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ST. FERDINAND, BLANCO MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY, 5:00 P.M.

SATURDAY (*ESPAÑOL*) 7:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, 11:00 A.M.

GOOD SHEPHERD, JOHNSON CITY MASS TIMES:

SUNDAY, 9:00 A.M.

FOR A COMPLETE WEEKDAY
MASS SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS,
PLEASE SEE THE NEXT PAGE

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

SATURDAY, 4:00 P.M., ST. FERDINAND

SUNDAY, 8:30 A.M., GOOD SHEPHERD

OR BY APPOINTMENT

“Christ redeemed us on the hard arms of the Cross, and his knight will not serve him in any other way.”

-SAINT FERDINAND III OF CASTILE



Welcome Visitors & Guests

Thank you for Celebrating the Mass with us. We are glad that you are here. If you have any questions about our parish or joining the Catholic faith, please contact the Church office for information concerning reception of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Matrimony and Anointing of the Sick. Parent interviews for Baptism need to be scheduled with the priest six weeks in advance. Marriage Arrangements need to be made with the priest at least six months in advance. Holy Communion can be brought to the sick on request. If you know of anyone in need, please call the office.

Parish Ministries & Information

Office Hours

Monday through Friday:

1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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Masses & Intentions

Week of November 24, 2018 – December 1, 2018

Saturday, November 24th (StF) 5:00 p.m.
Repose of the Soul of Delman Barker by Rhonda Klepac-Uecker

Saturday, November 24th (StF) 7:00 p.m.
Parishioners of St. Ferdinand and Good Shepherd

Sunday, November 25th (GS) 9:00 a.m.
Rosary at 8:25 a.m. In appreciation and support of all
Consecrated Religious by Patti Marx

Sunday, November 25th (StF) 11:00 a.m.
Repose of the Soul of Rudolph V. Sanchez by the Sanchez
family

Tuesday, November 27th (StF) No Mass

Wednesday, November 28th (StF) 9:00 a.m.
Health of Bill and Marian Noonan by the Taylors

Thursday, November 29th (StF) 9:00 a.m.
Health of Larry Jordan by Joe and Vicki Guidry

Thursday, November 29th (GS) 6:00 p.m.
Repose of the Soul of Cynthia Ford by the Agahigian Family

Friday, November 30th (SF) 9:00 a.m.
Repose of the Soul of Otilie Lindemann by Rhonda Klepac-
Uecker

Saturday, December 1st (StF) 5:00 p.m.
Health of Kenneth Holiday by the Taylors

Saturday, December 1st (StF) 7:00 p.m.
Parishioners of St. Ferdinand and Good Shepherd

All bulletin items must be submitted by
end of day on Monday.

Christ the King

According to Scripture, Cain, who killed his brother Abel, also founded the first city. From that point on, violence has been a part of every kingdom in history. Just about any ruler you can name has used some form of violence in order to “keep the peace” and hold onto their power. Even the great King David advised his son Solomon to assassinate his political opponent as a way of consolidating Solomon’s rule after David’s death.

No wonder Jesus said his kingdom was not of “this world”! He came as the “Prince of Peace,” not a calculating dictator. This is what makes today’s Feast of Christ the King so special. It is the celebration of a new kind of King, who is ushering in a new kind of kingdom.

Jesus’ kingship is unlike any we have ever seen. Instead of exerting power over his people, he submitted himself to their power—even if it meant letting them put him to death. And

because he refused the temptation to lord it over his people, God raised him up and established him as the one true King over all of creation.

Of course, we’re not perfect. We still commit sins. We still resort to violence—even subtle forms of violence—to get our way. Rather than use the threat of external violence to force us to behave, Jesus our King treats us with kindness and unexpected, undeserved, scandalous mercy. He softens our hearts and asks us to love each other as he loves us—humbly, preferring each other to ourselves.

Jesus, King of the Universe, has come to overthrow sin through love, violence through peace, and injustice through mercy. This kingdom is not of this world. It is far more glorious!

