WELCOME TO
SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sacred Heart is a parish family called to be a visible sign of Christ, formed by the Word of God, strengthened by the Eucharist and empowered to serve the needs of God's people.

CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

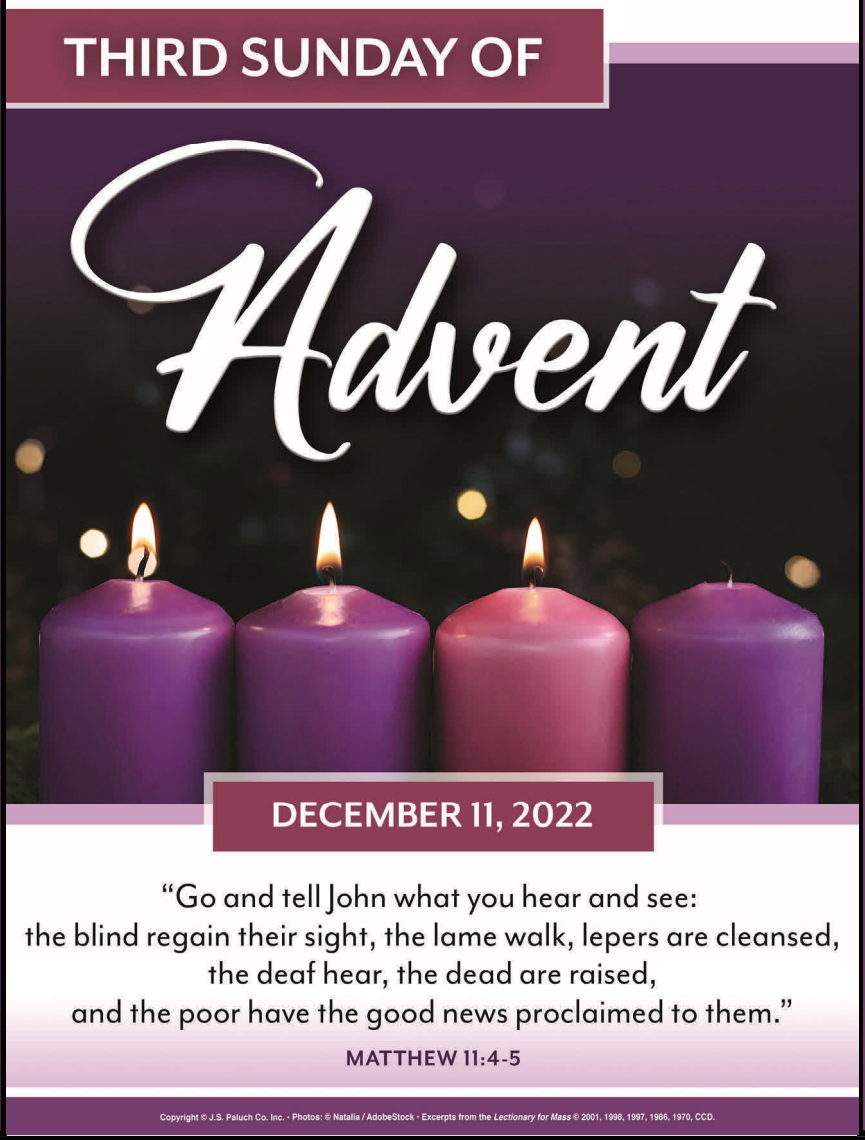
Saturday Mass:
5:30 p.m. (Vigil in English)
Sunday Masses:
8:00 a.m. (Spanish)
10:00 a.m. (English)
12:00 p.m. (Spanish)
2:30 p.m. (Spanish)
Weekday Masses:
Wednesday through Friday @ 12:00 p.m..
Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament:
First Fridays @ 11:00a.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Sunday: 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Anytime before Mass, time permitting.
Monday:9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday:9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday:9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Anytime before or after Noon Mass
Thursday:9:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Anytime before or after Noon Mass
Friday:9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Anytime before or after the Noon Mass
Saturday:4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Confessional in church

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents & Godparents need to attend a pre-baptism instruction class. Call the parish office to register.



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SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples please call the parish office to receive information.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you are seriously ill, will have a major surgery, are old aged or in danger of death, call the priest.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

In addition to Sunday, the days to be observed as holy days of obligation in the Latin Rite dioceses of the United States of America, in conformity with canon 1246, are as follows:
Saturday, January 1st, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Monday, May 30th, Ascension Sunday
Monday, August 15, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday, November 1st All Saints' Day
Thursday, December 8th, Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday, December 25, Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Christmas)

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower. Tired bodies will receive strength. Aching hearts will be made glad (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).
Psalm — The Lord saves us when he comes (Psalm 146).
Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).
Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — ¡Estén fuertes, no teman! Su Dios viene a salvarlos. Los redimidos del Señor serán corona-dos con alegría eterna (Isaías 35:1-6a, 10).
Salmo — El Señor nos salva cuando viene(Salmo 146 [145])
Segunda lectura — Sean también pacientes y valientes porque la venida del Señor está cerca (Santiago 5:7-10).
Evangelio — "¿Eres tú el que debe venir o tenemos que esperar a otro?" Jesús les contestó, "Vayan y cuéntenle a Juan lo que han visto y oído" (Mateo 11:2-11).

