



ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH-MIDLAND

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/ II DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO
January 18, 2026 / 18, de Enero, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00pm (English)
Sunday: 8:00am (English)
10:30am (English)
1:00pm (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 12:55 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

DEACON

Dcn. Leonard Hendon

NUNS

Madre Gertrudis Munoz Mendieta (DRE)
Hermana: Leonila Torres Bermudez
Sister Rajamma Mendam (DRE)
Sister Nirmala Panditi

BUSINESS MANAGER

Annabel Wiesman

BOOKKEEPER

Marisa Mora

YOUTH COORDINATOR

Carlos Garcia

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

Email:



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. BALA

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Isaiah 49:3, 5–6 • Psalm 40 • 1 Corinthians 1:1–3 • John 1:29–34

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.” With these words Saint Paul greets the Church of Corinth—and today, the Holy Spirit greets us. We have stepped out of the glow of Christmas lights and into the ordinary rhythm of daily life, but the Word of God today reminds us: *nothing about our calling is ordinary*. We are summoned into a divine mission.

Today’s readings speak powerfully about **vocation, identity, and mission**. They answer three burning questions of the human heart:

Who am I? Why am I here? What is God asking of me *now*?

1. “I will make you a light to the nations.” (Isaiah 49)

The prophet Isaiah presents the Servant of the Lord—formed in the womb, chosen, and consecrated—not merely for Israel, but for **the whole world**. God says, “*It is not enough that you should restore Israel. I will make you a light to the nations.*”

This is not a private religion. This is not a faith meant to be hidden in our hearts and sealed in our churches. The servant is sent outward—toward broken nations, wounded families, frightened refugees, and forgotten souls.

And today the Church hears these words personally. **You were formed in the womb for a purpose**. Your life is not an accident. Your baptism is not a decoration. Your faith is not a hobby. You are a light meant to reach *the ends of the earth*.

2. “Here I am, Lord. I come to do your will.” (Psalm 40)

The psalmist reminds us that God does not delight merely in rituals—but in surrendered hearts. Not empty prayers, but obedient lives.

God stoops down. He hears our cry. He lifts us out of pits of fear, anxiety, addiction, broken relationships, confusion, and spiritual fatigue. Then He places a *new song* in our mouth—a song of mission.

And our response is the same ancient cry: “**Here I am, Lord.**”

Say it in your home. Say it in your workplace. Say it in your pain. Say it in your questions.

Say it in your hope.

3. “Called to be saints together.” (1 Corinthians 1)

Saint Paul reminds us that we are not isolated believers—we are **a consecrated people**.

We are *sanctified in Christ*.

We are *called to be saints*.

Not someday. **Now**.

In a polarized and divided world, where families are fractured and nations tremble, we are called to be communities of grace and peace—living bridges of reconciliation.

The Church must shine most brightly when the world feels darkest.

4. “Behold, the Lamb of God.” (John 1)

John the Baptist points to Jesus and declares:

“**This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.**”

Not just Israel’s sin.

Not just yesterday’s sin.

The sin of the world—today.

Jesus enters our violence. Jesus enters our wars. Jesus enters our addictions. Jesus enters our confusion. Jesus enters our loneliness.

And He does not come to condemn—He comes to **redeem**.

The Spirit descends upon Him.

And now, through baptism and Eucharist, the same Spirit rests upon *you*.

5. Our World Needs This Light—Now More Than Ever

We live in a wounded world:

- Nations bleeding from war.
- Families displaced by violence and disasters.
- Young people drowning in anxiety and digital isolation.

Societies losing their sense of dignity, life, and truth.

And in this fragile hour, **God turns to the Church and says again**: “I will make you a light to the nations.”

Not tomorrow. Not after retirement. **Now**.

6. What Must We Do?

Be a light through mercy and service.

- Say “Here I am” with your life.
- Build peace in your family and community.
- Defend life, dignity, and truth.

