

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
20° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

GREAT IS YOUR

Faith!

MATTHEW 15:28

¡QUÉ GRANDE

ES TU *Fe!*

MATEO 15, 28

MASS TIMES / HORARIO DE MISA

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m.

(Español) 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedules - look inside for times.

RECONCILIATION/RECONCILIACIÓN

Saturday: 4 - 4:45 p.m.

By appointment also / Con cita previa
también Contact the office 512-446-2049

First Friday Mass: 12:15 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration 1-3 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays and Thursdays 7-10 p.m.

Adoración Eucarística

martes y jueves de 7-10 p.m.

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes prior
to all weekend Masses.

El Rosario se reza 30 minutos antes de
todas las misas de fin de semana.

St. Joseph
CATHOLIC CHURCH
ROCKDALE, TEXAS



August 16, 2026

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www.stjosephrockdale.org

Office Hours /

Horas de Oficina

Tues. - Thurs.

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

PARISH STAFF / EQUIPO PASTORAL

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eim@stjosephrockdale.org

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music@stjosephrockdale.org

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youthminister@stjosephrockdale.org

Mass Intentions

Monday, Aug. 17

Tuesday, Aug. 18

6 p.m.

† Trino Navarro

Wednesday, Aug. 19

12:15 p.m.

† Matea Paniagua

Thursday, Aug. 20

12:15 p.m.

Jeff & Kelley Zapata

6 p.m.

† Bandomiano Banda

Friday, Aug. 21

12:15 p.m.

† Dora DeLeon

Saturday, Aug. 22

5 p.m.

† Bandomiano Banda
† Evelyn Holub
SI - Lynn Crowder

Sunday, Aug. 23

**9 a.m.
11:30 a.m.**

For the People

† Manuel Escobar
† Cecilio Bocanegra
† Dora DeLeon

August 2026

Monthly need: \$ 21,122.00
To Date: August \$ 13,175.43
Profit/ Loss: \$ -7,946.57

Last Sunday Collection:

Sunday Collection: 8/8-8/9 \$ 4,187.00

Building Fund \$ 491.93

Online Giving: 8/3-8/7 \$ 279.35

Total: \$ 4,958.28

Parish Monthly Assessment \$7,105.00

(Catholic Spirit, Cathedraticum, Priest Pension

& Health Insurance, Property Insurance, Ministry Platform, Workmen's Compensation)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Aug 17

Ez 24:15-23/ Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Aug 18

Ez 28:1-10/ Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Aug 19

Ez 34:1-11/ Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Aug 20 St. Bernard

Ez 36:23-28/ Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Aug 21 St. Pius X

Ez 37:1-14/ Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Aug 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ez 43:1-7ab/ Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Aug 23 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23/ Rom 11:33-36/ Mt 16:13-20

New Daily Mass Schedules

Starting September 1st

Wednesday and Thursday 12:15pm

Masses will now be at **8AM.**

Daily Mass/ Adoration is held in the Holy Family Chapel.

Misa de Dia / Adoracion diaria se lleva a cabo en la Capilla de la Sagrada Familia.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Aug. 15-16 -- 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Jesus found faith where he did not expect it. Catholic social teaching calls us to solidarity with those who are like the Canaanite woman: those who live differently, worship differently and those who don't look or behave as we do. They might be the poor, the undocumented immigrant, the person released from prison. We are called to attend to every person – even the “untouchables” in our society. Who are they for you? How will you respond?

Agosto 15-16 --- 20mo. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús encuentra fe donde no la esperaba. La enseñanza social Católica nos llama a la solidaridad con aquellos que son como la mujer cananea: aquellos que viven de manera diferente, cuyo culto es diferente y aquellos que no se ven o comportan como nosotros. Puede que sean los pobres, los inmigrantes indocumentados, las personas liberadas de prisión. Estamos llamados a asistir a todas las personas—incluso a las “intocables” de nuestra sociedad ¿Quiénes son estas personas para usted? ¿Cómo responderá usted?

DATE	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS
Sat., Aug. 15- 5 pm	Margaret Coker	Omar Chavez	Jasmin Nieto, Wesley Janak	Jason Ehler Kenny Svrcek
Sun., Aug. 16- 9 am 11:30 am	Shannon O'Brien Benito Costilla	Marcos Santellano Craig Snow Mateo Olivares	Felicia Alexander, Kelley Zapata, Pat Barcak Erika Rivera, Alejandra Rivera, Julia Cardona	David Ehler Chad Ehler Beto Cardona Jose Tristan
Sat., Aug. 22- 5 pm	Marcos Santellano	Elizabeth Longoria	Margaret Coker, Wesley Janak	Carlos Garza Wesley Janak
Sun., Aug. 23- 9 am 11:30 am	Pat Jerman Jasmin Nieto Noemi Yanez	Mario Santellano Camila Cardona	Shannon O'Brien, Kelley Zapata, Marcos Santellano Maria Velasquez, Maria Tristan, Sylvia Ramos	Jeff & Kelley Zapata Juan Gonzalez Jesus Castillo

St. Joseph's Organizations / Contacts Meeting Dates / Times

Sociedad Guadalupana

Sylvia Ramos, President

512-269-9463

Meets the 1st Saturday of the month with Rosary and Mass at **9 a.m.** followed by Meeting the RE Building. New members are always welcome.

