



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

Sunday, January 7, 2024

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Welcome, Bienvenido!

Parish Pastor:
Rev. Nicholas Gerber

Deacon Mark Seidlitz,
Deacon Rene Perez
Deacon Baltazar Montoya

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday 5:30pm
Wednesday 5:30pm
Thursday 5:30pm
Friday 9:00am

Weekend Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm English
Sunday: 9:00am English & 11:00am & 1:00pm Espanol

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9am-1pm & 2pm-5pm,
Friday 9am -12pm

Adoration: Friday 9:30am-4:00pm

Holy Hour: Thursday 6:00pm & Friday 7:00pm

Confession: Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm, Or by appointment

For questions or emergencies please call or text Fr. Nick at 806-367-2395. Please indicate if this is an emergency.

Para preguntas o emergencias por favor llame o envíe un mensaje de texto al P. Nick al 806-367-2395. Por favor indique si se trata de una emergencia.

If you have any inquiries about baptisms, please contact the office. All other sacramental questions please contact Fr. Nick in the office or on his cell phone 806-367-2395

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de los bautismos, por favor póngase en contacto con la oficina. Todas las demás preguntas sacramental por favor póngase en contacto con el P. Nick en la oficina o en su teléfono celular 806-367-2395

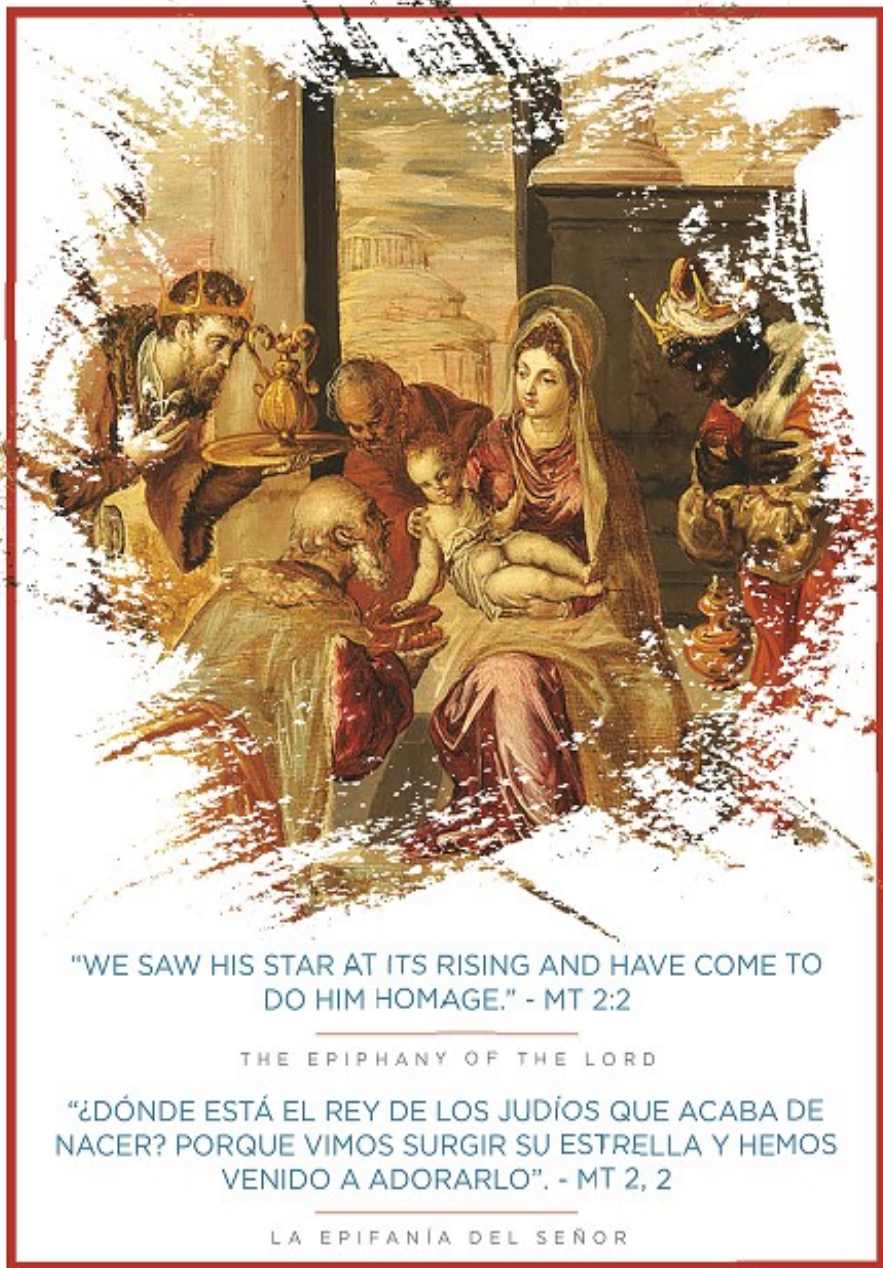
Parish Registration

If you have moved recently or changed phone numbers, please call the office to update this information. We would like to keep our records of all our families as up to date as possible.

Si se ha movido recientemente o ha cambiado de número de teléfono, llame a la oficina para actualizar esta información. Nos gustaría mantener los registros de todas nuestras familias lo más actualizados posible.

Please remember Blessed Sacrament Church in your Wills, Memorials, Living Trust and other planned gifts. Thank you.

Recuerde a la Iglesia del Santísimo Sacramento en sus testamentos, memoriales, testamentos seguros de vida y otras donaciones planificadas. Gracias



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Readings for the week of January 7, 2024

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
 Monday: Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
 Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
 Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17
 Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/
 Jn 1:35-42

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Wedding Feast & Epiphany

Question: How are the feasts of the baptism of Jesus and the account of the wedding feast of Cana related to the Epiphany celebration?