Cristo Rey

Según las escrituras, Caín, mató a su hermano Abel, también fundó la primera ciudad. Desde ese momento, la violencia había parte de cada reino en la historia. Cualquier regla se pudiera nombrar habría utilizado algún tipo de violencia con el fin de "mantener la paz" y aferrarse a su poder. Incluso el gran rey David aconsejó a su hijo Salomón para asesinar a su oponente político como una forma de consolidar la regla de Salomón después de la muerte de David.

No es de extrañar que Jesús dijo que su reino no era de "este mundo"! Él vino como el "Príncipe de paz", no un dictador . Esto es lo que hace la fiesta de Cristo Rey tan especial. Es la celebración de un nuevo tipo de rey, que está marcando el comienzo de una nueva clase de Reino.

Jesús es diferente no lo habíamos visto nunca. En vez de ejercer el poder sobre su pueblo, él se sometió, incluso a la muerte.

. Y porque él rechazó la tentación sobre su pueblo, Dios lo levantó y lo estableció como el verdadero rey sobre toda la creación.

Por supuesto, nosotros no somos perfectos. Todavía cometemos pecados. Aún al recurrir a la violencia, incluso formas sutiles de violencia, a nuestra manera. En lugar de utilizar la violencia externa que nos obligan a actuar, Jesús nuestro rey nos trata con bondad y misericordia . Él ablanda nuestros corazones y nos pide que nos amemos los unos a otros como él nos ama .

Jesús, rey del universo, ha llegado a derrocar el pecado a través del amor, la violencia a través de la paz y la injusticia a través de la misericordia. Este reino no es de este mundo. ¡Es mucho más glorioso!

St. Cecilia

Although Cecilia is one of the most famous of the Roman martyrs, the familiar stories about her are apparently not founded on authentic material. There is no trace of honor being paid her in early times. A fragmentary inscription of the late fourth century refers to a church named after her, and her feast was celebrated at least in 545.

According to legend, Cecilia was a young Christian of high rank betrothed to a Roman named Valerian. Through her influence, Valerian was converted, and was martyred along with his brother. The legend about Cecilia’s death says that after being struck three times on the neck with a sword, she lived for three days, and asked the pope to convert her home into a church.

Although there is little historical evidence concerning the life of Cecilia, she is one of the famous martyrs of the Church in Rome. She is mentioned in the list of saints in the first Eucharistic Prayer—Roman Canon. Since the time of the Renaissance, she has usually been portrayed with a viola or a small organ.

Like any good Christian, Cecilia sang in her heart, and sometimes with her voice. She has become a symbol of the Church’s conviction that good music is an integral part of the liturgy, of greater value to the Church than any other art.

Saint Cecilia is the Patron Saint of Musicians.



Prayer List

Please pray for parishioners' spiritual, mental and physical needs.

Clara Jo Bindseil, Joanne Bodine, Barbara Crowley, Peggy Duran, Lee Durci, Roselle Wagner Fischler, John Geldorf, Dylan Gonzales, Ruben Gonzales, Teresa Harris, Clifford Lane, Wyatt Ledesma, Naomi Michalsky, Ralph Moss, Bill & Marian Noonan, Andrea Perez, Charles Reinert, Joe D. Riba, Sr., Freddy Salazar, Lucille Scharnhorst, Gay Schuler, Lydia Segura, Jacob Umanzor, Nellie Upshaw, Tony Vela, and Polo Zamora.

If you or someone you know needs prayer in a special way, please email: cathy@stferdinandblanco.org.

Good Shepherd Vocations Chalice

If your family feels called to pray with the Chalice, please contact Warren Davis before or after Mass or by calling him directly at 713-569-9491.

Collections Statement

Week of November 18, 2018

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Ferdinand:

Regular Collection
Campaign for Human Development

\$3,966.47
\$655.00

Good Shepherd

Regular Collection
Campaign for Human Development

\$0.00
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*Honor the LORD with your wealth,
with first fruits of all your produce.
Then will your barns be filled with plenty,
with new wine your vats will overflow.*

- Proverbs 3:10

Second Collections for Today:

StF: Black Bag
GS: Building Fund

Parish Organizations & Meeting Times

St. Anne's Altar Society

Meets the 1st Thursday of the month immediately following 9 a.m. Mass in the parish hall.