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
TERCER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO
DECEMBER 11, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday December 10, 2022

5:30 pm § for the eternal repose of Domingo & Pauline Ruiz by family
† Felix Piña by Gloria Piña

Sunday December 11, 2022

8:00 am § para nuestra comunidad
10:00 am † Rose Gutierrez by Stan Gutierrez and family
12:00 pm † Gregorio Rizo Vega
† Ignacia Velasquez Lopez
† Jose de Jesus Lopez Rizo por Maria Concepcion Vega
2:30 pm § Ad mentem offerentis

DECEMBER SANCTUARY CANDLE

Sanctuary Candle is lit for:

§ Montoya, Tinsley & Alonso families
§ Intentions of Torres-Guerra families
† Ernest Galindo
† Cornelio Bravo

BREAKFAST

Breakfast today is served by **Confirmation CCE** . Come and enjoy the food and the company. Thank you for your support to our volunteers and your support to the Church.

ADVENT CONFESSION

Advent Confession - Please plan to do your advent confession every Saturday from 4 pm to 5:15 pm or stop by the office during office hours to avoid large group and save time waiting for your turn to confess.

Also, in all parishes of our deanery, confessions are available on these dates and times

- Tuesday December 13, 2022
  11:00 am to 1:00pm
- Wednesday December 14, 2022
  11:00 am to 1:00pm
  6:00 pm to 7:00pm
- Thursday December 15, 2022
  11:00 am to 1:00pm
  6:00 pm to 7:00pm

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

December 8, 2022 is a Holy Day of Obligation. It is the Immaculate Conception. We have to participate at Mass to fulfill our catholic duty. Mass will be at 12 pm. We hope to see you there.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Thank you for your continued financial support to our parish, especially in this pandemic. Continue to do so. You can mail your donation to our office, stop by the church and drop it in the box placed at the church's foyer or you can also do the online giving through PayPal in our website: http://www.sacredheartwaco.com

APOYO FINANCIERO SEMANAL

Gracias por su continuo apoyo financiero a nuestra parroquia, especialmente en esta pandemia. Continúa haciéndolo. Puede enviar su donación por correo a nuestra oficina, pasar por la iglesia y colocarla en la caja ubicada en el vestíbulo de la iglesia o también puede hacer donaciones en línea a través de PayPal en nuestro sitio web: http://www.sacredheartwaco.com

Sunday collections:	$ 9,945.00
Breakfast by Knights of Columbus	$ 1,801.00

Thank you for your generosity.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

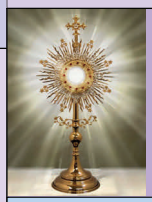
This Sunday the readings tell us where to look for the Lord's coming: when the blind see and the lame walk; and when the dead are raised to life and the poor have good news preached to them. In our day the Lord's presence is seen when walls of oppression fall, when enemies seek avenues of fellowship and trust, when the poor and homeless find care and the forgotten are included. The Kingdom is among us, are we acting as Kingdom people?

TERCER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Este domingo, las lecturas nos dicen dónde buscar la venida del Señor: cuando los ciegos vean, los cojos caminen; cuando los muertos sean levantados a la vida y a los pobres les sean anunciadas buenas noticias. En nuestros días, La presencia del Señor es vista cuando caen los muros de la opresión, cuando enemigos buscan avenidas de compañerismo y confianza, cuando los pobres y las personas sin hogar encuentran cuidados y los olvidados son incluidos. El Reino está entre nosotros ¿Actuamos como personas del Reino?

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FESTIVITIES

- Dec. 12, Monday, @ 5 am to 7 a.m - Las Mañanitas followed by Mass.
- Dec. 12, Monday, @ 6 pm - Rosary, Matacines and Fellowship.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed sacrament is done every Thursday at 11:00 am. Join us for a Holy Hour and stay for the 12:00 pm mass.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Heart of Jesus Discernment Retreat

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VOCATION

VOCATION: God is calling you to Priesthood and Religious life.
Feel the Call of God to Priesthood or Diaconate or Religious Life? Father is super excited to help you in your discernment process. Set up a date with Father. Call the office or talk to Father.

FORMACION ESPIRITUAL DE HOMBRES

Formación Espiritual de Hombres; Los Jueves a las 6 de la mañana Cafe, desayuno, y formacion gratis. Punto de contacto: Javi de Alba Garza; 254-856-2188; javierdealvagarza@gmail.com

FOLLOW UP ON CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Your gift to the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) supports men discerning vocations to the priesthood and diaconate, priests currently serving and retired priests. Your gift helps to sustain Catholic schools, religious education, ministerial formation and initiatives for life, peace and justice. Your donations are carefully spent; it is money for God's work, and we use it accordingly. Your contributions are deeply appreciated, very much needed and make a real difference in the lives of many.

75TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

Immaculate Conception Stained Glass Window (St. Mary Cathedral)

Almighty and ever living God, as we celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Diocese of Austin, we give thanks for your generous providence that has sustained this local church.

Through the grace of the Holy Spirit, continue to inspire us to live out our baptismal call to holiness and charity for one another in our cities, towns, and rural communities.

Inspire our state and local governments to see the world through the lens of the Gospel. Cultivate a deep desire for wisdom and holiness in our Catholic schools and university centers. Give courage and generosity to our Catholic hospitals, Catholic Charities, and all ministries that serve those in need among us.

Bless our priests, deacons, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful that, as the Mystical Body of Christ, we may always be one in you.

We ask the intercession of Mary, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, to keep us faithful to you and the mission you have bestowed upon the Diocese of Austin. Amen

COMMEMORATIVE BOOK FOR SALE

Purchase your Commemorative Book: Treasures of the Diocese of Austin for $ 40.00

Commissioned by Bishop Joe S. Vásquez in celebration of our 75th Anniversary, this beautifully bound book captures the history and images of our vast diocese. From its earliest days, when residents, settlers and newly arrived migrants came to Texas, building towns and living their Catholic faith, to the present day, this almost 300-page book tells the history in text and photos. Photos of all parishes, missions, convents, schools, hospitals and more live in this compilation.

The *Treasures of the Diocese of Austin* book is a keepsake and will be a wonderful addition to every home. Books are available for purchase in our parish office and the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Austin. Books are available in English and Spanish.

EIM COMPLIANCE NEWS

The Office of Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) is excited to be transitioning to VIRTUS for our database and training programs. To facilitate an accurate conversion, the database is closed for updates and there will be no EIM Workshops or online EIM training after Nov. 15. During this time new employees will receive instructions regarding EIM compliance procedures from their employer; registration for new volunteers will be accepted beginning in early January. We are grateful for your support and patience during the conversion period. Please contact your local site administrator or eim@austindiocese.org with questions or concerns.

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A CHRISTMAS CAROL

The Merry Beggars at Relevant Radio presents the reimagined classic "A Christmas Carol" the way it was always originally intended – a rich story told to us by Charles Dickens himself. With improved sound experience and lively performances, see why over 100,000 households made "A Christmas Carol" part of their journey to Advent in 2021. Sign up at https://themerrybeggars.com/christmas.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Special collection today is to benefit the Retirement Fund for Religious. Thank you for your generosity.

The Need

Lack of Funds Many elder religious worked for years for small stipends, leaving a large gap in retirement savings. At the same time, fewer religious are able to serve in compensated ministry. Rising Costs Like many Americans, religious communities face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. Changing Demographics Today, retired religious outnumber wage-earners by nearly three to one.

POSADAS

Sign up as a host or join any of the posadas beginning December 16th. Lists of the families hosting the posadas at their home are posted by the office or by the shelves at the church's foyer.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

In the Diocese of Austin, we are privileged to call Mary, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, our patroness. During this season of Advent, may our Blessed Mother lead us closer to her Son, our Savior. May our devotion to the mother of our Lord show our unity with Jesus, Mary, and one another during the 75th anniversary of this local church.

UN MENSAJE DEL OBISPO

En la Diócesis de Austin, somos privilegiados de llamar a María, bajo el título de Inmaculada Concepción, nuestra patrona. Durante esta temporada de Adviento, que nuestra Santísima Madre nos lleve más cerca de su Hijo, nuestro Salvador. Que nuestra devoción a la Madre de nuestro Señor muestre nuestra unidad con Jesús, María y entre nosotros durante el 75to aniversario de esta iglesia local.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

We still need volunteers to be part of this pageant. If you would like your child to participate in this year's pageant please bring your child to practice this Sunday.

Practice for those participating in this years' Children's Christmas Pageant will be this Sunday at 4:00 pm in the church.

Please contact Tony Galindo at 254.424.2083 for any questions concerning this event.

Todavía necesitamos voluntarios para ser parte de este concurso. Si desea que su hijo participe en el concurso de este año, traiga a su hijo a la práctica este domingo.

La práctica para los participantes en el Concurso de Navidad de los Niños de este año será este domingo a las 4:00 pm en la iglesia.

Comuníquese con Tony Galindo al 254.424.2083 si tiene alguna pregunta sobre este evento.

You are invited
To A Retirement Celebration!
30 Years of Dedication
Honoring
THE HONORABLE
FERNANDO VILLARREAL
Justice of The Peace Pct. 5
Wednesday December 14th 2022
At 11:30am to 4pm
Come and Go Event
At
The Reverend Lawrence Solar Activity Center
2710 Speight Ave
Waco, Texas 76711
PRESENTATIONS AT NOON

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
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Waco, Texas

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