

# *The Assumption* OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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## MASS TIMES

**Cardinal DiNardo, has granted us permission to have public Masses. There is no obligation to attend Mass in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston**

**MONDAY - FRIDAY** | 9 AM

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY** | 6:45 PM

**WEDNESDAY** | 6 AM

**SATURDAY** | 10 AM & 5 PM

**SUNDAY** | 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM,  
1 PM Español & 6 PM

## RECONCILIATION TIMES

Whether it has been 10 years, or 10 months or 10 days, God is waiting for you. Come experience the mercy of a father who loves and forgives you.

*Confession is an act of honesty and courage, an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God. - St. John Paul II*

**WEDNESDAY** | 6 - 8 PM English

**SATURDAY** | 8 - 10 AM English & Español

## ADORATION CHAPEL

All are welcome to visit Christ in the chapel. It is open :

**MONDAY - FRIDAY** | 7:30 AM-10 PM

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available by scheduling an appointment. Contact : [sdewlen@ap.church](mailto:sdewlen@ap.church)



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## JULY 12TH - JULY 18TH GIVING

OFFERTORY*	\$ 111,517.91
ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD	\$ 9,434.52
SVDP LOCAL	\$ 11,019.50
SVDP ANNUAL DIOCESAN	\$ 1,817.00

**TOTAL | \$ 133,788.93** \*Includes Online Giving

## JULY 19TH - JULY 25TH GIVING

OFFERTORY*	\$ 55,761.36
ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD	\$ 3,144.50
SVDP LOCAL	\$ 3,500.50
SVDP ANNUAL DIOCESAN	\$ 782.00

**TOTAL | \$ 63,188.36** \*Includes Online Giving

## JULY 26TH - AUGUST 1ST GIVING

OFFERTORY*	\$ 97,338.16
ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD	\$ 6,419.97
SVDP LOCAL	\$ 3,687.55
SVDP ANNUAL DIOCESAN	\$ 360.00

**TOTAL | \$ 107,805.68** \*Includes Online Giving

Current Figures are not available due to printing schedule.

## IRA ROLLOVER GIFT OPTIONS

### Are IRA rollover gifts an option for giving to the Horizon Capital Campaign?

If you are 70½ or older, the IRA rollover is a great way for you to make a gift to support the Horizon Campaign. IRA rollover gifts can make a huge difference. These gifts will help sustain us in our important work to strengthen our community. For more information on making an IRA Rollover gift to the campaign, contact Michael Schillaci at 713-652-4418 or email [mschillaci@archgh.org](mailto:mschillaci@archgh.org). The IRA rollover is now permanent, and its key provisions are:

- The IRA rollover allows donors 70½ or older to transfer up to \$100,000 directly from their IRA on an annual basis.
- An IRA rollover gift is a tax-exempt distribution. Qualifying individuals can make charitable gifts using pre-tax IRA assets rather than taking a distribution, paying income taxes and using after-tax assets to make a charitable gift.
- An IRA rollover gift can be used to meet all or part of an IRA's annual required minimum distribution.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

# ST. JOHN PAUL II

Saint John Paul II was a universal shepherd - the first non-Italian pope in 455 years, his election in 1978 ushered in the first real "globally-oriented" papacy ever. His wisdom, compassion, and faith was spread around the globe through 104 apostolic adventures to 129 different countries. He broke down unprecedented barriers, stood unabashedly opposed to violence and oppression, and made a universal call to holiness that has inspired millions of faithful Catholics.

The inspiring, cheerful saint known as John Paul II was born Karol Józef Wojtyła on May 18, 1920, in Wadowice, Poland, a town of about 8,000 Catholics and 2,000 Jews located only 15 miles away from the future site of Auschwitz. He was the youngest of three children, born into a loving Polish family that would sadly experience immense suffering just a few years following his birth. His mother Emelia passed away before he had even received his First Communion, and by the time he was 12, he had also lost his older siblings Olga and Edmund.

His father, Karol senior, was a lieutenant in the Polish army who Karol described in writings as a "deeply religious man" whose discipline and guidance was in a way his "first seminary, a kind of domestic seminary." Young Karol would excel in academics, play soccer regularly, and enjoy the arts of drama and poetry. He would regularly help out Fr. Kazimierz Figlewicz, his first teacher in Catholicism, at Wadowice's main Catholic church, which was right next door to the Wojtyła's apartment.

