

4th Sunday of Advent December 18th, 2016

Join us in praying the Rosary, Sunday, December 18th after the 10:30 Mass in the sanctuary.

ARMED FORCES HONOR GARDEN PRESENTATION DEC. 18

We had our Armed Forced Honor Garden groundbreaking on Dec. 7.

On Sunday, Dec. 18, at 11:30 a.m., we will have a presentation giving details of what will be in the garden and the opportunities available to make memorials or show support for the project in the Finn Family Life Center. The public, as well as the parish, is encouraged to attend.

When completed, the garden will hold a water fountain emblazoned with memorial stars, a restive area with memorial plaques, and a walkway of paving stones, to honor those who have served in the Armed Forces or made the ultimate sacrifice.

The sale is underway of memorial stars honoring deceased military, and memorial plaques honoring family and friends who have served. Paving stones are also available to recognize the support of donors to the garden project. Forms for memorial messages for the plaques and stars are available at St. Paul's parish office (830-598-8342) or by going to the web site at http://stpaulshorseshoebay.org. The Memorial Stars are priced at \$250 with the 5x3 plaques at \$200 or 15x5 plaques at \$600 and paving stones (15x3) at \$150 each. Other memorial opportunities, including scripture quotes, are available and those interested should contact Father Patíño at the parish office.

Christmas Baskets

Thank you so much for your generosity, support & work making the St Paul the Apostle Christmas Basket Project 2016 a great success! We have provided gifts (three truck loads – 8 bikes) and HEB Gift cards to 25 families with additional cards for five other families. All our supplies are contributed by our elves, so we can return 100% of all monies received to people in our community that are in need. Any excess funds are contributed to the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Thank you again for all your support!!

**** Faith Formation Classes will meet on December 18 ****

COOKBOOK UPDATE

We have now sold 961 cookbooks. We still have plenty left if you are looking for Christmas gifts! They are available in the church office, M-F, 8:30 - 1:00, Ace Hardware, The Bottle Shop, Bay Pharmacy, Olio Art Studio (next to Bay Pharmacy) and the Church of Horseshoe Bay. If you have any questions, please email Diane Snyder at *stpaulhsbcookbook.com*. Thank your for your support.

Knights of Columbus

This weekend, after the masses, is your last chance to pick up the tamales you ordered. Any orders not picked up will be sold to other customers.

The Parish office will be closed on the following days: Friday, December 23rd and Monday, December 26, 2016. Closed for the New Year on Monday, January 2, 2017.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

This weekend is your last opportunity to remember your loved one during the Christmas season by making donations toward our Christmas poinsettias. Envelopes are in the Church entryways. Please PRINT the information on the envelope, include your donation and return them in the offertory baskets or bring them to the church office, no later than *this Sunday*, *December 18th*.

Your loved ones will be remembered at all our Christmas Masses.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2016 FAMILY MASS - 4:00PM NO CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY VIGIL MASS - 6:00 P.M. TRADITIONAL MIDNIGHT MASS - 8:30 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2016 10:30 A.M

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE FOR: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31ST @ 5:30PM AND SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2017 - 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Phone 512 755-3299 to request assistance or obtain information.

In today's Gospel, we hear that Jesus will be named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." The mystery of the birth of Jesus is supremely a mystery of love. May each Christmas find us more and more like him: more humble,

During the prior month of November, through your financial support, our Conference brought the love and care of Jesus to those in need by assisting 25 families with housing expense, utility bills, food, and other expenses. Thank you!

BIBLE STUDY FOR 2017

In answer to several requests to have a study that gives an overview of the entire Bible, St. Paul the Apostle Women's Bible Study will begin a course, <u>The Bible Timeline</u> from Ascension Press. We invite you to join us on January 9th @ 2:30 PM in the Finn Center. as we embark on our journey which will end in November 2017. (No classes in summer months) The cost of the text is \$35. Videos that accompany the study will be viewed each week. Pat Bentley will be our facilitator. For additional information and to order a text, please contact Claudia Haydon at 598-9364 or c.ehaydon23@gmail.com.



Thank you for your generous contributions totaling \$10,165.00



Weekday Mass Schedule

				Christmas		
Dec. 17	Rose Jamail+	5:30 p.m.	Dec. 24	Remembrances	5:30 p.m.	
				Christmas		
Dec. 18	Ron Mikkelson+	8:30 a.m.	Dec. 25	Remembrances	8:30 a.m.	
				Christmas		
Dec. 18	Ethel Marr+	10:30 a.m.	Dec .25	Remembrances	10:30 a.m.	
Dec. 21	Francis Shields+	5:30 p.m.	Dec. 28	Christine Hayes+	5:30 p.m.	
Dec. 22	Pete Cannatella+	8:00 a.m.	Dec. 29	Clementina Alban+	8:00 a.m.	
Dec. 23	For the Parish	8:00 a.m.	Dec. 30	For the Parish	8:00 a.m.	