Good Shepherd Men's Club

Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Knights of Columbus

Meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Ferdinand parish hall.

Catholic Daughters Of The Americas

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Ferdinand parish hall.

ACTS Core Team:

Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Ferdinand Parish Hall.

St. Ferdinand's Parish Choir

Meets Wednesday nights at 5:30 p.m. Call 830-833-4939 for more information.

Good Shepherd Children's Choir:

Meets Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Meets Thursday nights from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. in the St. Ferdinand RE Building.

Women's Bible Study:

Meets every Thursday at 1 p.m. If you're interested in joining please contact Karen Gebhardt at 210-414-7301 or kgebhardt52@gmail.com.

Websites: For a complete list of ministries, contacts, and other resources, please visit our websites:

www.stferdinandblanco.org
www.goodshepherdjctx.org

*Know that the LORD is God, he made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the flock he shepherds.*

Lifetouch.

It's Time for a New Parish Directory and we need your help!

Lifetouch will be at **Good Shepherd November 30** and at **St. Ferdinand December 4, 5, 6, and 7.**

Time is getting short. Be a part of our new Family Directory. Our goal is to include everyone. Schedule your photography session now by calling the parish office at 830-833-5227.

We still need volunteers from both parishes to help with the check-in on the picture days. Please call the office at 830-833-5227 if you are available to help.



Knights of Columbus

Thanksgiving and Christmas Fundraiser!

Just \$20 for a chance to win one of two (2) \$500 Home Depot gift cards. Tickets will be available after Mass or see a KC member. There are a limited number of tickets available so get yours now. Drawing scheduled after Mass on December 18th.

Prayer & Faith Resources



Mass Preparation: December 2, 2018, First Sunday of Advent, Cycle C

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The Lord will fulfill his promises to Israel and Judah.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 25:4-5,8-10

The Lord will teach us his paths.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be holy and to please God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus teaches his disciples to be vigilant so that they will be ready when the Son of Man comes in glory.

Religious Education

St. Ferdinand

DRE – Susan Moore 833-0444

susan@stferdinandblanco.org

Office hours/Horarios de Oficina:

Wednesdays/Miercoles 12:00-6:00 p.m.

Class schedule:

Sunday mornings 9:30-10:40 a.m. - PreK-6th Grade

Wednesday evenings 6:00-7:15 p.m. - 7th -8th Grade:

No class on Sunday, Nov 25th – Thanksgiving holidays

If you are new to the parish and would like to register your children for Religious Education classes, please contact the Director of Religious Education at 833-0444 or come by the RE Office on Tuesdays or Wednesdays from noon to 6:00 p.m

Blanco Tots Need Toys Angel Tree

Pope Francis calls all Christians to care for those in need. Thank you for taking up this call as a parish and helping everyone in our community to celebrate Christ's birth this Christmas. Gifts may be dropped by the Religious Education or church office by Tuesday, November 27th. They will be distributed to parents on December 1st.

A Domestic Pentecost

“Each new day in the life of our families, and each new generation, brings the promise of a new Pentecost, a domestic Pentecost, a fresh outpouring of the Spirit, the Paraclete, whom Jesus sends as our Advocate, our Consoler and indeed our Encourager.”

Pope Francis World Meeting of Families August 26, 2018

Join your facilitator in the Parish Hall 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. during RE classes to find out more about these topics: December 2nd The Lesser Known Holy Days of the Christmas Season *Scott & Olivia Nunn*

Un Pentecostés Doméstico

Cada nuevo día en la vida de nuestras familias, y cada generación nueva, trae la promesa de un Pentecostés nuevo, un Pentecostés domestico, una nueva efusión del Espíritu Santo, el Paráclito, a quien Jesús envía como nuestro Abogado, nuestro Consolador y, de hecho, es el quien nos anima.

