



MASS DEDICATIONS

- MAR. 12**
5:00pm..... For Girl Scouts
- MAR. 13**
8:30am..... For Girl Scouts
10:00am..... For Girl Scouts
10:30am..... For Girl Scouts
12:15pm..... For Girl Scouts
5:00pm..... For Girl Scouts
- MAR. 14**
8:30am..... In memory of Thomas Shrader
- MAR. 15**
8:30am..... In memory of Teresa Ramos
- MAR. 16**
5:30pm..... In memory of Msgr. Edward Jordan
- MAR. 17**
8:30am..... In memory of Martin Kennedy
9:30am..... For Sanctity of Human Life
- MAR. 18**
8:30am..... In memory of Anne Fitzgerald

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

WEEKLY REFLECTION



March 13, 2016 – 5th Sunday of Lent

For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ...” (Philippians 3:8)

The first commandment says that we shall not put other gods before the Lord. Detaching ourselves from material possessions and considering them “rubbish” does just that. It strengthens our relationship with Jesus and allows us

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Stewardship Report

March 6, 2016:..... \$41,758
Fiscal YTD Offertory: \$1,441,797

PLC Loan Balance:..... \$1,270,262
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

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.

2015-16 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: \$23,341
2014-15 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: \$31,481

Through Mar. 31, take part in our **MARCH MADNESS SEED DRAWING** and you could win a \$100 gift card! For every \$100 in SEED gift cards that you purchase during the month, you will receive one entry ticket! Now is the time to stock up on gift cards for groceries, restaurants, and gifts. Drawing will be held the first week of April – no fooling!

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 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 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, March 13

5th Sunday of Lent

9:45 AM	Welcome & Registration Event
1:30 PM	First Eucharist Workshop
2:00 PM	Girl Scouts

Great Hall
Great Hall
Pastoral B1

MONDAY, March 14

8:00 AM	Jazzercise Early Session
9:00 AM	Jazzercise
10:00 AM	Bright Horizons
11:00 AM	Spiritual Book Club
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous
5:15 PM	Jazzercise
7:00 PM	Baptism Class-Spanish
7:30 PM	CRHP Men's Team-English

Café & Youth Space
Café & Youth Space
Great Hall
PLC Lounge
Pastoral B1
Café & Youth Space
Rm 206
Pastoral A1/Library

TUESDAY, March 15

8:15 AM	Jazzercise Strength Training
9:00 AM	Jazzercise
9:30 AM	Queen of Angels Book Club
12:00 PM	Al-Anon
5:15 PM	Jazzercise
6:00 PM	Great Christian Texts Discussion
7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Rosary & Meeting
7:30 PM	Legion of Mary

Café & Youth Space
Café & Youth Space
Q of A Chapel
Pastoral B1,B3,B4
Café & Youth Space
Rm 205
Café
Rm 206

WEDNESDAY, March 16

8:00 AM	Jazzercise Early Session
9:00 AM	Jazzercise
1:00 PM	Parish Nursing Ministry
5:30 PM	Finance Council
7:00 PM	Narcotics Anonymous
7:00 PM	ESL Classes

Café & Youth Space
Café & Youth Space
Multi B & C
Pastoral A1/Library
Pastoral B1
Rms 201-206

THURSDAY, March 17

St. Patrick	
8:00 AM	Men's Scripture Study
8:15 AM	Jazzercise Strength Training
9:00 AM	Jazzercise
10:15 AM	Stations of the Cross
10:15 AM	Overeaters Anonymous
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous
5:15 PM	Jazzercise
7:00 PM	Spanish Prayer Group
7:00 PM	RCIA

Q of A Chapel
Café & Youth Space
Café & Youth Space
Q of A Chapel
Rm 205
Pastoral B1
Café & Youth Space
Youth Space
Multi B & C

FRIDAY, March 18

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

5:45 AM	Men of Emmaus
7:30 AM	Jazzercise for Men
9:00 AM	Jazzercise
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous
5:00 PM	Soup Supper
6:00 PM	Journey into Marriage
6:30 PM	Retiro Nueva Vida (New Life Retreat)
6:30 PM	Stations of the Cross-English
7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross-Spanish

Great Hall
Café & Youth Space
Café & Youth Space
Pastoral B1
Great Hall
Multi B & C
Q of A Chapel
Church
Church

SATURDAY, March 19

St. Joseph	
8:30 AM	Rosary Ministry
8:30 AM	Retiro Nueva Vida (New Life Retreat)
8:30 AM	Jazzercise
10:30 AM	Journey into Marriage
12:00 PM	Austin Bridge
6:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Dinner & Dance

Multi C
Q of A Chapel
Café & Youth Space
Multi B & C
Café & Youth Space
Great Hall

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 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.

