

The Catholic Community of ST. PAUL

PARISH OFFICE AND RECTORY:
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MASSES

Saturdays: 5:00 pm
 Sundays: 9:00 am & 11:00 am and 12:30 pm (Mass in Spanish)
 Weekday Masses: (Refer to the schedule in the bulletin)

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Contact the parish office for Baptism Preparation Class and Scheduling of Baptisms. Birth Certificate is required.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday at 4:00 to 4:45 pm or call the parish office for an appointment with our pastor.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office four to six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: In case of illness, please call the parish office.

PASTORAL STAFF

Elaine Resendez:	Parish Secretary	280-4460 x111
Bob Dugas:	Parish Administrator	280-4460 x113
	Youth Ministry	280-5821, fax 291-8452
Ana Jackoskie:	Director of Religious Education	280-4460 x122
Bernice Machala:	Parish Social Ministry/Bookkeeper	280-4460 x114
Debbi Saunders:	Children and Family Ministry	280-4460 x123

EDUCATION

Adult Confirmation:	Ana Jackoskie	280-4460 x122
Adult Enrichment Programs:		
Christian Experience Weekend:	Denise Gran	280-7718
High School Confirmation:	Bob Dugas	280-5821
R.C.I.A.:	Denise Gran	280-7718

DEADLINE for information FOR BULLETIN: Tuesday by 3:00 pm.
 Email information to: eresendez@s-p-c-c.org

PARISH LIFE

Altar Servers: Julia Rivera	291-1053
Criminal Justice Ministry: Deacon John Pickwell	443-6395
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Ken Moore	243-5719
Flowers for the altar: Debbie Trevino	282-1631
Gabriel Project: Mary Joy Guzman	291-8943
Golden Hearts: Brenda Hester	415-4850
Greeters (Ushers): Tony & Cindy Garcia	282-6758
Grounds Maintenance Team: Bill Torpey	445-5093
Hope Ministry/Domestic Violence: Bernice Machala	422-2386
Knights of Columbus: Carlos Mendoza	416-7555
Legion of Mary: Karen Klabzuba	282-1926
Lectors: Larry Larson	288-7459
Liturgy Coordinator: Agnes Bunn	243-1001
Monday Morning Prayer Group: Barbara Gardner	442-0938
Mornings With Jesus: Lisa Phillips	280-4460 x124
Music Ministers: Dave Stritzinger - 5:00 pm Mass	282-1698
Kristy Bratten - 9:00 am Mass	291-4802
Nikki Villarreal - 11:00 am Mass	280-5821
Ramiro Segura - 12:30 pm Mass	282-2804
Nursery Coordinator: Kathy Macias	382-9163
Our Lady of Guadalupe Society: Art and Aurora Salinas	291-4743
Respect Life: Ken & Maria Moore	243-5719
Rosary/Scripture Groups: Mary Alice Calderon	441-1339
Sacristan Leader: Agnes Bunn	243-1001
Scouts Pack 403: Cub Scouts: Mike Torres	282-1950
Boy Scouts: Kevin Carpenter	280-6347
St. Paul's Ladies: Anna Worden	280-4460
St. Vincent de Paul	280-4460 x120
Stewardship	280-4460 x123





Mass Intentions for the Week	Date & Time		Mass Intentions December 13 through December 19, 2008
Saturday	Dec 13	5:00 pm	St. Paul Parishioners
Sunday	Dec 14	9:00 am 11:00 am	St. Paul Parishioners St. Paul Parishioners
Mass in Spanish	Dec 14	12:30 pm	St. Paul Parishioners
Monday	Dec 15	12:00 pm	Eucharistic Service
Tuesday	Dec 16	12:00 pm	†Johnny & Louise Polasek
Wednesday	Dec 17	12:00 pm	Divine Mercy
Thursday	Dec 18	12:00 pm	†Joey Vallejo
Friday	Dec 19	12:00 pm	†Art Aguirre

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP)

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist says, "I am the voice of one crying in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord." As we prepare for Christmas let us ask for the grace to help others to know the love of the Lord.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving...please share your abundance by giving a gift to the SVDP so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings of Christmas.

