



PARISH SUPPORT

MASS DEDICATIONS

- JAN. 2**
5:00 pm..... In memory of Don Schlicke
- JAN. 3**
8:30 am..... For Emmaus Catholic Parish
10:00 am..... In memory of Owen Odom
10:30 am..... For Carmen Sanchez, MCDP
12:15 pm..... For Francisco Resendiz
5:00 pm..... For all Faith Formation Families
- JAN. 4**
8:30 am..... For the Halfmann Family
- JAN. 5**
8:30 am..... In memory of Yolanda Aviles
- JAN. 6**
5:30 pm..... For MCDP Sisters
- JAN. 7**
8:30 am..... In memory of Larry York
9:30 am..... In memory of Herman Gonzales
- JAN. 8**
8:30 am..... In memory of Domingo
& Florinda Gauna

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

WEEKLY REFLECTION



**January 3, 2016 -
Epiphany of Our Lord**

"...the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel." (Ephesians 3:6)

Today we celebrate that Christ came to all of us, not just the Hebrews. He made us all one body with Him. We were all given different gifts; we all have different yet equally valuable roles to play in the Body of Christ. Ask God how He wants you to use your gifts so that we may all "be one" in this Year of Mercy.

Weekly Stewardship Report

Due to advanced holiday print deadlines, offertory figures are not available.

Fiscal YTD Offertory:.....	\$902,855
PLC Loan Balance:.....	\$1,282,520
Church Loan Balance:.....	\$4,159,171
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:.....	\$16,173
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 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.

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 3

The Epiphany of the Lord

9:30 AM K of C Country Breakfast Great Hall

MONDAY, January 4

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 9:30 AM Epic: A Journey through Church History Q of A Chapel
 10:00 AM Bright Horizons Great Hall
 11:00 AM Spiritual Book Club PLC Lounge
 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Pastoral B1
 5:15 PM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 6:30 PM CRHP Continuation Committee Pastoral A1/Library
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts Great Hall
 7:00 PM Baptism Class-Spanish Rm 206
 7:00 PM Baptism Class-English Multi B&C
 7:00 PM The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Study Rm 203
 7:30 PM CRHP Men's Team-English Rm 205

TUESDAY, January 5

St. John Neumann

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 9:30 AM Al-Anon Pastoral B1,B3,B4
 5:15 PM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 6:00 PM Great Christian Texts Discussion Rm 205
 6:30 PM JustFaith Multi B
 7:00 PM CRHP Men's Team-Spanish Pastoral B1
 7:00 PM A Spiritual Walk at Emmaus Pastoral A1/Library
 7:30 PM Legion of Mary Rm 206
 7:30 PM K of C Planning Meeting Café

WEDNESDAY, January 6

St. André Bessette

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous Pastoral B1
 7:00 PM ESL Classes Rms 201-206

THURSDAY, January 7

St. Raymond of Penafort

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 9:30 AM Consoling Heart of Jesus Rm 206
 10:00 AM Game Day Q of A Chapel
 10:15 AM Overeaters Anonymous Rm 205
 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Pastoral B1
 5:15 PM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 7:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group Youth Space
 7:00 PM Consoling Heart of Jesus Rm 206
 7:00 PM RCIA Multi B & C

FRIDAY, January 8

5:45 AM Men of Emmaus Great Hall
 9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Pastoral B1
 6:00 PM Journey into Marriage Multi B & C

SATURDAY, January 9

9:00 AM Jazzercise Café & Youth Space
 10:00 AM Journey into Marriage Multi B & C

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.

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, 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 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

LA BEFANA is the benevolent old woman with magical powers who brings gifts to the children of Italy on the eve of the Epiphany. La Befana will stop by Emmaus on Wednesday, **Jan. 6** to meet everyone after the 5:30 PM Mass. Bring your children to meet La Befana and receive a treat on the Feast of the Epiphany.

Whether you're new to Emmaus or you have been here a while, normally attend at Emmaus or at Queen of Angels Chapel, we invite you to formally register in the parish at our next **WELCOME & REGISTRATION EVENT** on Sunday, **Jan. 10**, 9:45 AM in the Emmaus Great Hall. Welcome & Registration Events last less than an hour. We'll have an activity table for the children, refreshments will be served, and childcare will be available for young children in our nursery. We will not be adding any newcomers to our official parish rolls until the next event but, at any time, you are welcome to participate in parish activities. We look forward to meeting you!

Bring the kids, bring the grandparents, bring your friends! **FAMILY BINGO NIGHT** returns to the Emmaus Great Hall on Friday, **Jan. 15**, hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Bingo, food, fun, and prizes. Doors open at 6:30 PM, and proceeds raised this month benefit Frontline Faith, which provides spiritual support for our men and women serving in the armed services. All are welcome!

