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Pope Francis Rome, Italy

December 19, 2021 4th Sunday of Advent



Joe S. Vasquez Bishop
Diocese of Austin



St. Ann Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays at 9:00 am
Wednesdays at 9:00 am
Last Friday of the month at 5:00 pm

Clergy

Pastor: Reverend Everardo Cázares Associate: Reverend Joven S. Saavedra Associate: Reverend Thaddeus Tabak, SDS

Office Hours: 11:00a-4:00p Wednesdays & Fridays

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Website Address: www.saintann-somerville.org

Sacrament of

Reconciliation

Wednesday: after 9am Mass Sunday: before Mass From 8:15a-8:45a and by Appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Last Friday of the month



ST ANN PARISH LIFE...come and be with us

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

4th Sunday of Advent

Especially appropriate for these days of suffering in our nation is the responsorial psalm for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, "Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved" (cf. Psalm 80). In a world that is becoming increasingly secular, not only must we invoke the remembrances of the mighty deeds of God as we implore his intervention to save the world, but also must we remember to bring about the plan of salvation through the work of our own hands. Let us be Christ for one another.

Cuarto Domingo de Adviento

Es especialmente apropiado para estos dias de sufrimiento en nuestro pais, el salmo responsorial del Cuarto Domingo de Adviento "Senor, muestranos tu favor y salvanos" (cf. Salmo 80). En un mundo que se esta convirtiendo incrementalmente secular, no solo debemos invocar los recuerdos de las buenas obras de Dios mientras imploramos su intervencion para salvar el mundo, sino que tambien debemos de recorder llevar a cabo el plan de salvacion a traves del trabajo de nuestras propias manos. Seamos Cristo unos para otros.

4th Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Micah 5: 1-4a Psalm 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19 2nd Reading: Hebrews 10: 5-10

Gospel: Luke 1: 39-45

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 1: 20-22, 24-28

Psalm 84: 2-3, 5-6, 9-10

2nd Reading: 1 John 3: 1-2, 21-24

Gospel: Luke 2: 41-52

<u>Year of Domestic Church—December 2021</u> <u>Hail Mary, Full of Grace</u>

How to Pray a Family Rosary:

- Personalize it: Each family member should have their own Rosary
- Create a habit: Set a time that is comfortable for your family and that works without adding stress
- Create a space: If possible, light a candle and play some soft, background, instrumental music
- Start Small: Be patient. Start with a decade and build over time.
- Keep it simple
- Involve all family members

ST. ANN CHRISTMAS BRUNCH SOCIAL:

Everyone is invited to gather today after Mass in the Parish Hall to celebrate Christmas as a Parish. We hope to see many of you there.

CONFESSION DURING THE ADVENT SEASON:

Part of our preparation for the birth of Christ should be by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confessions at St. Ann are available after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesdays. Confessions at St. Mary's in Brenham are Saturdays 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



FY 2021-2022 Collection Report July 2021-May 2022

	1st Q	2ndQ	3rdQ	4thQ	Totals
	July-Sept	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar.	Apr-June	July-June
Offertory	\$20,802.00	\$40,600.11			
Expenses	\$36,193.28	\$63,852.49			
	-\$15,391.28	-\$23,252.38			

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR DONATIONS. If you were not able to attend Mass this past Sunday, please remember that your financial contribution continues to be important during these times. There are a variety of ways to contribute:

- <u>Mail your weekly contributions</u> to the parish office (P.O. Box 99, Somerville, TX 77879)
- Contributions can be brought to the Church Rectory and dropped in through the mail slot in the rectory door.
- Thank you for your generosity. Our parish collected \$257.00 for Retired Clergy and Religious Fund.
- SECOND COLLECTION ON 12/26/2021 for <u>The Feast of the Holy Family</u> will be to support family and pro-life activities in the Diocese of Austin. These include: Annunciation Maternity Home in Georgetown, Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter in Temple and the diocesan Office of Pro-life Activities. Please be generous in your support of this cause.
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Update on Encountering Christ Campaign: (as of 11/8/2021)Encountering Christ (parish share)\$49,260.22Total Adjusted Pledged\$73,995.00

<u> Update on Catholic Services Appeal (as of 11/16/2021)</u>

Parish Goal	\$6,500.00
Total Pledged	\$1,452.00
% of Goal Pledged	
Total Received.	\$902.00

Thank you to all who have given to the <u>Catholic Services Appeal</u> already! There are envelopes available at the entrance to the church if you need one. Blessings to all.

BLESSINGS TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF ST. ANN.

Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary: In Fatima, Our Lady said, "My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God." Please join thousands of Faithful throughout our Diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. The prayers begin on February 20th and are done privately using the preparation book. Please visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org by January 18th to receive your FREE copy of the Montfort preparation prayer book. Your book will be mailed to you.

