

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE / NUESTRO SENOR
JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO
November 23 2025 / 23 de Noviembre del 2025



ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH-MIDLAND

4601 Neely Avenue
Midland, Texas 79707
Phone: 432-520-7394

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00pm (English)
Sunday: 8:00am (English)
10:30am (English)
12:30pm (Spanish)
5:00pm (English)
7:00pm (Bilingual)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon: 7:00am & 5:30pm
Tue: 7:00am & 5:30pm
Wed: 7:00am, 12:15pm & 5:30pm
Thu: 7:00am & 5:30pm
Fri: 7:00am, 12:15pm, & 5:30pm
Sat: 8:00am

ADORATION

Monday– Friday
7:30am-10:00pm



CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY:

7:30 AM to 7:55 AM
9:45 AM to 10:25 AM
12:00 AM to 12:25 PM
4:15 PM to 4:55 PM
6:30 PM to 6:55 PM

MON—FRI

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

WED & FRI

12:00 PM to 12:10 PM

SATURDAY:

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

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SUNDAY REFLECTION BY FR. BALA ANTHONY GOVINDU

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 2 Samuel 5:1–3 • Colossians 1:12–20 • Luke 23:35–43

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today Holy Mother Church celebrates the coronation of a King unlike any other. As Pope Pius XI taught when instituting this feast, Christ's kingship is not a metaphor or a pious decoration it is a **cosmic, universal, objective reality**, rooted in His divinity and exercised through His Cross.

The world crowns its kings with gold, armies, and applause.

Our God is crowned with **thorns**.

The world enthrones its rulers on marble.

Our Savior is enthroned on a **Cross**.

The world clothes its leaders in silk and honor.

Our Redeemer is clothed only in **wounds**, in blood, in love.

Yet this is the throne from which the universe is saved.

1. The Old Testament Longing for a True King

In our first reading, the tribes of Israel gather at Hebron to anoint David as king. St. Augustine, reflecting on this moment, said that *"David's kingship prefigured Christ's kingdom, but David was only a shadow of what was to come"* (City of God XVII).

David unites the tribes but not completely.

He shepherds Israel but imperfectly.

His kingdom rises but eventually collapses.

The entire Old Testament cries out for a King who will not fail. One who will fulfill every promise. One whose rule will not be shattered by sin.

2. Christ the King: The Cosmic Vision of Colossians

St. Paul offers one of the most exalted Christological hymns in all Scripture. He declares that Jesus is:

- **"The image of the invisible God"** (echoing St. Irenaeus: *"He who sees Christ sees the Father"*)

- **"The firstborn of all creation"** preeminent, not created

- The One **"through whom and for whom all things were made"**

The One in whom **"all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell"**

St. Athanasius would exclaim: *"The Word became man that we might be made divine."*

This King is not king because of votes, lineage, borders, or armies.

He is King because He **created all things**, sustains all things, and redeems all things.

His throne is the Cross, because **love rules only by sacrifice**.

3. The Gospel: The King on His Throne

In Luke's Gospel we stand at the foot of the throne itself the Cross. The rulers mock Him, the soldiers taunt Him, one thief curses Him. Yet the King speaks only mercy.

St. John Chrysostom says:

"The Cross is the judgment seat where Christ sits to judge the world, yet His first act of judgment is mercy."

And St. Ambrose marvels that Christ gave the thief **more than he asked**:

"He asked to be remembered; he received Paradise."

The world sees defeat.

Faith sees coronation.

The Cross is the moment the universe is reordered, sin is defeated, death is reversed, and Satan's kingdom is crushed.

4. The Crisis of Kingship Today

In our own time November 2025, the world is ruled by false kings and counterfeit lords:

- ideologies that demand worship,
 - political leaders who promise salvation,
 - corporations that shape souls,
 - media empires that anoint and destroy,
 - wars that devour nations: Ukraine, Gaza, the Middle East, Africa, Asia,
- moral confusion that denies God's design for life, marriage, and human identity.

