



## MASS DEDICATIONS

**FEB. 13**  
5:00pm ..... For World Day of Marriage

**FEB. 14**  
8:30am ..... For World Day of Marriage  
10:00am ..... For World Day of Marriage  
10:30am ..... For World Day of Marriage  
12:15pm ..... For World Day of Marriage  
5:00pm ..... For World Day of Marriage

**FEB. 15**  
8:30am ..... In memory of Thomas Shrader

**FEB. 16**  
8:30am ..... In memory of Dick Finnegan  
8:30am ..... For Martha Scallon

**FEB. 17**  
5:30pm ..... In memory of Robert Barreda

**FEB. 18**  
8:30am ..... For Margarita Hurtado  
9:30am ..... In memory of Paul Lira

**FEB. 19**  
8:30am ..... In memory of Esteban Bautista

To request a special mass intention for Emmaus Catholic Parish or Queen of Angels Chapel, contact the parish office, (512) 261-8500.

## WEEKLY REFLECTION



### February 14, 2016 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

*"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." (Deuteronomy 26:10)*

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits," the best that you have to offer, or do you give from what is leftover? Second, do you remember that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day.

# PARISH SUPPORT

### Weekly Stewardship Report

February 7, 2016: ..... \$41,596  
Fiscal YTD Offertory: ..... \$1,303,810  
PLC Loan Balance: ..... \$1,274,299  
Church Loan Balance: ..... \$4,125,837

### Mortgage payments (principal/interest)

on above loans: ..... \$46,708/month



### Second Collections at Emmaus

Benevolence: First Sunday of the month  
Parish Life Center: Fourth Sunday of the month

### Special Collections

This weekend, **Feb. 13 & 14**, a Special Collection will benefit **Catholic Higher Education**. Please note that, due to an error in the printing of envelopes, you may have received an envelope in your January packet in support of Catholic Higher Education. This Feb. 13 & 14 collection is the same collection and if you already gave, please disregard the February envelope.

### Buy SEED Program Gift Cards and Help Emmaus

Support Emmaus **Every Day** by purchasing SEED (gift) cards from Emmaus and using them just like cash when you shop. Purchase cards for groceries, gasoline, dining, gifting. You receive the full value, and Emmaus gets an added percentage from the retailer. That amount adds up for Emmaus and helps us pay parish expenses without any extra expense on your part. Available for a long list of retailers and in various denominations, SEED cards are sold at the parish office Monday through Friday and in the Emmaus narthex before and after masses on Saturdays and Sundays. For more information, visit [emmausparish.org/seed](http://emmausparish.org/seed).

2015-16 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: \$20,507  
2014-15 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: \$31,481

### Amazon Smile Program

Do you shop online at Amazon.com? If you'll use the link on our website, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase to Emmaus Catholic Parish. Visit [emmausparish.org/amazon-smile](http://emmausparish.org/amazon-smile) for details, and bookmark the link for your future purchases.

### Randalls Good Neighbor Program

Randalls offers customers a way to support their favorite church, school, or other non-profit organization. Through the Good Neighbor Program, Randalls shoppers can link an organization's account number to their Remarkable card, and that organization will receive a percentage of sales made. The more people who link their card to the organization's account number, the more money the organization will raise. Emmaus Catholic Parish's account number is 9-2-8-1. Please visit your local Randalls and request that your card be linked to our number.

### iDonate Noncash Giving

Your noncash items could represent thousands of dollars to our church - plus a garage you can park in, cleaned out drawers, and no more monthly storage unit fees! The iDonate online giving system allows our church to process and liquidate many kinds of quality noncash donation, including electronics, vehicles, stocks, and gift cards! Visit [emmausparish.org/idonate](http://emmausparish.org/idonate) for a list of items and further details.

### Planned Giving

Discover ways to use your resources to make a lasting impression on those you love and the causes you believe in. For information about how to include Emmaus Catholic Parish in your will or estate plan, please call the parish office.

