



# PARISH SUPPORT

## MASS DEDICATIONS

- AUG. 22**  
5:00pm ..... In memory of Joseph Kane
- AUG. 23**  
8:30am ..... For Emmaus Parish  
10:00am ..... In memory of  
Charlie & Zenia Kitowski  
10:30am ..... In memory of Janie Sides Gardner  
12:15pm ..... For Natalia Marek  
5:00pm ..... In memory of Block Olbrich
- AUG. 24**  
8:30am ..... For Jr. De Paz III
- AUG. 25**  
8:30am ..... In memory of  
Tom & Beatrice Lucksinger
- AUG. 26**  
5:30pm ..... In memory of Block Olbrich
- AUG. 27**  
8:30am ..... For Tom & Lucy Walsh  
9:30am ..... For John & Shari Bauer
- AUG. 28**  
8:30am ..... For Gregory Marek, Jr.

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

## WEEKLY REFLECTION

August 23, 2015

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15)*

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a partner in the work of the Lord. A partner is a person who invests their time, talent, and treasure. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!

## BAPTISM

### WELCOMING OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

- Olivia Abigail Alfaro, Amelia  
Eloise Corriveau, David  
Habbid Melgarejo Estrada,  
Fatima Ivanna Nava Guel,  
Nayeli Ortega Hernandez,  
Marlene Ysbel Melgarejo



### Weekly Stewardship Report

August 16, 2015: .....\$28,665  
Fiscal YTD Offertory: .....\$240,578

#### Fiscal Year to Date: July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015

Total Income (Offertory & Other): .....\$2,356,359  
Total Expenses (Operating & Principal/Interest): .....\$2,306,413  
Budget Excess (Deficit): .....\$49,946  
PLC Loan Balance: .....\$1,298,393  
Church Loan Balance: .....\$4,225,839

**Mortgage payments (principal/interest) on above loans: \$46,152/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](http://emmausparish.org/seed).

2015-16 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: \$4,157  
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.

# 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, August 23 - Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM Emmaus Dinner Club Mixer Great Hall

## MONDAY, August 24 - St. Bartholomew

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 10:00 AM Bright Horizons Great Hall  
 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  
 7:30 PM Men's CRHP Pastoral A1/Library

## TUESDAY, August 25 - St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 9:30 AM Alanon Pastoral B1,B3,B4  
 5:15 PM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 6:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society Q of A Chapel  
 6:30 PM Divorce and Beyond PLC Lounge  
 7:00 PM Men's CRHP-Spanish Pastoral B1  
 7:00 PM Women's CRHP Team #27 Rm 204  
 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Rosary/General Meeting Café  
 7:30 PM Legion of Mary Rm 206

## WEDNESDAY, August 26

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 11:00 AM Power for Parkinson's Great Hall  
 6:15 PM Pastoral Council Pastoral A1/Library  
 7:00 PM Summer Adult Confirmation Program Multi B  
 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous Pastoral B1

## THURSDAY, August 27

### St. Monica

8:00 AM Men's Scripture Study Q of A Chapel  
 9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 10:00 AM Game Day Q of A Chapel  
 10:15 AM Overeaters Anonymous Pastoral B1  
 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Pastoral B1  
 5:15 PM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 7:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group Youth Space

## FRIDAY, August 28

### St. Augustine

5:45 AM Men of Emmaus Great Hall  
 9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Pastoral B1

## SATURDAY, August 29

### The Passion of St. John the Baptist

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space  
 9:00 AM EIM Basic Workshop-English Great Hall  
 9:15 AM EIM Basic Workshop-Spanish Rm 206  
 10:00 AM Bright Horizons Retreat Multi B & C  
 2:00 PM EIM Refresher Workshop-English Great Hall  
 2:15 PM EIM Refresher Workshop-Spanish Rm 206  
 6:00 PM Social Saturday Narthex

## 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, Monday-Friday at Emmaus, at 4:20 PM on Saturdays at Emmaus, and at 9:15 AM on Sundays at Queen of Angels.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION** is available 24 hours a day in the St. John of the Cross Adoration Chapel. To sign up for available hours, visit [emmausparish.org/adoration](http://emmausparish.org/adoration), or call Michelle Ford, (512) 261-4992.