St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us that when societies reject the true King, **they inevitably enthrone idols**, and idols always demand human sacrifice often the most vulnerable: the unborn, the poor, the elderly, the displaced, the confused.

But despair and rage are both counterfeits.

Our King reigns from a Cross not a throne of violence.

He conquers not by force, but by self-giving love.

Not by domination, but by mercy.

Not by crushing enemies, but by **transforming them**.

As Tertullian said:

"The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church."

Christ wins through sacrifice and so do His saints.

Brothers and sisters, the liturgical year ends today with Christ reigning from the Cross. The new year begins next Sunday with Advent—with waiting for the King who comes as a child and will return as Judge.

Until He comes in glory, let us live as what we are: subjects of the Crucified King, heralds of a kingdom that no tank can crush, no law can abolish, no lie can overthrow. A kingdom that advances one forgiven sin, one act of mercy, one courageous word of truth at a time.

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." May He answer each of us, today and at the hour of our death: "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat! Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands.

Long live Christ the King!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday November 23 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
10:30am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
12:30pm	Healing Mass
	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
5:00pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
7:00pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

Monday, November 24 St Andrew

7:00am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
5:30pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

Tuesday, November 25 Saint Catherine of Alexandria

7:00am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
5:30pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

Wednesday, November 26

7:00am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
12:15pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
5:30pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

Thursday, November 27 Thanksgiving Day

7:00am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

Friday, Noviembre 28

7:00am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
12:15 pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
5:30 pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

Saturday, November 29

8:00pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
5:00pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

Sunday, November First Day of Advent

8:00am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
10:30am	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
12:30pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
5:00pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed
7:00pm	For the faithful departed
	For the faithful departed

BD=Birthday; GH=Good Health; BA=Baptism Anv;
OA=Ordination Anv.; WA=Wedding Anv; HBD= Heavenly BD

Parish Offerings

Last week Collection

Envelopes	\$10,864.00
Loose Plate	\$10,895.27
Online Giving	\$ 8,110.00
2nd Collection:	\$4,942.00
Campaign for Human Development	

Total: \$34,811.27

Upcoming Baptismal Classes
Proximas Clases bautismales

DECEMBER 14, 2025

English : 2:00 - 4:30pm

Español: 2:30 - 5:00pm

Please contact the parish office to register.
Por favor contacte la oficina parroquial para registrarse.

Healing and Deliverance Masses in English (Every Alternate Fourth Saturday)

- December 6, 2025 - 7:00 P.M

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Misa de Sanación y Liberación en Español (Cada cuarto domingo alterno)

- November 30, 2025 – 12:30 P.M

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thursday, November 27, 2025

One Mass at 7:00 a.m.
Followed by the Blessing of the Bread.

No 5:30 p.m. Mass
No Adoration

due to Thanksgiving festivities.

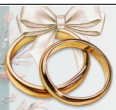
Misa del Día de Acción de Gracias

Jueves, 27 de Noviembre de 2025

Habrà una Misa a las 7:00 a.m.
Seguida de la Bendición de los Panes.

No habrá Misa a las 5:30 p.m.
No habrá Adoración

debido a las festividades del Día de Acción de Gracias.



HAPPY Anniversary

Jubileo matrimonial 2026 - Todas las parejas que celebran sus aniversarios de bodas por la iglesia de 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 y más en el año calendario de 2026 están invitadas a las celebraciones bilingües del Jubileo Matrimonial

Diocesano en las siguientes parroquias: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Midland - domingo, 25 de enero de 2026, 5:30 p.m.

St. Mary, San Ángelo - domingo, 1 de febrero de 2026, 4:00 p.m.

La renovación de su compromiso se hará durante la Misa. A continuación, se ofrecerá una recepción ligera.