### eGiving = Secure Automatic Giving

eGiving provides an opportunity to simplify your stewardship donations through secure automatic giving. Choose the amount and the frequency of your donations. You may enroll online or download a form from the parish website, or contact the parish office for assistance.

### Scan to Give

Did you know that you can make your regular offertory donation using your smart phone? Just use any QR Code reader to scan this code and complete your donation.



# WEEKLY CALENDAR

All items on the calendar are scheduled at Emmaus Catholic Parish with the exception of those marked as Queen of Angels. PLEASE NOTE: Changes may have occurred in the schedule between print deadlines and the bulletin distribution. Please refer to the Parish Website for the most current calendar listings.

## SUNDAY, February 14 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

8:45 AM	RCIA Dismissal	Café
11:30 AM	RCIA Rite of Election Brunch	Great Hall
2:00 PM	Girl Scouts	Pastoral B1

## MONDAY, February 15

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Epic: A Journey through Church History	Q of A Chapel
9:30 AM	Emmaus Moms Lenten Prayer & Reflection Series	Rm 206
10:00 AM	Bright Horizons	Great Hall
11:00 AM	Spiritual Book Club	PLC Lounge
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
6:30 PM	Boy Scouts	Great Hall
7:00 PM	The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Study	Rm 203
7:00 PM	Financial Peace University	Rm 204

## TUESDAY, February 16

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Queen of Angels Book Club	Q of A Chapel
9:30 AM	An Introduction to the Theology of the Body for Adults	Multi B & C
12:00 PM	Al-Anon	Pastoral B1, B3, B4
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
6:00 PM	Great Christian Texts Discussion	Rm 205
6:30 PM	JustFaith	Multi B
7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Rosary & General Meeting	Café
7:00 PM	CRHP Men's Team-Spanish	Pastoral B1
7:00 PM	CRHP Men's Night of Discipleship-Spanish	Church
7:00 PM	CRHP Women's Team 27-English	Rm 204
7:30 PM	Legion of Mary	Rm 206

## WEDNESDAY, February 17 - The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
10:00 AM	Light Weigh	Rm 206
1:00 PM	Parish Nurses	Multi B
5:30 PM	Finance Council	Pastoral A1/Library
7:00 PM	Narcotics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
7:00 PM	ESL Classes	Rms 201-206
7:00 PM	Consoling the Heart of Jesus	Multi B

## THURSDAY, February 18

8:00 AM	Men's Scripture Study	Q of A Chapel
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Consoling the Heart of Jesus	Rm 206
10:15 AM	Stations of the Cross	Q of A Chapel
10:15 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Rm 205
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
6:30 PM	Lenten Reconciliation Service	Church
7:00 PM	RCIA	Multi B & C

## FRIDAY, February 19

5:45 AM	Men of Emmaus	Great Hall
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:00 PM	Lenten Soup Supper	Great Hall
6:30 PM	Stations of the Cross-English	Church
7:00 PM	Men's CRHP Agape-Spanish	Youth Space
7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross-Spanish	Church

## SATURDAY, February 20

7:00 AM	Men's CRHP Retreat-Spanish	Pastoral A1 & B
8:30 AM	Rosary Ministry	Multi C
8:30 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:00 AM	Gabriel Project Meeting	Rm 206

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?** For adults interested in learning more about becoming Catholic through RCIA, visit the parish website or call the parish office.

**NEW TO THE PARISH?** Email [newcomer@emmausparish.org](mailto:newcomer@emmausparish.org) or call the parish office to register to attend a Welcome & Registration Event.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION** - To learn more about Sacramental preparation for Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation, or Marriage, visit the parish website or call the parish office.

**THE ROSARY** is prayed at 9:00 AM, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at Emmaus, 8:30 AM on Wednesdays at Emmaus, 4:20 PM on Saturdays at Emmaus, and at 9:15 AM on Sundays at Queen of Angels.

**THE ADORATION CHAPEL** is open 24 hours a day. To sign up for available hours, visit [emmausparish.org/adoration](http://emmausparish.org/adoration).