Answer: The Epiphany season focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestation points in which Jesus is made publicly known. From its very beginning, the Christian community highlighted three events in the life of Jesus. These are the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast at Cana. The Epiphany discloses Jesus to the world of the Gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism reveal his identity and mission, along with exposing him to those to whom he was sent to minister. The miracle of turning water to wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's Gospel, is the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his powers.

Today in the Roman Church, these are usually celebrated on three successive Sundays: Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the next Sunday, and the wedding feast of Cana, which is proclaimed on the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time in lectionary year C. These feasts connect around the concept of epiphany, public manifestation of Jesus to the world. They help us get to know more intimately who Jesus is and what he is about. Spend some time delving more deeply into your understanding of who Jesus is. Continue to cultivate these "epiphany" moments in your life. ©LPi

¿POR QUÉ HACEMOS ESO? - VIDA CATÓLICA EXPLICADA

La Boda de Caná y la Epifanía

Pregunta: ¿Qué es la relación entre el bautismo del señor y el relato de las bodas de Cana, y la celebración de la Epifanía?

Respuesta: El tiempo de la Epifanía centra en la revelación de Jesús al mundo. Tras la celebración de Navidad, el año litúrgico establece una serie de momentos de manifestación en que Jesús se da a conocer públicamente. Desde el principio la comunidad cristiana ha dado énfasis los tres eventos en la vida de Jesús. Esos son la Epifanía, el bautismo del Señor, y las bodas de Cana. La Epifanía revela a Jesús al mundo de los gentiles, representados por los Magos de Oriente. Los relatos del bautismo de Jesús revelan su identidad y misión, y le expone a los que requieren el ministerio de Jesús. El milagro de convertir el agua al vino durante la boda de Cana, único en el Evangelio de Juan, es el primer acto público que Jesús realiza, y así, manifestando su identidad pública y poder.

Hoy en la Iglesia Romana, estos se celebran en tres domingos sucesivos: La Epifanía, el Bautismo del Señor que suele ser el domingo siguiente, y la fiesta de bodas de Caná, que se proclama el segundo domingo del tiempo ordinario en el año leccionario C. Estas fiestas se conectan por el concepto de epifanía, la manifestación pública de Jesús al mundo. Nos ayudan a conocer más íntimamente quién es Jesús y de qué se trata. Dedique Ud. algún tiempo a profundizar más en su comprensión de quién es Jesús. Continúa cultivando estos momentos de "epifanía" en su vida.

