St. Thomas More Catholic Church

April 17, 2022

The Bulletin

Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

The Resurrection, Sebastiano Ricci, c. 1715

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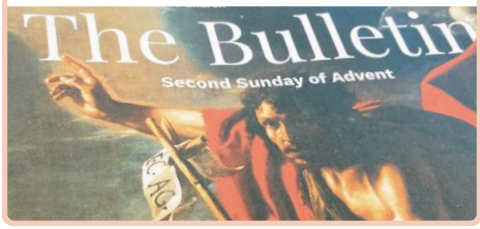
BULLETIN DEADLINES

Submissions for the May 1st bulletin are due **by 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, April 21st.** Submissions for the May 8th bulletin are due **by 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, April 28th.** Email asanchez@stmaustin.org for instructions on submitting content for *The Bulletin*.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Tim Anderson
Elizabeth Armes
Whitney Brun
Mollie Bustos
Jean Collins
Frank DiLorenzo
Katie DiLorenzo
Dodie Domanski
Jo Falkenstein
Ame Frezza
Nancy Gilbert
Judi Gilliam
Trace Gilliam
Michael Hanson
Andre Hebert
Dylan Johnson
Beth Jones
Kris Kapchinski
Jason Mikolajek
Cindy Molina
Ron Muessel
Fr. Michael O'Connor
Barbara Ohradzansky
Trent Overall
Kevin Sutherland
Dorothy Thompson
Clifford Uher
Bernadette Vogel
Jennifer Wiegand
Kerry Wolf

Please pray for the well-being of our fellow parishioners and nursing home residents.

Spiritual Life

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE, READINGS AND INTENTIONS

MON 18

Acts 2:14, 22-33 | Ps 16 | Mt 28:8-15

9 a.m. † Jean & Joe Saathoff

Adoration: *10 a.m. - 10 p.m.*

TUES 19

Acts 2:36-41 | Ps 33 | Jn 20:11-18

8:30 a.m. * Rosemary Lykos

WED 20

Acts 3:1-10 | Ps 105 | Lk 24:13-35

8:30 a.m. † Katherine L. Prager
11 a.m. Funeral Mass for Gregory Towle +

Confessions: *9-9:30 a.m. and 6-7 p.m.*
Evening Prayer: *5:30 p.m.*

THUR 21

Acts 3:11-26 | Ps 8 | Lk 24:35-48

8:30 a.m. † Fanxico Savie Dãn Le † Roy Gafford
10 a.m. Funeral Mass for Lynette Cipione Brownlee +

FRI 22

Acts 4:1-12 | Ps 118 | Jn 21:1-14

8:30 a.m. † Maureen O'Connor

SAT 23

Acts 5:12-16 | Ps 118 | Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 | Jn 20:19-31

5 p.m. † Manuel Quijas † Zach Hardin

Confessions: *3-4:30 p.m.*

SUN 24

Second Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:12-16 | Ps 118 | Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 | Jn 20:19-31

7:30 a.m. * St. Thomas More Parishioners
9 a.m. † Theresa Đang Bich Liên † Phêrô Dang Vân Chinh
10:45 a.m. * John Felchak * Scott & Tiffany Cunningham
5 p.m. * Bulletin Sponsors

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TO REACH A PRIEST IN AN EMERGENCY

During Office Hours:
(512) 258-1161

After Hours:
(512) 258-1161, Opt. 1

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.
To sign up, please visit stm.weadorehim.com.

Christ is Risen!

Easter Flower Offerings in memory and honor of our loved ones.

Ann Cecile Akiu +

Allen family +

Ida Anderson +

Gilbert Anderson +

Angeles family +

David Anthony

Francisco Arevalo +

Lorenza Arizola

Benito Arizola

Sergio Arizola

Roberto Arizola, Jr.

Lauro Balderas +

Carlos Balderas +

Sofia Baraj +

Jesus Elio Barrera +

Bonifacia Baylon +

Angelo Baylon, Jr.

