

SAINT MARY CATHEDRAL

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday.....6:30am, 12:05pm
Saturday.....12:05pm
Sunday.....Vigil: Saturday 5:30pm;
7:30am Extraordinary Form Latin, 9:30am*,
12:00pm, 1:45pm Español*,
3:30pm Extraordinary Form Latin*,
& 5:30pm

* live streamed

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are by appointment and can be scheduled on our website, smcaustin.org
Monday-Friday.....11:00am-11:50am
Saturday.....11:00am-11:50am
& 4:30pm-5:20pm

CLERGY AND STAFF

Most Rev. Joe S. Vásquez, STL, DD,
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Call or visit the parish office
Monday—Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm,
and the staff will help you.

Saint Mary Cathedral volunteer ministry



**5th SUNDAY
OF EASTER**

“I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.” - Jn 15:5

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BAPTISMS: Parents should visit the Cathedral website: www.smcaustin.org, for Baptism guidelines; then submit completed application with required documents to schedule Baptism.

BAUTIZOS: Si usted desea bautizar a su hijo, lea los requisitos detallados en nuestro sitio web: www.smcaustin.org. Luego, para fijar una fecha para el bautizo, entregue el formulario de solicitud con los documentos necesarios.

MARRIAGE: See Cathedral website: www.smcaustin.org, for detailed information.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Registration forms are available on the table at the entrance of the church; in the Cathedral office, or on our website.

YEAR OF THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

Celebrating Parents

For the month of May, we continue our reflections for the Year of the Domestic Church by celebrating the gift of parenthood. We thank the Lord for the countless sacrifices that parents make, from sleepless nights to working long hours to provide for their families. Their roles are often thankless, but vital to our domestic churches. In their openness to new life, parents are co-operators with the Lord in creation and entrusted by God with the lives of their children.

Christ himself taught us to approach God as a parent. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus gives us the term “Abba,” meaning father. The use of this word indicates a level of intimacy and conjures-up ideas of the tenderness between a parent and child. The term also indicates a level of authority. The faithful are called to obedience in their relationship with God, as a child is called to obedience in relationship with his or her parent.

By looking to Christ and his relationship with God the Father, we see the beauty of reciprocity in relationships between parents and children. This month as we celebrate the gift of parents, let us celebrate the gift of the people who brought us into this world, as well as the gift of a loving father in heaven.

Celebrando a madres y padres

Para el mes de mayo, continuamos nuestras reflexiones del Año de la Iglesia Doméstica celebrando el don de la paternidad y la maternidad. Agradecemos a Dios por los incontables sacrificios que los padres y madres de familia realizan, desde noches sin dormir hasta trabajar largas horas para proveer para sus familias. Sus papeles, con frecuencia, no son agradecidos, pero son vitales para nuestras Iglesias domesticas. En su apertura hacia la vida, los padres y madres son cooperadores con el Señor en la creación y Dios les confía la vida de sus hijos e hijas.

Cristo mismo nos enseñó a acercarnos a Dios como a un padre. A través del Evangelio, Jesús nos da el término “Abba,” que significa padre. El uso de esta palabra indica un nivel de intimidad y conjura ideas de ternura entre un padre y un hijo. El término también indica un nivel de autoridad. Los fieles están llamados a obedecer en su relación con Dios, como un niño está llamado a obedecer en su relación con su padre.

Al mirar a Cristo y su relación con Dios Padre, vemos la belleza de la reciprocidad en las relaciones entre padres y madres y sus hijos. Este mes, mientras celebramos el don de la paternidad y la maternidad, celebremos el don de la gente que nos trajo a este mundo, así como el don de un padre amoroso en el cielo.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MAY 3

CSSM closed for teachers' online planning

6:30am... Daily Mass, Cathedral
11:00am-noon...Confessions by appointment
12:05pm. Daily Mass, Cathedral
6:30-9:00pm...Austin Rosary Crusade, BH
7:00-9:00pm...CYA Core Team Meeting, Library

TUESDAY, MAY 4

6:30am... Daily Mass, Cathedral
11:00am-noon...Confessions by appointment
12:05pm. Daily Mass, Cathedral
3:30pm... Faculty Meeting, Library
6:00pm... RCIA, DC Cafeteria
6:00pm Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting, Library
7:30-9:00pm.CYA Women's Bible Study, BH

