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Rome, Italy

December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent

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Third Sunday of Advent

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ST. ANN MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays
Wednesday 9:00 am
Friday 6:00 pm

Office Hours: 11:00a—4:00p Wednesday & Friday
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Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesday: after 9am Mass
Sunday: before Mass from 8:15a-8:45a
and by Appointment

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament
Friday – 7:00a to 5:30p

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Catholic Social Teaching Corner

3rd Sunday of Advent
You might notice that John does not use Jesus' name in this Gospel, but only refers to him as "one whom you do not recognize." Although they knew the text of Isaiah the Pharisees were not really prepared to find the promised Messiah among the broken-hearted, the lonely, those held in captivity or those lacking justice and peace. Do we know where to look for Jesus? Will we recognize him among those most ignored and forgotten in our world?

Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton
(254)780-2436 www.cedarbrake.org
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Benedictine Spirituality 101– Jan. 13
This Retreat will be held at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton on Saturday, January 13. St. Benedict's rule and way of life is just as relevant today as it was in the 6th century. Beverly Collin, assistant director and 3rd order oblate, will present this day. For more information contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780 -2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.

A Spiritual Journey of Transformation—Jan. 31
This journey is a process of being transformed by the Spirit of God into the image of Christ for others. It will be held at St. Jerome's in Waco on January 31 from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. Father Albert Haase, popular author and retreat director will facilitate this day. For more information contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.

2nd Collection today!
Religious give thanks. A religious sister writes, "When we see the generous response of so many thousands of persons in order to help us, religious men and women, we are left speechless." Senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests across the country send heartfelt thanks and prayers for your donation to last week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection.

A Message from the Bishop
No dispensation has been granted for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, which falls on December 24 this year. Morning Masses of December 24 are for the Fourth Sunday of Advent while evening Masses are for Christmas Eve. All Catholics are obligated to attend one Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent and another on either Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

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

Upcoming Penance Services

Dec. 18	7:00p	St. Joseph, Dime Box
Dec. 19	7:00p	Sacred Heart, La Grange
Dec. 20	7:00p	St. Margaret, Giddings
Dec. 21	7:00p	Holy Family, Lexington
Dec. 21	7:00p	St. Stanislaus, Chappell Hill

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

Fundraiser News

Financial Report

Cash and Carry……..$ 47.50
Live Auction……..$3,585.00
Silent Auction……$1,131.50
Donations……...$ 650.00
Enchiladas and Tamales…….$3,093.00
Desserts……..$ 43.00
Raffle……$2,000.00

Total Income:……...$10,550.00

Total Expenses:……. $ 57.04*

Profit from Fundraiser……..$10,492.96

*Expenses were low because of donations. We look forward to a bigger and better fundraiser next year with more involvement from everyone.

3rd Sunday of Advent
1st Reading: Isaiah 61: 1-2a, 10-11
Psalm: Luke 1: 46-50, 53-54
2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24
Gospel: John 1: 6-8, 19-28
4th Sunday of Advent
1st Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Psalm 89: 2-5, 27-29
2nd Reading: Romans 16: 25-27
Gospel: Luke 1: 26-38

Mass Intentions: Dec.17-24

Sun. Dec. 17	9:00a	For the People and for +Milady Kristof
Wed. Dec. 20	9:00a	+Angela & Martin Rodriguez
Fri. Dec. 22	6:00p	Communion Service
Sun. Dec. 24	9:00a	+Leon Orozco

Apostolate

	Wed.—Dec. 20	Wed.—Dec. 27
Collection Counting	Lucy Hodges Del Orozco	Tom Hodges Fran Thomas

Pray for Vocations

CHURCH LIFE...*one body-many members.*

The sanctuary lamp is given for the honor and glory of God ….

Please pray for the needs of our parishioners & friends

Ann Ross	Bob Hays	David Zaharis
David Jimenez	Scotty Lewis	Terry Rhodes
Sr. John	Paul D. Junkersfeld	Steve Webb
Betty Labay	Peggy Personett	Bill Schindler
Michael Miller	Coley Whatley	Delores Poncio
Rita Diamond	Ed Sabrusula	Jeremy Sanchez
Raymond Perez	Fr. Tom Hanus	Marjorie Mills
Ray Allen Kulhanek	Toni Watkins	Terry Porter
Tom Arredondo	Linda Thomas	Evelyn Porter

Kevin Davis	Joseph Ramirez
David Dominguez	Matthew Reynolds
Neil Frerick	Charlie Richardson
Robin Frerick	Col Ceasar 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
Tommy Polansky	Alejandro Irizarry Zaharis

Finances—St. Ann

12/08/2017	Immaculate Conception	$ 297.00
12/10/2017	Sunday Collection	$ 1,609.00
12/10/2017	Retired Religious Collection	$ 1,027.00

Next Week's Ministers

	Sun. Dec. 24 9:00 a.m.
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion	Cynthia Munoz Lucy Hodges
Greeters/Ushers	Leo Schubert Pete Orozco
Lectors	Brianna Hernandez
Altar Servers	Richard Sifuentes

Ladies—Save the Date! 8th Annual Day of Reflection
February 17, 2017, 9am-4pm; More details to follow
St. Joseph Parish Activity Center

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 quite 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.

Upcoming EIM Workshops

If you are still in need of attending an EIM Workshop, the following is a list of upcoming workshop dates. Log into your account to register. If you need assistance, call or come by the office for help.

When: January 14, 2018 from 1-3 p.m.
Where: St. Joseph's Parish in Rockdale

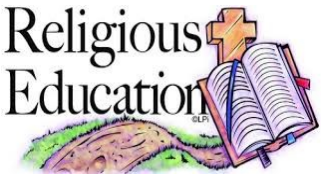
When: January 18, 2018 from 6-8 p.m.
Where: St. John's Parish in Fayetteville

When: January 20, 2018 from 9-11 a.m.
Where: St. Mary Parish in Brenham

When: January 21, 2018 from 1-3 p.m.
Where: St. Joseph's Parish in Rockdale

When: January 31, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Where: St. Mary Catholic Center in College Station

When: February 4, 2018 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.
Where: St. Mary Catholic Center in College Station



Classes
Wed. Dec. 20
6:00-7:15 p.m.
Religious Education Building

Chef Shane McCue
Bee Keeping Services *Remodeling/Repair*
Project Consultant *Custom Landscaping*
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FLOWERS FOR ST. ANN'S ALTAR

Pick up an envelope in the entryway if you wish to donate and drop your donation in the collection basket at any Mass

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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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Special Events at St. Ann

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve
Dec. 25: Christmas Day
Dec. 27: No Religious Education Classes
Dec. 31: New Year's Eve, Mass 9am
Jan. 1: New Year's Day, Mass 9am
Jan. 3: No Religious Education Classes; No Mass or Communion Service
Jan. 4: KC Meeting, 7pm, Family Center
Jan. 7: SAAM Food Collection
Jan. 10: No Mass or Communion Service
Feb. 1: KC Meeting, 7pm, Family Center
Feb. 2-4: DCYC
Feb. 4: SAAM Food Collection
Mar. 1: KC Meeting, 7pm, Family Center
Apr. 5: KC Meeting, 7pm, Family Center
Apr. 8: Confirmation 4pm, St. Mary's in Brenham
May 3: KC Meeting, 7pm, Family Center

Adopt a Seminarian Project

…..Dec. 17….
…..Dec. 24….Del & Maggie Orozco
…..Dec. 31….Peggy Jablonski
…..Jan. 7…….

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