



## MASS DEDICATIONS

**Jan. 17**  
5:00pm.....For Prayer for Sanctity of Human Life and World Day of Penance

**Jan. 18**  
8:30am.....For Prayer for Sanctity of Human Life and World Day of Penance

10:00am.....For Prayer for Sanctity of Human Life and World Day of Penance

10:30am.....For Prayer for Sanctity of Human Life and World Day of Penance

12:15pm.....For Prayer for Sanctity of Human Life and World Day of Penance

5:00pm.....For Prayer for Sanctity of Human Life and World Day of Penance

**Jan. 19**  
8:30am.....In Memory of Charlie Kitowski

**Jan. 20**  
8:30am.....In Memory of Beatrice Richard

**Jan. 21**  
8:30am.....For Emmaus Parish

**Jan. 22**  
8:30am.....In Memory of Emma DiMasi

9:30am.....In Memory of Herman Gonzalez

**Jan. 23**  
8:30am.....In Memory of Joseph Kane

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

## PRAYER REQUESTS



Richard Cohen, Joe & Ruth Jacobi, Kelly Cobb, John Madden, Peggy Clark, Theresa Ramos, Trini Aleman, Dottie Sharp, Leon

## BAPTISMS

Keysy Rivera Casas  
Angelica Rivera Casas  
Oliver Jesus Rivera Casas  
Maria Camila Flores Cerda

January 18, 2015

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’”*

- John 1:38

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time each day in silence and ask the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.

# PARISH SUPPORT

## Weekly Stewardship Report

Christmas, 2014: .....\$76,349

*Thank you for your extraordinary generosity!*

January 11, 2015: .....\$38,094

## Fiscal Year to Date: July 1-Dec. 31, 2014

Total Income (Offertory & Other): .....\$1,300,213

Total Expenses (Operating & Principal/Interest): .....\$1,302,136

Budget Excess (Deficit): ..... (\$1,923)

PLC Loan Balance: ..... \$1,326,087

Church Loan Balance: ..... \$4,338,338

**Mortgage payments (principal/interest) on above loans:**

**\$46,410/month**



2014-15 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: .....\$17,383

2013-14 SEED Gift Card Program: .....\$27,863

## 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. Note that SEED cards are safe cards! They contain no personal information like standard credit and debit cards do. For more information, visit [emmausparish.org/seed](http://emmausparish.org/seed).

## 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.

## 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.

## WELCOMING OUR NEWEST PARISHIONERS

- Tony and Trish Amigh
- Travis and Sarah Atkins (Nolan and Gretchen)
- Susie Barbour and Payne Gniewek
- Mark and Polly Caprio
- Aaron and Sabrina Engels (Evelyn)
- Tony and Heather Fernandez-Stoll (Ben, Ava and Gus)
- Edward and Jaqueline Gieselman (Brooke, Jonathan and Brianna)
- Tom King
- Tom and Van Le (Hannah, Avery and Evan)
- Chris and Jeana Lowry (Addison and Evan)
- Kayla Elizondo and Ben Mendoza
- Ron and Lynn Moore
- Blaine and Amy Noel (Presley and Beckett)
- David and Stephanie Ozuna (Andrew and Danielle)
- Irene Said
- Tono and Geovanna Sanchez (Itzelle, Alondra and Giovanni)
- Kevin and Ann Snodgrass
- Ted and Carol Tarsa

# 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, January 18 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:45 AM	Consoling the Heart of Jesus	Multi B
10:30 AM	RCIA Dismissal Session	Café

## MONDAY, January 19

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Catholicism	Q of A Chapel
10:00 AM	Bright Horizons	Great Hall
11:00 AM	Spiritual Book Club	Lounge
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
7:00 PM	Men's CRHP #26	Pastoral A1/Library
7:00 PM	Financial Peace University	Rm 204
7:00 PM	Mision de Familia	Church

## TUESDAY, January 20 - St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Queen of Angels Book Club	Q of A Chapel
9:30 AM	Priest, Prophet, King	Multi B & C
12:00 PM	Alanon	Pastoral B1,B3,B4
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
7:00 PM	A Spiritual Walk at Emmaus	Pastoral A1/Library
7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus	Café
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Adult Leader Meeting	Pastoral B1
7:00 PM	Mision de Familia	Church
7:30 PM	Legion of Mary	Rm 206

