

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER: APRIL 25TH & 26TH, 2020

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Bastrop, Texas

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Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 8am-12pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 1 pm - 5 pm



Reconciliation - Confesiones

Saturdays: 3:30 –4:45 p.m. Or by appt.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO



Recently we sent out postcards to all our parishioners but unfortunately many were returned as undeliverable. Please help us maintain contact by calling the parish office with your updated information. 512-321-3552.

Recientemente enviamos postales a todos nuestros feligreses, pero desafortunadamente muchos fueron devueltos como imposibles de entregar. Ayúdenos a mantener contacto llamando a la oficina parroquial con su información actualizada. 512-321-3552.



Although some of the restrictions have been modified, face coverings and social distancing will be required upon entering the church for all services and the parish office until further notice.

Aunque algunas de las restricciones han sido modificados, se requerirán un tipo de máscaras y distanciamiento social al entrar a la Iglesia o la oficina de la parroquia hasta nuevo aviso.

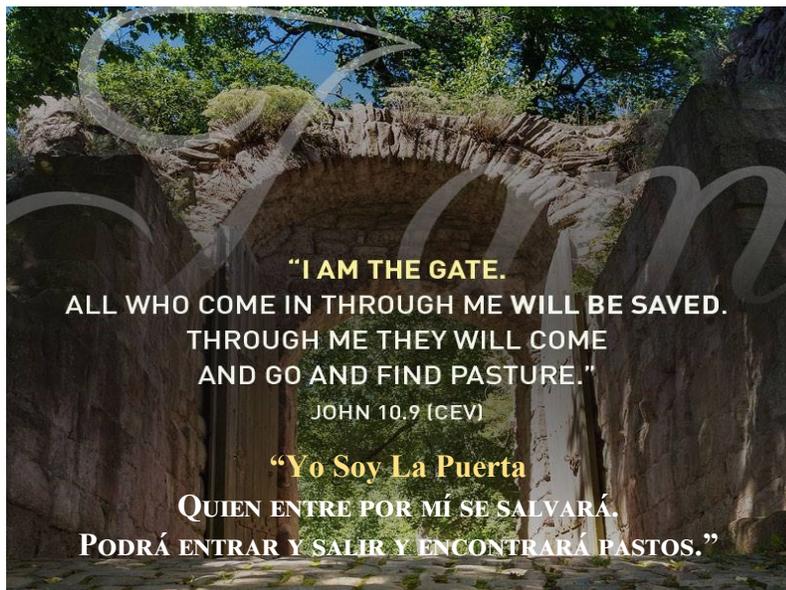


From the office of the Bishop

Please check our website: AscensionBastrop.com or Facebook for the Bishop's decree on our reopening for services.

De la oficina del Obispo

Por favor, consulte nuestro sitio web: Ascension-Bastrop.com o Facebook para el decreto del obispo sobre nuestra reapertura de servicios.



"I AM THE GATE.

ALL WHO COME IN THROUGH ME WILL BE SAVED. THROUGH ME THEY WILL COME AND GO AND FIND PASTURE."

JOHN 10.9 (CEV)

"Yo Soy La Puerta

QUIEN ENTRE POR MI SE SALVARÁ. PODRÁ ENTRAR Y SALIR Y ENCONTRARÁ PASTOS."



PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN MARY FOR THE PROTECTION FROM CORONAVIRUS

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. **We entrust ourselves to you**, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. **Help us, Mother of Divine Love**, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and **deliver us from every danger**, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Prayer by Pope Francis

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MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS

Groups may begin to schedule meetings starting next Tuesday - May 5th. Keep in mind that you will still be required to adhere to the social distancing and face coverings. You are also advised to provide your own sanitizing products. Prior to meeting please call the Parish office to confirm space availability.

REUNIONES

Los grupos pueden comenzar a programar reuniones a partir de del próximo martes, el 5 de mayo. Tengan en cuenta que se requiere un tipo de máscaras y el mantenimiento de la distancia social durante estas reuniones. También se le aconseja proporcionar su propio productos desinfectantes. Antes de la reunión por favor llame al la oficina parroquial para confirmar disponibilidad de espacio.