Angelo Baylon, Sr. +

Edward Bergin +

Mario Bergin +

Cirita Berrera +

Blaszak family +

Gloria Borowicz +

John Borowicz +

Wendell Britten

Brad Britten

John Brooker +

Jennie & Charlie Brown +

Dr. Won Bucher +

Edward Buddemeyer +

Ruth Burgess +

Ray Burgess +

Donna Burke +

Elizabeth Theresa Burr +

Ruth Burr +

John G. Burr, Sr. +

Janet Burton +

Burtscher family

Bynum family

James Carlin +

Ernestine Carrillo +

Arthur Carrillo +

Phillip Carrillo +

Maria Castillo +

Granny Chang +

Consuelo Chavez +

Milton Chumchal +

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Chung +

Mr. & Mrs. Wilbert Chung +

Patricia Cipione +

Mary Clarke +

John Coburn +

Margaret Coburn +

Lauren Coco +

Jimmie Lou Coco +

Joe Coco, Sr. +

Gary Cole +

Jeff Cole +

Elaine Cole

Peter Colleton +

Katie Colleton +

Audrey G. Collins +

Bernadette & Rama Coomaraswamy +

Catarina Coutinho +

Mateus Coutinho +

Catarina Coutinho +

Bill Dale +

Fern Dale +

Robert Dale +

John Dale +

Davis family

Janice Daw

David Daw +

George DeBrody +

David DeBrody +

Bernard & Gill DeVido +

Mr. & Mrs. Chan Dinh +

Jacob Do

Mary Do

Anna Do

Anna Do Thi Suu +

Robert Doetsch +

Francis Doetsch +

Jeanie Dupont +

Tom Engle

Karla Engle

Gloria Eyler +

Erma Fischer +

Agustin Flores +

Toribia Flores +

John Foxwell +

Ruth Freidberg +

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Friscia +

Michael Friscia +

Furgerson family

Galian family +

Mary Gallegos +

Angelo Gallio +

Josephine Gallio +

Angelo Gallio +

Gallio family +

Tomasita Garcia +

RC Garcia +

Elida & Juan Garcia +

Baldemar Garcia +

Irma Garrigan Burr +

Jesse & Yolanda Garza +

Eusebio Garza Sr +

Luigino Gerardi

Elda Gilbert +

Bob Gontko +

Ida Gonzalez

Marilyn Gonzalez +

Mr. & Mrs. C. Goodrich +

Andy Gossett +

Emma Gossett +

Dan Granger +

John Green Burr, Jr. +

Bob Grube +

Kate Grube +

Tom Hajek +

Lillie Hajek +

Mike & Lois Hamilton +

James Harp

Hazel Hartl +

John Hartl +

Don Havel +

June Herbst +

Agustin Hernandez +

James Higdon +

Norma Higdon +

Cosma Hoang Van Son +

Paul Hosek +

Annie Hosek +

Robert Hosek +

Helen Howe +

Mary Hrehor +

John Hrehor +

Angelita Huerta +

Huerta family +

Enna Hynds

Teresa Ierullo

Nicola Ierullo

Joanna Infante +

Michele Infante +

Juanita Infante +

Fortonate Infante +

Ingeborg Hughes Family and Friends +

Tom Jackson +

Julie Jackson Kelso +

Jaeger family

Inez Jalomo +

Cruz Jalomo +

Fred & Alice Jaszcz +

Rheta C. Jeter

Michael Kaauamo +

Janusz Kargul +

Zofia Kargul +

Zygmint Kargul +

Mr. & Mrs. Geoffrey Keating +

Mary Ann Keating +