## WEDNESDAY, January 21- St. Agnes

### Dedication of the Church of the Resurrection

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
5:30 PM	Finance Council	Pastoral A1/Library
6:00 PM	Boy Scouts Leader Meeting	Rm 206
6:30 PM	Parent Discussion Group	Multi B
7:00 PM	ESL Classes	Rms 202-206
7:00 PM	Women's CRHP	Pastoral B1
7:00 PM	Health Inspires Seminar	Rm 203
7:00 PM	Mision de Familia	Church

## THURSDAY, January 22

8:00 AM	Men's Scripture Study	Q of A Chapel
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Matthew: The King and His Kingdom	Multi B
10:15 AM	Game Day at Q of A	Q of A Chapel
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
6:30 PM	Ladies of Charity Installation Mass & Social	Church/Café & Youth
7:00 PM	The Great Adventure: A Journey Through the Bible	Lounge
7:00 PM	RCIA	Multi B & C
7:00 PM	Mision de Familia	Church

## FRIDAY, January 23 - St. Vincent, St. Marianne Cope

6:00 AM	Symbolon/Men of Emmaus	Great Hall
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
7:00 PM	Mision de Familia	Church

## SATURDAY, January 24 - St. Francis de Sales

8:30 AM	Bible Timeline in a Day	Multi B & C
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space

## 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, Monday-Friday at Emmaus, at 4:30 PM on Saturdays at Emmaus, and at 9:15 AM on Sundays at Queen of Angels.

**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 24 hours in advance.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Fridays, 12 noon, communications@parish.org.

**LOST AND FOUND** is located outside the church at the left hand side of the narthex by the St. Michael statue. Any valuable items are taken to the parish office.

**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.

### 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

## PERPETUAL ADORATION NEEDS

**24 hours/day, 7 days/week in the Saint John of the Cross Adoration Chapel**

Sunday: 1-2 AM, 9-10 AM, 10-11 AM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM, 7-8 PM

Monday: 3-4 AM, 1-2 PM

Tuesday: 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM

Friday: 12-1 AM, 4-5 PM, 6-7 PM, 7-8 PM

Saturday: 7-8 PM

If you would like to commit to a specific hour that is convenient for your schedule, please contact Michelle Ford, (512) 261-4992.

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

Dear Friends at Emmaus Parish Community - On behalf of our guests at **MARY HOUSE CATHOLIC WORKER**, I thank you for your generous Christmas presents of H-E-B and Target gift cards. Thanks to you, our guests were able to choose brand new clothing and other items, and we continue to use the H-E-B cards to purchase food for our shelter and people on the streets. This month, Mary House will celebrate 24 years of continuous service, and this milestone solely is due to the generosity and love of the People of God. Your community stands as an inspiration and a sign of Jesus's Love in the lives of very sick and homeless men and women. Your community remains in our prayers of blessing and thanksgiving, always. — *Lynn Goodman-Strauss, catholicworkeraustin.org*

**COMMUNITY TAX CENTERS** provide FREE income tax preparation services to low-income families. For more information, visit [CommunityTaxCenters.org](http://CommunityTaxCenters.org), or pick up a flyer from the narthex information racks.

**CAPITAL IDEA** can help you get into a new career. We provide assistance to qualified adults to help them get a professional certification or a two year associate's degree in one of our sponsored careers. Capital IDEA will cover the full cost of tuition and books for adults. More information can be found in the narthex information racks. Orientation sessions begin **Feb. 2**.



### ENJOY THE MOMENT

- God gave us all the gift of a wonderful body (a temple of the Holy Spirit) and it is our responsibility to care for our body throughout our whole life.

Our emotional health is part of the foundation for temple building. God wants you to care for yourself and to treat yourself with love and respect. God has made you as a beautiful creation and loves you beyond comprehension. Often our days are filled with experiences that steal away our mindfulness of this great truth. Reflect back on a typical day. What past and future worries keep replaying in your mind? What can you do to remind yourself to be conscious and deliberate about enjoying the moment? Say a prayer of thanksgiving for the blessings in your life.

*"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?" Matthew 6:25,27*

## PARISH NEWS

Resolve to be your best self now with **HEALTH INSPIRES: FOUR WEEKS TO THE REAL YOU**. Learn how to recognize, achieve and sustain all that you are meant to be; physically, emotionally and spiritually. The presentation by Kathryn Scoblick, Certified Wellness Coach, is taking place Wednesday evenings through Feb. 4, 7-8 PM in Emmaus' PLC Room 203. To learn more and to register, visit [healthinspires.com/four-weeks-to-the-real-you.html](http://healthinspires.com/four-weeks-to-the-real-you.html) or pick up a flyer from the narthex racks.