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

6:30am...Daily Mass, Cathedral
8:30am...CSSM School Mass (school only), Cathedral
11:00am-noon.Confessions by appointment
12:05pm..Daily Mass, Cathedral
3:00pm... Piano Lesson, Sheehan
3:30-5:00pm.CSSM Parent Coaching Course, Library
4:00pm... Piano Lesson, BH
5:30pm... Schola Rehearsal, BH

THURSDAY, MAY 6

6:30am... Daily Mass, Cathedral
11:00am-noon...Confessions by appointment
12:05pm. Daily Mass, Cathedral
7:00-8:30pm...Theology on Tap with Fr. Greg, BH

FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 7

6:30am... Daily Mass, Cathedral
8:30am... CSSM Adoration, Cathedral
8:30-9:15am.Confessions by appointment
9:30am... EF Latin Mass, Cathedral
10:00-Noon.Adoration/Benediction, Cathedral
11:00am-noon...Confessions by appointment
12:05pm. Daily Mass, Cathedral
5:00pm... Wedding Rehearsal, Cathedral
5:00-9:00pm.TIGL Retreat, BH

SATURDAY, MAY 8

7:00am-6:00pm.Espiritual Leadership Retreat, DC Gym
7:45-8:45am.Holy Hour & Morning Prayer, Cathedral
8:00am... EF Latin Mass, Cathedral
8:00am-5:00pm.TIGL Retreat, BH
9:00am... LSP Adoration/Mass, Cathedral
10:00am..Legion of Mary Rosary Making, Library
12:05pm. Daily Mass, Cathedral
1:30pm... Wedding, Cathedral
3:00pm... Wedding, Cathedral
4:30-5:20pm.Confessions by appointment
5:30pm... Vigil Mass, Cathedral

SUNDAY, MAY 9

Sixth Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day

7:30am...EF Latin Low Mass, Cathedral
9:30am...Mass *live streamed*, Cathedral
10:00-11:30am.CFF-English, DC Cafeteria
11:00am-1:00pm.Hispanic Ministry Meeting, Library
12:00pm.Mass, Cathedral
12:00-1:30pm.CFF-español, DC Cafeteria
1:45pm...Mass (Spanish) *live streamed*, Cathedral
2:45-3:30pm.St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal, Sheehan
5:10-5:50pm.CFF Home School Teen Confirmation, BH
3:30pm... EF Latin Sung Mass-*live streamed*, Cathedral
5:15pm... CFF Home School, DC Cafeteria
5:30pm... Mass (English), Cathedral

STEWARDSHIP & DEVELOPMENT

Fifth Sunday of Easter
 Offertory Collection (week of 4/25/21)

	Sunday Coll. 4/25/21	Last Month Mar. 2021	Year to Date 6/29/20-4/26/21
Income	\$ 16,961	\$ 126,456	\$ 1,021,151
Expenses	\$ 22,932	\$ 97,095	\$ 986,082
Budget Excess/(Deficit)	\$ (5,971)	\$ 29,361	\$ 35,069

Second Collection-Diocese

<i>Seminarian & Priest Education</i>	\$ 907	
St. Killian's Candles a/o 4/26/21	\$ 11,848	
Attendance-Sunday Mass	1,044	
Saint Mary Cathedral Catholic Endowment (3/31/2021)		\$ 108,367
Diocese-Encountering Christ Campaign (4/01/2021)		\$ 186,656

Our giving platform Pushpay is simple to use and only takes a few minutes to set up a recurring gift or to make a one-time gift. There are three ways to donate: (1) text **smcaustin** to **77977**; (2) navigate to our website at www.smcaustin.org, click on Donation, next click on Give, or (3) enter into your browser <https://pushpay.com/pay/smcaustin> which takes you directly to the portal.

Thank you for your continued stewardship and sacrifice in supporting Saint Mary Cathedral. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Louis Barron or Yvonne Bedell in the parish office, 512-476-6182.



Mother's Day envelopes are available in the pews for an honorary or memorial gift.