Recognize the Lamb of God in the Eucharist, in the poor, in the wounded, and in the forgotten.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 18 Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00am †Nella Ortega & † Pilo Medrano
†Tony Lujan by Reyhelen Garcia
10:30am Audrey Oetting by Family
Marci Wilson by Family
1:00pm Mauricio Flores Muñoz (GH)
†Pilar Melendez by Sylvia Melendez
3:00pm African Mass
5:00pm †Eugenio Morales
†Rebecca Torres by Family
7:00pm † Natalia Torres & † Rene Galindo
† Luisa Valeria Garcia

Monday, January 19

7:00am Adriana Madrigal (BD) by Frias Family
†Nella Ortega & † Pilo Medrano
5:30pm Mauricio Flores Muñoz (GH)
† Rito Mora by Wife

Tuesday, January 20 St Fabian and St Sebastian, Martyrs

7:00am Chris Sims (GH) by Family
†Nella Ortega & †Pilo Medrano
5:30pm Mauricio Flores Muñoz (GH)
† Oma Lily by Qualls Family

Wednesday, January 21 St Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

7:00am Chris Sims (GH) by Family
†Nella Ortega & †Pilo Medrano
12:15pm Priests
Souls in Purgatory by Abel Abundez
5:30pm Mauricio Flores Muñoz (GH)
† Bertha M Chavez by Daughter

Thursday, January 22 Pray For the Unborn Babies

7:00am Chris Sims (GH)
†Nella Ortega & †Pilo Medrano
5:30pm Mauricio Flores Muñoz (GH)
† Juan Homero Martinez by Niece

Friday, January 23 St Vincent , Decon and Martyr

7:00am Cris Sims (GH) by Family
†Nella Ortega & †Pilo Medrano
12:15pm Mauricio Flores Muñoz (GH)
† Maria Flotte by Daughter
5:30 pm Gladys Qualls (BD) by Family
† Gavino Rozo by Family

Saturday, January 24 St Francis de Sales

7:45am †Nella Ortega & †Pilo Medrano
†Hipolito Nuñez & †Javier Gonzalez
5:00 pm † Frank and † Bernadina Hernandez by Olga
Cris Sims (GH) by Family

Sunday, January 25 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am †Nella Ortega & †Pilo Medrano
†Jonathan Ramos & † Frank Burgess by Montoya Family
10:30am † Dora Abundez † Norma Abundez by Abel Abundez
† Nellie Robles by Abel Abundez
1:00pm † Petra Cenicerros Zuñiga
† Alfredo Arredondo by Parents
5:00pm † Antonio Martinez by Family
† Javier Martinez by Family
7:00pm priests

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

Parish Offerings

Last week Collection

Envelopes \$ 11,527.56
Loose Plate \$ 10,326.83
Online Giving \$ 6,725.00

Total \$ 28,579.39

2nd Collection: \$ 0.00

**Upcoming Baptismal Classes
Proximas Clases bautismales**

February 8, 2026

**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

- February 7, 2026—7 P.M.
Misa de Sanación y Liberación en Español (Cada cuarto domingo alterno)
- Enero 25, 2026 – 1:00 P.M

Employee of the Year

A Heartfelt Thank You to

Yolanda Flores



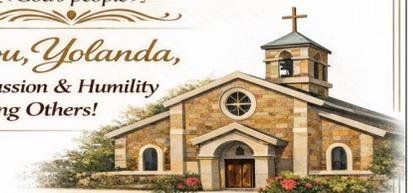
St. Stephen's employee has been acknowledged by Dave from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Biloxi.

An act of kindness was warmly appreciated, taking time to show him where the adoration chapel was at St. Stephen.

Such gestures remind us of the Gospel call to love one another and strengthen the bonds of faith and fellowship among

God's people

Thank You, Yolanda,
for your Compassion & Humility
in Serving Others!



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



BI-WEEKLY/THURSDAYS

CALLING CATHOLIC MEN TO INVEST TIME DIVING INTO THE WORD OF GOD TOGETHER.



UPCOMING DATES:

**JANUARY 22
FEBRUARY 5 & 19
AT 7PM**

**LOCATION:
ST. STEPHEN'S
HALL, ROOM 8**

CONTACT: JOHN 661-348-2994



14 Febrero 2026

EL MINISTERIO DE MUJERES DE FE Y SEÑORES DEL GRUPO MISIÓN ACTS INVITAN A LA

Cena - Baile



DIAS DEL Amor y LA AMISTAD

Amenizado por: Ian López y el grupo

REVELADO

**\$50 dólares por persona
Cena: 6:00 a 8:00 p.m.**

EQUIP: A WORKSHOP SERIES

**March 21, 2026—“Walking With:
The Art of Accompaniment in Ministry**
Speaker: Noelle Garcia
Basin PBS, Midland 9:00am–12:00pm

Join us for our workshop to help in, your personal and professional development. All are welcome!