**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 (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.

**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.

**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



Celebrating 18 years of friends, food, and fun, the **EMMAUS DINNER CLUB** is open to all adult parishioners who like to cook, like to eat, and enjoy making new friends. Participants gather in groups of eight 4 times throughout the year, each couple hosting one dinner. Groups are forming now! You are invited to the annual Appetizer & Cocktail Mixer this Sunday, **Aug.**

**23**, 4-6 PM in the PLC Great Hall; please bring an appetizer to share and a beverage of your choice. For more information, contact Joan Wood at (512) 402-1273. **[Search and join Emmaus Dinner Club on The City]**

When a marriage ends it is more than a separation of two people. It is a death of an important part of their lives. **DIVORCE AND BEYOND**, a program for adults who have gone through a recent divorce, offers participants the support and guidance they need to help them through the divorcing process. Michelle M. Browning of Intuitus Group will be your guide. This program will run Tuesdays, **Aug. 25-Oct. 13**, 6:30-8:30 PM in the Emmaus PLC Lounge. Cost per person (for materials): \$30. To register, call the parish office, (512) 261-8500.

**EIM WORKSHOPS** at Emmaus have been scheduled for Saturday, **Aug. 29**. You can now register online! Please visit [emmausparish.org/eim](http://emmausparish.org/eim) to access the online form to sign in to your personal EIM account or to create a new account. The nursery will be available for all workshops with 48 hours advance reservation through the parish office.

**SOCIAL SATURDAY** returns next Saturday, **Aug. 29!** Gather in the narthex with your fellow parishioners following 5 PM Mass. Relax and enjoy some casual time with friends, old and new! Join us for a glass of wine, a beer and snacks. This popular event happens about once a month. Please join us...all are welcome!

The **SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB AT EMMAUS** will begin a new book on **Aug. 31**, The World's First Love: Mary, Mother of God by Fulton J. Sheen. All are welcome! The Book Club meets Mondays, 11 AM-12 PM in the PLC Lounge. For more information, contact Teresa Crable at the parish office. **[Search and join Spiritual Book Club @ Emmaus on The City]**

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who has mentioned an interest in learning more about becoming Catholic? Come to an **RCIA INFORMATION SESSION** on Sunday, **Aug. 30** in PLC Room 206. Sessions will take place following the 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12:15 PM Masses. The RCIA process is for adults who want to become Catholic. These information sessions will describe the entire process and answer any questions you might have. All are welcome to attend ... whether you, yourself, are interested in joining the Catholic Church; if you know someone who is and want to invite them; or if you are a member of the parish and want to know how you can get involved in this dynamic ministry. For further details, contact Tracy Rodenborn, [rcia@emmausparish.org](mailto:rcia@emmausparish.org).



Are you experiencing fears or anxieties of the "tomorrows" of your life? Do you feel so alone that you don't know which way to turn? If you've lost a loved one - whether a spouse, child, relative, or friend - join us for **TRANSFORMING LOSS**, a series offering support, practical tools, and a time of spiritual reflection to help make the journey less painful. The program will run the first and third Wednesdays, **Sept. 2 - Dec. 16**, 10 AM-12 PM in the PLC Lounge. To register, call the parish office, (512) 261-8500.

Through God's Word in Scripture, those suffering the personal challenge of caregiving are led to experience Christ's peace in life's more difficult times. All caregivers are invited to join us on the first and third Thursday of each month for **CAREGIVERS HAVEN**, 10:30 AM-12 PM in the PLC Lounge. Each session provides practical tools and guides one to understand God's way when life is most challenging. Our next session in Thursday, **Sept. 3**. Please join us!