Quienes asistan a la Misa pueden recoger sus certificados en las parroquias correspondientes ese día. Para obtener información sobre el registro, comuníquese con las oficinas parroquiales correspondientes. Las fechas finales para inscribirse en estas celebraciones son las siguientes:

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Midland - lunes, 12 de enero de 2026

St. Mary, San Ángelo - lunes, 19 de enero de 2026



HAPPY Thanksgiving

From All of us at

St Stephen Catholic Church



HAPPY Anniversary

Marriage Jubilee 2026 - All couples who are celebrating their church wedding anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and above in the calendar year of 2026 are invited to the Diocesan Marriage Jubilee bilingual celebrations on the following dates:

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Midland - Sunday, January 25, 2026, 5:30 pm

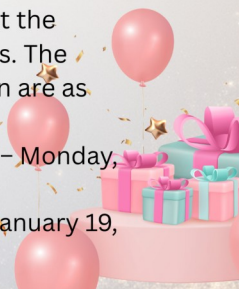
St. Mary, San Angelo - Sunday, February 1, 2026, 4:00 pm

Renewal of their commitment will take place within the Mass. A light reception will follow.

Those who attend the Mass can pick up their certificates at the corresponding parishes that day. For registration information, please contact the corresponding parish offices. The deadlines for each celebration are as follows:

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Midland - Monday, January 12, 2026

St. Mary, San Angelo - Monday, January 19, 2026



Thanksgiving Office Closure

Attention: The office will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28, 2025

Cierre de Oficina por Acción de Gracias

Atención: La oficina estará cerrada en observancia del Día de Acción de Gracias

Jueves, 27 de noviembre y Viernes, 28 de noviembre de 2025

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Bake Sale Fundraiser

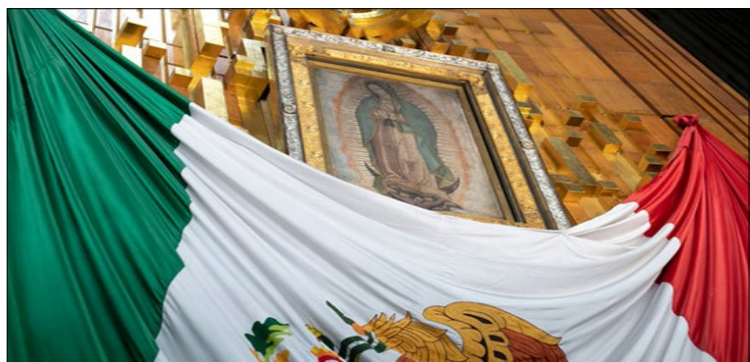
Donations go to support CDA,
Daughters of St. Stephen's Court #2818



Nov.
22nd & 23rd
after all
masses

cookies, cakes, cupcakes, brownies & more

St. Stephen's Catholic Church



La parroquia de San Esteban, Midland, **INVITA**,
cordialmente a toda la comunidad a participar en la
Novena en honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe.

Del 3 al 11 de diciembre a las 7:00 de la noche
**Dia 12 de diciembre mañanitas a las 5:00 de la ma-
ñana**

5:30 de la mañana Danza de los Matachines

5:45 de la mañana Misa

6:30 de la tarde Misa solemne en español

7:30 de la noche obra de las apariciones.

Cada día en el templo Parroquial.

Durante el novenario nos uniremos en oración

Para honrar a **Nuestra Madre
Santísima de Guadalupe**, agradecer sus bendiciones,
favores

Y prepararnos espiritualmente para la solemnidad gua-
dalupana.

¡¡¡NO ESTOY YO AQUÍ QUE SOY TU MADRE--!!!

OLIVIA AGUILAR JASON DUNLAP SONIA SEBERT GABRIEL YAFET KATIE OSUAMBEKE

ST. STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

IN MEMORY OF:
REV. MSGR. JAMES P. BRIDGES
MARCIAL HERNANDEZ

MERRY MELODIES OF CHRISTMAS

THE FLAME OF HOPE

DECEMBER 13, 2025
7:00 P.M.