Equip Registration

Registration deadline is two weeks (14 days) before scheduled workshop date.

Parish: _____
City: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____ State: _____
City: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

\$15/workshop March 21, 2026

Make checks payable to Office of Evangelization and Catechesis
Mail completed registration form and payment to:
Office of Evangelization and Catechesis
804 Ford St..
San Angelo, TX 76905

EQUIP WORKSHOP SERIES

WALKING WITH: THE ART OF ACCOMPANIMENT IN MINISTRY



OUR SPECIAL SPEAKER
NOELLE GARCIA

MARCH 21, 2026



09 AM - 12 PM



MIDLAND--BASIN PBS

[HTTPS://SANANGELODIOCESE.ORG/EQUIP-A-WORKSHOP-SERIES](https://sanangelodiocese.org/equip-a-workshop-series)

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

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

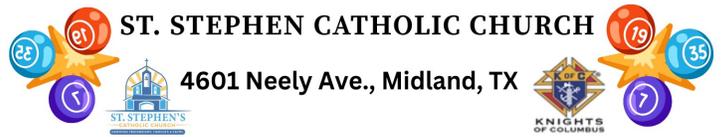


SECOND SESSION

6. B-N-O	GRAY	\$500.00
7. DOUBLE BINGO	OLIVE	\$500.00
8. SMALL PICTURE FRAME WITH 4 CORNERS	BROWN	\$500.00
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



ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

4601 Neely Ave., Midland, TX

ST. STEPHEN'S BINGO

Friday, 6 February 2026 at 6 PM Game starts @ 7 PM

**FOOD
FUN**



B	I	N	G	O
8	16	41	53	69
4	27	31	54	66
10	23	38	56	65
2	18	36	57	64
5	22	42	52	63



Food for purchase available by Women's ACTS Group



MARCOS YBARRA
432-638-9097

For more information

ABEL ABUNDEZ
432-528-5402

Save the Date!

Mardi Gras Ball

February 17, 2026
 6:00pm to 11:00pm

The Gloria Denman Ballroom
 St. Stephen Catholic Church

Single Ticket \$ 30.00
 No tickets sold at the door
 VIP Table (10) \$400.00

St Stephen Catholic Church
 4601 Neely Avenue.
 Midland Tx 79707



You're Invited to celebrate

SPECIAL MASSES

EVERY 2ND SUNDAY

3:00pm special needs mass

EVERY THIRD SUNDAY

3:00pm African Mass

Domingo 2º, tiempo ordinario
18 de enero de 2026

**Este es el Cordero de Dios, que quita el pecado del mundo...
Hermana Gertrudis Muñoz Mendieta I.C.A.S.**

Volvemos a recordar el bautismo de Jesús (domingo pasado), hoy según el testimonio de Juan el Bautista. El siervo de YHWH, es el nombre sagrado de Dios en la Biblia hebrea. **Cuatro consonantes hebreas: Yod- He- Waw- He.** ¿Qué significan? Proviene del verbo hebreo “ser/ estar” (hayah y expresa la idea de:

“Yo soy el que soy” - “Yo soy el que está” - “El que existe por sí mismo.”

Esto subraya que Dios **es eterno, fiel y siempre presente.** Y esto nos anticipa la misión de Jesús: **llevar la salvación de Dios** a todos los rincones de la tierra, **para hacer de la humanidad un pueblo de “consagrados”.** Todo bautizado, como Pablo y como Jesús, **es “apóstol”,** o sea, enviado.

Tarea del apóstol: quitar el pecado del mundo. Porque solo hay uno: **el desinterés por Dios, el olvido de Dios, el rechazo de Dios. Como mostrar a nuestra humanidad que, con Dios todos ganamos vida abundante,** que en Jesucristo todo es feliz liberación, que el **Espíritu es dinamismo y energía vital para todos. Lo repetiré, Jesús, Cordero de Dios,** antes de acercarme a recibirte en la comunión: **quita mi pecado de anemia, cura mi parálisis, no dejes cerrados mis labios. Quiero hacer tu voluntad:** envíame a la gran asamblea de nuestro mundo para que allí pueda pregonar a todos tu salvación.

