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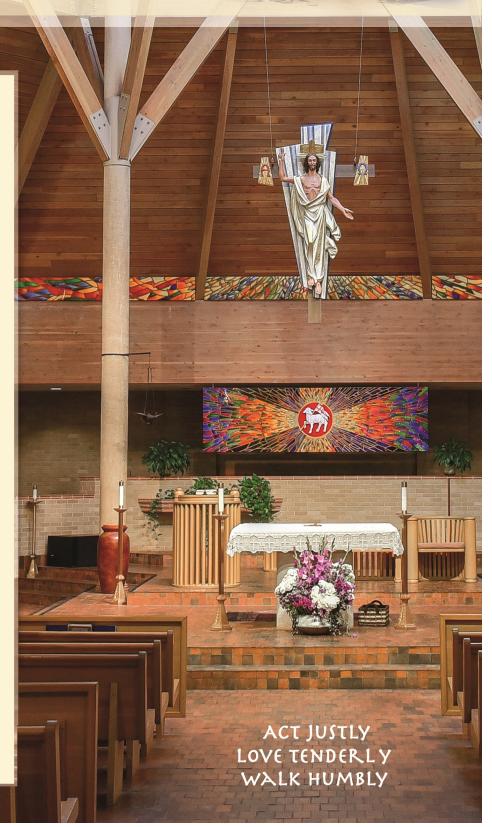
Saturday, November 22:

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

Sunday, November 23:

7:30 a.m. MassFr. Lou 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. MassFr. Pat 1:15 p.m. & 5 p.m. MassFr. Johannes

Welcome ...



From the Pastor's Office

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Paul tells us in his letter today, "He is the firstborn of creation. All things were created through Him and for Him. He is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn." The feast of Christ the King marks the end of the official Church year. Next Sunday begins with the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the new Church year. We remember Jesus said He was the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the

end. The story of the Church is the story of Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God. We are all part of that story. We live in Creation and we live our lives to the fullest. Jesus is the signpost pointing the way to Heaven. He is our Good Shepherd. He watches over us, the flock. He leads us to safe pastures and flowing waters. If I were to trek along the Appalachian trail I would do well to bring along a guide to keep me on the right path. I don't want to be falling down the mountain. Throughout our lives on this earth, we Christian people follow Jesus as our guide. He will bring us to Heaven safely if we do what we are told. The problem is that we don't always do

what we are told. We are like little children. As soon as Mom or Dad are not looking I am away exploring all kinds of dangerous

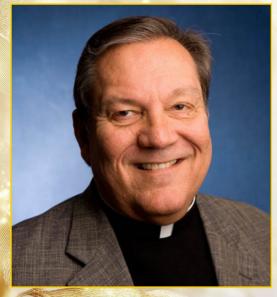


places. I don't need to enter the world of sin and iniquity. From my childhood, I was told what was the right way to live. The world is full of dangers and it is the Church that teaches me the right way. Rules are not there to be broken. Rules are there to protect me.

With love, Fr. Pat

BLESSINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS

TO FATHER LOU BRUSATTI ON THE 50th Anniversary of his ordination on November 28!





SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us for Fr. Lou's 50th anniversary celebration on Saturday, January 17, after 5 p.m. Mass in Johnson Hall.



Parish offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Wednesday, November 26, through Friday, November 28. Mass Schedule Wednesday, November 26 at 12 p.m. Thursday, November 27 at 9 a.m. Friday, November 28 at 12 p.m. There will be no Adoration on these days. The church will be closed following Mass.

CUSTODIAN NEEDED

We are looking for a custodian to work 20 to 25 hours per week. This job may require evening and weekend hours. Must be able to lift tables and chairs exceeding 50 pounds. Interested parties should contact Sue in the Administration Office.