Minerva McKinnon
 †Bob Enger
 Linda Chambless
 †Juan Reyes
 Joel Rivera
 Pat Pieffer
 †Monte Reed
 Richard Ashline
 Ray Nella Torres
 Olga Guerra
 † Barbara Wernette
 Beverly Rhoades
 Sammy Rosko
 †Alma Probst
 †Arneita S. Wramp
 Victoria Silva
 Warren Pedersen
 †Guillermo Bernal
 Guadalupe Vergara Millan
 Andres "Chuy" Salazar
 Zane Hyzak
 Rita Huser
 Kelly Wilkerson
 Sarah Elizabeth Collins
 Mia Moore
 †Jessica Skellie
 †Salvador Jimenez
 †Susa Campos
 †Stella Cervantes
 Mickey Duvall
 †Teresa Gurley
 †Epifania Vigil Mondragon
 †David Martinez
 Joel Cruz
 †Joe Raz
 †Ascension Martinez
 Jimmie Farrell - health
 †Marshall Alejos
 †Delfina Davila
 †Mary Louis Spencer
 †Michael Lundgren
 †Carole Weiland
 Vicente Zavala
 Mario Pacheco
 Charlie Pacheco
 †Briena Nicole Salazar
 Pete & Lupita Vigil
 Blaine Potts
 Zachary Beauchamp
 Richard Barrios
 Domingo Villareal
 †Mario Javier Rosales, Sr
 †Martha Herschapp
 †Victor Solis
 †Frank Rodriguez
 †George Martin
 Mary Butler
 Rebecca Casias
 Dottie Adams
 Connie DeFabian
 Mary LaBlanc
 Agnes Raz
 Julia Mahone
 Donna Arthur
 Paul Cross
 Jesse Moran
 †Willie Coy
 †Jose Maria Resendis
 †Julia Mahon
 Sylvia Lopez
 Robert Wilhelm
 †Paul Tanner
 Gary Rosenauer
 †Crispina Ramirez
 Angel Valdez



<i>April 25h & 26th, 2020</i>	Week	YTD
Regular Collection	\$7,575.45	\$145,981.95
Operating Expenses	\$10,569.10	\$148,873.25
Children's	\$14.72	\$2,711.14
Youth	\$0.00	\$6,673.76
Building Fund	\$53.79	\$5,490.29
Special:	\$0.00	\$6,963.59

**** Rather than the scheduled date of May 3, this year's Seminarians and Priest Education and Formation special collection will now be taken up *June 20-21*.**

Parishioners that have envelopes for either of this collection on the original date, should hold on to them until collected on the new dates.

Ladies of Charity Thrift Store
 Upon the recommendation of our advisory board, our city and county officials - the store will remain closed through the month of April or until allowed.

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Altar Flowers
 We apologize but unfortunately we are unable to have flower arrangements due to lack of flower deliveries to our florist. Those that had previously scheduled to have arrangements in coming weeks are asked to contact the parish office to reschedule your requests. Thank you for your understanding and continued support during this time of COVID-19 restrictions. **Altar Society**

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

Ministry Volunteer Directory

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 Sandwich Ministry: **Steve Venzon (512)718-9408**
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ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH

FISH FRY

Catfish & Cod
 French fries - Hush Puppies - Beans - Cole Slaw
11am to 7pm
Pick-up and Go Only

8. Thomas More: *The Gentle Voice Within*

When was the last time you paused to listen to your conscience before making a decision?

Sometimes the best way to reflect upon the story of our lives is to ponder death. Life is wonderful but short. The saints meditated on death so that they wouldn't take a moment of this precious life for granted. Life has a tendency to slip through our hands like water, unless we live each day, each hour, each moment with great consciousness. The saints nurtured this conscious awareness with daily prayer.

Saint Thomas More was executed on July 6, 1535, in London for refusing to recognize the Act of Supremacy and sign the Act of Succession. Thomas More was widely regarded as a man of impeccable character and meticulous honesty. People trusted his judgement, and his refusal to sign sent a message to the people of England. He didn't speak out against the acts; he simply refused to sign or say anything at all. But one honest man's silence is louder than all the words of ten thousand dishonest men.