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

MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS: Thursdays, 12 noon, 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

PARISH NEWS

Because we want to personally welcome you to Emmaus Catholic Parish, we invite you to attend a parish **WELCOME & REGISTRATION EVENT** this Sunday, **Mar. 13**, 9:45 AM in the PLC Great Hall. Whether you normally attend at Emmaus or at Queen of Angels Chapel, this event is for YOU! We especially encourage parents who wish to enroll their children in Faith Formation and sacramental preparation classes in the year ahead. Childcare will be provided in the parish nursery.

The Knights of Columbus will host a **ST. PATRICK'S & ST. JOSEPH'S DINNER & DANCE** next Saturday, **Mar. 19**, 6-10 PM in the PLC Great Hall. The event will feature a menu of Irish, Italian, and Mexican food, adult beverages, dancing, and live entertainment. Advance tickets are \$20 per person (adults only) and available from any Knight or by contacting Vincent Maggio, (512) 514-0138. Proceeds benefit the K of C Scholarship Program.

Join us seven Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11 AM, beginning **Apr. 5** for **REVELATION: THE KINGDOM YET TO COME**. This intriguing study from Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith shows how the kingdom established by Christ in His Church is intimately connected with the Kingdom of Heaven. Here you will discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean. You will see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times." It is a revelation of God as our Divine Bridegroom and the Church as His spotless Bride, forever united in a heavenly, holy, and mystical marriage that we enter into every time we celebrate the Mass. Facilitated by Jose Juan Valdez. To register, **RSVP on The City** or call the parish office.

Need to reconnect with yourself and God? Want to meet Catholics like yourself? Searching for your spirituality? Men of the parish are invited to participate in a **CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH** weekend of spiritual renewal, fellowship, and fun, **Apr. 9-10**. Let the Spirit move you! Register online at emmausparish.org/crhp. **Join CRHP on The City**



SPONSOR & AUCTION DEADLINE: MARCH 25, 2016

Less than two weeks from now - March 25 - is the deadline to contribute as a Sponsor or Auction Donor for **Magic 'til Midnight**, Emmaus' 2016 Gala. Publicize your business or show your personal support of your parish. Sponsorship benefits include great marketing opportunities and, at some levels, reserved tables at the event. We would be grateful if

you would consider adding your name to this current list of generous sponsors:

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Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral & Cremation Services

Westside Roofing | Erin Curley, CPA | Members of the Emmaus

**Mobile Loaves & Fishes Ministry | Santa Catarina Restaurant
and our Anonymous Sponsors**

Or donate new merchandise or services to the auction. Do you have a vacation home, concert or sports tickets, or perhaps a behind-the-scenes opportunity that you can share? Are you a small business owner that would like to increase your customer base? You set the restrictions. We publicize your generosity! Donors are acknowledged in the program but, even better, listed in our online auction catalog with links to your website. Add your donation, logo, and website link to our online catalog —

www.biddingforgood.com/emmausgala

Visit the website shown above for more details, or call the parish office. We'd love to hear from you!

Thank you for your support of Emmaus and Queen of Angels Chapel.

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 and turn in to the office with payment of \$100. The deadline is Mar. 26. For more information, contact Matt Scruggs, outcry@emmausparish.org. **Join Outcry on The City**



Early Bird Registration for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** is taking place for registered parishioners through **Mar. 31**. Take advantage of discounted early registration rates by signing your child up today! VBS 2016 will take place July 25-29 at Emmaus. Did you know that adults who sign up as volunteers for the full 5 days can take 50% off their child's tuition? Combine that with early bird registration, and you could pay only \$20 per child! For details and to download Early Bird Registration forms, visit the website, emmausparish.org/vbs. **Join Vacation Bible School on The City**

SOCIAL OUTREACH

During the month of February, 103 clients came to the **HELPING HAND CRISIS MINISTRY OF SPICEWOOD** requesting food assistance for their 229 family members. Five of these clients were first-time visitors. Twenty-nine families received financial assistance totaling \$3,564. Seventy-eight percent of the financial assistance was to help with housing costs, twelve percent for transportation and communication expenses with the remaining ten percent for dental and medical expenses. The cost for food and personal hygiene products totaled \$2,374. Ministry operating expenses totaled \$578. Expenditures totaled \$6,516 and donations totaled \$5,372. 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.

