

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
24° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

IF MY BROTHER
sins against me.
MATTHEW 18:21

SI MI HERMANO
me ofende.
MATEO 18, 21



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 1-7p.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



September 13, 2026

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Mass Intentions

Monday, Sept 14

No Mass

Tuesday, Sept 15 6 p.m.

No Mass

Wednesday, Sept 16 8:00 a.m.

No Mass

Thursday, Sept 17 8:00 a.m. 6 p.m.

No Mass

Friday, Sept 18 12:15 p.m. 7 p.m.

No Mass

Saturday, Sept 19 5:00 p.m.

For the People

Sunday, Sept 20 9 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

Regina Ortega

†Cecilio Bocanegra

†Alejandro Perez

No daily Masses for the week 14-18. Father John will be out of town .

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sept 14 The Exaltation of Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9/ Phil 2:6-11/ Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: Sept 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Cor 12:12-14,27-31a/ Jn19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: Sept 16 Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian

1 Cor 12:31--13:13/ Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: Sept 17

1 Cor 15:1-11/ Lk 7:36-50

Friday: Sept 18

1 Cor 15:12-20/ Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: Sept 19

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/ Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Sept 20 **25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24,27a/ Mt 20:1:16a



St. Joseph Ladies Society

Meeting: Sept 14 at 5pm

September Altar Duty: Guadalupanas

September Hostess Duty: Margaret,
Sharon and Rita

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.

September 2026

Monthly need: \$ 21,122.00

To Date: September \$ 3,049.85

Profit/ Loss: \$ -18,072.15

Last Sunday Collection:

Sunday Collection:9/5-9/6 \$ 2,719.00

Online Giving: 8/31-9/4 \$ 330.85

Total: \$ 3,049.85

"All must give as they are able, according to the blessings given to them by the Lord your God."
- Deuteronomy 16:17

Giving is easy and secure...

- ✓ stjosephrockdale.org
- ✓ Text saintjoseph to 73256

Parish Monthly Assessment \$7,105.00

(Catholic Spirit, Cathedraticum, Priest Pension & Health Insurance, Property Insurance, Ministry Platform, Workmen's Compensation)

September's Special Collections

Sept 19-20

Black Bag

Bulletin and Pulpit Announcement

All submissions for bulletin and pulpit announcement should be in electronic format and emailed to:

parishadmin@stjosephrockdale.org

Todos los envios para boletines y anuncios desde el pulpito deben realizarse en formato electronico y enviarse por correo electronico a:
parishadmin@stjosephrockdale.org

DEADLINE for Sept 19/20 bulletin and pulpit announcements is Sept 15

FECHA LIMITE para el boletin y anuncios del pulpito 20 de septiembre es el 15 de septiembre



Oh Lord Almighty! You have suffered death at the cross for our sins.

Oh Holy Cross of Jesus! Be my true light.

Oh Holy Cross of Jesus! Fill my soul with good thoughts.

Oh Holy Cross! Help me in my salvation.

Oh Holy Cross! Safeguard me against unholy thoughts and worldly dangers that I may worship the Holy Cross of Jesus of Nazareth crucified.

Have pity on me.

Oh Holy Cross of Jesus! Be my hope.

Oh Holy Cross, have mercy on me forever and ever.

In honor of the Precious Blood of Jesus, His fearful death and resurrection, and His glorification which leads to everlasting life.

Lord Almighty, into Your hands I give my soul and my body.

Oh Lord Jesus! Grant me strength to bear the cross as Yourself. Teach me to bear it with great humility that the Blessed Virgin may fill me with the Holy Spirit. Preserve my soul and lead it to life everlasting. Amen

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home.

As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child.

We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life.

Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life especially where it is vulnerable or threatened.

Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.



The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer and action to stop the spread of abortion pills.

The initiative will take place August 18 through October 31, which includes the month-long commemoration of Respect Life Month observed each October by the Catholic Church in the United States.

"Every abortion involves the death of a child and harm to the mother," said Archbishop Paul S. Coakley, president of the USCCB, and Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Pro-Life Activities. "Now with easier access to abortion pills, the abortion rate is tragically climbing, along with increased health risks." invoking the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life, we are encouraged to share information about the dangers of abortion pills.



