

St. Margaret of Cortona Parish



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Mission Statement

<p>We, the people of God, are called by the Sacrament of Baptism, to proclaim the Good News, to minister to others and to be united as a family.</p> <p>We are committed to proclaim the Good news of Jesus Christ to all, that we attain the Kingdom of God.</p>	<p>Nosotros, la gente de Dios, somos llamados con el Sacramento del Bautismo, proclamar la Buena Nueva, servir a otros y ser unidos como una familia.</p> <p>Somos sometidos a proclamar la palabra a todos de Cristo Jesus para que todos podamos obtener el Reino de Dios.</p>
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PARISH STAFF

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Parish Office Hours
Tuesday thru Thursday
9:00 am. to 12:00 pm.
Office 325-884-3221

St. Margaret, Big Lake
Saturday: Confession 5 p.m.
Vigil Mass 6:00 PM (English)
Sunday: 12:30 PM (Spanish)
Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday- Friday: 8:30 a.m.

St. Thomas Rankin
Sunday 10:30 AM
Confessions before mass

St. Francis Iraan
Sunday 9:00 AM
Confessions Before mass

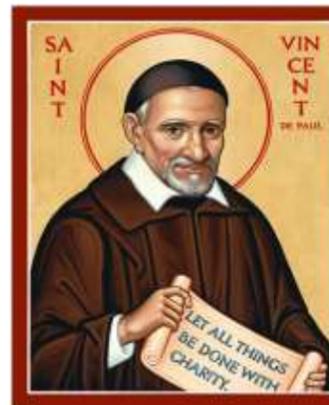
Community Outreach
Care Center Ministry in Big Lake 3rd Thursday of the month 10:15

MINISTRY CONTACTS

BIG LAKE
Council Chair: Jose Rodriguez
Finance Council Chair: Amanda Esquivel
Altar Servers: Noel Quiñones
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Homebound Communion: Please contact Fr. Bala
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Lectors: Brenda Schneeman
CCD Coordinator: Sarah Rodriguez
Business Office: Julie Flores
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Hall Contact: Aurelia Hernandez
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Debbie Ramirez: Gloria Sifuentes

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth!!!



INTRODUCING

The Society of St Vincent de Paul

Open 9:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays

OUR MISSION
To live the gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice, hope, and joy and by working to shape a more just and compassionate society

OUR VALUES Generosity Compassion Empathy
Advocacy Commitment



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IN MEMORY OF ALL OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES.

Let perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in Peace

Welcome Guests and Visitors: We're so glad that you're here and invite you to join us in thanksgiving for God's action in our lives. Our goal is to provide a spiritual home where all are welcome, where the healing, reconciling, liberating love of God flows through us to all people. In this way, we believe that the Church is the sacrament of God's saving presence in the world.

REGISTRATION UPDATES

St. Margaret of Cortona, St. Francis of Assisi and St. Thomas the Apostle

Each parish will have a list of all registered parishioners along with their addresses. If you have moved or have a different address please let us know. We pray for all our parishioners each Sunday and we want all of us to be included. Cada Parroquia tiene su lista de familias junto con su direccion. Si has cambiado sitio favor de darnos de saber. Cada Domingo resamos por nuestros parroquianos y queremos que todos sean incluidos.

There are 2 lists: those who have donation envelopes assigned and those in our parish roles. Please check both for us to have correct enrollment. **Tenemos 2 listas: 1. los que tienen sobres de ofrenda. 2. los que estan en lista en nuestra parroquia.**

IF YOUR NAME IS NOT ON THE LIST PLEASE INCLUDE IT.

Si tu nombre no esta en la lista, favor de incluirlo.

If you would like a box of donation envelopes for the year please let us know so we can order more for the coming year.

WHY IS YOUR DONATION IMPORTANT???

Why Church Envelopes Matter: Supporting Your Church's Financial Health

Oct 18, 2024 | [Envelopes, Operational Support](#)

In an increasingly digital world, the humble church envelope might seem like an outdated concept. However, these simple paper tools are crucial in helping churches collect funds and thrive financially. Let's explore why church envelopes, are a component of a comprehensive mailing program, and remain relevant and important for congregations of all sizes.