Los sobres para el Día de la Madre están disponibles en las bancas para un honorario o memorial don.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

those who have died:

Jari Whiteacre, Erma Birdell Williams

those in need of healing: *

Paul Ancira, Patrick Justin Augero, Fr. David Barr, Gisela Bernal, Jim Boyles, Juan Burrola, Sr. & Yolanda Burrola, Martha Caicedo, Catarino Castillo, Kenneth Craig, Sr., Carmel & Sam DiCarlo, John Donatucci, Abel Duarte, Jolene Eckler, Ronald Erickson, Joshua Escalona, Nicole Esparza, Pedro Flores, Jr., Deyanira Garcia, Rachel Gonzales, Paula Griffin, John Paul Guajardo, Clara Hernandez, Claire Hernandez, Jesse Hutton, Jackson family, Chuck Jehlen, Ana Johnson, Zeke Johnson, Hee-Jung Kim, Anne Lassiter, Maria Guadalupe Ledesma & family, Jesús Amaro Lopez, Anyssa M., Brooke M., Elleana M., Clarisa Marcée, Briella & Priscilla Martinez, Vanessa Matocha, Lynette Mayer, Alejandro Medina, Senorina N. Medina, Jody Moncebaiz, Lou Moreno, Mariane Oliver, Marjorie King Parker, Joan Pearsall, Stella Flores Martinez, Camille Pridgen, Ruth Resendez, Fr. Will Rooney, Santos Romo, Marlene Sato, Bill Scott, Sharon family, Marlene Siering, Imelda Soza, Tim Sullivan, Jean Valerga, Bernard Vasek, Velasquez, Michael & Josie Velasquez, Dennis & Loretta Vinklerek, Deanna W., Mark W., Beth Ann Walmus, Lupita Zapata, Vicente Zavala, Fr. Frank Zlotkowski, CSC

and those serving in the military:*

HR Shelby D. Aparicio	HN5 Jinuel Jehlen	LCPL Eric E. Muñoz
ILT Kyra Barone	1 LT Patrick Kuiper	Capt. Nicholas Naquin
Capt. Mary E. Boyle	Major David McGuire	1SG Kenneth A. Saffell
A1C Paige Derry	Capt. Lawrence McNamara	Capt. Sean Snook
PFC Rick German	Christopher Mercado, USAF	Sgt. William Speer
ILT Cory Houck	Capt. Chris Morrow	SFC Phillip Thompson
Lt. Sigifredo Homero Huerta, Jr.	Ensign Evan Moses	Spec 4 Chris Trevino
	LT Shane Moses	Christopher Ty Trevino

* We appreciate hearing from you about how your loved ones on the prayer list are doing.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 3

6:30am.....Eddie Garcia†
 12:05pm.....Ann & Tony Fayad†

Tuesday, May 4

6:30am...Sylvia & Jesus Manuel Rosales†
 12:05pm.....Benjamin McConnell

Wednesday, May 5

6:30am.....Lillian Vinklerek†
 8:30am.....Dr. José Poutou†
 12:05pm.Remigio Antonio Añez Rincon†

Thursday, May 6

6:30am.....Eddie Garcia†
 12:05pm.....Cesarea Villanueva†

First Friday, May 7

6:30am.....Madere family
 9:30am.....Bruce & Steven Koons
 12:05pm.....Manuela A. Espana†

Saturday, May 8

8:00am.....77th Anniversary Edel Quinn†
 12:05pm.....Petra V. Jalifi†
 5:30pm.....Msgr. Peter A. Noble†

Sunday, May 9

7:30am.....All Mothers
 9:30am.....All Mothers
 12:00pm.....Cathedral Parishioners
 1:45pm.....All Mothers
 3:30pm.....All Mothers
 5:30pm.....All Mothers

~ REST IN PEACE ~

Erma Birdell Williams (March 20, 1921-April 23, 2021) passed from this life after the blessing of 100 years of life. "During that time, she loved, served, prayed, studied and mentored. She also taught, led and adopted children. In many ways she saved lives." Her noted accomplishments and memberships include 48 years as a parishioner of Saint Mary Cathedral and member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, and a founding member of the Cathedral Egg Ministry. She retired from a 32-year career as an educator through AISD. Her ongoing passion for education led her to then volunteer as a substitute teacher and tutor at Cathedral School. Her grandson Freddie Williams attended and graduated from Cathedral School and also was an active altar server for our parish.

