

*Conversion of St. Paul*



*Mass Intentions - January 24, 2009 - January 30, 2009*

Saturday	Jan 24	5:00 pm	St. Paul Parishioners
Sunday	Jan 25	9:00 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm	St. Paul Parishioners St. Paul Parishioners St. Paul Parishioners
In Spanish	-----		
Monday	Jan 26	12:00 pm	Eucharistic Service
Tuesday	Jan 27	12:00 pm	USMC Sgt. Major Payne
Wednesday	Jan 28	12:00 pm	†Jose A. Gonzalez †Soledad Chapa de Gonzalez
Thursday	Jan 29	12:00 pm	†Irene Kruczynski †Mary Martin
Friday	Jan 30	12:00 pm	Pro-Life Intentions



*Floral Arrangements*

Floral Arrangements for weekend Masses are handled by Debbie Trevino @ 282-1631.

*Pray for Them*

†Irma Lagunas



Please Pray for the Sick in our parish, especially Joe Cole, Ted Lenocho, Lillian Lenocho, Gregoria Cardona, Julian Hernandez, Carol Henry, Rachelle Wannamaker, USMC Sgt. Major Payne, Bob Schutze, Maria G. Lopez, Carol Henry, Osborne Stover, Soledad Ceballos, Oscar Paz-Arias, Carisma Goodwin, JoAnne Morris, Rose Lubek, Raymond Jacques, Fred Law, Sgt. Michael Lambert, Maria Luisa Flores, Capt. Rob Ylledes, B. J. Malott, Olga Natera, Janet McCubbin, Kent F. Parks, Jr., 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.

*Scripture Reading for the Week of January 25, 2009*

Day	Date	Reading
Sun	Jan 25	Jon 3:1-5, 10 Ps 25:4-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20
Mon	Jan 26	2 Tm 1:1-8 Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10 Mk 3:22-30
Tues	Jan 27	Heb 10:1-10 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 10-11 Mk 3:31-35
Wed	Jan 28	Heb 10:11-18 Ps 110:1-4 Mk 4:1-20
Thurs	Jan 29	Heb 10:19-25 Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6 Mk 4:21-25
Fri	Jan 30	Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40 Mk 4:26-34
Sat	Jan 31	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 (Ps) Lk 1:69-75 Mk 4:35-41



*St. Paul Catholic Church Choir*

The choir is still in need of new members for the 5:00 pm Mass and the 9:00 am Mass. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Dave Stritzinger @ 689-4433.



*Altar Servers (Please Take Note)*

Training for New Altar Servers will be held on Thursday, February 5, 2009 at 6:30 pm. Join us if you are interested in becoming an altar server.

*St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP)*

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says: "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." As disciples, we are called to continue God's work on earth. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living gospel values. Have you considered answering the call to serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?



Welcome Newly Baptized Members  
Of St. Paul Catholic Church  
Karolina Andarza  
Susanna Marie Collings  
Javier Isaiah Peralta



*Stewardship*

Figures for the Period January 17 - January 18, 2009

*"Your Stewardship is the source of our growth."*

Weekly Tithing Budgeted	\$10,000.00
Weekly Tithing Income Received	\$ 9,680.36
Under Budget	\$ - 319.64
Number of Parishioner's Envelopes Used	207
Children's Envelopes	\$ 14.21
Number of Children's Envelopes Used	12

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*



*Money Counters Needed*

The parish is in need of additional money counters. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Bernice Machala at the Parish Office for details.

*Conversion of St. Paul*

Paul's entire life can be explained in terms of one experience—his meeting with Jesus on the road to Damascus. In an instant, he saw that all the zeal of his dynamic personality was being wasted, like the strength of a boxer swinging wildly. Perhaps he had never seen Jesus, who was only a few years older. But he had acquired a zealot's hatred of all Jesus stood for, as he began to harass the Church: "...entering house after house and dragging out men and women, he handed them over for imprisonment" (Acts 8:3b). Now he himself was "entered," possessed, all his energy harnessed to one goal—being a slave of Christ in the ministry of reconciliation, an instrument to help others experience the one Savior.

The conversion of Saul of Tarsus while he was on his way to Damascus is one of the most touching miracles in the history of the early Church. It shows us how faith comes from grace and from one's free cooperation. The doctrine on the Mystical Body of Christ receives proof and a clear illustration when Christ says, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" We should realize that the best way to hasten the unity of all Christians is to foster our own daily personal conversation.

God our Father,

You taught the Gospel to all the world

Through the preaching of Paul your apostle.

May we who celebrate his conversion to the faith

Follow him in bearing witness to your truth.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,

Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

One God, for ever and ever.

Amen

*About the Year of the Family*

During 2009 we are called to be holy families, not just today, but throughout our lives. Bishop Aymond has proclaimed 2009 the "Year of the Family" in our diocese. It will be a time of celebration, reflection and formation as we equip ourselves to meet the challenges of Catholic family life in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Our Church teaches that the family is the "domestic Church" and "school of charity" and that as Church; we are all members of the family of God. The Year of the Family will promote understanding of, and reflection on, these principles and support parishes, families, and individuals in living out these principles in the home, parish, and larger community.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 25, 2009



*Respect Life Month*

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

In commemoration of Respect Life month, the St. Paul council of the Knights of Columbus is organizing a period of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for the advancement of the Church's Pro-Life agenda. Adoration will begin in the chapel following the noon Mass on Friday, January 30, and extend until 5:00 pm on Saturday, January 31. Knights will be present after all Masses with sign-up sheets. All parish families are asked to consider signing up for an hour or more to pray for the implementation of a Culture of Life in our country. If you have any questions or would like to sign-up, call Ken Moore @ 243-5729.

