

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.

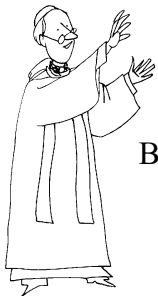
Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

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EVERYONE IS INVITED

*Friday, January 19th
8 am School Mass*

Bishop Gary will be celebrating Mass with our school children.

*Let's give him an STM Welcome!!
All parishioners are welcome!*

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

January 7, 2024

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,085.98
Christmas Offering.....	\$ 10.00
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 363.10
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 1,162.00
School.....	\$ 162.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 145.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$ 185.00

*Second Collection Jan 20 - 21:
To Support Our St. Thomas More School*



ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES

Dios Padre nuestro, te damos gracias por llamar a hombres y mujeres a servir en el Reino de tu Hijo como sacerdotes, diáconos y personas consagradas.

Envía tu Espíritu Santo para ayudar a otros a responder generosa y valientemente a tu llamado.

Que nuestra comunidad de fe apoye vocaciones de amor sacrificial en nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos.

A través de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

Amén



SAN ANTONIO MARCH FOR LIFE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

MARCH AT 1 PM
RALLY AT 2 PM

MAIN PLAZA
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REMEMBER THE BABIES LOST AFTER ROE V. WADE,
AND REJOICE IN LIVES SAVED AFTER DOBBS.

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EQUALITY BEGINS IN THE WOMB



CELEBRATE LIFE PROTECTED IN TEXAS

Gospel Meditation:

As a priest, I'm amazed how happily married couples remember the tiniest details of their earliest encounters. They effortlessly report things like: "he wore a blue shirt," "we ordered brussels sprouts," "her hair was up in a bun," and "he spilled shrimp cocktail sauce at my family's open front door when it was ten degrees below zero," (that one's courtesy of my mom). We delight in remembering and speaking of when our new life of love began. The little details are glorious reminders that it's all real.

It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, **"...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon."**

Why does that tiny detail matter? Because that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives. Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about God, no matter how true or sublime. It is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a human relationship.

What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there?

What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail.

For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9 p. m. on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad, and Laura. We were praying, singing, and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's love for us in our humanity is real.

— Father John Muir

Meditación del Evangelio:

Como sacerdote, me sorprende cómo las parejas felizmente casadas recuerdan los detalles más pequeños de sus primeros encuentros. Informan sin esfuerzo cosas como: "llevaba una camisa azul", "pedimos coles de Bruselas", "tenía el pelo recogido en un moño" y "derramó salsa de cóctel de camarones en la puerta abierta de mi familia cuando hacía diez grados bajo cero" (eso es cortesía de mi madre). Nos deleitamos recordando y hablando de cuándo comenzó nuestra nueva vida de amor. Los pequeños detalles son gloriosos recordatorios de que todo es real.

Es similar para Juan el Apóstol. Nos habla de los dos discípulos que siguieron a Jesús a su casa:

"... Se quedaron con él ese día. Eran como las cuatro de la tarde". ¿Por qué es importante ese pequeño detalle?

Porque ese es el momento del día en que se encontraron con el amor de Jesús el Mesías en sus vidas. Nuestra religión no se trata principalmente de verdades abstractas acerca de Dios, no importa cuán verdaderas o sublimes sean.

Se trata de que Dios nos encuentre y nos salve en nuestra naturaleza humana. Se trata de una relación humana.

¿Cuál fue la hora del día en la que recuerdas haber encontrado por primera vez a Cristo y a su Iglesia? ¿Quién estaba allí? ¿Qué sentiste? ¿Cómo se veían y olían las cosas? ¿Qué pasó? Tómese un tiempo para recordarlo en detalle.

Para mí, fue dentro de una iglesia vieja y desvencijada en la ladera de una colina en Jerome, Arizona. Eran alrededor de las 9 de la noche de un sábado. Estaba con mis amigos Jenny, Brad y Laura. Estábamos orando, cantando y riendo.

¿Cuándo fue para ti? Recordar los detalles no es nostalgia vacía.

Nos recuerda ahora que el amor de Dios por nosotros en nuestra humanidad es real.

— Father John Muir

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*"Be the change you wish to see in the world and
light up the darkness."*

HOLY HOUR PARKING

**If you attend our Friday adoration...
Please park near the rectory and enter the
church on rectory side
as the parking lot behind church will be
closed for the safety of our
school children.**

Thank you for your cooperation.



**PRAY FOR PEACE
IN THE MIDDLE EAST
AND
IN THE WORLD!**



***** FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. ED *****

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I pray the recent holiday celebrations among your families were festive and joyful! As your new shepherd, I wanted to keep you informed regarding the projects that Fr. Mike began with Andalé On the Way. Security for the school and hall were addressed with the installation of cameras. The four rooms behind the sanctuary received new flooring. WiFi and lighting were installed in the church. Many curbs and sidewalks were repaired. Fr. Mike also had a new air conditioner installed in the church.