(512) 892-2420



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 22

5:00 pm Anita Mayorga †

Sunday, November 23

7:30 am Bernice Weinheimer †
9:30 am Matthew Robison †
11:30 am Priest Intention
1:15 pm People of the Parish
5:00 pm Brian Daniel †

Monday, November 24

12:00 pm Flor Maria Chavez Gamboa †

Tuesday, November 25

12:00 pm Hanh Huynh †
7:00 pm John Cathey †

Wednesday, November 26

12:00 pm Alejandro Estrada Madrid †

Thursday, November 27

9:00 am Thanksgiving

Friday, November 28

12:00 pm Rodolfo Bejarano †

† = Deceased

SI = Special Intention

Altar and Ambo Flowers

The Altar and Ambo flowers were donated by **Martha Casarez** in loving memory of Margaret Trevino.

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. The new schedule for 2026 will be out soon. Scan the code to check which weekends are available, or call the Parish Office at (512) 892-2420.

Sanctuary Lamp & Adoration Candles

Week of November 23

- Adoration Chapel donated by Amy Stringfellow in loving memory of Chuck and Joanie Miller
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine donated by Frances Rodriguez in loving memory of her beloved husband, Albert Arnold Rodriguez
- Sacred Heart Shrine donated by the Cruz family in loving memory of Carmen P. Cruz
- St. Joseph Shrine donated by Paula Willis for a special intention for Dodie O'Brien
- St. Jude Shrine donated by Andrea Pinter for a special intention

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 Connor Hull Mindy Cavazos Philomena Leinen **Kyle Cravens** Tracy Leinen Frank Dworaczyk Sharon Lufftus Jane Dworaczyk Carolyn Massey Caroline Garcia Yoli Muniz David Guzman John Naftanel Mary Hamad Ken Otte

Carol Ramirez
Nicolas J. Salas
Betty Stone
Christina M. Tovar
Frank Yorke
Kathleen Walschlager

Jack Wolford

Our Service Members

Alma Hughes

Randall Davis Michael Mazurek Kevin Goodlett Corey Leinen

The Repose of the Souls of Loved Ones

Olga Marie Prieto

recently called home by our Savior, especially **Steve Manz**, husband of Mary Manz.

Collection Amounts

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.

Bring Hope Home This Thanksgiving: St. Vincent de Paul

The need for food, rent, and other support has increased exponentially in recent months. We have a great opportunity this Thanksgiving to raise funds to serve our neighbors. Luci Baines Johnson has provided a Challenge Grant of \$25,000 to SVdP of Central Texas to aid us in meeting this increased demand for food and services.



On the donation web page, donors can designate their gift to support the conference at St. Catherine's in the Comments field of the page. You will find the <u>donation page by clicking on this link</u>.



Liturgy

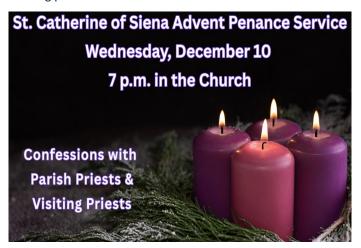
This is the last Sunday of the Liturgical year, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

This celebration was added to the liturgical calendar 100 years ago, in 1925 by Pope Pius XI. On this day we especially acknowledge Jesus Christ as ruler not just of this world but also of the eternal realm, the Kingdom of God.

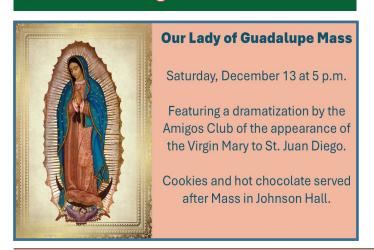
Thanksgiving Day is on Thursday, November 27. Mass will be offered on Thanksgiving Day at 9 a.m.

Advent Penance Service

Our Advent Parish Penance Service is Wednesday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m. The service will include an opportunity for individual confessions with our own parish priests or with a visiting priest from the diocese.







Community Ministries

The Giving Tree Project

Please return all wrapped gifts with the gift tag firmly attached by Sunday, November 30. Please tape gift tag on all 4 sides and tape bags shut if they contain a gift card. We will sort gifts and food on Wednesday, December 3 at 2 p.m. and deliver everything on Saturday, December 6 at 10 a.m. If you would like to help with the sort and/or delivery, please come to the church at the designated times. Please contact Rhonda.Smith@stcatherine-austin.org if you have any questions. Thank you for your generous support of the Giving Tree Project.