Karol graduated from secondary school as valedictorian and would move with his father to Kraków to attend the Jagiellonian University, studying Polish language, literature, theater and poetry. He performed in local theatrical productions, and met an important spiritual mentor, Jan Tyranowski, who was a local tailor that was in charge of youth ministry for the local church. Jan introduced the college-aged Karol to the Carmelite mysticism of St. John of the Cross, which would greatly influence Karol's journey towards the priesthood and motivations that the church might improve the world.

Karol's promising academic career (he learned as many as 15 languages at Jagiellonian University!) was cut short by the outbreak of World War II. Nazi Germany invaded in September of 1939 and occupying forces closed his school. The two Wojtyłas joined thousands fleeing to the east, but after learning that the Russians

had invaded Poland, they returned to Kraków. In order to avoid arrest and deportation, Karol worked in a stone quarry, with night shifts at a chemical plant, all the while still attending clandestine classes to continue his studies. Karol returned home from work on February 18, 1941 to find his father had died of a heart attack. Before his 21st birthday, Karol Wojtyła was his family's lone surviving member.

The very next year, he decided to enter the priesthood. While still working at the chemical factory, he began attending illegal seminary classes run by the Archbishop of Kraków, Cardinal Sapieha. On August 5, 1944, Karol's journey to the priesthood was nearly curtailed by a day known as "Black Sunday", when the Gestapo rounded up more than 8,000 men and boys in Kraków to prevent an uprising similar to what was happening in Warsaw at the time. He hid in the basement of his uncle's house, and would soon escape to the Archbishop's palace, where he would remain for the rest of the war. Karol recalled witnessing numerous Nazi horrors during this time, including the murder of many priests, which alongside the teachings of St. John of the Cross, helped him embrace the redemption that could be gained through suffering, and the true meaning of the priesthood.

On November 1st, 1946, the feast of All Saints Day, Karol was ordained a priest by Cardinal Sapieha. He immediately traveled to Rome to continue his doctoral studies, earning a doctorate in theology in 1948 and a doctorate in philosophy in 1953. He returned to Poland and began teaching in the Jagiellonian University. Soon after he was made assistant pastor of a parish in Niegowic. The young priest quickly became a spiritual leader and mentor for many, forming a circle of young adult friends who would go on kayaking and camping trips to celebrate Mass in the open, despite a ban on unapproved worship outside of churches by the communist regime. Karol continued to pray, write and teach ardently, impressing church leaders so much that in 1958, Pope Pius XII appointed him an auxiliary bishop of Kraków, the youngest bishop in the history of Poland.

What followed next was a rapid ascension through the priestly hierarchy, largely in part from his participation and contributions during the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). In December 1963, Pope Paul VI named him archbishop of Kraków, and in 1967, he became a cardinal. As a cardinal, he made waves alongside Stefan Wyszyński, the archbishop of Warsaw, by declaring that "Christianity, not communism, was the

true protector of the poor and oppressed." He defied communist authorities by holding Masses in Kraków's new industrial suburb, Nowa Huta, where he wanted to build a church. Despite their best attempts, nothing the communists could do seemed to slow Karol down, and he consecrated Nowa Huta's Ark Church in 1977. The authorities forced the upstart cardinal archbishop to develop a public speaking style that would ultimately work against them - by attempting to deny Wojtyła access to the media, he in turn traveled far and wide to reach the people. This developed the future pope's ability to skillfully communicate with large crowds, of which he would soon be seeing.

In August 1978, a papal conclave was held to elect the successor of Pope Paul VI. Albino Luciani, an Italian Cardinal who was the first pope to have been born in the 20th century, was elected and took the name Pope John Paul I, only to pass away 33 days later. At the second conclave of 1978, it was Karol Wojtyła that the white smoke heralded, emerging as Pope John Paul II on October 16, 1978. He was the first pope ever from a Slavic country. At his installation Mass on October 22, 1978, he repeated the phrase "Be not afraid!", which would become a recurring theme for him, along with his Episcopal motto, taken from the profound teachings of St. Louis de Montfort: "Totus Tuus - I am completely yours."

