

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 2016

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Cooper Peagler
<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Lawrence Pekar
	10 A.M.	Fabian Ramirez
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Victor & Lillie Huehlefeld
	6:30 P.M.	Guadalupe, Elvira & David Vera
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	K. J. Z. T.
	8:05 A.M.	Gene Biehunko
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Concepcion Garza
	10 A.M.	Vernon Matusek
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Alvin & Kirsten Wenske
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	M/M Louis Kutac & Val
	9 A.M.	Ed Mayer
	11 A.M.	Alcadio Diaz

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Bill Culak.

Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Your Gift to God: November 27th

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$4,248.40
Online Giving	\$1,155
Building Fund	\$125
St. Ann Parish Support	\$957
Building Fund	\$105

May God reward your generosity!

Special Collection

A special collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, December 10-11.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:30 – 7:30 P.M.
Saturday: 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.

For Your Information

The regularly scheduled Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) **will not occur this week** due to the vigil Mass for the holy day of obligation.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Billy Natho
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charles Kvinta
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Rose Sumler
	9 A.M.	Georgia Kutach
	11 A.M.	Jose Martinez

Offertory Gifts

<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Lerma Family
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Bruce & Paula DeBord
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Ed Mayer Family

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Sammy & Susan Elizondo, Dorothy Zabransky
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Donna Tolbert, Gloria Lerma, Wanda Zabransky
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Bobby & Bea Welfl, Joe Machalec
	11 A.M.	Miguel & Susana Trujillo, Virginia Amaro

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Charlie & Carolyn Hoepfl, Bill Lopez, JoJo Machalec
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Charlie Migl, Tom Chilek
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Debbie Caka, Ronnie Koenning, John Paul Barrera, Bill Lopez
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Charles & Diane Havlik
	9 A.M.	Dennis & Dolores Sesak, Katherine Jendrzey, Robbie Hagan
	11 A.M.	Gabriel Espinosa, Ernest Gomez, Alice Nunez, Raquel Gomez

Altar Servers

<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Chase Heller, Shelby Stary, Brittany Moreno
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Hannah & Ella Boswell, Amber Bennetsen
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Luke & Samantha Adamek
	9 A.M.	Tyler & Addison Ferry, Benjamin Schultz
	11 A.M.	Gabriel & Jorge Chavez, Alex Gutierrez

Advent Wreaths, etc.

The Pastoral Center has a few Advent wreaths available for purchase along with other religious articles that may make nice Christmas presents. Stop by during regular business hours and check it out.

Terreo, Helen Janak, Aileen Hybner, Stacy Chomout, Mag Jahn, Johnnie Mae Lahodny, Geraldine Jahn, Suzanne Sestak, Helen Manning, Bea Welfl, Toni Jalufka, Margaret Baros and Marie Schumacher.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8th, is a holy day of obligation.

Mass Schedule:

Wednesday, December 7th - 6:30 P.M. (Vigil Mass)
Thursday, December 8th - 6:30 A.M. & 8:05 A.M.

Christmas Flowers

Extra envelopes for the Christmas Flower donations may be found in the Church entrances. Donors and their listed memorials will be in the bulletin after Christmas. This applies to St. Joseph and St. Ann Parish.

Reminder: CCD

There **will not** be CCD classes this week. Families are reminded that in place of CCD they should attend the 6:30 P.M. vigil Mass on Wednesday for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is a holy day of obligation. CCD classes will resume on Wednesday, January 4th.

Advent Penance Services

All services begin at 5:30 P.M.

Monday, December 12 – Shiner

Tuesday, December 13 - Hallettsville

Thursday, December 15 – Moulton

Friday, December 16 - Yoakum

Altar Society Bake Sale This Weekend

The ladies of the St. Joseph Altar Society are sponsoring a Christmas Bake Sale after all Masses this weekend, December 3-4. Consider the purchase of the homemade baked goods as the proceeds go towards the purchase of hosts, linens, wine and specialty items such as additional altar cloths, etc. Your previous generosity and participation has been greatly appreciated.

Feast of Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th – 5:00 P.M. *Children's Mass*
10:00 P.M. – St. Ann

December 25th – 12:01 A.M. *Midnight Mass*
9:00 A.M.

All Christmas Masses will be in English

K.J.T. #13 Christmas Brunch Today

KJT #13 Christmas Brunch will be held today Sunday, December 4th, after the 9:00 A.M. Mass in the Family Center. A short Christmas Pageant by the youth is being planned along with an anticipated visit by St. Nicholas. All members are invited to attend and asked to bring a favorite Christmas "goody" to share.

