

# St. Philip Catholic Mission

## CHINA SPRING, TX

**JANUARY 7, 2024 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

### 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](http://www.stphilipcs.com/parish-registration). For further information please contact our pastoral associate, Laurie Craig, at [info@stphilipcs.com](mailto:info@stphilipcs.com).



### WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday | Is 60:1-6, Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13., Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6, Mt 2:1-12  
Monday | Is 42:1-4, 6-7, Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10, Mk 1:7-11  
Tuesday | 1 Sm 1:9-20, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Mk 1:21-28  
Wednesday | 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday | 1 Sm 4:1-11, 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25, Mk 1:40-45  
Friday | 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a, 89:16-17, 18-19, Mk 2:1-12,  
Saturday | 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27, PS 80:2-3, 5-7, Mk 3:20-21

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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

### Mailing Address:

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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](mailto:fr-greg-gerhart@austindiocese.org)

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### ST. PHILIP CHOIR

Do You Sing? Play an Instrument?  
Come join the St. Philip choir!  
Rehearsal: Sundays, 10:15am  
(following Mass). All are welcome!  
Have questions? Contact Maria  
Nowlin at maria@stphilipcs.com.

### ST. PHILIP PRAYER CHAIN

Can we pray for you? Drop your  
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January 7, 2024

Enjoy family, friends, & food  
after mass.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **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!

As we celebrate Holy Family Sunday, let us remember that God's love for us is reflected in the love for each other in our family. Why not celebrate and encourage that love by giving your spouse the gift of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. For dates, information & to apply, please go to [austinme.org](http://austinme.org) or contact [wwmeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:wwmeaustin@gmail.com) or call 512-677-WWME (9963). Call early to ensure a space and give your spouse a WWME gift card—a gift from the heart (see website).



## **EIM COMPLIANCE INFORMATION**

The EIM (Ethics and Integrity in Ministry) Office has completed the conversion to VIRTUS. Active EIM accounts were transferred to VIRTUS Online and an email with login information and instructions was sent in January. New to the EIM process? Or have more questions? Visit [austindiocese.org/eim-instructions](http://austindiocese.org/eim-instructions) to learn how to create an account, sign up for a workshop (new applicants only) or update compliance. Contact us at [eim@austindiocese.org](mailto:eim@austindiocese.org) for further assistance or if you did not receive the welcome email from VIRTUS.

## **Year End Contribution Letters**

The 2023 contributions letters will be mailed out automatically for contributions of \$250 or more by the end of January. Letters for amounts less than \$250 will need to be requested. You can email me at [laurie@stphilipcs.com](mailto:laurie@stphilipcs.com). Thank You!

Catholic Charities is working to end veteran homelessness across Central Texas. Our St. Michael's Veteran Services program works individually with veterans to help them solve their unique challenges and ultimately ensure they are housing stable. To learn more, call us at (512) 651-6100 or visit [www.ccctx.org/st-michaels-veteran-services](http://www.ccctx.org/st-michaels-veteran-services).

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](mailto:laurie@stphilipcs.com) for submission approval.



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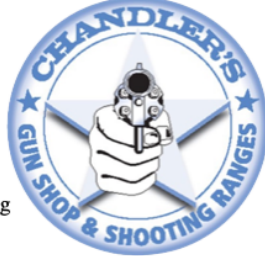
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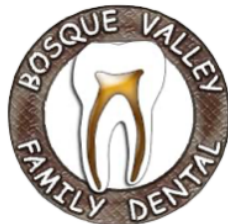
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