

JANUARY 21, 2018 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Call the Church office

BAPTISM

Follow Weekend Masses

Baptismal Classes

English - First Saturday 9a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Spanish - Second Saturday 9a.m.—12:00 p.m.

MATRIMONY

Contact Priest 6 months prior to the wedding date

CONFESSION

Thursday

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (with Adoration until 6:30 p.m.)

Saturday

4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. (*Also by appointment*)

HELP WITH ANNULMENTS

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REICHER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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HOLY EUCHARIST MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday - Friday 12:05 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses

9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass at 1:30 p.m.

Nursery is available during the 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Masses ******

ST. LOUIS CHURCH

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am. - 12:30 pm. & 1:30 - 5:00 pm. *Friday office closes at 4:00 pm.

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Liturgical Music

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 p.m. Vigil & Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.
Processional
"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"
PsalmMissalette p. 106 #25
"Teach Me Your Ways, O Lord"
Offertory Gather #686
"Here I Am, Lord"
Communion
"Bread for the World"
RecessionalGather #551
"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Mass Intentions

Sat. Jan. 20	5:00 p.m.	Mildred Larson
Sun. Jan. 21	9:30 a.m.	Katie & Albert Filer
	11:30 a.m.	Elizabeth Gersch (L)
Spanish	1:30 p.m.	The Parish: Living & Deceased
_	5:00 p.m.	Edith Ann McDade
Mon. Jan. 22	8:00 a.m.	Joe Stanislav
Tues. Jan. 23	8:00 a.m.	Luke Mitchell (L)
Wed. Jan. 24	8:00 a.m.	Melba C. Briggs
	12:05 p.m.	The Eckel Family
Thurs. Jan. 25	8:00 a.m.	Charles Bollingall
	12:05 p.m.	Lucille Foley
Fri. Jan. 26	8:00 a.m.	Ryan Perez (L)
	12:05 p.m.	Allen Schornack
Sat. Jan. 28	5:00 p.m.	Norman Wallace
Sun. Jan. 29	9:30 a.m.	Joseph Cu Nguyen
2	11:30 a.m.	Virginia P. Ramierz & son Michael
Spanish	1:30 p.m.	The Parish: Living & Deceased
~ F	5:00 p.m.	Adriana & Andrew Gutierrez (L)

Readings for the week

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31 **Monday:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/Mk 3:22-30 **Tuesday:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Mk 3:31-35 **Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/Mk 4:1-20 **Thursday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15] **Friday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3] **Saturday:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12a]

Notes of Special Interest

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND - this weekend (January 20th & 21st) we will hold a second collection for the Church Building Fund. We want to be prepared for special project of needs and wants. Your support makes all our project possible, Thank you!

2018 COLLECTION ENVELOPE DISTRIBUTION you will now need to contact the church office. PLEASE, RIGHT YOUR FULL NAME ON YOUR ENVELOPE EACH SUNDAY. It helps us AND you in so many ways, thank you.

YEAR END CONTRIBUTION LETTERS FOR 2017 will be mailed out automatically for contributions of \$250.00 or more by the end of January. Letters for amounts lower than \$250.00 will need to be requested.

Parish Events and Meetings

YOUNG CHILDREN'S PROGRAM "The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd", is a Montessori-based Catholic education program for children ages 3-6. Sessions are Sundays 9:15-10:30am OR Sundays 4:45-6pm, in the bible school room in the basement, running through May (excluding holidays), cost is \$25. Financial assistance is available. CGS invites children to liturgical and scriptural presentations and hands-on work with beautiful handmade materials such as the parable of the Good Shepherd, the mustard seed, learning the liturgical colors of the church and much more. Contact Melisa Baker, at CGSWaco@gmail.com or 817-939-2187 for registration or more information.

THAT MAN IS YOU - Men join us on **Friday mornings** for breakfast, video and fellowship at 6 am in Grace Hall. For more Info contact Tony Moore 715-8589 or Bernard Ott 715-3451.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY Began New Study January 17th: Want to start 2018 off with a spiritual bang? The Adult Bible study will begin a new 11 week study of the Book of James, Wednesday, January17th in Grace Hall. We will meet from 5:30-7:15pm and will follow the CCE calendar through May 2nd. There will be no class on Ash Wednesday, Spring Break or Easter Week. The cost of the accompanying Jeff Cavin study guide is \$20 (optional but highly recommended). The first meeting on the 17th will include registration and an hour long introductory video. Jeff Cavin describes the Book of James as the Wisdom book of the New Testament. Please join us. For more information contact Diane Schlecte at <a href="describes-desc

Youth Ministry

SLY (**St Louis Youth Group**) -Food Ministry Volunteers needed - volunteers are needed to help provide meals for our teens on Sunday evenings at 6pm. If you can help please let Tracy know which date you can help with. We appreciate your help and generosity! God bless! Feb 18, Feb 25, Mar 25, Apr 15, Apr 22 and Apr 29. For information contact Tracy at atlouisyouthwaco@gmail.com or 254-754-1221.

