

FEAST OF THE EXULTATION OF THE CROSS – SEPTEMBER 13TH & 14TH, 2025



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Daily Mass Schedule

Mondays: 7:30am Communion Service

Tues – Fri: 7:30am Mass English Only
Rosary recited after Mass

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00pm English/Inglés

7:00pm Spanish/Español

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am English

12:00pm Español

Rosary 30 min before Mass

Reconciliation – Confessions

Saturday: 3:30pm – 4:45pm (or by Appt)

Adoration

Tuesday & Friday: 8:00am – 8:00pm

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Reflection:

The word "Exaltation" in the name of today's feast means a 'lifting up', and in the Gospel of John, Jesus says that he, being "lifted up" will draw all peoples to himself. This 'lifting up' refers not only to Jesus' being physically raised on the Cross. In John's presentation of the Paschal Mystery, Jesus dies on the Cross, passes to new life (Resurrection), returns to the Father (Ascension), and breathes forth the Spirit (Pentecost). Jesus is totally 'exalted' on the Cross. Hence, the Cross is a much esteemed symbol for Christians everywhere and a way by which they express their faith. We place a cross in our churches and homes, in the classrooms of our schools and in other Christian institutions. Many wear a cross as part of their dress. We remember Jesus' words to his followers:

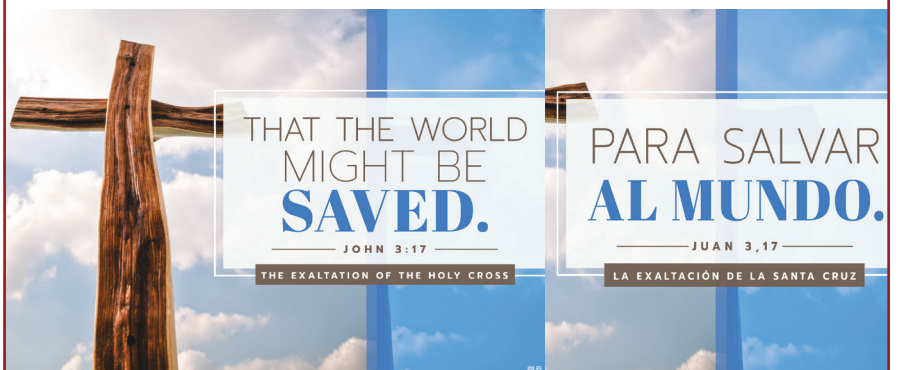
...whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. (Matt 10:38-39)

Reflexión:

La palabra "Exaltación" en el nombre de la fiesta de hoy significa "elevación", y en el Evangelio de Juan, Jesús dice que él, al ser "elevado", atraerá a todos los pueblos hacia sí. Esta "elevación" no se refiere solo a que Jesús fuera físicamente levantado en la cruz. En la presentación que hace Juan del Misterio Pascual, Jesús muere en la cruz, pasa a una nueva vida (Resurrección), vuelve al Padre (Ascensión) y exhala el Espíritu (Pentecostés). Jesús es totalmente "exaltado" en la cruz. Por lo tanto, la cruz es un símbolo muy apreciado por los cristianos de todo el mundo y una forma de expresar su fe. Colocamos una cruz en nuestras iglesias y hogares, en las aulas de nuestras escuelas y en otras instituciones cristianas. Muchos llevan una cruz como parte de su vestimenta. Recordamos las palabras de Jesús a sus seguidores:

...el que no tome su cruz y me siga, no es digno de mí. El que encuentre su vida, la perderá, y el que pierda su vida por mí, la encontrará. (Mateo 10:38-39)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

POPE LEO XIV

This Sunday, 14th of September, our newly elected Pope Leo XIV turns 70. We rejoice in the gift of his life and pray that the Lord will grant him wisdom, health and courage as he shepherds the Church.

A Birthday Prayer

Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, bless Pope Leo XIV on his 70th birthday. Renew him in mind and body; fill him with the fire of Your love; and make his ministry a bright beacon of hope for the world. Amen.



†Pope Francis
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 Angeles Gutierrez
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 Jimmy Gajardo
 Jessica Hernandez
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 Chris Cooke
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 †Usbaldo Ramos
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 Stefany Garcia
 Louis Carrizales
 Aida Leyva
 Shiela Fontenot
 Graciela & Jose Lopez
 Lydia Constante
 Carroll Perry
 Seferina Zavala
 Ricardo Zavala
 Asher Jupe
 Stephanie Mettala
 Brendan Moore
 Warren Morton
 MonDessa Morton
 Sara Atkinson
 †Josie Tristan
 Henery Kafel
 Maria Lara

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ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH

*****Next/Last Planning Meeting:**
*****Siguiente/Última reunión de planificación:**
Tues (Martes), Sept 16th @ 6PM in the Parish Hall



Sunday, Oct. 5th, 2025
10AM - 530PM

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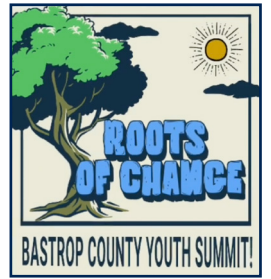
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Neighboring Festivals:

Queen of the Holy Rosary Hostyn Festival -
 Oct. 5th, 11:00am-7:00pm, church grounds
 St. Margaret Catholic Church Giddings -
 Oct. 26th, 10:30am-4:00pm at the Silos on 77
 St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manor -
 Oct. 26th, 11:30am-10:00pm, church grounds



Do you love crafting??
 Volunteers are always
 welcome to help make
 rosaries on the 3rd
 Thursday of every
 month. Check the
 calendar for meeting
 time & location.

