

St. Philip Catholic Mission

CHINA SPRING, TX

DECEMBER 24, 2023 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Visitors

Make yourself at home!

Thank you for joining us today for the celebration of Mass. We have a Potluck Social following Mass on the first Sunday of each month and all are welcome.

Please come again!

Welcome new parishioners!

If you are ready to register, you may at www.stphilipcs.com/parish-registration. For further information please contact our pastoral associate, Laurie Craig, at info@stphilipcs.com.



WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday | 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29, Rom 16:25-27, Lk 1:26-38

Monday | Is 62:11-12, Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12, Ti 3:4-7, Lk 2:15-20

Tuesday | Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17, Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday | 1 Jn 1:1-4, Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12, Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Thursday | 1 Jn 1:5—2:2, Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8, Mt 2:13-18

Friday | 1 Jn 2:3-11, Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6, Lk 2:22-35

Saturday | 1 Jn 2:12-17, Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, Lk 2:36-40

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SUNDAY MASS

9:00 AM

ROSARY (BEFORE MASS)

8:35 AM

Confessions at St. Louis Waco, TX

Thursday | 5:00pm – 5:30pm &

6:00pm – 7:00pm

Saturday | 3:30pm – 5:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Louis – Waco, TX

Monday – Friday | 7:30am – 8:30am

Thursday | 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Office Hours:

By Appointment

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Parents should make arrangements with the parish office prior to the birth of the child.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office to make preparations at least six months prior to the date. New baptismal certificates must be obtained from the home parish showing that the couple are free to marry.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Families should notify the parish office of members admitted to hospitals and convalescent facilities. For emergencies call (254) 754-1221.

VOCATIONS: Anyone considering a vocation to the religious life should speak with our clergy or contact Rev. Greg Gerhart at (512) 949-2430 or fr-greg-gerhart@austindiocese.org

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Do You Sing? Play an Instrument?
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Rehearsal: Sundays, 10:15am
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3. Enter your information and submit!



COME JOIN US FOR

Christmas Eve Mass

AT ST. PHILIP
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24
4:00 PM

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here for you*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Flower Fund

If you would like to donate to the Christmas Flower Fund, please put your donation in an envelope and write Christmas flower fund on it. Envelopes can be found next to the bulletins. You can also donate online at stphilipcs.com/give
Thank you for your generosity.

2024 Collection Envelope Boxes

Envelope boxes will be in the hallway of the church. Please search for your name and pick up your box of envelopes. If your name is not on a box, please take a blank box and record your info on the clipboard. If your name or address is incorrect, please record correct info on the clipboard. You can also donate through e-giving at <https://stphilipcs.com/give>. Thank you!

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card—a gift from the heart (see website).



Inspired by the Nativity and the Holy Family, Catholic Charities works to strengthen families, starting at the very beginning of their parenting journey. Our St. Gabriel's Pregnancy and Parenting Program focuses on providing mentorship, advocacy and support to new and expectant mothers and fathers as they work to provide a safe and althy start to life for their children. For more information or to schedule an appointment call (512) 651-6100.

St. Philip accepts donations for Caritas and Care Net.

Donation boxes are in the church hallway. Please make sure your donations are fresh and not close to their expiration date.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Deadline for bulletin items is Tuesday by 5pm. Please email laurie@stphilipcs.com for submission approval.



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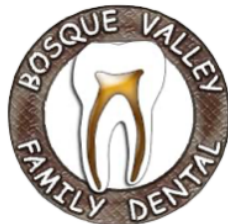
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