May 14th, 2023

Rev. Rodney White, Pastor

Assistant Pastor: Rev. Kevin

Lenius

Deacons: Leonard Hendon, Luis

Mata, Fidel Saldivar

Director of Religious Education:

Gretchen Lara

Music Director: Gabriel Salgado Youth Ministry Director: Noe

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FIRST RESPONDERS

Are you a first responder, doctor or nurse that regularly attends St. Stephen's? If so, please contact the Parish Business Manager, Amanda Treviño at (432)230-2687 or Mandy@ssccmidland.com

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you were Baptized, had your First Communion and were Confirmed or did your Profession of Faith last Easter Vigil, April 8, 2023, your certificates are ready to be picked up. for any questions, please contact Gladys at 432-520-7394 at the Parish office.

SPECIAL COLLECTION MAY 20TH -21ST

Our annual collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign will be taken up in all of The Diocese of San Angelo parishes and missions on the weekend of May 20-21, 2023. Thank you & God bless you for your support of this national collection.

TOTUS TUUS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

This year's Totus Tuus catechesis program will be held June 5-9 for children in grades 3rd-7th and June 4-8 for teens in grades 8th-12th. Registration is now open online at www.ssccmidland.com/totus-tuus.

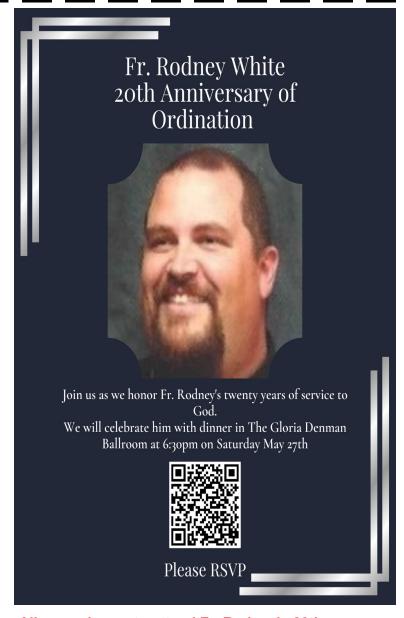
BACCALAUREATE MASS

On Sunday May 21st a Mass honoring our 2023 Graduating Seniors will be held here at St. Stephen's at 9AM. All future graduates are welcome to attend wearing their cap and gown. A small reception will be held following the Mass. If your senior is interested in attending, please RSVP by emailing

youthministry@ssccmidland.com or by calling the Church office.

ADORATION

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



All are welcome to attend Fr. Rodney's 20th Ordination Anniversary. If you are planning on attending we need you to RSVP. Please contact the office at ph: (432) 520-7394 to RSVP or scan the QR code to RSVP online. Deadline to RSVP is May 16,2022.

6th Sunday of Easter

May 14th, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday May 14th-6th Sunday of Easter

9:00am Mother's Day Names on the Altar

12:00pm Por la Parroquia

5:00pm Mother's Day Names on the Altar

Monday May 15th-St. Isidore

7:00am Msgr. Fred Nawarskas (HB &

Ordination) By Josie Brenner

5:30pm Brooks Johnson (HB) By Family

Tuesday May 16th

7:00am Project Rachel

5:30pm †Salome Contreras by Cardona

Family

Wednesday May 17th

7:00am †Stephen Lysinger By Spouse 5:30pm †Eva Vasquez By Daughter

Thursday May 18th-St. John I, Pope & Martyr

7:00am †Caitlin Pause By Family 5:30pm †Santos & †Sara Ramos By

Cardona Family

Friday May 19th

7:00am Terri Padilla & Family By Amanda

Trevino

5:30pm †Augustine Ricardo Cardona By

Cardona Family

Saturday May 20th- St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

8:00am †Anatalia Muniz By Yolanda

Hernandez & Family

By Olga

Sunday May 21st-The Ascension of the Lord

9:00am Altar Servers of St. Stephen's By

Parish

12:00pm †Jose Antonio Barron By Esposa

e Hijos

5:00pm For the Parish

Please pray for the sick: Llewellyn Canio, Basilio-Canio Family, E. Aguirre, Christian Loya, Chuck Carter, Diana Paredez, 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, Frankie Hartter, Henk Klaucke, Elizabeth Fritzl, Patricia Loira, Paulo Cesar, Regis, Sonia, Sanae, Joseph Mary Fasi, Alvaro Ramos & family, Joe T., Chris W., Cindy M., Kathleen S., Anthony R., Roberto L., Vasquez family, Isaiah & Victoria, Esther Estrada, Cecilia Livingston, Valarie 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., Frank Hartter, Fermin Salgado, Sokolowski family, Maria Salgado, J.J Hord, Bennie Hawkins, Justina Flayngeg, Quincy Jackson Jr., Terri Padilla, & M. Gloria Escobedo- Chung.