Let Us Pray / Oremos

Deacon Gus & Norma Coelho
 Nick Guzman
 Tom Hormuth
 Robert & Susie Urban
 Charlie & Pat Watson
 Amalia Hernandez
 Mark Alvarez
 Virginia Hernandez
 Rachel Darby
 Donna Kerlin
 David Boudreaux
 Leslie Joyce Garcia
 Jennifer Tilkens
 Valentina Rodarte
 Francisca Longoria
 Frank Modaffari

Karen Eckert
 Cruz Martinez
 James Gorney
 Manuel Garcia
 Teresa Key
 Leo Dubey
 Mary Zapata
 Wendy Fournet
 Vernon Crowder
 Dolores Turner
 Larry Kerlin
 Georgie Kerlin
 Sofia Sanchez

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
 Cristo Hernandez- Military
 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

Brad Dubey



The Sanctuary Light in the church is burning in Honor of

Familia Vergara Prado

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.

Baptism Class

**Next Baptism Class will be held on
 Saturday, October 10, 2026 at 10 a.m. at
 the RE Building.**

**Must be pre-registered to attend. Please
 contact the parish office to register.**

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION



You are invited on
Friday, October 2, 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

DATE	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS
Sat. Sept 12- 5 pm	Marcos Santellano	Mario Santellano Joseph Ray Craig Snow	Nancy Phillips, Maria Dubey, Wesley Janak	Wesley Janak Macario Flores
Sun., Sept 13- 9 am	Pat Barcak	Omar Chavez Elizabeth Longoria Luke Olivares Mateo Olivares Craig Snow	Pete & Nancy Zenner, Felicia Alexander	Jeff & Kelley Zapata
11:30 am	Sylvia Ramos	Camila Cardona Craig Snow	Maria Velazquez, Lupe Tristan, Sylvia Ramos	Felipe Pacheco Jesus Ponce
Sat. Sept 19- 5 pm	Margaret Coker	Omar Chavez Elizabeth Longoria Joseph Ray Craig Snow	Carlos Garza, Margaret Coker, Jasmin Nieto	Jason Ehler Kenney Svrcek
Sun. Sept 20- 9 am	Jeff Zapata	Marcos Santellano Mario Santellano Luke Olivares Mateo Olivares Craig Snow	Jeff & Kelley Zapata, Craig Snow	David Ehler Chad Ehler
11:30 am	Benito Costilla	Camila Cardona Craig Snow	Erika Rivera, Alejandra Rivera, Julia Cardona	Beto Cardona Jose Tristan



All the Graces I Can Carry

Once the Lord said to me, Act like a beggar who does not back away when he gets more alms [than he asked for], but offers thanks the more fervently. You too, should not back away and say that you are not worthy of receiving greater graces when I give them to you. I know you are unworthy, but rejoice all the more and take as many treasures from My Heart as you can carry, for then you will please Me more (Diary, 294).

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Sept. 12-13 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

How do we mirror God's love in our world? What sacrifices are we willing to make? Are they only for those near to us, our family and friends? How can we show merciful and sacrificial love for strangers or even enemies? What act of love or sacrifice can you make for the poor, a prisoner, an enemy this week in gratitude for the great love God has shown to you?

Septiembre 12-13 – 24th Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

¿Cómo somos reflejo del amor de Dios en nuestro mundo? ¿Cómo podemos mostrar amor misericordioso y dispuesto al sacrificio a extraños o incluso a enemigos? ¿Qué acto de amor o sacrificio puede usted hacer por los pobres, un prisionero, un enemigo esta semana en gratitud por el gran amor que Dios le ha mostrado?

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

Sociedad Guadalupeana

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.

Music/ Choir Ministry

Eugene Holub at music@stjosephrockdale.org

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 Mercy

Debby Currey 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.

Pastoral Council Chairman

Felipe Pacheco 512-269-2502

Finance Council Chairperson

Margaret Coker 512-970-8177

EIM COMPLIANCE INFORMATION (updated Dec. 15, 2025)

The mission of the Diocese of Austin's Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) program is to help protect people from abuse and unethical behavior through education, action, and reporting, and to listen to and learn from those who have experienced abuse to provide healing. EIM compliance is required for persons active in most ministries in the diocese. Looking for resources and information about safeguarding children and other vulnerable people? Are you new to the EIM process and would like to volunteer? Are you returning to ministry and already have an EIM account? Visit austindiocese.org/eim to learn more about EIM policies and procedures and how they help keep our parishes and schools safer for everyone. Contact your parish or school's EIM site administrator, or eim@austindiocese.org, for additional assistance. Please note that when your compliance is 60 days away from expiration, you will receive an email from system@virtus.org prompting you to log in and complete the required action.

