

April 9th, 2023

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MASS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

Sunday, April 16th @ 4pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Odessa Tx. Sensory friendly environment, Opportunity to Attend Mass as a family, and a special blessing for the caregivers and the children. All are welcomed! For any questions call Megan at (214) 901-6099

LOST AND FOUND

The Parish Office has been holding onto miscellaneous items found over time and going forward will only hold any items found on the property for two weeks. If you have lost an item in the past please contact the Parish office to describe and claim. Items left unclaimed over a two week period will be donated or sold.

ADOPT A PRIEST

DID YOU KNOW that the devil's principal target on earth is the Catholic Priest? The devil knows that holier Priests will lead to a holier Church. The Midland Lay Carmelites invite you to spiritually "ADOPT" a Priest from the Diocese of San Angelo (if you haven't already done so.) The only requirement is to pray daily for your Priest, according to your state in life. To have a Priest assigned to you, please call 432-296-9669 or send an email to: midlandlaycarmelites@gmail.com.

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES

This year we will be having our First Communion Masses during the week at daily Mass. The following dates are when they are.

April 12th @ 5:30pm: All 2nd grade (English)

April 26th @ 5:30pm: 3rd-6th grade & 7th-12th (English)

May 1st at 5:30pm: All Spanish grades

BULLETIN AD DEADLINE

If you would like to make an announcement for your ministry or event please email: bulletin@ssccmidland.com as far in advance as possible. The bulletin deadline is **Tuesday at 10:00am**. We encourage you to get any announcements to us the week before to ensure we have space for your message. Thank you!

DIOCESE OF SAN ANGELO— ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

The Diocese of San Angelo is accepting applications for the Associate Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. This position assists the Director of the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. The Associate Director's primary responsibilities will be focus on youth, young adult and campus ministry. This person should be strongly committed to their Catholic Faith and ministry Master's degree in theology, catechesis, pastoral studies, or related field and 3 to 5 years' experience at the parish or diocesan level are strongly desired. Hours include both traditional office hours and some evenings and weekends. Periodic travel throughout the diocese will also be required. For complete job descriptions, please visit <https://sanangelodiocese.org/job-openings>. Resumes and/or applications may be submitted to Deacon Marc Mata, 804 Ford St., San Angelo, TX 76905 or at mmata@sanangelodiocese.org. Position is open until filled .

MARY AND THE EUCHARIST

On MAY 6 from 8 am—3:30 pm, at the Cathedral Church of the Sacred Heart Join USCCB National Eucharistic Preachers Fr. Linh Nguyen and Fr. Ryan Rojo Along with local speakers Sarah Fellona, Amy Perez, and Deacon Freddy Medina. Register for the Marian Conference of the year at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mary-and-the-eucharist-registration-579355426677> for \$25 plus a fee. For more info, please contact: legionofmary.sanangelo@gmail.com (325) 812-5008 - Chris Garcia

CARS FOR SEMINARIAN USE

The diocese is looking for generous parishioners to gift drivable vehicles to the diocese to be used by seminarians. We are looking for 1-2 cars. All cars will be inspected by local mechanics to determine their appropriateness for long-distance travel. Cars will be covered by the diocese's fleet insurance.

St. Stephen's Catholic Church
Midland, Texas

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 9th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday April 9th– Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

9:00am Easter Sunday English Mass
12:00pm Easter Sunday Spanish Mass

Monday April 10th– Monday within the Octave of Easter

7:00am †Rev. Thomas Cahill SJ By Yen Khang Van
5:30pm Altar Servers of St. Stephen's By Parish

Tuesday April 11th– Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

7:00am †Carol Smith By Criss Kohl
5:30pm †Joe Carrasco By Wife Hortencia Carrasco

Wednesday April 12th– Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

7:00am †Rosa Emma Valenzuela Acosta
5:30pm †Joe P. Lopez By Family

Thursday April 13th–Thursday within the Octave of Easter

7:00am †Edward Leps By Wife Linda Leps
5:30pm Simon Sosa (HB) By Grandma

Friday April 14th–Friday within the Octave of Easter

7:00am Marlee Warren By Doria Family
5:30pm Oscar Galeano By Alba Galeano

Saturday April 15th– Saturday within the Octave of Easter

8:00am †Mo Dominguez By Daughter
5:00pm †Domingo Carrizales By Wife & Children

Sunday April 16th– 2nd Sunday of Easter

9:00am For the Parish
12:00pm †Adolfo Lopez By Lopez Family
5:00pm Arturo Rodriguez (HB) By Parish Staff