CHURCH LIFE...one body-many members



The sanctuary lamp is given for the honor and glory of God and in memory of..... +Sr. Aurora Castellon



Please pray for the needs of our parishioners & friends

Tom Arredondo Pauline Sanchez Fr. Joven Saavedra Karen Eckert Tony Hlavaty Saundra Arredondo Evangeline Escobedo David Orozco Linda Havs Toni Watkins Kaden Justin Mario Munoz

Gloria Villarreal Miguel Bonilla Matilde Orozco Lucy Hodges Jackie Beck Glenn Cason



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Jason Grace Jerry Gutierrez Tommy Polansky Col. Cesar Rodriguez 1LT Christopher M. Torres Alan Turner

Col. Jennifer Hlavaty

Lt.Col. Jarrett Hlavaty

Alejandro Irizarry Zaharis

Maj. Joseph H. Dannenbaum, IV, MD

Maj. Carolyn R. Hetrick, DDS

Next Week's Ministers					
		Sun. Dec. 26 9:00a			
Extraordinary Mir Holy Communion		None until further notice			
Greeters/Ushers		James & Janet Zapalac			
Lectors		Maggie Orozco			
Altar Servers		Benjamin Zapalac Preston Rodriguez			
Mass Intentions					
Sun. Dec. 19	9:00a	For the People and for +Sr. Mary John Della Morte			
Wed. Dec. 22	9:00a	+Frank Vega			
Fri. Dec. 24	4:00p 5:00p	No Adoration No Mass			
Sat. Dec. 25 9:00a		+Michael Discher +Carroll Discher			
Sat. Dec. 25	9:00a				

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 with others.



ADORATION – 4pm On the last Friday of the month

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.

Apostolate					
	Wed. Dec. 22	Wed. Dec. 29			
Collection Counting	Tom Hodges Del Orozco	Tom Hodges Del Orozco			

Ethics & Integrity in Ministry Compliance

Those who serve in ministry have a sacred obligation to make the church safe for all. Anyone who is new to ministry in the Diocese of Austin must complete the EIM Application for Ministry (www.austindiocese.org/application) and attend an in-person EIM Workshop (www.austindiocese.org/initial-eim-training) within 60 days, and update/renew compliance at least once every three years. Online EIM Training is available (www.austindiocese.org/workshop#EIMOnline) for existing applicants who previously attended a workshop and are due to update/renew their compliance. The online training will end on January 2, 2022.

Clerical Endowment Fund

The Clerical Endowment Fund are Mass and Prayer Remembrance Cards which can be purchased in the St. Ann Gift Shop. This fund not only benefits the giver, but will also benefit the recipient (living or deceased) and also contributes to the education of Austin Diocese Seminari-

Join a Ministry

Have you considered joining a ministry here at St. Ann? We are always in need of Lectors and Greeters and Ushers. A Lector is any lay minister who reads the Word of God from the Lectionary at Mass. Greeters and Ushers welcome people as they arrive to celebrate the Mass. There are many other ministries that a lay person can take part in here at St. Ann, for example, joining the Choir. If you are interested in becoming a more active part, please speak with Maggie after any Mass or call the office during office hours for more information, (979) 596-1966.

Is Jesus calling you to follow him?

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Religious Education for The Domestic Church

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<u>Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center</u> in Belton

(254)780-2436 www.cedarbrake.org cedarbrake@austindiocese.org



Down Home Ranch 20250 FM 619 Elgin, TX (512) 856-0128

Non-profit working farm & ranch offering social, educational, residential and vocational opportunities to people with Down Syndrome.

Check us out on Facebook

Caldwell KC Council 6366 Monthly Council Meeting

1st Thursday of the Month St. Mary's Parish Hall 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting: January 6, 2021

Sample

In memory of

+Alice Lossen
+Clarence Wayne Schoppe
+Sr. Rocio Hurtado Mendoza
+Josephine Arredondo
+Juanita Pedraza Vittonel
+Pauline Sifuentes

- +Simon "Sam" Vasquez +Dorothy Woods
 - +Connie Moreno
- +Angelita (ET) Munoz
- +Sr. Mary John Della Morte
 - +Robert Hays III
- +Lorenzo "Larry" Moreno, Sr.
 - +Carroll Discher +Michael Discher
 - +Valeria Schoppe

"May perpetual light shine upon them"

St. Ann's Gift Shop

1st Sunday of the month
After Mass
January 2, 2022

Talk Radio for Catholic Life 970 AM www.relevantradio.com



From the Office:

Registered Parishioners of St. Ann should have received the first batch of collection envelopes for 2022 and a letter with a brief explanation of what to expect. Please call the office (979) 596-1966 if you have questions or if you did not receive any envelopes.

In memory of



+Milady Kristof

For her generosity to St. Ann

"May perpetual light shine upon her"

Reminder:

The following are dispensed from attending Mass and may remain at home to watch a live stream Mass if:

- You are sick
- 65 or older
- Advised by health care workers not to attend

Upcoming Events

Dec. 19: Christmas Brunch Social in the Parish Hall after Mass

Dec. 25: Christmas Day—Mass 9am

Dec. 26: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph— Mass 9am

Dec. 29: No Mass; Office closed

Dec. 31: No Adoration; No Mass

Jan. 1: New Year's Day– No Mass

Jan. 2: SAAM Food collection

Iray for Vocations

New Vocation Director: Rev. Greg Gerhart

If you know of anyone interested or is not sure, have them visit the Vocations website:
Godiscalling.me
On the diocesan website

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\$180 FOR 12 MONTHS

\$45 FOR 3 MONTHS

\$7.50 FOR ONE WEEK

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