EIM WORKSHOPS, Basic and Refresher in both English and Spanish, have been scheduled at Emmaus for January. The English workshops will take place **Jan. 16**, and the Spanish workshops on **Jan. 23**. Please visit emmausparish.org/eim for the dates and times and for information on how to register. The nursery will be available for those who call the parish office at least 72 hours in advance to make a nursery reservation.

Our mission is to empower and give hope to everyone from the financially secure to the financially distressed. Taught by best-selling author Dave Ramsey, **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** is a 9-week 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. This series will meet nine Monday evenings, 7-8:30 PM, beginning **Jan. 18** in Emmaus PLC Rm 204. You may access the registration link through Financial Peace University on The City, or from the front of the parish website, emmausparish.org. **[Join Financial Peace University on The City]**

LIFE AFTER DIVORCE provides a step-by-step process for putting your life back together after a love relationship has ended. This participation-centered seminar turns the crisis of divorce into a creative emotional recovery experience. Its guides provide the way to get oneself into a position to enjoy life according to God's plan and purposes. The seminar portion is 8 weeks but is designed so individuals may begin at any time. This series meets Tuesday evenings beginning **Jan. 19**, 6:30-8:30 PM in the Emmaus PLC Lounge. Please call the parish office to register.

Losing someone you love is excruciating for it leaves heartache. The truth is you come face-to-face with your powerlessness. So instead of just encountering the difficulties and contradictions, bend them with gentleness and embrace the love which leaves a lasting, treasure-filled memory. You are not alone. Join us for **HEALING JOURNEY OF GRIEF**, Saturday, **Jan. 30**, 10:30 AM-2:30 PM in the PLC Cafe and Lounge. Please call the parish office to register.

Sure, it may not be until April, but sponsorships, reserved tables, and individual tickets for **MAGIC 'TIL MIDNIGHT**, the 2016 Emmaus Gala, are available now! The sooner you reserve your table, the better its location in the hall. Visit emmausparish.org/gala for all the details. Make some magic with us!

FAITH FORMATION

Students wishing to be Confirmed in 2016 must be enrolled in Faith Formation (Outcry) and attend four mandatory **CONFIRMATION WORKSHOPS** with their parents. The second workshop in this series will take place Sunday, **Jan. 10**, 6:15-7:30 PM in the PLC Youth Space. Sponsors are also encouraged to attend. **[Join Outcry on The City]**

Outcry students are encouraged to plan now for the **DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE (DCYC)**, **Jan. 29-31** in Waco. The theme this year is "Restless." St. Augustine of Hippo, doctor of the Church, teaches us about the power of conversion, forgiveness, and God's love. Download an Outcry permission form at emmausparish.org/outcry and submit with your payment of \$150 by Jan. 10 to be included in this year's conference. **[Join Outcry on The City]**

Endorsed by EWTN hosts Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ, and Fr. Benedict Groeschel, CFR, **CONSOLING THE HEART OF JESUS** combines the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius with the teachings of Saints Therese of Lisieux, Faustina Kowalska, and Louis de Montfort. The author, Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, has a remarkable gift for inspiring little souls to trust in Jesus, The Divine Mercy. The series will meet ten Thursdays beginning **Jan. 7**, 9:30-11 AM -or- 7-8:30 PM in Emmaus PLC Rm 206. To register, RSVP through Adult Faith Formation on The City for the appropriate class: Mornings or Evenings, or call the parish office. **[Join Adult Faith Formation on The City]**

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FOR ADULTS: Discovering the Master Plan for Your Life is an eight-part, four-hour study presented by Christopher West, designed to give you a solid understanding of God's plan for humanity - a plan stamped right into our bodies. The series will meet for eight Tuesday mornings beginning **Jan. 12**, 9:30-11 AM in PLC Multi B&C. To register, RSVP through Adult Faith Formation on The City, or call the parish office. **[Join Adult Faith Formation on The City]**

Knights' News

The Knights of Columbus are nuts about Emmaus! On behalf of the entire Knights Council, we want to express our sincere thanks for the continued support of our annual **nut fundraiser sales** at both Emmaus and Queen of Angels. The funds raised support our charitable contributions to many causes including support for diocesan seminarians, community service projects, and parish ministries here in our community.

Make a resolution to join us this Sunday, Jan. 3 starting at 9:30 AM in the Great Hall of the Emmaus PLC building for a great cause. The all-you-care-to-eat **Country Breakfast** will include pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, coffee, and juice. Proceeds raised this month benefit the Frontline Faith, which provides spiritual support for our men and women serving in the armed services.

Brother Knights and families should be on the lookout for **membership renewal** letters in January. Not a member of the Knights? Contact Membership Director Vincent Maggio at (512) 514-0138 to learn more or visit our membership table during the Country Breakfast.

Stay up to date with all the latest Knights of Columbus news by joining our **Knights of Columbus on The City!**

Save these Dates

- Family Bingo Night: Friday, January 15
- K of C Monthly Council Meeting: Tuesday, January 19
- K of C Lenten Fish Fry Fridays begin February 12



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.