Prayer List

Pray for the Sick

Please Pray for the Sick in our parish, especially Soledad Ceballos, Fred Law, Sgt. Michael Lambert, Maria Luisa Flores, Capt. Rob Ylledes, Irma Lagunas, SSgt Justin Miguel Morris, US Army, Kimberly Aranda, B. J. Malott, USMC Sgt. Major Payne, Olga Natera, Janet McCubbin, Kent F. Parks, Eduardo Chapa, Mary Meshbane, Brenda Reese, Sonia Garcia, Jesus Medel Castaneda, Socorro Richard Leos, Erika Jimenez, Cambry Cutter, Ana Creamer, David Rivera, Mike Adams, Case Grammer, John Kuhar, & Adrienne Moore.

Rest in Peace

†Arthur Aguirre

Sympathy and Prayers to the Aguirre Family

SCRIPTURE READING FOR THE WEEK OF December 14, 2008

Sunday	Dec 14	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11 (Ps) Lk 1:46-50, 53-54 1 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
Monday	Dec 15	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a Ps 25:4-9 Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday	Dec 16	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23 Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday	Dec 17	Gn 49:2, 8-10 Ps 72:3-4, 7-8, 17 Mt 1:1-17
Thursday	Dec 18	Jer 23:5-8 Ps 72:1, 12-13, 18-19 Mt 1:18-25
Friday	Dec 19	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a Ps 71:3-6, 16-17 Lk 1:5-25
Saturday	Dec 20	Is 7:10-14 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 1:26-38

BIBLE STUDY

PLEASE NOTE – Bible Reflection Study has been moved from Monday to Tuesday. The time is 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in the upper room of the church. If you missed the first lesson, you may still join the group. Cost of the materials is \$8.00.

Music Ministry

The Christmas season is coming and it's a good time to come and lend a hand in the Christmas Caroling. If you are interested, call Dave anytime.

For the Period December 6 – December 7, 2008

"Your Stewardship is the source of our growth."

Weekly Tithing Budgeted	\$10,000.00
Weekly Tithing Income Received	\$17,900.71
Over Budget	\$ 7,900.71
Number of Parishioner's Envelopes Used	193
Children's Envelopes	\$ 24.95
Number of Children's Envelopes Used	19

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

SENIORS ACTIVITIES

Golden Hearts Holiday Social

Reminder: The Golden Hearts Holiday Social is at Johnny Carinos, December 14, 2008 at 4:00 pm. Remember to bring your \$10.00 White Elephant Gift & Money for your dinner if you have not paid. Any questions, call Brenda Hester @ 415-4850

advent

Advent Penance/Reconciliation Services

Monday	December 15	St. Ignatius	7:00 pm
Tuesday	December 16	St. Catherine	7:30 pm
Wednesday	December 17	Santa Cruz	7:00 pm
Thursday	December 18	St. Paul	7:00 pm

Advent Penance Service

St. Paul Advent Penance Service

Kindly mark your calendars for St. Paul Parish Advent Penance Service on Thursday evening, December 18th at 7:00 pm. A number of priests in addition to Father Barry, CSC and Father James, CSC will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession.)

A prayerful and heartfelt welcome to our newest Deacon,
Deacon Salomon Villegas
And his wife *Maria Eva*
Bienvenidos de la Comunidad de San Pablo

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Wednesday	December 24 Christmas Eve	5:00 pm Mass in English	7:00 pm Mass in Spanish	12:00 Midnight
Thursday	December 25 Christmas Day	10:00am Mass in English		



NEW MEMBERS

To
St. Paul

Welcome New Members to St. Paul Catholic Church
 Ms. Janice Murphy, Eric Spitzkeit, Joseph & Elisa Barnes, Marta Andruk, Charles & Mary Ann Norris, Clara Gonzalez, Francisco & Hortencia Macias, Meljun & Ana Vergara, Kenneth & Cynthia Ensell, Emiliano Luna & Rosa DeJesus, Daniel & Rosa Maria Martinez, Luke Sanders & Claudia Sumano, Mark Demmer, Edward & Rose Lara, Jonathan & Sylvia Holt.



A meeting with the Altar Servers will be held Wednesday, December 27th at 6:30 pm. Altar Servers are encouraged to attend. If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server please join us at this meeting.

Children's Choir

Religious Education
 Ana Jakoskie, Director

St. Paul will have a Children's Choir at the 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. It is open to all children from Kindergarten to 8th grade. If you are interested in being a part of this choir, please be at the church at 4:00 pm on Christmas Eve for practice prior to the Mass. Come join in on the fun.