Este Domingo nos habla del Bautismo en el Espíritu. Y lo hace a través de tres imágenes: **El Cordero, La Paloma y el Fuego.**

EL CORDERO. Muchas veces hemos entendido esta imagen del Cordero en sentido exclusivamente expiatorio, como si Dios Padre exigiera la sangre de su Hijo para pagar la deuda del pecado. Estaríamos ante la idea de un Dios externo, soberano y justiciero que se porta con Jesús y con nosotros como un tirano. Nada que ver con la experiencia del Abba que Jesús vivió. Debemos interpretarlo como el cordero pascual, que era para el judaísmo el signo de la liberación de Egipto. Se trataba de un recuerdo de la liberación de la esclavitud. Se mataba un cordero para comerlo y celebrar un acontecimiento. Quiere decir que por Cristo somos liberados de toda opresión. Y nada nos oprime y esclaviza tanto como el pecado.

LA PALOMA. La paloma, que había sido testigo de la muerte y de la destrucción en el diluvio, apareció después como anunciadora de nueva vida. Frente a lo muerto, lo petrificado o lo insensible, el Espíritu despierta siempre el amor a la vida. Por eso, vivir «espiritualmente» es «vivir contra la muerte», afirmar la vida a pesar de la debilidad, el miedo, la enfermedad o la culpa. Quien vive abierto al Espíritu de Dios vibra con todo lo que hace crecer la vida y se rebela contra lo que hace daño y la mata. El Espíritu Santo es considerado por los evangelistas como «Espíritu de vida». Por eso, dejarnos bautizar por Jesús significa acoger su Espíritu como fuente de vida nueva. Su Espíritu puede potenciar en nosotros una relación más vital con él y con los demás. Nos puede llevar a un nuevo nivel de existencia cristiana. El Espíritu nos lleva a vivir una vida en plenitud. No podemos pasar por este mundo con una vida ramplona, achicada, mediocre. Una vida así es vida frustrante, decepcionante, vacía. La vida de Jesús, animada por el Espíritu, es plena, bella, gozosa, ilusionante. Y a participar en esta vida estamos llamados todos los cristianos por la fuerza del mismo Espíritu.

EL FUEGO. Los discípulos experimentaron al Espíritu Santo como “fuego”. Un fuego que en el día de Pentecostés se posaba sobre los discípulos hasta enardecerlos, entusiasmarlos. Un fuego, como a los discípulos de Emaús, que les hacía arder por dentro. Eran alegres, entusiastas, fervorosos. Este fuego nos hace falta hoy en la Iglesia. Todo esto lo hemos de descubrir por experiencia personal en Jesús. De lo contrario, a quien no lo descubra, pronto notará que le falta fuerza y pasión; y una persona que no está convencida, entusiasmada, segura, enamorada, no convence a nadie.” Como una persona que no arde no puede incendiar” (San Agustín).

Join us for Part 2 of the video-based program that makes the wisdom of the Church's most foundational teachings accessible to all.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH

*A Journey Through the Catechism
of the Catholic Church*

This 11-week study starts
Feb. 4th and continues each
Wednesday from 9:30-11:00 a.m.
in classroom #2.

A night session will also be held on
Thursdays starting Feb. 5th
6:30 p.m. in classroom #2.

Class materials can be
purchased at the Church
office for \$25.

For more information call
432-559-2658 or 432-312-6669

Upcoming Healing Program

Do you suffer from the trauma of sexual abuse or assault? Do you feel anxiety, fear or shame? Dawn of Mercy is offering a 10-week program to help you recognize your reactions to this trauma and learn coping skills and tools to turn unhealthy thoughts and actions into healthy ones. This upcoming program begins February 2, and is online for women, in Spanish, who have experienced sexual abuse or assault at some time in their life. Join us as we journey down the path of healing together. Call 469-613-DAWN (3296) or email healing@dawnofmercy.org. Learn more at www.dawnofmercy.org.



