

SAINT MARY CATHEDRAL

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday.....6:30am, 12:05pm
Saturday.....12:05pm
Sunday.....Vigil: Saturday 5:30pm;
7:30am Traditional Latin, 9:30am, 12:00pm,
1:45pm Español,
3:30pm Traditional Latin,
& 5:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are by appointment and can be scheduled on our website, smcaustin.org
Monday-Friday.....11:00am-11:50am
Saturday.....11:00am-11:50am
& 4:30pm-5:20pm

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Saturday 9:00 am-5:30 pm

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Saint Mary Cathedral volunteer ministry



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

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BAPTISMS: Parents should visit the Cathedral website: www.smcaustin.org, for Baptism guidelines; then submit completed application with required documents to schedule Baptism.

BAUTIZOS: Si usted desea bautizar a su hijo, lea los requisitos detallados en nuestro sitio web: www.smcaustin.org. Luego, para fijar una fecha para el bautizo, entregue el formulario de solicitud con los documentos necesarios.

MARRIAGE: See Cathedral website: www.smcaustin.org, for detailed information.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Registration forms are available on the table at the entrance of the church; in the Cathedral office, or on our website.

Homily of His Holiness Pope Francis
“Asking for forgiveness implies forgiving.”

March 17, 2020

Jesus has just given a catechesis on the unity of brothers and sisters, and concluded it with beautiful words: “Truly I tell you that if two or three of you agree on earth about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven” (cf. *Mt* 18:19). Unity, friendship, peace between brothers and sisters attracts God’s benevolence. And Peter asks the question: “Yes, but what are we to do to the people who offend us?” “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?” (v. 21). And Jesus answered with that word which means, in their language, “always”: “Seventy times seven” (v. 22). One must always forgive.

It is not easy to forgive because our self-centered hearts are always attached to hatred, to revenge, to resentment.

We have all seen families destroyed by family hatred that is passed down from one generation to the next. Siblings who, in front of a parent’s coffin do not greet each other because they are still carrying past resentments. It seems that attachment to hatred is stronger than that of love- This is precisely - let’s say - the devil’s “treasure”. He always lurks among our grudges, among our hatreds, and makes them grow. He keeps them like that to destroy, to destroy everything. He often destroys over small things.

It is what destroyed this God who came not to condemn but to forgive. This God who is able to throw a feast for a sinner who draws near to Him and forget everything. When God forgives us, He forgets all the evil we’ve done. Someone has said “it’s God’s sickness”. He doesn’t have a memory. He can lose His memory in these cases. God loses his memory regarding the ugly story of so many sinners, of our sins. He forgives us and goes on. He only asks us to do the same: to learn to forgive, not to continue to bear this fruitless cross of hatred, of resentment, of “You’re going to pay for this”.

This teaching is neither Christian nor human. Jesus’ generosity teaches us that to enter into heaven, we must forgive. Moreover, He says: “You, do you go to Mass?” “Yes.” “But if when you go to Mass, you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, be reconciled first” (cf. *Mt* 5:23-4). Do not come to me with love for me in one hand and hatred for your brother or sister in the other”. Consistency in love. Forgiving. Forgiving from the heart.

There are people who live by condemning people, speaking ill of people, continually harming their co-workers’ reputations, and that of their neighbors, their relatives... Because they do not pardon something that was done to them, or they do not forgive something that they did not like. It seems that the wealth of the devil is this: sowing the love of non-forgiveness, living attached to non-forgiveness. Indeed, forgiveness is a condition for going to heaven.

The parable that Jesus tells us (cf. *Mt* 18:23-25) is very clear: forgive. May the Lord teach us this wisdom of forgiving, which is not easy. And let us do something: when we go to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, let us first ask ourselves: “Do I forgive?” If I feel that I do not forgive, I cannot make believe that I am asking forgiveness because I will not be forgiven. Asking forgiveness means forgiving. Both go together. They cannot be separated. Moreover, those who ask for forgiveness for themselves, like that man whose master forgives everything, but do not forgive others, end up like that man (cf. vv. 32-34). “So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart” (v. 35).