**PARISH OFFICE:** (512) 261-8500; Monday-Friday, 9 AM-4 PM; Sunday, 8 AM-12 noon

**NURSERY:** The Nursery is available at Emmaus for the Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12:15 PM masses. The nursery may be available for other designated parish events if advertised and a minimum number of children are registered. For such designated events, you must specifically request childcare by calling the parish office at least 72 hours in advance.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Fridays (10 days in advance), 12 noon, [communications@emmausparish.org](mailto:communications@emmausparish.org)

**MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Thursdays, 12 noon, [communications@emmausparish.org](mailto:communications@emmausparish.org)

**LOST AND FOUND** at Emmaus is located on the ledge at the left hand side of the narthex (near the SEED table). Any valuable items are taken to the parish office.

**ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES** are available for your use during mass. Pick one up in the sacristy.

**ALTAR FLOWERS/MASS DEDICATIONS:** To order altar flowers or to dedicate masses at Emmaus or Queen of Angels, please call the parish office.

**OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:** If you know someone who is struggling and could use our support, or would like to receive Holy Communion in their home, please call the parish office. A complete listing of Social Outreach offerings is available on the website.

**EMMAUS' RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY** is committed to the preservation of human life and the human spirit through education on Respect Life issues and programs. As part of Respect Life, the Gabriel Project assists with Crisis Pregnancies, and Project Rachel provides hope and healing after abortion. Further information is available on the website or by contacting the parish office.

**TO MEET WITH A PRIEST,** to request Anointing or a visit for an ill loved one, or to arrange a blessing of a pregnancy or your home, please call the parish office.

**TO REQUEST EUCHARIST** for the facility- or homebound, please call the parish office. We ask that you allow 48 hours for arrangements to be made.

**HEALTHCARE VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATES CLINIC:** (512) 263-0265

**LADIES OF CHARITY:** (512) 791-5750

**LAKE TRAVIS CRISIS MINISTRIES:** (512) 266-9810

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** (512) 576-1744

# MAGIC 'TIL MIDNIGHT

## Emmaus Catholic Parish's 2016 Gala

We are grateful to these superstar parishioners who have contributed to date toward this year's gala,  
**MAGIC 'TIL MIDNIGHT.**

Whether you sign on as a sponsor, purchase a table or tickets,  
or donate to the auction, this event is successful because of our generous parishioners.

**Please be a part of this, our largest parish fundraising event, by contributing.**

Help us make some magic for our parish!

- *Phil & Jean Bryant*
- *Craig & Anne-Marie Cancienne*
- *Jeremy & Lee Anne Coburn*
- *Lowell & Teresa Crable*
- *Erin Curley*
- *Max & Glenda Engert*
- *Larry & Nancy Harlan*
- *Andrew & Mary Ann Heller*
- *Jerry & Barbara Helmueller*
- *Jesus Hernandez*
- *Laura Hughes*
- *Tyler Marcoux*
- *Kate McMahon*
- *Dayna Mosier*
- *Debora Richter*
- *Steven & Kathleen Rodriguez*
- *Maria Soo*
- *Cuong Vu*
- *Lisa Wolniewitz*
- *Tommy & Jennifer Wright*
- + *Our Anonymous Donors*

For more details, visit our gala website, [biddingforgood.com/emmausgala](http://biddingforgood.com/emmausgala),  
or call the parish office. We thank you for your support!

## PARISH NEWS

Please join us Fridays during Lent for our **LENTEN SUPPERS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS**. Supper at 5 PM in the PLC Great Hall is followed at 6:30 PM by Stations in English and 7:30 PM by Stations in Spanish. For more details, visit [emmausparish.org/lent](http://emmausparish.org/lent).

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**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** at Queen of Angels Chapel are presented Thursdays during Lent immediately following the 9:30 AM Mass. Please join us!

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**LIGHT WEIGH** is a weekly Catholic Bible Study DVD Series that gets you healthy physically and spiritually. In Light Weigh you will learn a new approach to eating that leads to peace with God, peace with yourself, and peace with food. A new 12-week program will be held at Emmaus on Wednesdays beginning **Feb. 17**, 10-11:30 AM in PLC Room 206. Come join us for the first no-obligation session to learn more from people who have been through the program. For details on the program, contact Mary Shrader, (512) 560-3766. Light Weigh: Real faith. Real food. Real people. Real life.

