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New Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tues, Thurs, Friday

8:00a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Wednesday 8:00 a.m.—4:30p.m.

Closed for lunch noon—1:00 p.m.

Parish offices are located in the Religious Education Bldg.



Nativity of Our Lord and Savior

Mass Schedule

Dec. 24th English
6:00 p.m.

Dec. 25th Bilingual
Midnight

Dec. 25th Bilingual
10:00 a.m.

*May the Christ Child's gifts of peace,
love and joy be yours this Christmas!
Ascension Staff*

Church Related Emergencies:
Father Ramiro (512)549-3709

Weekend Masses:
 Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
 Domingo: 12:00 p.m. (Español)

Weekday - English Only-In Chapel:
 Monday: 7:30 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday thru Friday :7:30 a.m. Mass
*(Thirsty Thursday Continental
 Breakfast After Mass In Youth House)*
 Youth Mass 1st & 3rd Sunday
 @ 5:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome

Year of Mercy

<http://www.austindiocese.org/yearofmercy>

ADVENT SEASON
NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 24

PARISH STAFF/EMPLEADOS

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Parish Office Will Be Closed

December 23rd - Open from 8:00 a.m. to Noon
 Closed from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

December 24th - Closed All Day
 December 25th - Closed All Day
 December 31st - Closed All Day
 January 1st - Closed All Day

In Case of Church Related Emergencies Contact:
Father Ramiro (512)549-3709
*The Ascension's staff would like to wish everyone
 a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS DIRECTORY

- Altar Servers: Nicole Herring - nmaswh@gmail.com
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- Men's Fellowship: Virgil Almogabar—chapulin0290@gmail.com
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- Sacristans: Generosa Lowden (512)321-3552
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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGE: Please call the office
RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 3:30-4:45 p.m.
ANOINTING OF THE SICK: On request
(512)321-3552

SACRAMENTOS

BAUTISMO Y MATRIMONIO: Favor de contactar la oficina
RECONCILIACIÓN: Sábados 3:30-4:45 p.m.
UNCIÓN A LOS ENFERMOS: Por petición



Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us Your sick servant _____ for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, he (she) may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord.

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| Eddie Falcon Sr. | Esmeralda Serna | Travis Berdoll |
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| Levi Broussard | Rosie Latendre | Joe Alba |
| Brian Lemelle | Debbi Lowry | Bernell Sample |
| Julia Tucker | Byron Appelt | Tomas Silva |
| Leroy Lott | Lydia Peña | Emily Kaminski |
| Irma Vazquez | Silvia Trujillo | Dennis Platt |
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| Elaine Weiss | David Barkley | Jim Peery |
| Joann McCoy | Silvia Castillo | Ramon Magaña |
| Barbara Bienfang | Arlene Does | Collin Camp |
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| Sara Elizabeth Collins | Joyce Cheyney | Lupita Vigil |
| Makenna Wilhelm | Ronnie Broce | Rosie Latendre |
| Monique Hennington | Elidicia Thompson | Carole Dean |
| Charlie Pacheco | | |

STEWARDSHIP	This Week	YTD
Regular Collection	\$8,594.86	\$417,753.97
Operating Expenses	\$3,848.54	\$369,090.49
Children's Collection	\$148.00	\$7,182.28
Youth Mass	\$0.00	\$2,857.23
Building Fund	\$192.66	\$15,889.67

SECOND COLLECTIONS

12-8	Immaculate Conception	\$1,637.67
12-12	Our Lady of Guadalupe	\$ 989.56
12-12 & 13th	Retired Priest & Clergy	\$3,373.45

Thank you for your faithful Stewardship of our Parish and for your generous donations



Submission of bulletin announcement are due by Mondays at 5:00 p.m.

mainoffice@ascen.org

Monday, Dec. 21st

- 7:30 a.m.: Communion Service
- 5:30 p.m.: CRSP Men Spanish-Hall
- 6:30 p.m.: Eucharist Training-Church

Tuesday, Dec. 22nd

- 7:30 a.m.: Daily Mass—Chapel
- 6:00 p.m.: CRSP Women-Hall, RE204
- 6:30 p.m.: Posada-Church
- 7:00 p.m.: Men's Group-RE 103
- 7:00 p.m.: Women's Group-RE 104
- 7:00 p.m.: Rey Jesus – RE101
- 7:00 p.m.: Carismaticos-RE102

Wednesday, Dec 23rd

- 7:30 a.m.: Morning Mass in Chapel

Thursday, Dec 24th

- 6:00 p.m.: The Nativity of the Lord-English

Friday, Dec 25th

- 12:00 a.m.: The Nativity of the Lord –Bilingual
- 10:00 a.m.: The Nativity of the Lord –Bilingual

