

Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish and Saint Patrick Mission in San Patricio

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Holy Day Vigil @ St. Thomas: 6 PM

Saturday Vigil Mass @ St. Thomas: 5:30 PM

Weekday Masses @ St. Thomas: 12:05 PM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Confessions: 30 Minutes before Masses or by appointment

Saturday Vigil Mass @ St. Patrick Mission: 4:00 PM

Holy Day Masses @ St. Thomas: 7 AM & 7 PM

Sunday Masses @ St. Thomas: 8 AM & 11 AM & 8 PM

First Friday Mass @ St. Patrick Mission: 8:00 AM Every First Friday

MASS INTENTIONS



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016

3 - 4 PM: **HOLY HOUR and VIGIL MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**
 4:00 PM: *Rosemary Grover* (Birthday) by Joan Bluntzer
 5:30 PM: **VIGIL MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**
 †*Pedro and †Lilia Canales* by Rene & Carmen Canales

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2016 @ St. Thomas the Apostle

7 - 8 AM: **HOLY HOUR and MASS**
 8:00 AM: †*Ruby Franco* by John & Annette Freeman
 11:00 AM: **COLLECTIVE MASS**
 †*Ismael Pena, Jr.* by Yolanda Pena
 †*Raul Landeros, Sr.* by Tina Landeros & Family
 †*Maria Nguyen* by John & Chi Bowman
 †*Sylvester Vo* by John & Chi Bowman
Thalia Martinez (Birthday) by Yolanda Pena & Family
 6:30 PM: **ADVENT MISSION with Jon Leonetti**
 8:00 PM: Special Intention of Hannelore Schleicher

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016

5 - 8 AM: **ADORATION and MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**
 8:00 AM: *Margaret Bluntzer* (Birthday) by Joan Bluntzer
 11-12 AM: **HOLY HOUR & MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**
 12:05 PM: *Glenda Tvrdik* (Health) by Martha Mussett
 7:00 PM: **ADVENT MISSION with Jon Leonetti**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016

5 - 8 AM: **ADORATION and MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**
 8:00 AM: *Kathy Grover* (Birthday) by Joan Bluntzer
 11-12 AM: **HOLY HOUR & MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**
 12:05 PM: *Caitlyn Prukop* by the Vaughan Family
 7:00 PM: **ADVENT MISSION and CONFESSIONS**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2016

12:05 PM: **No Mass**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016 @ St. Thomas the Apostle

11-12 AM: **HOLY HOUR & MASS**
 12:05 PM: †*Rodrigo R. Gonzalez* by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Esparza

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2016

5 - 8 AM: **ADORATION and MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**
 8:00 AM: *Bluntzer Twins* (Birthday) by Joan Bluntzer
 11-12 AM: **HOLY HOUR & MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**
 12:05 PM: *Gary and Ann Clarke* Wedding Anniversary

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2016

3 - 4 PM: **HOLY HOUR and VIGIL MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**
 4:00 PM: †*Ruth Wright* by Jerome Tymrak & Family
 5:30 PM: **VIGIL MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**
COLLECTIVE MASS
 †*Harlew Conally* by Betty Conally
 †*Bobbie Hans* by Mary Ann Hans
 †*Boone Hans* by Mary Ann Hans
 †*Ismael Pena, Jr.* by Rosie Canales
 †*Mabel Ginn* by Johnny Ginn and Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2016 @ St. Thomas the Apostle

7 - 8 AM: **HOLY HOUR and MASS**
 8:00 AM: †*Marcus Long* by Betty Long
 11:00 AM: †*Ismael Pena, Sr.* by Yolanda Pena
 7 - 8 PM: **HOLY HOUR and MASS**
 8:00 PM: †*Deacon Alan K. Borse* by His Children

LECTORS for December 17-18, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Tanya Whitehead
 Sunday, 8 AM: Linda Avila
 Sunday, 11 AM: Paul Pilarczyk
 Sunday, 8 PM: Volunteer



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS December 17-18, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 PM: Michael & Malynn Wahlen
 Sunday, 8 AM: Deacon Bill, Agnes Flores, Sandy Guillen
 Sunday, 11 AM: Barbara Rychetsky, Karen Vaughan, Julio Rangel
 Sunday, 8 PM: Volunteers

ALTAR SERVERS for December 17-18, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 PM: T. J. Wahlen, Volunteers
 Sunday, 8 AM: Devin & Reese Atwood,
 Caroline Harris, David Spicak
 Sunday, 11 AM: Andy Vela, Lincoln Polasek,
 Miranda Pilarczyk, Volunteers
 Sunday, 8 PM: Volunteers

Please Pray for . . .