In his first year alone as Pope, John Paul II went on four different trips abroad - bouncing around the world between Mexico, Poland, Ireland, Turkey and the United States. At each stop, large crowds gathered to hear him preach and give counsel to leaders and laity alike, with his impassioned speeches calling upon every person to care for the poor and respect the dignity of every human person. He would become the most widely-traveled pope ever during his nearly 27-year pontificate (the third-longest reign in history), but his presence on the world stage never took precedence over his pastoral duties, writing 14 Encyclicals, 15 Apostolic Exhortations, 11 Apostolic Constitutions and 45 Apostolic Letters, alongside five books during his time as pope. He also emphasized the universal call to holiness by beatifying 1,338 people and canonizing 482 saints, which was more than all 263 previous popes combined. He also established World Youth Day, and the World Meeting of Families, both born from his concern and focus on marriage and the family.

On May 13, 1981, the feast day of Our Lady of Fátima, the world was shocked by an attempted assassination on Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's square by a 23-year old Turkish man, Mehmet Ali Agca. Two years later, the world was shocked again by JP II, having recovered from his abdomen wound, made a personal visit to his

attacker in prison to forgive him. The pope credited the Virgin of Fátima for guiding the bullet from his would-be assassin away from his vital organs. John Paul II continued with his missionary activities, holding meetings with government officials, religious leaders from other faiths, and countless other important individuals to impress on them the need for peace, the abolishing of materialism, and the beauty of interfaith initiatives.

In 1986, despite the scorn of many, Pope John Paul II invited the leaders of all major religions to Assisi, Italy for a universal prayer service for world peace. By the mid 90's, he had spent a considerable amount of time orchestrating acts of interfaith reconciliation - many involving general apologies for the sins committed by Catholics against others throughout history, including those during the Crusades, against indigenous peoples, non-Catholic Christians, Muslims, Jews, and more. He would go on to become the first pope to ever enter a synagogue, where he embraced the chief rabbi at the Great Synagogue of Rome, as well as the first pope to enter a mosque, entering the Great Mosque of Damascus to pray at the shrine of St. John the Baptist in the company of the Muslim clerics.

As the new millennium was ushered in, Pope John Paul II continued to change the world through his tireless ministry. His televised audiences captivated millions, his pastoral efforts established numerous dioceses, and he continued to travel even as the once-robust pope became slowed by Parkinson disease and a series of operations. When his aides would urge him to slow down, he would respond, "Si crollo, crollo" ("If I collapse, I collapse"). After 2003, he appeared in public only when seated, and by Easter 2005, he was unable to speak to the millions of pilgrims he blessed from his apartment window, due to a tracheotomy.

Hundreds of thousands of young people kept vigil beneath the window of the papal apartment in April of 2005, as Pope John Paul II breathed his last. He died on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 5, 2005 at 9:37 pm. His last audible words were "Let me go to my Father's house."

More than three million pilgrims traveled to Rome to pay their respects to JP II, whose witness of faith ignited the missionary hearts inside countless Catholics around the world. On April 28, 2005, a mere 23 days after John Paul's passing, Pope Benedict XVI declared that the normal five-year waiting period needed before beginning causes of beatification and canonization would be waived for John Paul II, and on May 1, 2011, Pope John Paul II was beatified by Benedict, and finally canonized as Saint John Paul II on April 27, 2014.

# LITURGY & PRAYER

## COMMUNAL ROSARY

On Monday, August 16th, we will begin praying a rosary as a parish family every day before the 9am Daily Mass, immediately following our ongoing Liturgy of the Hours. Along with this rosary, we'll also begin on every Tuesday morning, a weekly devotion to St. Anthony to complement the prayer held after every Tuesday evening Mass.

You can download and print a copy of the devotion prayers at [ap.church/tuesdaydevotion](http://ap.church/tuesdaydevotion)



## LITURGY OF THE HOURS

**Join us for Morning Prayer before Daily Mass. All are welcome in the church beginning at 8:15am Monday through Friday.** The Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office or the Work of God (Opus Dei), is the daily prayer of the Church, marking the hours of each day and sanctifying the day with prayer. The Hours are a meditative dialogue on the mystery of Christ, using scripture and prayer.

## SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Are you seeking a deeper understanding of God? Do you desire a more fruitful prayer life? The ministry of spiritual direction is the companionship of others in their quest to recognize God more fully in their lives. The spiritual director accompanies those seeking to grow in awareness of God's presence and love. If spiritual direction sounds like it could help you, please email [spiritualdirection@ap.church](mailto:spiritualdirection@ap.church) for more information.