Religious Education

No Religious Education Classes from December 22nd until January 5th. Classes will resume normal class times on January 5, 2009.
*May everyone have
 A very Blessed Christmas.*

From Our Bishop

Bishop Gregory Aymond Intentions

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of December

- That we may be awakened to see the "coming of the Lord" in our daily life...
- Para que podamos estar despiertos ar aver la "venida del Señor" en nuestra vida diaria...
- For those who find the holiday season difficult, especially the depressed and unemployed, that they will have, hope...
- Por aquellas personas que reciban las fiestas con dificultades, especialmente los deprimidos y desempleados, para que tengan esperanza.....

Las Posadas

Everyone is invited to celebrate Las Posadas here at St. Paul on Sunday, December 21st at 7:00 pm. Please come and enjoy this celebration of the search for posada (a place of shelter) for Joseph & Mary as they approach the time for Jesus' birth.



Marriage Preparation - Couples planning to marry should contact their priest or deacon at least six months prior to their wedding date in order to begin the marriage preparation process.

Wedding Anniversary Certificates

Wedding Anniversary Certificates – Couples who are celebrating in this year of 2008 – an anniversary of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, or over are asked to call the parish office. Your name and information is needed to prepare Marriage Recognition Certificates signed by Bishop Aymond. Deadline for submitting your name is Monday, December 15th.

Retired Clergy

SPECIAL OFFERING

Retired Clergy & Religious Fund

A special collection for retired clergy – The appeal for the national Retired Clergy and Religious fund will be held the weekend of December 13th – 14th.

Knights Of Columbus

"Keep Christ in Christmas" magnet – In the beginning of 2005, a group of Knights decided to try & find a way to *silently evangelize* about the *real meaning of the Christmas season...Christ!* That simple idea helped spread the word with a powerful meaning. It is the support of Christians like you that will continue to make this idea as successful as it is. The Knights are selling these car magnets at \$3.50 each. You may purchase a magnet for your car or as a nice gift for someone, from any Knight. You may also purchase these from the Gift Shop. Call Carlos Mendoza at 293-7262 or email emendoza31@sbcglobal.net.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH

The Monthly Meeting for Pax Christi Austin will be held December 21st at 7:00 pm at the Father John Payne House at St. Ignatius, Martyr Parish. Pax Christi Austin is a member of Pax Christi International, the Catholic peace and justice movement that works and prays to create a world that reflects the peace of Christ. For more information, contact Cheryl Grossman at cgross-man@austin.rr.com or (512) 288-2477.

The 47th Annual Southwest Liturgical Conference will be held January 14-17 in Denver, Colorado. This year's theme is "Pinnacle, Pulpit and Pew." For workshop information and other details, visit www.swlc.org or contact the diocesan Worship Office at Yvonne-saldana@austindiocese.org.

Single, Catholic men (ages 18 & older) who are interested in discerning their vocation in life are invited to informal monthly dinners with others who are also considering the possibility of the seminary and the priesthood. Each evening will include dinner, prayer & a discussion of aspects of discernment and priesthood. The next meeting will be held January 15th from 7:00 – 8:30 pm at the Borromeo House @ 905 Duncan Lane in Austin. For more information, contact Father Mike Sis at fr-mike-sis@austindiocese.org or (512) 697-2405.

Men in Prison - There are 7 million men in Texas. There are 850,000 in jail, prison, on parole, on probation or released on bond in Texas. That is about 1:8! Do we have a problem? Do you want to help a person change his lifestyle? Prison ministry is a ministry of presence, taking the time to be there. - *Deacon Doots DuFour, Austin* (512) 651-6108, Director of Jail & Prison Ministries.

"This is my commandment; love one another as I love you. Whatever you did for these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

St. Mary Cathedral Parish, Austin will host its annual "Celtic Christmas" performance on December 18th & 19th @ 8:00 pm. Everyone is invited to celebrate this wonderful time of year with the beautiful, moving and lively music of the Celtic traditions. For tickets call the Cathedral Music Office @ (512) 472-4540 & online at www.celticcenter.org (a small processing fee is applied to online purchases.)

January 7 – 11, 2009 – Seminary Sprint is a discernment road trip to visit seminaries and religious communities. It is for college-age Catholic men open to discerning God's call in their lives. Registration is \$100.00 and is required. The cost is \$100.00, but any donation is acceptable. Contact Fr. Mike Sis @ fr-mike-sis@austindiocese.org or call (512) 949-2405.