A new nine-week series of **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** begins Monday, **Jan. 19**, at Emmaus. Taught by best-selling author Dave Ramsey, FPU is a life-changing program that teaches you how to make the right money decisions to achieve your financial goals and God's plan for your life. You will learn step-by-step cash flow planning, common sense techniques to eliminate debt, how to invest wisely, and much more. Classes are held 7-8:30 PM, and your first class on Jan. 19 is free. For details and to register, visit [emmausparish.org/events/fpu](http://emmausparish.org/events/fpu).

Wednesday, **Jan. 21**, marks the fourteenth anniversary of the dedication of our church, and is therefore celebrated as the **SOLEMNITY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION**. Special readings for the solemnity will be included at daily Mass.

For the past five years, we have been blessed to have Sharon Perkins on staff, first as Director of Religious Education and then as Director of Adult Faith Formation. In her time here, she has built one of the finest adult faith formation programs in any parish in the diocese. She is leaving us to take on a new position as Director of Evangelization and Catechesis for the Diocese of Austin. We will have a **FAREWELL GATHERING FOR SHARON** after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, **Jan. 25**, in the Great Hall. Please join us!

You think **GLITZ GLAMOUR GROOVE** sounds like great fun, but your significant other doesn't? Call up your CRHP sisters, your Knights brothers, your fellow parish nurses or choir members or book club friends and get to know each other in a whole different venue by reserving a table at the gala! Visit [emmausparish.org/gala](http://emmausparish.org/gala) for all the details.

**GETTING THE MOST OUT OF OUR NEW HYMNALS**. In our effort to neaten up the pews, the pew cards with the words of the major prayers in the new edition of the Roman Missal are gone. For those who still need assistance they are available in the new hymnals at #140. This area of the hymnal, near the front, can be easily found by the dark grey coloring of the page edges. The readings for the Sunday celebrations are also in the hymnals. Now that you're using the hymnal for so many reasons, have you noticed a book plate in your copy, honoring someone's loved one? You can participate in this, too! Pick up a book plate order form from the narthex racks, or stop by the parish office. Suggested donation is \$15.

**DID YOU KNOW** that copies of recent Sunday homilies are available in the east narthex racks of the church? Pick one up to share the message!

**NEW PARISH DOMAIN AND EMAIL ADDRESSES** - We have now officially moved the parish website and email addresses to a new domain. You may notice that we are now linking to our website at [emmausparish.org](http://emmausparish.org). In addition, all staff email addresses have also changed - the person's name remains the same, but it is followed now by @emmausparish.org. For the immediate future, the former site address and email addresses will continue to work, but we ask that you begin to edit your book marks and contact lists when you have the chance. Thank you!

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Website: <a href="http://www.emmauslakeway.com">www.emmauslakeway.com</a>	Website: <a href="http://www.emmausparish.org">www.emmausparish.org</a>
Email Example: <a href="mailto:susie.smith@emmauslakeway.com">susie.smith@emmauslakeway.com</a>	New Email: <a href="mailto:susie.smith@emmausparish.org">susie.smith@emmausparish.org</a>



### IT'S ON THE WEB!

Did you know that you can find the following items on the Emmaus website?

- Mass Times and Schedule of Presiders
- Daily Readings
- Faith Formation Schedule
- Adult Faith Formation Courses
- Sacramental Preparation Details
- Ministry Opportunities
- Ways to Financially Support Your Parish
- Archived Email Distributions, including the eNews and e-Epistle
- Past Bulletins

- Forms to Submit Prayer Requests and Personal Data Changes
- Links for Catholics and the Diocese of Austin
- Photo Albums of Events at Emmaus
- The ability to view any of the pages in Spanish by using the Google Translate tool at the very bottom of the page
- ...and so much more!

Visit **EMMAUSPARISH.ORG** and choose from the dropdown menus on the teal navigation bar near the top. You can also type into the Search box at the top of the page and enter to get a list of options. Thank you for engaging with Emmaus!

