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St. Stephen's Catholic Church

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Music Director: Gabriel Salgado

Youth Director: Crystal Villareal

SAVE THE DATE

**2021 Virtual
Diocesan Conference Day**

OCT|16|2021

KEYNOTE SPEAKER :

TOM EAST

Tom is the Director of the
Center for Ministry Development



The theme of the day will focus on Form Disciples, a priority of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan

You are invited to gather as a parish or interparish group for this event.

More information will be announced soon.

(325)-651-7500 | evangelizationcatechesis@sanangelodiocese.org

Happy Ordination Anniversary!



Three years on June 9th

Thank you for your service and sacrifice in the service
of our Lord and his people in your vocation as priest.



**ST. STEPHEN'S
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Please say a prayer for Fr. Freddy for blessings on his anniversary.

Marriage Banns

First time: "We publish the banns of marriage between ALEJANDRO ORDORICA and RAMONA AVILA of St. Stephen's in Midland, Texas, USA for their upcoming marriage on August 17, 2021, at San Isidro Labrador in Enrique Estrada, Zac., Mexico. If you know cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it." This is for the first time of asking. Primera vez:

"Publicamos el anuncio del matrimonio entre ALEJANDRO ORDORICA and RAMONA AVILA de esta Parroquia de San Esteban en Midland, Texas, USA. para su próximo matrimonio el 17 de agosto de 2021 en La Parroquia de San Isidro Labrador en Enrique Estrada, Zac, México. Si saben causa o simplemente impedimento por qué estas personas no deben unirse en el Sagrado Matrimonio, debéis declararlo." Esta es la primera vez que pregunta.

Mass Intentions

For the week of June 6th, 2021

Sunday, June 6th-The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

9:00am † Bill Siruta
12:00pm † Alejandro Zarate Rodriguez (Death Anniv.) by Silvia Zarate
5:00pm † Joe Carrasco by Hortencia Carrasco

Monday, June 7th

7:00 am Faith Siruta (HB) by Siruta Family
5:30 pm BJ Siruta (HB) by Siruta Family

Tuesday, June 8th

7:00 am Henry Wilson by Family
5:30 pm † Albert Orona by Beatris Lambdin

Wednesday, June 9th- St. Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor of the Church

7:00 am † Josefina Arellano by Family
5:30 pm † Joe Carrasco by Hortencia Carrasco

Thursday, June 10th

7:00pm Thanksgiving to Holy Infant of Prague by Catalina Natividad
5:30pm † Sue True by Qualls Family

Friday, June 11th- The most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00am † Heather Siruta by Siruta Family
5:30pm Fr. Warren Brown (Ordination Anniv.) by Gloria Oetting

Saturday, June 12th-The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am † Juan Anguiano by Leslie Escontrias
5:00pm † Jose Mendoza Avila by James & Grace Avila

Sunday, June 13th - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Steve Oetting by family
12:00pm † Juan Anguiano by Leslie Escontrias
5:00pm For the Parish

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Collections/Mailed in/
Dropped off:

Regular Deposit

\$ 10,282.91

Other Income

\$ 4,180.00

Second Collections

\$ 5,395.00*

*Includes contributions for:

All Soul's Day Remembrance,
Catholic Communications
Campaign, Helping Hands & Poor
Parish Mission Assistance

Month of May Collections/SSCC & DOSA Websites

Regular Deposit

\$ 17,917.00

Other Income

\$ 1,859.17

Second Collections

\$ 1,582.00*

*Includes contributions for:

Catholic Communications
Campaign, Helping Hands, Poor
Parish Mission Assistance,
Mother's Day Remembrance &
Father's Day Remembrance

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.

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:

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 OR
call 325.651.7500.

Happy Birthday!

June 6

Geronimo Carrillo
Ervey Catano
Dayran Cruz
Christopher Garcia
Delia Ramos
Bertha Sanchez
Matthew Sentena
Nina Sledge
Alexzander Torres

June 7

Yazlyn Almazan
Jazlyn Avila
Delma Barriga
Jeff Bussell
Liza Carrasco
Alexis Chavez
Billy Foster
Briana Gonzalez
Craig Grenvik
Raquel Hernandez
Marisela Madrid
Pete Molina
Shannon Murphy
William Perciful
Briana Ramos
Marlene Rooks
Faith Siruta
William Siruta

June 8

Orlando Calixto
Manuela Cantu
Zachary Alexander
Curtis
Christina Flores
Edith Hernandez Diaz
Brock Jones
Maria Marquez
Lorena Ochoa
Jessica Ornelas
Donald Osborne
Christina Valencia

June 9

Elyana Amador
Denise Benavides
Zachary Fabro
Zane Fabro
George Fierro
Eliazar Fuentes
Cindy Garcia
Miguel Garza
Raceli Gibson
Dimitri Guzman
Irma Martinez
Ramiro Martinez
Fred Rodriguez
Mia Urias
Annabel Wiesman

