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Rome, Italy

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First Sunday of Advent



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ST. ANN MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Wednesday 9:00 am

Friday 6:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: After 9am Mass

Sunday: 8:15a-8:45a
and by Appointment

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament

Friday – 7:00a to 5:30p

Director of Religious Education

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Catholic Social Teaching Corner

First Sunday of Advent

“Active waiting for the Lord means not allowing ourselves to be lulled into purely private interests in our homes and apartments, but donating our attention, time and talents. It implies sharing our strengths and accepting our weaknesses in our parishes, schools, community work, and in society at large,” said Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. How can we “actively wait” for Christ this Advent?

Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton

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Silent Advent Retreat, December 2-4

You have heard the saying, “Jesus is the Reason for the Season”. He truly is; that is why we have set aside a weekend for you to come and spend some time in the quiet preparing your hearts for the birth of our Lord. Spiritual Direction will be available as well as Reconciliation and Adoration. The retreat will be led by the Cedarbrake staff. Meals and linens are provided. Contact Cedarbrake to register or for more information.

Advent Dinner, December 6

Join us for an evening of wine and cheese and a delicious dinner followed by a reflection on Advent by Missionary of the Sacred Heart Father Richard O’Rourke, pastor of St. Paul Chong Hasang Parish in Harker Heights. The evening begins at 6:30 pm and will end around 8:30 pm. Contact Cedarbrake to register or for more information.

Transformed by Faith, January 16

We will spend this day reflecting on the gifts of five women whose courageous actions impacted the world (Sojourner Truth, Thea Bowman, Maya Angelou, Rosa Parks and Harriet Tubman). Their fearlessness and faithfulness changed lives because they embraced the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Come and learn about these incredible women; who they were and what they did. Beverly Collin will facilitate this day. Contact Cedarbrake to register or for more information.

Cancer Survivor’s Retreat, February 20

This retreat is a time for cancer survivors to come together to share their stories. Wanda Gibson is a business owner, spiritual director, and cancer survivor. Mrs. Gibson will lead this prayerful, winter day of reflection, meditation, discussion and movement thru the survivor’s journey into the present moment. Whether you are celebrating one week or twenty years since your cancer experience you are invited to join us in courageous company as we allow our mind, body, and spirit to engage, heal, rest, renew, and rejoice. Contact Cedarbrake to register or for more information.

Social Ministry Project

St. Ann is once again participating in the “Holiday Gifts” project benefiting the residents at the Brenham State Supported School. Parishioners would select a tag with a “Wish” that the residents would like to receive for Christmas. The tags are located on the table at the back of the Church. If you have any questions, you may contact Irene Bacak (979) 289-0083. “Gifts” are to be returned unwrapped to the Church for pick-up by December 4.

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 2: 1-5
Psalm 122: 1-9
2nd Reading: Romans 13: 11-14
Gospel: Matthew 24: 37-44

Second Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-10
Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
2nd Reading: Romans 15: 4-9
Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12

Next Week’s Ministers

	Sun—Dec. 4 9:00a
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion	Sr. Rocio Tom Hodges
Greeters/Ushers	Leo Schubert David Jimenez
Lectors	Peachie Burlin
Altar Servers	Benjamin Zapalac

Finances—St. Ann

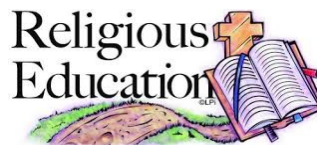
11/20/2016 Sunday Collection	\$ 1,153.00
11/20/2016 CCHD Collection	\$ 263.00

Apostolate

	Wed.—Nov. 30	Wed.-Dec. 7
Collection Counting	Tom Hodges Fran Thomas	Tom Hodges Fran Thomas

Mass Intentions: Nov. 27– Dec 4

Sun. Nov. 27	9:00a	For the People and for †Arnold & Agnes Zapalac and †Bernice & Erwin Winkler
Wed. Nov. 30	9:00a	†Milady Kristof
Fri. Dec. 2	6:00p	†Natalia Orozco Zapalac
Sun. Dec. 4	9:00a	For the People and for †Milady Kristof



Religious
Education

*No Classes Today
November 27*

*Classes resume
December 4, 2016*

REMINDER! Please remember to write your name and the amount you are donating on your collection envelope. This will help to keep an accurate accounting of your donation for tax purposes.

CHURCH LIFE...one body-many members.

Bishop Vasquez' Prayer Intention

For our communities of faith, by being attentive to Christ's constant presence, we may be prepared to greet Christ when he comes again.....