## FAITH FORMATION

## CHILDREN &amp; YOUTH

It's time to sign up for **JOURNEY'S TRAVELING OVERNIGHTER**. This night of no sleep and non-stop fun will take place Friday, **Feb. 20**, 8 PM through Saturday, Feb. 21, 6 AM. Emmaus middle school youth will be joining with students from St. Thomas More, traveling to Austin Sports Arena, Gatti-land, and Main Event. Cost is \$50, and this is open to the first 50 to register. Your spot is confirmed when Julie Sawyer receives your permission form and payment. Visit the website, [emmausparish.org/journey](http://emmausparish.org/journey), to download a form today!

## ADULTS

## QUICK JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE



## A ONE-DAY WORKSHOP

Need a spiritual boost for 2015? Would you like to jump into Bible Study with enthusiasm and confidence? Join us for a **BIBLE IN A DAY WORKSHOP** on Saturday, **Jan. 24**, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM at Emmaus. This workshop provides an excellent introduction and overview of Scripture from a Catholic perspective. Twenty registrants are needed to avoid cancellation, so please register today! Visit [emmausparish.org/adultfaith](http://emmausparish.org/adultfaith).

## EN ESPAÑOL

18 de enero, 2015

2o domingo de tiempo ordinario

*"Y volviéndose Jesús, y viendo que le seguían, les dijo: ¿Qué buscáis?" - Juan 1:38*

¿Qué está buscando usted? ¿Está perdiendo el tiempo buscando la comodidad material del mundo? O, ¿Su corazón desea algo más profundo que solo se puede encontrar al pasar tiempo con Dios? Tómese el tiempo, todos los días en silencio, y pregúntele al Señor que quiere El que usted haga.

**JOVENES ADULTOS HISPANOS** están invitados a Misa (en español) el último viernes de cada mes a las 9 PM en la Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en Austin. Los participantes rezarán el rosario a partir de las 8:30 PM. Para mayor información contacte a Darlyn Montenegro en el (512) 369-9813 o a Alberto Montes en el (512) 317-9439.

**CAPITAL IDEA** puede ayudarle a entrar en una nueva carrera. Proporcionamos asistencia a adultos cualificados para ayudarles a obtener una certificación profesional o un título de asociado de dos años en una de nuestras carreras patrocinadas. Capital IDEA cubrirá el costo total de la matrícula y los libros para adultos. Vea detalles in los estantes de información in el nártex. Sesiones de orientación comienzan 2 de febrero.

Los Centros Comunitarios de Impuestos proporcionar **SERVICIOS GRATUITOS** de preparación de impuestos para personas de bajos ingresos. Para más información visite [CommunityTaxCenters.org](http://CommunityTaxCenters.org). Vea detalles in los estantes de información in el nártex.



**DISFRUTE DEL MOMENTO** - Dios nos dio a todos el don de un cuerpo maravilloso (un templo del Espíritu Santo) y es nuestra responsabilidad de cuidar de nuestro cuerpo a lo largo de toda nuestra vida. Nuestra salud emocional es parte de la base de templos saludables. Dios quiere que usted se preocupe por sí mismo y que se trate con amor y respeto. Dios te ha hecho como una creación hermosa y te ama más allá de la comprensión. A menudo, nuestros días están llenos de experiencias que le roban nuestra atención de esta gran verdad. Reflexione en un día típico. ¿Cuáles preocupaciones del pasado o futuras se repiten en su mente? ¿Qué podrá hacer usted para recordar ser consciente e intencional en disfrutar del momento? Diga una oración de gracias por las bendiciones en su vida.

*"Por eso yo les digo: No anden preocupados por su vida con problemas de alimentos, ni por su cuerpo con problemas de ropa. ¿No es más importante la vida que el alimento y más valioso el cuerpo que la ropa? ¿Quién de ustedes, por más que se preocupe, puede añadir algo a su estatura?" - Mateo 6:25,27*



## WE WANT YOUR INPUT!

Please join us for a Parish Input Session.

Monday, Jan. 26, 6-7 PM -or- Thursday, Jan. 29, 7-8 PM

Thank you to all who submitted input via our Parish Survey this past fall. We continue to study the input and make plans to address your concerns.

In analyzing the data, there was an evident lack of input from our younger parishioners. We know you are very busy with families and work obligations, but you are a vital part of our parish and we really want to hear from you. Therefore, we have scheduled two Parish Input Sessions to take place in the rectory (located in The Hills of Lakeway) and facilitated by Fr. Samuel. Choose the one that works best for your schedule.