May the Lord help us understand this, to lower our heads so as not to be

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
 6:50-7:20am, Mon-F..CSSM Drop-off, Bishops Hall
 11:00am-noon...Confessions by appointment
 12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
 3:15-3:30pm, Mon-F..CSSM Pick-up, Bishops Hall
 6:30pm...EF Latin Mass, Cathedral

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
 11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
 12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
 3:30pm...CSSM Faculty Meeting, DC Cafeteria

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
 8:30am.. CSSM Mass, Cathedral
 11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
 12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
 3:00pm...Piano Lessons, Sheehan
 4:00pm...CSSM Piano Lessons, Bishops Hall

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
 11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
 12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
 5:00pm..TCCB/Capital Policy Staff Mass, Cathedral

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

6:30am.. Daily Mass, Cathedral
 11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
 12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
 5:00pm.. Wedding Rehearsal, Cathedral

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

9:30am.. Baptism, Cathedral
 11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
 12:05pm.Daily Mass, Cathedral
 3:00pm.. Wedding, Cathedral
 4:30-5:20pm.Confessions by appointment
 5:30pm...Sunday Vigil (Mission Appeal), Cathedral

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Fr. Antony Savarimuthu’s Mission Appeal

7:30am...EF Latin Mass, Cathedral
 9:30am...Mass in English, Cathedral
 10:00-11:30am.CFF-English, DC Cafeteria
 12:00pm..Mass in English, Cathedral
 12:00-1:30pm..CFF-español, DC Cafeteria
 1:15pm.Schola Quartet Rehearsal, Bishops Hall
 1:45pm...Mass in Spanish, Cathedral
 2:45pm...St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal, Sheehan
 3:30pm...EF Latin Mass, Cathedral
 5:15-5:45pm.CFF-home school, DC Cafeteria
 5:30pm...Mass in English, Cathedral

proud but magnanimous in forgiving. At least to forgive “out of interest”. Why? Yes, to forgive, because if I do not forgive, I will not be forgiven. At least this. But always forgiveness.

From http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/cotidie/2020/documents/papa-francesco-cotidie_20200317_adorazione-benedizione-eucaristica.html

STEWARDSHIP & DEVELOPMENT**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Offertory Collection (week of 9-6-20)

	Sunday Coll. 9/6/20	Last Month August 2020	Year to Date 6/29-9/7/2020
Income	\$ 22,213	\$ 109,191	\$ 233,906
Expenses	\$ 22,512	\$ 93,589	\$ 225,117
Budget Excess/(Deficit)	(\$ 299)	\$ 15,602	\$ 8,789
Second Collection <i>St. Vincent de Paul</i>	\$1,033		
St. Killian's Candles <i>(a/o 9/7/2020)</i>	\$4,361		
Attendance	912		
Saint Mary Cathedral Catholic Endowment <i>(a/o 7/31/2020)</i>	\$ 60,544		
Diocese-Encountering Christ Campaign <i>(a/o 9/01/2020)</i>	\$ 156,185		

Our giving platform Pushpay is simple to use and only takes a few minutes to set up a recurring gift or to make a one-time gift. There are three ways to donate: (1) text **smcaustin** to **77977**; (2) navigate to our website at www.smcaustin.org, click on Donation, next click on Give, or (3) enter into your browser <https://pushpay.com/pay/smcaustin> which takes you directly to the portal.

For those who are still using the previous platform Vanco for your recurring giving, **the goal is to have everyone switched over to the Pushpay platform by July 31st**. We are close to our goal but we still need to get your gifts transitioned to the new platform.

Thank you for your continued stewardship and sacrifice in supporting Saint Mary Cathedral. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Louis Barron or Yvonne Bedell in the parish office, 512-476-6182.

NEXT SUNDAY
No Second Collection
September 20, 2020

SANCTUARY CANDLE
In Thanksgiving
The Madere family
September 13—September 26, 2020

