



Jesus returned to Galilee
in the power of the
Spirit, and news of him
spread throughout the
whole region.

LUKE 4:14



The Stories of Our Lives

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Every family has stories of times past when unique and curious happenings gave color to family life. They are part of each family's lore, told again and again with as much gusto as when they were told for the first time. Though everyone has heard them countless times, telling these stories still reminds us of who we are as family, lest we forget. This is why the faith community, the family of the Church, tells stories from the Bible every time we gather. We've heard them before many times, but we tell them because they are part of our history, part of who we have been, and part of who we are as God's people, lest we forget.

The stories in sacred Scripture are not just stories of past lives; they are also stories of our own lives.

The story of Moses standing before the burning bush in awe of God's presence is also our story as we come upon nature's beauty or experience the birth of a child. The story of Joseph, the son of Jacob sold into slavery by his brothers, may also be our story of being betrayed by someone we love. Zacchaeus climbing a tree to see Jesus is our story of longing to see and know God in our lives and in our homes. The story of the good shepherd is the story of God seeking us out, forgiving us, and carrying us back to life. We recognize the stories of sacred Scripture as our stories. ●

Reflect

***What stories from Scripture comfort you,
and which ones challenge you?***

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF ST. MARY AND GOOD SHEPHERD

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St. Mary

Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00am-4:30pm

Confessions: 4:00pm- 4:45pm on Saturdays

Weekday Mass: Tuesday: (English) 5:30pm

Wednesday & Friday: (English) 12:00pm

Thursday: (Spanish) 5:30pm

Liturgy of the Hour: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays after mass

Adoration: Daily in the Chapel except during mass times.

Kitchen Hours/ Horas de Cocina:

Tues- Fri 6:00-11:00am

SVdP Food Pantry: call 737-767-7368.

2nd Tuesdays and 4th Thursdays 5:00 – 7:00

SVdP Thrift Store: 1st Saturday 9:00 -12:00

2nd, 3rd, & 4th Wednesdays 10:00 – 2:00

Good Shepherd

Altar: Dianna Furlan

Flowers: Monica Ivey

Lector: Dianna Furlan

Counters: Dianna Furlan, Steve Burke

Confessions: in Lampasas, Saturdays @ 4:00pm

Weekday mass: No Mass

Attendance: 69

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: January 19

Main Collection: \$420.00

Children's: \$20.00

Online Giving: \$101.20

Youth Group Fundraiser:

SAVE THE DATE: The youth Group is having a spaghetti dinner Sunday February 16th.

All proceeds will help fund the trip to Rome.

Thanks to all who came and supported our last fundraiser for the youth group.

CCE & Sacramental Preparational Classes:

Religious Educations classes are Sundays after mass and Sacramental Prep classes are Mondays at 2:00pm

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Wednesday/Miércoles, January 29

12:00pm: Communion Service

Friday/Viernes, January 31

12:00pm: Communion Service

Saturday/Sábado, February 1

5:30pm: †Lucy Maldonado

Sunday/Domingo, February 2

8:00am: (GS)

10:00am: †Lupe, †Sally & †Ed Dimas

12:15pm: †Candelaria Gonzalez,
†Victor Garcia, Norma Valencia
y Los cumple años de Marlene Garcia

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: January 19

Main Collection: \$3,748.00

Children's: \$42.00

Online Giving: \$149.35

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Mass Attendance: 322

Counters: January 27

Lisa DeWeese

Melanie Brooks

Charlie Ybarra

Those Who Serve Our Country

William Smith, Frankie Medina, John Paul Saucedo, John Taylor Saucedo, Michael Rodriguez, Matthew Coonrod, Aiden Aldaco, Avery Aldaco, Qdrick Moreno, Mark Argo, Anthony Morua, Paul Lego, Joshua Bunting, Aaron Ripley Kiser, Colton Currier, Jesús García, Lawrence Olivarez, Trenton Cavness, Dyran Self, Graham Hibbert

January 25/26

Sat. 5:30pm EMHC: Danny Shaw,
Armando Montes, Cecilia Salazar

LECTOR: John Wendele

Head Usher: Carlos Franco

Sun 10:00am EMHC: Victor Olivarez

Carla Stokes, Charlie Ybarra

LECTOR: Youth Group

Head Usher: Youth Group

Sun 12:15pm EMHC Maria Rafael

Stella Morua, Rosa Arevalo

LECTOR: Eugenia y Gisselle Ruperto

Head Usher: Pablo Mendez

February 1/2

Sat. 5:30pm EMHC: Reed's/Martinez's

LECTOR: Emily Martinez

Head Usher: Matt Reed

Sun 10:00am EMHC: Victor Olivarez

Rena Cronk, Charlie Ybarra

LECTOR: Simon Valles

Head Usher: Victor Olivarez

Sun 12:15pm EMHC: Eduardo Arevalo

Maria Rafael, Stella Morua

LECTOR: Eduardo y Rosa Arevalo


Head Usher: Pablo Mendez

For Those Who Have Died

Terry Hall, Ramon Villegas, Tony Gamez Sr., Dr. Pablo Leonardo, Clarence Benton, Carol Nuñez, Ignacio Acosta Jr., Rebecca Felan, Justo Gill, Steve Dimas, Ruth Ann Wittenburg, Frank Maldonado, Emmanuel & Veronica Onjefu, Stephanie Gill, Corina Menendez, Sally Dimas, Lupe Dimas, Iris Dye

