



Today’s readings remind us that stewardship is not just a thing we do — rather, stewardship is at the core of who we are as disciples of Christ.

Our first reading, from Isaiah, contains this prophecy of Christ and what His saving message would mean to all who embrace it. “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone.” We are among those blessed people on whom the light of Christ has shone. By virtue of our Baptism, we, who were once in the darkness and gloom of original sin, have been born again into the great light that is God’s grace in us. We have become cherished members of God’s family.

***What a privilege!***

Yet, with this privilege comes the responsibility to actually live for God and to bring His Good News to all those we meet at work, at school, in our community and right in our own home.

In our second reading, from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul urges us to keep the responsibility of sharing the Gospel our foremost priority. In this passage he addresses the divisions and rivalries that have cropped up in the Christian community in Corinth. He urges the Christians there to “be united in the same mind and the same purpose,” reminding them that it was Christ and only Christ Who was crucified for us. We owe everything to Him.

Our lives our therefore not about us, our egos, our personal ambitions and loyalties. Those things cannot satisfy us, anyway. Our loyalty must be to Christ above all else and our priority must be to bring His light to everyone He puts in our path.

And there is a certain urgency that comes with the call to a stewardship way of life. We see this in our Gospel passage from Matthew, where we find Jesus on the move. He has left Nazareth and goes to live in Capernaum, fulfilling what was said of Him through the prophet Isaiah, as we recall from today’s first reading. “The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen.

From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.'" In other words, turn away from selfishness, turn towards God and live as His disciple now — don’t wait!

Later in this same passage, the very first disciples give us examples of a good steward’s prompt “yes” when the Lord called to them. Our Lord sees Simon and his brother, Andrew, living an ordinary day as fishermen when He said to them, “Come after me and I will make you fishers of men.” The two did not hesitate. They didn’t think about themselves or how this might disrupt their business. Rather, "at once they left their nets and followed him."

Then, Jesus called two more brothers, James and John. They, too, were living an ordinary day as fishermen, working alongside their father mending nets in their boat. Jesus called them and “immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him.” They did not worry about their personal lives and how their father might react. They put our Lord and His will first and responded without hesitation.

This is the essence of a stewardship way of life — to be always ready for the ways that our Lord is calling us to bring His light to others. It’s more than something we do — it’s who we are.

**YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**January 15, 2023**

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 5,514.85
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 145.37
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 10.00
Helping Hands.....	\$ 45.00
STM School.....	\$ 946.75
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 65.00
Donations.....	\$ 210.00

***Second Collection - January 28-29:***

***Catholic Missions Among the  
Black / Native Americans***



**ATTENTION**

**Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

We serve 2 Nursing / Rehab Centers in our area:  
The North East Rehab Center on Corrine and  
The Heritage Center on Eisenhower Rd.

They were ‘shut down’ to us during the COVID pandemic but are beginning to ‘open up’ again. The residents have been asking us to come back. *(They miss receiving Our Lord and our weekly visits.)*

I’m trying to set up at least 4 teams *(2 per location)* of 2 persons each *(so they may alternate weekends and not have to go every week).*

It’s a simple process:

Pick-up hosts Saturday morning after the daily Mass *(about 8:30)*. Go to the Nursing / Rehab Center at 9 am. *(The staff will have the residents in a ‘common area’.)*

Lead them in a Communion Service *(we have a Communion-Service Pamphlet for you to use/follow).*

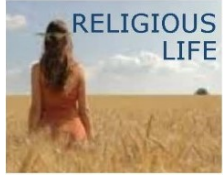
Time / Circumstances permitting... visit for a minute or 2.

Please... Call the Parish Office with your Contact Information and your Center-Preference, if any.

Thank you and... God Bless- DT

# LIFE AWARENESS

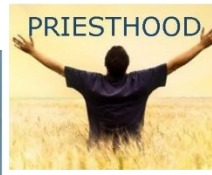
## Religious Vocation Discernment Weekend



Life Awareness is a retreat event that provides time and space for single men and women to discern a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life.