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Prepare for Easter by joining us for our **LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE** at Emmaus on Thursday, **Feb. 18**, 6:30-8:30 PM.

Need to reconnect with yourself and God? Want to meet Catholics like yourself? Searching for your spirituality? Join us for a **CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH** weekend of spiritual renewal, fellowship, and fun. Retreats are scheduled as follows: **Feb. 20-21** (Men's-Spanish); **March 5-6** (Women's-English); **Apr. 9-10** (Men's-English). Let the Spirit move you! Register online at [emmausparish.org/crhp](http://emmausparish.org/crhp). **[Join CRHP on The City]**

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Love to shop? Love your parish? Join us on Thursday, **Feb. 25**, 5-8 PM at Point of Origin in Lakeway for a **SHOPPING PARTY!** We'll share in fabulous shopping, adult beverages and treats, and Emmaus-style fellowship. We hope to fill the store with shoppers, because 20% of sales will benefit Emmaus Catholic Parish! While you're there, consider purchasing an item to donate to Emmaus' gala auction. The store will be filled with all the newest items from market. Bring your friends and enjoy some shopping fun!

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**MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER**, a Lenten mission, will be presented in Spanish at Emmaus **March 6-8**, 7-8:30 PM each evening. Presenters will be Fr. Everardo Cázares, José Juan Valdez, and José Rivera. The mission will close on March 8 with Mass and a potluck dinner. All are invited. For details in Spanish, visit the website, [emmausparish.org/lent](http://emmausparish.org/lent), or pick up a flyer from the narthex racks.

## FAITH FORMATION

Registration is now open for the **CONFIRMATION RETREAT** which will take place **Apr. 9-10** at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. To register, print a permission form from [emmausparish.org/outcry](http://emmausparish.org/outcry) and turn in to the office with payment of \$100. For further information, **join Outcry on The City** or contact Matt Scruggs at the parish office.



## SOCIAL OUTREACH

The mission of the **GABRIEL PROJECT** is to plant the seed of God's love within the hearts of women who feel lost, alone and afraid - whether rich or poor, single, married, young or older. The need in an unplanned pregnancy is one of understanding and caring. We offer a resource network to support a mother's birth alternative - the gift of life - to give a hope for tomorrow. Please join us on Saturday, **Feb. 20**, 9-11 AM in PLC Room 206 to learn more about this important ministry. **[Join Gabriel Project on The City]**

Emmaus Catholic Parish is hosting a **FREE LEGAL CLINIC** for persons who may be seeking legal assistance. We are partnering with Volunteer Legal Services of Austin. The clinic will take place on the last Tuesday of each month beginning **Feb. 23**, 7-9 PM in the PLC Great Hall. Sign-in for services will begin at 6 PM. The nursery will be available. For further information, please contact Sr. Elizabeth at the parish office.

The Central Texas Coalition for Life will again host **40 CHURCHES FOR 40 DAYS**, and Emmaus Catholic Parish will cover one day out of the entire 40 days on Saturday, **March 12**, 7 AM-3 PM, at Planned Parenthood, 201 E. Ben White Blvd., Austin. Please pray and discern to be a part of that day to honor the sanctity of life. Just one prayerful hour of your time will make a big difference. To sign up, visit [volunteersignup.org/D4JC8](http://volunteersignup.org/D4JC8). For additional information, contact Lee Malkowski, (601) 927-8818, [ljm8459@gmail.com](mailto:ljm8459@gmail.com).