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 05.01.23-05.07.23

Contributions:

Weekend Mass Offertory \$ 17,400.52

Mailed or Delivered \$ 2,965.00

Online \$ 3,350.00

Other \$ 253.00

Total Weekly Contributions \$ 23,968.52

Weekly Budget Objective \$ 26,500.00

Actual vs. Budget \$ (2,531.48)

Other Designated Funds \$ 13,033.00

Second Collections \$ 13,009.41*

*Includes contributions for: Catholic Home Missions, Helping Hands

Upcoming Baptismal Classes / Próximas clases bautismales:

June 11th, 2023 / 11 de Junio 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

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@ssccmidland.com

DISCERNMENT RETREAT

The Diocese of San Angelo presents the Discernment Retreat. May 19-21, 2023 for all High school men and Above at Holy Family Catholic Church. 5410 Buffalo Gap Road. Abilene Tx, 79606. Come learn more about the Diocesan Priesthood! Meet our Seminarians, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Prayer, and Priestly Witness. For more Information Contact Fr. Ryan Rojo at (325)651-7500 rrojo@sanangelodiocese.org or visit the website

ENTRENAMIENTO DE MONAGUILLOS

Para jóvenes nuevos y experimentados. Habrá una capacitación para todos los monaguillos en los grados 3 a 9 y para cualquier joven que acaba de recibir su Sagrada Comunión y está interesado en unirse a este ministerio en la Parroquia de San Esteban. Este es un hermoso ministerio para jóvenes femeninos y masculinos. Estamos agradecidos por la dedicación de aquellos que actualmente forman parte de este ministerio especial e invitamos a todos los jóvenes que puedan tener interés a unirse a nosotros. Siempre hay pizza después de cada entrenamiento. Los padres siempre son bienvenidos y alentados a asistir.

Los entrenamientos de otoño son los siguientes: Domingo 21 de mayo de 2023 1:30 pm a 3:00 pm. Santuario de la Iglesia

Para obtener información adicional o preguntas, póngase en contacto con:

Anne Hobbs 432-934-3192 behobbs47@gmail.com

CLUB DANCE

DATE/TIME: Saturday, May 20, 2023/6:30 p.m. - 10:00

COST/ATTIRE: \$30.00 per person/Casual

BAND: "Part B" (Country & Western, Swing, Variety)

CATERER: Phoenix Catering MENU: Lasagna, Sautéed Veggies, Chopped Salad,

Garlic Bread, Ginger Lemon Cookies, Unsweet & Sweet Tea, Water. Please remember to make advance reservations, if possible, for this dance So that we may have an accurate count for our wonderful caterer! NO ALCOHOL MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE BALLROOM BY INDIVIDUALS **NOTE: NO BYOB is allowed in the Gloria Denman Ballroom per church policy. Reservations may be mailed to Club Dance, P. O. Box 7421, Midland, TX 79708. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, May17, 2023. For more information, PLEASE CONTACT our Reservations Coordinator at: permianmusic87@gmail.com. Please do not contact St. Stephens for information on this function as it is separate from the church. THANK YOU!

PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel is a ministry that offers compassion and healing to men and women that have experienced the tragic loss of a child through abortion. We offer confidential weekend retreats where individuals can find God's love and forgiveness which can renew one's relationship with God and His Church. The next retreat is scheduled for July 2023 (Fri-Sun). If you have had an abortion or encouraged an abortion and are looking for healing, please call (432) 236-9883 or email projectrachel@sanangelodiocese.org We are also looking for individuals that would like to join our prayer team. If you feel called to this, please email prayprojectrachel@yahoo.com

El Proyecto Raquel es un ministerio que ofrece compasión y sanación a hombres y mujeres que han experimentado la trágica pérdida de un hijo (a) a través del aborto. Ofrecemos retiros confidenciales de fin de semana donde las personas pueden encontrar el amor y el perdón de Dios para renovar su relación con Dios y Su Iglesia. El próximo retiro está programado para julio de 2023 (viernes-domingo). Si ha tenido un aborto o ha alentado uno y está buscando sanacion, llame al (432) 236-9883 o envíe un correo electrónico a projectrachel@sanangelodiocese.org También estamos buscando personas que deseen unirse a nuestro equipo de oración. Si se siente llamado(a) a esto, envíe un correo electrónico a prayprojectrachel@yahoo.com

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

For New and Experienced Youth. There will be a training for all altar servers in grades 3 to 9 and for any youth who have just received their holy Communion and are interested in joining this ministry at St. Stephen's Parish. This is a beautiful ministry for female and male youth. We are grateful for the dedication of those who are presently part of this special ministry and we are inviting all youth who may have an interest to join us.

