



## ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH-MIDLAND

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

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT / PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO  
November 30 2025 / 30 de Noviembre del 2025**

### 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

### PASTORAL STAFF

#### PASTOR

Rev. Bala Anthony Govindu

#### PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Bonaventure Onyinyechi Anuforo

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Dcn. Leonard Hendon

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Hermana: Leonila Torres Bermudez  
Sister Rajamma Mendam (DRE)  
Sister Nirmala Panditi

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Annabel Wiesman

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Marisa Mora

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#### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Gabriel Salgado

#### OFFICE ASSISTANT

Gladys Qualls

#### RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE ASST.

Yolanda Flores

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday-Thursday:** 8:30am-5:00pm  
**Friday:** 9:00am-1:00pm

Parish Website: [www.ststephensmidland.com](http://www.ststephensmidland.com)

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[frontdesk@ststephensmidland.com](mailto:frontdesk@ststephensmidland.com)

Find us [@st.stephenmidland5420](https://www.youtube.com/@st.stephenmidland5420) on YouTube to watch the live stream of the Mass!

## SUNDAY REFLECTION BY FR. BONAVENTURE O. ANUFORO

First Sunday of Advent, Year A

First reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122:1-2, 4-5, 5-7, 8-9 Second reading: Romans 13: 11-14a

Gospel: Mathew 24:37-44

Theme: Be awake and avoid distraction.

Dearest brothers and sisters, the readings today underline the beginning of Advent not as a time of passive waiting, but of urgent awakening. Isaiah offers the destination: the mountain of the Lord, a place of peace. St. Paul, in the letter to the Romans, offers the method: "Throw off the works of darkness" and wake from sleep. The gospel of Matthew offers the caution: Do not be caught up in distraction by the ordinary, as the people in Noah's time were.

St. Paul issues a jarring command in the second reading, (Romans 13:11-14a): "It is the hour now for you to awake from sleep." Spiritual sleep could be understood as rarely a dramatic refusal of God. It is usually a slow drift. It is the "autopilot" mode of life. In the Gospel of Matthew (24:37-44), Jesus relates this spiritual sleep to the time of Noah. He describes the people of Noah's time as being complacent and distracted. Notice what they were doing. He doesn't list terrible crimes or violence. He says they were "eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage."

They were doing normal, good things. Their sin was not in the doing, but in the distraction. They were so consumed by the ordinary rhythm of life that they became numb to the reality of God. They were spiritually asleep, buried under the routine, until the flood came. Jesus uses the image of a thief breaking in at an unknown hour. This doesn't sound very comforting, but in the context of Advent, it is a wake-up call. We often live as if we have unlimited time. We say, "I will pray more seriously... later." "I will forgive that person... eventually." "I will go to Confession... soon." Advent is the Church's alarm clock. It rings to tell us: Later is now. The Lord is coming. He comes at the end of history, yes, but He also breaks into our lives daily. If we are "asleep"—numbed by noise, anxiety, or scrolling through our phones—we miss the visitation of the King.

If we wake up, what do we do? Isaiah, in the first reading (Isaiah 2:1-5), gives us the vision. He describes a world where nations stream toward God, where swords are beaten into plowshares. This is the work of the "awake" Christian. When we wake up, we stop sleepwalking through our resentments and start building peace. We stop passively accepting the darkness and, as Paul says, "put on the armor of light."

This Advent season is therefore a time to stay awake. The invitation is not just to prepare for a memory of Christ's birth in Bethlehem. It is to prepare for his arrival right now. Let us not be like the people of Noah's day, so busy with the temporary that we miss the eternal. Let us listen to the Psalm of today (Psalm 122): "I rejoiced when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" Let us wake up, the night is advanced. The day is at hand. The King is at the door. Let us identify one area of our lives where we are on "autopilot" (our prayer life, our relationship with others, our charity concern). Let us treat that area with the urgency of someone who knows the King is coming today.

**Happy Thanksgiving!!!**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, November 30 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 Healing Mass  
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, December 1**

- 7:00am †Isabel Garcia by Aunt Paz and Family  
Linda Foster (BD) by John  
5:30pm †Isabel Garcia by Aunt Paz  
Sierra Bullington and Kierra Geiling (BD) by Barger Fam.