INFORMACIÓN PARA EL CUMPLIMIENTO CON EIM

La misión del programa de Ética e Integridad en el Ministerio (EIM, por sus siglas en inglés) de la Diócesis de Austin es ayudar a proteger a las personas contra el abuso y el comportamiento poco ético a través de la educación, la acción y la denuncia, y escuchar y aprender de aquellos que han experimentado abuso con el fin de proporcionar curación. El cumplimiento del programa EIM es obligatorio para las personas activas en la mayoría de los ministerios de la diócesis. ¿Busca recursos e información sobre la protección de niños y otras personas vulnerables? ¿Desea ser voluntario y es nuevo en el proceso EIM? ¿Está regresando al ministerio y ya tiene una cuenta en EIM? Visite austindiocese.org/eim para aprender más sobre las políticas y procedimientos de EIM y cómo estos ayudan a mantener nuestras parroquias y escuelas más seguras para todos. Comuníquese con el administrador del sitio EIM de su parroquia o escuela, o con eim@austindiocese.org, para obtener ayuda adicional. Tenga en cuenta que cuando falten 60 días para que caduque su conformidad, recibirá un correo electrónico de system@virtus.org en el que se le pedirá que inicie sesión y complete la acción requerida.

REPORT ABUSE

Report abuse of a minor, elderly adult, or an adult with a disability to local law enforcement or the Texas Abuse Hotline at www.txabusehotline.org or (800) 252-5400 and the diocese at www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse or (512) 949-2447.

REPORTE EL ABUSO

Reporte el abuso de un menor, un adulto mayor o un adulto con discapacidad a las autoridades locales de cumplimiento de la ley o a la Línea Directa del Abuso de Texas en www.txabusehotline.org o llamando al (800) 252-5400, y a la diócesis de Austin en www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse o llamando al (512) 949-2447.

HAVE YOU, OR HAS SOMEONE YOU KNOW, EXPERIENCED ABUSE?

The Diocese of Austin is committed to providing compassionate care to persons who have experienced abuse, particularly if committed by clergy or a church representative. If you or someone you know has experienced such abuse, contact the diocesan Coordinator of Victim Assistance and Pastoral Support at EIM-VAC@austindiocese.org. General resources for those affected by abuse are available at <https://www.austindiocese.org/resources-information>.

¿HA USTED O ALGUIEN QUE USTED CONOCE EXPERIMENTADO ABUSO?

La Diócesis de Austin está comprometida a proveer de cuidado compasivo a personas que hayan experimentado abuso, particularmente si este fue cometido por el clero o por un representante de la iglesia. Si usted o alguien que usted conozca ha experimentado dicho abuso, contacte a la Coordinadora diocesana de Asistencia a las Víctimas y Apoyo Pastoral, llame al EIM-VAC@austindiocese.org. Puede encontrar recursos generales para los afectados por malos tratos en <https://www.austindiocese.org/resources-information>.

REPORT UNETHICAL BEHAVIOR

Report unethical behavior by a person serving in ministry to the diocese utilizing the Notice of Concern found at www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse or by contacting EIM@austindiocese.org / (512) 949-2447.

REPORTE COMPORTAMIENTO NO ÉTICO

Informar a la diócesis sobre el comportamiento poco ético de una persona que sirve en el ministerio, utilizando el Aviso de Preocupación disponible en www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse o poniéndose en contacto con EIM@austindiocese.org o al (512) 949-2447.



Called By Name ==
SUNDAY
DOMINGO
== Del Llamado

**Do you know someone who may be called
to the priesthood or religious life?**

**¿Conoces a alguien quien podría ser
llamado al sacerdocio o a la vida religiosa?**



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Office of the Bishop

September 6, 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Greetings in our Lord, Jesus Christ!

On September 12-13, I have asked our parish priests to participate in our seventh *Called by Name Sunday*. God has always known each one of us by name and has given us a particular call to follow. *Called by Name Sunday* is, first, about listening and, then, responding to God's call.