CDA Meeting

The Catholic Daughters will meet Monday, December 5th at 6:00 P.M. at the Family Center. Members are asked to bring finger foods and a "White Elephant" gift for exchange.

Altar Society Meeting

The Altar Society will meet Wednesday, December 7th at 2:30 P.M. at the Family Center. Students from the Yoakum High School Band will provide entertainment with a selection of Christmas music. The agenda will include making our Christmas donations and gifts. Hostesses for the luncheon will be: Gladys Jiral, Roberta Wenzel, Marie

Planeando en Adelante...

Diciembre 10

Habra una Peregrinacion para empezar a celebrar la fiesta de Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe. Nos reuniremos en el Salon Parroquial a las 5:30 P.M. y comenzaremos a caminar a las 6:00 P.M. Durante la peregrinacion rezaremos el Rosario y concluiremos en la Iglesia. Despues tendremos un pequeno convivio, y tambien habra velacion hasta las 12:00 A.M.

Diciembre 11

Para celebrar la santa Misa de nuestra Sra. de Guadalupe, comenzaremos con las mananitas a las 6:00 A.M. seguida por el Rosario a las 6:30 A.M.

La Misa sera a las 11:00 A.M. como de costumbre, despues nos reuniremos un el Salon familiar. Todos los feligreses estan invitados a traer un Platillo o un Postre. para convivir como en familia.

*"I really only love God as much as I
love the person I love the least."*

-- Dorothy Day

TMIY

Over seventy men have risked deeper involvement in their faith relationship and tried the That Man Is You offering we have embarked upon for the men of the parishes. It is never too late! Try it out...put your toe in the water...see if it is for you! Each Wednesday morning the men gather at 6:00 A.M.--breakfast, camaraderie, inspiration/reflection and discussion. All concludes at 7:30 A.M.

A Note from Principal Mooney

St. Joseph School activities for this week.
Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday:

No Mass

Thursday:

8:05 Mass – Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Basketball Game vs Trinity Episcopal – 4:30 P.M.
St. Joseph Gym

Saturday:

Girls Basketball Tournament at Nazareth, Victoria
If interested in sending your child(ren) to St. Joseph School, please stop by the school office and speak to Mr. Mooney. It is never too late to enroll!

FORMED.org

We have subscribed to FORMED.org now for two months. The subscription will continue until the end of December. Thus far 50 parishioners have logged on to utilize the possibilities offered. Towards the end of December a decision will be made to see if maintaining the subscription is warranted--if more take advantage of this service in particular. Give it a try...and let us know if it is meaningful or not. The login code is: **WJKPMW**.

Office Christmas Schedule

The Pastoral Center will close at 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, December 22nd and reopen at 8:00 A.M. on Monday, January 2nd. Deadline for the December 25th and January 1st bulletins will be noon on Wednesday, December 21st.

"From Thy Bounty"

Our parish cookbook has had a great response! Thank you! They are available in the Pastoral Center for \$20...get them as the extra gift to share during the upcoming holidays!

Support Catholic Education

Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring Catholic School Sweepstakes and all proceeds from the sale of tickets benefit St. Joseph School.

Grand Prize Choice of:

2017 Ford F-150 Truck **or**
2017 Ford Fusion Sedan **or**
\$20,000 Prepaid Visa Credit Card

Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the school or parish office. For more information contact the school office at 293-9000.

Deadline for purchasing tickets is January 9th.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

December 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)

Mass Schedule:

Wednesday, December 7th – 6:30 P.M. (Vigil Mass)
Thursday, December 8th – 6:30 & 8:05 A.M.

December 15

St. Joseph School Christmas Play – 7:00 P.M.
Yoakum ISD Auditorium

December 16

Advent Penance Service – 5:30 P.M.



Now on FORMED: Forgiven



FORGIVEN: The Transforming Power of Confession is available on FORMED starting today!

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Extending a Listening Heart to Those in Need



*"Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women."*

Parish Financial Statement

Balance as of November 1, 2016	\$11,779.40
INCOME:	
Collection	\$12,498.75
Online Giving	\$5,200.00
Candles	\$380.00
Other	\$2,106.50
Total Income	\$20,185.25
	\$31,964.65
EXPENSES:	
Salaries/Benefits	\$7,729.65
Utilities	\$3,003.37
Maintenance	\$1,144.01
Church	\$1,615.69
Rectory	\$240.73
Office	\$1,388.66
Property Insurance	\$3,000.00
Auto	\$104.51
Total Expense	\$18,226.62
Balance as of November 30, 2016	\$13,738.03

*"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths."*

Advent Prayer

Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of your Son. Help me