



## MASS DEDICATIONS

- APR. 11**  
5:00pm.....For World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- APR. 12**  
8:30am.....For World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
10:00am....For World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
10:30am....For World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
12:15pm....For World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
5:00pm.....For World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- APR. 13**  
8:30am.....In Memory of Donna Muirhead
- APR. 14**  
8:30am.....In Memory of Carrie Chauvin
- APR. 15**  
8:30am.....In Memory of Beverly Castelletto
- APR. 16**  
8:30am..... In Memory of Mother of  
Donna DeFrank  
9:30am.....For Safety of all Children
- APR. 17**  
8:30am..... For George Blake

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

## 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.

### Bright Horizons

Contact: Pat Thompson, (512) 261-8500 x306, pat.thompson@emmausparish.org

Bright Horizons is a respite program for caregivers of homebound individuals with dementia. The program provides a much needed break to caregivers, allowing time for appointments, errands, or personal enrichment. Bright Horizons volunteers are people with compassionate hearts and lively spirits who contribute their time and resources to this ministry.

# PARISH SUPPORT

## Weekly Stewardship Report

April 5, 2015: .....\$75,882 [Easter]  
Fiscal YTD Offertory: .....\$1,583,147

### Fiscal Year to Date: July 1, 2014-Feb. 28, 2015

Total Income (Offertory & Other): .....\$1,643,828  
Total Expenses (Operating & Principal/Interest): .....\$1,649,922  
Budget Excess (Deficit): .....(\$6,094)

PLC Loan Balance: .....\$1,314,140  
Church Loan Balance: .....\$4,290,839

### Mortgage payments (principal/interest)

on above loans: .....\$46,410/month



2014-15 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: .....\$24,512  
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

## Special Collection - April 11 & 12

Seminarians and Priest Education and Formation

## 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).

## 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.

## April 12, 2015 - The Second Sunday of Easter

*"The community of believers was of one heart and mind and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own." - Acts 4:32*

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your talents and abilities - these are all gifts from God. We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with.



# 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, April 12

### Second Sunday of Easter

1:45 PM	Divine Mercy	Parking Lots
2:00 PM	CRHP Last Supper	Great Hall
2:30 PM	Troop 52 Ad Altare Dei	Rm 204

## MONDAY, April 13

### St. Martin I

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	EPIC: The Early Church	Q of A Chapel
10:00 AM	Bright Horizons	Great Hall
10:30 AM	By Way of the Heart	Multi B
11:00 AM	Spiritual Book Club	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	Women's CRHP-Spanish	Pastoral B1

## TUESDAY, April 14

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	The Eucharist	Multi B&C
12:00 PM	Alanon	Pastoral B1,B3,B4
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
6:00 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Society	Q of A Chapel
7:00 PM	Men's CRHP-Spanish	Pastoral B1
7:00 PM	Women's CRHP #27	Pastoral B3
7:30 PM	Legion of Mary	Rm 206

## WEDNESDAY, April 15

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:00 AM	St. Jude Trike-A-Thon	Parking Lots
10:00 AM	The Prophets	Multi B&C
11:00 AM	Power for Parkinson's	Great Hall
1:00 PM	Parish Nurses Meeting	Café
5:30 PM	Finance Council	Pastoral A1/Library
7:00 PM	ESL Classes	Rms 202-206
7:00 PM	Men's CRHP Night of Discipleship	Church

## THURSDAY, April 16

8:00 AM	Men's Scripture Study	Q of A Chapel
9:00 AM	St. Jude Trike-A-Thon	Parking Lots
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
10:15 AM	Game Day at Q of A	Q of A Chapel
10:15 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Pastoral B1
10:30 AM	Caregivers Haven: By Way of the Heart	Café & Youth Space
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
7:00 PM	The Great Adventure: Journey through the Bible	Lounge
7:00 PM	CRHP Night of Pentecost	Pastoral B1
7:30 PM	Spanish Prayer Group	Youth Space

## FRIDAY, April 17

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	Clases de Finanzas	Rm 206

## SATURDAY, April 18

6:00 PM	Emmaus' 2015 Gala	Great Hall
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## 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 4:20 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 48 hours in advance.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Fridays, 12 noon, communications@emmausparish.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.

