Come and hear McElwaine share her experiences with doubt and rediscovery of joy in her Christian walk. Through her heartfelt reflections, vivid watercolor artwork, and rich truths from Scripture, Kathleen shares how she found renewed faith and joy and how it inspired her painting.

INFO: primetimers20@gmail.com

News Beyond Our Parish

Installation Mass for Bishop Daniel E. Garcia September 18

With great joy, the Diocese of Austin shares that the date for the [Installation of Bishop Daniel E. Garcia](#) is this Thursday, September 18, at St. William Parish in Round Rock. The



Mass is ticketed and is by invitation only. On September 17 at 6 p.m. (the evening before the installation), Solemn Vespers will be held at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin and all are welcome. Let us pray for Bishop Garcia and the people of the Diocese of Monterey during this transition.

Just Married Enrichment Time - September 27

Join the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt for a special "[Just Married Enrichment Time](#)" every fourth Saturday of the month. Open to engaged couples and newlyweds eager to continue their journey of love! This month's speakers are Laura and Tony Logan, reflecting on the topic: **How to Grow Together When Things Fall Apart**. The meeting will be held on September 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. RSVP to justmarried@schoenstatt.us.

Women's ACTS Retreat: Nov. 13-16

Registration for Women's ACTS Retreat Online

The [Women's ACTS retreat](#) will be held from Thursday, November 13, through Sunday, November 16, 2025, at the Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet, TX. Transportation will be provided. Fillable registration forms are available [online](#) and can be returned by e-mail to casa.gloria.rodriguez@gmail.com.



Members of the 2025 Women's ACTS Retreat Team



**SATURDAY SEPT 20
SUNDAY SEPT 21**

**AFTER ALL MASSES
(UNTIL SOLD OUT)**



A FUNDRAISER FOR ST. CATHERINE'S ACTS MINISTRY



St. Catherine of Siena Women's ACTS Retreat
Eagle's Wings Retreat Center
November 13-16, 2025



*Pirates
&
Princesses*



Mother-Son Dance 2025

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 | 7:00 - 9:00 PM
JOHNSON HALL

\$35 per couple, \$5 each additional child. Registration is required - closes Oct. 11
Costumes, formals or casual dress welcome! (No scary costumes please)



register online here!



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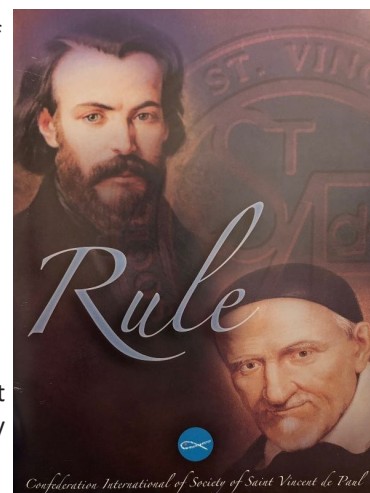
CENTRAL TEXAS

September is a special month for the [St. Vincent de Paul Society](#), where we celebrate the feast days of two of our founders - **Blessed Frederic Ozanam (September 9)** and **St. Vincent de Paul (September 27)**. The Society is governed by a set of guiding tenets called "*The Rule*," whereby its members are directed to approach their ministry of the poor with humility, without judgment, and in constant striving to deepen their spirituality and faith. Core to the mission of Vincentians is the home visit, where a personal encounter with our neighbors is an invitation to see the face of Christ. We continue to be grateful to our parishioners whose kind generosity enables us to fulfill our mission. Below is an example of a Rule.

Rule 1. Our Personal Encounters with the Poor

1.8. Gratitude to those we visit

Vincentians never forget the many blessings they receive from those they visit. They recognize that the fruit of their labors springs, not from themselves, but especially from God and from the poor they serve.