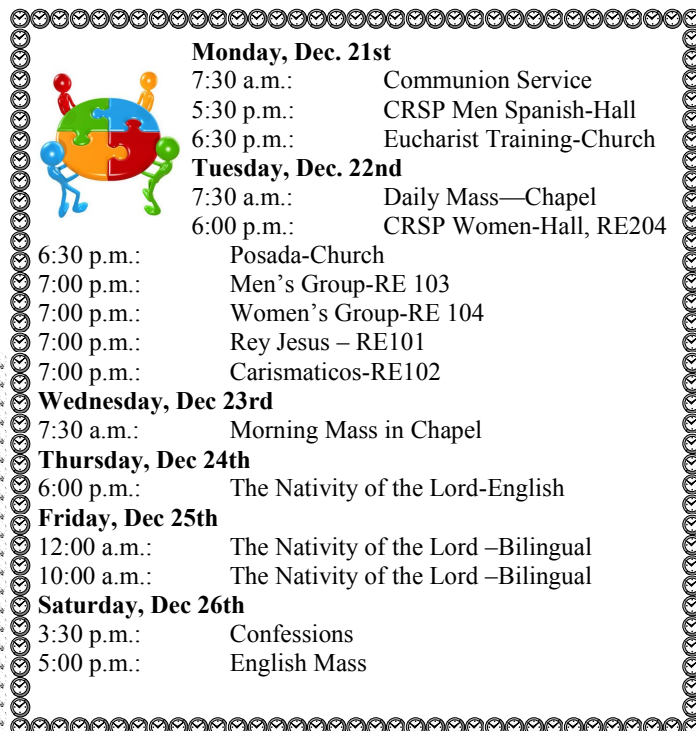
Saturday, Dec 26th

- 3:30 p.m.: Confessions
- 5:00 p.m.: English Mass

Mass Intentions and Daily Readings

- Dec. 19: Jgs 13:2-7,24-25a\Lk 1:5-25(195)
Holy Souls
- Dec. 20: Mi 5:1-4a\Heb 10:5-10\Lk 1:39-45(12)
8: †Matthew Ernest Weiss 10: †Mike Peterson
12: †Lupita Ramirez Delira 5: Linda Hannes Davis
- Dec. 21: Sg 2:8-14\Lk 1:39-45(197)
Communion Service
- Dec. 22: 1 Sm 1:24-28\Lk 1:46-56(198)
Holy Souls
- Dec. 23: Mal 3:1-4,23-24\Lk 1:57-66(199)
Anne Robertson
- Dec. 24: 2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a.16\Lk 1:67-79(200)
6:00 p.m. James Robertson 12:00 a.m. †Paul Thornhill
- Dec. 25: Is 52:7-10\Heb 1:1-6\Jn 1:1-18(16)
10:00 a.m. All the Ones that Consecrate Jesus and Adoratrises
- Dec. 26: Acts 6:8-10:7:54-59\Mt 10:17-22(696)
Holy Souls
- Dec. 27: Sir 3:2-6,12-14\1Sm 1:20-22,24-28\Col 3:12-21\Lk 2:41-52 (17)
8: †Matthew Ernest Weiss 10: †Fred Penn
12: Yolanda Gonzalez & Inocencia Alcala
- Dec. 28: 1 Jn 2:2-1217\Lk 2:36-40(203)
Community Service
- Dec. 29: 1 Jn 2:3-11\Lk 2:22-35(202)
†Matthew Ernest Weiss
- Dec. 30: 1 Jn 2:12-17\Lk 2:36-40(203)
†John Arnold
- Dec. 31: 1 Jn 2:18-21\Jn 1:1-18(204)
Holy Souls

*Rosary prayer after each weekday Mass or Communion Service
Intercession for priests and Divine Mercy*



A huge thank you to all our students and parents that participated in spreading the Christmas spirit this year. Our food drive, praise and worship, caroling to the nursing home residents and other activities



were a success!

2015



GOSPEL MEDITATION

"I come to do your will." This was Jesus' mission statement. By Mary's obedience to God's will, the Divine Word becomes man. When we do God's will, God's presence is made manifest in us. Do we take time to listen to and cooperate with God's will or are we too focused on our own will? What is God asking of you today and this week?

