



# 2nd Sunday of Advent

## December 4th, 2016

Come join us in praying the Rosary. Sunday, December 4th after 10:30am mass in the Sanctuary.

### CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Please give your "Santa Sacks" and cash/check donation envelopes to Santa's Elves in Hecker Hall this weekend before or after any of the Masses. Thank you so much for your generosity! Wishing you and your families a Merry Christmas. Any questions contact Glenda Varga, 210.846.9024, glenda@varga-associates.com

**\*\*\*\* Faith Formation Classes will not meet until December 11 \*\*\*\***

### LITTLE BLUE BOOKS

The "Little Blue Books" located at the entrance to the Church are from the Diocese of Saginaw. They are the Advent and Christmas Season reflections for 2016-2017. Each day is a six-minute reading to reflect upon and maybe help you keep in mind what is truly important in this busy season! Please take one!

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: TAMALES SALES

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER TAMALES THIS YEAR! Knights will be taking orders after all the masses this weekend. Cost is \$8.00 per dozen, a real bargain. Payment will be due next weekend (Dec. 10/11) when they are available for pickup.

**\*\*\*\* Advent Reconciliation Monday, December 5th at 5:30pm \*\*\*\***

### CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



We are offering the opportunity to remember relatives and friends by making donations towards our Christmas poinsettias. Envelopes are in the Church entryways. Please PRINT the information on the envelope, include your donation and return them in the offertory baskets or bring them to the church office, no later than Sunday, December 18th. Your loved ones will be remembered at all our Christmas Masses.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Crisis Center Collection

The Crisis Center collection last week was a big success. We collected 47 bags @ \$1410; Cash: \$190; Checks: \$100; Pillows: 7, \$35. and \$80.00 in gas gift cards for a total of \$1,815.00! Thank you for your generosity. God Bless you!

### THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Phone 512 755-3299 to request assistance or obtain information.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need.

**Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Reach out to them by encouraging them to call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.**

**\*\*\*This weekend, December 3rd & 4th, we will have our monthly collection to aid the St. Vincent de Paul Society.\*\*\***

### COOKBOOK UPDATE

We have now sold 961 cookbooks. We still have plenty left if you are looking for Christmas gifts! They are available in the church office, M-F, 8:30 - 1:00, Ace Hardware, The Bottle Shop, Bay Pharmacy, Olio Art Studio (next to Bay Pharmacy) and the Church of Horseshoe Bay. If you have any questions, please email Diane Snyder at [stpaulhsbcookbook.com](mailto:stpaulhsbcookbook.com). Thank you for your support.

### 2016-2017 Catholic Services Appeal

"Living Water, Drink and you will never thirst" was launched last weekend. **Please help the Diocese of Austin continue the mission of Christ in the world today . Our goal this year is \$20,000, determined by the Diocese.** As part of CSA each family may receive one holy water bottle located around the baptismal font. Please fill your bottle with holy water from our baptismal font to be used in your home as a reminder that *only Jesus can satisfy the deepest longings of our souls.*

### The Samaritan Grief Support Group

The Samaritans will meet Wednesday, December 14th, 2016 at Russo's Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. The Samaritans meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month. Please Call *Georgina Christy* @ 830.693.8001 if you have any questions.

### Ethics In Integrity Ministry Workshop: Thursday, Dec. 15, 2016, 9 am – 11 am, Finn FLC

On August 1, 2016, the Diocese of Austin launched a new education program for our EIM workshop, which replaced the Basic/Refresher workshop format. The new program is a significant update of our current training program, and we believe it is important for all persons that are required to be EIM compliant to participate in this new program receive this updated information. Consequently, all clergy, religious, seminarians and employees, and all volunteers serving in ministry to minors or the vulnerable, will attend this new EIM Workshop whenever they are due for a workshop. To find the schedule and Sign Up for a Workshop (bottom right of your account page), login to you EIM account at [https://www.eappsdb.com/Login.asp?ORGZ\\_KEY=4](https://www.eappsdb.com/Login.asp?ORGZ_KEY=4). If you don't recall your User ID/Password, please use the Alternate Login option. If you have never submitted an EIM application (online or paper copy), use the above link to create your EIM account and complete the application. Please contact our parish EIM site administrator (*insert name*) if you need assistance with EIM compliance matters.

### Retirement Fund for Religious

**\*\*The second collection next week, December 10th and 11th, will support the retirement fund of the religious. Please know that your support of the retirement fund makes a difference in the lives of roughly 33,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who benefit from the annual appeal. Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime. \*\*\***

Thank you

**A heartfelt thank you to all those who gave of their time and assisted us in changing out the missals and songbooks. You are greatly appreciated.**

### Calendars for 2017

Please take home a calendar. We are happy to be able to provide these to our parishioners. They are located at the entrance to the church.

