

Religious Education & RCIA

RE NEWS

*On July 14-15 from 5:30-8:30 p.m., we will have VBS this summer in person! It will be for kids ages K-5th grade, as well as 10 potty trained 3 year olds, and 4 potty trained 4 year olds. Supper will be provided, too. Be on the lookout for the online registration form!

***We will open up registration for the 2021-2022 RE registration year as soon as our diocesan Faith Formation office lets us know how we can have class. A Flocknote with the links to registration will be sent out once we know more!**

*Our next safe environment training is Wed, June 30 at 6:30 pm. in the Marian Room. Adults needing to be trained must now register online in advance of the scheduled training. To register go to www.virtus.org and follow the instructions. From that site you will be able to register for any session offered in the diocese. If you have questions, please call Ann Lueb at the parish office.

RCIA NEWS

Our RCIA formation has concluded for this year!

**Want to know more about becoming Catholic? Please contact Kerry Acker!

Contact Kerry Acker DRE at kacker@stthomasamarillo.org or 806.358.2461, Ext. 106, for more info on RCIA or Religious Education.

St. Thomas Youth

Steubenville 2021 - Dallas, Texas

There will be eighteen of us going to Lone Star Steubenville this summer! Please pray for us as we embark on this life-changing journey! **Our trip is June 25-28**, and your prayers are much appreciated. We have had a wonderful year, and we are excited to finish it off with our Steubenville conference.

Job Opportunity - Diocese of Amarillo

THE PASTORAL CENTER AT THE DIOCESE OF AMARILLO

is seeking a new Graphic Artist / Printer. The applicant will be in charge of requested designs and printing needs for the Diocese of Amarillo. Must be fluent in the Adobe suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign) and have design knowledge. Please send resumes and portfolios to Chris Albracht at calbracht@dioama.org.

Responsibilities include: design engaging and correctly formatted designs, effectively communicate with clients about their desired print jobs, prepare rough drafts and present ideas, design with correct print formatting, listen to feedback to make sure all designs and prints meet clients expectations, print jobs and correctly prepare them for delivery, order and maintain printing supplies and papers.

Requirements include: a strong portfolio of illustrations or other graphics, familiarity with design software and technologies specifically Adobe products (such as InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop); excellent communication skills both with clients and co-workers, ability to work methodically and meet both design and printing deadlines. A degree in Design, Fine Arts or related field is a plus as well as experience with printing software (Fiery), ability to lift 50 pound paper boxes.

Adult Faith Formation

Daily Prayer this Week

This is a great week to reflect on several wonderful elements of the Word and to let them interact with genuine desires in our hearts - desires that carry over from previous weeks or desires that are just coming to our awareness. We can reflect upon our call - the vocation we find ourselves in, the ways we live it and are faithful to it. We can be comforted by Jesus telling us that fear is what gets in the way of our freedom to be a witness of the Good News for others.

Fear comes in so many forms. Sometimes, when we are angry a lot, or finding ourselves to be more and more defensive, we can trace the anxiety or insecurity back to a particular fear or a general fear. How liberating it can be for us to pray for the grace to be fear-less, especially in the concrete ways that will come to us in our everyday life this week.

And it is good to recognize the traps that sabotage us in our everyday relationships and daily choices. Judging others is an easy trap for people trying to be good. It is so easy for me to notice when you aren't as good as I'm trying to be. The end result is I'm trapped, and fail to recognize my own ways of failing to love. If only we could love others, at least in the same way we crave to be loved! The culture we live in, the way Jesus describes it to us is clearly entering through the "narrow" gate. And, when I don't sort through my various and sometimes conflicting desires, it feels like my life is built upon sand. When the going gets tough, I have nothing to fall back upon. The week ends with a picture of Jesus, the healer.

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