"Vine a hacer tu voluntad." Esta fue la declaración de la misión de Jesús. Por la obediencia de María hacia la voluntad de Dios, el Divino Verbo se hace hombre. Cuando hacemos la voluntad de Dios la presencia de Dios se manifiesta en nosotros ¿Nos damos tiempo para escuchar y cooperar con la voluntad de Dios o estamos demasiado enfocados en nuestra propia voluntad? ¿Qué está pidiendo de usted Dios esta semana?



LIFE SKILLS WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 6, 2016 10-2:00 p.m.

Sign up your 9th-12 grade student today to attend this workshop where they will learn how to budget, plan for college open and maintain a checking and savings account. No cost and Lunch will be provided. To sign up contact: Priscilla Ruiz at p_ruiz@ascen.org (512)733-4651 cell or (512)321-3552 ext 232

Inscriba a su estudiante del grado 9-12 para participar en un taller donde podra adquirir conocimiento de como hacer un presupuesto, planear para el colegio y crear una cuanta de cheques y de ahoros. No hay costo y se le proporcionará una comida ligera. El taller sera el Sabado 6 de Febrero 2016 de 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.. Para inscribirse favor de contactar a Priscilla Ruiz a p_ruiz@ascen.org (512)733-4651 o (512)321-3552



Ladies of Charity Thrift Store will be closed until Monday, January 11, 2016



2016 Offertory envelopes can be picked up this weekend by the entrance of the church. Other electronic giving options are available online by visiting www.ascensionbastrop.com click DONATE tab.

Los sobres de ofertorio para el 2016 estan disponibles para recoger esta semana en la entrada de la Iglesia. Otras oportunidades de dar su ofretorio es visitando la pajina de web www.ascensionbastrop.com click DONATE.



SCRIPTURE CLASSES WITH DEACON BILL HOBBY:

JANUARY 16, 2016 9:00 A.M. RE ROOM#206

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved. Ps 80: 4 The Pastoral Plan describes the first task of evangelization as connecting people with Jesus Christ. We must lead others to see the face of Christ as alive within our faith communities. How do you see the face of Christ in others? Read the Pastoral Plan here: www.austindiocese.org/sites/default/files/DOA_PastoralPlan_English_web.pdf

CUARTO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Señor, haznos volver a ti; haz resplandecer tu rostro y seremos salvos. Sal 80:4 El Plan Pastoral describe cómo la primera tarea de la evangelización es el conectar a la gente a Cristo. Debemos guiar a otros para que vean el rostro de Cristo como algo vivo dentro de nuestras comunidades de fe ¿Cómo ve usted el rostro de Cristo en los otros? www.austindiocese.org/sites/default/files/DOA_PastoralPlan_Spanish_web.pdf

Volunteer of the Month

Congrats to Martha Vega- our November Volunteer of the Month. Martha is a very busy person in our parish volunteering in almost every area of ministry. She and her family are such a wonderful asset to this community. Martha is a Eucharistic minister, lector, and sings in the choir. She helps with the church cleaning, baptism classes, and preparations for weddings and quinceañera's. She runs "Martha's Kitchen" which helps to raise funds to give to the church for programs expenses as well as involvement in parish festival planning. Currently she is busy coordinating the festivities for Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Posada. You may see Martha everywhere you go but most importantly you will find her sweet warm smile welcoming to all. It is with pleasure that we bestow this well-deserved discipleship award to her.

Muchas felicitaciones a Martha Vega- nuestra Voluntaria del mes de noviembre. Ella y su familia son muy activos en esta comunidad. Martha es un ministra de la Eucaristía, lectora, y miembro del coro hispano. Ella voluntariamente nos ayuda con la limpieza de la Iglesia, coordinadora de las bodas y de quinceañeras y tambien coordina la venta de comida del ministerio hispano muy conocida como la "Cocina de Martha" que ayuda a recaudar fondos para la Iglesia.

Cada año se encarga de la coordinación y preparacion para fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe y las Posada. Es posible que reconosca a Martha en varios lugares, pero lo más importante es encontrar su dulce sonrisa cálida. Es un placer otorgarle este premio como reconocimiento de todo lo que ella hace por la toda la comunidad.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

For those that are interested in serving as a Eucharistic Minister come to a training session being held on Monday, December 20th at 6:30 in the Church. You must meet EM criteria to join. For more information contact ministry head.

PREPARACION PARA LOS MINISTROS DE EUCHARISTIA

Para aquellos parroquianos que esten interesados en servir como ministro de la Eucharistia habra una preparacion el

Lunes 20 de Diciembre en la Iglesia a las 6:30 p.m.

Tiene que cumplir con ciertos requisitos. Para mas informacion hable con el encabezado de ministros.



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