### ARMED FORCES HONOR GARDEN GROUNDBREAKING

**Our parish will break ground on our Armed Forces Honor Garden at 5 pm Wednesday, December 7th. All are invited to attend the ceremony. Mass will follow at 5:30 p.m.**

**Thank you for your generous contributions totaling \$8227.00**



**Weekday Mass Schedule**

Dec. 3	Andrea Reitan+	5:30 p.m.	Dec. 10	For the Parish	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 4	Syl Gaisbauer +	8:30 a.m.	Dec. 11	For the Parish	8:30 a.m.
Dec. 4	Ric Butherus+	10:30 a.m.	Dec. 11	Jim May+	10:30 a.m.
Dec. 7	Father Joseph Corbet+	5:30 p.m.	Dec. 14	Rose Jamail+	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 8	Millie Cannatella+	8:00 a.m.	Dec. 15	For the Parish	8:00 a.m.
Dec.9	For the Parish	8:00 a.m.	Dec.16	Mary Davis+	8:00 a.m.

**Liturgical Ministers**

December 3, 5:30 p.m.

Lectors - Susan Fox, John Fox  
Ushers- Bill Gaylord, Patsy Wiley

E.M. - Pat Schoch, Emily Gaylord, Rene Pfiffner  
Sacristan & Altar Server –Gary Olfers

December 4, 8:30 a.m.

Lectors -Bill Steffek, Valerie Becker  
Ushers-Jerry Pawelek, Jerry Kramer

E.M. - Elizabeth Zarsky, Theresa Phillips, Diana Virdell  
Sacristan and Altar Server-Joe Marino

December 4, 10:30 a.m.

Lectors Paige Schweizer, Penny Breedlove  
Ushers -Bob Schweizer, Tom Engler

E.M.-Tom D'Arcy, Marie D'Arcy, Barbara Fuller  
Sacristan & Altar Server -Ed Stemac

**Happy Birthday**

Happy Birthday to Rudy Wernli who celebrates her birthday on December 3, to Anne Marie Danner who will celebrate her birthday on December 5th, to Cindy Mueller who will celebrate her birthday on December 4th, to Virginia Shields who will celebrate her birthday on December 5th and to Jeannine DuPont who will celebrate on December 8th. Happy Birthday and God's blessings to you!

**Happy Anniversary**

Happy Anniversary to Henry and Sonia Woyton who celebrated their 57th anniversary on November 26th. A late but heartfelt congratulations.

**Prayer Request**

Please pray for: Dorothy De La Garza, Linda Baker, Mike Halloran, KK Rice, Bill Bedortha, Jennifer Ramirez, Ed & Judy Steiniger, Barbara Erlenmeyer, Stacey Ashabranner, Denny Fuller, Eftehia Swagert, Emily Fenlon, Irene Huff, Ron Balsam, Eric Waltenbaugh, Sonny Blair, Ed Maugham, Anita Fey, Bailey King, Mason Wiley, Pauline Estes, Renee Sutton, Clay Hazelwood, Niki Moshell, Sharon Mickey, Trisha Belota, Katharine Matcham, Roberta Lawson, Emma Smith, Ann Kirkland, Joe Jamail, Bo MacMillan, John Matzinger, Mamie Matzinger, Michael Fontenot, Fred Phillips, John Swagart, Judy & Louis Sykora, Fran Duncan, Kori Lawson, Savannah Welch, Sandy Platfoot, Tanya Raba, Donia Caspersen, Jody Jamail, Jack Owen, Valerie Richards, Bob Lambert, Juanita Burson, Janell Igoe, Syl Gaisbauer, Catherine Clanton, and Ernie Cronin.

**Please pray for those in our Armed Services**

Staff Sgt. Josh Zabierek  
Army Spc. Warren Andrews  
Sgt. Corey K. Bradford  
1st Lt. Sean Zarsky, USAF  
Major Andrew Bochat  
Captain Eric Barton  
Jakob Martinez - Army

Master Sgt. Steven O. Wiley  
SFC Erick DeAlba  
Staff Sgt. Adam Long  
2nd Lt. Hannah Zarsky, USAF  
Lt. Col. Maria Bochat  
Captain Heather Barton  
Spc. Jeremy Ross

Matthew Anderson, USN  
Lt. Christopher Carr  
SFC Mary McLean  
Branden Carlson  
SPC James Balestrini  
LCDR Darby Gray  
Britt Carlson

# *St. Paul the Apostle Parish*

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**MASSES**

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. Thursday & Friday at 8:00 a.m.

**CONFESSIONS**

Wednesday & Saturday - 4:45 - 5:15 p.m.

**ADORATION**

First Fridays - 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., followed by Benediction

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**Paulist Fathers Website: [www.paulist.org](http://www.paulist.org)**

**St. Vincent de Paul Help Line: 512-755-3299**

**Office Administrator - Sandy Gracia/ Penny Breedlove**

**PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**President – Frank Trogus 830-596-8470**

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**Music – Mary Williams 325-388-9120**

**The Samaritans...reaching out – Ron Balsam 830-693-3084**

**Social Activities – WWICS/Social - Claudia Haydon 830-598-9364**

**Communications - Pat Schoch-830-220-2201**



***A Word from Servant of God Isaac Hecker, Founder of the Paulist Fathers***

“Through these clouds which now obscure the Church the light of divine hope ought to pierce, enabling us to perceive a better and a brighter future, for this is what is in store for the Church and the world. That love which embraces at once the greatest glory of God and the highest happiness of man should outweigh all fear of misinterpretations, and urge one to make God's hand clear to those who are willing to see, and point out to them the way to that happier and fairer future.” [The Church and the Age, 1887]