For Our Sick/Nuestro Enfermos

Cindi Sierra, Ray Zamaniego, Annie Moreno, Barbara Galleguer, Charlie Peña, Theodore Martin, Stella Rodriguez, Andrés Moreno, Reyes Olivas, Mike Simmons, Jacob Rivera, Michael Wendele, Remi Wissinger, Edwin Rivas Miranda, Benjamin Caughron



Nails Club and Spa

Sunday: Closed
Monday-Friday: 10A.M.-7PM.
Saturday: Open: 10A.M.-
Closed hour might be different
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St. Mary

Thank you to everyone who helped decorate the Church for Christmas and that donated money for the Poinsettias. It was greatly appreciated. After cleaning up the real poinsettias were given away. There were a few that were silk poinsettias that were bought for the church, they are gone they must have been picked up thinking they were real, if you mistakenly took them, please return them we paid a lot of money for them and would like to save them for the coming years.

Gracias a todos los que ayudaron a decorar la Iglesia para Navidad y que donaron para las Poinsettia y quen ayudó a limpiar el domingo pasado. Después de la limpieza, se regalaron las poinsettia reales. Había algunas que eran flores de seda que secompraron para la Iglesia, ya no están, debieron haber sido recogidas pesando que eran reales, si las tomó por error, por favor devuélvalas., pagamos much dinero por ellas y nos gustaria ahorrar ellos para los próximos años.

ATTENTION MEN!

Join other Catholic men from across the Diocese of Austin at the 13th Annual Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, February 15, 2025, at San Jose Catholic Church in Austin. The theme of this year's conference is "Practicing Heroic Virtue: Prudence and Fortitude." The day runs from 8:00am to 4:00pm and will feature a Rosary, Holy Mass, Dr. Ansel Augustine (Emcee/Speaker); Curtis Martin (keynote) and Kevin Wells. There will also be music, Catholic Exhibitors/vendors, and the opportunity to fellowship with other men who are looking to grow in their walk with Jesus and dynamically live out their Catholic faith. Breakfast after mass, and lunch will be provided at no charge to all those who buy a ticket and have your attendee badge on. For more information and/or to register online for the in-person or live stream tickets go to www.centexcatholic.com or info@centexcatholic.com.

A Message from Bishop Vásquez

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we begin the great Jubilee Year of 2025, let us pray: Father of all goodness, you sent your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into the world to be our Savior. Through his death and resurrection, he became our source of hope, a hope that does not disappoint. Filled with the Holy Spirit, send us forth as pilgrims to proclaim hope to the world. Amen.

Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

Al comenzar el gran Año Jubilar de 2025, oremos: Padre de toda bondad, tú enviaste a tu Hijo unigénito Jesucristo al mundo para que fuera nuestro Salvador. A través de su muerte y resurrección, se convirtió en nuestra Fuente de esperanza, una Esperanza que no decepciona. Llenos del Espíritu Santo, envíanos como peregrinos a proclamar la esperanza al mundo. Amen.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Catholic Church has much to offer the world: core beliefs and teachings; the love of Christ celebrated in the sacraments; the experience of the Holy Spirit in community. Because of this we have the confidence to work and pray for Christian unity. In what ways do you share the treasure of our faith with others?

III Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

La Iglesia católica tiene mucho que ofrecer al mundo: creencias y enseñanzas, el amor de Cristo celebrado en los sacramentos, la experiencia del Espíritu Santo en la comunidad. Debido a esto tenemos la confianza para trabajar y orar por la unidad cristiana. ¿De qué manera comparte el tesoro de nuestra fe con los demás?



Coffee & Donuts



Every Sunday after each mass in the parish hall
Please join us!

Café y Donas
Todos los domingos después de cada misa en el salón
parroquial
Por Favore, únase a nosotros!



The Holy Year is marked by the offering of God's abundant forgiveness through the granting of a plenary indulgence, a remission of the temporal punishment a person is due for their sins. The following, [with the four foundation conditions for an indulgence](#), are the different ways to receive an indulgence:

- Visit and Pray at a Pilgrimage Site
- Perform a work of mercy or penance
- Recitation of specific prayers (If you are homebound and cannot participate in pilgrimage)

You may also travel to Rome and pass through [Holy Doors](#) to receive an indulgence. Read more from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in this article: [Vatican norms for jubilee indulgence include pilgrimage, penance, service.](#)

Together, we make a difference.