<https://www.allfaithsonline.com/obituary/Erma-Williams>

SANCTUARY CANDLE DEDICATION

In Thanksgiving
 The Madere family
 May 2—May 15, 2021

FAITH FORMATION



*Do not just Count Your Blessings,
Be the Blessing Other People Count On.*
- Anonymous

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CATHEDRAL YOUNG ADULTS



Cathedral Young Adults Book Study—*Men, Women and the Mystery of Love*, Fridays, starting **May 14 to June 18, 6:30-8:00pm**, Bishops Hall.

For updates and questions, contact smcya.org. You can find more information about events and Adoration times on our Facebook page: **Saint Mary Cathedral Young Adults**, and follow us on Instagram at [cya_atx](https://www.instagram.com/cya_atx).

ADULTS

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults welcomes those who want to become Catholic or are seeking full communion in the Catholic faith through the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. **Weekly sessions are on Tuesday evenings, from 6:00-8:30pm.** If you are interested in coming into the Church or would like more information, contact Yvonne Saldana, Sacrament Coordinator, at ysaldana@smcaustin.org or 512-476-6182.

Catholic Scripture Study: Available via Zoom teleconference. We meet Thursdays, 7:00-9:00pm. Email LJSmith78704@yahoo.com for free online access.

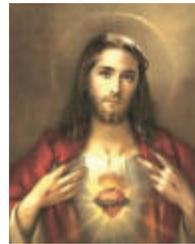
Cathedral Book Study: We meet **Mondays, 6:30-8:00pm**, via free zoom teleconferencing. For more information contact L.J. Smith at LJSmith78704@yahoo.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Volunteers needed in parish office to help with miscellaneous tasks. Office hours are 8:30am-5:00pm, M-F. If you are interested in helping out, contact Yvonne Bedell, ybedell@smcaustin.org, 512-476-6182, ext. 110.

PARISH LIFE

Jessica Burrola, our Parish Office Receptionist for almost six years, has moved on to a job as a sales and marketing specialist for a technology company. Jessica efficiently managed our church calendar/reservations, did work on our website, and applied her experience in retail to the Ave Maria Gift Shop, among many other tasks. Jessica's many gifts included greeting all those who called or dropped by with kindness and patience. She will be greatly missed! We wish her the very best with her new endeavor and thank her for years of dedicated work.



FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 7

- 6:30am Mass
- 8:30am-9:15am Confession
- 9:30am Mass (Traditional Latin)
- 10:30am-Noon Eucharistic Adoration
- 11:00am-12:00pm Confession
- 12:05pm Mass

Saturday Holy Hour and Morning Prayer: Join us every **Saturday morning from 6:45-7:45am**, in the Cathedral for 40 minutes of Eucharistic Adoration followed by the morning prayer (Lauds) from the Liturgy of the Hours of the Church. Lauds will be prayed in English.



Sunday Breakfast! Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 115 invite you to join us for a Taco Breakfast and Bake Sale, **May 16**. We will be serving and selling in the Donahue Gym **after 7:30am and 9:30am Masses**. Come hungry!

Ethics and Integrity in Ministry Workshop will be held in English **Saturday, May 22, 8:30-10:30am**, in Bishops Hall— **arrive promptly as late arrivals will not be permitted entrance.** All clergy and paid staff, and all volunteers working with youth and vulnerable adults, at any parish or diocesan location are required to attend an EIM workshop every three years. **Must be registered by Thursday, May 20. No late registrations and no walk-ins. Please do not bring children to an EIM workshop.** For more information, contact Yvonne at 512-476-6182, ext. 110, or ybedell@smcaustin.org.

You are invited a Rosary-making party! The Legion of Mary will meet in the library **Saturday, May 22, from 11:00am to 3:00pm.** We will break at noon to attend Mass.

Come for as long as you like, pizza and sodas will be provided for lunch.