Joe Khalar +

June Khalar +

Elise Talleur Kleikamp +

Ralph Kleikamp +

Ricky Klein +

Susan Klein Sankry +

Klink family

Mr. & Mrs. R. Klupfel +

Dorothy Knopp +

Charles Knopp +

Kolni family +

Mr. & Mrs. William Koperski +

George Thomas Korte +

Matthew Thomas Korte +

Kresta family

James Kuhns +

Regina Kush +

Kuzmierczak family +

Robert Lambert +

Raymond Langlois +

Barbara Langlois +

Lay family

Le family

Paulie Lee

Melissa Lee +

Dulen Lee

Dulen Lee, Sr. +

Bertha Lee, Sr. +

Yolanda C. Liles

Victor Linan +

Jose Victor Lozano +

Jim MacDonald +

Marnie MacDonald +

Mackowski family

Rose Mary Maddela +

Rayappa Maddela +

Arun Maddela +

Leo Malak +

Anna Malak +
Ed Malak +
Juan de Dios Maldonado
Santitos Mancias +
Colleen Manion Rhoades +
Anna Maria Marsh +
Cliff Martin +
John Martinelli +
Anna Martinelli +
J. Ricardo Martinez +
Leonard Maurer +
Margaret Maurer +
Jacob Maurer +
Josephine Maurer +
Pat Maynard +
Murray Maynard +
Louisa C. McDonald +
McLaughlin family
Adam Mendez +
Marie Menfi
Yolanda Mercer +
Paul Merriman +
Pat Merriman +
Henry Migl +
Edna Migl
Robert Francis Mijares +
Bob Mikolajczyk +
Lori Minor +
Maria Moad +
Philip Moad
Mr. & Mrs. Cross Moceri +
Mercedes Molina +
John L. Moran +
Bob Morlock +
Pauline Morlock +
Amy Moser +
Motz family
Owen Murphy +
Margaret Murphy +
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Nacik +
George Nacik, Jr. +
Mr. & Mrs. Geo Nacik, Sr. +
Don Nguyen
Anna Nguyen Thi Hanh +
Adela Novosad +
Rudy Novosad +
Bergin O'Connell family +
Harry O'Connor +
Maureen O'Connor +
Very. Rev. Michael J. O'Connor
O'Connor family
John & Virginia Omer +
Gary Omer +
Onyekwum family
Mike & Liz O'Rourke +
Pablo E. Ortega +
Armelinda Ortega +
Maria Luisa Palazuelas +
Rosa Olvia Palazuelas +
Barney Panka +
Mary Panka +
Ray Panka +
Arlene Panka +
Sara Pardo +
Parks family
Mary Pastva +
Stephen Pastva +
Pekkala family
Mr. & Mrs. Tang Eon Pham +
Lora A. Phillips
Theresa Plaskon Macleod +
Mr. & Mrs. John Plaskon, Jr. +
Mr. & Mrs. John Plaskon, Sr. +
Ervin Podzemny
Phyllis Podzemny
David Podzemny
Harry Pollino +
Wilson Pompili +
Mr. & Mrs. John Post +
Emilia Pozoc +
Marlan Pozoc +
Prendergast family
Doan Quoc Khue +
Rafferty family
Anthony Raj +
Alice Rangnow +
Kevin Regner +
Mary Regner +
Joe Regner, Sr. +
Jan Reiss +
Grace Rescia
William Ricks family +
Rinkevich family
MiMi & Poppi Roach +
Robbins family
Mark Roberts +
Frank Rodriguez +
Beatrice Rodriguez +
Pedro Rodriguez +
Joshua Rodriguez +
M. Luz Rodriguez +
Ida Rourke
Fr. Mel Rybarczyk +
Renee Ryna +
Rachael Sanchez +
Thomas Sanderson +
Yoliett Caire Sandoval +
David Sankry +

