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# St. Stephen's Catholic Church

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Director of Religious Education: Gretchen Lara

Music Director: Gabriel Salgado

Youth Director: Crystal Villareal

SIGN UP SUNDAYS  
Every Sunday In May

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE  
*Email or  
Text Messages*  
[eva.us/sscc](http://eva.us/sscc)



**Need help signing up for  
Evangelus?**

After every Sunday Mass in  
May there will be a Parish Staff  
Member in the foyer to help  
you register.



**ST. STEPHEN'S  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

[STSTEPHENS MIDLAND.COM](http://STSTEPHENS MIDLAND.COM)

If you went to RCIA (for Adults) and did your sacraments at the Easter Vigil last April 3rd, 2021, your certificates are ready to be picked up at the Parish office. Please see Gladys Qualls or call her for any questions, at 432-520-7394 or email [gladys@ststephensmidland.com](mailto:gladys@ststephensmidland.com)



Suppose you are an active man in your parish between the ages of 31 – 60 who has a strong desire to serve the Lord by assisting others. You may wish to find out just what a deacon is in the Catholic Church and what is the process of becoming one; then, you should attend one of the following Come & Sees:

**DATE: Time City Parish**

**5.10.21** Monday 6:00 PM Brady St. Patrick Catholic Church

**5.14.21** Friday 6:00 PM Brownwood St. Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church

**5.25.21** Tuesday 7:00 PM Rowena St. Joseph Catholic Church

**6.5.21** Saturday 10:00 AM Midland St. Ann Catholic Church / Youth Activity Ctr

**6.12.21** Saturday 10:00 AM Ozona Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church / Hall

**6.14.21** Monday 7:00 PM Odessa Holy Redeemer Catholic Church / Marian Center

If you cannot attend any of the above meetings, please contact Deacon Freddy Medina, Director of the Office of Diaconal Ministry, at [deaconoffice@sanangelodiocese.org](mailto:deaconoffice@sanangelodiocese.org) OR call 325.651.7500.

# Mass Intentions

For the week of May 9th, 2021

## Sunday, May 9th– 6th Sunday of Easter

9:00am Lisa Wilson by Family  
12:00pm For the Parish  
5:00pm †Valente Jimenez by Laura Hernandez

## Monday, May 10th

7:00 am R.J Bryan by Family  
5:30 pm †Patricia White by Watson Family

## Tuesday, May 11th

7:00 am Steve Oetting by Family  
5:30 pm †Pedro Cadena Acosta by Britney Garcia

## Wednesday, May 12th

7:00 am †Pat Wurgler by Criss Kohl  
5:30 pm Alena & Ralph Crivello (Wedding Anv.) by Family

## Thursday, May 13th

7:00pm Steve Oetting by Family  
5:30pm †Pedro Cadena Acosta by Britney Garcia

## Friday, May 14th

7:00am †Ignacia Cadena Acosta by Britney Garcia  
5:30pm Aliyah ter Haar (HB 79) by Qualls Family

## Saturday, May 15th

8:00 am Steve Oetting by Family  
5:00pm Yolanda Isom (HB) by Olga

## Sunday, May 16th– 7th Sunday of Easter, The Ascension of the Lord

9:00am Henry Wilson by Family  
12:00pm Por la Parroquia  
5:00pm Bernadina Hernandez (Happy Mothers day) by Laura Hernandez

## A Mother's Day Prayer

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you  
to thank the Lord above  
for blessing me with a lifetime  
of your tenderhearted love.  
I thanked God for the caring  
you've shown me through the years,  
for the closeness we've enjoyed  
in time of laughter and of tears.  
And so, I thank you from the heart  
for all you've done for me  
and I bless the Lord for giving me  
the best mother there could be!  
- Author Unknown

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

### Collections/Mailed in/ Dropped off:

Regular Deposit \$13,304.78

Other Income \$2,447.35

Second Collections \$6,290.14\*

\*Includes contributions for:  
Catholic Home Missions & Helping  
Hands

### Month of April Collections/SSCC & DOSA Websites:

Regular Deposit \$17,061.00

Other Income \$1,851.24

Second Collections \$2,015.00\*

\*Includes contributions for:  
Catholic Home Missions, Helping  
Hands & Pontifical Collection for  
the Holy Land

### Upcoming Baptismal Classes: Próximas clases bautismales

June 13th, 2021 /  
13 de junio del 2021  
English : 2:00 - 4:30pm  
Español: 2:30 - 5:00pm

Please come by the Office and present  
a Driver's License to Register

Por favor vengán a la oficina parroquial  
y presenten la licencia para registrarse.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday  
6:45 am - 7:00 am & 5:00 - 5:30 pm

Saturday  
7:45 am - 8:00 am; 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Sunday  
8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.; 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.;  
4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.  
Anytime by appointment.