**Tuesday, December 2**

- 7:00am †Pietro Venanzi by Family  
Chris Sims (GH) by Family  
5:30pm †Edis Villasmill by Family  
†Linda KiekBusch by Husband

**Wednesday, December 3 Saint Francis Xavier**

- 7:00am †Tara Boyle Roche by Family  
Miranda Valenzuela (GH) by Family  
12:15pm †Francis Casas (HBD) by Family  
Chris Sims (GH) by Family  
5:30pm For all Souls in Purgatory  
Jose Razo (GH) by Daughter

**Thursday, December 4 St John Damascene**

- 7:00am †Rosa Emma Acosta Chavira  
Chris Sims (GH) by Family  
5:30pm John White (BD) by Diane  
†Rosgel Roldan by Laarni

**Friday, December 5**

- 7:00am †Herbert Moran by Family  
†Anthony Natividad †Joseph Garcia by Rey and Helen G.  
12:15 pm †Joe Lopez by Family  
†Anthony Natividad †Joseph Garcia by Rey and Helen G.  
5:30 pm †Elias Olaiz Rios by Arias Family  
†Anthony Natividad †Joseph Garcia by Rey and Helen G.

**Saturday, December 6 St Nicholas**

- 8:00pm Alena Crivello (BD) by Family  
†Martin Perez by Kids  
5:00pm †Maria and †Ramon Grandado by Family  
†Soledad Castaneda by Kids

**Sunday, December 7 Second Sunday of Advent**

- 8:00am †Cruz and †Juanita Muniz by Marilyn Wachsman  
†Sue and †Angela Wiesman by Marilyn Wachsman  
10:30am †Domingo Carrizales by Wife Paz  
†Brandon Barger by Family  
12:30pm †Jose and †Senorina Heredia  
†Manuel Heredia by Family  
5:00pm Altar Servers  
†Michael Granado and †Joel Villanueva by Family  
7:00pm †Juanita Torres by Family  
†Benito and †Francis Ozuna by Sandy Sandate

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

**Parish Offerings**

Last week Collection

Envelopes	\$14,885.00
Loose Plate	\$10,876.76
Online Giving	\$ 4,388.00
Total:	\$30,149.76

**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.**

*The Season of*

**ADVENT**

Advent is a season of waiting, preparation,  
and penance.

During Advent, we prepare for Christ's  
birth.

**ADVENT IS A UNIQUELY JOYOUS  
AND HOPEFUL SEASON IN THE  
CHURCH.**

# Healing & Deliverance

Join us for our Healing Mass.  
Let the Lord bring healing,  
peace, breaking of Generational Curses  
and renewal to your heart.

Fr. Bala Anthony Govindu

**DEC. 6, 2025 @7:00PM**

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

**CALL: 432-520-7394**

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

## 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 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



December 2<sup>nd</sup>: Advent  
 December 9<sup>th</sup>: Our Lady  
 December 16<sup>th</sup>: Games/Adoration



**SSYG December Calendar**  
**@ssygyouthmidland**



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 mañana**  
**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 guadalupana.  
**¡¡¡NO ESTOY YO AQUÍ QUE SOY TU MADRE--!!!**

OLIVIA AGUILAR JASON DUNLAP SONIA SEBERT GABRIEL YAFET KATIE OSUAMPKE

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

PRESENTED BY:

STANDARD INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING  
 ST. JOSEPH'S HOME HEALTH  
 FR. ROSARIO BUTTS FAMILY  
 STATE FARM AUTO/HAUL CENTER  
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 DELTA INVESTMENTS LLC  
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 BISHOP CONRAD TRUMP  
 LYNNA SWANER LLC  
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 JOHN AND LINDA CHAMPION

WILLOW BROOK  
 COVENANT DRIVEN SERVICE

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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!*

THE STAR  
 THE STORY OF THE BIBLE: LUKE 2:1-20

Sponsored by and all Donations go to support:  
 Catholic Daughters Court #2818.

30 de noviembre 2025  
Primer domingo de Adviento. Ciclo "A"  
Hermana Gertrudis Muñoz Mendieta.

*La palabra ADVIENTO es de origen latín y quiere decir VENIDA. Es el tiempo en que los cristianos nos preparamos para la venida de Jesucristo. El tiempo de adviento abarca cuatro semanas antes de Navidad.*

*Una costumbre significativa y de gran ayuda para vivir este tiempo es La corona o guirnalda de Adviento, es el primer anuncio de Navidad.*

***La Corona de adviento encierra varios simbolismos:***

***La forma circular:*** El círculo no tiene principio ni fin. Es señal del amor de Dios que es eterno, sin principio y sin fin, y también de nuestro amor a Dios y al prójimo que nunca termina.