As we gather for Mass next Sunday, I have asked our priests to share their own vocation story during the homily. As you listen to the Word of God proclaimed at Mass and reflect upon the priest's vocation story, please consider the following:

1. If you are discerning your life's vocation, be open to God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life. God's calling is a beautiful gift – be courageous and open to his call! Jesus came that we might have life and have it to the full – do not be afraid! If God is calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life, be open to the invitation; you will not be disappointed.
2. Please think of men and women you know and believe might have a calling to the priesthood or consecrated life. While God is the one who calls, he often uses our voices. Please help us reach out to these individuals and come next weekend prepared to share their name(s) and contact information so that a letter of encouragement can be sent to them.

Brothers and sisters, with God's blessing and your help, we can make *Called by Name Sunday* a great success. May all of us listen to God's call and follow where he leads. Be assured of my prayers for you as we continue to strengthen a culture of vocations in our diocese.

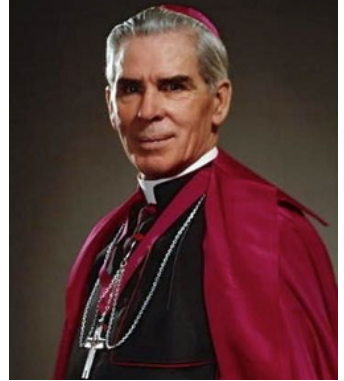
Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Daniel E. Garcia
Bishop of Austin



AMERICA 250

SAINTS AND THOSE ON THE PATH FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA *SANTOS Y PERSONAS EN CAMINO A LA SANTIDAD DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMÉRICA*



CANONIZATION PROCESS

- Step 1: Servant of God
- Step 2: Venerable
- Step 3: Blessed (beatification)
- Step 4: Saint (canonization)

SEPTEMBER VENERABLE OF THE MONTH- Venerable Fulton Sheen

Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen (1895-1979) was a famous American Catholic bishop, writer, and radio & T.V. broadcaster known for his sharp mind and deep spiritual wisdom. He was considered one of the greatest Catholic communicators of the 20th century. He brought his faith to millions and millions of listeners and viewers. His TV program, Life is Worth Living, made him a household name, and his evangelizing legacy continues to this day. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, and **he is scheduled to be beatified on September 24, 2026** in St. Louis, Missouri.

He was born in El Paso, Illinois. In 1950, Sheen became the national director of the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. On October 2, 1979, two months before Sheen's death, Pope John Paul II visited St. Patrick's Cathedral during his papal visit to the United States. During the ceremony, the pope embraced Sheen and said, "You have written and spoken well of the Lord Jesus Christ. You are a loyal son of the Church." His funeral took place at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City, but his body is now kept in a tomb at St. Mary's Cathedral in Peoria, Illinois.

Famous Quote: "Moral principles do not depend on a majority vote. Wrong is wrong, even if everybody is wrong. Right is right, even if nobody is right."

SEPTIEMBRE VENERABLE DEL MES- Venerable Fulton Sheen

El Venerable Arzobispo Fulton Sheen (1895-1979) fue un famoso obispo católico estadounidense, escritor y locutor de radio y televisión conocido por su aguda inteligencia y profunda sabiduría espiritual. Fue considerado uno de los más grandes comunicadores católicos del siglo XX. Llevó su fe a millones y millones de oyentes y espectadores. Su programa de televisión, Life is Worth Living, lo convirtió en un nombre conocido en todos los hogares, y su legado evangelizador continúa hasta el día de hoy. Fue miembro de los Caballeros de Colón, y **está previsto que sea beatificado el 24 de septiembre de 2026** en St. Louis, Missouri.

Nació en El Paso, Illinois. En 1950, Sheen se convirtió en el director nacional de la Sociedad para la Propagación de la Fe. El 2 de octubre de 1979, dos meses antes de la muerte de Sheen, el papa Juan Pablo II visitó la Catedral de San Patricio durante su visita papal a los Estados Unidos. Durante la ceremonia, el papa abrazó a Sheen y dijo, "Has escrito y hablado bien del Señor Jesucristo. Eres un hijo leal de la Iglesia." Su funeral tuvo lugar en la Catedral de San Patricio de la ciudad de Nueva York, pero su cuerpo ahora se encuentra en una tumba en la Catedral de Santa María en Peoria, Illinois.

Cita famosa: "Los principios morales no dependen de una votación mayoritaria. Lo incorrecto es incorrecto, incluso si todos están equivocados. Lo correcto es correcto, incluso si nadie tiene la razón."