# Happy Birthday!

## May 9

Bobby Barron  
 Pamela Desparrois  
 Amanda Franca  
 Abigail Gutierrez  
 Sebastian Hernandez  
 Nevada Ivey  
 Russell Sailer  
 Bailey Schrader  
 Aliyah Valdez  
 Lolita Vizcaino  
 Gina Ybarra

## May 10

Alejandro Alvarado  
 Ramon Domingo  
 Jesus Dominguez Jr.  
 Austin Escamilla  
 Juan Carlos Gomez  
 Estephane A. Jimenez  
 Monica Molinar  
 Oscar Montanez  
 Rachelle Reyes  
 Marcelo Santamaria  
 Rubi Tovar  
 Jesus Villa

## May 11

Tatyana Baeza  
 Katrina Hernandez  
 Cristal Luajn  
 Leslie Mora  
 Nathan Nanez  
 Paul H Pause  
 Yvonne Reyes  
 Chloe Salinas  
 Deveka Sepulveda

## May 12

Savannah Brooke Barger  
 Humberto Catalan  
 Janet Cooley  
 Pollyanna Fryt  
 Faye Hodges  
 Martin Lerma  
 Theresa Martinez  
 Kevin Ramirez  
 Janie Velarde

## May 13

Claudia Gabaldon  
 Cecillia Granados  
 Ilsaiah Hernandez  
 Gaby Jimenez  
 Sherlyn Juarez  
 Chelsea Lyles  
 Luis Miramontes  
 Thomas Murphy  
 Aubree Norton  
 Imelda Ortiz  
 Valentino Trevino

## May 14

Cinnthia Browning  
 Anna Maria Carrasco  
 Mila Cenicerros  
 Kevin Kohl  
 Conner Lopez  
 Beatrice Payan  
 Gabriel S. Rodriguez  
 Omar Rosas  
 Makayla Serrano  
 Angel Villegas

## May 15

Angela Carrillo  
 Kalar Fernandez  
 Michael Gomez Jr.  
 Jaymie McIntosh  
 Cecilia Reyes  
 Luz Saenz  
 Cinthia Salinas  
 Robert True

## May 16

Arleth Barrera  
 Paula Bass  
 Monica Bernal  
 Braulio Cabello  
 Elyssa Carrasco  
 Cole Chavez  
 Michael Cipriani  
 Tyler Fincher  
 Roberto Gamino  
 Alberto Jordan  
 Jonathan Ochotorena  
 Nidia Porras  
 Julia Saucedo  
 Luke Tambunga  
 Olivia Taylor  
 Morgan Mills Urias  
 Manuela Vazquez



Larry White, Gracias Jiron, Bob Breeze, Ana Laura Alvarado, Arnold and Sandra Trevino, Matthew & Michelle Parker, Donna Mae Repman, Betty Oldham, Olivia Binesh, Justino Campeon, Felix Munoz, Julio Rodrigues, Ana Morin, Joe Teagarden, Alvaro C., Eddie L., Robert Fotter, Becky Aguiar, Sonia Hipler, Anaya Madrid, Alfred & Eva Garcia, Emma

Valdez, Albert & Mary Madrid, Meris Brown, Amanda Ochoa, Jennifer White, Baby Braxton, Julian Rodriguez, Joe Munoz III, Baby Cesar Brito, Jesus Munoz, Margaret Shelkey, Oscar Lerma, Teresa Kiser, Ezequiel Borrego, Lydia M. Reyes, Lorena Munoz, Jose Munoz Jr., Domingo Lujan, Mary Helen Smith, Arturo & Maddi Rodriguez, Denisie Rodriguez, Klarisa Molina, Gretchen Lara, Aaron and Stacy Carraher and children, Amanda Ochoa, Betty Macchietto, Alicia, Randy, Isaiah, Cassie, Larry & Pat White, Cody and Megan Anthony, Renee Dove, Tracy Culler, Britt Fisk, Jennifer Galyean, Gavino Flores, Almaguer, Homero Pando Levario, Mary Borrego, Facundo Borrego & Loved ones, Juan Musquis, Yolanda Rodriguez, Emma Valdez, Alfred Garcia, Eva Garcia, Yulisa Garcia

Email [Frontdesk@ststephensmidland.com](mailto:Frontdesk@ststephensmidland.com) or call the office at 520-7394 to be added to the prayer list! If someone needs to be removed from prayer list please contact the office to remove request. Thank you! Envíe un correo electrónico a [frontdesk.sssc@att.net](mailto:frontdesk.sssc@att.net) o llame a la oficina al

520-7394 para ser incluido en la lista de oración! Si alguien necesita ser removido de la lista de oración, por favor comuníquese con la oficina. Gracias!

## Stay Informed at St. Stephen's

We are excited to announce a new way of communicating with you. The Parish has adopted Evangelus, a new system to help keep you connected to the life of the Parish. Visit [eva.us/sscc](http://eva.us/sscc) to sign-up and let us know if you prefer to receive emails or text messages from us. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact The Parish Business Manager, Mandy Treviño at [mandy@ststephensmidland.com](mailto:mandy@ststephensmidland.com) as we can register you on your behalf as well.



# Youth News

## CLIMB ABOARD FOR...



### The best week of the summer!

We will be having VBS this year! Save the dates for English VBS!