¡Estás invitado a una fiesta para hacer rosarios! Nuestra parroquia Legión of Mary se reunirá en la biblioteca **el sábado 22 de mayo de 11:00 am at 3:00 pm.** Haremos un Descanso al mediodía para asistir a la misa. Venga todo el tiempo que desee, se proporcionarán pizza y refrescos para el almuerzo.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Branching Out Isn't Always What It's Cracked Up to Be
 "That's a really beautiful tree branch. Man, would you look at the bark on that thing? The others are real duds, but that low-hanging branch has really got it all together."

I've never heard anyone say this. Maybe I just need to hang out with more arborists, but I can't recall ever hearing someone admire the particular beauty of a single branch. When someone comments on a tree, it's usually the whole tree — perhaps a visual element of it, like the color of the leaves or its height. But people don't usually zero in on one branch.

Maybe that's because usually, if one branch is looking a little weak, chances are every other branch is, too.

The Bible tells us that when we bear fruit as good everyday stewards, it is for the Father's glory. We are the branch on His magnificent tree. What we have is from Him, and what we do likewise points back to Him. We also tend to reflect how well the other branches around us are incorporating the nutrients coming their way. That's all fine and good in theory. In practice, it can be an arduous exercise in humility.

When I do something virtuous or charitable or kind, there is a part of me that wants to stand out for it. I think that's true for all of us. We've given of ourselves in some way or overcome some human temptation to accomplish a little bit of good in this world, and even though we know God sees us, we'd really love for everyone else to see it, too.

It's a struggle, for sure. But we need to remember that our fruit belongs to the whole tree. —Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPI



READINGS FOR WEEK OF MAY 2:

- Sun** Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27,28,30,31-32/1Jn 3:18-24/ Jn 15:1-8
- Mon** 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-5/Jn 14:6-14
- Tues** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13b,21/Jn 14:27-31a
- Wed** Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8
- Thurs** ... Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3,10/Jn 15:9-11
- Fri** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10,12/Jn 15:12-17
- Sat** Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2,3,5/Jn 15:18-21
- Sun** Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48/Ps 98:1-4/1 Jn 4:7-10/ Jn 15:9-17

OBSERVANCES FOR WEEK OF MAY 2:

- Sun** 5th Sunday of Easter
 - Mon** Sts. Philip & James, Apostles
 - Wed** Cinco de Mayo
 - Thurs** ... National Day of Prayer
 - Sun** 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day
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TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Friday, May 7, 9:30am Low Mass—First Friday of the month
Sunday, May 9, 7:30am Low Mass and 3:30pm Sung Mass—Fifth Sunday after Easter
Thursday, May 13, 6:30pm Sung Mass—Ascension of Our Lord

Latin Phrase of the Week: *Lauda anima mea Dominum: laudabo Dominum in vita mea: psallam Deo meo, quamdiu ero, *alleluia.* — Praise the Lord, O my soul, in my life I will praise the Lord: I will sing to my God as long as I shall be. *alleluia. Psalm 145:2

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Pope Francis' May Prayer Intention: The world of finance—

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA

La Ramificación no Siempre es lo que Parece Ser

"Esa es una rama de árbol realmente hermosa. Hombre, ¿podrías mirar la corteza de esa cosa? Las otras son verdaderos defectos, pero esa rama baja realmente lo tiene todo."

Nunca he escuché a nadie decir esto. Tal vez solo necesito pasar tiempo con más arbolistas, pero no recuerdo haber escuchado a alguien admirar la belleza particular de una sola rama. Cuando alguien comenta sobre un árbol, generalmente es todo el árbol, tal vez un elemento visual del mismo, como el color de las hojas o su altura. Pero la gente no suele concentrarse en una rama.

Tal vez se deba a que, por lo general, si una rama se ve un poco débil, es probable que todas las demás también lo sean.

La Biblia nos dice que cuando damos fruto como buenos corresponsables diarios, es para la gloria del Padre. Somos la rama de Su magnífico árbol. Lo que tenemos es de Él, y lo que hacemos también apunta a Él. También tendemos a reflejar qué tan bien las otras ramas que nos rodean están incorporando los nutrientes que les llegan. Todo eso está muy bien en teoría. En la práctica, puede ser un arduo ejercicio de humildad.