These sessions are open to all, but we especially encourage our parishioners with school-aged children to attend. These sessions are for adults only, but childcare will be provided (by advance reservation) at the parish nursery. Couples may attend together, or if it works better for your family, a husband could attend one session and a wife the other. Singles are encouraged, as well. Space will be limited, so we must ask you to RSVP.

- To attend, **RSVP to [emmaus@emmausparish.org](mailto:emmaus@emmausparish.org)** with the number of people and which date you prefer.
- If you would like to request childcare, please include the number and ages of the children.

For those who did not get a chance to complete the Parish Survey, we will be putting it back online during the period of Jan. 26-Feb. 8. You will be able to access the survey from a link on the right column of the parish website, [emmausparish.org](http://emmausparish.org). Thank you for your participation!

### LAS PREGUNTAS MÁS FRECUENTES DE LA PARROQUIA DE EMAÚS QUIERES HACERTE MIEMBRO O NUNCA TE HAS REGISTRADO EN LA PARROQUIA?

Puedes ir a la pagina web [newcomer@emmausparish.org](http://newcomer@emmausparish.org) o hablar a la oficina para informarse cuando se van hacer las registraciones.

**ANUNCIOS O DEDICACIONES DE CUMPLEAÑOS O FALLECIMIENTOS EN MISA:** Todos anuncios y dedicaciones tienen que ser registrados en la oficina antes de hacer anunciados. Para mas información pueden llamar al (512) 261-8500.

Las **PLATICAS DE BAUTISMO** han cambiado, Serán el primer lunes de cada mes; de 7-9 PM. Por favor llamen a la oficina para registrarse para las pláticas.

### 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. También puede ver los boletines electrónicos de la parroquia en español. Únete a las listas de correo electrónico en [emmausparish.org](http://emmausparish.org). Cuando reciba los mensajes de correo electrónico, haga clic en el enlace a "vista en el navegador," y usted entonces tiene la oportunidad de hacer clic en un enlace de "traducir" para ver en el idioma de su preferencia.

## FOCUS ON MINISTRY

*How do you live out your faith?* Emmaus has more than 75 ministries which are reliant on our parishioners' time and talent. Engage with your parish by signing up to help, and you'll be making a meaningful impact on your fellow community members as well as yourself. Here are a few ministries that very much need your help. Please give them prayerful consideration.

### Prayer Blanket Ministry

Contact: Parish Office, (512) 261-8500

The Emmaus Prayer Blanket Ministry involves intercessory prayer and sewing lap-size blankets to give to anyone needing the gift of love and prayer. Prayers are offered for recipients as the blankets are constructed and thereafter by both the ministry and other members of the parish community. In the beautiful acts of making, giving and receiving blankets, the threads of the fabric become interwoven with the blessings of faith, hope, and love. The prayer blanket is a tangible sign that each recipient is covered in prayer by our faith community. There are many tasks involved in making a blanket. No sewing equipment or experience is needed. This ministry is on hiatus until volunteers can sign up to help. Please contact the parish office to offer your time.

### Queen of Angels Wedding Committee

Contact: Janet Grandinetti, (512) 507-9104, pgranch@hughes.net

Members of the Wedding Committee work in teams to coordinate all wedding rehearsals and wedding ceremonies at Queen of Angels Chapel. Responsibilities include being in contact with the bride and groom to review wedding information, and attending and coordinating the rehearsal and wedding ceremony. You would work with one or two other committee members and only have to cover 2-3 weddings per year. Please volunteer your time for this important ministry!

### Criminal Justice Ministry

Contact: John Gilluly, (512) 964-2421

Volunteers are needed to help staff the Travis State Jail Visitor Center on either Saturdays or Sundays. The role would be one of welcoming and support - greeting family members that have come to visit inmates at the unit, typically their wives and kids. Volunteers will not need to enter the unit, but rather will serve in the visitation facility, which is located just in front of the unit. Volunteers can choose their day and hours of service. Visiting hours are from 8 AM until 5 PM, so ideally either a morning or afternoon stint will work best. This is a good way for to serve without actually having to enter a prison unit.

## ACROSS THE DIOCESE

**ANNUNCIATION AUSTIN**, a Catholic K-12 school located on the campus of St. Thomas More, will hold an Open House on Tuesday, **Jan. 20**, 7 PM, and Wednesday, **Jan. 21**, 9:30 AM, in the STM education building. Annunciation Austin provides Kindergarten through Grade 12, university-style education based on a Catholic, classical curriculum. We have small classes and wonderful teachers that provide professional instruction during class days, and clear guidance for lessons facilitated by the parents on home days. Children and students are welcome! RSVP via email at [info@annunciationaustin.org](mailto:info@annunciationaustin.org), or contact our Director of Education, Teresa Ruhl, at (512) 591-8101. Find out more at [annunciationaustin.org](http://annunciationaustin.org).