PLEASE PRAY FOR...**those who have died;****those in need of healing: ***

Paul Ancira, Gisela Bernal, Jim Boyles, Juan Burrola, Sr. & Yolanda Burrola, Catarino Castillo, Kenneth Craig, Sr., Carmel & Sam DiCarlo, John Donatucci, Abel Duarte, Normajeon Earle, Ronald Erickson, J. C. Ernst, Joshua Escalona, Pedro Flores, Jr., David Gabler, Deyanira Garcia, Clara Hernandez, Claire Hernandez, Jesse Hutton, Sonia Irizarry, Chuck Jehlen, Hee-Jung Kim, Maria Guadalupe Ledesma & family, Jesús Amaro Lopez, Anyssa M., Elleana M., Clarisa Marcée, Alicia Martinez, Vanessa Matocha, Alejandro Medina, Lauren & Graham Miller, Jody Moncebaiz, Mwenya-Chishimba family, Marjorie King Parker, Joan Pearsall, Mary Jane Perez, Gary Porfirio, Louise Porfirio, Camille Pridgen, Ruth Resendez, Romo-Bedell family, Santos Romo, Marlene Sato, Bill Scott, Sharon family, Marlene Siering, Tim Sullivan, Jean Valerga, Bernard Vasek, Estella Velasquez, Michael & Josie Velasquez, Lupita Zapata, Vicente Zavala, Fr. Frank Zlotkowski, CSC

and those serving in the military:*

HR Shelby D. Aparicio	HN5 Jinuel Jehlen	LCPL Eric E. Muñoz
1LT Kyra Barone	1 LT Patrick Kuiper	Capt. Nicholas Naquin
Capt. Mary E. Boyle	Major David McGuire	1SG Kenneth A. Saffell
A1C Paige Derry	Capt. Lawrence McNamara	Capt. Sean Snook
PFC Rick German	Christopher Mercado, USAF	Sgt. William Speer
1LT Cory Houck	Capt. Chris Morrow	SFC Phillip Thompson
Lt. Sigifredo Homero Huerta, Jr.	Ensign Evan Moses	Spec 4 Chris Trevno
	LT Shane Moses	Christopher Ty Trevino

* We appreciate hearing from you about how your loved ones on the prayer list are doing.

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, September 14**

6:30am.....Madere family
12:05pm.....Brett Cranford
6:30pm.....James E. Gavin, Jr.

Tuesday, September 15

6:30am.....Lynnea James
12:05pm.....Martin & Martina Kim

Wednesday, September 16

6:30am.....Madere family
8:30am.....Ural Wade†
12:05pm.....Steve Richardson†

Thursday, September 17

6:30am.....Steven Johnson
12:05pm.....Pat Irwin†
5:00pm.....Erlinda Hesles

Friday, September 18

6:30am.....Faithful Departed
12:05pm.....Oren Nicholas

Saturday, September 19

12:05pm.....Faithful Departed
5:30pm.....Virginia Marchan†

Sunday, September 20

7:30am.....Erlinda Hesles
9:30am.....Tracie Chew
12:00pm... Cathedral Parishioners
1:45pm.....Waldo Ross Araño†
3:30pm.....Madere family
5:30pm.....Ann & Tony Fayad†

St. Vincent de Paul: The COVID-19 pandemic and its economic fallout has caused those previously able to manage finances to seek assistance. Please help us serve our neighbors in need as a result of wages lost due to COVID-19. Donations may be made at smcaustin.org DONATE to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

St. Matthew Ministry: We need to form a second group to count the weekend collections. If you would like to help with this ministry, call Yvonne Bedell at 512-476-6182, ext. 110, or email ybedell@smcaustin.org.



FAITH FORMATION

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL OF SAINT MARY

Dear Saint Mary Cathedral Parishioners, Cathedral School of Saint Mary (CSSM), welcomes you back to another school year! Although this year things may look different, one thing that sets us apart is that we are united by being a strong CSSM community. One of the many examples that shows we are a strong community is when we come together for the Fall Festival. The Fall Festival allows the school community to share its faith and rich traditions with the Austin Community and to raise funds to support our school programs. Since we are unable to have large gatherings and for the safety of our families, this year Cathedral School of Saint Mary will hold a Virtual 2020 Fall Festival.



Please save the date - Virtual 2020 Fall Festival, Sunday, October 25, 2020.

Beatriz Banda, President, Parent Teacher Club

ADULTS



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults welcomes those who want to become Catholic or are seeking full communion in the Catholic faith through the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. **Weekly sessions will be on Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 15,**

from 6:00-8:30pm. If you are interested in coming into the Church or would like more information, contact Yvonne Saldana, Sacrament Coordinator, at ysaldana@smcaustin.org or 512-476-6182.

Confirmation: Are you an adult Catholic who has received First Holy Communion but was never confirmed? If you are interested in Adult Confirmation classes, contact Yvonne Saldana at the parish office. Call 512-476-6182, or email ysaldana@smcaustin.org



Catholic Scripture Study: Available via Zoom teleconference. We are currently studying the Gospel according to St. John. Please email LJSmith78704@yahoo.com for free online access.