BOWIE ELEMENTARY AUDITORIUM

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PURCHASE TICKETS

December 5, 2025 at 7:00 pm in Youth Building!
NO ENTRY FEE!



Dress Code:
Pajamas and Ugly Sweaters!

**Unlimited popcorn buckets & Hot
cocoa will be available.**

Donations accepted - Thank you!



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Catholic Daughters Court #2818.

23 de noviembre de 2025
¡¡¡Jesucristo, Rey del Universo.!!!
Hermana Gertrudis Muñoz Mendieta
Reflexión Lucas 23, 35-43

YO SOY REY. PERO NO DE ESTE MUNDO. Los reyes de este mundo viven en Palacios, tienen esclavos que les sirvan y soldados que les defiendan. Les gustan los honores, las dignidades, las grandezas. La primera lectura habla de la unción de David como rey de Israel. Hay que tener en cuenta su elección a través de Samuel: "Fue a casa de Jesé y éste le mostró sus hijos más fuertes y robustos. Y ninguno le agradó. ¿No tienes más hijos? Sí, **"el más pequeño"**, que está pastoreando el rebaño. Buscadlo, ése es el elegido. Dice Dios: **"Vosotros os fijáis en las apariencias, pero yo miro el corazón"** (1Sam. 16, 7-12). Jesús es rey, pero pasó por la vida como "el pequeño, el siervo, el humilde". Cuando, después de la multiplicación de los panes, le quieren hacer rey, se esconde (Jn.6,15). Si los reyes de este mundo buscan un camino de "ascenso" Jesús siempre busca el camino de "descenso", hasta cuando les lavo los pies a sus discípulos.

YO SOY REY. PERO MI CORONA NO ES DE ORO NI PERLAS PRECIOSAS SINO DE ESPINAS. De la cabeza de este gran rey han salido ideas geniales, proyectos maravillosos, sueños sublimes. Él ha querido reinar desde el amor y ha pasado por la vida "haciendo el bien a todos". Ha predicado la igualdad, la fraternidad, el perdón. Y no sólo lo ha predicado, sino que lo ha vivido, lo ha realizado. Ha muerto perdonando a los que se estaban mofando de él. "Los magistrados hacían muecas a Jesús diciendo: «A otros ha salvado; que se salve a sí mismo, si él es el Mesías de Dios, el Elegido». Se burlaban de él también los soldados, que se acercaban y le ofrecían vinagre, diciendo: «Si eres tú el rey de los judíos, sálvate a ti mismo». Esa cabeza que sólo ha pensado en hacer el bien ha sido "coronada de espinas". Es la paga que le han dado a este rey. Ha muerto perdonando también al ladrón que tenía a su lado. Solamente teniendo a Jesús al lado, uno puede soportar el dolor, el sufrimiento y la muerte. La gran lección de esta fiesta es: sólo desde el amor se puede reinar.

YO SOY REY. PERO NO PARA QUE ME SIRVAN SINO PARA SERVIR. Frente al afán de dominar, propio de los que tienen poder en el mundo, Jesús ejerce su dominio "sirviendo a los demás". Dios hizo a nuestros padres en el paraíso "virreyes" y les dio el dominio sobre todas las cosas (Gn. 1, 28). Pero no quisieron ser "virreyes". Quisieron ser "reyes" y tener el poder y el dominio de Dios. Según la carta de Pablo en este día, "Él es el primero en todo y tiene toda la plenitud". Nosotros podemos participar de esa plenitud de Cristo dominándonos a nosotros mismos, sin ser esclavos de nada y de nadie. Al contrario, debemos servirnos los unos a los otros por amor. Un servicio hecho sin amor esclaviza; pero un servicio hecho por amor nos hace libres. Con este servicio hecho por amor, Jesús nos ha enseñado a reinar. Cuando a los primeros cristianos de Roma se les exigía que dieran culto al Emperador, ellos decían: Nosotros no reconocemos a otro Señor que, a Jesucristo, que ha muerto y ha resucitado por nosotros. Nuestros primeros cristianos se pueden considerar como **"mártires de la libertad"**. Nadie más hombre que un cristiano; nadie más libre que un cristiano, nadie más feliz que un cristiano, pero un cristiano de verdad.