Can you give just a couple of hours to your parish on the afternoon of **Sept. 28?** Help us fill our volunteer time slots at the **EMMAUS GOLF TOURNAMENT**, and we'll feed you a nice dinner! Absolutely no golf experience necessary - just a willingness to engage with your parish family members! Sign-ups are available online at [emmausparish.org/golf](http://emmausparish.org/golf). Thank you "fore" your help!

### PARENTING SUPPORT GROUP for not-so-traditional parents

Sometimes being a non-traditional parent offers special challenges. Whether you're a single or two-parent household, co-parents sharing custody, grandparents raising a grandchild, or other non-custodial family member raising school-aged children (grades K-12),



this self-help family and peer support group is here to help. We will focus on:

- Helping single parents connect with others in the community and parish
- Providing a safe, caring environment for participants to share their feelings and frustrations as a parent or caregiver
- Providing practical tools and resources that parents can implement in the home to help their child adjust to changes in the home dynamics
- Providing education and resources to support the non-traditional parent

The topics will evolve as the group forms, but some potential areas to be addressed include:

- Self-care for adults
- Stress and anger management for parents
- Helping children adjust to changes in home environment, including transitions, visitation, and home disruptions
- Behavior management for children
- Child/adolescent development/attachment
- How to be an advocate for your child in the school system
- Resources for single parent homes and other local community resources

The group will begin meeting on **Sept. 10** at Emmaus Catholic Parish on the second Thursday of each month, 6:30-8 PM, and is open to anyone in the community. Though there will be a faith component to the meetings, the group is open to all religions. Childcare in the parish nursery will be available if reserved at least 48 hours in advance of a scheduled meeting (by Sept. 7), and is subject to a minimum of reservations. The meetings will be facilitated by Mara Reilly, M.A., LMFT, and Shelley Coleman, M.A., LPC-S. For more information or to participate, call Mara Reilly at (512) 263-7052. **[Search and join Parenting Support on The City]**



# FAITH FORMATION



**FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION** for children and youth continues. Please note that class placement preference is given to registered parishioners. If you have not registered with the parish, please be sure to attend our Welcome & Registration Event on Sunday, Sept. 13. For classes and to download a registration form, visit [emmausparish.org/faith-formation-registration](http://emmausparish.org/faith-formation-registration). Classes start Sept. 20. **[Search and join FLOCK, Elementary Faith Formation, Journey, and Outcry on The City]**

Will you answer the call to be a **CATECHIST**? As we prepare for the next Faith Formation year, please give prayerful consideration to answering the call of being a Catechist. You'll be doing the most important job of teaching our children. We especially need catechists for Monday and Wednesday classes, and the children of catechists receive free Faith Formation tuition. For information and to learn more about the various opportunities to serve in this important role, contact the Faith Formation office. Thank you and God bless you! For more information, visit [emmausparish.org/catechist](http://emmausparish.org/catechist). **[Search and join Catechists on The City]**

If you are entering your junior year of high school and have completed the religious education requirements, your **CONFIRMATION PAPERWORK** is due by **Aug. 26**. This is the final deadline to participate. Details are on the website at [emmausparish.org/confirmation](http://emmausparish.org/confirmation). Confirmation Rehearsal has been rescheduled to Wednesday, Sept. 9, 7-8 PM in the Church, and the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Saturday, Sept. 12, at 10 AM.

Need to reconnect with yourself and God? Want to meet Catholics like yourself? Searching for your spirituality? You are invited to join us for a **CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH** weekend of spiritual renewal, fellowship, and fun. A Women's Retreat in English will take place **Sept. 19-20**, and a Men's Retreat in English will be held **Oct. 3-4**. The weekend retreat is perfect for those looking for time to relax, pray, and rethink priorities. Let the Spirit move you! Register online at [emmausparish.org/crhp](http://emmausparish.org/crhp).