Papa Francisco Reunión Mundial de Familias 26 de agosto 2018

Reúne con Cecilia Avila en el Hall de 9:30 a 10:30 durante las clases de educación religiosa para aprender más acerca de estos tópicos:
2 de diciembre Los días sagrados menos conocidos durante la temporada de Navidad

Good Shepherd

Margie Vasquez, Coordinator of RE

margie@stferdinandblanco.org

For registering or for information, please email Margie Vasquez or contact the office at St. Ferdinand, Mon – Fri from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at 830-833-5227.

Religious Education Classes:

No classes on Dec. 22, 2018 – Jan. 5, 2010 – Christmas Holidays!

Pre-K thru 5th Grade: Wednesday's 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Middle School - 6th thru 8th Grade (Edge Program): EDGE Youth Group meets once a month for activities and events. Please see updates and information on the Youth Ministry section. Calendar of events available in the RE building.

High School 9th thru 12th Grade (Lifeteen Program): RICH Youth Group meets on Sunday's 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the St. Ferdinand Parish Hall in Blanco. Please see updates and information on the Youth Ministry section.

Pre-Confirmation Classes – 8th thru 12th Grade once a month on the second Saturday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **Next Class scheduled for December 8th.** Please see Margie Vasquez or Maria Rodriguez for information (or contact the parish office at 830-833-5227).

Estudio Bíblico *El Evangelio de Juan*, Loyola Press

Acoge humildemente la palabra que ha sido plantado en ti y puede salvar tus almas. - Santiago 1:21b

Domingos 9:30-10:30 con Rosa Vargas en las siguientes fechas. Para información llame a 833-0444.

9 de diciembre

16 de diciembre



High School: (9th – 12th grades)

Reminder: There will not be classes on Nov. 18th. May you and your family have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Blanco and Johnson City High School Teens meet each Sunday night at **RICH** (Resting in Christ's Hands). Classes are held at the St. Ferdinand Parish hall from **5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. All are welcome!!** Classes will start back up on Nov. 25th. The lesson that night will be **Graced—Seeing yourself in the way God sees you.** We will learn about the Sacraments and how Christ, through the Church, gives us these sacraments as a way to obtain grace and salvation.

Middle School: (6th – 8th grades)

Blanco and Johnson City Middle School Students can join **EDGE** Youth Ministry. We have activities planned once a month for students to experience adoration, community service, praise and worship as well as attending retreats as a group. We are currently working on a fundraiser for upcoming events. Students will also be working on a December Christmas project. **All Middle School Students! This month we are planning a lesson night on Tuesday Nov. 27th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** at the St. Ferdinand Parish Hall. We will be learning about one of the **Catholic Social Teachings – Life and Dignity. So, come join us!!**

Confirmation Classes: (St. Ferdinand & Good Shepherd)

All Teens for our parish seeking **Confirmation in 2019** must sign up for **RICH** Youth Ministry classes on Sunday nights. We will be having our first Parent / Student meeting on Sunday **Dec. 9th** from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Parents will receive information as to confirmation class requirements, class schedule, as well as information about the program being used for the curriculum. We will be using the **CHOSEN** program from Ascension Press. If you have any questions as to registration, please contact Margie Vasquez. If you would prefer to register online, please visit stferdinandblanco.org/richyouth to register.

Youth Ministry Core Team Meeting: (St. Ferdinand & Good Shepherd)

We will be having a Core meeting on **Tuesday Dec. 4th** at the St. Ferdinand Parish Hall. Core members will be working on Calendar for the next semester, as well as regrouping to plan on community service projects and fundraising. Anyone is welcome to attend as this is an opening meeting. All ideas regarding the youth of both our parish communities are always welcome.

Upcoming Events:

Thank you for coming out and supporting our Youth Fundraiser this weekend at the Light Spectacular Event in Johnson City!!

Volunteer Opportunities:

If you are interested in volunteering, you must be EIM compliant. Please refer to bulletin for upcoming workshops in our area.

To learn more about all the events, activities, and retreats planned for this year, please contact the parish office or email: Margie at margie@stferdinandblanco.org for registration forms and calendar. For all Youth Ministry inquiries, contact Margie at margie@stferdinandblanco.org.

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St. Anne's Altar Society

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a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall for fellowship &
prayer as we work in support of our church family!



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