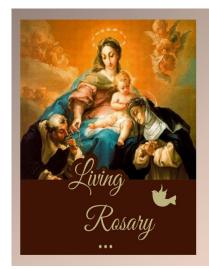
Donations Needed

Gently used winter coats and clothing, white tube socks, and small toiletries, boy's toddler clothing, and baby wipes. Thank you!

Mobile Loaves and Fishes

Would you like to volunteer for Mobile Loaves & Fishes? We go out every 3rd and 4th Saturday mornings of the month. If you're interested, please contact Rhonda.smith@stcatherine-austin.org.

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!



All are invited to be a bead in the Living Rosary!

Sunday, November 23
After 9:30 a.m. Mass
(at approximately 10:45 a.m.)

In the Parish Courtyard

Presented by ACTS



Adult Faith Formation

OCIA Hospitality: The refreshments and Ministry Minute on Monday, December 1, will be provided by the Liturgy of the Word with Children ministry. God bless you for your kindness!

Centering Prayer Group

This group meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Cenacle and on Mondays via Zoom at 3 p.m. For information, contact Marianne Metzner at MarianneMetznerLPC@gmail.com or (512) 203-5460.

Breaking Open the Word (Tuesdays Online)

Study the Sunday readings with this online resource that is <u>shared</u> <u>weekly on the website</u>. Join our online group on Tuesdays from 1 - 2:30 p.m. or study alone. To join, email <u>Jennifer Gamblin</u>.

Lay Missionaries of Charity

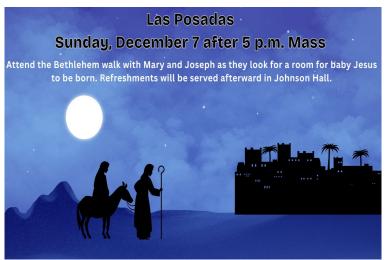
Lay Missionaries of Charity welcome you to "Come and See" any Tuesday for Adoration at 10 a.m., followed by our general meeting with a Rosary in the Ignite Room and Daily Mass at noon. For more information, contact Alison Manzer at (512) 746-7206 or Stephanie Nelson at (512) 730-3920.

Catholic Social Teaching

Advent Activity: Mustard Seed Commitments

What are you doing for Advent? Advent is a time when we deepen our prayer lives and prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas. Advent is also a time when our Sunday readings talk about a new heaven and a new earth, a time of God's justice and right-relationships, and we are called by God to help bring about the Reign of God on earth. So, what are you doing for Advent?

The Catholic Social Teaching ministry here at St. Catherine's invites all parishioners, families and ministries to participate in the Mustard Seed Commitments. This is an initiative of the U.S. Bishops and is a list of small, "concrete actions such as changes in lifestyle or habits, that someone can easily adopt." The Mustard Seed Commitments are based on the Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching. Visit our parish website or pick up a copy of the Mustard Seed Commitments from our parish Information Tables in the narthex. Share your Mustard Seed Commitments using the form on our website or email them to marti.salas@stcatherineaustin.org. We will post them on our parish social media (anonymously, if you prefer) to inspire our parish community to plant the seeds of justice in our world. We invite all parishioners to participate as individuals, families or ministry groups and to send in photos of themselves acting on or living their Mustard Seed Commitment. Commit to one small action for each week of Advent or to all of them for the season of Advent. Let's come together as a parish community and work to build the City of God among us!









Cordially invites you to an evening with Fr. Jim in discussion on Emerging Adults and Moral Development

- 2025 Hesburgh Lecture and evening with Fr. Jim Lies, C.S.C.
- · Presented by the Notre Dame Club of Austin
- Thursday, December 4 from 6 7:30 p.m. at St. Edward's Carter Auditorium; followed by a Social Hour from 8 – 9:30 p.m. at the Colton House Parlor Room
- Anyone welcome to attend
- · Click here to register online

Heart of Jesus: A Discernment Retreat for Men



Men of the parish, have you considered whether God might be calling you to the priesthood?

