



**FEBRUARY 11, 2018  
SIXTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**



Every Wednesday 7:30am - 6:30pm  
Every First Friday 7:00pm to 8:00pm  
To schedule an hour with Our Lord  
please contact MaryAnn or Phil Everett at  
254-721-0931 or 254-721-8142 or  
Helen Marie Kreitz at 254-773-6946.

*Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28*

**CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Thank you to our families; your prayers strengthen those being called by God to live out their vocation.

Feb 17	H & D Garza	5:30pm
Feb 25	J & C Oakes	11:00am

**SECOND COLLECTION**

Today's second collection is for Catholic Higher Education. Thank you for supporting campus ministry in our diocese.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION**

There will be two special collections this week. They will be on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> for Ash Wednesday and World and Home Missions.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
It seems that there was a time when being a Catholic was easier, when rules seemed better spelled out and the roles more clearly

delineated. But being a member of the Church is not solely about rules and fulfilling requirements. Being a member of the Church is about taking a spiritual journey. A journey of growing in our relationship with God. When it comes to learning about God, the journey is without end. Simply keeping rules is not going to gain us salvation. Only a real sense of repentance can do that. Jesus continues to call His audience to reform their lives. Ash Wednesday will begin the Lenten Season in preparation for His death and resurrection.

Lent challenges us to examine our approach to God. To come to know God better implies that we are asking questions and learning. Like Luke's story of the fig tree, his readers were content with what they knew of God. The words of Jesus are a warning that, if we ever let ourselves believe that we need to do no more or learn no more, then our deaths might be as meaningless as those to whom Jesus refers in the parable of the fig tree. We must continually be reforming our lives.

Lent reminds us that time is short. God is willing to help us grow and mature, but He expects us to bear fruit. God is a judge who will not hesitate to destroy the barren fig tree. On the other hand, God is the giver of grace. The Father will help us grow, but God remains the Judge who has high expectations. We must also be making a critical assessment of our lives and our journey to God. We have time to grow, but how much time do we have? How might we till around the tree that is our life? A powerful way during Lent is to use the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession helps us confront our spiritual laziness and to see how we are spending the time we have been given. Confession gives us the opportunity to reform, but the question remains: When? May we continue to grow, mature and bear fruit for God.

Fr. Steve

## The Week Ahead

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's second reading, St. Paul urges the Corinthians to "do all for the glory of God." If we follow that advice in everything we do, we cannot help but be good stewards!

See 1 Corinthians 10:31

### YOUR GIFT TO GOD

February 4, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$	12,036.59
School Fund	\$	1,863.00
Building Fund	\$	120.00
Helping Hands	\$	70.00
World & Home Missions	\$	60.00
Higher Education	\$	60.00
Children's Collection	\$	30.52
Ash Wednesday	\$	15.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>14,147.11</b>

**Note: totals include online giving**



### From Ashes to Easter

The diocesan Ashes to Easter Lenten Mission Campaign begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14. We invite each family to take a mission box home in support of the missionary works of the Diocese of Austin. As the Catechism states, "The seasons and days of penance in the course of the liturgical year (Lent, and Each Friday in memory of the Lord) are intense moments of the Church's penitential practice. These times are particularly appropriate for spiritual exercises, penitential liturgies, and pilgrimages as signs of penance, voluntary self-denial such as fasting and alms giving, and fraternal sharing (charitable and missionary works)" (CCC 1438). Please support this campaign to strengthen the missionary spirit in our church.

Date	Event	Location	Time
Mon Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Quilting Angels	Ave Maria Room	9:00am
Tues Feb 13 <sup>th</sup>	Knitting & Crocheting Group	Regina Caeli Room	10:00am
	Adult Bible Study	Regina Caeli Room	1:30pm & 6:00pm
	Men of Joseph	Ave Maria Room	7:00pm
Wed Feb 14 <sup>th</sup>	ASH WEDNESDAY	Church	6:30am 8:15am 12:10pm 6:30pm
	NO ADORATION	Church	
Thur. Feb 15 <sup>th</sup>	Capital Campaign Dinner	Parish Hall	6:30pm
Fri. Feb 16 <sup>th</sup>	Stations of the Cross	Church	2:30pm & 6:30pm
Sun. Feb 18 <sup>th</sup>	EIM Training	Regina Caeli Room	1:00pm

*thank you*

"Thank you" to each and every one who prayed for us during these difficult times with Isabel's illness. We are so grateful for our St. Mary's family, prayer chains, cards, flowers, encouragement and all the love that everyone and anyone did for us and continue to do. Words cannot express our thoughts. We are so very fortunate to know and have the relationships of each and every one of you. We know that the power of prayer really and truly works, Isabel is a walking miracle right now, but your prayers are still needed. We thank you for coming into our lives and giving us hope. Living in a community where people are so concerned and are so willing to give you a helping hand is a great gift.

So we again give our thanks to each and every one. Thank you again and God bless you all."

The Lockhart family



## FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ. 1Cor.11:1  
We are told by Paul that we need to make Christ the standard for everything we do. As Christians everything we do should be done for the glory of God. Even if our actions or choices may not be morally wrong, they should be guided by how the actions or choices will affect our neighbors. By putting aside our own benefits or desires and considering first the impact on others, we may be impacting the salvation of others.