*A Prayer for the Year of the Family*

Grant that your grace may guide the thoughts and actions of husbands and wives for the good of their families and of all the families in the world. Grant that the young may find in the family solid support for their human dignity and for their growth in truth and love. Grant that love, strengthened by the grace of the sacrament of marriage, may prove mightier than all the weakness and trials through which our families sometimes pass. Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that the Church may fruitfully carry out her worldwide mission in the family and through the family, Through Christ our Lord, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life for ever and ever. Amen

*Children and Family Ministry*

Debbi Saunders Email: [dsaunders2002@aol.com](mailto:dsaunders2002@aol.com)

Protecting God's Children Workshop – The Diocese of Austin is committed to Ethics & Integrity in Ministry. To protect our children & volunteers, we ask all who serve our children & vulnerable adults, to attend a workshop, complete an application & go through a criminal background check. Thank you for your ministry here at St. Paul. The nearest "Protecting God's Children" Workshops currently scheduled and open to the public are:

Saturday, January 31, 2009, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon  
St. Edward Campus Ministry, Austin

Saturday, January 31, 2009, 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm  
St. Julia Parish, Austin

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Do you have a pre-school child age 3-5 that would like to have fun and learn in a faith based setting? Mornings with Jesus (MWJ) Catholic Early Education has openings for the Spring Semester in our 3-4 year old classrooms and our 4-5 year old classrooms. Spaces are available and are for 2-day and 4-day programs. A brochure is available in the church foyer. Please call Lisa Phillips to schedule an appointment to tour the program and reserve a space for your child.

*Bishop Aymond's Prayer Intention*

*For peace, especially in the areas of our world that are at war, that God's call for peace will be heard and responded to in faith.*

*Por la paz, especialmente en las areas de nuestro mundo que están en guerra, para que el llamado de Dios por la paz sea escuchado y respondido con fe.*

*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.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH

St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School, in northwest Austin, is now accepting enrollment for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades for the 2009-2010 school year.

Holy Trinity Seminary in Irving, Texas, hosts its annual Live-in Weekend, where young men ages 18 to 40 are invited to experience life in the seminary – prayer, academic classes, a work order, recreation, etc. – with the seminarians. For more information, contact Fr. Mike Sis at [fr-mike-sis@austindiocese.org](mailto:fr-mike-sis@austindiocese.org) or (512) 949-2405.

Catholic Schools Week 2009 – January 25-31, 2009 – The week-long celebration of Catholic Schools Week 2009 takes place across the nation. The Theme this year is "Catholic Schools Celebrate Service." Nationally, 2,320,651 students are enrolled in Catholic Schools. 1.68 million of those are in elementary/middle school and 638,239 in secondary schools.

St. Ignatius Martyr, Catholic School  
Open House  
January 25, 2009  
12:00 noon– 4:00 pm

St. Ignatius School offers an educational program that spans from Early Childhood (3 year olds) through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade and is TCED accredited. Come discover if St. Ignatius located at 120 West Oltorf Street, Austin, Texas. Childcare and refreshments will be provided. Tours in English and Spanish. For more information, please contact Mrs. Patricia Berumen, Admission Director @ 442-8547.

Community Tax Centers provide free, quality tax preparation to households making \$50,000 or less and individuals making \$25, 000 or less. Call 2-1-1 or (512) 973-9203 for more information.

Dolores Catholic Church  
Family Life Building  
Community Tax Center  
Hours of Operation

January 22 – February 15 & April 6-15  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 1:00 – 8:00 pm  
Wednesday, Friday 12:30- 4:30 pm  
Saturday 1:30 – 5:30 pm

February 17 – April 5  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 4:00 – 8:00 pm  
Wednesday, Friday 12:30 – 4:30 pm  
Saturday 1:30 – 5:30 pm

Ofrecemos un servicio gratuito a individuales con un ingreso anual menos de \$25,000 y a familias con un ingreso anual menos de \$50,000. Llame 2-1-1 o (512) 973-9203 para más informacion!

Horario

22 Enero – 15 Febrero y 6-15 Abril  
Lunes, Martes, Jueves 1:00 – 8:00 pm  
Miercoles, Viernes 12:30 – 4:30 pm  
Sabado 1:30 – 5:30 pm

17 Febrero– 5 Abril

Lunes, Martes, Jueves 4:00 – 8:00 pm  
Miercoles, Viernes 12:30 – 4:30 pm  
Sabado 1:30 – 5:30 pm

Mission at San Jose Parish

Theme: "Converting to Jesus in the Year of St. Paul"  
Father Bruce Nieli, a Paulist Priest from Memphis, who was once the Director of Evangelization for the Diocese of Austin, will be giving a Mission at San Jose Parish in South Austin. Father Bruce will be the homilist at the weekend Masses of January 24 & 25. On Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, this schedule will be followed: 5:45 pm Mass; 6:30 pm Confessions; 7:00 pm Conference (English); 8:15 pm Conference (Spanish); 9:30 pm Confessions. Any and all are welcome to attend.