June 10

Blanca Aguilar
Kaleb Aguirre
Vanessa Carrasco
Angela Cordova

Rosalva Cordova
Briza Cuellar
Millisa Cuellar
Roxette Joy Doria
Alex Garavito
Daniel Guzman
Kristian Herrera
Anna Lee

Rosalva Esther Meraz
Blandina Ponce
Erika Rodriguez
Manula Urquizo
Landon Viney
Kurt Williamson

June 11

Chelsea John Bass
Catrina Garza
Julian Jaquez
Abel Luna
Gloria Martinez
Ivan Midobuche

June 12

Evangeline Armenta
Daleydi Beltran
Robert Galindo
Antonio Gallegos
Yleana Gallegos
Hector Garcia
Mario Alberto Goni
Mary Jakl
Valerie Jordan
Van Lopez
Kara Lynn Ybarra

June 13

Maricela De Anda
Lyric Gomez
Elizabeth Gonzales
Lorilynn McNamara
JonMichael Mesquita
Joel Navarrete
Valentina Paz
Jessica Pinal
Emene Reyes



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 & Maadi Rodriguez, Denise 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, Rudolfo & Lorena Armendariz, Katherine Shapira

Email 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 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 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 as we can register you on your behalf as well.

Youth News

We will be
having VBS this
year!



Estamos listos
para nuestro VBS
campamento
biblico

VBS-English

VBS-Espanol

June 14-18th

June 7th-11th

Monday through Friday 8am-12pm

Limited spaces available! / ¡Espacios limitados disponibles!

For more information please contact Gretchen in the office at
ph: 432-520-7394

Para obtener más información,
cominiquese con Gretchen en
la oficina al 432-520-7394

The fee will be \$25 and it includes a T-Shirt! / ¡La tarifa será de \$25 e incluye ins camiseta!



ST. STEPHEN'S
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**Catechist Formation
Workshop for new and
returning Catechists.**

*If your interested in Volunteering
join us to learn more!*

June 26th 9am-12pm

Sign up for Evangelus and join the
Catechists group at eva.us/sscc



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**Confirmation
Youth Mass with
Bishop Sis is
June 12th at the
5pm Mass.**



If you children went to **RCIC** (for kids) and did their sacraments at the Easter Vigil last April 3rd, 2021, their 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 at gladys@ststephensmidland.com

Si sus hijos fueron a RCIC (para niños) e hicieron sus sacramentos en la Vigilia pascual el 3 de abril de 2021, sus certificados están listos para ser recogidos en la oficina parroquial. Consulte Gladys Qualls o llámela para cualquier pregunta, al 432-520-7394 o envíe un correo electrónico a gladys@ststephensmidland.com 432-520-7394 o envíe un correo electrónico a gladys@ststephensmidland.com





**Mass Coordinators are
needed for funerals,
weddings and quinceañeras.**

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE
CONTACT: JOSIE BRENNER
@ 432-556-7012.

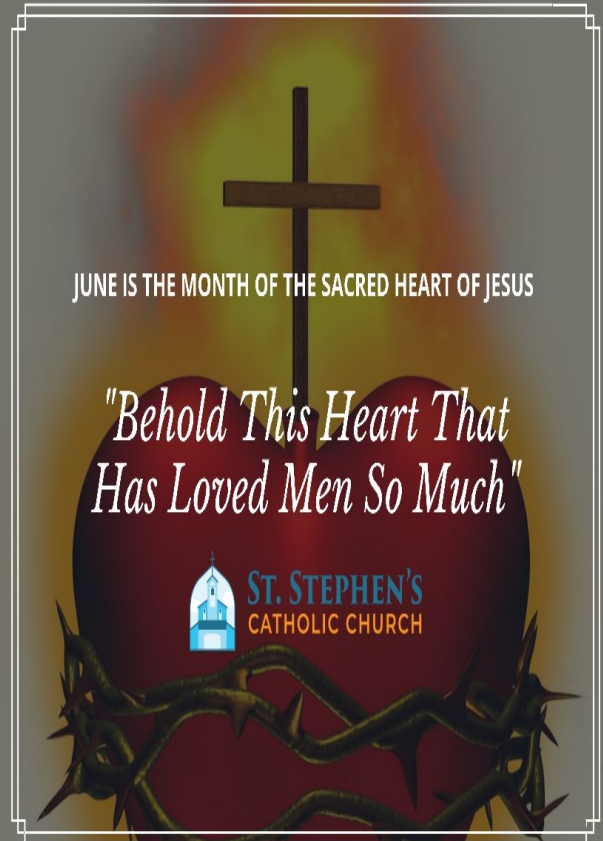
NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED,
WE WILL TRAIN YOU.