## CHOIRS ARE BACK!

We're excited to announce the return of choirs at St. Anthony of Padua! Both the 7AM and 11AM Sunday Masses will soon have choirs back in action, and we're looking for more parishioners willing to lend their voices!

**The St. Anthony Choir will sing at the 11AM Mass**, spearheaded by Choir Director Maura Brown, a high school choir director and cantor at St. Anthony for many years, along with Josh Blakesley, our Music Ministry Coordinator. The singing will consist primarily of traditional hymns and chants, with contemporary music intermittently included.

**The Schola Choir will sing at the 7AM Mass**, led by Vaishall Pradeepkumar, a former singer in the Oxford Chamber Choir, and Josh Blakesley. The singing will consist of Gregorian Chant, leading the congregation through the antiphons and Mass parts.

**If you are interested in joining a choir at St. Anthony, we invite you to submit a 1-2 minute video clip of you singing any composition to [ap.church/choir](http://ap.church/choir).** The first rehearsals will be held in September, so there's no time to wait!

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Josh Blakesley at [jblakesley@ap.church](mailto:jblakesley@ap.church). We look forward to hearing your beautiful voices soon!



# AROUND THE PARISH

## BEYOND THE BULLETIN

**Guess who's back, back again. Beyond the Bulletin is back, tell a friend!**

When Covid-19 shutdown public Masses and parish activities, our beloved podcast sadly also fell victim to the pandemic. But after a long hiatus, we're back and better than ever. Join Nate Hoffman and Michael Gormley as they turn the page on Beyond the Bulletin and talk about the new direction and purpose of our parish podcast!

Listen at **beyondthebulletin.church**, or on your favorite podcast app!

## CORE MEMBERS NEEDED

**Anchor, Edge, Life Teen Year 1, Confirmation and Life Teen UpperClass are in need of Core Members!** We are looking for adults dedicated to the Gospel and to the formation of young people.

**We are rebuilding our youth ministry, and we want you to be a part of our mission:** *"We win when we help teens belong to the church, believe in Jesus, and send them forth to bless others."*

**Apply online at [ap.church/events](http://ap.church/events) or contact the new Youth Ministers to get involved.**

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## STAOP CATHOLIC SCHOOL



St. Anthony of Padua  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Founded in 2001, recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School in 2012, and distinguished as an Archdiocesan S.T.R.E.A.M. Synergy school in 2019, our parish

school serves students in Pre-K3 through 8th Grade. For more information about our school please visit: **AP.SCHOOL** or visit us on Facebook or Instagram **@apschooltx**.

**St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School currently has openings in 5th Grade for the 2021-2022 school year.** To learn more about admissions, or be added to the waitlist for other grade-levels please contact Cathy Russell, at [crussell@staopcs.org](mailto:crussell@staopcs.org) or visit our website.

### NEW LOGO & WEBSITE ADDRESS

Our school's new logo keeps the style and contemporary lines of our parish logo. The Eucharist at the top of the shape, as well as the cross in the middle, emphasize our focus on Christ and our faith as the core of our mission. Finally, the open book manifests our dedication to academic excellence and rigor. **Our new website address is: AP.SCHOOL** - also aligned with our parish's website: [ap.church](http://ap.church). We are excited to start the year with a fresh new look!

## LITTLE SAINTS

The Little Saints program is a ministry of St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church. The primary responsibility of Little Saints is to provide a quality, developmentally appropriate experience for young children in a Christian environment.

**Ages: 18m - 5 years • Hours: 9 AM - 2 PM**

- Currently accepting registrations for our M - F Transition, a bridge to Kindergarten, program for the 2021-22 school year.
- Now accepting tours between 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM. Monday-Friday or by appointment.

# FAITH FORMATION

**REGISTRATION HELP SESSION • AUGUST 22 • 10AM TO 3PM • IN SHELTZ HALL**

**Do you need help signing up your child or teen?** Come to the Help Session to talk to a staff member in person. Online registration for many of our Children's Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs will be closing temporarily on Monday, August 23rd at noon.

**NOTE:** Come prepared! Health Insurance policy information is required for all Youth Ministry programs and Birth Certificate and Baptismal Certificate are required for Sacramental Preparation programs.