Please pray for the sick: Chris Madrid, Brian Pittello, Serenity Williams, Tana C, Richard R., Alvaro C., Llewellyn Canio, Basilio–Canio Family, E. Aguirre, Christian Loya, Chuck Carter, Diana Paredes, Denise Ealy, Michelle Rios, Clara Maria, Deepak Dey, Luis Martin Rodriguez, Rolando De Casa, Juan Raul Torres, Aracely Silva, Sonia Castillo & family, Joseph R. Kiowski, Mary Helen Smith, Brandon Taylor, Stephanie Maestas, Baby Sarah, Maricela Quiroz, Frankie Hartter, Henk Klaucke, Elizabeth Fritzl, Patricia Loira, Paulo Cesar, Regis, Sonia, Sanae, Joseph Mary Fasi, Alvaro Ramos & family, Kaitlyn Vasquez, Joe T., Chris W., Cindy M., Kathleen S., Anthony R., Roberto L., Vasquez family, Isaiah & Victoria, Esther Estrada, Cecilia Livingston, Valerie Fink, Vanessa V. Betty, Randall, Beth B. Marcus, Marcus Jr. Mica & Brittany V., Eddie L., Aileen Paris Rodriguez, Karen Howe, Shashini Kumari, John Walker, Elizabeth Fritzl, Sammy R., Macaria R., Beth B, Lynda Sanchez., Anita P., Martha P., John W. Grace, Carly P., & Olivia V.

Email frontdesk@ssccmidland.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!

Last Week Collections

Week of 03.27.23-04.02.23

Contributions:

Weekend Mass Offertory	\$ 21,452.32
Mailed or Delivered	\$ 2,455.00
Online	\$ 4,338.00
Other	\$ 543.83
Total Weekly Contributions	\$ 28,789.15

Weekly Budget Objective	\$ 26,500.00
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Actual vs. Budget	\$ 2,289.15
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Other Designated Funds	\$ 1,055.00
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Second Collections	\$ 16,529.11*
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*Includes contributions for: Helping Hands, Catholic Relief Services

Upcoming Baptismal Classes / Próximas clases bautismales:

**April 16th, 2023 /
16 de Abril del 2023
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 vengan a la oficina parroquial y
presenten la licencia para registrarse**

ST. STEPHEN'S CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SUNDAY:

8:15 AM to 8:45 AM 11:15 AM to 11:45 AM 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM

MON-FRI:

6:45 AM to 6:55 AM 5:00 PM to 5:25 PM

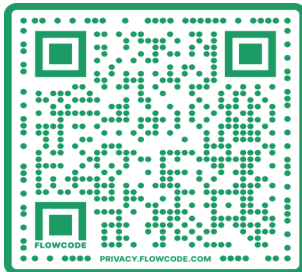
SATURDAY:

7:45 AM to 7:55 AM 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM

Anytime by appointment

MEAL TRAIN FOR ST. JOSEPH'S MINISTRY

The St. Joseph Ministry is an outreach ministry dedicated to serving families in our community who are involved in the child welfare system. Part of what this ministry offers is an occasional meal for relative placements, mothers and fathers recently reunified with their children, and foster/adopt families. We have created a Meal Train to provide frozen meals for these families. Our goal is to provide support and assistance to these families and take a little stress off their plate. Please scan the QR code and sign up to provide a frozen meal. We appreciate your help!



DIOCESE OF SAN ANGELO- ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF FORMATION

The Diocese of San Angelo is accepting applications for the Associate Director of Formation. This position assists the Director of the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. The Associate Director's primary responsibilities include assisting in providing formation, leadership training, and evangelization and catechesis training opportunities for Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education/Faith Formation. Secondary responsibilities include assisting in providing formation and training opportunities for catechists, integrating a family perspective in ministry. This person should be strongly committed to the Catholic faith. Master's degree in theology, catechesis, pastoral studies, or related field and 3 to 5 years' experience at the parish or diocesan level are strongly desired. Hours include both traditional office hours and some evenings and weekends. Periodic travel throughout the diocese will also be required. For complete job descriptions, please visit <https://sanangelodiocese.org/job-openings>. Resumes and/or applications may be submitted to Deacon Marc Mata, 804 Ford St., San Angelo, TX 76905 or at mmata@sanangelodiocese.org. Position is open until filled.