Back by popular demand, the next **MOBILE LOAVES & FISHES** training session will take place on Thursday, **Mar. 31**, 7-8:30 PM in PLC Room 206. Join us to learn more about this wonderful ministry of Emmaus.

The **SOS GUARDIAN ANGEL EDUCATION FUND** will be hosting a mission trip to Guatemala **July 14-22**, 2016. Would you like to experience the daily life and struggles of the indigenous Mayan people and learn from them the blessings of a simpler life? Then come join us for a mission trip that will change your life! For more information, contact Tony Rodriguez, (832) 515-3737, tonyrod2015@gmail.com.

Are you the parent of a 2- or 3-year-old child who would benefit from some extra preparation before heading off to preschool and Kindergarten? Would you like to earn a computer tablet preloaded with apps for your child? Join us for **PLAY TO LEARN** — a weekly program for you to attend with your child to help you prepare him or her for school. The Play to Learn program teaches parents how to help their children become school ready while incorporating local resources and tablet technology. The program will run Tuesdays, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM, Mar. 29-May 31 at Emmaus. Space is limited. You must register before **Mar. 25** by calling (512) 298-7597.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Helen Pottorff, Jonathan Flyger, Don Presley, Maureen Gremp Schmidt, Mary Burks, Anita Fisher, Gerard Little, Giovanni Little, John Vance, Nancy Gilluly, Candice Dublin, Constanza Malvido Cardenas, Francisco Mororo, Diana Villalba, Isabelle Vance, Gloria Garcia, Migdalia Armenteros, Marcie Kennedy, Joe Moya, To Family, John Madden, Shelly Garcia Bull, Correa-Maya Family

LENTEN EVENTS AT EMMAUS



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.

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

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. We can help make things new with small, yet joyful sacrifices. The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor. With continued generosity to the **ASHES TO EASTER** Lenten Mission Campaign, local missionaries are able to instruct, advise, console, and comfort the poor in the mission areas they serve. Please be generous. Return your Ashes to Easter box on Easter Sunday or the week after. Thank you.

ACROSS THE DIOCESE

- **PROJECT RACHEL** offers hope and healing to those suffering because of a past abortion. Trained volunteers accompany those suffering on their personal journey toward the healing sacrament of reconciliation. To learn more, join us for an evening of pasta and prayer for this important ministry of mercy on **Mar. 15**, 6:30-8:30 PM at the diocesan Pastoral Center in Austin. For more information, contact Mary Helen Russell at (512) 949-2488 or MaryHelen-Russell@austindiocese.org.

- The **CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL OF AUSTIN** will host a healing mass on **Mar. 18** at 7 PM at Holy Cross Parish in Austin. Everyone is invited to come and experience the healing power of Jesus through the Holy Spirit. For more information, visit craustin.org.

- The diocesan **CHRISM MASS** will be celebrated **Mar. 22** at 10:30 AM at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin. The holy oils for the year will be blessed and distributed during the Mass.

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.

13 de marzo de 2016 – 4to Domingo de Cuaresma

“Por Él, por quien perdí todas las cosas, y las tengo por basura para ganar a Cristo...” (Filipenses 3:8)

El primer mandamiento dice que no podemos colocar otros dioses delante de nuestro Señor. Cumplir esto es desprendernos de nuestros bienes materiales y considerarlos “basura.” Esto fortalece nuestra relación con Jesús y nos permite vivir más libremente y con más alegría.

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 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.

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.

ANUNCIOS: jueves, a las 12 del mediodía, escriba a 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. En la parte inferior de cada página hay un enlace para ver la página en español.



La Parroquia Católica de Emaús te invita al Retiro de Evangelización **VIDA NUEVA** en español, el viernes **18 de marzo** de 6:30-9:30 PM y el sábado **19 de marzo** de 8 AM-7 PM en la Capilla de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles. Puede registrarse en “The City” o llamar a la oficina parroquial. *“Les daré un corazón nuevo y les infundiré un espíritu nuevo...” Ez. 26, 36*

ACROSS THE DIOCESE

- The Schoenstatt Movement will host a **PILGRIMAGE AND WAY OF THE CROSS** on Good Friday, **Mar. 25**. Participants will depart from St. Mary Cathedral in Austin at 1 PM and walk about nine miles to the Schoenstatt Shrine in West Austin, with arrival at 6 PM and liturgy at 6:30 PM. Embracing the call for New Evangelization, this pilgrimage will include the reenactment of the Way of the Cross through the streets of Austin. For more information, visit [Facebook.com/SchoenstattAustin](https://www.facebook.com/SchoenstattAustin) or contact Rodrigo Fernandez at rfernandez@schoenstatt.us or (512) 815-8055.