Book Study: I Burned for Your Peace-Augustine's Confession Unpacked, by Catholic philosopher and author, Peter Kreeft, available from online book sellers such as Amazon. Mondays, **6:30-8:00pm** via Zoom teleconferencing. For more information contact L.J. Smith at LJSmith78704@yahoo.com

FAMILIES



It's time for the Church to share the Good News of Jesus with the next generation. As a parishioner of any age, you are invited to look at the CFF webpages and find out what's happening with faith formation at the Cathedral. **smcaustin.org/ff** See something that interests you there?

Es hora de que la Iglesia comparta la Buena Nueva de Jesús con la próxima generación. Como feligrés de cualquier edad, está invitado a mirar las páginas web de CFF y averiguar qué está sucediendo con formación en la fe en la Catedral. **smcaustin.org/formación** ¿Ves algo que te interesa allí?

PARISH LIFE

Cathedral Young Adults: For updates and questions, contact smcya.org. You can find more information about events and Adoration times on our Facebook page: **Saint Mary Cathedral Young Adults**, and follow us on Instagram at [cya_atx](https://www.instagram.com/cya_atx).

CATHEDRAL YOUNG ADULTS

PIZZA & POPSICLES

Come join us at Zilker Park and meet new friends, play some soccer/volleyball and eat some pizza and popsicles. We will be maintaining social distancing at this event. Feel free to bring blankets/lawn chairs.

Sunday September 13th
5 p.m-8 p.m.

Missionary works of Cross Catholic Outreach:

Fr. Antony Savarimuthu will be visiting our parish **next weekend** to speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach, which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.





As of today, Sept. 13, 2020, the following Sunday Masses will revert to their original times:

- 11:30am will begin at 12:00pm
- 1:30pm (Spanish) will start at 1:45pm

For now, all other Sunday Mass times will remain the same: 5:30pm Vigil, 7:30am EF Latin, 9:30am, 3:30pm EF Latin, 5:30pm

A partir de hoy 13 de septiembre de 2020, las siguientes misas dominicales volverán a su horario original.

- 11:30am volverá a 12:00 pm
- 1:30 pm (español) será a la 1:45 pm

Por ahora, todos los demás horarios de misas dominical seguirán siendo los mismos: 5:30 pm Vigilia, 7:30 am EF Latin, 9:30 am, 3:30 pm EF Latin, 5:30 pm.



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Meditación Evangélico

XXIV Domingo Ordinario

Mt 18, 21-35

Setenta veces siete, son muchas las veces que hay que perdonar. Perdonar no es fácil, y Pedro lo sabía, por eso propone una cifra cuantitativa. Sin embargo, Jesús va más allá de esa cifra, dando una respuesta inesperada. “Jesús, le contesto: No te digo siete, sino setenta y siete veces”. (Mateo 18:21-22). Enseguida, Jesús, narra como enseñanza catequética la parábola del que no perdonó a su compañero. El perdón no debe tener límites, lo decimos todos los días al rezar el Padrenuestro. Perdonar al hermano, a la hermana, al amigo, a la esposa, al esposo de corazón, sinceramente, sin medida. Difícil ¿verdad?

Todo el relato de la parábola, muestra un contraste muy grande, entre la persona que debe mucho y la bondad del rey. Al perdonarle todo sin esperar nada a cambio. Ya perdonada la deuda, surge el hecho de un compañero que debía poco y éste se pone muy exigente que le pague. La enseñanza aquí es ver la infinita misericordia de Dios que supera la exigencia del compañero ingrato con su amigo. El Señor Jesús, nos perdona en el Sacramento de la Reconciliación. El confesarse no ha pasado de moda como muchos creyentes piensan. El Papa Francisco dice que: “Dios nunca se cansa de perdonar, somos nosotros los que nos cansamos de pedir perdón”. ¿Cuántas veces acudes al Sacramento de la Reconciliación? Cuando perdonas ¿lo haces desde el fondo de tu corazón? Pidamos, al Señor en la Eucaristía de este Domingo, que nos dé la gracia de saber perdonar al que nos ofende.

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TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Sunday, Sept. 20, 7:30am Low Mass and 3:30pm Sung Mass—Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost.