## 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.

### GABRIEL PROJECT

Contact: Linda Guilbert, (512) 261-3264

The Angel Gabriel has always been a messenger of love. His first words, "Be not afraid," opened the door of love to a poor, unwed mother, the Mother of God. 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. In addition to providing direction for guidance, Emmaus Catholic Parish collects and disburses diapers, clothing, and other essentials to mothers in need. Volunteers are always needed. **[Search and join Gabriel Project on The City]**

## 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.

23 de agosto 2015

21o - domingo de tiempo ordinario

*"Y si no les parece bien servir al Señor escojan hoy a quién han de servir... Pero yo y mi casa, serviremos al Señor."* (Josue 24:15)

Cuando nos comprometemos a servir al Señor, debemos estar dispuestos a transformarnos en socios en el trabajo del Señor. Un socio es una persona que invierte su tiempo, sus talentos y tesoros. Si decimos que servimos a Dios, ¡debemos en efecto hacer algo y no meramente hablar de ello!

### 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 PERPETUA** esta disponible a la 24 horas en La Capilla de Adoracion. Para anotarse para las horas disponibles visite [emmausparish.org/adoracion](http://emmausparish.org/adoracion), a Michelle Ford, al (512) 261-4992.

**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 48 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.

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

**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.

Have you responded to Fr. Samuel's letter?



Please mail your form or respond online:

[www.emmausparish.org/change-of-information](http://www.emmausparish.org/change-of-information)



The Schoenstatt Fathers are part of the International Schoenstatt Movement. Schoenstatt is a renewal movement founded by Father Joseph Kenterich in 1914 in Germany. Several religious and lay communities are part of the Movement, with the Schoenstatt Fathers being the youngest with 300 members working in all continents. Our task is to render priestly service to the movement and to build it up.

The Indian Schoenstatt Fathers are now in the position to develop several projects to realize their charism within the demands of the country. They have 55 Indian Fathers and 80 seminarians in the different stages of formation. The Schoenstatt Fathers in India aim at developing centers of spiritual renewal, a children's village for 60 deserted and neglected children (predominantly girls), and a school for qualified Catholic character formation and education. Their 24 tutoring centers help the children continue their schooling. Their home for boys provides 20 poor children the facilities of lodging and quality education. The Schoenstatt Fathers work in parishes, promoting faith formation of the youth and families and help reach out the poor and needy participating in the evangelization process of the Church.

For their social projects and the formation of the seminarians, Schoenstatt Fathers of India appeal to your solidarity and ask for your generous support. Fr. Anbuthurai Thomas (Fr. Anbu), a Schoenstatt Father from India, will speak in all Holy Masses at Emmaus this weekend about their mission activities in India.

## ACROSS THE DIOCESE

- The Spicewood Community Library is hosting a monthly **LAWYER IN THE LIBRARY DAY** on the last Wednesday of each month. The next event will be **Aug. 26**, 4-6 PM. Local attorneys will offer free legal advice to low-income residents. For more information, call (830) 693-7892.

- The **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE** is a two-day event for women that offers speakers to teach, encourage, and challenge women in the Catholic faith, Adoration and meditation, fellowship with other sisters in Christ, music for prayer and praise, and exhibitors that offer spiritual resources to help women grow and share the Catholic faith. This year's conference will take place **Aug. 28-29** in San Antonio. For information and to register, visit [pilgrimcenterofhope.org/conferences/cwc](http://pilgrimcenterofhope.org/conferences/cwc) or call (210) 521-3377.

- **ANNUNCIATION AUSTIN** is continuing to enroll for the 2015-2016 school year. The small school community offers K-12 education based on a classical, Catholic curriculum and a Tuesday/Thursday university schedule. Classes are held on the St. Thomas More campus. For information, visit [annunciationaustin.org](http://annunciationaustin.org) or call (512) 591-8101.

- The car needs a tune-up, your job needs periodic continuing education, the house needs a fresh coat of paint, and the grass needs mowing. What about your marriage? Isn't it time to place your relationship at the top of the list of things that need tending to? Attend a **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (WWME)** weekend and give your marriage a tune-up. For more information on the September and November weekends, or to register, call (512) 522-8409 or visit [austinme.org](http://austinme.org). Call early to ensure a space. Para información en español, llamar al (512) 635-1036.