The sanctuary lamp is given for the honor and glory of God and in memory of Morris Burlin



Please pray for the needs of our parishioners & friends

Amanda Walhoviak	Carlos Escobedo	Rita Diamond
Jim Turner	Sr. John	Elizabeth Milsaps
Ann Ross	Betty Labay	Marion Simmons
Carol Winkler	Baby John Winkler	Lenora Brown
David Jimenez	Michael Miller	Ray Allen Kulhanek



John Brown	Tommy Polansky
Kevin Davis	Joseph Ramirez
David Dominguez	Matthew Reynolds
Neil Frerick	Charlie Richardson
Robin Frerick	Cesar Rodriguez
Jason Grace	Michael R. Rodriguez
Jerry Gutierrez	Stephen Ruth
Christina Marie Hahne	Justo Suarez
Dane Kidd	Brandon Thomas
Matthew Lee	1LT Christopher M. Torres
Annalisa Lujan	Alan Turner
John Maldonado	Jennifer Hlavaty
Jacob McDonald	Jarrett Hlavaty
Brandon Osburn	

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)! Your generous gifts will help CCHD break the cycle of poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we demonstrate Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor ...to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

Christmas Flowers for the Altar

In your weekly collection box, you will find an envelope for "Christmas Flower Offering". If you wish to make a donation to the Christmas Flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, you may drop your envelope in the collection basket at any Mass by December 18, 2016.



***SAAM Food Collection
Sunday, Dec. 4***

PRAY WITH US...come and adore Christ



The Grotto of Our Blessed Mother

Everyone is always welcome to come to the Grotto to spend some quiet time or pray the rosary either alone or in a group.



ADORATION

EVERY FRIDAY

7 AM TO 5:30 PM

Everyone that spends time in adoration of Jesus develops a personal relationship with Him, and grows in love and holiness. Quiet time with the Lord in adoration enables people to listen and recognize His voice as He speaks to their hearts.

Advent 2016 Reconciliation Schedule

Dec. 1	Thursday	7pm	La Grange
Dec. 12	Monday	7pm	Dime Box
Dec. 15	Thursday	7pm	Rockdale
Dec. 16	Friday	7pm	Brenham
Dec. 18	Sunday	5pm	Ellinger
Dec. 18	Sunday	7:30pm	Fayetteville
Dec. 21	Wednesday	7pm	Somerville
Dec. 22	Thursday	7pm	Giddings
Dec. ??		7pm	Chappell Hill

Around the Diocese

Work of Human Hands

When: Dec. 3-4 from 9am to 9pm

Where: St. Mary's Catholic Center in College Station

What: Crafts and Food items by small-scale artisans and growers from around the world; when purchasing items at the Work of Human Hands Sale, you add meaning to your Christmas shopping providing for a better future to the producers and their families.

**The Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

December 8, 2016 Mass at 6:30 pm

Chef Shane McCue

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In memory of

†Milady Kristof

For her generosity to St. Ann

*“May perpetual light
shine
upon her”*

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Slovacek Sausage

2 locations to serve you

979-272-3333 254-826-4525
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Snook, Texas West, Texas

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Special Events at St. Ann

Nov. 27: No Religious Education classes
Nov. 29: Advent Day of Prayer
Dec. 1: KC Meeting 7 pm, Family Center
Dec. 4: SAAM Food Collection
Dec. 8: Mass 6:30 pm
Dec. 11: KC BBQ - pick up plates 10a-12p
Dec. 13: Bishop's Advent Dinner for Priests
Dec. 18: No RE classes
Dec. 21: Mass 9am; Penance Service 7pm
Dec. 25: Christmas Day; Mass 9am;
No Religious Education classes
Jan. 1: New Year's Day; Mass 9am;
No RE classes
Jan. 1: SAAM Food Collection
Jan. 5: KC Meeting 7 pm, Family Center
Jan. 8: Classes resume in RE building

Upcoming EIM Workshops

Dec. 3: 9-11am: St Mary's, Brenham
Dec. 15: 6:30-8:30 pm: St. John's,
Fayetteville

To find the schedule and to sign up for a workshop, login to your EIM account at https://www.eappsdb.com/Login.asp?ORGZ_KEY=4. If you don't recall your User ID/Password, please use the Alternate Login option.

Important:

- Plan to arrive promptly as late arrivals may not be admitted once the workshop has started
- Children should not be brought to EIM workshops
- Questions: Call the office during working hours

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