TEACHING MASSES WITH BISHOP SIS

In these masses we will explore the beautiful meaning of the signs, symbols and actions of the Catholic Mass. **April 11th:** Holy Angels Church in San Angelo All Masses will begin at 6pm. For more information contact Fr. Ryan Rojo @ (325)651-7500 or rrojo@sanangelodiocese.org

SE NECESITAN COORDINADORES DE MISAS:

Necesitamos Coordinadores de Misa para bodas y funerales. No es necesario que sea un coordinador de Misa, ya que lo capacitaremos. Si está interesado por favor póngase en contacto con Diane Grenvik por mensaje de texto a 432-234-7821 o Viviana Martinez a 817-249-9095.

STEUBENVILLE LONE STAR 2023 (JUNE 23-25)

All teens who will be in grades 9-12th in Fall 2023 are welcome to register for this conference. Registration and details concerning this trip can be found on our website www.sccmidland.com/lonestar2023



MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Nights (Grades 6-8) - Sundays 6:30-8pm in the Youth Building

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Nights (grades 9-12) - Tuesdays 7-8:45pm in the Youth Building

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Nights (ages 18-40) - Thursdays 6:30-8:30pm in the Youth Building

MEALS FOR YOUTH NIGHTS

If you would like to help provide meals for our weekly youth nights, please email youthministry@sccmidland.com

TOTUS TUUS

As we start planning for the summer we need about 10 adult volunteers for Totus Tuus June 4th-9th. If you haven't already please come to the office and do a back ground check and ethics training. We also need Youth Volunteers. Confirmation students are encouraged to help during these weeks in the summer in order to get their Service hours they need during the year. For any questions please contact Gretchen through email.

Gretchen@sccmidland.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

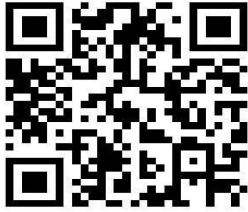
Vacation Bible School is approaching! This is the time to start planning. We are in need of adult and youth volunteers. Incoming Confirmation 1 and retuning Confirmation 2 students are all welcomed to help to start getting your service hours for the year! If you are interested in helping please email Gretchen@sccmidland.com or bulletin@sccmidland.com and we can put you down on the list.

ADORATION

Sign up for Adoration every Friday at ststephensmidland.com/adoration

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Saturdays at 2:30pm-4:30pm. Starts February 4th-April 29th, 2023 here at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Room 11. To register email us or scan the QR code griefsharesscc@gmail.com



PROJECT RACHEL - HEALING AFTER ABORTION

Have you or someone you love suffered from the loss of a child through abortion? We are here to help. Confidential Weekend retreats and counseling after abortion. For more information call 432.236.9883 or email projectrachel@sanangelodiocese.org

MARRIAGE JUBILEE 2023

Marriage Jubilee 2023 - All couples who are celebrating their church wedding anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and above in the calendar year of 2023 are invited to the Diocesan Marriage Jubilee bilingual celebration on Saturday, April 22, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in San Angelo. Renewal of their commitment will take place within the Mass. Those who attend the Mass can pick up their certificates at the Cathedral that day. For registration information, please contact your pastor. The deadline to register for this celebration is Monday, April 10, 2023.

Jubileo Matrimonial 2023 - Todas las parejas que celebran sus aniversarios de boda por la iglesia de 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 años y más en el año calendario de 2023 están invitadas a la celebración bilingüe del Jubileo Matrimonial Diocesano el sábado, 22 de abril de 2023, a las 4:00 de la tarde, en la Catedral del Sagrado Corazón de San Ángel. La renovación de su compromiso se hará durante la Misa.