Louise Michalewicz, Leonard & Leona Logue,
 Hannelore Denney, Charlie Chapman, Anna Marie Kocurek,
 Kay Havelka, Juliet Johnson, Cathy Sikes, Rosemary Floyd,
 Kyle Tvrdik, George and Nelda Martinez, Gracie Herrera,
 Geneva Strmiska, Donnie Schwirtlich, Patrick Nemec,
 Cheryl Esparza, Dana Guajardo, Dolores Torres, Irma Clark,
 Geneva Lintner, Augi Carpenter, Elizabeth Price,
 Butch Rowe, Pauline Bailey, Wayne Meaux, April Jones,
 Larry Smith, Jay Robinson, Michael Cantu, Clarence Vogel,
 Joe Saenz, Florence Lyssy, Emil Prukop, Diane Saenz,
 Jerry Vogel, Margie Vogel, Mason Liebham, Mr. & Mrs.
 Linenberger, Peggy Sembach, June Fiebig, Arnold Family,
 Angie Ramos, Ron Kelley, Alma Semanteris, Mary Heany,
 Lillian Pollok, Shelby Pollok, Kathy Biela, Cecilia Lyssy,
 Daniel Rodriguez, Guerra Family, Nita Villa, Alice De La
 Sierra, Janice Howerton, Filomena Muniz, Glenda Tvrdik,
 Mary Jo Prukop, Becky Albert, Greer Gibson, Thomas
 Silguero, Brittany Graber, Jackie Albert, Genevieve Rose,
 Jimmy Diegel, Donna Weiss, Vicki & Phillip Leon-Guerrero,
 Mario Herrera, David Rowden, Derek Ruschhaupt,
 Pauline Clarke, Rudy Castillo, Henry Majeski, Carlos Salinas,
 Irasema Pena, Ruth Archambo, Dianne VanScoy,
 John Porche, Pattie Reupke, Juana Rivera, Rene Canales,
 Kathy Rathke, Louis De La Sierra Jr., Irene Morgan,
 Albert & Mary L. Peebles, Robert Faas, Cayson Odom, and
 Liz Johnson Blaylock.

Call the rectory office to include/remove a person on the prayer list.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP IS LIT ASKING BLESSINGS
 TO BE BESTOWED UPON OUR FAMILIES ESPECIALLY:



Jon Leonetti



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ADVENT MISSION

Starting Sunday, December 11, 2016, a three-day special Advent Mission "Surge of the Heart" will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle with international Catholic speaker Jon Leonetti, LLC. The times are as follows:

5:00 p.m. - Sunday, December 11, 2016

Covered Dish Meal in I. C. Hall

6:30 p.m. - Sunday, December 11, 2016

**First Presentation in the Church
"Who is God and Why Love Him"**

7:00 p.m. - Monday, December 12, 2016

**Second Presentation in the Church
"God's Dream for Your Life"**

7:00 p.m. - Tuesday, December 13, 2016

**Third Presentation in the Church
"Living God's Dream"**

8:20 p.m. - Tuesday, December 13, 2016 Confessions



"Those whom the Lord has ransomed will return and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy." -
Isaiah 35 : 10a

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Altar Flowers: Call the Rectory Office to donate flowers for the altar. The flowers for this weekend are donated by Jerry Knesek in memory of †Kara Knesek.

Baptism Class: Next class is December 11th from 12:30-2:00 PM. Call the rectory office to register for this class. All paperwork must be completed before attending class or scheduling Baptism.

Bulletin: Bulletin announcements due on Tuesday by 10:00 AM.

Religious Education: Classes continue on Sunday, December 18th *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* (4 yr. olds, K, 1st) — 9:15-10:30 AM
Elementary CCD (2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th) — 9:15-10:30 AM in the CCD Bldg.
EDGE (5th, 6th, 7th) — 9:15-10:30 AM in the I. C. Hall
R.C.I.C. — 4:00-5:15 PM in the CCD Bldg.
Confirmation I & II — 6:00-7:45 PM in the I. C. Hall (no class)
11th & 12 Grades — 6:30-7:30 PM in the CCD Bldg.

R.C.I.A.: Sundays at 9:15 AM.

Adult Spiritual Formation: Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 PM in the hall.

Walking with Purpose: Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 AM in the hall.

Scripture Study: Sundays at 9:15.

Catholic Daughters Court #2290: Next meeting is on January 23rd at 6:30 p.m. in the I. C. Hall foyer.

Knights of Columbus: Next meeting is on January 2nd at 6:30 PM in the K.C. Building.

Salt Youth Music Ministry: On Sunday before Mass. Practice every Tuesday from 7:30-9:00 PM in the Church.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday — Friday 8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

A CELEBRATION OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

SAVE THE DATE: January 26, 2017 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Ortiz Center. Bishop Michael Mulvey and the Office of Catholic Schools invite you to a special evening to celebrate the 18 Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Corpus Christi and its 3,216 students. This fundraiser will recognize Catholic Schools as well as outstanding Catholic teachers. Proceeds from the event will go towards Diocesan Tuition Assistance and the Catholic School Endowment Fund in this diocese. The First Lady of Texas, Cecilia Abbott, will be the keynote speaker. For more information call 361-693-6698.

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Christmas Ornaments will be available this year continuing on the weekend of December 10-11 before and after each of the weekend masses for the next few weekends sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of St. Thomas the Apostle. We invite you to remember a loved one, living or deceased, with a Christmas Ornament. There will be a Holy Hour scheduled to remember your loved ones and prayers will be offered all season long. Donations will be accepted.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: CONVERSION

"Conversion" continues Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the I.C. Hall. In this film and study program, **Bishop Barron** illuminates biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how ordinary people like Bartimaeus, Matthew, Jonah, the Woman at the Well, and others just like you, were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through him.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

4:00 P.M. Vigil Mass at St. Patrick Mission

5:30 P.M. Vigil Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle

8:00 A.M. Christmas Day

11:00 A.M. Christmas Day

8:00 P.M. Christmas Day

Mary said,

*"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."*

Luke 1:47

COLLECTION FROM LAST WEEKEND

St. Thomas the Apostle	\$8013.00
St. Patrick Mission	\$618.00

Thank you for your stewardship.





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