The event brings participants (ages 18-40) together with priests and religious brothers and sisters, for a weekend of lectures, group discussions, private consultations and prayer.

The objective of the retreat is to help participants develop a realistic view of what it's like to serve God and the Church in today's world.



The 2023 Life Awareness Retreat will take place at the Cordi-Marian Retreat Center on **February 3 - 5, 2023**

If you are a person who is:

- Looking for an opportunity to provide service to others,
- Wondering if the religious life as a Priest, Brother or Sister might be what you're looking for, or...
- Even if you haven't reached that point, but you have that quiet, subtle, nagging feeling that this is something you should know more about... Then... ***This is for YOU!***

This retreat is sponsored by the San Antonio Archdiocesan Vocation Office. The Archbishop's appeal is generously covering all expenses for this retreat.

***Therefore, it is free for participants.***



**Register Today!**



Life Awareness es un evento de retiro que proporciona tiempo y espacio para que hombres y mujeres solteros discernan una vocación al sacerdocio o a la vida consagrada.



El evento reúne a los participantes (de 18 a 40 años) con sacerdotes y hermanos y hermanas religiosos, para un fin de semana de conferencias, discusiones grupales, consultas privadas y oración.

El objetivo del retiro es ayudar a los participantes a desarrollar una visión realista de lo que es servir a Dios y a la Iglesia en el mundo de hoy.



El Retiro de Life Awareness 2023 tendrá lugar en el Centro de Retiros Cordi-Marian ***el Febrero 3 - 5, 2023***

Si usted es una persona que:

- Buscando una oportunidad para prestar servicio a los demás,
- Preguntarse si la vida religiosa como sacerdote, hermano o hermana podría ser lo que estás buscando, o...
- Incluso si no has llegado a ese punto, pero tienes esa sensación tranquila, sutil y persistente de que esto es algo sobre lo que deberías saber más ... Entonces... ***¡Esto es para ti!***

Este retiro es patrocinado por la Oficina Arquidiocesana de Vocaciones de San Antonio. La petición del arzobispo cubre generosamente todos los gastos de este retiro.

***Por lo tanto, es gratuito para los participantes.***



40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion in America.

With 40 Days for Life 365, you can sign up to pray on the sidewalk any day of the year! Abortion may be gone here in San Antonio, but our prayers are still needed to change the hearts and minds of the abortion-minded.

Vigil Location: Planned Parenthood abortion clinic; 2140 Babcock Rd. San Antonio, TX

To Sign up, Visit: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/sanantonio>

**JUNTA: Estado de la Parroquial**

**Cuándo: 5 de febrero; 3 - 4:30 pm**  
**Dónde: Carolan Hall**

Ven a ser parte de la creación de un cuerpo vibrante y renovado de Cristo que estará presente para nuestras familias y nuestra comunidad

Repasaremos / Platicaremos de la: demografía de la comunidad y oportunidades para transformar nuestra parroquia.

Esperamos verlos allí.

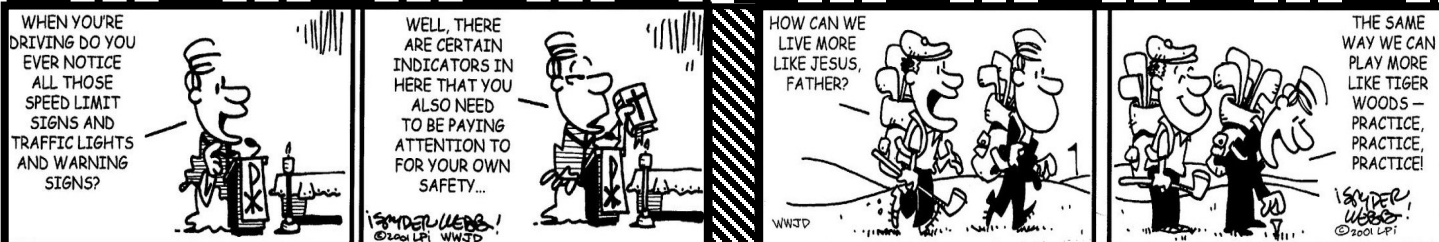
**State of the Parish Meeting**

**When: February 5th; 3 - 4:30 pm**  
**Where: Carolan Hall**

Come be a part of building a vibrant, renewed Body of Christ to be present for our families and our neighborhood.