¿Sufre usted el trauma del abuso o agresión sexual? ¿Siente usted ansiedad, miedo o vergüenza? Dawn of Mercy ofrece un programa de 10 semanas para ayudarle a reconocer sus reacciones ante este trauma y aprender habilidades y herramientas para transformar pensamientos y acciones negativos en positivos. Este próximo programa comienza el 2 de febrero y se imparte en línea, para mujeres en español, que han sufrido abuso o agresión sexual en algún momento de su vida. Únase a nosotros en este camino de sanación. Llame al 469-613-DAWN (3296) o escriba a healing@dawnofmercy.org. Aprenda más información en www.dawnofmercy.org.

INTRODUCING MIDLAND'S NEWEST
CHILDCARE CENTER



ST. CARLO ACUTIS GUARDIAN ANGELS LEARNING CENTER

Opening Early 2026

Open House: January
(details coming soon)

Serving your Catholic families in the area,
St. Carlo Acutis Guardian Angels Learning Center is
your full-time childcare center providing quality care.

Support Our Center

We are accepting "like-new" or gently used outdoor toys
to help build our outdoor play area.

For donations or more information,
please contact:
Mrs. Chantel Marmolejo, Learning center
Director
at the St. Stephen's front office

432-520-7394



Get on our interest form today!

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

25
Enero 2026

con Padre Bala Anthony

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

Domingo
1:00
PM



Day of Prayer & Adoration

FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF
UNBORN CHILDREN



JANUARY 22, 2026

— PRAY FOR THE UNBORN —
— ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT —
— INTERCEDE FOR THE END OF ABORTION —

Día de Oración y Adoración

— POR LA PROTECCIÓN LEGAL DE LOS
NIÑOS NO NACIDOS

World Youth Day, Seoul, Korea 2027

Join the global celebration of faith.
Don't miss out—register now to
secure your spot and be part of
this transformative global event!

*Register by August
2026!*

For more details, visit the Diocesan Website
<https://sanangelodiocese.org/world-youth-day>

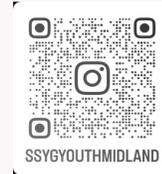
ST STEPHENS YOUTH GROUP



Prayers and Petitions

Join Us
for
FOOD
FAITH
&
FUN!

BRING
A
FRIEND



FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM
SSYGOUTHMIDLAND



**Tuesday
6PM-8PM
01/20**



Project ANDREW

JOIN US FOR DINNER WITH BISHOP SIS AND LOCAL
PRIESTS TO LEARN ABOUT THE PRIESTHOOD!

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND ABOVE!
PARENTS WELCOME!

Sunday, February 15, 2026, 6 pm
Abilene—St. Vincent Pallotti Catholic Church
RSVP by February 9

Sunday, March 1, 2026, 6 pm
Midland—The Way Retreat Center
RSVP by February 23

Contact Lori Hines to RSVP:
lhines@sanangelodiocese.org or 325-374-7609



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Daughters of St. Stephen's, Court

a national Catholic organization dedi-
cated 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 on January 22, 2026,
at 6:30 p.m. in Room 11.

Please join the us along with the Knights of
Columbus TUESDAYS (Jan. 27, Feb. 10,
Feb. 24th) at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary to
pray the ROSARY!

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

CLUB DANCE

DATE/TIME: **Saturday**, January 24, 2026/ 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

COST/ATTIRE: **\$20.00 per person/Casual**

BAND: **“Cash Call” (Country & Western, Swing, Variety)**

DANCE LESSON: There will not be a Group Lesson at this dance
(Water and Ice Will Be Provided, You May Bring a Snack and a NON-Alcoholic Beverage)



NO ALCOHOL MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE BALLROOM BY INDIVIDUALS

***NOTE: **NO BYOB** Is allowed in the Gloria Denman Ballroom per church policy.

You are welcome to attend, and you may pay at the door. For more information or if you have any questions, **PLEASE CONTACT** our Secretary at: permianmusic87@gmail.com. Please do not contact St. Stephen for information on this function as it is separated from the church. **THANK YOU!**



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

TWO BECOME ONE

LIVING GOD'S DESIGN FOR MARRIAGE

“Discover the beauty of unity through His divine blueprint.”