REGULAR TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR ALL ALTAR SERVERS

Fall Training Schedule: Please mark you calendars. These trainings are required for all servers (new, experienced, advanced, and master). If you are not able to attend the training for your specific Mass please plan to attend one of the other trainings available.

All Trainings are on Sundays from 3:00 to 4:00 PM in the Sanctuary of the church

Sunday, November 30 For
10:30 AM Mass Servers

HORARIO REGULAR DE CAPACITACIÓN PARA MONAGUILLOS

Horario de capacitación de otoño: Por favor, anoten en sus calendarios. Estas capacitaciones son obligatorias para todos los monaguillos (nuevos, experimentados, avanzados y maestros). Si no puede asistir a la capacitación para su misa específica, planifique asistir a alguna de las otras capacitaciones disponibles.

Todas las capacitaciones se realizan los Domingos de 3:00 a 4:00 PM en el Santuario de la Iglesia.

Domingo 30 de Noviembre: para los monaguillos de las misas dominicales de 10:30 AM

ALTAR SERVERS/MONAGUILLOS



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) – Daughters of St. Stephen's, Court #2818, is a national Catholic organization dedicated to prayer, good works, and the helping of others less fortunate. Our motto is to serve in Unity and Charity under the guidance of our Blessed Mother Mary. **We will have our annual membership drive on 11/22 and 11/23 along with our bake sale.** Regular meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held along with **our Christmas Party on Dec. 06, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Ballroom. We'd love to meet you!

*For information, please contact 432-230-4426 or gmybarra@yahoo.com.

Iglesia Católica de San Esteban

Todos son bienvenidos

MISA DE SANACIÓN Y LIBERACIÓN

"El Espíritu del Señor está sobre mí... me ha enviado para proclamar la libertad a los cautivos y la vista a los ciegos, para poner en libertad a los oprimidos."— Lucas (Lc) 4,18

- Adoración y alabanza
- Santa Misa con oración por sanación física, emocional y espiritual
- Oración de liberación y rompimiento de ataduras
- Bendición con el Santísimo Sacramento

con Padre Bala Anthony

30 Noviembre | Domingo
2025 | 12:30 PM



St. Stephen's Catholic Church
4601 Neely Ave, Midland, TX 79707



Dear Parishioners: Please join the **Knights of Columbus of St. Stephen's, Counsel #12657** along with **Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Daughters of St. Stephen's, Court #2818** on the **FIRST and THIRD Tuesday** of each month in the Sanctuary to pray the rosary. For additional information please text 432-230-4426 or 432-638-9097. We look forward to seeing you there!

EL GRUPO DE ORACION

"El Buen Pastor" De la Renovación Carismática

de la iglesia de San Esteban Te invita a unirse al grupo, los viernes a las 6pm en el salón 2.

TENDREMOS CUIDADO DE NIÑOS DONDE ELLOS TAMBIEN APRENDERAN LA PALABRA DE DIOS DE UNA FORMA DIVERTIDA.

TENDREMOS ALABANZA, ORACIÓN, CONVIVENCIA Y TESTIMONIOS.
El Buen Pastor les abre las puertas a las ovejas, las llama por su nombre y ellas escuchan su voz.....
 (San Juan 10-3)

¡No falte, Los esperamos!

Si tiene alguna pregunta o para más información comuníquese con Alexandra Santamaria al Tel. (432)935-0657 o con Belén Valdez al Tel (432) 488-7745

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"VIRGEN PEREGRINA"



¡TE INVITA A FORMAR PARTE DE SU DANZA!



