

THIS WEEK

SAT, December 30	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
5:00PM Holy Cross	Ynocencio Garcia (d)
SUN, December 31	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
8:00AM San Luis	Paul Vahalik (d)
9:30AM Holy Cross	People of Holy Cross, San Luis & St. Ann
MON, January 1	Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God
8:00AM Holy Cross	People of Holy Cross, San Luis & St. Ann
5:30PM San Luis	People of San Luis, Holy Cross & St. Ann
TUE, January 2	Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
8:00AM Chapel	Eleanora Sturm (d)
WED, January 3	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
8:00AM Chapel	Victoria & Jerome Respondek and Alton Gwosdz (d)
5:30PM San Luis	Hedwig Jendry (d)
THU, January 4	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
5:30PM Chapel	Glynis Boldt Koenig (d)
FRI, January 5	St. John Neumann
8:00AM Holy Cross	Paul Vahalik (d)
SAT, January 6	St. Andre Bassette
9:00AM San Luis	Lou & Jo Nell Gips (d)
SAT, January 6	The Epiphany of the Lord
5:00PM Holy Cross	Michael Janacek (d)
SUN, January 7	The Epiphany of the Lord
8:00AM San Luis	Margie Smith (d)
9:30AM Holy Cross	People of Holy Cross, San Luis & St. Ann



Help Wanted

Do you love our Church and love seeing it peaceful and inviting? Holy Cross is accepting applications for a part-time maintenance person. Responsibilities include cleaning, and maintenance of buildings and grounds. Contact the office or Fr. Roger.



SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jan. 6	5PM Holy Cross
Lector:	Angie Stepanski
Sacristans:	Cindy & Susan
EMHC:	Dicky Rodriguez
Altar Servers:	Caleb, Jax & Leyton
Sunday, Jan. 7	8AM San Luis
Lector:	Felix Arguellez
Sacristan & EMHC:	Lupe Arguellez
Altar Server:	Devin
Sunday, Jan. 7	9:30AM Holy Cross
Lector:	Mike Yeretsky
Sacristans:	Philip & Lisa
EMHC:	Ben Parma
Altar Servers:	Sydnie, Rylie & Liam
	Homebound: Angie & Loretta

Our book is now open for **Mass intentions for 2024**. Call or come by the office Tues., Wed., or Thurs. to schedule. *Suggested Stipend \$5 per Mass. You may request up to **three (3)** masses per year, consisting of 1 weekend & 2 weekday.*

CDA Scholarship

Applications are available for *High School Seniors*. Applicants must be related to a Texas CDA member. Applications must be mailed by Jan. 31st. Applications may be picked up at the church office, from Cindy Dubose or downloaded from our website: <https://holycrossyorktown.net/>

FEATURED ADVERTISER



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

December 24, 2023	Holy Cross	San Luis	St. Ann
Saturday/Sunday	\$ 4,394.00	\$ 557.00	\$ 20.00
Christmas	\$ 3,863.00	\$ 535.00	

Online giving is available at
<https://victoriadiocese.org/parish-donations>

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers the souls of all who have passed away, "Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord & let perpetual light shine upon them"



Also pray for physical and spiritual healing of:

Larry Mueller, Ramona Sample, Levi Sample, Daniel & Mary Helen Villarreal, Mary Helen Torres, Kacee Flores, Christopher & Kaylnn Mueller, Cindy Pieprzica, Macee Brown, Barbara Kremling, Wade Bolting, Shirley Collins, Regina Riedel, Norma Schendel, Lin Migura, Alvin Sturm, Margaret Wollny, Marvin Tate, William Stehling, Doug Wolf, Amber Rios, Fr. Frank Lenz, Fr. Dominic Boasiako, Loretta Bolting, Larry Kozielski, Lanny Lohmann, Saela Diaz, Myra Yeretsky, Heath Buesing, Patricia Kowalik, Terry Glasscock, Johnny Ortiz and Blaise Hawes.



*If you have someone on the prayer list, they will stay on the list for **3 months**. Please call the office Tuesday-Thursday, to put them back on the list. Thank you!*

San Luis Cemetery Plots Price Changes



\$300 Active Parishioner
\$500 Inactive Parishioner
\$1,000 Non-parishioner (Catholic only)
Effective January 1, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1: Parish Office Closed**
- 1: Masses:** 8AM Holy Cross, 5:30PM San Luis
- 3: No Religious Ed classes**
- 5: First Friday Mass** 8AM at Holy Cross, followed by Adoration and Reconciliation
- 6: First Saturday Mass** 9AM at San Luis, followed by the Rosary and Guadalupana Meeting
- 7: Catholic Daughters meeting** 2PM in the Activity Center
- 8: Adoration and Reconciliation** after Mass at San Luis
- 8: Knights of Columbus meeting** 7PM in the Activity Center
- 11 & 25: RCIA, Adult Education** 6PM in the Activity Center



Pro-Life Events



Candlelight March, Victoria, Thursday, Jan. 25

6:30PM - gather at St. Mary's Activity Center, Victoria
7:00PM - March to Our Lady of Sorrows while reciting the rosary. Presentation by Heather Hobbs at Our Lady of Sorrows church.

Rise Up for Life, pro-life rally Hallettsville, Jan. 27

(rally is in the morning so people can also attend the Austin rally).

8:15AM - gather at the Hallettsville post office, 206 S. LaGrange St. and march to the Lavaca County Courthouse Gazebo.

9:00AM - Program begins, bring your lawn chairs.

Texas Rally for Life Austin, Saturday, Jan. 27 from 1 to 4PM at the Capitol.

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DECEMBER 31, 2023
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God
As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us. Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. (Lumen Gentium, no. 53)
Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.
Source: USCCB.org

TODAY'S READINGS
First Reading: God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
Responsorial Psalm: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways. Ps 128:1-5
Second Reading: As the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. Col 3:12-21
Gospel: My eyes have seen your salvation. Lk 2:22-40
READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; PS 98:1, 3-6; Jn 1:29-34
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1-5; Jn 1:43-51
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13, Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday
8:30 AM -12:00 PM
1:00 PM - 3:30 PM
MASS SCHEDULE
Holy Cross
Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:30 AM
Tuesday 8:00 AM
Wednesday 8:00 AM
Thursday 5:30 PM
Friday 8:00 AM
San Luis
Sunday 8:00 AM
Monday 5:30 PM
Wednesday 5:30 PM
First Saturday 9:00 AM
ADORATION & RECONCILIATION
Holy Cross
First Friday 8:30-9:30 AM
San Luis
2nd Monday 6:00-7:00 PM
RECONCILIATION
Holy Cross
Saturday 4:00 PM
San Luis
Monday & Wednesday
BEFORE MASS (BY REQUEST)
Or by appointment