The king (Henry VIII) accused Thomas of treason and the punishment was death. Thomas explained to his family that he could not in good conscious sign the document because he did not believe it to be true or right. He was willing to die rather than betray God, his country, his conscience, and himself.

When was the last time you refused to do something because your conscience made it clear that it was wrong? When we ignore our conscience, we betray ourselves, others and God? A clear conscience is profound, simple, complex, mysterious, and liberating all at the same time. It is both simple and complex because we have a responsibility to develop and form our conscience, and to align it with the truth in all things. Knowing when to let go of things you once thought were true in favor of greater truths is psychologically and spiritually challenging. It requires courage and grace.

We live in a world where we are constantly told, "Do whatever you feel like doing," and that message is reinforced with the idea that doing what you want and getting what you want will make you happy. The concept of conscience seems long forgotten in such a world. A sense of right and wrong has been lost, washed away by a tidal wave of relativism. And yet, deep within you there is a gentle voice, the voice of your conscience. When we listen to it, we experience a joy and lightness; when we ignore it, our soul aches and we experience a profound feeling of being weighed down.

It's strange how we prefer new ideas that don't bear fruit to ancient ideas that bear fruit every time. Why are we so ready to abandon the tried and true? There is beauty in our faith. It is old, ancient, in fact-but it still bears incredible fruit when it is lived with passion and purpose. And maybe a clear conscience does help us sleep better.

The saints teach us to live boldly by listening to that gentle voice within. Are you living the one short life you have been given with passion and purpose?

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FATHER

Thank you for my one short life. Inspire me in some small way each day to live with grace and courage, compassion and generosity, by listening to the gentle voice that you have placed within me. Amen

Rediscovering the Saints: Twenty five questions that will change your life, Matthew Kelly, Dynamic Catholic, ©2019 Kakadu, LLC. Published by Blue Sparrow. P.45-48.



Mon. May 4th Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18 (279)

No Communion Service

Tues. May 5th Acts 11: 19-26/Jn 10: 22-20 (280)

Happy 36th Anniversary Frank & Margie Soto

Wed. May 6th Acts 12:24-13:5a/ Jn 12: 44-50 (281)

†Bill Johnson

Thurs. May 7th Acts 13: 13-25/ Jn 13:16-20 (282)

For Souls in Purgatory & Veronica Chanblee

Fri. May 8th Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6 (283)

Happy Birthday †Susa Campos

Sat. May 9th Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14 (284)

Sun. May 10th Acts 6:1-7/1Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12 (52)

Saturday 5:00 p.m. †Tomas Silva &

†Dolores Valladares

Sunday 8:00 a.m. †Mary L. Ngyen*

9:30 a.m. †Gilbert Ramos

11:30 am. Araceli Gonzalez

***rescheduled to Saturday - June 6th.**



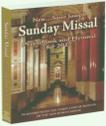
Catholic Social Teaching
Diocese of Austin

Fourth Sunday of Easter: On this Sunday, our Risen Lord is recognized as the good shepherd who protects us and cares for us. Being the recipients of God's care, we need to realize that Peter's words to the people of Jerusalem are addressed to us as well – we too must reform and embrace a new way of living if we wish to be a part of Christ's fold. That new way of life is to bring God's care and mercy to the poor, the vulnerable, the forgotten and abandoned through our relationships with them.

Cuarto Domingo de Pascua: En este domingo, nuestro Señor Resucitado es reconocido como el Buen Pastor que nos protege y nos cuida. Al ser quienes reciben el cuidado de Dios, necesitamos darnos cuenta de las palabras de Pedro a la gente de Jerusalén, las cuales están dirigidas a nosotros también – nosotros también debemos reformar y adoptar una nueva manera de vivir si deseamos ser parte del redil de Cristo. Esa nueva manera de vivir es llevar el cuidado y la misericordia de Dios a los pobres, los vulnerables, los olvidados y abandonados a través de nuestras relaciones con ellos.

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