<u>Liturgical Ministers</u>

December 17, 5:30 p.m.

Lectors -Joan Scheider, Phil Schoch E.M. - Jeanette Matzinger, Trudi Leddy, Mary Beth Madsen

Ushers- Jack Scheider, Barbara Shields Sacristan & Altar Server – Jim Jamail

December 11, 8:30 a.m.

Lectors- Elizabeth Zarsky,, Jackie Scott
Ushers-Dick Heilman, Jerry Pawelek

E.M. -Francie Dix, Jane Marino, Pat Heilman
Sacristan and Altar Server-Joe Zarsky

December, 10:30 a.m.

Lectors - Paige Schweizer, Robert Goodall E.M.-Francis Carrillo, Patty Gosselin, Paul Gosselin

Ushers -Ed Wenzel, Ed Stemac Sacristan & Altar Server - Ed Stemac

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to Averie Faith Nesrsta and Ray Dupont who have birthdays on December 18th. Celebrating a birthday on December 19th is Denny Fuller. Kathy Stahl will celebrate her birthday on December the 20th, and Ron Balsam and Ethel Gawlik will celebrate on December 23rd. Happy Birthday and God's blessings to you!

Happy Anniversary

Happy Anniversary to Tom and Debbie Engler who will celebrate their 45th anniversary on December 18, and to Joe and Jane Marino who will celebrate their 23rd anniversary on December 23rd. Happy Anniversary and may God continue to bless your sacrament of marriage.

Prayer Request

Please pray for: Dorothy De La Garza, Linda Baker, Mike Halloran, KK Rice, Bill Bedortha, Jennifer Ramirez, Ed & Judy Steiniger, Barbara Erlenmeyer, Stacey Ashabranner, Emily Fenlon, Irene Huff, Ron Balsam, Jim Jones, Eric Waltenbaugh, Sonny Blair, Ed Maugham, Anita Fey, Bailey King, Mason Wiley, Pauline Estes, Renee Sutton, Clay Hazelwood, Niki Moshell, Sharon Mickey, Trisha Belota, Katharine Matcham, Roberta Lawson, Emma Smith, Ann Kirkland, Joe Jamail, Bo MacMillan, John Matzinger, Mamie Matzinger, Michael Fontenot, Fred Phillips, John Swagart, Judy & Louis Sykora, Fran Duncan, Kori Lawson, Savanah Welch, Sandy Platfoot, Tanya Raba, Donia Caspersen, Jody Jamail, Jack Owen, Valerie Richards, Bob Lambert, Juanita Burson, Janell Igoe, Syl Gaisbauer, Catherine Clanton, Don Smith, Ernie Cronin, Sonya Bynes, and GiGi Fisher.

Please pray for those in our Armed Services

Master Sgt. Steven O. Wiley Matthew Anderson, USN Staff Sgt. Josh Zabierek Army Spc. Warren Andrews SFC Erick DeAlba Lt. Christopher Carr Sgt. Corey K. Bradford SFC Mary McLean Staff Sgt. Adam Long 1st Lt. Sean Zarsky, USAF 2nd Lt. Hannah Zarsky, USAF Branden Carlson Major Andrew Bochat Lt. Col. Maria Bochat SPC James Balestrini Captain Eric Barton Captain Heather Barton LCDR Darby Gray Jakob Martinez - Army Spc. Jeremy Ross **Britt Carlson**

St. Paul the Apostle Parish

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MASSES

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. Thursday & Friday at 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday & Saturday - 4:45 - 5:15 p.m.

ADORATION

First Fridays - 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., followed by Benediction

Phone: 830-598-8342

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PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Music – Mary Williams 325-388-9120

The Samaritans...reaching out – Ron Balsam 830-693-3084

Social Activities – WWICS/Social - Claudia Haydon 830-598-9364

Communications - Pat Schoch-830-220-2201



A Word from Servant of God Isaac Hecker, Founder of the Paulist Fathers

"Isaac Hecker was born in New York City on this date in 1819

"It is my 25 birth day; here let me offer myself to Thee for Thy service oh Lord. Is it not what I should? Am I not thine? Thou didst create me and ever hast sustained me. Thine I am. Accept me oh my God as thine, a child who needst most thy love and protection."

[Diary, December 18, 1844]

If you have asked Father Hecker to pray for you or another person who is ill, and you believe something miraculous has happened, please phone Fr. Paul Robichaud, CSP, at 202-269-2519 and tell him your story.