**TO MEET WITH A PRIEST,** please call the parish office.

### 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

## BAPTISMS

Hudson Gregory Powell,  
Finley Anniston Powell,  
Carlos Gabriel Resendiz



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Scott Tracy, Stephen Tracy, Richard Cohen, Edna Perales, Chavez Family, Elizondo Family, Joe & Ruth Jacobi, Maryls Collins, Carlos Gabriel Resendiz, Anselmo Hernandez, Esteban Diaz, Mike Nishimuta, Denise Bush, Rachael Medina, Lucy Moreno, Tony Becerra, Blanca Castillo, Donna Lochow, Mary Burks, Cedric White, Block Olbrich



## FAITH FORMATION

### CHILDREN & YOUTH

We are seeking some teenagers and adults to help us with **GALA SET-UP** for a few hours on Friday, **April 17**, right after school. Can you give 2-3 hours? Please call Paula at the parish office if you can help. Thank you!

## PARISH NEWS

**April 12-18** marks **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**. It seems a fitting time to express how grateful we are to the hundreds of parishioners who selflessly give of their time to make this parish the wonderful, caring community that it is. Rosary makers, those who clean the church, the women who provide food for funeral receptions, the kids who run a game booth at Fall Fest, ushers, lectors, greeters, musicians, caretakers of the grounds, SEED card sellers, and on and on and on. It would be very difficult to list everyone without leaving someone out, so let us all thank God for each other and for the gifts that we share. We are truly blessed to be a part of this faith community.

Emmaus ECEP will sponsor a **ST. JUDE TRIKE-A-THON** on **April 15 & 16** to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, one of the world's premier pediatric cancer research centers. The event will teach the children of Emmaus ECEP many bike riding safety lessons and will allow them to bring their tricycles to school to practice their newly learned skills. To support their stewardship efforts, please donate by visiting <http://trikeathon.stjude.org/emmauspreschool>.

The **PASTORAL COUNCIL** is now accepting applications from members of the parish to fill open positions. Voting at Emmaus and Queen of Angels will take place the weekend of May 2-3. If you are interested, or know someone who is, please visit [emmausparish.org/councilelections](http://emmausparish.org/councilelections) for more information and to access the application. The deadline to submit applications is **April 18**. Thank you for giving this your prayerful consideration.

The Emmaus **PARISH LIBRARY** is still being developed. Donations of Catholic books are welcomed, and may be dropped off at the collection basket outside the library door (Pastoral A1).

Boy Scout Troop 52's **SHRED DAY** event is Saturday, **April 25**, 8 AM-12 noon in the Emmaus front parking lot. This event provides the Lake Travis area community with an opportunity to safely destroy personal records (receipts, credit card statements, medical forms, tax records and other personal or financial documents). While the event is free of charge, donations are accepted and will directly benefit the members of Boy Scout Troop 52, chartered by Emmaus Catholic Parish.

The Knights of Columbus are offering two **\$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS** to a male and female high school senior. To be eligible, you must be a graduating high school senior, active and a registered member of Emmaus Catholic Parish, and actively pursuing the continuation of education through an accredited college, university or trade/technical school. No one component - academic achievements, service, activities, financial need, etc. - will weigh more heavily than another. The recipient will be chosen based on the overall presentation. Visit <http://youthscholarship.wordpress.com/> for more information. Applications are due no later than **April 30** and the winners will be announced at the Country Breakfast on May 3.

On Easter, these **RCIA candidates** received the sacraments of initiation into the Catholic Church. Please join us in welcoming Dwayne Bandy, Bea Chiulli, Heather Eilers, Akiannah Galindo, Lauren Stark, Terry White, and Cameron Wolfe.

Emmaus is hosting the annual **AGED TO PERFECTION** luncheon on **May 8** for parishioners of both campuses who will be 80 and over by that date. Emmaus enjoys having a goodly number of qualified honorees! We do not want to leave anyone out of this year's marvelous event; however, our parish database may not have the correct date of birth for some of our senior parishioners. If you qualify and have not received an invitation in the mail, please call the parish office at (512) 261-8500 to sign up. We want as many as possible to be honored and join in the fun!

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

During the first quarter of 2015 (January through March), **PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY** has had 35 direct services contacts assisting 45 individuals. These have include services such as referrals to social/medical agencies and diocesan/parish ministries, document preparation, prescription medication and equipment, home repair programs, job placement, utility and rental assistance. PSM also works in collaboration with community, county and state agencies to assist in meeting other needs including home and hospital visits, job search, victim service, and crisis case management. If you would like information about other components of Parish Social Ministry such as Advocacy, Community Organizing, and Global Solidarity, contact Sr. Elizabeth at the parish office.

