

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 24TH & 25TH, 2019

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Closed during lunch from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.
Office Closes at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays during RE



Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 –4:45 p.m.



Weekend Masses:

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



Weekday Masses:

Mondays: Communion Service
Tuesday-Friday Mass English Only in Chapel at 7:30 a.m.

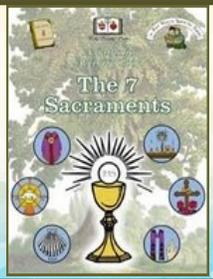


Nursing Home Mass or Communion Service@ 10:00 a.m.

Bastrop Nursing Home: Second Thursday of Month

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Reconciliation\Confesiones:
Saturdays\ Sabados:3:30 –4:45 pm
Please call the Office for\ Favor de Lllamar la oficina 512-321-3552 para Baptism & Marriage\Bautismos & Matrimonios Anointing of the Sick\ Uncion de los Enfermos.

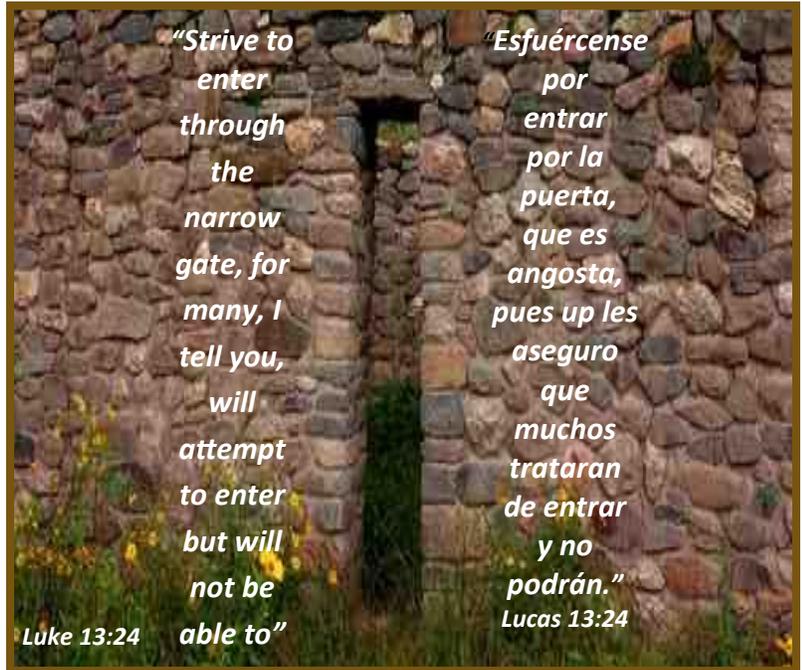


Last chance to register you kids for RE - **Sunday Sept.8th** after each mass. Classes begin the week of **Sept. 11th.**

Ultima oportunidad para inscribir sus niños para el catecismo - **Domingo 8 de Sept.** después de las misas. Clases empiezan la semana del **11 de Septiembre.**

A great way to connect to the beauty of the mass is **LEARNING TO SERVE AT MASS!** Training for **YOUTH** mass lectors, altar servers, and ushers will be held on Sunday Aug. 25th at 2-4 p.m. Please RSVP today: text name & grade to Ms P at 512-733-4651.

Bulletin Submissions due by: Monday 5 pm



"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be able to"

Luke 13:24

"Esfuércense por entrar por la puerta, que es angosta, pues up les aseguro que muchos trataran de entrar y no podrán."

Lucas 13:24

ACTS® Teen ACTS Fundraiser

Our first teen retreat was a Hugh success. Our next retreat is scheduled for Jan. 2-5, 2020. In an effort to make the next retreat possible we will hold a Roasted Chicken Dinner \$8.00 after each of the masses on **Sept 21 & 22, 2019.** (note date change)



Adult formation/RCIA is a process for those baptized Catholics who are wishing to complete their sacraments, those not baptized and for those baptized in another Christian faith, who want to become Catholic. These classes are also open to

anyone who wants to learn more about their Catholic faith. Classes begin on September 12th at Thursday evenings at 6:30. Please contact Jose Oviedo - 830-734-6011 or Deborah Esquivel -desquivel@ascen.org.

La formación de adultos / RICA es un proceso para aquellos católicos bautizados que desean completar sus sacramentos, para aquellos que no han sido bautizados y aquellos bautizados en otra fe cristiana, que quieren convertirse en Católico. Estas clases también están abiertas a cualquier persona que quiera aprender más sobre su fe católica. Las clases empiezan jueves 12 de septiembre a las 6:30 p.m. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Jose Oviedo - 830-734-6011 o Deborah Esquivel - desquivel@ascen.org.