You are invited to a **COMMUNITY CONVERSATION** with clergy, law enforcement, and other community leaders to discuss ways in which we can ensure that Kindness and Truth meet in our city and that Justice and Peace kiss. Across the country there are demonstrations and marches in response to killings of unarmed black men by police. We invite you to participate in a bold and courageous conversation towards understanding the deeply rooted issues that continue to divide us and take away our humanity. The event will be held Thursday, **Jan. 22**, 6:30 PM in Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall, 1206 E. Ninth St., Austin. For more information, pick up a flyer from the narthex racks.

Singer-songwriter and speaker **JESSE MANIBUSAN** will offer a concert on **Jan. 23** at 7:30 PM, and a contemporary music workshop on **Jan. 24**, 9 AM-12 noon. Both events will take place at St. Michael's Catholic Academy in Austin. To purchase tickets and register, visit [austindiocese.org/manibusan](http://austindiocese.org/manibusan) (group and discounted rates available). For more information, call the Worship Office at (512) 949-2429.

Join us Monday, **Jan. 26**, 5-7 PM for **ST. AUSTIN CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**. Student Council and School Advisory members, faculty and parents will be giving tours and available to answer any questions you have about St. Austin. St. Austin also invites you to school Mass, Friday, **Jan. 23** at 8:15 AM in St. Austin Catholic Church. The Principal and Director of Admissions will be available after Mass for questions. Applications for Pre-K 3 through 8th grade are available online through the school website [www.staustinschool.org](http://www.staustinschool.org). If you have any questions or would like to arrange a tour, please contact Keili Smith, (512) 477-3751 x 311 or [admissions@staustinschool.org](mailto:admissions@staustinschool.org).

The twelfth annual benefit banquet supporting **OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS MATERNITY SHELTER** will be held Friday, **Jan. 23**, at Bell County Expo Center. OLAMS provides a temporary shelter to pregnant women and their children. Social hour and raffle 6-7 PM, with dinner and program 7:15-9 PM. For more information, call (254) 742-2340.

Eagle's Wings Retreat Center invites you to a Day of Spirituality, **THE ART OF BALANCE: DOING GOD'S WORK INTENDED ONLY FOR YOU**, on Tuesday, **Jan. 27**. Explore how setting limits actually sets you free and learn how to have fun with your new-found freedom. Enter the New Year with clarity, refreshment and energy as you discover how to set clear parameters around your expectations versus God's expectations, and reconcile your life's mission with that of God's commission for you. Intended for both men and women. Presenter: Lori Mulady Burdick MA, LPC; Currently the Liturgy Director at St. Thomas More Church and has over 22 years as a Licensed Professional Counselor in Private Practice. 9:30 AM-2:30 PM, \$35 per person, with breakfast and lunch included. For information and to register, contact Sherie Zebrowski, (512) 715-0017.

**CALLING ALL RELIGIOUS ARTISTS** - The Austin Diocese Fine Arts Council is now soliciting religious art of the Judeo-Christian tradition for its thirteenth exhibit in the Religious Art Gallery at the Pastoral Center for the Diocese of Austin. To submit religious art for consideration, please e-mail your images to [craig.kanewske@gmail.com](mailto:craig.kanewske@gmail.com) by **Jan. 29**, and include the title, dimensions, price (if for sale), and an artist's statement briefly describing the intended religious context for each piece submitted. All two-dimensional work must be professionally framed. Accepted art will be exhibited for approximately six months beginning Feb. 27. For more information go to [www.austindfac.org](http://www.austindfac.org).

Are you interested in making the pilgrimage of a lifetime? Ready to have your life changed by encountering the places where Jesus walked and taught? **A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND**, led by Dr. Marcellino d'Ambrosio, is scheduled for **Apr. 2015**. "Dr. Italy," who spoke on the Second Vatican Council at Emmaus in February 2012, has led several pilgrimages of Catholics to Israel and is opening up this exciting opportunity. Visit [crossroadsinitiative.com](http://crossroadsinitiative.com), or [goholyland.info](http://goholyland.info) for more information. Don't delay - seats will be gone by the end of January!