Cuando hago algo virtuoso, caritativo o amable, hay una parte de mí que quiere destacarse por ello. Creo que eso es cierto para todos nosotros. Nos hemos entregado de alguna manera o hemos superado alguna tentación humana de lograr un poco de bien en este mundo, y aunque sabemos que Dios nos ve, nos encantaría que todos los demás también lo vieran.

Es una lucha, seguro. Pero debemos recordar que nuestra fruta pertenece a todo el árbol.
 —Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPI

Ethics & Integrity in Ministry: In order to be eligible to continue serving in ministry at our parish/school, the diocese requires that you be compliant with EIM policies regarding EIM training. There is now an online training opportunity to fulfill your compliance requirement (good for 3 years). Please go to www.austindiocese.org/workshop or www.austindiocese.org/taller-de-eim ASAP to complete the online EIM training; the training page includes instructions on how to login to your EIM account to find information you will need to provide in order to receive credit for completing the training. Volunteers serving in ministries which require EIM compliance will no longer be eligible to serve after June 1, 2021 if compliance is not up to date. Please contact our parish/school EIM site administrator or the diocese if assistance is needed.

Para poder ser elegible de continuar sirviendo en ministerio en nuestra parroquia/escuela, la diócesis requiere que esté en cumplimiento con las políticas de EIM en lo referente al entrenamiento de EIM. Existe una oportunidad de entrenamiento en línea para satisfacer el requisito del cumplimiento (bueno por 3 años). Por favor, vaya a www.austindiocese.org/workshop <<http://www.austindiocese.org/workshop>> or www.austindiocese.org/taller-de-eim <<http://www.austindiocese.org/taller-de-eim>> tan pronto como sea posible, para completar el entrenamiento de EIM en línea; la página de entrenamiento incluye instrucciones sobre cómo entrar a su cuenta de EIM para encontrar información que necesitará proveer para recibir crédito por la compleción del entrenamiento. Los voluntarios sirviendo en ministerios que requieren el cumplimiento con EIM no podrán ser elegibles más para servir después del 1 Junio 2021 si su cumplimiento no está actualizado. Por favor, contacte al administrador del sitio de EIM de nuestra parroquia /escuela o a la diócesis si necesita asistencia.

Catholic Life Explained

Question: Is gossip a mortal sin?

Answer: To really ask this question, we must consider the Eighth Commandment: “You shall not bear false witness.” In its reflections on this commandment, *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* invites us to not only think about what bearing “false witness” means, but to also consider how we understand the truth and how we communicate more broadly. This is why so much of this section of the Catechism has to do with the gift of language. With this in mind, we will notice that the word “gossip” isn’t used by the Catechism. Instead, we find the words “detraction” and “calumny,” which are actually two forms that gossip can take, and both can be quite serious.

First, detraction is the of revealing “another’s faults and failings to persons who did not know them,” without morally valid reasons. Calumny, by extension, is saying something about another person that is untrue, and it is sinful because it “harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgements” (see no. 2477).

In all of our communication, we have to always recognize that we have a moral obligation to the truth and to always work to protect the reputation and honor of our neighbors (see no. 2479).

Gossip can, in fact, prove to be a very serious sin. After all, the Catechism reminds us: “No one is bound to reveal the truth to someone who does not have the right to know it” (no. 2489).

When we have gossiped, especially if we are aware we have damaged another person’s good name or reputation, we want to make every effort to undo the damage we have done, including seeking the grace and forgiveness offered in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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BEYOND OUR PARISH

RCIA Minister Training: An Introduction to the Vision, Periods, & Rites of the Initiation Process, for RCIA teams, catechists, and parishioners desiring to assist the RCIA Ministry. **2nd & 4th Thursdays, 6:30-8:30pm, from May through September.** Cost: \$30 for all 10 (Virtual) sessions & textbook. *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Study Edition* is also required—if needed please indicate on registration form.