About the Encounter

Two Become One, a Christ-centered encounter is designed to help couples embrace God's original design for marriage. Together, we'll explore biblical truths about unity, love, and mutual service – empowering husbands and wives to grow as one body, one heart – and their purpose in Christ.

Guest Speakers



Dee Ann & Deacon Mike Hernandez



Fr. Kevin Lenius



Fr. Mike Elsner

Event Details

- Date: February 13 - 14, 2026 (Retreat Days)
February 15th - Mass at OLG
- Location: All Saints Hall
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Parish & Shrine (Midland, TX)
- Registration Fee: \$75 per couple

What You'll Experience

- Inspiring sessions rooted in Scripture
- Practical guidance on God's blueprint for marriage
- Biblical insight into the roles of husband and wife
- Tools to build a Christ-centered home
- Worship, prayer, and intentional time to reconnect



REGISTER HERE

Space is limited – reserve your spot early!

Questions?

Call/Text Rita (432) 290.3960 or Chuy (432) 312.8567
Email: 21marriage@ststephen.org

“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and cling to his wife, and the two of them shall become one flesh.” – Gen. 2:24

St. Stephen's

Men's ACTS Retreat

APRIL 30 - MAY 3 2026

The Way Retreat Center, Midland TX



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“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer”

ROMANS 12:12

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Electric	10 families	\$ 3,287.20
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Water	2 families	\$ 338.68
Rent	16 families	\$ 28,433.26
Propane	1 family	\$ 656/82
Misc.	1 family	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 34,363.51

She was trying so hard not to cry. Trying so hard to pretend that it wasn't that bad.

Sonja had two small children whose father left them six weeks ago. He couldn't handle the pressure and the stress of providing for four people anymore. So he left. He left Sonja alone to provide and care for not only herself, but their two precious little girls. She was all they had left. If she didn't care for them, who would? So Sonja got a second job, struggled to find safe, reliable babysitting (this was not going well), filed for child support (a long process) and humbled herself weekly by asking for food boxes at various agencies around town until she could be approved for food stamps. All-the-while, she was dealing with a broken heart and feelings of abandonment and rejection. She was so tired, feeling so hopeless, so broken in spirit and yet, trying so hard to keep up the façade of being okay.

Sonja was only asking for one half of one month's rent. She could cover one half of her rent with her first job's paycheck but she would not receive her second paycheck in time to cover the rest. Our hearts went out to her. You could tell she was a loving mom and a hard worker. It is not easy to ask for, in her words, "a handout." She felt really bad and embarrassed doing so. "Could you please help me with one-half month's rent just this one time?"

We could, we did, and we were thankful to do so. We gave her two months' rent: one, to give her time to just breathe without fear of losing a roof over her head; and two, to give her time to seek other options. We referred her to other agencies and people in town who could help her with affordable, quality child care and continuing education and training. Sonja burst into tears. She walked out of our offices not only with rental assistance but hope for a much better tomorrow. What a blessing it was to witness God's miraculous goodness and love for Sonja and her children.

It is our hope that you know that with every dollar you give us, every minute you volunteer, every prayer you offer up, you too will feel thankful to God for using you as a vessel to meet the needs of His people who fall into deep hardships. God bless.

Please pray for the following:

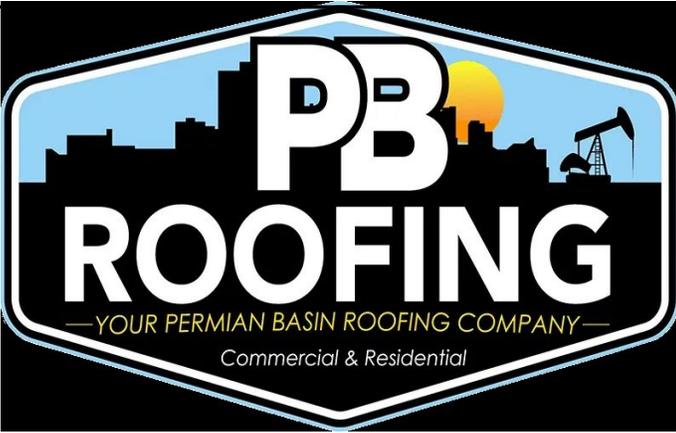
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