Sunday, Sept. 27, 7:30am Low Mass and 3:30pm Sung Mass—Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Latin Phrase of the Week: *Miserere mihi, Domine, quoniam ad te clamavi tota die: quia tu, Domine, suavis ac mitis es, et copiosus in misericordia omnibus invocantibus te. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I have cried to thee all the day; for thou, O Lord, art sweet and mild, and plenteous in mercy to all that call upon thee. Psalm 85:3*

To receive news and updates about the TLM, visit our website: AustinLatinMass.org. Be social, “Like” us on Facebook: St. Joseph Latin Mass Society.

BEYOND OUR PARISH

Married Couples: Worldwide Marriage Encounter is providing a **virtual weekend experience on Sept. 18-20**, for couples who want to make their good marriage even better. From the comfort and security of your home, you'll be guided by three couples and a priest to help you rediscover your dreams, rekindle your romance and become more aware of God's desire for your marriage. Find out more about the virtual weekend experience in a short video invitation at www.austinme.org/september2020. To apply, visit <http://www.austinme.org>.



NEW location! Regina Caeli Academy

Come join our exciting mission to form the next generation of Catholics! Regina Caeli Academy (www.rcahybrid.org) provides a classical, hybrid education in the Catholic tradition. Pre K3- 12th grade students attend Socratic, hands-on classes taught by trained tutors two days a week and homeschool on the remaining days. Lesson plans for home days are included and optimized for in-home education. New! Location: 6907 Convict Hill Rd, Austin, 78749 For enrollment information, or to schedule a tour of our facility (by appointment only), contact Kathryn Haygood khaygood.aus@rcahybrid.org or 512-524-6764.

Important Dates for the Election:

- **Monday, Oct. 5:** Last day for unregistered voters to register to vote (registration application must be received by this date.)
- **Tuesday, Oct. 13—Friday, Oct. 30:** In-person early voting
- **Friday, Oct. 23:** Last day for registered voters to apply for ballot by mail (application must be received by this date)

Find out how to register to vote, update your voter registration, apply to vote by mail (if you qualify), and more at <https://countyclerk.traviscountytexas.gov/elections/voter-registration-info.html> Make sure to mail everything extra early to account for potential postal delays.

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Cremation and the Church

Question: Can Catholics be cremated?

Answer: As the practice of cremation becomes more and more common, it's important to know what the Church asks of families who have chosen this for a loved one who has died.

As the US Bishops observe on their website, "Ideally, if a family chooses cremation, the cremation would take place some time after the Funeral Mass, so that there can be an opportunity for the Vigil for the Deceased in the presence of the body." However, if cremation takes place before the Funeral Mass, the cremated remains can be present at the Funeral Mass and the appendix to the Order of Christian Funerals provides adaptations for the texts and rituals that are part of the Funeral Mass and the Committal.

The primary concern is that the cremated remains should be treated with the same respect given to any human remains. The Order of Christian Funerals instructs, "This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains on the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires" (no. 417).

It is becoming more and more common for parishes or diocese-sponsored cemeteries to include columbaria to house cremated remains in a way that respects Church teaching, allowing family and friends the opportunity to honor the remains of the one they have lost with dignity, reverence, and care. ©LPi

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READINGS FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13:

SunSir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-4,9-12/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35
MonNm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1b-2,34-38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Tues1 Cor 12:12-14,27-31a/Ps 100:1b-5/Jn 19:25-27
Wed1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-5,12,22/Lk 7:31-35
Thurs1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2,16-17,28/Lk 7:36-50
Fri1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1b-d,6-7,8b,15/Lk 8:1-3
Sat1 Cor 15:35-37,42-49/Ps 56:10c-12,13-14/Lk 8:4-15
SunIs 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3,8-9,17-18/Phil 1:20c-24,27a/Mt 20:1-16a

OBSERVANCES FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13:

Sun24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day
MonThe Exaltation of the Holy Cross
TuesOur Lady of Sorrows
WedSt. Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
ThursSt. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
SatSt. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr
Sun25rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Should I Stay or Should I Go?

Life is not always easy on us and it can be hard to figure out the next step to take in our journey. We can even become immobilized by indecisiveness and fear about making the wrong move or choosing the incorrect path. I think of the song, Should I Stay, or Should I Go, as a mantra for many times in my life. Should I stay in this house, this job, or this car? Should I go here or there? When those times of decision surface, I usually turn to my wife, my friends, or even my children. Talking it out can help, and their perspectives give me more data to consider. When I lean on others to help me make a decision, it helps me become more confident in my choices.