NECESITAMOS COORDINADORES
DE MISAS PARA FUNERALES,
BODAS Y QUINCEAÑERAS. SI
ESTÁ INTERESADO, PÓNGASE EN
CONTACTO CON JOSIE BRENNER
@ 432-556-7012.

NO SE NECESITA EXPERIENCIA,
TE FORMAREMOS



**ST. STEPHEN'S
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JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

*"Behold This Heart That
Has Loved Men So Much"*



**ST. STEPHEN'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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



FEED THE FAITH 2021

Why are we Catholic? The Young Family Ministry invites those around the ages of 18-40 years to join us on Saturday, August 28, for a fun and spirit-filled event at St Lawrence Church in St. Lawrence, TX. Our mission is to bring young families and singles together for faith-building fellowship. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Sis at 4:00 pm. Following Mass in the Parish Hall will be Happy Hour from 5:00-6:00 pm, a domino tournament and corn hole, a catered meal, and guest speaker.

Karlo Broussard, the designated speaker from Catholic Answers, will provide a talk over why we're Catholic and fill us with a renewed sense of faith.

Tickets for this event can be purchased at stlawrencecatholicchurch.com and the cost is \$75/couple or \$40/single person. Event is limited to the first 200 people registered.

For any questions, please contact
stlawrenceym@gmail.com



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

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:

Electric	1 family	\$ 180.35
Water	1 family	\$ 500.00
Rent	17 families	\$ 19,541.61
Medical	1 family	\$ 499.00
Total		\$ 20,720.96

We have all, at one time or another met someone who has had such a profound impact on our lives that after meeting them we are never quite the same. I had that experience a while back when I met Rafaela. She needed assistance with rent, and because she could not drive, the only time she could get a ride to Helping Hands was on a Sunday, when her husband was off work. I met with her Sunday morning and while I was preparing the paperwork she grabbed a broom and began busily sweeping the floor of our conference room. The man who turned out to be her husband stood next to her holding the dustpan. I told her it was not necessary for her to sweep the floor. She smiled cheerfully and told me that the floor needing sweeping and she was not one to sit idly by when there was work to be done. Her smile was contagious, and I found myself smiling back at her.

She told me that she, her husband and their 21-year-old son, Antonio, had moved here from Mexico over a year ago. Both men immediately found jobs working for an oil company, and they each made \$12/hour. They found a duplex to rent for \$800/month. Rafaela said each night the family would sit at the dinner table and thank God for their good fortune and for their blessed lives in their new home in this wonderful country.

Not long ago, Antonio became ill. He was diagnosed with lymphoma and was admitted to the hospital. Each morning her husband drops Rafaela off at the hospital on his way to work and she stays with her son until her husband comes to pick her up in the evening. With Antonio's hospitalization the family's income was cut in half, and bills for medical expenses are just beginning to come in. I assured them we would help with their rent to make up for the lost income.

Still, despite the difficulties she faced there was a happiness about Rafaela that I found hard to understand. I asked her how she could be so calm and cheerful. She took my hand, and with her radiant smile, said that God was watching out for them. Her Antonio would be made well soon by these wonderful doctors and when he was released from the hospital, she would be sure to bring him with her to again sweep our floors. "Just look at how good our God is," she exclaimed. "He is taking care of my family right now. He brought us to you!" Rafaela's faith, her joy, and her total trust in God is something we do not see enough of these days.

What a blessing it was to meet her, to experience her perfect joy, and to have her affirm that in our work we are God's arms reaching out to those in need...work that would not be possible without the generous support of all of you who also choose to be God's arms in reaching out to the poor through your support of Helping Hands. May God bless you abundantly!

Special Collection June 5-6 for Parishes in Need Fund

In this Mass we will take up a second collection for the diocesan Parishes in Need Fund. Our contributions will go into a fund from which struggling parishes and missions in the Diocese of San Angelo can request assistance in time of serious need. Thank you for your generosity.

For our fellow Catholics in the parishes and missions of the Diocese of San Angelo, especially those who are struggling with financial hardship, we pray to the Lord.

That all of our parishes and missions may be communities of strong faith and active fellowship, we pray to the Lord. On the weekend of June 5-6, 2021, in all of the churches in the Diocese of San Angelo will take up a special collection for the Parishes in Need Fund. The intention of this collection is to provide a fund from which struggling parishes or missions of our diocese can request assistance in situations of serious need.

St. Paul gives us the example of churches in Greece sharing their material resources with the poorer churches in Jerusalem. In a spirit of solidarity, we willingly share our resources with struggling parishes and missions through this special collection.

You can make a donation to the Parishes in Need Fund by visiting: <https://sanangelodiocese.org/special-collections> and selecting the link for the Parishes in Need Fund. You may also donate to this fund by dropping off cash or check in the Parish Office.