Pray for the Sick, Homebound & those in the Military

We always welcome names of the sick. Also, pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

Siempre damos la bienvenida a los nombres de los enfermos. Además, oremos por nuestros feligreses que se encuentran en hogares de ancianos o que están confinados en sus hogares y no pueden asistir a Misa.

Maurice Novak Oralia Ortega Tony & Isabel Borreliz Liduvina Mata
 Margaret Ulibari Maria Evans Clyde Holeman
 Vernon Smith Mike Montez Kilder Chacon

Mass Intentions: Jan 6- Jan 12

Please request Mass Intentions for loved ones, both living and deceased.

Saturday

5:00pm: People of the parish

Sunday

9:00am:

11:00am:

1:00pm:

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday +Aurora Rosas + Jesús Jiménez

Friday +Victor Hugo Rincon



St. Tarcisius (263-275) was a 12-year-old boy who lived in 3rd-century Rome. Although what is known of him is legend taken from a poem written by Pope Damasus (366-384), he is still considered an important Catholic martyr, remembered for protecting the Eucharist from desecration with his life.

According to legend, Tarcisius served as an acolyte. One of his duties was to aid in visiting the Christians imprisoned for their beliefs in Rome, bringing them the Eucharist.

One day, as Tarcisius was on his way to the prison, carrying the consecrated Host from a secret underground Mass to those in need, he was confronted by a group of boys who demanded to know what he was carrying. Realizing the sacredness of his mission, Tarcisius refused to reveal the contents of his pouch, even in the face of the boy's threats of violence. Subsequently, the boys beat him and stoned him to death, martyring him as he protected the Body of Christ.

St. Tarcisius' sacrifice serves as a powerful reminder of the immense value of the Eucharist and how important it is to serve those who desire to receive Christ. His story also speaks to the incredible value of the church's youth and God's special mission in each of their lives. He is the patron saint of altar servers and first communicants.

In 2010, at the end of a general audience dedicated to altar servers, Pope Benedict XVI blessed a 16-foot statue of Saint Tarcisius in St. Peter Square. The event was attended by some 50,000 altar servers from around the world. St. Tarcisius, pray for us!

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: The word "Beatitude" is derived from the Latin word "beatus" meaning what?

Answer: Blessed or happy.

TRIVIA CATÓLICA – SÓLO POR DIVERSIÓN

Pregunta: La palabra "Bienaventuranza" se deriva de la palabra en latín "beatus", ¿qué significa qué?

Respuesta: Bendito o feliz.

SAVE THE DATE

MASS AND WALK FOR LIFE JANUARY 20, 2024

Mass 10:00am at St. Mary's Cathedral, Walk for Life Penitential prayer and walk 11:30am from St. Marys to Sanborn Park. For more information, contact Family Life office at 806.414.1059, or familylife@dioama.org

GUARDA LA FECHA

MISA Y CAMINATA POR LA VIDA 20 DE ENERO DE 2024

Misa 10:00am en la Catedral St. Mary's, Caminata por la Vida Oración penitencial y caminata 11:30am desde St. Marys hasta Sanborn Park. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con la oficina de Vida Familiar en 806.414.1059, o familylife@dioama.org

Choirs/Coros

Saturday, January 6 : Dcn Mark

Sunday, January 7: 9am– Good Shepherd, 11am– Coro de niños 1pm– Fuego en el Espiritu

Saturday, January 13: Lola Reyes

Sunday, January 14: 9am– Good Shepherd, 11am– Rios de agua viva, 1pm– Shema

General Offering \$

Online E-Giving \$

Building Maintenance \$

*Special Collection \$

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

January 21st Building Maintenance

January 28th The Church in Latin America

Thank you for your generosity!
 Gracias por tu generosidad!

Parish Council Elections

Fr Nick has been praying over restarting a parish council here at Blessed Sacrament. We will begin a nomination period from January 1st–21st. Basic requirements to be a member of this council include:

- 1) Being a baptized, practicing catholic in good standing with the church.
- 2) Being a registered member of this parish

It is expected that there would be (3) three nominees from each mass. Please submit names to Fr. Nick or the parish office during the nomination period.