I continued his projects with the repair of another sidewalk, repairs for our double doors in the church, and we recently received a new wireless microphone system for the church. The sound system is still receiving attention so that popping and static are eliminated.

So far, we have used \$50,000 of our Andalé money. We have about \$59,000 left to use. When I moved in, I immediately noted the presence of mold in the living quarters of the rectory. After consultation with the Pastoral and Finance Councils, it has been determined that the remaining funds are needed to address the discovered asbestos and mold in the rectory, along with related repairs in the walls and floors. I invited representatives from the Archdiocese to help us discern this decision as well. After consulting with the Archdiocesan representatives, we are doubtful that any of the work will be covered by insurance. The bishops have approved our request for this project.

The recent raffle has an estimated result of \$98,312.16, and the festival's result is \$5,008.97. All tickets were sold! I am grateful for the participation we received in both endeavors! Thank you to those who sold tickets, volunteered in the festival, and promoted our activities. I am currently consulting with the Pastoral and Finance Committees about projects for our parish. We are gathering information about many potential improvements. Suggestions can be made to Pastoral Council members.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me via email frgonzales.stmc@gmail.com

May the peace and joy of Christ be with you all,

Fr. Ed Gonzales

***** De NUESTRO PASTOR, PADRE ED *****

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Espero que las recientes celebraciones navideñas entre sus familias hayan sido festivas y alegres!. Como su nuevo pastor, deseo mantenerlos informados acerca de los proyectos que el Padre Mike inició con Andalé On the Way. Se abordó la seguridad de la escuela y el salón con la instalación de cámaras. Se colocó nuevo piso en las cuatro habitaciones detrás del santuario. Se instaló WiFi y lámparas nuevas en la iglesia. Se realizaron reparaciones en muchas aceras y banquetas. El Padre Mike también hizo instalar un nuevo aire acondicionado en la iglesia.

He continuado con sus proyectos, reparando otra acera, realizando reparaciones en nuestras puertas dobles de la iglesia y recientemente recibimos un nuevo sistema de micrófono inalámbrico para la iglesia. El sistema de sonido aún está recibiendo atención para eliminar cualquier ruido molesto y estático.

Hasta ahora, hemos utilizado \$50,000 de nuestros fondos de Andalé. Nos quedan aproximadamente \$59,000 para utilizar. Cuando me mudé, noté de inmediato la presencia de moho en las áreas de vivienda de la rectoría. Después de consultar con los Consejos Pastoral y Financiero, se determinó que los fondos restantes son necesarios para abordar el asbesto y el moho descubiertos en la rectoría, junto con las reparaciones relacionadas en paredes y pisos. También he invitado a representantes de la Arquidiócesis para que nos ayuden a discernir esta decisión. Después de consultar con los representantes arquidiocesanos, tenemos dudas de que alguno de los trabajos esté cubierto por el seguro. Los obispos han aprobado nuestra solicitud para este proyecto.

La reciente rifa tiene un resultado estimado de \$98,312.16, y el resultado del festival es de \$5,008.97.

¡Todas las entradas se vendieron! ¡Estoy agradecido por la participación que recibimos en ambas iniciativas! Gracias a aquellos que vendieron boletos, se ofrecieron como voluntarios en el festival y promocionaron nuestras actividades. Actualmente, estoy consultando con los Comités Pastoral y Financiero acerca de proyectos para nuestra parroquia. Estamos recopilando información sobre muchas posibles mejoras. Se pueden hacer sugerencias a los miembros del Consejo Pastoral.

Si alguien tiene preguntas o inquietudes, no duden en ponerse en contacto conmigo a través del correo electrónico frgonzales.stmc@gmail.com.

Que la paz y la alegría de Cristo estén con todos ustedes,

Padre Ed Gonzales

This Week at Our Parish

****STM School - Catholic Life Insurance Raffle Sales All Masses****
Sunday, January 14, 2024
 8:00 am KoC Breakfast - *Carolan Hall*

Monday, January 15, 2024
 *** Parish Offices Closed - *MLK Day* ***

Tuesday, January 16, 2024
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy - *Rectory Mtg Room*
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - *Rectory Mtg Room*
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - *Church*
 CDA General Mtg - *Carolan Hall*

Wednesday, January 17, 2024
 7:00 pm Guadalupanos Choir Practice - *Church*
 Pastoral Council Meeting - *RMR*

Thursday, January 18, 2024
 6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group - *Church*
 7:00 pm RCIA - *Rectory Mtg Room*