***Las ramas verdes:*** Verde es el color de esperanza y vida. Dios quiere que esperemos su gracia, el perdón de los pecados y la gloria eterna al final de nuestras vidas. El anhelo más importante en nuestras vidas debe ser llegar a una unión más estrecha con Dios, nuestro Padre.

***Las cuatro velas:*** Nos hacen pensar en la obscuridad provocada por el pecado que ciega al hombre y lo aleja de Dios. Después de la primera caída del hombre, Dios fue dando poco a poco una esperanza de salvación que iluminó todo el universo como las velas la corona. Así como las tinieblas se disipan con cada vela que encendemos, los siglos se fueron iluminando con la cada vez más cercana llegada de Cristo a nuestro mundo. Son cuatro velas las que se ponen en la corona y se prenden de una en una, durante los cuatro domingos de adviento al hacer la oración en familia.

***Las manzanas rojas que adornan la corona:*** Representan los frutos del jardín del Edén con Adán y Eva que trajeron el pecado al mundo, pero recibieron también la promesa del Salvador Universal.

***El listón rojo:*** Representa nuestro amor a Dios y el amor de Dios que nos envuelve.

***Bendición de la corona de adviento.***

*En las parroquias se hace la bendición de las Coronas de Adviento. Si no se puede asistir a estas celebraciones, se puede hacer la bendición en familia con la siguiente.*

***Oración:***

*Señor Dios, bendice con tu poder nuestra corona de adviento para que, al encenderla, despierte en nosotros el deseo de esperar la venida de Cristo practicando las buenas obras, y para que así, cuando Él llegue, seamos admitidos al Reino de los Cielos.*

*La bendición de Dios, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo descienda sobre esta Corona y sobre todos los que con ella queremos preparar la venida de Jesús.*

*Te lo pedimos por Cristo nuestro Señor. Todos. Amen*

## 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. 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](mailto:gmybarra@yahoo.com).

### St. Stephen's

Men's ACTS Retreat

APRIL 30 - MAY 3 2026

The Way Retreat Center, Midland TX

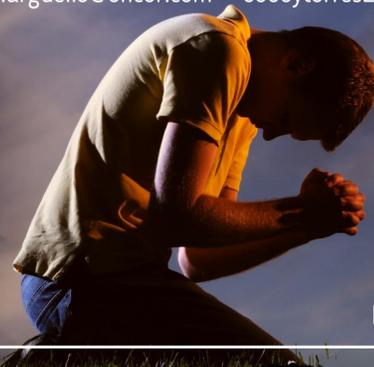


To Reserve Your Seat, and To Become A Part Of This Only Men's Retreat.

Please Email Our Director or Co-Director Today!

Director: +1 (432) 638-0452  
Martin.arguello@oncor.com

Co-Director: +1 (432) 894-5818  
bobbytorres25@yahoo.com



"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer"

ROMANS 12:12



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

**DANZA**

**"VIRGEN PEREGRINA"**



**¡TE INVITA A FORMAR PARTE DE SU DANZA!**



**Para mayor Información:**

**Laura Estrada**

**(432) 661-7913**

**ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 MINISTERIO DE MATRIMONIOS  
 MIDLAND, TX**

**TALLER.**

**"El perdón que necesito en mi vida"**

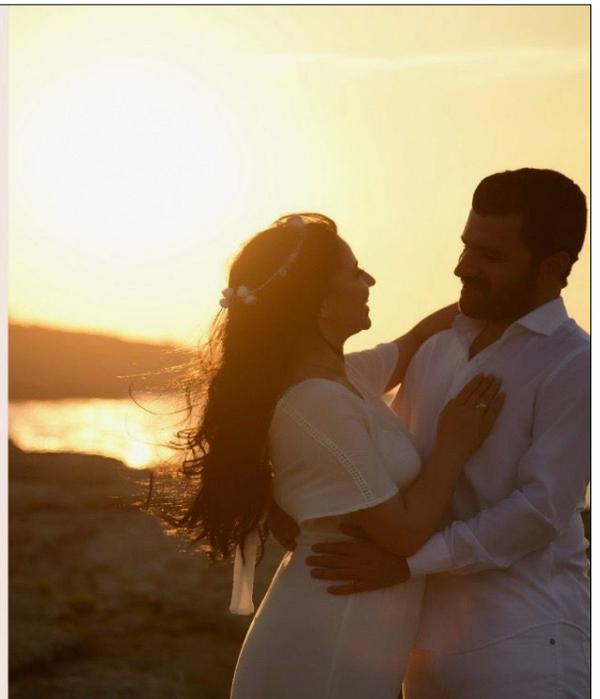
**con Adriana Hernández Zúñiga, MCF, CHL  
 Familióloga y Catequista en el Amor Humano**

**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**

**Bulleting Announcement, November 30-December 21, 2025**  
**St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Midland Texas**  
**Parish Council Elections**

There are four positions on the St. Stephen's Parish Council which will have expired at the end of the year, and we are seeking nominations for candidates for election.