Women's Retreat Nov. 7th -10th, 2019



If you have never been and are interested in participating please contact Linda Martin at (512)670-6311. Retreat registration forms can be found on AscensionBastrop.org and in the Parish Office.



Call parish office to add someone to the prayer

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 Gloria Rivera
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Ladies—get your girlfriends together and come to the Diocese of Austin Women’s conference!

Saturday, Sept. 7, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. at St. William Parish in Round Rock. Program includes guest speakers (in English and Spanish), Mass, Vendors, Reconciliation and more. Last year’s conference sold out quickly! Reserve your seat today - www.austindiocese.org/womens-conference. Registration \$55; College Students \$25, large group discounts (8+)
Mujeres – junto con sus amigas, la invitamos a que nos acompañe a la Conferencia Anual de Mujeres Católicas de la Diócesis de Austin!
 Sábado, 7 de sept., 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. en la Parroquia de St. William en Round Rock. El programa incluye invitados especiales (con presentaciones en Inglés y Español), Misa, vendimia, confesión y más. Reserve su lugar hoy - austindiocese.org/conferenciademujeres. Costo \$55 Individual; \$25 para estudiante de colegio; descuentos para grupos de 8 o mas.

STEWARDSHIP SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE		
Aug 17 & 18, 2019	Week	YTD
Regular Collection	\$9,712.09	\$312,580.44
Operating Expenses	\$120.73	\$349,086.19
Children’s Collection	\$81.35	\$5,667.84
Youth	\$0.00	\$6,987.98
Building Fund	\$138.49	\$17,633.07
2nd Collection	\$1,865.70	\$10,582.43

Thank You - Gracias!
 On behalf of Bishop Gabriel - thank you for your great generosity. Departe del Obispo Gabriel de Guana - gracias por su gran generosidad. Total \$7,375.01

MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Aug. 26th
 7:00 p.m. CRSP-Men RE #204& PH/Kit
 6:30 p.m. Women’s ACTs—RE#206
 7:00 p.m. Taller de Oración—Chapel

Tuesday, Aug. 27th
 6:00 p.m. CRSP Ladies— #204 & PH

Wednesday, Aug. 28th
 6:00 p.m. Choir—Choir Room

Thursday, Aug. 29th
 9:00 a.m. Devocion de la Sangre Preciosa
 6:00 p.m. KOC Meeting - RE #104
 7:00 p.m. Holy Hour English - Chapel

Friday, Aug. 30th
 7:00 p.m. Legion de Maria—RE #101
 7:00 p.m. Carismaticos—RE Mtg. Rm.
 7:00 p.m. Rey Jesus—#206

Saturday, Aug. 31st
 3:30 p.m. Confessions
 5:00 p.m. ACTS - Women Fundraiser - Bell Tower

In Loving Memory of
 †Luisa & †Gregorio
 Castillo

Altar flowers can be donated in memory of someone or to honor a special occasion. \$75 donation, Contact Parish Office: 512-321-3552.

Holy Rosary Men’s ACTS Retreat
 Sept.19-22, 2019
 If interested contact Steve Strmiska at 512-560-6400 or visit, www.holyrosaryacts.com.

Looking into the Future: *Growing in Virtue*

We live in a fix-it society. Turn on your television on any given day and just surf through the channels. One commercial after another, one infomercial after another, they are all offering to fix something. There are fixes for heartburn, obesity, and sleeplessness. There is a fix for runny noses, ugly noses, and stuffy noses. It's not just that fixes are offered. The message also is that one "ought" too be fixed. That if perchance one should pass on a certain fix, not partake of its wondrous possibilities, one really isn't being very responsible for oneself.

There are two problems with all this fixing. First, some of the things people are trying to fix about us, and that we are trying to fix about ourselves, are not broken. They are exactly as they are intended to be. Some of the imperfections that we are obsessed with changing are part of our perfection. Second, for everything else that doesn't fall into the first category, if you look a little more closely you will discover that we are just treating symptoms rather than actually fixing anything at all. If you have heartburn or cannot sleep at night you should be asking yourself what is it about your lifestyle that is creating the problem.

Our lives genuinely improve only when we grow in virtue. Any other change is simply cosmetic. If we really want to improve ourselves, our lives, and society, then we need to begin to switch the focus off of money, celebrity, and talent and onto character and virtue.