Friday, January 19, 2024
 9:00 am Friday Adoration - *Church*
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Guitar Practice - *Rectory Mtg Room*
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Convivio - *Carolan Hall*

****STM School - Catholic Life Insurance Raffle Sales All Masses****
Saturday, January 20, 2024
 3:30 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia - *Rectory Mtg Rm*

Sunday, January 21, 2024
 8:00 am Guadalupanos Mass / Gen Mtg - *Church / Carolan Hall*



Sanctuary Light Intention:
James Manning

Lecturas de la Semana del 15 - 21 enero

Lunes: 1Sm 15:16-23; Sal 49:8-9,16-17,21,23;
 Mc 2:18-22

Martes: 1Sm 16:1-13; Sal 88:20-22,27-28;
 Mc 2:23-28

Miércoles: 1Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51; Sal 143:1,2,9-10;
 Mc 3:1-6

Jueves: 1Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Sal 55:2-3,9-13;
 Mc 3:7-12

Viernes: 1Sm 24:3-21; Sal 56:2-4,6,11; Mc 3:13-19

Sábado: 2Sm 1:1-4,11-12,17,19,23-27; Sal 79:2-3,5-7;
 Mc 3:20-21

Domingo: Jon 3:1-5,10; Sal 24:4-9; 1Cor 7:29-31;
 Mc 1:14-20

Readings for the week of 15 - 21 Jan

Monday: 1Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23;
 Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22,27-28;
 Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51; Ps 144:1b,2,9-10;
 Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3,9-13;
 Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4,6,11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Ps 80:2-3,5-7;
 Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5,10; Ps 25:4-9; 1Cor 7:29-31;
 Mk 1:14-20

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 13, 2024
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**
 †Susie Davis by Rosa Saldiva
 5:00 pm **Birthday - Kingston McMurtry** by Rosa Saldiva

Sunday, January 14, 2024
 8:00 am †Gertrud Tolman
In Thanksgiving by *Kim Nguyen*
 10:00 am †Salome H. Briseno & Carolina B. Briseno
 by Morales & Brisino Families
 †Guadalupe T. Mendoza by Guadalupanos
 12:00 pm **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**
Spiritual Healing and well being - Maria T Sweet

Monday, January 15, 2024
 8:00 am **Hernandez Family - Living and Deceased** by Ramona Yglesias

Tuesday, January 16, 2024
 8:00 am †Rafael Garza by Theresa Garza

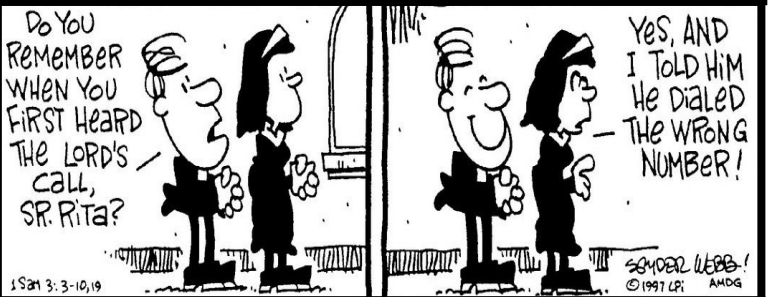
Wednesday, January 17, 2024
 8:00 am †Ricardo Mata

Thursday, January 18, 2024
 8:00 am †Michael McDonald by the Trimmis
All Ordained Clergy and Religious

Friday, January 19, 2024
 8:00 am †James & Elizabeth Browning by Theresa Garza

Saturday, January 20, 2024
 8:00 am Abigail Rovayo by Acosta Family
 5:00 pm Abigail Rovayo by Acosta Family
In Thanksgiving by Rand Family

Sunday, January 21, 2024
 8:00 am †Ralph W. Garcia by Elda T
 †Ruben P. Villa by Gloria Villa
 10:00 am †Steven Lee Waldron by Mom
STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased
 12:00 pm †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Maria T. Sweet



Liturgical Roles

Saturday, January 20, 2024
 5 pm Altar Servers - (None)
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, M.Fisher, T. Guerrero,
 E. Guerrero, A.Fuentes
 Lector - R.Alvarado

Sunday, January 21, 2024
 8 am Altar Servers - (None)
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, T.Garza, R.Castaneda,
 W+M.Torres
 Lector - O.Weich

10 am Altar Servers - A.Mata, M.Lawson, C.Lawson
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, J+And.Perez, Ali.Perez, M.Briseno,
 D.Bernal, N.Lawson
 Lector - Abi.Perez

12 pm Altar Servers - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, Volunteer
 Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn C.Hernandez, C.Martinez, E.Obregon,
 M.Pina, R.Borrego, A.Chavez
 Lector - A.Chavez / M.Cisneros