**June 14-18th** Monday-Friday in English from 8am-12pm. For more information please contact Gretchen in the office @ (432) 520-7394

**Limited spaces available!** We will begin registering in the office May 10-13th from 1pm-5pm.

The Fee will be \$25.00 and it includes a T-Shirt!

### Spanish VBS will be June 7th-11th!

¡Espacios limitados disponibles! Comenzaremos a registrarnos en la oficina del 10 al 13 de mayo de 1 pm a 5 pm.

¡La tarifa será de \$ 25.00 e incluye una camiseta!

## VOLUNTEER AT ROCKY RAILWAY VBS

We are looking for youth and adult volunteers for VBS June 14-18th. Come by and learn more May 17th in room 11 at 6pm. Background & Ethics will be required.

If you are working with our youth, going to youth retreats, doing Vacation Bible School, CCD classes, homebound ministries, you are required to do a background check with the San Angelo Diocese and go to an ethics class. To obtain a background check form, either see Gladys at the Parish Office or you can download from <https://www.sanangelodiocese.org/background-checks>.



The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocese of San Angelo RURAL LIFE MASS will be held on THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. on the premises of the ADOLFO TAPIA DAIRY. The DAIRY is located at 13153 N. KLATTENHOFF RD. in MILES, TEXAS 76861. The outdoor MASS will be celebrated by BISHOP MICHAEL J SIS. Your lawn chairs and umbrellas are most welcome. A meal will be served after the MASS at the ST. THOMAS PARISH HALL in MILES. If there is inclement weather, the MASS will be moved to the ST. THOMAS CATHOLIC CHURCH in MILES. \*This event will be following the current COVID-19 health protocols and guidelines of DOSA. Facemasks will be required until further notification. We hope that you will join us in this CELEBRATION OF RURAL LIFE in the DIOCESE of SAN ANGELO!



Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is **NOW** open for grades 9-12.

**Become a Crusader today!**

Register today or get more information on our registration process at

[www.holycrosschs.org/admissions](http://www.holycrosschs.org/admissions)

For questions, call us at 432-235-1094 or send a message to [info@holycrosschs.org](mailto:info@holycrosschs.org)

**Dear Fr. Rodney, St. Stephen's Women's Organization + Parishioners,**

It is with very grateful hearts that we want to say THANK YOU for your Financial support this Spring. Your generosity is what made our Spring, Rachel's Vineyard (healing from a previous abortion) Retreat become a reality!!

The Retreatants were able to encounter the Divine Mercy and healing of God, as well as peace from their past and a future of hope.

For any Businesses, Groups, Families, etc. who would like to make our **Spanish June 25-27** and **English November 12-14** Retreats a reality (by way of a meal donation or financial support) please pray about it, then take action and contact us at: 432-897-4788 (call/text) or at [rachelsvineyardsanangelo@gmail.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardsanangelo@gmail.com)

Registration for future Retreatants is now available and these are VERY private, confidential and compassionate Retreats that are open to all men and women, of all ages and faiths. May our dear Lord, through His Divine Mercy, bless your St. Stephen's Parish abundantly for your support to our brothers & sisters who need this kind of healing from their past.

[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

If you're interested in volunteering please sign up for your areas of interest and visit:  
**[ststephensmidland.com/volunteer](http://ststephensmidland.com/volunteer)**





**Helping Hands of Midland**  
**1301 Brinson Lane**  
**Midland Tx.**  
**(432) 520-8900**

[www.helpinghandsmidland.com](http://www.helpinghandsmidland.com)

Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done in the past week:

Electricity	2 families	\$684.97
Water	2 families	\$1,074.56
Rent	12 families	\$11,032.22
Medical	1 family	\$30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$12,830.75</b>

## THANK YOU ST. STEPHEN'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



From left: Darrel Wiesman, Dan Parker, Marcos Ybarra, Fred Bisesi, Chad Wiesman, John White and Jerry Lee.

Last Saturday the Knights of Columbus, Council 12657 took our trucks to St. Stephen's. What a day! They started off with two empty trucks but returned the first truck FULL after just one hour. They took a third truck back to the church and by 1pm both trucks two and three were full as well. Needless to say we had our work of sorting and stocking our store cut out for us. Knights, we deeply appreciate your hard work on our behalf. May God bless you, and all the people who donated to us!

Grand Knight Chad Wiesman (in truck)  
 And Marcos Ybarra, filling truck number one.



Coffee and cookies courtesy of Megan Pausé.

## HELPING HANDS TRUCK AT ST.ANN'S NEXT SATURDAY

Our trucks will be at St. Ann's on Saturday May 15 (and the third Saturday of every month) from 9am-1pm in the parking lot across from the office, and St. Stephen's on Saturday, June 5th (and the first Saturday of every month) from 9am until 1pm to accept donations for Helping Hands. Please bring your items to the Helping Hands truck on those days. The Knights will be happy to help accept them and will have tax receipts for those of you who wish them. People with large items (furniture) are asked to bring them directly to Helping Hands. 1301 Brinson Lane.