- Caregivers are invited to attend CaregiverU's free **POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS**, to be held on Tuesdays, **Sept. 1** through Oct. 6, 1-2:30 PM at St. Catherine of Siena Church. This series is designed to empower family caregivers of older adults to take better care of themselves. To register or for more information, contact Lynn Greenblatt, (512) 301-3560 or visit [caregiverucentx.org](http://caregiverucentx.org).

- **THEOLOGY ON TAP** will be held **Sept. 1** at Casa Chapala (9041 Research Blvd. St. 100 in Austin). Bishop Joe Vásquez will speak about young adults in light of the diocesan pastoral plan, and Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation "Laudato Si." Jeremy Rodriguez will open with music at 6 PM followed by the presentation beginning at 7 PM. For more information, contact Jennifer Kodysz at [jennifer-kodysz@austindiocese.org](mailto:jennifer-kodysz@austindiocese.org).

- **RETROUVAILLE** simply means 'rediscovery.' This program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. For confidential information about the upcoming Austin weekend **Sept. 11-13**, call (800) 470-2230 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

## ACROSS THE DIOCESE

- Join the Austin Friends of Raphael's Refuge and Sarah's Hope & Abraham's Promise from the Rabboni Institute for a **PILGRIMAGE TO THE CHAPEL OF HOLY INNOCENTS** at Raphael's Refuge in Flatonia, TX. This special event will honor and remember our deceased children from early death, miscarriage, abortion or artificial reproductive technologies. Commend your children to the Heart of Our Lady of Sorrows during the Eucharistic Holy Hour and Candle Lighting Service, Saturday, **Sept. 12**, at 6:30 PM. The Chapel is constructed of personalized glass bricks honoring these children. To order your personalized memorial block, visit [www.RaphaelsRefuge.org](http://www.RaphaelsRefuge.org). The service is free but a bus/dinner option is available for \$37 per person. To RSVP or register for the bus, visit <https://2015-pierced-by-the-light.eventbrite.com>.

- Eagle's Wings Retreat Center invites you to a **DAY OF SPIRITUALITY** on **Sept. 15**: Ancient Art, Symbols and the Soul: An Introduction to Religious Art. Artists have long been using natural and ordinary objects as signs and symbols to communicate attributes of the saints, as well as heavenly realities. Join us for a discussion of the symbols commonly used in art and you will uncover and appreciate the Biblical and cultural sources of this visual language. Presenter: Karen Rhodes Ochoa, MA in Fine Art, DIEM in Liturgy. Preregistration required. \$35 per person. Light breakfast and lunch included. Register at [ewrc.org](http://ewrc.org)

- **RETREAT 101** will be held **Sept. 19** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. This is a day designed for people who have never experienced a retreat, and an opportunity to get out of your routine and give yourself a chance to reflect upon how God moves in your life. It will be a casual day to discover God's purpose. Wear comfortable clothes, shoes, and bring a friend if you want, or come to meet new friends. Feel refreshed and renewed and ready to move forward in your faith. Cheryl "Max" Maxwell, an extremely gifted retreat leader and former Director of Office of Worship and Secretariat Director for Formation and Spirituality at the Diocese of Austin, will lead this retreat. Cost is \$35 and includes lunch. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or [cedarbrake@austindiocese.org](mailto:cedarbrake@austindiocese.org).

- **A RETREAT FOR THE SCRUPULOUS** will be offered **Sept. 25-27** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Scrupulosity has been called "the doubting disease," or a religious form of a compulsive disorder that is little-known but afflicts many people of faith. People may be troubled about past sins they cannot release and others may agonize about problems of obedience and purity. Many worry about sin where there is no sin. Redemptorist Father Tom Santa, a priest and pastor in Chicago, will lead this weekend retreat, which will include the celebration of Mass and the sacrament of reconciliation. The costs for this weekend retreat is \$195 for a private room and \$160 for a shared room. All meals included. To register or for more information about all that is offered at Cedarbrake, visit [www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake](http://www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake) or call (254) 780-2436.

## PRAYER REQUESTS



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