- Are you a caregiver looking for guidance? Discover resources through a free workshop series, **POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS**, held Wednesdays, **Mar. 30-May 4**, 10:30 AM-2 PM at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church. For details, visit caregiverucentx.org. To register, contact Esther Quintanilla, (512) 892-2420, esther.quintanilla@stcatherine-austin.org.

- Project Rachel is a compassionate and confidential ministry that helps women and men suffering emotionally and spiritually from the trauma of abortion. A **PROJECT RACHEL RETREAT** will be held **Apr. 1-3**. For more information or to register, contact Mary Helen Russell at (512) 949-2488 or maryhelen-russell@austindiocese.org.

- 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.

- The Blanton Museum of Art at The University of Texas at Austin presents **THE CRUSADER BIBLE: A GOTHIC MASTERPIECE**, an exhibition of more than 40 unbound pages from one of the most celebrated French illuminated manuscripts of the Middle Ages. The exhibition will run through **Apr. 3**. For additional information call (512) 471-7324 or visit blantonmuseum.org.

- Join thousands of faithful in our diocese to collectively make or renew our **TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY** at a special Holy Mass on the Annunciation of the Lord. Rosary and Mass will be offered on Monday, **Apr. 4**, at various churches across the diocese. Visit TexasToJesusThroughMary.org/mass.html for the list of Mass times and locations.

- Eagle's Wings Retreat Center will host a day of reflection entitled **REST IN GOD'S PRESENCE** on **Apr. 5**, 9:30 AM-2:30 PM. Everyone is invited to set aside their personal burdens and participate in this day of Scripture, song, stories, and quiet reflection. The cost is \$35, which includes a light breakfast and lunch. Participants must pre-register at ewrc.org.

- The 67th annual **AUSTIN DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (DCCW) CONVENTION** will be held **Apr. 11-12** at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Austin. Catholic women from across the diocese are invited to come together for fellowship, keynote speakers and service. For more information, visit AustinDiocesanCouncilofCatholicWomen.org.

- All women, ages 18-45, are invited to encounter the beauty of a vocation and the possibility of this call in their own lives at the **HEART OF MARY RETREAT, Apr. 8-10** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The retreat will be led by the Consecrated Sisters of the Apostles of the Interior Life (AVI). There will be talks and time for prayer as well as "one-on-one" conversations with the sisters while experiencing community life with other young women discerning the will of God. For more information, contact the Vocation Office at (512) 949-2430. The cost is \$35. Register online by Mar. 31 at austinvocations.com.

- Our Lady of the Rosary Cemetery and Prayer Gardens in Georgetown will host its annual **FIELD OF FLOWERS DAY** on **Apr. 10**, 1-4 PM. Everyone is invited to walk through the wildflowers, explore the nature trails and enjoy the artwork throughout the grounds. A professional photographer will be taking complimentary photos. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, visit olotr.com.

- 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, Apr. 15-17** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. For more information, visit austinme.org or contact Steve and Linda Jaramillo at (512) 667-9963, wwmeaustin@gmail.com.

- A retreat entitled **ENCOUNTERING CHRIST** will be held **Apr. 22-24** at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton. Franciscan Father Albert Hasse will lead participants in encountering Jesus and the transformation that occurs when we allow ourselves to conform to His will. The cost is \$210 for a single room, \$170 for a shared room and \$95 for commuters. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

- A **WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER**, "You are Worthy of God's Goodness," will be presented by Christian motivation speaker Jan Bethancourt on Saturday, **Apr. 23**, 9:30 AM-2:30 PM at St. John Vianney in Round Rock. The presentation is hosted by Austin area Theresians. For additional information, email Janice LeMond at jnlemond49@att.net.

- A special **PRAYER SERVICE FOR COUPLES** struggling with infertility and/or miscarriage will be celebrated by Bishop Joe Vásquez on **Apr. 26**, 6 PM at St. John Neumann Parish in Austin. A reception will be held immediately following the service. Contact SarahsHope@RabboniInstitute.org or call (512) 736-7334 for more information and to register to attend.

- 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 or call (512) 330-0602.



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- interact in small groups
- learn about different ministries
- interact with ministry members
- share stories of hope and healing
- get to know our parish family members
- connect with people with similar interests
- stay up to date on events for your group/ministry/faith formation class
- build community and share faith, not just on Sundays, but anytime, anywhere

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