We will review / discuss the: demographics of the community and opportunities to transform our parish.

Hope to see you there.



**HELP!! Ayudame!! S.O.S.!!!**

I... we... the parish... need your help. As you look around the church you may come to the realization that we are an aging parish. Looking at the various ministries within the parish, it's an eye opener to realize that you are the "young guy" of the group... especially when you're in your 70's! Many of our faithful servants have had to step down because of age... or health reasons.

**The reality is....** We need some "new blood" to keep our parish alive and vibrant. We need people (*we need you*) to step up and replace those leaving the different ministries. Otherwise we may find we'll have to do without.

We are recruiting Lectors, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and people to help with the Altar Society. **Volunteers are needed at all Masses... English AND Spanish!** (Especially our Sat-5pm, Sun-8am and Noon Masses.)

We can't do it without you! *Please, prayerfully reflect on this and... If you feel Our Lord is calling you... call the Office @ (210) 655-5070*

*Thank you and God Bless-*



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

**The Stephen Ministry**

A distinctively Christian ministry providing one-to-one encouragement for people in need.

Through these caring relationships, Stephen ministers, in love and care, meet with those who are hurting and in need of support during difficult circumstances.

***Would you benefit from having a Stephen Minister?***

- If you:
- Feel like life is more than you can handle right now.
  - Never thought you'd be going through something like this
  - Are struggling through grief, divorce, or job loss.
  - Feel your health, attitude, and relationships are suffering.
  - Are suffering with illness, hospitalization, or other challenges.
  - Are dealing with relocation, empty nest, or retirement.

A Stephen Minister will meet with you - usually once a week - to listen and support in a completely confidential Christian manner. Life can throw tough situations our way and God does not ask that we carry our load alone. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and provide support for you as long as your need exists.

If you are hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders at St. Pius X Catholic Church.

A Stephen Minister doesn't try to solve problems; rather, they listen, care, pray for/with, and help their care receiver find their path to healing and wholeness.

Contact: **Steve Greefkens at (210) 852-6096 or Joyce Dobrowolski at (210) 240-7388** for information.

*The St. Pius X Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life.*



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**



**This Week at Our Parish**

**Sunday, January 22, 2023**  
 8:00 am KC Breakfast - *Carolán Hall*  
 CDA Mass - *Church*

\*\*\* **Mon - Thurs 9 am - 4 pm: Sacristy Repairs** \*\*\*

**Monday, January 23, 2023**

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023**  
 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*

**Wednesday, January 25, 2023**  
 6:30 pm KC 4th Degree Mtg - *Carolán Hall*

**Thursday, January 26, 2023**  
 6:00 pm Charismatic Prayer Grp Fellowship - *Dining Rm*  
 7:00 pm RCIA - *Rectory Mtg Room*

**Friday, January 27, 2023**  
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion Fellowship - *Carolán Hall*

**Saturday, January 28, 2023**  
 4:00 pm Reconciliation - *Church*

**Sunday, January 29, 2023**  
 9:00 am STMCS CSW Coffee & Donuts - *Carolán Hall*  
 10:00 am Catholic Schools Week Kickoff - *10 o'clock Mass*



 **Sanctuary Light Intention:**  
*Kathryn Marie Sweet*

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, January 21, 2023**  
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**  
 5:00 pm †Ruben P. Villa by Gloria Villa  
 †Will Larson by Volpenhein Family

**Sunday, January 22, 2023**  
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**  
 10:00 am †Maria del Carmen Atilano by Teresa Monrreal  
 †Mary Monteverdi by Catholic Daughters  
 †Roxanne & Jeremy Espinoza by Pablo & Irene Negrete  
 12:00 pm †Juan Nieto Galvan by Maria de la Luz Nieto  
 †Jose Dolores Reyes by Reyes Family