The parish council serves in an advisory and consultative role under the pastor in matters that concern the administration of the parish, including personnel, physical facility, ministry, among others. The council plans to meet on a quasi monthly schedule, and membership on the council is a commitment to attend the meetings, which might occasionally include members attending via video/ audio distance.

To qualify as a candidate the person must be 18 years or older, a registered member of the parish, and have no family member already serving. If you would like to nominate someone, please check with them first to ensure they would accept the nomination, and you may nominate yourself. Nomination forms are available at the parish office front desk. Nominations will be accepted November 23 to December 7, and election will be take place December 8 to December 21



DAUGHTERS OF ST. STEPHEN'S COURT 2818

# BOOTS

## DENIM bling

**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 CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 4601 Neely Ave., Midland, TX



# ST. STEPHEN'S BINGO

Friday, 19 December 2025 at 6 PM Game starts @ 7 PM

## FOOD FUN




B I N G O				
8	16	41	29	69
4	27	31	54	56
10	23	35	56	65
2	18	36	57	64
5	22	42	52	68

Food for purchase available by Rompiendo Cadena





MARCOS YBARRA 432-638-9097 For more information ABEL ABUNDEZ 432-528-5402

Date: ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH PARISH HALL BINGO Attendees:

LICENSE #398431/TEMPORARY LICENSE #400330

NOTE: \$40.00 PAPER SET

FIRST SESSION 7 PM

BINGO	CARD COLOR	PAYOUT
1. LETTER X.	BLUE	\$500.00
2. DOUBLE BINGO	ORANGE	\$500.00
3. THREE LAYER CAKE	GREEN	\$500.00
4. LARGE PICTURE FRAME	YELLOW	\$500.00
5. THREE BINGOS	PINK	\$500.00



INTERMISSION



COUNCIL 12657

SECOND SESSION

6. B-N-O	GRAY	\$500.00
7. DOUBLE BINGO	OLIVE	\$500.00
8. SMALL PICTURE FRAME	BROWN	\$500.00
WITH 4 CORNERS		
9. 4 CORNERS WITH ONE STRAIGHT BINGO	RED	\$500.00
10. BLACKOUT	PURPLE	\$500.00

5% of each winner's prize will be contributed to the State of TX.  
 Bingo 5 & 10, \$2 for extra card

PULL TABS AND DABBERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

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**Helping Hands of Midland**  
1301 Brinson Lane  
Midland Tx.  
(432) 520-8900  
[www.helpinghandsmidland.com](http://www.helpinghandsmidland.com)



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

Electric	3 families	\$ 962.26
Rent	17 families	\$ 37,446.05
Transportation	2 families	\$ 3,508.31
TOTAL		\$ 41,916.62

.The leader of an Indian tribe encamped at the base of a mountain was dying. The chief summoned his three sons and said, "I am dying and one of you must succeed me as the head of our tribe. I want each of you to climb our holy mountain and bring back something beautiful. The one whose gift is the most outstanding will succeed me." After several days the sons returned. The first brought his father a flower that grew near the summit and was extremely rare and beautiful. The second son brought his father a stone that was colorful, found and smooth having been polished by rain and sandy winds. The third son's hand was empty.

He said "Father, I have brought nothing back to show you. As I stood on top of the holy mountain, I saw that on the other side was a beautiful land filled with green pastures and a crystal lake. And I had a vision of where our tribe could go for a better life. I was so overwhelmed by what I saw and by what I was thinking that I could not bring anything back." And the father replied, "You shall be our tribe's new leader, for you have brought back the most previous thing of all – the gift for a better future."

We are so proud of our volunteers at Helping Hands for their vision of a better future for the poor and underprivileged. We are also honored that all of you who contribute to Helping Hands have chosen us to be your instruments in helping to provide a better future for the poor of Midland. God bless you!