Blessings,  
Patricia St. Amour, DFF

### No Religious Education Class Wed. Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>

It is Ash Wednesday. Please attend Mass as a family with your children.

The next Baptismal Preparation class is: Monday February 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Regina Caeli Room.



### EIM Training

Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm St. Mary, Temple

If you need to be EIM qualified or it's time for renewing your status, this date is now open for registration. Class is in the Regina Caeli Room. \*\*\* NO children are allowed to be present & childcare NOT available. \*\*\*

### PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF ALL NATIONS, MOTHER OF ALL PEOPLES

"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster, and war.

May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. Amen.



## FALCON'S CORNER

Thank you to all parishioners who joined us for our Annual Open House last Sunday. The halls were teeming with guests and Future Falcons. It was a wonderful sight!

Applications now being accepted for the 2017-2018 school year. Tuition assistance is available to those who qualify.

We begin "Welcome Wednesdays" each week beginning Feb. 7 from 9:00 to 3:00. School will be open to visits and tours for perspective families. No need schedule an appointment. Simply stop by at your convenience.

Please join us for Stations of the Cross, each Friday at 2:30, during Lent. Our Living Stations will be Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. All Stations of the Cross will be in the church.

### Important Dates to Remember

- Wed. Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> Happy Valentine's Day  
\*ASH WEDNESDAY\*  
All attend Mass ~ Lent begins
- Fri. Feb 16<sup>th</sup> All School Mass 8:15 a.m.  
Stations of the Cross 2:30pm
- Sun. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> Kendra Scott Event  
2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Wildflower Country Club  
4902 Wildflower Lane, Temple
- Mon. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> Presidents' Day: No School  
Inclement Weather Day
- Fri. Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> All School Mass 8:15 a.m.  
Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m.
- Sat. Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> 5-K Run
- Thurs. March 1<sup>st</sup> School Science Fair
- Fri. March 2<sup>nd</sup> All School Mass 8:15 a.m.  
Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m.
- Sat. March 3<sup>rd</sup> PSIA District Meet  
(Private Schools Interscholastic Association)

**FEB 14<sup>TH</sup> ASH WEDNESDAY**

**6:30 AM MASS**

Lector: A. Castillo  
EM: P. & MA Everett  
Greeters: VOLUNTEERS  
Altar Servers: VOLUNTEERS

**8:15 AM MASS**

Lector: H. Neiser, V. Mosmeyer  
J. Boone  
EM: St. Mary's School Staff  
Greeters: VOLUNTEERS  
Altar Servers:

**12:10 PM MASS**

Lector: G. Deutscher  
EM: T. Hamff, R. Schigut, J. Oakes  
Greeters: VOLUNTEERS  
Altar Servers:

**6:30 PM MASS**

Deacon: B. Rodriguez  
Lector: J. Hattemer  
EM: N. & J. Glover  
Greeters: VOLUNTEERS  
Altar Servers:

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**5:30 PM MASS**

Lector: N. Pekar  
EM: P. & MA Everett  
Greeters: K. Petter, R. Beck  
Altar Servers: T. & A. Lucksinger, C. McCracken,  
S. Proctor

**7:30 AM MASS**

Lector: R. Schigut  
EM: T. Hamff, P. Proctor  
Greeters: L. Lagut, C. Reeves, K. Oujezsky,  
J. Richmond  
Altar Servers: R. McNeil, A. & L. Federle

**9:15 AM MASS**

Lector: B. Dolgener  
EM: J. & N. Glover  
Greeters: M. Guenat, K. & J. Bartz, T. Leos  
Altar Servers: M. & D. Mikeska, D. Pena,  
G. Barbosa

**11:00 AM MASS**

Lector: L. Edwards  
EM: P. Engbrock, J. Solis  
Greeters: B. Stewart, M. Cyr, L. Castillo,  
R. & J. Dudley  
Altar Servers: S., K., J., & S. Jolly

**Extraordinary Ministers to Homebound**

**Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

P/MA Everett, R. Schigut, T. Hamff, R. Morales,  
G. Deutscher, P. Engbrock

**FEBRUARY 12<sup>th</sup> TO FEBRUARY 18<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12:10PM †</b> Georgia Ketterman
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30AM †</b> Anna Jo Mikeska
	<b>8:15AM †</b> Deacon John Petter † Roe Hattemer
	<b>12:10PM †</b> Johnny Maruna
	<b>6:30PM</b> All Married Couples
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00AM †</b> Ollie Ketterman
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:15AM</b> Degenhardt Family † Roe Hattemer
	<b>12:10PM †</b> James Smetana & Deceased Family
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>7:30AM †</b> Deceased Santacroce & Danowski Families
	<b>4:00PM</b> Confessions
	<b>5:30PM</b> For the People
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7:30AM †</b> Bob Kasberg John Mikeska Family
	<b>9:15AM †</b> Deceased Entrop Family † Juanita Castillo
	<b>11:00AM †</b> Jacob Noel & Catherine Deutscher



**PREPARE FOR LENT AT CEDARBRAKE**

**SILENT LENTEN RETREAT  
Friday – Sunday, February 16-18**

Mass will be celebrated; spiritual direction will also be available. Take advantage of the quiet as you enter into the Lenten season of preparation.

The cost is \$185.

For more information or to register for these retreats call Cedarbrake at 254-780-2436 or visit [www.cedarbrake.org](http://www.cedarbrake.org)