Para mayor Información:

Laura Estrada

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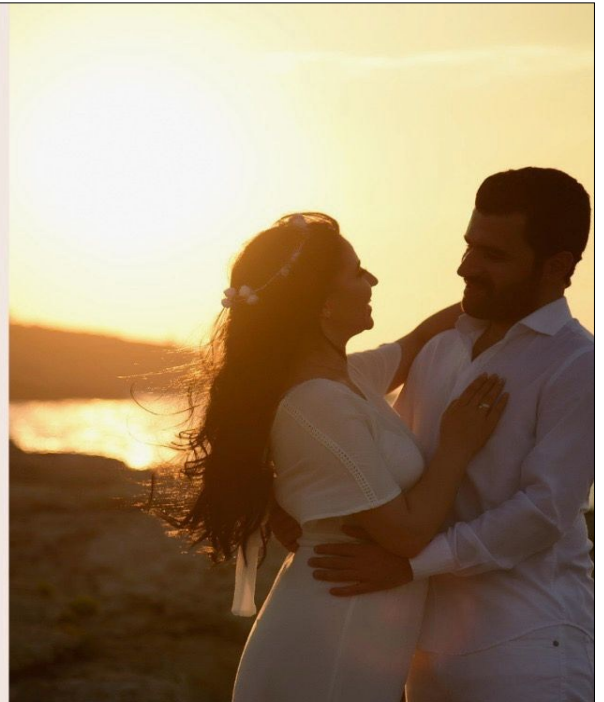
"El perdón que necesito en mi vida"

con Adriana Hernández Zúñiga, MCF, CHL
 Familióloga y Catequista en el Amor Humano

Viernes 5 de diciembre, 2025

7:00 a 9:00 pm

**St. Stephen's Catholic Church.
 Salón 11**



Informes e inscripciones:

María Vázquez 432-296-1897

SSYG YOUTH SCHEDULE

6PM -8PM

NOVEMBER 2025

NOV. 4	Created by God
NOV 11	Unique Identity
NOV 18	**THANKSGIVING MEAL**

NOVEMBER 18TH
 -we will have our own Thanksgiving meal and discuss the word- Thanks

YOUTH NIGHT will resume on December 2nd

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM FOR MORE INFORMATION
 @SSYGOUTHMIDLAND

ST STEPHENS YOUTH GROUP

GRATEFUL & THANKFUL

**NO YOUTH NIGHT
NOVEMBER 25TH**

**WE ARE BACK ON DECEMBER 2ND
HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

DAUGHTERS OF ST. STEPHEN'S COURT 2818

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Christmas Party and Fundraiser

TICKETS CALL 432-557-0945

SATURDAY	12/6/25	6:30-11:30
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ST. STEPHEN'S BALLROOM
 DINNER, DANCE AND
 LIVE AUCTION
 \$30/Person \$50/Couple
 \$10/Child \$75/Family of 4 +

DRESS CODE: Denim, Boots & Bling

St. Stephen's

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APRIL 30 - MAY 3 2026

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 faithful in prayer"

ROMANS 12:12

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www.helpinghandsmidland.com



Because of your very generous donations, this is what we were able to provide in assistance last week:

Electric	7 families	\$ 2,829.50
Water	5 families	\$ 2,192.96
Gas	6 families	\$ 1,352.53
Rent	13 families	\$ 17,523.33
Medical	1 family	\$ 430.13
Misc	1 family	\$ 532.32

Dear Helping Hands,

Enclosed is a check for \$500. I hope that it will be used to help individuals or families with their utility bills. I have been blessed over the past couple of years even though I was experiencing extreme challenges physically and professionally. As such, it is my wish to help those who don't have the advantages I've been fortunate enough to have. I'm hoping to continue to support Helping Hands in the future.

