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THE SANCTUARY LIGHT

IS OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY

OF +LINH HON ANNA

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

5:00 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

9:30 AM

MISSA PRO POPULO

+JOE AND TILLIE HEDRICK

Tuesday, January 12, at 9:30 AM

For Patricia Graham

Tuesday, January 12, at 10-11 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, January 13, at 9:30 AM

For the Ray Childress Family

Thursday, January 14, at 9:30 AM

+Robert Spearman

Friday, January 15, at 9:30 AM

+Jimmy Fagan

Saturday, January 16, at 5:00 PM

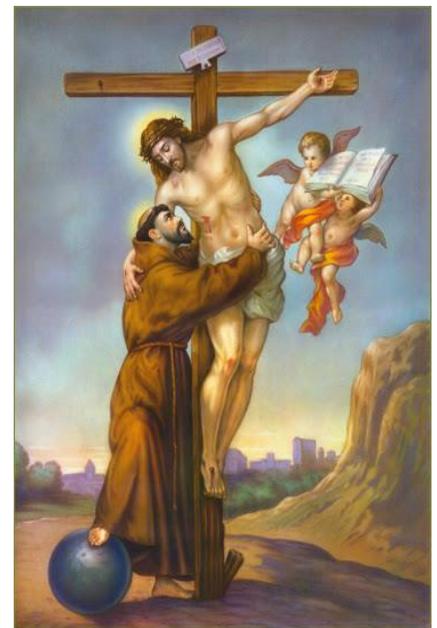
Misa Pro Populo

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 17, at 9:30 AM

+Joe and +Tillie Hedrick

Sunday, January 17, at 6:30 PM (Vietnamese). +Linh Hon Anna



JANUARY 2021 LECTOR SCHEDULE

JANUARY 9 DONNA MANTHEI

JANUARY 10 JAYNE LONGLEY

JANUARY 16 RON ZAJAC

JANUARY 17 BENITA EBEL

JANUARY 23 JOE LABUDA

JANUARY 24 BRIGID BREAZEALE

JANUARY 30 KATHY RUSSELL

JANUARY 31 TEDDY MANTHEI



Lectors

The Body of Christ will be distributed only by the Priest.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD

“For it is in giving that we receive.”

- St. Francis of Assisi

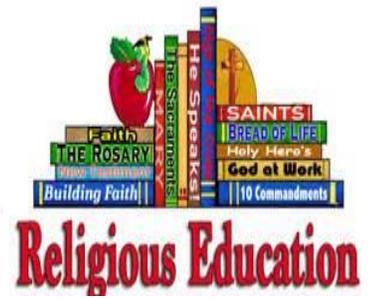
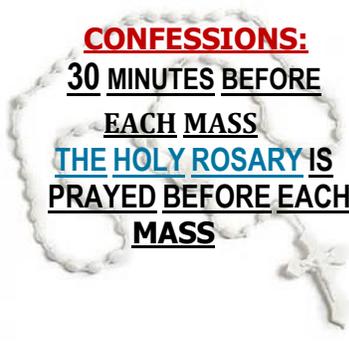
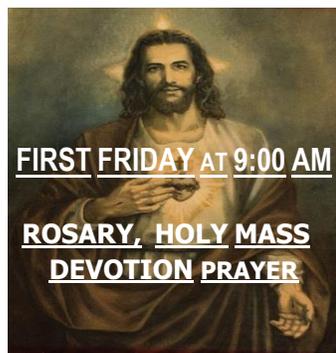
January 3 weekend:

Church: \$4,385.00

Holy Day: \$1,960

Building Fund: \$195.00

Thank you for your generosity



**Announcements and
Upcoming Events**



Many of our elderly and sick have sheltered at home away from loved ones and neighbors to protect themselves from COVID-19. This separation has had many significant effects. Please hold in prayer all those who may feel isolated or lonely during this pandemic. May Our Mother of Sorrows comfort them in their time of need. For those coming together for Mass, let us faithfully maintain and strengthen best protocols that protect one another. We are encouraged to wear face masks, wash our hands often, and keep safe distance while gathering for the worship of God.

**New
Offering
Envelopes**

The 2021 offering envelopes are located in the narthex. Please fill out the information on the first couple of envelopes for this year, especially if any of your information has changed. Thank you for keeping our database updated.
For online giving visit www.stfrancisofassisi-parish.org

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the Eastern Church this feast is called Theophany because at the baptism of Christ in the River Jordan God appeared in three persons. The baptism of John was a sort of sacramental preparatory for the Baptism of Christ. It moved men to sentiments of repentance and induced them to confess their sins. Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the "substance of our flesh" and was recognized "outwardly like unto ourselves", He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world".

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism, the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

Welcome
—We are glad you are here—

A warm welcome is extended to everyone. If you attend St. Francis of Assisi regularly and consider this your parish, please register. Stop by the office during open hours and fill out a registration form.

CCCTX bulletin announcements

Catholic Charities of Central Texas is honored to serve veterans, active duty service personnel and their immediate families. Case management and more resources are available through our St. Michael's Veterans Services Program to help veteran and military families thrive. Learn more by calling us at (512) 651-6100 or visit www.ccctx.org/st-michaels-veteran-services.

*Let us pray for each other;
Lord, look with loving kindness on
the needs of all our parishioners,
especially those who are ill, at
home, in the hospitals and nursing
homes.*

To Jesus through Mary

The 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary begins on Feb. 20. In Fatima, Our Lady said, "My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God." Join thousands of faithful throughout the diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. Prayers begin on Feb. 20 and are done privately in homes using the consecration preparation book. Visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org by Jan. 17 to receive your FREE Montfort preparation prayer book by mail and for more information.