There is always pizza after every training. Parents are always welcome and encouraged to attend.

Fall trainings are as follows:

Sunday May 21,2023 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm.

Sanctuary of the Church

For additional information or questions please contact:

Anne Hobbs 432-934-3192 behobbs47@gmail.com

CLERGY VS. YOUTH KICKBALL

The Vocation office presents Kickball Clergy vs. Youth! Sunday May 21, 2023 at the Wylie High School Softball Field. 5926 Bledsoe Rd. Abilene, Tx. 76906 @ 4:00pm. For more Information call (325)651-7500 or send an email to Vocation@sanangelodiocese.org

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	2 families	\$454.82
	Gas	2 families	\$143.59
	Water	3 families	\$973.02
	Rent	16 families	\$24,990.28
	TOTAL		\$ 26,431.71

While we continue to be blessed with very generous donations from the public that allows us to help so many people each week, we continue to suffer from a shortage of volunteers to work in our thrift store. We ask each of you to prayerfully consider devoting some time to working in the store. While the store is only open two days each week (Wednesday and Saturday from 10 am until 2 pm) we are there Monday through Saturday from 8 until 2 preparing the store for the 2 days that we are open. If you chose to devote some of your time please know that you can spend as much time as you are able...whether it be an hour occasionally, a full day, or even multiple days, and you can even choose the area of the store that most interests you. Here are some areas that are in special need:

ELECTRONICS: This involves mainly checking out clocks, radios, stereos, televisions and other electronic pieces that are donated.

BOOKS: As books are donated to us it is necessary to choose the best and then shelve them in the store.

CLOTHING: We can use people to sort the clothing and also stock the store.

HARDWARE: This includes basic hardware items as well as lamps.

HOUSEWARES: Small appliances, pictures, dishes, games, puzzles, decorative items.

We could also use an additional caseworker (training provided). This position requires a full day commitment plus several hours the day previous to coming to monitor the helpline and schedule appointments.

There are many, many other areas in the store that could use the help. If you feel you might be interested or need any more information please call Scott (713) 598-9612 or Mary (432) 528-6265 anytime.

MAY TRUCK SCHEDULE

Our trucks will be at St. Ann's on Saturday, May 20 from 9 am until 1 pm to accept your donations. We thank the Knights of Columbus Councils for taking on this task.

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. June 2nd, 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.

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 returning 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@ssccmidland.com

STEUBENVILLE LONE STAR 2023 (JUNE 23-

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.ssccmidland.com/lonestar2023



Newly ordained priest Fr. Juan Macias Marquez, O.P. to offer Holy Mass according to the ancient Dominican Rite on Friday May 26 at 5:30pm here at St. Stephen's. All are invited. Small reception to follow.

Please find below a message from soon to be Fr. Juan Macias:

Hello! My name is Br. Juan Macias Marquez, O.P. I am a Dominican friar, meaning I am a religious brother who has taken life-long vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience in a community committed to preaching the Gospel for the salvation of souls. I am also a deacon studying for the priesthood to help with this mission of my Order.

I am originally from Midland and was raised mostly in San Miguel Parish but also spent a great amount of time at St. Stephen's. In fact, I was confirmed at this parish. On May 20, 2023, I will be ordained to the priesthood in Washington, D.C. where I live. Therefore, in thanksgiving for all the blessings I've received from my home community, I will come back to offer two Masses of Thanksgiving at each of the parishes mentioned above. On Friday, May 26, I will offer a Mass at St. Stephen's at 5:30 pm, and on Sunday, May 28, I will offer a Mass at San Miguel at 10:30 am. The Mass at St. Stephen's will be according to our ancient Dominican rite. This means it will be all in Latin, except the preaching. It is my great joy to share my Order's patrimony with all of you to show you the many riches of the Church's liturgical life, especially since many of my own Dominican brothers will be assisting at this Mass. There will be worship aides to help you follow along with the Mass. All are welcome to attend. Lastly, I thank Frs. Rodney and Kevin for graciously welcoming me into the parish to celebrate this Mass and for the light reception that will follow.





Featured Speakers: Bishop Michael Sis, Mike Aquilina, & Scott Hahn







Scan the QR code above or contact Fr. Ryan Rojo for more information at 325-651-7500 or rrojo@sanangelodiocese.org