Mary Ann Savoldi +

Mary L. Savoldi +

Hilda M. Savoldi +

Rose Scanio +

Frank Scanio +

Dorothy Schina +

Herman Schneider +

Ann Schneider +

Gregory Schroeder +

Charlotte Schroeder +

Amalamani Sebastian +

Joseph Sebastian +

Margaret Sebastian +

Gloria Sherrill +

Lucille Shoemaker

Cristina Silva Dixon +

Guadalupe Silva Dixon +

Smedley family +

Patsy Smith +

Smith family

James Snyder, Jr. +

Laura Christina Sorensen +

Nathan Soukup +

Elaine Soukup +

Anthony Spadaro +

Anitinio Spadaro family +

Michael Spain +

Pauline Spain +

Dee Spain +

Robert Spiller +

Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Stephen +

Robert Stephens +

Dixie Stephens +

Joyce Stewart +

Stokes family

Kathleen Marie Sunga +

Concepcion C. Sunga +

Al Swanson +

Mary Swanson Tyler +

Vivian Tabor +

Roland Tabor +

Richard Talleur +

Thelma Tapia +

Nguyen Thi Minh +

Les Thompson family +

Ann & Stew Thorne +

Chris Thorne +

Toeniskoetter family +

Tommy Tong +

Granny Tong +

Dora Torrez +

Maria Travasso +

Joachim Travasso +

Maria Travasso +

Maria Luisa Trucios +

Peggy S. Turner +

Jacob A. Turner +

Elizabeth Valko +

Mr. & Mrs. Geo Valko +

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Valko +

Donna Valko +

Van Den Haak family

Annie Rose Vautour +

Mel Vay +

Lisa Vay +

Tere Vazquez +

Gilbert & Iris Vera +

David Vera +

Gilberto Vera Jr +

Ella Vicknair +

Elmo Vicknair +

Mary Villa +

Gilbert Villa, Jr. +

Louis C. Villarreal +

Reynoldo T. Villarreal +

John Villarreal +

Maria Vu Thuy Linh +

James Walsh +

Frances Walsh +

Joan Walsh +

Maria & Aleksander Wawrzynczak and family

White family

Sally Wiatrek +

Emerick Wiatrek +

Howard Wilbert +

Priscilla Wilbert +

Seth Wilbert +

Casey Wilkes +

Marion Wilkes +

Betty Willey +

Ed Willey +

Angel Zavala +

Guadalupe Zavala +

Damon Zehani +

Irena, Aleksande, Michalski and family

Ricky

Daniel

Jenna

Matthew

Anna

Uncle Jessie +

Aunt Angie +

An Easter blessing from Fr. Michael, Fr. Callan, Fr. David, the deacons and staff:

Through the resurrection of Jesus, God has redeemed us and made us His children. May God Bless you with endless joy.

Our Redeemer has given us lasting freedom. May you inherit everlasting life.

By faith, we rose with Jesus in baptism. May your life be holy, so that you will be united with Jesus forever.

May the Risen Lord fill your heart, your life, your home and all those you love with His peace and joy.

May you know the power of being an Easter People with Alleluia as your song.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord!

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

The Rosary Group is now meeting on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Room located in the Parish Activity Center (PAC). The doors will be open from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m. If you have any questions or concerns call Judy at (512) 844-6183.

APR 24

3 p.m.

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Church

In celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday, everyone is welcome to spend time with the Lord, present in the Eucharist. We will expose the Blessed Sacrament, sing the chaplet of Divine Mercy, have Benediction and then finish with about 10 minutes of silent Adoration.

The Feast of Divine Mercy was granted to the Universal Church by Pope Saint John Paul II on April 30th, 2000 on the occasion of the canonization of St. Faustina, the nun to whom Jesus revealed the message of Divine Mercy. The readings for the Second Sunday of Easter include the instituion of the Sacrament of Penance making it the perfect place within the liturgical year to celebrate the Divine Mercy. You can learn more about this feast at **bit.ly/EWTNdm**

Finance & Stewardship

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Alive in Christ! That's what we are. Among the many readings of Easter, St. Paul reflects on this "newness of life" in his letter to the Romans. The Christian life is a resurrected life. It is new life, one of truth, inner joy and genuine fulfillment. God has transformed our lives for all eternity, and that transformation is what it means to be a Christian. **Do you know the resurrected life? Have you genuinely experienced it?** Good stewards have and in their commitment to the Lord, they know what it means to be alive in Christ. It is time to rejoice. He is risen! Alleluia!