***Please pray for the following:***

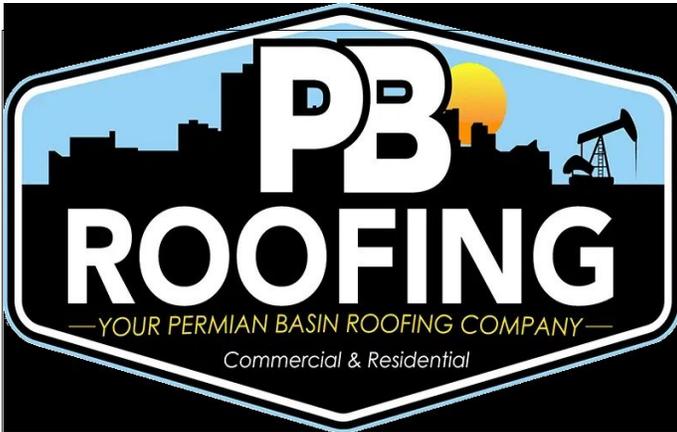
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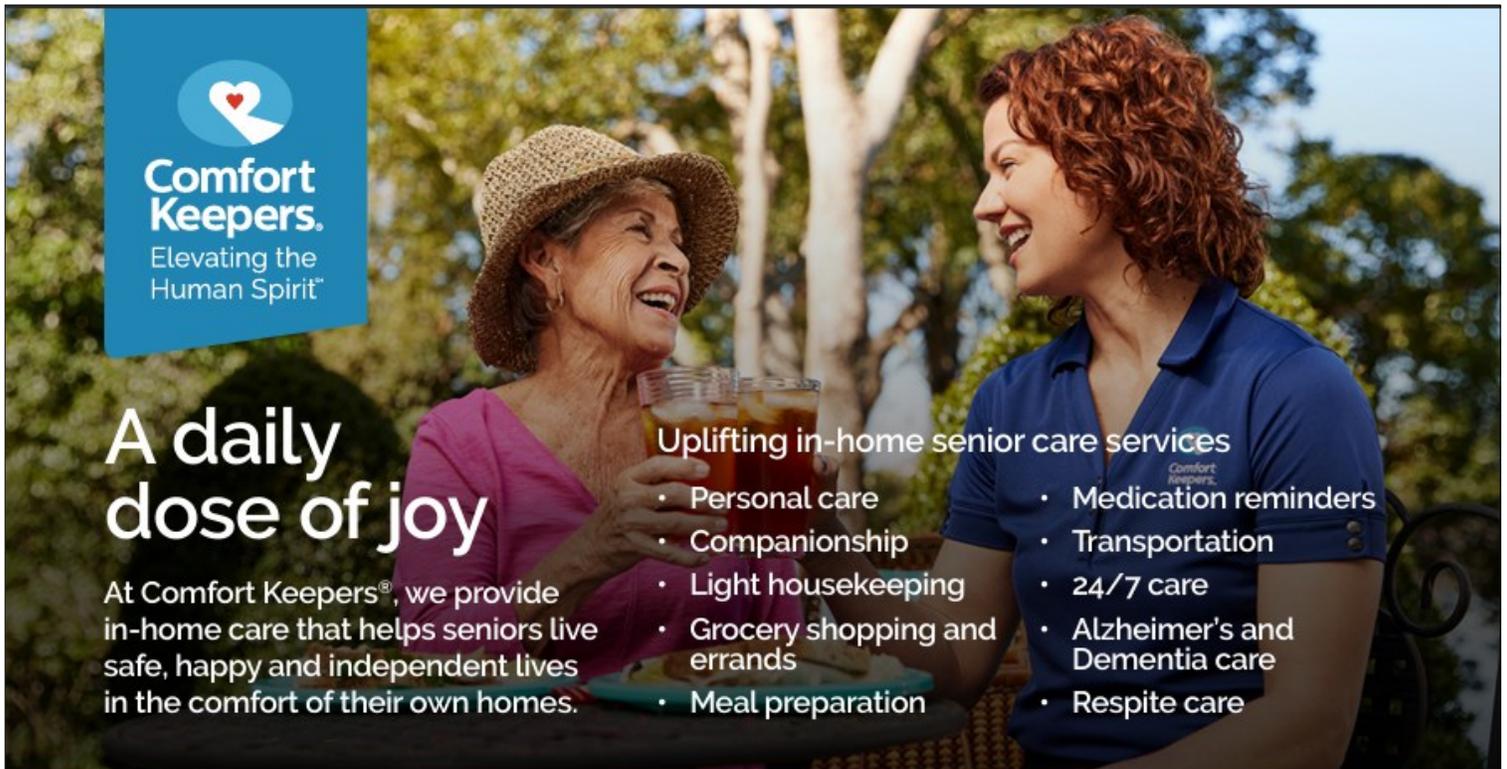


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