Quienes asistan a la Misa podrán recoger sus certificados en la Catedral ese día. Para obtener información sobre el registro, comuníquese con su párroco. La fecha final para inscribirse en esta celebración es el lunes, 10 de abril de 2023.

CHILDRENS HOLY HOUR

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14
Children's Holy Hour every 1st Friday of the month. May 5th, 2023 in the St. Stephen's sanctuary 9:00AM-10:00am.
All ages welcome. Feel free to come for 10 minutes or stay the whole hour.

MASS FOR THE HEALING OF MEMORIES

April 16th, 2023 @ 3:00pm at St. Josephs Church. 907 S. Dixie Boulevard in Odessa Tx. Everyone is welcomed!

BECOME A REGISTERED PARISHIONER

New Parishioners are welcomed! To become a Parishioner, Please register on our website ssccmidland.com

MASS COORDINATORS NEEDED

We are in need of Mass Coordinators for weddings and funerals. You do not have to be a Mass Coordinator as we will train you. If interested, Please contact Diana Grenvik by texting 432.234.7821

BEFORE YOU LEAVE:

Please lock the door and turn the lights to the areas of the church facility you or your group use for a meeting or function. It is good stewardship to ensure the lights and AC/ Heat are turned off after using the church's facilities. We appreciate your cooperation in helping mitigate unnecessary costs in utilities by your attention to this matter.

ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING

APRIL 20, 2023

Time: 6:00pm-7:30pm

Location: The Gloria Denman Ballroom



ST. STEPHEN'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH

GROWING FRIENDSHIPS, FAMILIES & FAITH.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE
ENCOURAGED TO
ATTEND.

BRING A FRIEND, IT
COULD SAVE THEIR LIFE
ONE DAY.

SAVE THE DATE

**This is a mandatory
training for all Catechists.**



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 last week:

Electric	3 families	\$ 1,510.96
Water	2 families	\$ 1,000.00
Gas	3 families	\$ 1,301.44
Rent	11 families	\$ 24,664.43
Transportation	1 family	\$ 275.03
Medical	1 family	\$ 2,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 30,751.86

A few weeks ago we highlighted several cases that we handled that left people in financial crises due to automobile accidents. Today we focus on some cases we handled recently that were medical in nature:

Laurie had a complicated pregnancy which caused her to be put on bed rest for a month. Of course she could not work but her husband was able to support them by taking on a second, part-time job. The baby was born, however it did not survive. Laurie developed complications and ended up having surgery afterwards. With no medical insurance, burial expenses to be paid, and Laurie still not being able to return to work (not to mention the grief of losing their baby), the couple felt overwhelmed and gave us a call. When we met with them we found that she would be released to go back to work in two weeks. We paid two months of their rent to give them time to get back on their feet.

Iris is a massage therapist who sprained her back in a car accident. She is also unable to work and is seeing a doctor and undergoing physical therapy. She maxed out her credit cards to pay for her rent, however she was worried about the next month. She was not sure how long it would be before she would be able to return to work as a massage therapist and she was looking for some kind of work that she could do while she waits for her back to heal. We helped her with a month's rent.

Saul got behind on his rent because of time missed from work. He and his wife discovered that their unborn baby has Downs Syndrome. He had to stay home and care for their four other children while she made the countless doctors' visits to confirm the baby's condition. At the same time their 3-year-old daughter was found to have a spot on her brain which requires frequent visits to a neurologist in Lubbock. Saul's employer is working with him but while he can hold Saul's job for him, he cannot pay him for time that he is not working. He had made partial payments on his April rent and we gladly got that caught up, plus we paid his May and June rent to help get the family through this critical time.

Rose works as a sorter at a mail center. She recently had surgery for carpal tunnel syndrome and will not be released to return to work for another month. She receives no sick pay. We helped her with her April and May rent which should cover her until she gets back to work.

All of these people were put into devastating conditions over which they had no control. How grateful we are to be able to help them through their trying times. And how grateful we are to all of you whose support makes it possible for us to help these families in need. God bless you!

APRIL TRUCK SCHEDULE

The St. Ann's Knights of Columbus will bring our truck to St. Ann's next Saturday, April 15 from 9 am until 1 pm to pick up your donations. We thank you in advance!



He Is Risen

MAY YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
HAVE A BLESSED EASTER DAY