**CAPITAL IDEA** is a nationally recognized program that helps low income individuals in Central Texas to go back to school and obtain an associate's degree, thus enabling them to access higher paying jobs and breaking the cycle of poverty. Attend one of their one-hour orientation sessions during the month of April to learn more about it and maybe even start the process. Attending one of these sessions is easy, free, and is a requirement for individuals applying for this program. Please pick up a flyer in the narthex information racks and share this information with others.

## EN ESPAÑOL

**12 de abril, 2015 - 2o Domingo de Pascua**

*“Todos los creyentes eran de un solo sentir y pensar y nadie consideraba suya ninguna de sus posesiones.” - Hechos 4:32*

¡Todo lo que somos y todo lo que tenemos es un regalo de Dios! Piense en su familia, sus amigos, sus talentos y habilidades - todas estas cosas son regalos de Dios. No somos dueños de nada, solo somos “servidores” de los dones con que Dios nos ha bendecido.

Ven y Únete a las **CLASES DE FINANZAS** en Emmaus! En esta serie de 5 semanas, hablaremos sobre presupuestos familiares, planes de ahorros, crédito y las opciones que existen para cuidar y hacer crecer tu dinero. Nos reuniremos los viernes de 7 a 8:30, empezando el **17 de abril**. La serie tiene un costo de \$20, la cual se le devuelve por completo a las personas que vengan a todas cinco clases. Te reirás y aprenderás! Para mas información, comunícate con Nikki al 828-713-8700.

Durante el primer trimestre de 2015 (enero a marzo), el **MINISTERIO SOCIAL PARROQUIAL** ha tenido 35 contactos de Servicios Directo—ayudando a 45 personas. Estos han incluido servicios tales como referencias a agencias sociales/médicos y ministerios diocesano/parroquiales, preparación de documentos, ayuda con prescripciones y equipo médico, reparación de viviendas, servicios públicos y asistencia de alquiler. Este Ministerio trabaja en colaboración con la comunidad, el condado y agencias estatales para ayudar a satisfacer otras necesidades, incluyendo visitas al hogar y hospital, búsqueda de empleo, servicios a víctimas, y manejo de casos de crisis. Si gustaría más información sobre otras áreas del Ministerio Social Parroquial, tales como Defensa y Aboga, Organización de la Comunidad, y Solidaridad Global comuníquese con la Hermana Elizabeth en la oficina parroquial.

### 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](mailto:newcomer@emmausparish.org) o hablar a la oficina para informarse cuando se van hacer las registraciones.

**ANUNCIOS, EN MISA DEBEN DE HACER SOLICITADAS:** A [communications@emmausparish.org](mailto:communications@emmausparish.org) para el jueves, a las 12 pm, para que sea anunciado el domingo. Usted puede enviar 2-3 oraciones cortas para [communications@emmausparish.org](mailto:communications@emmausparish.org) con la fecha en que desea que su anuncio sea leído en la Misa. El anuncio será revisado y aprobado por el pastor antes de que se anuncie en la Misa. En la mayoría del tiempo, se alentarán a los feligreses a recoger un boletín para los últimos anuncios. Para más información pueden llamar a la (512) 261-8500.

**LAS PLATICAS DE BAUTISMO:** Serán el primer lunes de cada mes; de 7-9 PM. Por favor llamen a la oficina para registrarse para atender 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.

## ACROSS THE DIOCESE

• Join us for an afternoon of fashion, food, fun, and faith at the **2015 PURE FASHION SHOW**, Sunday, **April 12**, at the Shoal Crossing Event Center. High school girls from many parishes will model trendy, yet tasteful clothing from Dillard's, Macy's, GAP and JCPenney's. Doors open at 1 PM for hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Don't miss this unforgettable event emceed by Kim Speirs, Executive Director, St. John Paul II Life Center, with a guest appearance by Heather Gardner, Executive Director, Central Texas Coalition for Life!

• St. Gabriel's Catholic School invites you to our **OPEN HOUSE** on Tuesday, **April 14**. This is an informal event, so please stop by any time between 8:30-10:30 AM. Attending Open House will give you the opportunity to tour the campus, observe classes in session, and meet current parents, faculty, and administrators. Children are welcome! If you are interested in more information or scheduling an individual tour, please contact us: (512) 327-7755 or [admissions@sgs-austin.org](mailto:admissions@sgs-austin.org). Visit us online at: [sgs-austin.org](http://sgs-austin.org).