Knights of Columbus

Kenny Svrcek, Grand Knight

512-921-2184

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. @the K of C Hall. New members are always welcome.

St. Joseph's Ladies Society

Maria Santellano, President

254-760-0568

Meets the 1st Monday of the Month in the RE Building with Rosary at 5 p.m. followed by Meeting. New members are always welcome.

The Marian Cenacle (Prayer Group)

Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049

Meets each Thursday, beginning with the Cenacle (prayer) 11 a.m.- noon, @ the RE Building, followed by the Angelus, 12:15 Mass in the chapel. Bi-weekly meeting is from 10- 11 a.m. on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Open to all men and women of the parish.

Daughters of Mary/ Hijas de Maria

Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049

Meets the 1st Saturday of each month (Sept.- May) @ RE Building from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Open to girls who have made their First Communion and older, and their parents.

Altar Servers

Craig Snow 512-426-2300 / Faustino Gonzalez 512-760-0640

Needed for Masses on an ongoing basis. Will train while serving. Open to anyone that has made their First Communion.

Pastoral Council Chairman

Felipe Pacheco

512-269-2502

L.I.F.T. Youth Group

Julia Cardona, Youth Minister 254-627-9162

Meets usually on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 2 p.m. in the RE Building. All high school students in grades 9th -12th are welcome.

Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Merch

Debby Curry

512-775-0977

Various groups meet weekly to study the Divine Mercy, St. Faustina's Diary, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and to pray.

Eucharistic Ministers

Kelley Zapata - Contact the Parish Office @512-446-2049

Must have received Confirmation to serve in this ministry.

Lectors

Pat Barcak - Contact the Parish Office @512-446-2049

Must have received Confirmation to serve in this ministry.

Religious Education- Catechists/Aides/ Subs

Kristina Snow, Director of RE 512-446-2049

Our program is always needing substitute catechists. We may also need mid-year assistance. We welcome not only adults, but teens to serve as additional aides.

Viri Christi (Men's Group)

Carlos Garza

512-760-0273

Men's group focusing on prayer, education, and spirituality. Meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the RE Building.

Music Ministry/ Choir

Eugene Holub at music@stjosephrockdale.org

Finance Council Chairperson

Margaret Coker

512-970-8177



Let Us Pray / Oremos

Deacon Gus & Norma Coelho
 Nick Guzman
 Tom Hormuth
 Robert & Susie Urban
 Charlie & Pat Watson
 Amalia Hernandez
 Mark Alvarez & Theresa Alvarez
 James Gorney
 Wendy Fournet
 David Boudreaux
 Leslie Joyce Garcia
 Vernon Crowder
 Valentina Rodarte
 Francisca Longoria
 Virginia Hernandez

Karen Eckert
 Cruz Martinez
 Helen Ellison
 Manuel Garcia
 Teresa Key
 Leo Dubey
 Mary Zapata
 Rachel Darby
 Donna Kerlin
 Larry Kerlin
 Georgie Kerlin
 Jennifer Tilkens
 Dolores Turner

PLEASE Call the office @ 512-446-2049 if you, or
 someone you know, needs to be remembered on the
 prayer list.

Let Us Pray for Military Personnel / Oremos por el Ejercito Militar



Victoria Alvarado-Phillips
 Manuel Zapata Thompson
 Lt. Tyler Goeppinger- Air Force
 Ben Blanco- Navy
 Juan Salcedo- Marines
 CSM Frank Konarik-Army (NG)

*Let us know if you want to add any loved ones
 serving in the military. / Avisanos si quieres anadir
 a algun ser querido que sirva en el ejercito militar.*



The Sanctuary Light in the church is burning in Memory of

Maria Concepcion
 Camilo Hernandez



The Sanctuary Light in the church is burning in Honor of

Virginia Hernandez



Sanctuary Candle Intentions

2026 Sanctuary Candle Intentions
 available at the chapel or at the
 church. If you would like to
 schedule an intention for a
 deceased loved one, someone's
 birthday or anniversary, etc. we
 do have dates available for
 scheduling.

Please come by the parish office if
 you would like to schedule
 sanctuary candle intentions.