TEXAS PRO-LIFE DAY- SLY will head to Austin on **Saturday, January 27th** for the Texas Pro-Life March. We will depart the Church parking lot at 9:15am and return about 7:00pm. To join us complete a registration form and turn it into the Church office by January 22nd. Bring money for lunch and dinner. Forms can be found at www.slywaco.org. For information or question contact Tracy at 254-754-1221 or at <a href="story of the story of the st

FATHER/DAUGHTER DATE - SLY (St Louis Youth Group) will host their annual Father/Daughter Date Night on **Saturday**, **February 10th** from 6pm to 8pm at the SLAC. Tickets are \$20 for 2 and \$10 for an additional guest. Tickets can be purchased at the Church office, after Mass or at St Louis School.

Community News

REICHER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL is taking applications for a part-time (30 hours per week) business manager. To apply or inquire you may contact Marilyn Michalka at mmichalka@reicher.org. A full job description is on the website at www.reicher.org/employment.

The **Young Adult Bible Study & Lunch** will resume **this January. 21** after the 11:30 am mass in the JACK. For more information please contact Vincent or Amy Lopez at 254-709-4343 or by email at mygems90s@yahoo,com.

The **Young Adult Bible Study Group** meets weekly for lunch after the 11:30 am mass in the JACK. For more information please contact Vincent or Amy Lopez at 254-709-4343 or by email at mygems90s@yahoo,com.

The **Young Adult Bible Study Group** will begin a 6 week Lenten study on **February, 18** after the 11:30 am mass in the JACK. Lunch will be served. For more information please contact Vincent or Amy Lopez at 254-709-4343 or by email at mygems90s@yahoo,com

THE WACO-AREA "ROE WEEK" event will be Interstate 35 Pedestrian Overpass Outreach on Monday, January 22, 10 a.m. to noon. 45 years ago on this day, the Supreme Court made abortion legal throughout America. This annual event sends positive pro-life messages to thousands of travelers from Waco and far beyond. Children are welcome for this upbeat outreach. The overpass location is 8th Street at Interstate 35, near Baylor. Park on South 8th street near Panera Bread. Contact John Pisciotta (644-0407 or prolifewaco@gmail.com) for questions.

DAY RETREAT AT ST. JEROME'S - A Spiritual Journey retreat will be held at St. Jerome's in Waco on **Wednesday, January 31** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This Journey is a process of being transformed by the Spirit of God into the image of Christ for others. Franciscan priest, Father Albert Haase, an extremely popular author and retreat director, will facilitate this day. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. To register call Cedarbrake @ (254) 780-2436 or go online: www.austindiocese/cedarbrake-calendar

MEN OF ST. LOUIS PARISH prayerfully consider attending the 6th Annual Catholic Men's Conference at Saint William Catholic Church in Round Rock **Saturday, February 17**. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. Conference is 8:30am - 4 pm. The mission of Central Texas Fellowship of Catholic Men is to encourage and embolden men to deepen their relationship with Christ, family, Church and community by living their Catholic Faith in everyday life. Theme this year "**No Man Left Behind**". Tickets are on sale now. See a member of the Knights or stop by the church office during regular office hours. Tickets are \$27.00.

DEFENDING THE FAITH CONFERENCE: All adults are invited to join Fr. John this Summer in attending the *Defending the* faith Conference at Franciscan University, July $27^{th} - 29^{th}$ 2018. There will many speakers like Dr. Scott Hahn and Patrick

Madrid. It will be a great weekend. If you are interested please contact Fr. John at 254-754-1221 or visit the website at https://steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/dfc/

Quick Questions

Did the apostles practice confession?

There is no *direct* evidence that they did. However, we can reasonably infer that they did.

First, we can assume that they would have administered the sacrament of confession given the fact that Christ gave them the authority to forgive and retain sin (John 20:23). It would not make sense for them to receive this command from Christ and never carry it out.

For example, Jesus gives the apostles the command to baptize "In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" (Matt. 28:19). But nowhere in the Bible does it say that the apostles actually baptized with that formula. Are we to conclude that they didn't do so? Why would Matthew record such a command if it was a command that was never carried out?

Similarly, the issuance of the command to forgive and retain sin gives reason to infer that the apostles would have administered the sacrament of confession.

Second, there is direct evidence that at least the "presbyters" of the early Church administered the sacrament of confession:

Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders (Gk. *Presbuteros*) of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven" (James 5:14-15).

The apostolic office, the *episkope* (Acts 1:20), is the fullness of the presbyterate office. If the presbyters of the first-century Church anointed the sick with oil and forgave sins, it's reasonable to conclude that the apostles would have done so as well.

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THE ST. LOUIS PASTORAL COUNCIL meets monthly as an advisory group to our pastor. For questions or concerns please contact one of the members of the council: Holly Collins, Chairman email: Holly Collins@Baylor.edu and members, Noe Ochoa, Marilyn Abel, Vince Clark, Sharon McCarthy, Susanne Nemmer, Mark Veselka, Maritza Perez and Mike Fulbright.

Collection Report

Weekly Average needed for School & Church......\$21,850.00
Offering Last weekend......\$23,554.95

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