

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 14 · Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. +Robert Cottner req. by Ed & Carol Porter
10:30 a.m. For All the People of the Parish
12:00 noon Intention of the Celebrant

Monday, February 15

7:00 a.m. Prayer/Communion Service

Tuesday, February 16

12:00 p.m. +Felisa Sale req. by The Dimaano Family

Wednesday, February 17 · Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. Prayer/Communion Service
12:15 p.m. Dick & Donna Martin req. by Don & Chris Bondick
6:30 p.m. +Dr. John A. Stuart req. by John & Barbara Stuart

Thursday, February 18

7:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving req. by Viola Meraz

Friday, February 19

9:00 a.m. +Cheuy Garcia req. by Budd & Jane Hoff

Saturday, February 20

4:00-5:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 p.m. +Scott Vaughan req. by Jimmie & Joyce Jay

Sunday, February 21 · First Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. +Paula Ann Taylor req. by Jimmie & Joyce Jay
10:30 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant
12:00 noon For All the People of the Parish

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES IN THE MASS SCHEDULE.



Sunday, February 14 · Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45-10:00/10:15-11:30 a.m. Religious Education PK-6 Grades
10:15-11:30 a.m. Adult Religious Education
6:00-7:00 p.m. Children's Choir Practice
6:00-8:00 p.m. Adult Scripture Study
6:00-8:30 p.m. TNT in Youth Center

Monday, February 15

1:00-2:00 p.m. Rosary for Life at Planned Parenthood
6:45 p.m. Celebration Choir Practice

Tuesday, February 16

6:30 a.m. Men's Spirituality Group
12:30 pm Ladies Share Group "Shrove Tuesday" Luncheon
7:00-8:45 pm RCIA

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday

Thursday, February 18

9:30 a.m. Adult Scripture Study
7:00 p.m. Life in the Spirit Seminar in the Parish Center
7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting

Friday, February 19

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross and Lenten Supper

Saturday, February 20

3:30 p.m. Bereavement Group Meeting in Room 121
4:00-5:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday, February 21

8:45-10:00/10:15-11:30 a.m. Religious Education PK-6 Grades
10:15-11:30 a.m. Adult Religious Education
6:00-7:00 p.m. Children's Choir Practice
6:00-8:00 p.m. Adult Scripture Study

Please pray for

Emma Torres Afafe, Cecilia Aguirre, Mariel Afafe Guico, Joyce & Joe Bayer, Ben & June Benigno, Curtis Caffey, Jim Cantrell, Mac Davis, Earl Dees, George Deebes, Sister Regina Decker, Bea & Dick Dupont, Elizabeth Edington, James Finn, Elvira Flores, Wendy Havner, Ron Hudek, Lucille Johnson, Maria Karhan, Will Klump, Morgan & Gene Knapp, Joe Leal, Zachery Rey Martinez, Dudley Mason, Parker McCay, Mary Jo Montgomery, Louise Moreno, Martha O'Campo, Jean Pecchioni, Lisa Porter, Tracy Prickett, Bob Pulley, Victoria Clare Rhodes, Carol Saia, Barbara Schwalb, Cecile Schwalb, Emil Szymanski, Shelby Thomas, James Toland, Oliva Velasco, Jeffrey Wisner, and Fr. Bill Yester. *(Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks. Please call the office at 692-1820 if you would like a name to remain on the list.)*

RITE OF SENDING will be celebrated at the 9:00 Mass on Sunday, February 21st. At this time, those preparing for the Easter Sacraments will be affirmed and sent forth by our parish community to the Rite of Election at the Cathedral in San Angelo where Bishop Pfeifer will accept their election to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Please pray for our RCIA participants as they begin final preparation for the Easter Sacraments.

NOMINATION FORMS FOR THE PASTORAL COUNCIL are available in the church foyer this weekend. After you have filled out the nomination form, please place it in the Pastoral Council Nomination Box that is in the foyer, or mail it to the parish office. Nominations must be received in the parish office no later than 5:00 p.m. this Monday, February 15th.

ASH WEDNESDAY, the beginning of Lent, will be celebrated February 17th with three Liturgies: a Prayer/Communion Service at 7:00 a.m. and Masses at 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. **The imposition of ashes will take place during these three Liturgies.**



CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE (1st through 6th grade) for the upcoming Easter Noon Mass will begin this *Sunday, February 14th* from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the choir loft. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of practice. For additional information, please contact Melissa Benoit at 370-7937.

THE CROSSROADS BEREAVEMENT GROUP meets monthly to address the spiritual needs of those coping with the loss of a loved one. Our next meeting will be Saturday, February 20th, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in room 121 of the church building. For more information please call Grace O'Connell at 437-3800 or Fran Friesen at 232-7045.

LADIES SHARE GROUP "Shrove Tuesday" luncheon will be held on Tuesday, February 16th at 12:30 p.m. Please bring your favorite covered dish to share. If you have any questions, or would like more information, please contact Jane Hoff at 698-3162.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE invites Christians throughout Abilene and the surrounding Big County to take part in this national effort beginning February 17th and continuing through March 28th. Please consider volunteering to pray for one or more hours during the 40 days outside of Planned Parenthood of West Texas. Please spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. To get more information or to volunteer, please contact Paula Matchen at (325) 260-3970; or visit us at: pmatchen@gmail.com or you may go to www.40daysforlife/Abilene.com. All are welcome!