Join Fr. Greg Gerhart, the Vocation Director of the diocese, for Heart of Jesus: A Discernment Retreat for Men. The retreat will include time for prayer, spiritual conferences on discernment and vocations, and opportunities to speak with priests, seminarians, and other men discerning their vocation.

The retreat will take place on **December 17-19 at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton, TX**, and is open to single men who are 18-49 years old. Click here to register online.

Upcoming Parish Meetings

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, except Nov. 26)

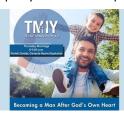
St. Catherine's Cross Stitch group meets at 1 p.m. Wednesdays in the Parish Center, rooms 231/232. ALL experience levels invited! No tools needed to get started! Contact Glenda Massey at m4force@aol.com for more information.



That Man is You! - December 4, 6 a.m. in the Cenacle

That Man is You meets again on Thursday, December 4. 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! 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.



Senior Ministry - December 4, 10 a.m. in the Cenacle

Senior Ministry will have an Advent Morning of Prayer on Thursday, December 4 from 10 - 11:30 a.m. in the Cenacle (2nd floor of Parish Center). Join us as we explore Advent as a horizon which opens us up to growing in the love of God.



Prayer Shawl Ministry - December 4 at 1 p.m.

If you know of someone in need of prayer, (grieving, illness, new baby, etc.), please contact Heidi Langan at scprayershawl@stcatherineaustin.org or (512) 497-1082 for a complimentary prayer shawl. Our next meeting is on Thursday,



December 4, 1 - 2 p.m. in the Parish Center, room 231/232. Experienced crocheters and knitters are always welcome.

Walking with Purpose - December 11, 7 p.m. in the Cenacle and Siena Hall

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. Click here for more information and to register.

Knights of Columbus Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting - December 8

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 the Knights of Columbus Ladies' Auxiliary! This group meets the second Monday of the month through May, beginning at 7 p.m. in Siena Hall of the Parish Center. The December meeting will be on December 8.

Prime Timers "Return to Siena Festive Fiesta" - December 10

Tis the season to be jolly! Come have fun with the Prime Timers as we celebrate the season with a "Return to Siena Festive Fiesta!" Gather together with fellow parishioners and friends and enjoy a delicious



Italian buffet with fun, fellowship, holiday music and games as we exchange gift cards and have a great time together. The cost is \$20 per person, which includes the Italian buffet, dessert, drinks, tax and gratuity. Bring a wrapped gift card in the amount of \$10 for the Christmas Gift Card Exchange. RSVP by December 5 at primetimers20@gmail.com or https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E45A4AB2DABF49-60556699-return.

Senior Ministry Advent Morning of Prayer

Thursday, December 4 10 - 11:30 a.m. in the Cenacle

Join us as we explore Advent as a horizon which opens us up to growing in the love of God.





Wednesday, December 10 12:30 p.m. in Siena Hall

- Fun, Games & Fellowship
- Christmas Gift Card Exchange
- \$20/Person + \$10 Gift Card
- Click here for more information and to RSVP by December 5

MUSICIANS!

Join us this Christmas!

We're looking for guest musicians and singers to help make our Christmas Masses even more beautiful.

Vocalists and Instrumentalists in all categories (Brass, Strings, Percussion, Woodwinds and more) are invited to participate.

High School Students can earn Service Hours.

Use this QR code with your smart phone camera to go to the website and learn more or volunteer:



https://stcatherine-austin.org/music-ministry-christmas-info-and-signup-page

Or for more information, visit Eric Carreiro (Music Director) after Mass, email eric.carreiro@stcatherine-austin.org or call Eric at (512) 892-2420 x342.



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

Mass Schedule

Saturday		5	:00 pm
Sunday	7	':30 am, 9:3	30 am*
	11:30 am,	1:15 pm, 5	:00 pm
Monday -	– Friday	12:0	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	g	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

ACTS

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Ladies Club Brenda Mayes 791-8405					
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Alison Manzer 745-7206					
Prayer Shawl Ministry					
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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 at 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 <u>clicking here</u>. 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.

WAYS TO GIVE



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Call Erin Hummel (512) 892-2420 to set up online giving