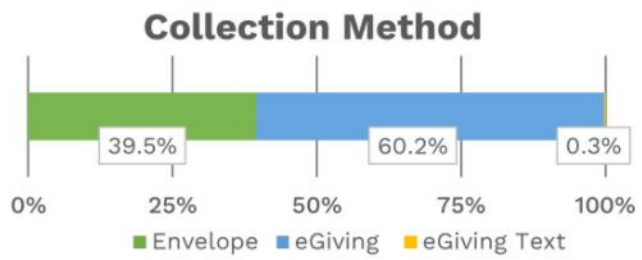
CONTRIBUTIONS

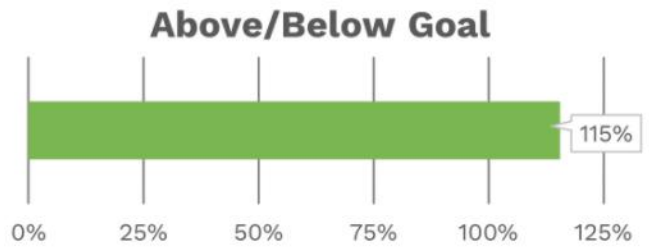
Week Ending		April 10th
Envelope Collection:	$	21,928.61
eGiving Collection:	$	33,460.60
eGiving Text Collection:	$	150.00
Total Weekly Collections Actual:	**$**	**55,539.21**
Total Weekly Collections Goal:	$	48,100.00
Above/(Below) Weekly Goal:	$	7,439.21

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

Children's Stewardship Box Collection: $29
The collection box is located in the narthex of the church.

"Yes, Christ is truly risen, and we are witnesses of this. We proclaim this witness to the world, so that the joy which is ours will reach countless other hearts, kindling in them the light of the hope which does not disappoint." - ST. JOHN PAUL II -

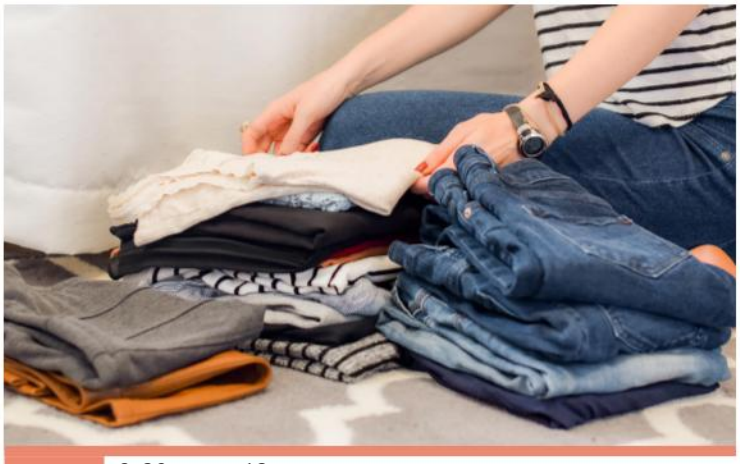




Parish News

HOLY WEEK OFFICE CLOSURE

The Parish Offices will be closed April 18th (Easter Monday). **We will re-open at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 19th.**



APR 22

9:30 a.m. - 12 noon

CLOTHING SWAP & GUEST SPEAKER

Brennan Auditorium

Mothers of young children, join us for a morning of fellowship and brunch. Heather Creekmore will be speaking on "Compare to Who? Burden of Better" and we will host our annual clothing swap (bring donations of baby, kids, maternity ware and/or take what you need). Childcare provided for ages six months and up. Please RSVP at stmaustin.org/moyc or contact Kathryne Stockinger at kstock729@gmail.com for more information. Childcare is available for ages six-months and up (please RSVP).

APR 28

7-9:30 p.m.

MADE FOR MORE

St. Theresa Parish, Austin

Made for More is an inspired blend of teaching, live music and art that taps the deepest desires of the human heart revealing their ultimate purpose and goal. Want to be inspired by beauty and the wisdom of the Church? Join Christopher West and Mike Mangione as they offer a unique presentation of the Gospel through the lens of St. John Paul II's *Theology of the Body*. Tickets are on sale now and are limited! Grab your tickets today in the parish office or online at austintx.eventbrite.com. Tickets are $25.

You can watch a trailer for this event at vimeo.com/251850893. Contact Denise Abele at (512) 258-1161 x223 or dabele@stmaustin.org if you would like more information.

Crawfish Boil
April 30th
5-7:30 p.m.

Spring Fest

Spring Fest
May 1st
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Spread the word and come enjoy a day of food, fun, music and games, along with family and friends!!