The election process will be explained in more detail on Feb 3-4 with the election being held the following weekend on Feb 10-11th.

Elecciones del Consejo Parroquial

El Padre Nick ha estado orando sobre el reinicio de un consejo parroquial aquí en el Santísimo Sacramento. Comenzaremos un periodo de nominaciones del 1 al 21 de Enero. Los requisitos básicos para ser miembro de este consejo incluyen:

- 1) Ser bautizado, practicante católico en buen estado con la iglesia
- 2) Ser miembro registrado de esta parroquia

Se espera que haya (3) tres nominados de cada misa. Por favor envíen sus nombres al Padre Nick o a la oficina parroquial durante el periodo de nominación.

El proceso de elección será explicado con más detalle el 3 y 4 de Febrero y la elección se llevará a cabo el siguiente fin de semana del 10 y 11 de Febrero.

Catechism Classes resume for elementary 2nd year students Tuesday, January 9th, For Edge classes resume Wednesday, January 10th, and for Life Teen Sunday, January 14.

Las clases de catecismo se reanudan para los estudiantes de segundo año de primaria el martes 9 de enero, las clases de For Edge se reanudan el miércoles 10 de enero, y para Life Teen el domingo 14 de enero.

Reminders for the Sacrament of Marriage

Please note that no wedding will be officiated unless all requirements are met.

- ◆ Couples must contact the office **at least** 6 months in advance to schedule an appointment with Fr. Nick and reserve the date.
- ◆ Couples must bring copies of all sacrament certificates: Baptism, 1st Communion & Confirmation. (No acceptations will be made for this)
- ◆ Couples must attend specific classes per Diocesan requirements. (Natural Family Planning and Encounter Retreat)
- ◆ Couples must have a valid State marriage certificate.

Recordatorios para el Sacramento del Matrimonio

Tenga en cuenta que no se oficiará ninguna boda a menos que se cumplan todos los requisitos.

- ◆ Las parejas deben comunicarse con la oficina con **al menos** 6 meses de anticipación para programar una cita con el Padre Nick y reservar la fecha.
- ◆ Las parejas deben traer copias de todos los certificados sacramentales: Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación. (No se harán aceptaciones para esto)
- ◆ Las parejas deben asistir a clases específicas según los requisitos diocesanos. (Planificación Familiar Natural y Retiro de Encuentro)
- ◆ Las parejas deben tener un certificado de matrimonio estatal válido.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE de la Iglesia Blessed Sacrament **Cena y Baile de San Valentín**

Saturday, Feb. 3 Bishop Zurek Parish Hall 2500 South Bolton, Amarillo
Sábado, 3 de Febrero Salón Parroquial Bishop Zurek Calle Bolton 2500 Sur en Amarillo

TICKETS ARE \$65 PER PERSON
All proceeds to benefit Blessed Sacrament Church
BOLETOS DE \$65 POR PERSONA
La ganancia completa beneficia a la Iglesia Blessed Sacrament

Ribeye Steak Dinner from 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Dance from 8:00pm to 1:00am, featuring:
DJ El Sonidito Cumbia and Victor Gallegos

Cena de Bistec Ribeye de 6:00pm a 8:00pm
Baile de 8:00pm a 1:00am, con música de:
DJ El Sonidito Cumbia y Victor Gallegos

For more details, please call Blessed Sacrament Church at 806-374-1132
Para más detalles, favor de llamar a la Iglesia Blessed Sacrament, 806-374-1132



Pre-Baptismal Classes

The next pre-baptismal class will be on **9th of January in the chapel** at 6:30pm ~ English. Please call the office to be placed on the list.

El siguiente clase pre-bautismales será el **19 de enero en la sala de Leard** a las 6:00 pm ~ español Por favor llame a la oficina para ser colocado en la lista.