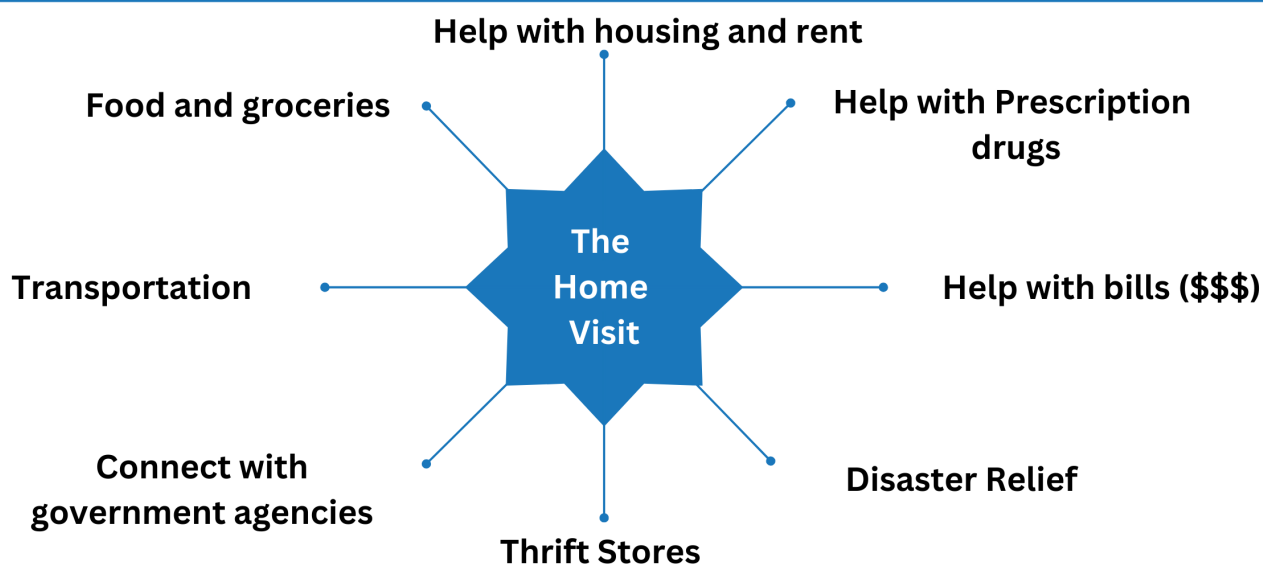


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CENTRAL TEXAS

The Core Work of the Society



ST. CATHERINE
of SIENA
CATHOLIC CHURCH



To see the face of Christ in the poor
To maintain the dignity of those in need
To see their needs first hand and understand their situation
To pray with the Neighbor



Pictures from the Parish

A glimpse into activities at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church.

BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

For students from St. Catherine's SVDP families and Foundation Communities

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul sorted school supplies and packed backpacks for families before the 2025-26 school year began!





Pictures from the Parish

A glimpse into activities at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church.



September 2, 2025





ST. CATHERINE of SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Preschool Ministries: Heather Riley

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..... Marti Salas, Jennifer Gamblin

Religious Education (Children & Youth):

Marti Salas, Sarah Pedrozo, Laura Bristow, Cynthia Rodriguez, Livia Telles-Rodriguez

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am*
 11:30 am, 1:15 pm, 5:00 pm
Monday – Friday 12:00 pm*
Tuesday 7:00 pm
 * Denotes online livestream Masses

Confession

Saturday 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Tuesday 6:00 pm – 6:45 pm
 By Appointment (512) 892-2420

Adoration (Day Chapel)

Monday - Friday 9:00 am – 11:30 am
Thursday 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Daily Rosary (Day Chapel)

Monday - Friday 11:20 am – 11:45 am

Organizations

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..... Arnold Auzenne 299-3527

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Ladies Club Brenda Mayes 791-8405

Lay Missionaries of Charity

..... Alison Manzer 745-7206

Prayer Shawl Ministry

..... Heidi Langan 497-1082

Prime Timers Juanita Josel 394-1254

St. Vincent de Paul ... Cathi Brown 826-7035

St. Vincent de Paul Assistance 550-5160

Scouts David Pesek 970-1218

Marriage:

Contact Monica Sanchez at monica.sanchez@stcatherine-austin.org or (512) 892-2420 at least nine months prior to the wedding date.

Baptism:

Contact Jennifer Gamblin at jennifer.gamblin@stcatherine-austin.org or (512) 892-2420.

Bulletin:

Send email to Danielle Nepustil at danielle.nepustil@stcatherine-austin.org.

Updated EIM Compliance Information

The mission of the Diocese of Austin's Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) program is to help protect people from abuse and unethical behavior through education, action, and reporting, and to listen to and learn from those who have experienced abuse in order to provide healing. **EIM compliance is required for persons active in most ministries in the diocese.** Looking for resources and information about safeguarding children and other vulnerable people? Do you want to volunteer and are new to the EIM process? Are you returning to ministry and already have an EIM account? Visit austindiocese.org/eim to learn more about EIM policies and procedures and how they keep our parishes and schools safer for everyone. Contact your parish or school's EIM site administrator, [Evelyn Amador](mailto:Evelyn.Amador@stcatherine-austin.org) at [evelyn.amador@stcatherine-austin.org](mailto:Evelyn.Amador@stcatherine-austin.org), or eim@austindiocese.org for additional assistance. **Report Abuse:** Report abuse of a minor, elderly adult, or an adult with a disability to local law enforcement or the Texas Abuse Hotline at www.txabusehotline.org or (800) 252-5400 and the diocese at www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse or (512) 949-2447.

Stay Connected!

We want to communicate more effectively with you and make it easy for you to control the announcements you receive and how you are notified. We are now using a service called **CONNECT**. You can subscribe to regular e-mails from St. Catherine of Siena by [clicking here](#). It is totally free to use and it makes it easy for you to stay plugged in to the ministries or groups that you care about, as well as receive weekly updates with a direct link to our digital bulletin. Your information will be completely safe and secure. You can unsubscribe from any updates at any time! Thank you for being a part of our parish community!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

We are grateful to this community for giving so greatly and regularly at home through online and mail contributions.

Please also try to include
St. Vincent de Paul in your giving.

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