...encourage one another
and build one another up,
as indeed you do.

(1 Thessalonians 5:11)

CONGRATULATIONS!

OVER GOAL



ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION PARISH
LAMPASAS

Dear Padre,

At Mass, I see people on their cell phones, and I'm really distracted and irritated. Isn't this wrong?

Would it help if you thought of good reasons for someone to use a cell phone at Mass? Cell phones are the new pagers. People whose work requires them to be on call, those who care for an elder, or parents of teenagers, for example, may need to check their phones. Many people use their phones to follow along with the readings on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website—usccb.org. It's easier for some to enlarge and read the print on a phone instead of following along in a missal. And, while this is relatively new, many hearing aids can be controlled by cell phone apps, so a person might use his or her phone to make adjustments to hear better. Perhaps if you imagine one of these reasons, your irritation will lessen, and you won't be so distracted.



HOT CHEESE MEDIA / SHUTTERSTOCK

Now, a word to those who are using a cell phone at Mass. If you are scrolling, checking your email or social media, think about giving yourself one hour when you will turn off your phone and put it aside. This is very difficult for some, and not just for young people. Checking one's phone is habitual—some might say addictive. Surely you deserve an hour when you are not tethered to your phone. A cell phone is a marvelous tool. Just make sure that it is the tool, and you are the master—not the other way around. ●

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

January 27

Weekday

Heb 9:15,
24–28

Mk 3:22–30

Tuesday

January 28

St. Thomas

Aquinas, Priest
and Doctor of
the Church

Heb 10:1–10

Mk 3:31–35

Wednesday

January 29

Weekday

Heb 10:11–18

Mk 4:1–20

Thursday

January 30

Weekday

Heb 10:19–25

Mk 4:21–25

Friday

January 31

St. John Bosco,
Priest

Heb 10:32–39

Mk 4:26–34

Saturday

February 1

Weekday

Heb 11:1–2,
8–19

Mk 4:35–41

Sunday

February 2

The Presentation
of the Lord

Mal 3:1–4

Heb 2:14–18

Lk 2:22–40 or
2:22–32



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

[Jesus] has descended to the streets of our world in order to encounter our wounded humanity, to caress faces furrowed by suffering, to bind up broken hearts, and to set us free from chains that imprison the soul. In this way, he shows us the worship most pleasing to God: caring for our neighbor.

HOMILY, ROME, JANUARY 23, 2022

Cedarbrake Retreats February through May 2025



Feb. 11 – Our Lady of Lourdes Healing Retreat with Fr. Charlie Garza

Did you know that the location where Our Lady of Lourdes appeared was originally a was dump? Come to experience how Our Lady wants to heal the portions of your life that have felt like a waste, to transform something painful into beauty. Fr. Charlie Garza will offer talks and prayer opportunities where you can experience healing through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes. The retreat is from 9am to 3:00pm and the cost is \$50, including lunch.

March 5 – Ash Wednesday Retreat

Lent is so much more than 40 days of sacrifices and focused prayer. This year, join us as Karen May shares the many treasures hidden in the events of Holy Week. Transform your Lenten experience into a way that deepens your faith and strengthens your spirit and prepares you for a glorious Easter. Karen May is an author, speaker, and spiritual director at St. John Neumann parish in Austin. Holy Mass with the distribution of ashes will be part of the day. The retreat is from 9am to 3:00pm and the cost is \$50, including lunch.



March 21-23 Silent Lenten Retreat

Sr. Rose Mary Dougherty said, "We are all co-participants in the mystery of love." This Lenten retreat is an invitation to embrace silence and the mystery of God's unique love for you. Fr. Harry Dean and Brian Egan will lead this retreat with talks, prayers, adoration, confessions and holy mass. The retreat begins Friday evening with dinner at 6:30pm and ends on Sunday with mass at 10:30am. The cost is \$310 for a private room, \$265 for a shared room and \$165 for commuters.



April 2 – The Woman and the Sword, Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat led by Br. Joel Giallanza

During this holy season we turn our attention to the Paschal Mystery – the life, passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth. This mystery is the culmination of God's love for us; it is the story of our salvation. We know there were others who accompanied Jesus as this story unfolded – the apostles and many other women and men eager to learn his teaching and to live the call he placed before them. Among those many others is Mary of Nazareth. While she is in a privileged position, she, too, entered into the reality of the Paschal Mystery. She knew the joy of being the mother of Jesus, but she also knew the pain of walking the pathways of the cross. This day of reflection will focus on Mary of Sorrows. We will explore her experience in each of the seven sorrows and examine how those sorrows constitute a model and guide for the whole spiritual life. With her as our companion in daily life, we can deepen our commitment to live the fullness of the Paschal Mystery. The retreat is from 9am to 3:00pm and the cost is \$50, including lunch.