Regina Caeli Academy is hiring for the 2021-22 academic year! No formal teaching experience is necessary, but a love for the Catholic faith is required! Submit resume and apply here: www.rcahybrid.isolvedhire.com/jobs/ Regina Caeli is a private, independent, *University-Style Hybrid®* operating in the Catholic tradition. Preschool - 12th grade students attend classical academic and extracurricular classes two days a week, and homeschool the remaining days following the plans provided by RCA. To learn more, contact Mrs. Kathryn Haygood khaygood.aus@rcahybrid.org www.rcahybrid.org

Musical Gala, St. Margaret Mary in Cedar Park

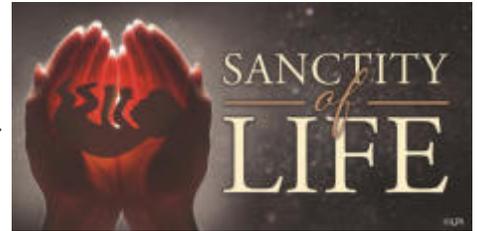
“A Joyful Eastertide: Musical Gala” featuring the youth musicians of St. Margaret Mary Parish and Father Henry Finch on piano/organ will be presented **May 14, 7:00pm**, at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Cedar Park. The concert will include works by Brahms, Lecuona, Poulenc, Saint-Saens and Widor. Limited tickets (\$25 each) are available. Visit www.stmargaretmary.com for more information and to purchase tickets.

St. Dymphna Mass in Austin: St. Albert the Great Parish in Austin will host a St. Dymphna Mass for the Healing of Mental Illness on **May 15, at 8:00am, in the Parish Activity Center.** Father Charlie Garza will celebrate the Mass. St. Dymphna is the patroness of those struggling with mental illness. The Mass will be livestreamed at saintalbert.org.

RESPECT LIFE

I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly... John 10:10

2nd month: Your spiritually adopted baby has been quite active over the past month. Already your baby is 10,000 times bigger than at conception. Your baby has developed the foundations of his/her brain, spinal cord and nervous system by the 20th day. His/her heart began to beat on the 21st day. His/her heart is pumping blood through its own circulatory system and the blood type can be different from his/her mother's.



Your baby is most vulnerable during the next month of being aborted. Pray that the Lord of Life might move the heart of his/her mother to give him/her the most precious gift of all - the gift of life.

Prayer for Spiritual Adoption *Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.* (Prayer of Archbishop Fulton Sheen)

Yo vine para que tengan vida, y la tengan en abundancia ... Juan 10,10

2do mes: Tu bebé adoptado Espiritualmente a estado muy activo en los meses pasados. Tu bebé está 10,000 veces más grande que en el tiempo de la concepción. Tu bebé a desarrollado la fundación de su cerebro, espinal dorsal y du sistema nervioso, en el día 20. Su corazón comenzó a latir el día 21. Su corazón está pompeando sangre en su sistema circulatorio y su sangre puede ser diferente a la de su mamá.

Tu bebé está más vulnerable durante el próximo mes a ser abortado. Resale al Señor de vida pir ésta mamá para que pueda regalarle a éste bebé lo más preciado-que es el regalo de la vida.

Oración para la Adopción Espiritual- *Jesús, María y José, Los amo mucho, les pido que salven la vida de éste bebé que he adoptado espiritualmente y el cual está en peligro de aborto.* (Oración del Arzobispo Fulton Sheen)

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT

Men's Discernment Dinner: Wednesday, May 12, 6:30-9:00pm, Join us at the Cathedral for Evening Prayer, dinner, and discussion with other men seeking the Lord's will. We'll discuss what discerning one's vocation looks like.

Upcoming Ordinations—Bishop Joe Vásquez will ordain Sam Bass, Jakob Hurlimann and Fernando Ricaud to the transitional diaconate **May 15 at 10:30am**, at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin. On **June 5 at 10:30am**, he will ordain Deacons Enrique Sada and Callan Sweeney to the priesthood at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin. The Masses will be livestreamed at godiscalling.me and on the diocesan Facebook page (search Diocese of Austin).



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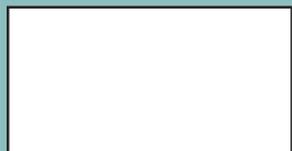
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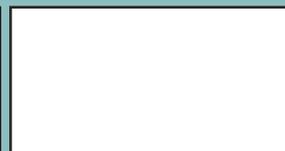
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