To register for Faith Formation and Youth Ministry visit [ap.church/registration](https://ap.church/registration)

## SUNDAY NURSERY

The Little Ones of the Little Way Ministry is a nursery program for children ages 1 year to 4 years old. Our mission is to provide love, care, and formation to our children under the patronage of St. Therese of Lisieux and her 'Little Way' of doing small things with great love.

**Currently, we are offering nursery for the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses only. We will also be using a reservation system** to be able to anticipate how many staff members we will need to serve the children each weekend. This reservation will guarantee your child a spot.

To reserve your spot at Sunday Mass, visit [ap.church/nursery](https://ap.church/nursery) for more information.

## ELEMENTARY • K-4TH

Our Elementary Faith Formation program is an in-person classroom experience. Session times for kindergarten through 4th grade are as follows:

- **Sunday 2:30 -3:45 PM**
- **Sunday 4:15 – 5:30 PM**
- **Monday 5:30 – 6:45 PM**
- **Wednesday 4:45 – 6:00 PM**

Our curriculum is Christ In Us, a blended-learning catechetical program that integrates print and digital resources. With Christ at the heart of each lesson of Christ In Us, children ENCOUNTER, ACCOMPANY, and WITNESS, a movement anchored in the mission of evangelization.

To register, visit [ap.church/registration](https://ap.church/registration)

## ANCHOR • 5TH-6TH

Anchor is a unique opportunity for the faith formation of your 5th or 6th grader. No one is too young to encounter the Holy Spirit working in his or her life. Through inspirational talks that are thoroughly grounded in Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we will equip your child to know the God of Jesus Christ and the Church that He founded

**Anchor has a new meeting time!** We will meet at 5:30 PM on Tuesday evenings in the Fall. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Dismissal to carline will be at 6:40 PM. We've simplified everything!

To register, visit [ap.church/registration](https://ap.church/registration)

## EDGE • 7TH-8TH

The EDGE is a weekly ministry for 7th and 8th graders that forms them in their Catholic faith. By separating the older from the younger middle schoolers, we are able to go deeper, have more interesting conversations, and cover more crucial topics in their life and faith. The goal of all of our youth ministries is to form lifelong disciples of Jesus Christ. This means that for EDGE students we are going to focus on the issues that affect them the most, and how we can find Christ in the midst of a crazy life.

EDGE is on Tuesday evenings from 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm, with the doors opening at 7:00 pm.

To register, visit [ap.church/registration](https://ap.church/registration)

**Please visit our website to see what program is the best fit for your High Schooler! (9th-12th)**

# SACRAMENTS

## FIRST COMMUNION

The 2021 - 2022 First Communion/First Reconciliation registration is **NOW OPEN!**

### PREPARATION FOR REGISTRATION:

- Is your child Baptized in the Catholic Church?
- Is your child seven years of age or older?
- Has your child received prior Faith Formation in any of the following forms: parish religious education program, Catholic school, home school or family context?
- Does your child desire to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion?

If you answered 'yes' to ALL the above questions, your child may apply to enter into the Sacrament Preparation Program in addition to weekly faith formation instruction. For More Information about the program, visit [ap.church/sacprep](http://ap.church/sacprep)

## TEEN CONFIRMATION

The 2021-2022 Teen Confirmation Program registration is **NOW OPEN!**

Confirmation is a year-long formation program that gives your child the very heart and soul of the Catholic faith to prepare him or her to worthily receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring of 2022. Mostly taught in classrooms, Confirmation is a vibrant part of our Life Teen ministry. Teens will be dual-enrolled in Confirmation and Life Teen Upperclass and we will do events and socials together throughout the year. This builds solid friendships that go beyond the reception of the sacrament.

The Confirmation program includes weekly classes, a retreat and service projects. For more information about how to enroll your teen for the upcoming 2021-2022 year of confirmation please visit [stanthonym.org/confirmation](http://stanthonym.org/confirmation)

***"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."* -Acts 1:8**

## BECOMING CATHOLIC

**Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic Christian? Do you want to follow Jesus Christ for the rest of your life?** This is the first step in a lifelong journey of discipleship! This is the Catholic Church's process to bring people, through study, spiritual growth and community, into the heart of the Kingdom of Heaven. Formally, it is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), which is our formation process for adults who desire to follow Jesus Christ and be a member of His Catholic Church.

### WHO SHOULD JOIN?

- Those who have never been baptized.
- Those baptized in another Christian faith tradition but didn't grow up in a Christian setting or family.