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SPECIAL TIMES FOR CONFESSIONS or the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent are being scheduled to accommodate more people with less waiting. In addition to the usual Saturday afternoon confessions, special penance services and confessions will be held as follows:

Monday, February 22	7:00 p.m.	Dyess Air Force Base Abilene
Wednesday, March 10	7:00 p.m.	Immaculate Heart of Mary Sweetwater
Thursday, March 18	7:00 p.m.	St. Vincent Pallotti Church Abilene
Monday, March 22	6:00 p.m.	St. Ann's Church Colorado City
Wednesday, March 24	6:30 p.m.	Sacred Heart Church Coleman
Thursday, March 25	7:00 p.m.	Holy Family Church Abilene
Friday, March 26	7:00 p.m.	St. Francis Church Abilene
Monday, March 29	7:00 p.m.	Sacred Heart Church Abilene

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE:

The law of abstinence obliges those 14 years of age and older not to eat meat. The law of fast obliges all those from 18 through 59 to refrain from eating between meals and to limit their eating to one full meal and two light meals for the day. Ash Wednesday, February 17th, and Good Friday, April 2nd, are days of both fast and abstinence. In the United States, all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND LENTEN SUPPER:

Friday evenings during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held at 7:00 p.m., followed by a light meal. We invite you to share in preparing for the death and resurrection of Our Lord by walking this road to Calvary each Friday. There is no charge for the meal; offerings, however, are accepted.

"...THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE..." Commit to making your marriage a priority in your lives and sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is February 26th – 28th at Circle Six Ranch near Stanton. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: www.mewestexas.org or call Tom Williams 432-697-9904.

VOCATION CROSS FAMILIES NEEDED: Please volunteer to take home the vocation cross which is located on the table in the church foyer. The parish will join your family in praying for religious vocations.

- February 14th – Paz Mapoy
- February 21st – The Ruben Guerrero Family

Please pray for our seminarian, Prem Sunil, this week.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR: February 6-7, 2010 with 1,145 families.

Envelopes and Checks	20,792.65
Loose Plate.....	1,517.31
RE Registration/Youth Activities	80.10
Reimbursements for Expenses.....	539.17
Building Fund.....	175.00
Miscellaneous	596.80
Total Income.....	23,701.03

Diocesan Seminarian Education	2,533.00
Souper Bowl of Caring for Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry.....	831.01

SENIOR HELPING HANDS MINISTRY will be hosting a dessert reception on Wednesday, February 24th, from 2 p.m.-3 p.m. in room 108 of the church for all who are interested in helping with this ministry. Our mission is to be more attentive to the needs of our senior parishioners and to plan special activities for them. Please call JoAnn Vestal at 854-1452 or 669-3497 for more information and/or to let us know you will attend the reception.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP) is a shared method where both husband and wife take responsibility for family planning. Classes will be held at Christ the King Retreat Center in San Angelo, on Sunday, March 7th, from 2-4 p.m. and also on Sunday, May 23rd, from 2-4 p.m. Pre-registration is required and the cost per person is \$10.00. Please call Margie at (325) 651-5352 or (325) 651-5358 to register or for additional information.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE is scheduled for Ash Wednesday, February 17th. This special collection channels aid through the Bishop's Conferences to Central and Eastern Europe. It helps to rebuild the Church by training seminarians and lay leaders, and by reaching out to young people through programs of catechesis and evangelization. Williams at (432) 697-9904 or email: padaminal@sbcglobal.net.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of our parish's participation in Operation Rice Bowl, a Lenten Program of prayer, fasting, education and almsgiving which is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and our diocese. CRS was founded in 1943 and is the official overseas relief and development agency of the United States Catholic Community. Everyone is urged to take part. A special envelope is included in your March envelopes, or you may use the blue envelopes located in the pews.

NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. Please place your donation in the first collection, there will not be a second collection.

CALL OF A DIOCESAN CHOIR for the celebration of the Ordination of Deacons that will take place in San Angelo on June 5, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. at the Convention Center of San Angelo. The music will be led by the Diocesan Choir, as commissioned by the Liturgy Commission. It will consist of volunteer choristers representing various parts of the Diocese. If you would like to participate in singing in the choir for this celebration, please register with Lupe at the Diocesan Pastoral Center at (325) 651-7500 before March 1, 2010. Almost all music selections will be fully bilingual: English and Spanish. There will be at least one song that will be sung SATB, so it will be helpful for you to know how to read music notation. There will be two rehearsal dates: April 17, 2010 (location and time to be announced), and on the day of the celebration at 8:00 a.m. (possibly at the Convention Center. Once the number of participants is determined and copyright permissions are obtained, a music rehearsal packet containing recordings and sheet music will be mailed to you in advance so that you may prepare before attending the rehearsals. If you have any questions, you may direct them by email to Mr. Jeremie Hernandez: jharbitrary@yahoo.com.

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