FAITH FORMATION / FORMACIÓN EN LA FE

ADULTS/ ADULTOS



Adult Formation: Lifetime of Learning Sessions 2026-2027

Join us this season for a **BIBLE STUDY** through Ascension Press.... **GENESIS: CREATION TO COVENANT.** There are 8 sessions on the dates below, all from 5:00-6:30 pm in the RE Building. While it is best to attend all of the sessions, if you miss one, that does NOT prevent you from participation. \$0 Cost. Just bring your Bible.

Prep reading for each date listed below:

Sun., Sept. 20

Sun., Jan. 17 (Ch. 12-23)

Sun., Oct. 4 (Ch. 1-2)

Sun., Jan. 31 (Ch. 24-31)

Sun., Oct. 18 (Ch. 3-5)

Sun., April 4 (Ch. 32-41)

Sun., Nov. 8 (Ch. 6-11)

Sun., April 18 (Ch. 42-50)



We will also have a different Lenten Series which will meet on 2/7, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, and 3/21.



When Do Sessions Start?

THIS 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.

¿Cuándo comienzan las sesiones?

ESTE 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.

This Week on

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Forming Catholics for Life.

From Alejandro Monteverde, award-winning director of Sound of Freedom, comes the powerful epic of Francesca Cabrini, an Italian immigrant who arrives in New York City in 1889 and is greeted by disease, crime, and impoverished children. Cabrini sets off on a daring mission to convince the hostile mayor to secure housing and healthcare for society's most vulnerable. With broken English and poor health, Cabrini builds an empire of hope unlike anything the world had ever seen.



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FAITH FORMATION / FORMACIÓN EN LA FE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR YOUTH / EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA PARA JÓVENES

Next Sun., 9/20 is the annual Catechetical Sunday. All Catechists and Aides should plan to attend this commissioning at either the 9am or 11:30 am Mass.



SEPTEMBER 2026 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

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 (A PARENT OR
SPONSOR NEEDS TO ATTEND THESE SESSIONS
WITH THE STUDENT)

SUN., SEPT. 20- **PRE-CONFIRMATION (9TH)**
PARENT MEETING (1-2PM)
L.I.F.T YOUTH GROUP AFTERNOON
TRIP TO SCHOENSTATT IN AUSTIN

WED., SEPT. 23- OPENING MASS FOR ALL
RE STUDENTS AT 6:30 PM- **NEW DATE**

SUN., SEPT. 27- FOR SACRAMENTAL PREP,
RITE OF ENROLLMENT AT
THE MASS ONE NORMALLY
ATTENDS

SUN., OCT. 4- YOUTH MASS AT 9AM- 9TH/ PRE-
CONFIRMATION LEADING

SUNDAY CLASSES START THIS WEEK:

***LAS CLASES DE LOS
DOMINGOS COMIENZAN
ESTA SEMANA***

SUN., 9/13- 10:15-11:20 AM
2:00 PM- CONFIRMATION
PARENT MEETING
3:00-6:00- CONFIRMATION
CLASS

Theme This Year: **SERVE**

When Jesus calls on us to serve, He did not put an age on that direction. This year we will be working towards increasing our SERVICE to our own church community. Classes will compete for rewards depending on their service rates. Going to Mass counts as serving our Faith Community!

Cuando Jesús nos llama a servir, no establece un límite de edad para ello. Este año trabajaremos para aumentar nuestro SERVICIO a nuestra propia comunidad eclesial. Las clases competirán por premios según su nivel de servicio. ¡Asistir a Misa cuenta como servir a nuestra comunidad de fe!

YOUTH MINISTRY / MINISTERIO JUVENIL

WE ARE GOING ON A TRIP!!!!

On Sun., Sept. 20 after the Spanish Mass, L.I.F.T. will be going on a field trip to Austin to the *Marian Shrine of our Lady of Schoenstatt*. It will be a fun and spiritual filled day with some hiking included!



More information and permission forms will be sent home through RE classes to high school students on our first day of class. If a high schooler has already been confirmed, they can pick up the information and permission forms at the church office or after Masses at the back table on the weekend of 9/12-9/13.

All permission forms are **DUE back by Wed., Sept. 16.**

<https://schoenstatt-austin.us/>



**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 two gatherings are as follows:

Sun., Sept. 20 (see information about trip for details)

Sun., Oct. 4 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.

Questions?

Reach out to Julia Cardona via text at 254-627-9162.