Monetary donations to help defray the costs of the festival can be made at bit.ly/stmSF22 and are greatly appreciated! Contact Debra Lohrstorfer at (512) 258-1161 x214 or debra@stmaustin.org for further information. Thank you for your support!

Midway Preview

Here are just a few of the games you will be able to find at the midway: Lollipop Garden, Toilet Paper Toss, a mini-carousel for the young ones and a trackless train for everyone! There will be many more for ALL AGES!!

Donations Needed

- **Wine Wheel:** unopened bottles of wine
- **Concessions:** 12 oz. cans of Coca-Cola, Diet Coke, Sprite, Dr. Pepper & Diet Dr. Pepper and 20 oz. bottles of Gatorade

We need gift cards & certificates in all denominations to give as prizes for 40 games of Bingo.

The gift cards/certificates can be put into the Spring Fest collection box in the narthex of the church or brought to the Pastoral Offices building. The wine and drinks can be brought to the bins in and outside of the church or to the Pastoral Offices building during the week. Questions? Contact Debra at debra@stmaustin.org.

Please help make our Silent Auction successful!

Check your closets, under beds, your gift box, toy box, etc. for items you don't need or use. We'd love to have the chance to turn these items into wonderful themed baskets such as sports, college, toys, teen, baby, household, religious, beach, cooking, etc. We will also accept larger items that do not need to be in a basket. The more variety the better!

We also welcome any person, family or ministry who would like to donate a basket or cooler already assembled. Please list the items and value of the basket as well as who donated it.

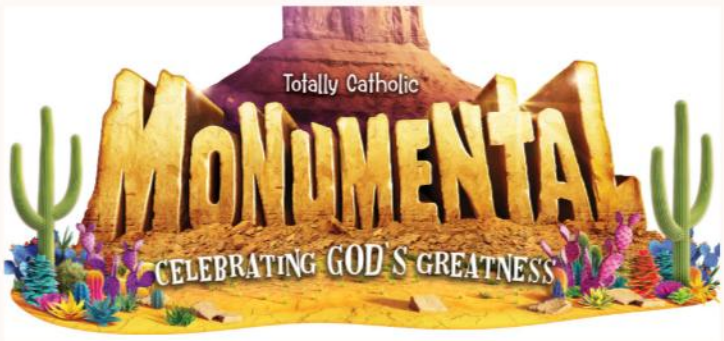
Please gather your items NOW, don't wait until the last minute! They can be brought to church this weekend! During the week, you can bring them to the Pastoral Offices building or the back of church.

The donation deadline is after the 5 p.m. Mass on April 24th. We must have several days before Spring Fest to prepare the items for auction. Anything received after the deadline will be saved for next year. Thank you for your help! For more information, contact Patty Laurent at (512) 335-0352.

Calling All Green Thumbs

It's time to start cultivating plants and cuttings for the Plant Booth! We are seeking donations of a variety of plants, succulents as well as gardening related items such as potting soil, planters, hanging baskets, gardening tools, etc. Contact Cathy Reyes for further details at cathyreyes44@aol.com or (512) 949-8314.

Faith Formation



DON'T WAIT TO REGISTER FOR VBS

Vacation Bible School (VBS) registration is NOW OPEN for children four-years old through incoming-7th graders. We need LOTS of volunteers! Volunteers can be incoming-8th graders through adults. You can find more information about registering and volunteering at stmaustin.org/vbs.

Adult Faith Formation

FORMED PICKS OF THE WEEK

Watch

Ocean of Mercy

At the dawn of the twentieth century, three voices rose up from Poland to proclaim an urgent message, a message powerful enough to alter the course of an age plunging into spiritual darkness. This true story examines and chronicles the phenomenal lives and spiritual legacy of St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and Pope St. John Paul II, modern day "Apostles of Mercy."

Watch this week's pick of the week here: bit.ly/F220417wa.

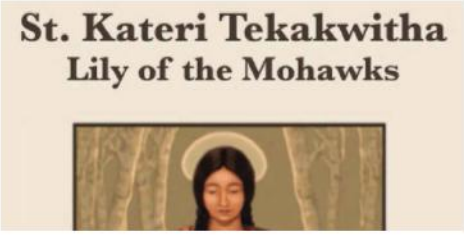
Learn

Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley: In the Second Greatest Story Ever Told

Learn the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

Learn more about our faith with this week's pick of the week here: bit.ly/F220417le.