May 31 – Inner Healing Retreat – see web page for more information.



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visit cedarbrake.org**



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ST. MARY/GOOD SHEPHERD**

**Report to the Pastor and Parishioners
October - December 2024**

30 In-person Home Visits (Service Area Zip Codes 76550 and 76853)

67 Neighbors Served

- Rent/Mortgage: \$3883.00
- Utilities/Gas: \$8004.51
- Temporary lodging: \$243.80
- Medical Expenses/Prescriptions: \$55.99
- Vehicle: \$3000
- Miscellaneous: \$117.32
- Angel Tree families: \$1008.76

\$16,313.38 Direct Assistance

Special Works

Food Pantry

Number of Family Households Served: 237

Number of Individuals Served: 991

Value of CTFB food products: \$18231.00

Food products donated by Kline Whitis Elementary, Lampasas Middle School, and M&M Butcher Block: 4936 pounds

Additional food products purchased: \$280.00

****Thanks to all our Food Pantry Volunteers who helped pick up, unload, and distribute food to our Neighbors****

Thrift Store

Sales income: \$2604.00

3rd Sunday SVdP Offerings Collected

St. Mary/Good Shepherd: \$9162.00

****Thank you for your continued generosity****

**Curious about becoming a Vincentian or Special Works Volunteer? Please call (737) 767-7368
or email your Servant Leaders at SSVdP.Lampasas@gmail.com**

The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 26th, 2025



Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus stood in the synagogue and read from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

What did it say?

Look at this page in the mirror to find out!

Saint Angela Merici

January 27

ANGELA MERICI WAS BORN IN LOMBARDY IN 1474. HER MOTHER AND FATHER DIED WHEN SHE WAS TEN YEARS OLD.



ANGELA WAS VERY SAD WHEN HER SISTER DIED, BUT GOD SHOWED HER IN A VISION THAT SHE WAS IN HEAVEN.



ANGELA BECAME A FRANCISCAN TERTIARY, WHICH IS LIKE A NUN BUT NOT IN A CONVENT.



Today we will talk about Mary.



ANGELA BEGAN TO TEACH THE POOR GIRLS WHO COULD NOT GO TO SCHOOL.

SOON OTHER YOUNG WOMEN JOINED ANGELA TO HELP TEACH THE GIRLS.

We can stay here when you start the new school.



ONCE ANGELA MADE A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND, BUT SHE WENT BLIND FOR MOST OF THE TRIP!



THE GROUP OF WOMEN THAT HAD JOINED ANGELA GREW AND SPREAD, EVENTUALLY BECOMING A RELIGIOUS ORDER CALLED THE URSULINES.

IN ANGELA'S TIME POOR PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY GIRLS, COULDN'T GO TO SCHOOL AND THERE WERE NO WOMEN TEACHERS. IT TOOK A LONG TIME FOR PEOPLE TO ACCEPT WHAT ANGELA WAS DOING, BUT SHE NEVER QUIT. WHEN YOU HAVE A HARD TIME WITH SCHOOL YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT ANGELA FOR HELP!

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'ONE BODY' WORD-FIND

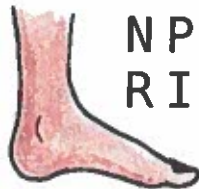


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RISMELLSTGOD



*Find the words
that are written
in CAPITALS.*

*Use the left
over letters to
fill in the
blanks
at the end.*



SAINT PAUL tells us that we have been BAPTIZED into the ONE body of CHRIST which is the CHURCH. There are MANY MEMBERS, but they all work TOGETHER and CARE for each other. But the parts of a BODY are not ALL the same as each other! An EYE is different from an ear, and a HAND is not the same as a FOOT. If all your body was an EAR, then how could you SMELL?

In the Church there are many different GIFTS. Some people are APOSTLES, some are PROPHETS, some are TEACHERS. Some people have the gift of HEALING. GOD has made all these different sorts of people to work together in the Church.

The Church is a Body

The Catholic Church isn't a building. Did you know that? The Church is actually the group of people who have been baptized into the Faith. All the different kinds of people in the Church work together, just like a person's body.



Think about the different parts of your body. What do your eyes do? What about your ears? Hands? Feet? Brain?

Now think about the Church. It has a pope, bishops and priests, teachers, doctors, musicians, mothers and fathers, and even children. What do each of these people do for the Church?

What is your job in the Church right now? What do you think it will be when you are grown up?



Answer to Word-Find:
We are one body in Christ.

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