Ninety-six clients came to the **HELPING HAND CRISIS MINISTRY OF SPICEWOOD** during January requesting food assistance for their 229 family members. Two of these clients were first-time visitors. Forty-six families received financial assistance totaling \$4,491. Fifty-nine percent of the financial assistance was to help with housing costs, seven percent for transportation and communication expenses with the remaining thirty-four percent for dental and medical expenses. The cost for food and personal hygiene products totaled \$1,438. Ministry operating expenses totaled \$672. Expenditures totaled \$6,601 and donations totaled \$6,615. At month's end, the Vista House continued to be occupied by a client family that would otherwise be homeless. May God continue to bless this ministry and all who make it possible.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Dominga Gauna, John Madden,  
Elsie Winkler, Evelyn Childress,  
John and Nancy Scott,  
Gloria Castaño de Krasuk,  
Cony De Los Reyes, Helen Pottorff,  
Carrera-Lopez Family,  
Ralph Young, Dottie Sharp,  
Sukarto Family, Martin Kennedy,  
Jerry & Joann Paulette,  
Don and Betty Presley,  
Lauro Briones Jr., Bernice Guess,  
Armando Altamirano, Natarajan Family,  
James Bryant, Gary Ross,  
Martha Scallon, Carmina Perez,  
Hossein Shahkarami, Marilyn Nieve,  
Stephanie Maher, Jonathan Flyger



## EN ESPAÑOL

*Para noticias en español, por favor recoja un boletín de noticias disponible en los revisteros al lado de la sacristía en la iglesia.*

### 14 de febrero de 2016 - 1er Domingo de Cuaresma

*"Por eso ofrezco ahora las primicias de los frutos del suelo, que tú, Señor, me diste." (Deuteronomio 26:10)*

Esta línea del Antiguo Testamento nos ofrece dos retos. Primero, ¿Le das a Dios tus "primeros frutos," lo mejor que puedes ofrecer, o simplemente le das las sobras? Segundo, ¿recuerdas que todo lo que tienes te ha sido dado por Dios? Pídele a Dios cada día, un corazón agradecido y generoso.

### Las Preguntas Más Frecuentes De la Parroquia de Emaús

**¿INTERESADO EN SER CATÓLICO?** Para los adultos interesados en aprender más acerca de convertirse Católico a través de RICA, visite el sitio web de la parroquia o llame a la oficina parroquial.

**¿NUEVO A LA PARROQUIA?** Escriba a [newcomer@emmausparish.org](mailto:newcomer@emmausparish.org) o llame a la oficina parroquial para registrarse para asistir a un evento de Bienvenida y Registro.

**PREPARACIÓN PARA LOS SACRAMENTOS:** Para obtener más información acerca de la preparación sacramental para el Bautismo, la Reconciliación, la Eucaristía (Comunión), la Confirmación, o Matrimonio, visite el sitio web de la parroquia o llame a la oficina parroquial.

**ROSARIO** (en inglés) se reza a las 9 AM, de lunes a viernes en Emaús, a las 4:20 PM los sábados en Emaús, y a las 9:15 AM los domingos la capilla Reina de los Ángeles.

**LA ADORACION CHAPEL** esta disponible a la 24 horas. Para anotarse para las horas disponibles visite [emmausparish.org/adoration](http://emmausparish.org/adoration).

**OFICINA PARROQUIAL:** (512) 261-8500; Lunes-Viernes, 9 AM-4 PM; Domingo, 8 AM a 12 del mediodía

**GUARDERÍA (CUIDADO DE NIÑOS):** La Guardería está disponible en Emaús para las Misas de Domingo 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM y 24:15. La guardería puede estar disponible para otros eventos particulares si esta anunciado, y un número mínimo de niños están registrados. Para estos tipos de eventos particulares, usted debe solicitar específicamente el cuidado de su niño(s) llamando a la oficina de la parroquia al menos 72 horas de anticipación.

**FECHA TOPE PARA BOLETÍN:** viernes, a las 12 del mediodía, escriba a [communications@emmausparish.org](mailto:communications@emmausparish.org).

**OBJETOS PERDIDOS** (Lost & Found) en Emaús se encuentran en la cornisa en el lado izquierdo del nártex (cerca de la mesa donde se venden las tarjetas de regalos). Los objetos de valor se llevan a la oficina parroquial.