Listen



Truth to Inspire: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Lily of the Mohawks

Young Kateri suffered misunderstanding and ridicule due to her counter-cultural choices as a Mohawk to remain an unwed virgin for the love of Jesus Christ. Experience our first Native American saint's struggles to follow Our Lord within her tribe and through the teachings of some early Jesuit Missionaries.

Listen to learn more about our faith with this week's pick of the week here: bit.ly/F220417li.

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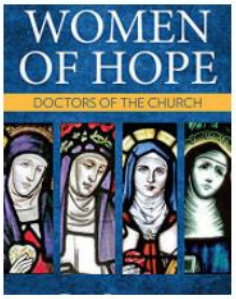


APR 25

7-8:30 p.m.

READ, REFLECT, REJOICE!

Library

Join us for a discussion on *Women of Hope: Doctors of the Church* by Terry Polakovic. Throughout the history of the Catholic Church, God has raised up great saints as beacons of hope in the midst of darkness. Among these great saints, the four women Doctors of the Church stand out as models of courage, wisdom and trust. Their example and teachings are relevant to the challenges of our own day. Meet St. Teresa of Avila, St. Catherine of Siena, St. Therese of Lisieux and St. Hildegard of Bingen. You are welcome even if you haven't read the book! Books are available in the Gift Shop or from your favorite book vendor. Register at stmaustin.org/book-discussions

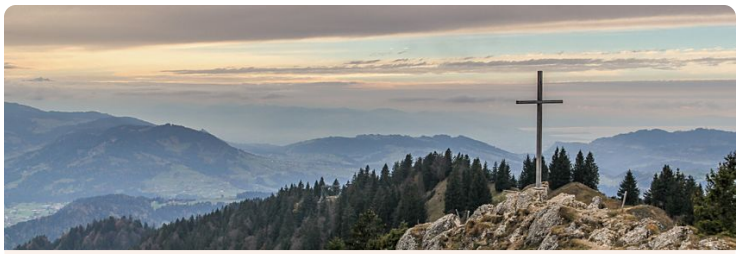
OUR FAMILY GREW THIS EASTER!

Please keep those who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil in your prayers! We thank God for revealing his love for them as they persevered through their formation. We ask him to sustain them as they set out on this journey to live the life of discipleship.

Tobin Beal
Michele Bellovin
Amy Boucher
Mark Caldwell
Rosalie Drabbant
Sophia Drabbant
Kelsey Elliott
David Elving
James Solis
Joshua Solis
Noah Villarreal
Jessica West
Alex Whisman
Bennett Whisman
Jonah Whisman

We would also like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) team for accomanying these men and women on their journey. If you're wondering about the process of becoming Catholic, please contact Dawn at (512) 258-1944 x235.

Social Outreach



CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Alleluia! Alleluia! With the resurrection of Christ, all is made new again. **Can we give witness to the life of Christ living in us by being signs of new life and hope to those still caught in the darkness of poverty, hopelessness and despair?**

HAPPY EASTER!

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda and commit to sharing our Easter joy with those in our local community and around the world. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl in the basket on the narthex table anytime over the next week or donate online at crsricebowl.org/give.

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2022 CATHOLIC BUILD

This Spring, Austin Habitat for Humanity is providing an opportunity for you to put your faith into action! Join Catholics from all around Austin as we build the 26th Catholic Build dream home for another hard-working, deserving family in our community. Bishop McCarthy started this themed-build back in 1999, and we need you to help us continue his legacy of partnering with Habitat in providing a hand up, not a hand out for a family in need. This build takes place every Saturday at 6512 Farrell Glen Dr., Austin, TX 78724. Volunteer, build, pray or contribute financially to the 2022 Catholic Build today! To learn more on how to get involved please visit: stmaustin.org/habitat-for-humanity.

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HopeAustin: picking up individual cups of mac and cheese or cans of pasta (i.e. ravioli, spaghetti & meatballs, beefaroni, etc.).