We paid the electric bill for a 40-year-old man. His wife recently passed away, and he used all his money for her funeral expenses. A 31-year-old mother of 4 children faced the devastation of her husband being deported. While he worked hard and provided well for his family, he was here illegally, and, when found, was sent back to Mexico. We paid her electric and gas bill. Please pray for this family. They are facing hard times. A 55-year-old woman needed help with her electric bill because she had used an excessive amount of gasoline driving back and forth to visit a friend of hers who was dying. They had been lifelong friends and she felt she owed it to both of them to be together during this difficult time. Her friend passed away, but she needed a little help paying her electric bill that month. Thank you for allowing us to reach as many people as we do each week. We could not do it without you. God bless!

THANKSGIVING CLOSING

Helping Hands will be closed **Thursday, Nov. 27 through Sunday, Nov. 30** for the Thanksgiving holiday. May you have a safe and joyous holiday!

DECEMBER TRUCK SCHEDULE

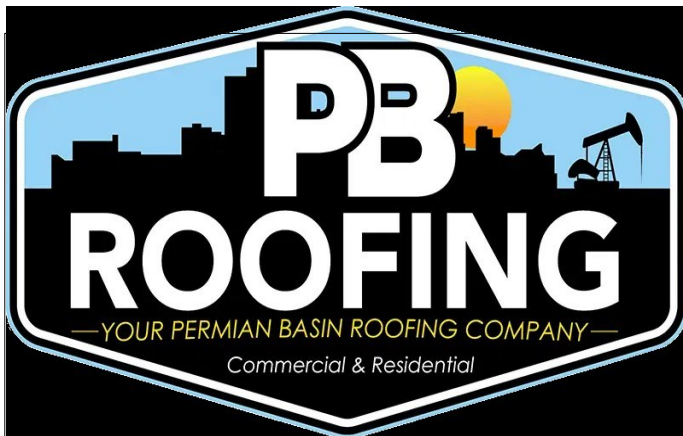
Our truck will be at **St. Stephen's on Saturday, Dec. 6 and at St. Ann's on Saturday, Dec. 20 from 9 am until 1 pm** to accept your donations. We thank the Knights of Columbus for taking on this responsibility.

Please pray for the following:

Josh I, Rebecca M, Maddie S, Addy G, John P, David Ch, Bob and Eva, Yvette and Fam, Margarita C, Luciana A, Jose M, Sara B, Yvette O, Lee E, Lourdes M, James and Belinda H, Norma D, Ms. May and safety of her child, Eric G, Amanda O, Dominic Yingyos T, Vlado A, Andrea S, Carlos P, Juan M, Jacob David S, Mary C L, Faith S, Heather r, Gonzalo A Jr, Norman B, Frank g, Henry G, Armando G, Marielena C, Ray F and Fam, Katie D, Jolan Vincent A, Joel and Cesar, Chris Sims, Anthony A, Maria S, Maria de N, Nena B, Lupe E, James R, Raul J. H, Manuel E. M, Jose J. G, Jim, Danny Gaytan, Ryan K, Jordan K Sr, Jordan K Jr, Micha V, Inn V, Jeremy T, Marissa T, John V, Britney V, Isaiah V, Victoria V, Alvaro C, Jacob F, Clarissa Rojas, Daranee T, Anne and Family, Yaritza F, Andrea Emilia B, Caceres Fam, Gustavo B, Rios Family, Alonso, Santa Cruz Family, Maricela A, Raegan J, Jose G, Daranee T, Raul H, Faith S, Neha N, Andrea B, Daniel C, Froylan G, Joel, Cesar, Teresa P, Erika C, John C, Amanda O, Roy, Tania C, Elizabeth H, Elidia V, Rogelio V, Dalia H, Fr. Edward B, Noah L, Natalie & Matthew, Natalie T, Anne H, Jonathan R, Anne H, Alan M, Richard R, Maria M, Jesus M, Belinda S, Leonardo A, Noah L, Mirna L, Brenda G, Lacey G, Melissa T, Grayson N, Jennifer N.

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