**DISPOSITIVOS DE AYUDA AUDITIVA** están disponibles para su uso durante la misa. Coja uno en la sacristía.

**FLORES PARA EL ALTAR/DEDICACIONES EN LA MISA:** Para pedir flores para el altar o para dedicar Misas en Emaús o la capilla Reina de los Ángeles, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.

**OPORTUNIDADES DE AYUDA:** Si conoces a alguien que está batallando y necesita nuestro apoyo, o le gustaría recibir la Santa Comunión en su casa, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial. Una lista completa de recursos sociales está disponible en el sitio web.

**EL MINISTERIO RESPETO A LA VIDA** de Emaús está comprometido a la preservación de la vida humana y el espíritu humano a través de la educación sobre temas y programas de Respeto a la Vida. Como parte de Respeto a la Vida, el Proyecto Gabriel asiste con embarazos en crisis, y el Proyecto Rachel ofrece esperanza y sanación después del aborto. Más información está disponible en la página web o comunicándose con la oficina de la iglesia.

**PARA HABLAR CON UN SACERDOTE,** por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.

**PARA SOLICITAR LA EUCHARISTÍA** para una hospitalaria o para personas que se encuentran confinadas en su casa, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial. Le pedimos que espere 48 horas para que se hagan los arreglos.

**NOTICIAS DE ÚLTIMA HORA EN ESPAÑOL DE EMAÚS** ¿Sabía usted que puede ver la página web de Emaús en español? Visite [emmausparish.org](http://emmausparish.org). En la parte inferior de cada página hay un enlace para ver la página en español.

## ACROSS THE DIOCESE

**CAREER EXPRESSWAY** is a Capital IDEA program that partners with Austin Community College in order to help students receive the resources they need to get ahead in tech careers. Resources include financial assistance for tuition, books, and childcare. For information, call (512) 457-8610 or visit [capitalidea.org](http://capitalidea.org). Other degrees areas include healthcare and professional trades.

**CARITAS OF AUSTIN'S** Community Kitchen is in high need for volunteers. They have plenty of open slots Monday-Friday, 9 AM-1:30 PM. Visit [caritasofaustin.org](http://caritasofaustin.org) for volunteer information.

Eagle's Wings Retreat Center presents a retreat just in time for Lent: **MEDITATING ON THE MYSTERY OF JESUS' PASSION AND DEATH ON THE CROSS, Feb. 16**. Come and join as we dive deeply into this mystery. Presenter: Monseigneur Elmer Holtman; beloved priest for over 50 years. \$35 includes light breakfast and lunch. For further details and to register, visit [ewrc.org](http://ewrc.org).

**PROJECT RACHEL** offers hope and healing to those suffering because of a past abortion. It is a compassionate and confidential ministry that helps women and men experience spiritual and emotional healing within the context of a Christian friendship. Trained volunteers accompany those suffering on their personal journey toward the healing sacrament of reconciliation. Join us for an evening of pasta and prayer for this important ministry of mercy on **Feb. 18, 6:30-8:30 PM** at the diocesan Pastoral Center in Austin. Register by contacting Mary Helen Russell at (512) 949-2488.

**BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER!** Attend a free lecture by dynamic Catholic speaker, former Southern Baptist, and U.S. Marine, Tim Staples. Tim will explore the gift of Mary as the perfect mother and disciple in our lives. It will be an evening of powerful faith development! The lecture will be on Friday, **Feb. 19, 7 PM** at San Jose Catholic Church, 2435 Oak Crest Avenue, Austin, Texas. No registration required, all ages are welcome. This event is sponsored by the Central Texas Fellowship of Catholic Men in conjunction with this year's men's conference. For more information, visit [centexcatholic.com](http://centexcatholic.com).

**CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL OF AUSTIN** invites you to their monthly healing Mass on Friday, **Feb. 19, 7 PM** at Holy Cross Catholic Church. Come experience the wonder and awe and joy of the Lord as He pours out His gifts, His Love, His Mercy, His Healing upon all his children. For additional info, contact Christina Turullois, (512) 563-7851 or [renewal@ccaustin.org](mailto:renewal@ccaustin.org).