**Monday, January 23, 2023**  
 8:00 am †Genevieve Oswald by Oswald Family

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023**  
 8:00 am †Horace Cardenes by Theresa Garza  
*In Thanksgiving* by Kim Nguyen

**Wednesday, January 25, 2023**  
 8:00 am †Dean Lansing by Theresa Garza  
*Health - Rafael Garza*

**Thursday, January 26, 2023 (Communion Svc)**  
 8:00 am **All Ordained Clergy and Religious**

**Friday, January 27, 2023**  
 8:00 am †Sr. Cornelia Mygejr, SJI by Sr. Gomba

**Saturday, January 28, 2023**  
 8:00 am **STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased**  
 5:00 pm †Roxanne & Jeremy Espinoza by Carson / Espinoza Families  
 †Albina Vahalik by Richard & Dorothy Perez



**Sunday, January 29, 2023**  
 8:00 am †Sr. Mary Angelee Kowalik by Volpenhein Family  
 †Deacon Paul Charon by Klar Family  
 10:00 am †Patricia E. Butts by Sisters  
 †Joe Robles & Lupe Villa by Family  
 12:00 pm †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Marie T. Sweet

**Lecturas de la Semana del 23 - 29 enero**

**Lunes:** Heb 9:15,24-28; Sal 97:1-6; Mc 3:22-30  
**Martes:** Heb 10:1-10; Sal 39:2,4,7,8,10,11;  
 Mc 3:31-35  
**Miércoles:** Hch 22:3-16; Sal 116:1,2; Mc 16:15-18  
**Jueves:** 2Tim 1:1-8; Sal 131:1-5,11-14; Mc 4:21-25  
**Viernes:** Heb 10:32-39; Sal 36:3-6,23-24,39-40;  
 Mc 4:26-34  
**Sábado:** Heb 11:1-2,8-19; Lc 1:69-75; Mc 4:35-41  
**Domingo:** Sof 2:3; 3:12-13; Sal 145:6-10;  
 1Co 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12

**Readings for the week of Jan 23 - 29**

**Monday:** Heb 9:15,24-28; Ps 98:1,2-6; Mk 3:22-30  
**Tuesday:** Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2,4ab,7,8a,10,11;  
 Mk 3:31-35  
**Wednesday:** Acts 22:3-16; Ps 117:1bc,2; Mk 16:15-18  
**Thursday:** 2Tm 1:1-8; Ps 132:1-5,11-14; Mk 4:21-25  
**Friday:** Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6,23-24,39-40;  
 Mk 4:26-34  
**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-2,8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41  
**Sunday:** Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10;  
 1Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

 **St. Thomas More**  
*Charismatic Prayer Group*   
 Jan 26 "Which Desire Consumes You" - 2Tim 1:6-7  
 Contacts: Olga Guerrero (210) 657-1610 or  
 Stella Lopez: (210) 618-6977

**Liturgical Roles**

**Saturday, January 28, 2023**  
 5 pm Altar Servers - (None)  
 Eucharistic Ministers - R.Saldiva, L.Volpenhein, +2 Vol  
 Lector - M.Fisher

**Sunday, January 29, 2023**  
 8 am Altar Servers - (None)  
 Eucharistic Ministers - R.Alvarado, M.Nguyen, B.McQueen, 1 Vol  
 Lector - S.McCarthy

10 am Altar Servers - T.Alcoces, Z.Ramirez, J.Cantu  
 Eucharistic Ministers - J+And.Perez, Y.Aguilar, M+W.Torres,  
 V.Smith  
 Lector - Ali.Perez

12 pm Altar Servers - A.Gomez, S.Obregon, Volunteer  
 Eucharistic Ministers - N.Obregon, R.Gomez, I.Hernandez,  
 +2 Vol  
 Lector - M.Pina / M.Rivera