• The mission of the Catholic Charities of Central Texas will be shared by those whose lives it has touched at the ninth annual **CREATING HOPE BENEFIT**, Wednesday, **April 15**, 12 noon at the AT&T Conference Center on the UT campus. For details and to attend, visit [ccctx.org/creatinghope2015](http://ccctx.org/creatinghope2015) or call Annie Chavez, (512) 651-6118.

• **CURSILLO** is a 3-day course in Christianity. In today's world, one thing is for sure...Walking daily with the Lord is the best exercise for your mind and body. Everyone should consider taking some personal and uninterrupted time to deepen his or her relationship with Jesus. This is the only exercise guaranteed to leave you feeling stronger. What a beautiful gift to give yourself! The following are the dates for English Speaking weekends: Women's Weekend: **April 16-19**; Men's Weekend: **May 21-24**. For more information or to register, please contact Robin Spencer, Lay Director at, (254) 220-3883, [robins@hot.rr.com](mailto:robins@hot.rr.com) or visit [austinenglishkursillo.webs.com](http://austinenglishkursillo.webs.com).

• Join fellow Catholic women at the **April 18** meeting of the **AUSTIN DEANERY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**. The meeting begins at 9 AM at San Jose Catholic Church, 2435 Oak Crest, Austin. (Optionally, there is a parish Mass at 8 AM.) Following the business meeting, installation of officers and a complimentary brunch, we'll hear from Sr. May Lou Barba speaking about how we can be part of the Year of Consecrated Life. Sr. Mary Lou is the director of the diocesan Office for Religious. The meeting will conclude by 12:30 PM. Questions? Contact President Gerri Misko at [gerri.misko@bhhstxrealty.com](mailto:gerri.misko@bhhstxrealty.com) or (512) 426-2814.

• Heart of Mary, a **WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT** for single, Catholic women ages 18-45 with an openness to the vocation of consecrated religious life, will be held **April 24-26** at Cedarbrake in Belton. Cost is \$35. Register online at [austinvocations.com](http://austinvocations.com).

• Did you know that **THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT** newspaper is available online? View current and past issues at [austindiocese.org/offices-ministries/offices/catholic-spirit](http://austindiocese.org/offices-ministries/offices/catholic-spirit).



## GLITZ GLAMOUR GROOVE

### “LIVE” FROM THE GREAT HALL ON SATURDAY NIGHT!

#### Announcing Emmaus' 2015 Live Auction

**Party at the Pastor's** - Dinner for 12 at the rectory, hosted by Fr. Samuel, with food by Suevan Resendiz and secret recipe margaritas by Julie Sawyer. Olé!

**Cookin' at the Convent** - The Sisters of the Missionary Catechists of the Divine Providence, including Emmaus' own Sr. Mary Lou and Sr. Elizabeth, invite you to their home for a special Convent-style BBQ for 6.

**How Does Your Garden Grow?** - Succulent & Garden Workshop for 2 at Revival, taught by Master Gardener Shari Bauer, who also will create a special bowl garden just for this event

**Summer Fun on Lake Austin** - Four hours for 8 people on a Mastercraft Wake Boat from Austin 360 Wakesports, plus “The Big Deal” from Pok-e-Jo's Smokehouse

**Lakeside Retreat** - Up to 6 people can spend 3 days/2 nights in a fully-outfitted Lake Austin guesthouse. Perfect for family vacation, girls' or guys' weekend, or just a much-needed escape. Donated by Mary Sawin

**Special Wine Dinner for 10** - The Grove in Lakeway invites your party of 10 to gather around the wine table, choose your dinners from anything on the extensive menu, and enjoy selecting wines to accompany your dinners.

**Kenny Chesney Live** - Two premium concert tickets, plus the VIP experience, for Kenny Chesney Live at the Austin 360 Amphitheater on May 21, courtesy of The Messina Group/AEG Live

**The Big Green EGGsperience** - The Large EGG handles the cooking needs of most families and gatherings of friends. Comes with rolling Large EGG nest and accessories. Generously donated by Peter & Maria Soo

**The Great Colorado Escape** - Seven-night stay in a condo at The Lodge at Mountaineer Square in Crested Butte. Great in summer or winter! Donated anonymously by some very generous parishioners

**The Ultimate Backyard Celebration** - Birthday? Anniversary? Retirement? Graduation? Whatever the reason, here's how to turn your backyard into a party! The Ministers of Meat will provide BBQ for 50, Cuong Vu and King Kong Karaoke will help with the entertainment, and Maureen O'Shay Photography will capture it all on film.