Discerning the will of God is not easy either. Rarely do we understand God's calling clearly at first. God's calling is always more easily discerned within a community of faithful disciples. Our stewardship way of life can suffer greatly if we refuse to allow others to assist us in the process of discernment. What gifts or talents are needed for the task at hand? Where do I fit best into God's plan? Where is God leading me? No one should have to decide the answers to these questions alone. We need to always lean on the Body of Christ to help us see the path that God has laid before us. Without a little help along the journey, over time we might find ourselves stuck in the same place where we started.

— Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPi

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA

¿Debo Permanecer o Debo Ir?

La vida no siempre es fácil para nosotros y puede ser difícil determinar el próximo paso a seguir en nuestro viaje. Incluso podemos quedar inmovilizados por la indecisión y el miedo a hacer un movimiento incorrecto o elegir el camino incorrecto. Pienso en la canción, Debo Permanecer o Debo Ir (Should I stay, or Should I go), como un mantra para muchas veces en mi vida. ¿Debo quedarme en esta casa, este trabajo o este auto? ¿Debo ir aquí o allá? Cuando surgen esos momentos de decisión, generalmente recorro a mi esposa, mis amigos o incluso a mis hijos. Hablarlo puede ayudar, y sus perspectivas me dan más datos para considerar. Cuando me apoyo en otros para que me ayuden a tomar una decisión, me ayuda a tener más confianza en mis elecciones.

Discernir la voluntad de Dios tampoco es fácil. Raramente entendemos el llamado de Dios claramente al principio. El llamado de Dios siempre se percibe más fácilmente dentro de una comunidad de discípulos fieles. Nuestra forma de vida de corresponsabilidad puede sufrir mucho si nos negamos a permitir que otros nos ayuden en el proceso de discernimiento. ¿Qué dones o talentos se necesitan para la tarea en cuestión? ¿Dónde encajo mejor en el plan de Dios? ¿A dónde me está guiando Dios? Nadie debería tener que decidir las respuestas a estas preguntas solo. Necesitamos siempre apoyarnos en el Cuerpo de Cristo para ayudarnos a ver el camino que Dios ha puesto ante nosotros. Sin un poco de ayuda durante el viaje, con el tiempo podríamos encontrarnos atrapados en el mismo lugar donde comenzamos.

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RESPECT LIFE

40 Days for Life

Sept. 23-Nov. 1, is a volunteer based prayer campaign that draws attention to the injustice of abortion through three simple avenues: Prayer and fasting, Community outreach & Education, Constant peaceful vigil. **This weekend stop by the 40 Days for Life table outside to learn how you can become involved in this life-saving ministry.** More information can be found at www.centraltexascoalition.com or the Coalition for Life office at 512-296-2071.



40 días de por vida del 23 de septiembre al 1 de noviembre es una campaña de oración basada en voluntarios que llama la atención sobre la injusticia del aborto a través de tres vías simples: oración y ayuno, alcance comunitario y educación, vigilia pacífica constante. Este fin de semana, pase por la mesa de 40 Días por la Vida afuera para aprender como puede participar en este ministerio que salva vidas. Puede encontrar mas información en www.centraltexascoalition.com o la oficina de Coalition for Life al 512-296-2071.

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT

Pray for those from the Cathedral currently discerning vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

- Sister Maria Paula (Amanda Fuentes), novice, Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, Ann Arbor, MI
- Deacon Miguel Flores, St. Louis King of France, Austin, TX
- Philip Gaynor, St. Joseph Seminary College, St. Benedict, LA
- Nathan Leonard, Our Lady of Clark Creek Abbey
- Br. Augustine Marie Peter (Ryan Schultz), Canons Regular of St. Thomas Aquinas
- Ladd Spears-Saint Mary of the Assumption, Taylor, TX

Daily Prayer for Priests & Religious God our Father, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I ask You to bless and strengthen the spiritual renewal and vitality of all priests and religious so that your Church may shine more resplendently and bear witness to Your presence in our world today. I recommend to You the priests and religious dearest to me especially (N.). O Jesus, keep them all close to Your Sacred Heart and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Pope Francis' Sept. Prayer Intention:

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.