Married couples, what better gift to give your spouse than the gift of your uninterrupted time? Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND, Feb. 19-21** at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock or **Apr. 15-17** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. For more information, visit [austinme.org](http://austinme.org) or contact Steve and Linda Jaramillo at (512) 667-9963, [wwmeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:wwmeaustin@gmail.com).

A **SILENT LENTEN RETREAT** will be offered **Feb. 19-21** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The retreat will begin Friday evening with soup and bread dinner and end with Mass on Sunday morning. Cost: \$165. All rooms will be private. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or [cedarbrake@austindiocese.org](mailto:cedarbrake@austindiocese.org).

The **WORLD VISION EXPERIENCE** is coming to the Lakeway Church parking lot **Feb. 19-21** to bring national news headlines to life. Visitors to the Experience will step into a "global village" inside a 1000 square-foot trailer where they will don headsets and walk through an inspiring 20-minute journey while listening to the voices of children. Three visual "sets" will allow the visitors to also see how these children live in their country. For details, visit [worldvisionexperience.org](http://worldvisionexperience.org).

**PROJECT MIRIAM** will be held **Feb. 20** at 10 AM at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Single, Catholic women between the ages of 16 and 45 are invited to learn more about Mary's joyful "yes" to God and how that is lived out in religious life. The day will include prayer, testimonials by religious sisters, Mass and lunch with Bishop Joe Vásquez. For more information, contact the diocesan Vocation Office at [vocations@austindiocese.org](mailto:vocations@austindiocese.org) or (512) 949-2430.

The Central Texas Fellowship of Catholic Men invites all men of the diocese to attend their fourth annual **CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE, Saturday, Feb. 20, 8:30 AM-4 PM** at San Jose Catholic Church in Austin. Speakers include Tim Staples and Trent Horn. For details and to register, visit [centexcatholic.com](http://centexcatholic.com).

Beginning **Feb. 20**, you are invited to join thousands throughout our diocese for 33 days of prayer for **TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY**. The prayers are done privately using the preparation book; visit [TexasToJesusThroughMary.org](http://TexasToJesusThroughMary.org) by January 31 to receive your FREE copy of the Montfort preparation prayer book. Your book will be mailed to you.

On **Feb. 26**, all are invited to attend a free reception for the City of Austin's **PEOPLE'S GALLERY, 6-9 PM** at Austin City Hall. Fourteen artworks from five talented Caritas client artists will be on display. For information, visit [austintexas.gov/department/peoples-gallery](http://austintexas.gov/department/peoples-gallery).

Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Austin will present **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR, Wednesday, Feb. 27, 8 AM-5 PM** at Christ the King in Belton. For details and to register, visit [ccaustin.org](http://ccaustin.org).

An **RCIA RETREAT** will be held **Feb. 27, 9 AM-2 PM** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Come and explore the meaning of Christ's resurrection and why our need for "so great a Redeemer" is an ongoing journey, both for those entering the Catholic Church and those continuing the Christian life. Tracy Rodenborn, Director of RCIA at Emmaus Parish in Lakeway, will lead this retreat. The cost is \$25 per person, which includes lunch. Contact your parish RCIA director (for Emmaus, that's Tracy, [rcia@emmausparish.org](mailto:rcia@emmausparish.org)) to register.

Lakeway Regional Medical Center is hosting **COMPLIMENTARY YOGA** for the community on Tuesdays at 5:30 PM in the hospital cafeteria. Bring your yoga mat and join in this free community offering.

A **DIVINE MERCY DAY OF REFLECTION** will be presented **Apr. 3, 9 AM-2:30 PM** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Fr. Brian Eilers will lead this day which will focus on the life of St. Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy. Cost is \$25 with lunch included. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or [cedarbrake@austindiocese.org](mailto:cedarbrake@austindiocese.org).

You are invited to attend **MARY'S ENCOUNTER**, a quarterly women's morning of reflection at the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt, on **May 21**. The program takes place 9:30-11:30 AM followed by Mass. RSVP to [info@schoenstatt.us](mailto:info@schoenstatt.us) or call (512) 330-0602.