Youth

FACE TO FACE
"I look at him and he looks at me" - Catechism of the Catholic Church 2723

26-28 APRIL
Amarillo Civic Center
DCYC
Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference
amarillodiocese.org/youth
806-383-2243 ext. 118
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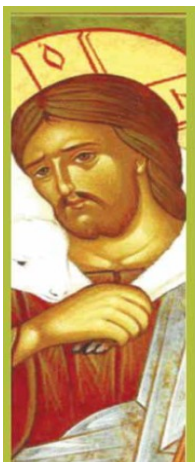
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THE HOLY CROSS CORNER
BELIEVE. DESIRE. DO.

Coffee Memorial Blood Van will be at Holy Cross Catholic Academy Wednesday, January 24th at 2:30pm. Walk ins are welcome or you can visit:
<https://www.yourbloodinstitute.org/donor/schedules/zip>
and search HCCA.
Thank you for donating.



Prayer for Priestly Vocations in the Diocese of Amarillo

Oh Jesus, eternal Shepherd of souls!

Deign to look with eyes of mercy on this portion of your beloved flock. Lord, we need a greater number of priests. Multiply vocations and sanctify our priests more and more. We ask this through the intercession of the Immaculate Virgin Mary of Guadalupe, your sweet and holy Mother. Oh Jesus, give us priests according to your Heart! *Amen*

Oracion por las Vocaciones Sacerdotales en la Diocesis de Amarillo

Oh Jesus, Pastor Eterno de las almas! Dignate Mirar con ojos de misericordia a esta porcion de tu grey amada. Senor, nesitamos mayor numero de sacerdotes. Multiplica las vocaciones y santifica mas y mas a nuestros sacerdotes. Te lo pedimos por la intercession de la Inmaculada Virgen Maria de Guadalupe, tu dulce y santa Madre. Oh Jesus, danos sacerdotes segun tu Corazon! *Amen*.

UCA Report 2023-2024

If you have not made your pledge for this year, please pick up a pledge card at the back of the church. We need \$1,716 to be pledged to meet our goal for this year.

Si usted no ha hecho su promesa por este ano, por favor recoja una tarjeta de promesa en la parte posterior de la iglesia. Necesitamos \$1,716 para alcanzar nuestra meta para este año.

Goal	Pledged	Amount Paid
\$ 22,833	\$ 21,117	\$13,517



Upcoming ACTS Retreats

Men's Retreat - February 22-25 2024

Register at www.actsamarillo.org

St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral

Lenten Mission

Walking in Confidence

Sunday, Feb. 18 - Monday, Feb. 19 at 6:00pm
1200 S. Washington, Amarillo
Reception and book signing following the Mission in the Narthex

Jennifer Hubbard is a mother of two: Frederick, and Catherine, who died at Sandy Hook Elementary School. Jennifer is a regular contributor to the BBC, Aletta and Magnificat, a nationally recognized Christian speaker and has most recently published her first book, Finding Sanctuary. The Catholic Media Association named Finding Sanctuary 2022's number one memoir.

JENNIFER HUBBARD
CEO and Author

The Mission will be live streamed for those unable to attend.



Please go out and support all the business who helped make our Jamaica a great success!!

The final profit: \$70,808.60

El Bracero Mexican Restaurant
La Hacienda

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Taqueria El Tapatio | Irvin Motors |
| Amarillo Autos | J&M Truck Repair |
| Scotties Transmission | Montoya Custom Homes |
| Roys Auto Plaza | California Auto Sales |
| Ramirez Body Shop | Viva Insurance |
| Roberts Concrete | Tres Vaqueros |
| Amarillo Insurance | Dona Juanita |
| El Gallo Giro | El Manantial |
| G&S Sons Trucking | Carlos Lopez |
| Panaderia Sanchez | Parilladas Nortenos |
| Super Mercado Los Olivios | Christian Autoplex |

radical solidarity

to be courageously pro-woman,
promoting a choice that truly
protects, accompanies, and
supports women and
their children



*Please bring baby items for
Catholic Charities-Joseph's Project*



Walk for **LIFE** Saturday January 20

10:00AM

Mass and Prayer at St. Mary's Cathedral
1200 S. Washington in Amarillo

11:30AM

Penitential Prayer and Walk
from St. Mary's to Sanborn Park at 15th and Taylor.
On-site prayer led by area priests, Knights of Columbus Councils.

For more information please call: 806.414.1059