More details and photos available through a link on the website, [emmausparish.org/gala](http://emmausparish.org/gala). Can't attend but want to bid? No problem! Visit the website for a link to the online auction and submit an Absentee Bid.

Our online “silent” auction is now accepting bids from everyone. Check it out at the same link!

Do you suddenly find your Saturday night free? Then please join us next Saturday, **April 18**, for **GLITZ GLAMOUR GROOVE**. Dining, dancing, casino games, and fabulous fellowship. **Order your tickets by Monday, April 13**. Visit [emmausparish.org/gala](http://emmausparish.org/gala) for details, to order tickets, or to place your bids!

## ACROSS THE DIOCESE

- You're invited to the second annual **FABULOUS FATHERS PRIEST TALENT SHOW** on **April 18** at the Texas Medical Association Building in Austin. Join us for an evening of dinner, entertainment and auctions with emcee, Lino Rulli, of “That Catholic Guy” radio show. You never know what talents will be unveiled. Doors open at 5 PM. Enjoy the talents of our local priests while supporting Catholic homeschooling families. Visit [RCAHybrid.org](http://RCAHybrid.org) for tickets and more information.

- NEW BEGINNINGS**, a weekday retreat, will be held **April 19-21** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Everyone is invited to reflect on the Resurrection of Christ and the new beginnings we are offered through the life, death and resurrection of Our Lord. The cost is \$195 for private rooms, \$160 for shared rooms, and \$85 for commuters. To register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436.

- In this weekend's first reading, it says “I will be their God, and they shall be my people.” God wants to be invited into every marriage. The next **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS** are **May 15-17** at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton and **July 17-19** at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock. For more information or to apply to attend, visit the website [austinme.org](http://austinme.org) or contact Steve and Linda Jaramillo at (512) 677-WWME (9963) or [wwmeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:wwmeaustin@gmail.com).

- The City of Lakeway Activity Center and Women's Club of Greater Lakeway invite you to **IT'S A SMALL WORLD SING-ALONG**, **April 23, 24 & 25**, at the Lakeway Activity Center. Doors open at 6 with dinner by Mangieri's served at 6:30. BYOB. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at the Lakeway Activity Center. Proceeds allow the group to put on their Christmas program which benefits Green Santa.

- Have you ever struggled with your prayer life? Do you ever wonder why some people seem to have it so easy when it comes to prayer? Join us for a presentation on **SPIRITUALITY & TEMPERAMENT** and discover how your personality can enhance your prayer life. Discussion will include an understanding of the four basic personality types and the varying prayer styles that accompany each one. Presenter: Nola Flores, MA in Theology with over 20 years of experience in a wide variety of ministries. Gifted presenter at both the parish and Diocese level. Tuesday, **April 21**, 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. \$35 per person; includes morning snacks and lunch. For more info and to register, call (512) 715-0017.

- The Hutto skyline will become a neon glow on **May 2** at the third annual **SAINTS & SINNERS AFTER DARK 5K**. St. Patrick Catholic Church will be hosting this spectacular event for families and friends all ages, sizes and “wattages.” Get Your Neon On! Register early for big discount. More details: [saintsandsinners5k.com](http://saintsandsinners5k.com) or call (512) 593-2523.

- A day of reflection entitled **THE SEASONS OF OUR LIVES AND WHAT THEY TEACH US** will be held **April 27**, 9 AM - 2 PM at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. This day will be based on the book of the same name by Sisters Joyce Rupp and Macrina Wiederkehr. Facilitator Beverly Collin will explore the relationship between the seasons of the earth and the seasons of our lives to help discover spiritual growth and the awareness of God's presence in and around us. The cost is \$35, which includes lunch. To register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or [cedarbrake@austindiocese.org](mailto:cedarbrake@austindiocese.org).

- Registration is open for the annual **ANNUNCIATION MATERNITY HOME BANQUET** on **May 7** at St. Helen Parish in Georgetown. Registration and silent auction begin at 6 PM. Live auction, dinner, and program begin at 7 PM. Online registration and more information can be found at [thematernityhome.org](http://thematernityhome.org) or (512) 864-7755.