Growing in virtue is the work of our lives. Everything that happened, everything we do is just an opportunity to grow in virtue. Make virtue our goal, and you will find that the moments of the day come bearing the gift of opportunity. If you truly wish to grow in virtue, we must wear ourselves off of instant gratification. Not only do we live in a fix-it society but we also live in a quick-fix society. We overlook character and virtue because they are not quick fixes. Both require time and work.

Growing in virtue is not easy. It requires real and constant effort. But the beauty of this effort is that if you grow in one virtue, you will automatically grow in every other virtue. If you decide to focus on becoming a more patient person, you will automatically become a kinder person. Kindness and patience are interconnected. It is easier for a patient person to be kind, just as it is easier for a patient person to be generous, because a patient person is not consumed with his or her own gratification.

Pick a virtue and ask God to show you ways to develop that virtue in yourself. Focus on it everyday. Remind yourself every morning, stopping and reflecting on the times when you exercised the virtue or when you did not but should have. Focus on one virtue at a time, you will begin to build a castle of character to live in. In each moment of the day, just do the next right thing and your life will begin to flood with joy. **Consider: Do you need to grow in virtue to make it through the "narrow gate" to heaven?**

Perfectly Yourself-Discovering God's Dream For You, Matthew Kelly, Dynamic Catholic Institute, 50Chapter two—Perfectly Imperfect: Our Desire to Please 18 Olympic Blvd. KY pp. 70-72.

Fall Festival

Thank you for your help and support with ticket sales. To date, we have about 80% checked out. There are still tickets available if anyone needs additional books to purchase or sell. As Fr. Ramiro mentioned on Sunday - we are needing auction items. These can be picked up or dropped off at the office during the week.

Gracias por su apoyo y ayuda con la venta de boletos de rifa. Hasta la fecha tenemos aproximadamente el 80% fuera. Todavía hay boletos disponibles para comprar o vender. Como el P. Ramiro mencionó el domingo: necesitamos artículos de subasta. Estos se pueden recuperar o dejar en la oficina durante la semana.



Mon. Aug. 26th 1Thes 1:1-5,8b-10/Mt 23:13-22 (425)
Communion Service
Tues. Aug. 27th 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26 (426)
†Theresa Rodriguez
Wed. Aug. 28th 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:27-32 (427)
†Nancy Zaiz
Thurs. Aug. 29th 1 Thes 3:7-13(428)/Mk 6:17-29 (634)
†John Hughes
Fri. Aug. 30th 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13 (429)
†AJ Jimenez
Sat. Aug. 31st 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30 (430)
Sun. Sept. 1st Sir 3:17-18,20,28-29/Heb 12:18-19,22-24a/
Lk 14:1, 7-14 (126)
Saturday 5:00 p.m. Lilia Gonzalez
Sunday 8:00 a.m. †Mary Martin
10:00 a.m †Tomas Silva
12:00 p.m. †Francisco Diaz Sanchez



Catholic Social Teaching
Diocese of Austin

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - In today's Gospel Jesus reminds the people of his time that their status as "the chosen people" did not guarantee admission to God's Kingdom. That is true of us as well. God's kingdom is given as gift, but to accept the gift we must faithfully follow Jesus through the narrow door, which means living in him and for him in everything we do. That narrow door includes our love and care for the poor and vulnerable. Are we strong enough to be servants to the least as Jesus was?

21ro Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario - En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús recuerda a la gente de su tiempo que su estatus como "gente elegida" no le garantiza la admisión al Reino de Dios. Esto es verdad para nosotros también. El reino de Dios se nos da como un don, pero para aceptar el don debemos de seguir a Jesús fielmente a través de la puerta angosta, lo que significa vivir en Él y por Él en todo lo que hacemos. Esa puerta angosta incluye nuestro amor y cuidado por los pobres y vulnerables ¿Somos lo suficientemente fuertes para ser siervos para los más pequeños, tal como Jesús lo fue?

MARRIED COUPLES: Getting ready for school means lots of time spent on your children. After school begins, why not give yourselves some time together? Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! Upcoming weekends are scheduled Sept. 6-8 at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock, and Nov. 1-3 at Cedarbrake Renewal Center in Belton. More info, gift cards and applications are at www.austinme.org or contact Michael and Shani Cowart: 512-677- (9963) or wmeausin@gmail.com. Call early to ensure a space. 512-635-1036. Español 512-635-1036

Rockne Homecoming Bazaar

Sacred Heart Church is having their annual bazaar on Sunday, Sept. 1st , 2019 1 pm - 5pm. Come and enjoy a Fried Chicken, home style sausage & chicken and dressing (adults \$10, kids \$5) There will also be an Auction, Raffle, Bingo, Games and Refreshments.

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