FLOWER DEDICATION:

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Eucharistic Adoration

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 Adoración abierta.

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Feast of the Exultation of the Cross

Today, we celebrate the triumph of Christ's Cross. Often when faced with crosses, we seek a way out or we are often tempted by anger and despair. Instead, let us allow Jesus to enter the crosses we carry, for he can transform them and use them to make our faith stronger.

Fiesta de la Exaltación de la Santa Cruz

Hoy celebramos el triunfo de la cruz de Cristo. A menudo, cuando nos enfrentamos a cruces, buscamos una salida o nos sentimos tentados por la ira y la desesperación. En lugar de eso, dejemos que Jesús entre en las cruces que llevamos, porque él puede transformarlas y utilizarlas para fortalecer nuestra fe.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Our Lady of Sorrows

Mon. Sept 15th 1 Tm 2: 1-8 (443) / Jn 19: 25-27 (639)

Communion Service

Tues. Sept 16th 1 Tm 3: 1-13 / Lk 7: 11-17 (444)

†Heidi Weiss, †Alphonse Barbato

Wed. Sept 17th 1 Tm 3: 14-16 / Lk 7: 31-35 (445)

Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thurs. Sept 18th 1 Tm 4: 12- 16 / Lk 7: 36 - 50 (446)

†Elarba Harkrider

Fri. Sept 19th 1 Tm 6: 2c - 12 / Lk 8: 1 - 3 (447)

Happy Birthday Connie Rodriguez

Sat. Sept 20th 1 Tm 6: 13 - 16 / Lk 8: 4-15 (448)

5:00pm For the People

7:00pm †Felipe Enríquez, †Jerry Easley

Happy Birthday Saul Lemus Miranda

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun. Sept 21st Am 8: 4-7 / 1 Tm 2: 1-8 / Lk 16: 1-13 (135)

8:00am †Josie Tristan / Maria Fernanda Palen

10:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:00pm †Juan Castillo y San Juana Leyva,

†Teresa y Ma. De la Luz, †Jose Luis Martinez

STEWARDSHIP

*Fiscal Year
July 2025-June 2026

September 13th & 14th	Week	YTD
Regular Collection	\$20,475.91	\$156,924.55
Operating Expenses	\$894.80	\$84,565.23
Children's Collection	\$260.00	\$4,162.01
Building Fund	\$298.00	\$3,435.00
2nd Collection	\$35.00	\$11,462.78

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another." ~1 Peter 4:10

PARENTS: PLEASE ACCOMPANY YOUR CHILDREN TO RESTROOMS. PADRES: POR FAVOR ACOMPAÑEN A SUS HIJOS A LOS BAÑOS.

CALENDAR: MEETINGS AND GATHERINGS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

****ENSURE ALL DOORS ARE LOCKED BEFORE LEAVING **ASEGÚRESE DE QUE TODAS LAS PUERTAS ESTÉN CERRADAS ANTE**

Date	Time	Organization/Ministry	Location
Mon Sept. 15th	5:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	KofC/KOCA KOCA CRSP Caballeros Carismáticos	Parish Hall/Kitchen 206 Youth Space 103
Tues Sept. 16th	8:00am 5:00pm 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Adoration Choir Practice Legion of Mary - English Fall Festival Planning Meeting Capital Campaign Information Session 2 Carismáticos CRSP Damas Taller de Oración y Vida	Chapel Mtg Room 104 Parish Hall Church 104 Parish Hall 204
Wed Sept. 17th	4:30pm 6:00pm 7:30pm	RE classes: Kinder - 6th Grade RE classes: Kinder - 6th Grade RE classes: 7th Grade - 12th Grade	RE Bldg RE Bldg RE Bldg
Thur Sept. 18th	10:00am 6:00pm	Rosary Makers Ushers Safety Mtg	102 Church
Fri Sept. 19th	8:00am 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Adoration Carismáticos Rey Jesus LSP	Chapel Parish Hall 204 206
Sat Sept. 20th	6:00am 8:00am 8:00am 9:00am 3:30pm	That Man Is You Legion de Maria - Español Carismáticos Rey Jesus Confessions	Kitchen/Parish Hall 104 Parish Hall Kitchen Only Church
Sun Sept. 21st	8:00am 3:00pm	Carismáticos Womens ACTS mtg	Parish Hall Youth Space

What is the time limit that cardinals have to elect a new pope?
¿Cuál es el plazo que tienen los cardenales para elegir un nuevo papa?

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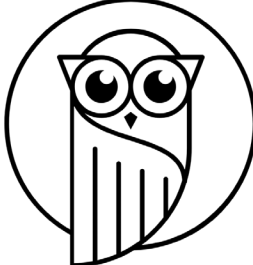


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