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

YOU ARE INVITED ON
 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2026,

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE
 MONTH: MASS AT 12:15 PM IN
 ENGLISH FOLLOWED BY
 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
 FROM 1 PM. -6 P.M. HOLY
 HOUR 6-7PM

FOLLOWED BY THE MASS
 AT 7 P.M. SPANISH



Community Clean-Up Day at Our Parish

We invite all parishioners to join us for a deep cleaning of our parish building on **Saturday, August 22 at 9:00 AM**. To assist with the work, we gladly accept cleaning supplies and tall ladders for the upper windows. Your help and generosity are truly appreciated.



Día de Limpieza Comunitaria en Nuestra Parroquia

Invitamos a todos los feligreses a unirse a nosotros para una limpieza profunda de nuestro edificio parroquial el **sábado 22 de agosto a las 9:00 AM**. Para apoyar el trabajo, aceptamos con gusto **artículos de limpieza y escaleras altas** para las ventanas superiores. Agradecemos sinceramente su ayuda y generosidad.

Host Families Needed for 2026–27 School Year

CIEE, a high school exchange program, is seeking welcoming homes in Rockdale and the surrounding areas for international students arriving for the 2026–27 school year. Local churches are often filled with caring, community-minded families who make wonderful hosts, and we invite anyone interested to learn more.

If you'd like information about hosting or would like to see student profiles, please reach out directly to **Diana Browne** at dbrowne@ciee.org or by text/call at **480-620-1765**.



Catholic Night at the Round Rock Express is back Catholic Night at the Round Rock Express is back



Join us!
CATHOLIC NIGHT
at the
ROUND ROCK EXPRESS

Join Catholics from across the Diocese of Austin on Aug. 28 at 7:05 p.m. for an evening of baseball, fellowship, and fun at the ballpark. Bring your family, friends, parish groups, and ministries for a memorable night cheering on the Round Rock Express. Order tickets at the link below and use code "CATHOLIC" for a special discount on lawn seats and Sections 112 & 113. Visit <https://www.milb.com/round-rock/tickets/single-game-tickets> to purchase tickets.



ARMOR OF GOD CATHOLIC RADIO IS HIRING!

IF YOU LOVE AOG RADIO AND HAVE A HEART FOR EVANGELIZING, WE ARE LOOKING FOR AN OFFICE MANAGER.

PLEASE EMAIL YOUR RESUME TO ANNE@ARMOROFGODRADIO.COM OR CALL 630-747-3750 WITH QUESTIONS.

DIOCESAN CONFERENCE ON OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Join us as we rediscover the message God sent to the Church
through Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas.

With expert presenter, Monsignor Eduardo Chávez



Explore & Discuss

The meaning and evangelizing power
of the symbols found in San Juan
Diego's Tilma

How to apply and share God's
message through Our Lady of
Guadalupe within our communities

Three sessions to choose from:

Sept. 11 | 9 a.m. - 12: p.m

For Priests, Deacons & Parish Staff

Sept. 11 | 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Open to the general public. \$10/person

Sept. 12 | 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. (In Spanish)

Open to the general public. \$10/person

All sessions at St. William, Round Rock

Register Now

www.austindiocese.org/hispanic-ministry



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FAITH FORMATION / FORMACIÓN EN LA FE

ADULTS/ ADULTOS

CATECHIST RETREAT & WORK DAY
ON **SAT., AUG. 29** IN RE BUILDING
FROM **9 AM- 4 PM**
(LUNCH AND SNACKS PROVIDED)
RSVP YES/ NO TO FLOCKNOTE OR
TO KRISTINA AT 512-422-3189.
(INCLUDES SUN. & WED. CATECHISTS & AIDES,
OCIA LEADERS, AND L.I.F.T TEAM)



Join the team for an **OCIA**
Information Meet and Greet on
Sunday, Aug. 16 in the RE Building
between the 9:00 and
11:30 am Masses.

*Únase al equipo para una **reunión**
informativa y de bienvenida de
OCIA el domingo 16 de agosto en el
edificio de Educación Religiosa (RE),
entre las misas de las
9:00 a. m. y las 11:30 a. m.*

Adults who need to be baptized, receive their sacraments of confession, communion, and/or confirmation, or that might want to join the Catholic Church, it is time for you to register for OCIA!

How Does Someone Get Started?

- **Complete a registration packet and return to the Church Office by the end of August.** We have copies of these packets at the back of the Church or in the Church Office.
- Once we receive your registration, we will schedule **a time for you to meet with Father John** for a conversation about your situation and interest.

When Do Sessions Start?

Sunday, Sept. 13- Join us for the **9:00 am Mass**, and then we will meet in the RE Building following Mass until **11:45 am**. We will meet at the same time each week.

¡Adultos que necesitan ser bautizados, recibir sus sacramentos de confesión, comunión y/o confirmación, o que quieran unirse a la Iglesia Católica, es hora de que se inscriban en OCIA!