CCRGV: visiting their Amazon Wish List at amzn.to/3h3OvFH to purchase needed items. If you do not wish to use Amazon, you can purchase the requested items and drop them off at STM.

This donation drive goes through Easter. You can leave all items in the barrels outside the church. For more info, please contact Jennifer Bibbo at jbibbo@stmaustin.org or (512) 258-1161 x256.

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The Gabriel Project Ministry aims to bear witness to the value and dignity of every human life by providing emotional, material, educational and spiritual support for pregnant women and families in need. The ministry seeks to plant the seed of God's love within the hearts of those facing an unplanned or difficult pregnancy who may feel overwhelmed, lost, alone or afraid - whether rich or poor, single or married, young or old. For more information on the Gabriel Project call 1-877-WeCare2 (1-877-932-2732).

APR 23

6:30 p.m.

VIABLE DINNER THEATRE

Holy Cross Parish, Austin, Family Center

The Embrace Life Initiative will present this captivating one-act play depicting a journey through raw emotion, revelation, faith, family and falsehoods. Gisele Gathings plays the character "Judy" as she grapples with post-abortion anger and self-condemnation and discovers a future of forgiveness, healing and love in an unusual and unexpected way. Call (512) 262-9937 or visit friendsofembrace.org for more information.

APR 23

7 to 9:30 p.m.

EASTER CONCERT

Sacred Heart Parish, Austin

Do you enjoy praising God or listening to worship music? If so, you do not want to miss this concert where young adults are invited to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus.

Let's celebrate Easter with friends, praise and fellowship. For details visit facebook.com/pjhaustin or call (512) 949-2466.

APR 28

6:30 p.m.

CANCER SHARE

Emmaus Parish, Lakeway, Pastoral Center Arch A/B Room

Cancer Share is a ministry focused on the healing process centered on faith, hope and trust. It emphasizes God's healing power along the cancer journey. The ministry's desire is to support cancer patients during the difficult time from diagnosis through treatments. For more information, please contact Lee Malkowski at ljm8459@gmail.com.

APR 29

through May 1st

REST IN ME!

Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center, Belton

This retreat is a weekend of rest and renewal for moms and female caregivers of children with physical, mental or intellectual disabilities and/or chronic medical issues. The weekend will be led by Judy Hoelscher who is a spiritual director and retired hospital chaplain. Register at austindiocese.org/cedarbrake or call (254) 780-2436.

MAY 7

FAMILY AND FAITH SCOUTING RETREAT

Eagle's Wings Retreat Center, Burnet

The Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting invites you to attend its second annual retreat. Join them for a day of nature, activities and learning how scouting is rooted in our Catholic faith. The cost is $50 per family or $15 for individuals (must be accompanied by a troop leader). This event is open to all Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls, Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA and Troops of St. George Scouters, or anyone wanting to learn more about scouting. The registration deadline is April 27th, sign up at austindiocese.org/scoutingevents today.

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ETHICS & INTEGRITY IN MINISTRY (EIM)

Keeping current with EIM training is required for all who serve in ministry at STM. We are a no tolerance parish.

What is Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM)? EIM is a diocesan training and screening process focused on helping our community prevent and respond to abuse. It includes required workshops and background checks for all who work or volunteer in ministry as well as policies for reporting abuse.

Why is EIM required for all who serve in ministry at St. Thomas More? We have a shared commitment to ensuring our parish is a safe place for everyone, especially children and vulnerable adults. The more people who are aware of abuse warning signs, the more effective we can be in keeping our communities safe (parish, neighborhood, family, schools). With this in mind, our parish community is committed to following the Diocese of Austin's Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) policies.

Follow these three steps to stay current with EIM:

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If you are a new applicant who has submitted an EIM application and need to attend an in-person EIM workshop, please contact our EIM site administrator for workshop information: Danielle White at dwhite@stmaustin.org or (512) 258-1161.

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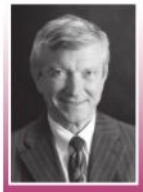

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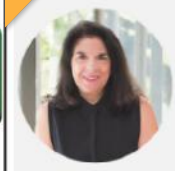

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