1. Encouraging Regular Giving

Church envelopes provide a tangible reminder for members to give regularly. When congregants receive a set of dated envelopes, it prompts them to consider their contributions on a weekly or monthly basis. This regularity helps create a habit of giving, ensuring a more stable income for the church.

2. Simplifying Record-Keeping

Most church envelopes come with identifying information, such as a member number or name. This feature greatly simplifies the process of tracking individual contributions, making it easier for churches to provide year-end giving statements for tax purposes. Accurate records also help church leadership make informed financial decisions.

3. Offering Anonymity

For those who prefer to keep their giving private, church envelopes provide a discreet way to make contributions. This anonymity can be important for members who wish to give without drawing attention to themselves or the amount they're donating.

4. Facilitating Different Types of Giving

Church envelopes often have designated areas for different funds or causes, such as general offerings, building funds, or mission support. This allows members to easily direct their contributions to specific areas that align with their passions or the church's current needs.

5. Bridging the Digital Divide

While online giving has become increasingly popular, not all church members are comfortable with or have access to digital payment methods. Church envelopes ensure that everyone, regardless of their technological proficiency, can participate in supporting the congregation financially.

6. Creating a Sense of Belonging

Receiving a set of personalized church envelopes can reinforce a member's sense of belonging to the congregation. It's a small but meaningful way of saying, "You're an important part of our church family."

7. Teachable Moments for Families

For families with children, church envelopes can be a valuable tool for teaching about generosity, stewardship, and the importance of supporting one's community. Parents can use the envelopes to involve their children in the giving process from an early age.

Conclusion

While churches should certainly embrace modern giving methods like online donations and mobile apps, a comprehensive mailing program with the church envelope continues to serve an important purpose. By providing a tangible, familiar, and inclusive way for all members to contribute, church envelopes play a vital role in maintaining the financial health of congregations. They remind us that sometimes, the simplest tools can have a profound impact on our ability to support and sustain our faith communities.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025

Celebrating The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

We will be closing the National Eucharistic Revival. 2022-2025

Adoration with Eucharistic Procession with blessing of all parishioners.

What Is a Eucharistic Procession?

A Eucharistic procession is a public act of worship in which the Blessed Sacrament is carried in a monstrance, and incensed, through the streets of a local parish or city. The faithful follow, singing hymns and praying other prayers.

Additionally, this tradition symbolizes the Church's mission to carry Christ to the world (Matt. 28:18-20). It also publicly professes the Catholic belief in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist—safeguarding the teaching of Jesus himself (John 6:53-58; Matt. 26:26-28). Eucharistic processions often occur on Corpus Christi, taking place immediately after the final blessing and dismissal of Mass.

Carlo Acutis and Eucharistic Miracles

Blessed Carlo Acutis, who will be the first millennial canonized, had a profound devotion to the Eucharist. As Carlo often said, "The Eucharist is the highway to heaven." As a teenager, Carlo created an of Eucharistic miracles to help others believe in the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Moreover, Carlo believed that discovering the wonders of these miracles could reignite faith in those who doubt the Real Presence, especially in an age of skepticism and spiritual distraction. Carlo's canonization date is set for September 7, 2025.

The Feast of Corpus Christi celebrates the very truth that moved Carlo's heart: that Jesus Christ is truly present body, blood, soul, and divinity in the Eucharist. Additionally, many parishes now feature Carlo Acutis's Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit during Corpus Christi celebrations. Furthermore, new generations are drawn into deeper love and reverence for our Eucharistic Lord as they encounter him in the Blessed Sacrament.

Is Corpus Christi a Holy Day of Obligation?

In some countries, yes, the Thursday following Trinity Sunday is a holy day of obligation. In the United States, however, Corpus Christi proper is not a holy day of obligation. Nevertheless, the faithful in America are welcome to join with others around the world in commemorating the feast in familial ways on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday.

However, the faithful in America have an obligation to participate in Mass, because the United States transferred the solemnity of Corpus Christi to the ensuing Sunday. Since Sundays are already holy days of obligation for Catholics, this ensures the celebration of the feast with full participation of the faithful. Therefore, the celebration of Corpus Christi Feast Day remains through liturgical observance.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION UPDATES

Lists will be placed at the back of the church so that you may correct any information that may be needed. Please help us update these records.

Look for the registration table!!! NEXT SUNDAY!!!