Those who are interested in learning more about Catholicism and interested in Converting, Please email Mary Batey at [mbatey@ap.church](mailto:mbatey@ap.church).

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

The sealing of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation is the final sacrament of initiation into the Catholic Church. If, for whatever reason, you have not received this powerful sacrament, we encourage you to do so! During the Fall Semester, Adult Confirmation preparation is offered through an 8-10 week course.

### WHO SHOULD JOIN?

- Must be at least 18 years old AND graduated from High School.
- Have already received the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion in the Catholic Church.
- Do not have any marriage impediments (i.e. in need of an annulment or convalidation)
- Are growing in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Please email Mary Batey at [mbatey@ap.church](mailto:mbatey@ap.church) for more information and our upcoming classes.

# ADULT FORMATION

## CORNERSTONE

This year we will be studying the The Book of Genesis: Creation & Covenants! We strive to help you build, strengthen and deepen a personal and loving relationship with God and His people through prayer and the study of His Word.

The CCSS meets the needs of both those studying the Bible for the first time and those with previous Bible Study experience. The study is comprised of: questions, small groups, lecture and written commentary which are full of enrichment, fellowship and spiritual fulfillment.

Join us either on :

- **Mondays from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**
- **Wednesday from 9:45 AM - 12:00 PM**

For more information: [ap.church/aff](http://ap.church/aff)

## WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Women of the Bible Series (Part 1) is a prayer-filled Bible Study. It focuses on 8 women of the Old Testament whose lives were transformed by God. As we get to know their stories, we will discover the feminine genius present in them through their greatness and imperfections, love for God and others, and how all this relates and applies to our own lives. This course will teach you to learn from the past and live your present more fully loving God.

### Dates and topics:

- September 16- My Identity: Woman of God, for God and Others
- October 7- Eve: Created out of Love, to Love
- November 4- Sarah: From Infertility to Fruitfulness
- December 2- Miriam: Coworker in God's Saving Plan
- January 13- Deborah: A Leader at the Service of God
- February 13- Ruth: The Faithful Friend
- March 3- Hannah: Woman of Prayer
- April 7- Esther: Called by God for Such a Time Like This
- May 5- The Mother of the Maccabees: Living for Heaven

Presented by: Monica Treviño - Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi. Visit [ap.church/aff](http://ap.church/aff) for more information and registration.

## THE GREAT ADVENTURE

The heart of The Great Adventure is The Bible Timeline™ Learning System. The Bible Timeline™ Learning System ties all of Scripture together by following God's "family plan"... from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. With its unique color-coded system, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. A Life-Changing Approach to Scripture!

**This semester we will have different classes offered morning, afternoon, and evening. :**

- **The Bible Timeline**
- **EPIC - A Journey Through Church History**
- **Prophets**
- **First Corinthians**
- **Gospel of John**
- **Psalms**

For more information: [ap.church/aff](http://ap.church/aff)

## WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Would you like to connect with other women in our parish community? Are you searching for something more in your life?

We invite you to consider joining Walking With Purpose, a women's Catholic Bible Study, this fall at St. Anthony's. Weekly group sessions are starting on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 PM.

There will be three different studies available at the same time. 2 year long studies and 1 semester long study.

For more information: [ap.church/aff](http://ap.church/aff)



# ADULT FORMATION

## CRISTIFICATE

**CRISTIFICATE ¡Cristifiquemos al mundo y no mundanicemos a Cristo! ¡Imitemos la vida de virtudes de Jesús!**

Ven y conoce de una forma amena y sencilla sobre la necesidad de vivir en clave de eternidad y cómo una vida de virtudes es básica para ser santos -y felices-.

Este año nuestro curso será sobre Teología Moral, de Ricardo Sada y Alfonso Monroy. La moral cristiana expuesta en forma sencilla y actualizada. Un compendio orgánico y estructurado de las normas del actuar moral, puesto al día y con total fidelidad al Magisterio perenne de la Iglesia. Diseñado para todas aquellas personas que desean ser consecuentes en las variadas circunstancias que presenta la existencia diaria, resolviéndolas de acuerdo al querer de Dios.

### CALENDARIO

Lunes from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM in PLB Room 202. El curso comienza Sept 13, 2021 y termina Mayo 2nd, 2022.

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