¿Cómo se puede empezar?

- **Complete un paquete de inscripción y devuélvalo a la Oficina de la Iglesia antes de que termine agosto.** Tenemos copias de estos paquetes en la parte de atrás de la iglesia o en la Oficina de la Iglesia.
- Una vez que recibamos su registro, programaremos **un horario para que se reúna con el Padre John** para conversar sobre su situación y su interés.

¿Cuándo comienzan las sesiones?

Domingo, 13 de septiembre: acompañenos a la Misa de las 9:00 a. m., y luego nos reuniremos en el edificio de Educación Religiosa (RE) después de la Misa hasta las **11:45 a. m.** Nos reuniremos a la misma hora cada semana.

FAITH FORMATION / FORMACIÓN EN LA FE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR YOUTH / EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA PARA JÓVENES

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

All new and returning students need to be REGISTERED for the upcoming year of learning.

Todos los estudiantes nuevos y los que regresan necesitan ESTAR REGISTRADOS para el próximo año de clases.

For new students, we will need a copy of your child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate if the child was not baptized here at St. Joseph Rockdale.

Para los nuevos estudiantes, necesitaremos una copia del certificado de nacimiento de su hijo y del certificado de bautismo si el niño no fue bautizado aquí en St. Joseph Rockdale.

\$40 per student/ \$100 max per family

If payment is a concern, please do not let that keep you from registering.

\$40 por estudiante / \$100 máximo por familia

Si el pago es un problema, por favor no dejes que eso te impida registrarte.

Register during office hours or during the following dates and times:

Regístrate durante el horario de oficina o en las siguientes fechas y horarios:

Sun., 8-16 after Mass
Sun., 8-23 after Mass

Tues., 9-1 from 4-7pm
Wed., 9-2 from 4-7pm

Sat., 9-5 after Mass
Sun., 9-6 after Mass

ANNUAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PARENT MEETING **REUNIÓN ANUAL DE PADRES DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA**

SUNDAY, AUG. 30
AFTER THE 9AM MASS AND
AFTER THE 11:30 MASS

DOMINGO, 30 DE AGOSTO
DESPUES DE LA MISA DE LAS 9
A.M. Y
DESPUES DE LA MISA DE LAS 11:30

IMPORTANT DATES FOR START OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR:

- WED., SEPT. 9- FIRST WEDNESDAY CLASS
6:30-7:45 PM-
FC-I, FC-II, 6TH, 7TH, 8TH, 9TH (PRE-CONF.)
- SUN., SEPT. 13- FIRST SUNDAY CLASS
10:15-11:20 AM-
1ST, 2ND, 3RD, 4TH, 5TH, SACRAMENTAL PREP
- 2:00-3:00 PM-
CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING
- 3:00-6:00 PM-
CONFIRMATION SESSION #1
- WED., SEPT. 16- OPENING MASS FOR ALL
RE STUDENTS AT 6:30 PM
- SUN., SEPT. 20- PRE-CONFIRMATION (9TH)
PARENT MEETING (1-2PM)
- SUN., SEPT. 27- FOR SACRAMENTAL PREP,
RITE OF ENROLLMENT AT
THE MASS YOU NORMALLY
ATTEND

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2026-2027 School Year

For Wednesday Evenings 6:30-7:45 pm:
Office Assistant (bilingual)

Interested or have questions?
Please contact Kristina Snow at
dre@stjosephrockdale.org or at the Church
Office at 512-446-2049.

Updated 7/28/26



YOUTH MINISTRY / MINISTERIO JUVENIL



L.I.F.T Team
working hard
last Sunday afternoon,
Aug. 9 with the
Diocesan Lead.



MEET THE L.I.F.T. TEAM

Julia Cardona
Youth Minister
LEAD



Brenda Gonzalez
Liturgical Ministry,
Asst.



Erick Hernandez
Music Ministry



Benito Costilla
Fundraising/ Events



Fr. John Boiko
Spiritual Advisor

Kristina Snow
Formation Advisor

Calling all St. Joseph
high school students
grades 9-12!



Come join our all new Youth Group called
L.I.F.T. (*Living in Faith Together*).

We will usually meet on two Sundays per
month at 2:00 pm. Our next three
gatherings are as follows:

- **Sunday, Aug. 16 at 2pm**
- **Sun., Aug. 30 at 2pm**
(NOTE: Sun., Sept. 6- NO SESSION
DUE TO LABOR DAY WEEKEND)
- **Sun., Sept. 20 at 2pm**

Come and bring a friend!!!

We will have lots of fun, explore how
we live our faith every day, discuss hot
topics that effect our lives, and grow
closer to God in the process.

**L.I.F.T. WILL LEAD THE
OPENING MASS FOR
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
ON WED., SEPT. 16 AT
6:30 PM.**