3 de enero de 2016 - Epifanía de Nuestro Señor

“...los Gentiles son coherederos, miembros del mismo cuerpo, y coparticipes en la promesa de Cristo Jesús a través del Evangelio” (Efesios 3:6)

Hoy celebramos que Cristo vino para todos nosotros, no solo para los hebreos. Él nos hizo un solo cuerpo con Él. Nosotros hemos recibido diferentes dones; todos tenemos diferentes funciones que desempeñar en el Cuerpo de Cristo, pero todas igualmente valiosas. Pregúntale a Dios como quiere que uses tus dones de forma tal que “seamos uno” con Él en este Año de Misericordia.

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 PERPETUA esta disponible a la 24 horas en La Capilla de Adoracion. Para anotarse para las horas disponibles visite emmausparish.org/adoration, 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 72 horas de anticipación.

PRAYER REQUESTS

luisana cayetano, larry hays, clark hanley, dominga gauna, hannah rempel, telma ferrari, debbie claudine, valsa abraham, benito ramos, jr., margarita diaz, walter may, christo family, cedric white, lloyd patrick, patrick family, john totte, maria rivera, mary ann kelly, jim mastrian, martin kennedy, john madden, jeronima milreles vazquez, philomena rowlands, christina martin, jan zapata

SOCIAL OUTREACH

January is **POVERTY AWARENESS MONTH**. Did you know that more than 45 million Americans are living in poverty? PovertyUSA is the domestic anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops. An initiative of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), PovertyUSA seeks to educate and promote understanding about poverty and its root causes. To access resources that can help you learn more about poverty, its root causes, and how you can make a difference in the lives of those living in poverty, visit povertyusa.org.

FECHA TOPE PARA BOLETÍN: viernes, 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 EUCARISTÍA 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 emaus ¿sabía usted que puede ver la página web de emaus en español? visite emmausparish.org. en la parte inferior de cada página hay un enlace para ver la página en español.

FOCUS ON MINISTRY

MOBILE LOAVES & FISHES

Contact: Maria Soo, (512) 750-1025, mpsoo@yahoo.com

The mission of the Mobile Loaves & Fishes ministry is to “provide food, clothing, and dignity to our brothers and sisters in need” by stocking and manning trucks which visit the homeless where they are... on the streets of Austin and the surrounding area. We now have two ongoing opportunities through Emmaus' Mobile Loaves & Fishes ministry to serve.

1. First Saturday of each month, 4-7:30 PM - Making meals and delivering by truck through the Lake Hills Church commissary
2. Second Thursday of each month, 5:30-7:30 PM - Truck run through the St. Thomas More commissary

Did you miss the last information and training session at Emmaus? No problem! Back by popular demand is another opportunity to get information and training for Mobile Loaves & Fishes. Please join us Thursday, Feb. 4, 7-8:30 PM in PLC Rm 205. Hope to see you there! **[Join Mobile Loaves & Fishes on The City]**

ACROSS THE DIOCESE

Come join us for our next **COURAGEOUS CONVERSATION** on Tuesday, **Jan. 5**, 6:30-8:30 PM at St. Thomas More Catholic Parish, 10205 FM 620. We will discuss the continued shootings of blacks by law enforcement and the actions we can take to undo racism. The meeting will be in the Parish Activity Center (PAC) which is the second building on the left as you enter the St. Thomas More campus.

Gabriel Project Angels are volunteers who work with those in need of emotional and spiritual support due to an unplanned pregnancy. There is a need for angels across the diocese. The next **GABRIEL PROJECT ANGEL TRAINING** will be held at St. Paul Parish in Austin on **Jan. 9**, 9 AM-5 PM. For more information, contact Mary Helen Russell at (512) 949-2488.

January is the perfect time to spiritually adopt a recently conceived baby to protect it from an abortion. You can do this with other women of the **AUSTIN DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN** at their January 16 meeting at St. Albert the Great Church, 12041 Bittern Hollow, Austin. Prayer Service at 9:00 AM will be followed by a business meeting and complementary brunch. The program features a nurse practitioner from Seton's neonatal unit sharing experiences and stories about the fragile life she cares for on a daily basis. For more information, contact Karen Dunlap, (512) 836-0530, kdunlap78@hotmail.com.

MARY HOUSE CATHOLIC WORKER OF AUSTIN, INC., is celebrating 25 years of service to indigent, critically, and terminally ill people **Jan. 16** at 2 PM at St. Ignatius Martyr Parish in Austin. Bishop Joe Vásquez will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving for all the thousands of people who have volunteered their time and talent and other gifts to create the only such shelter in the state of Texas. There will be a reception after the Mass.

Join Catholics from across the state to promote a Culture of Life on **TEXAS CATHOLIC PRO-LIFE DAY, Jan. 23**. Prayer begins at 7 AM at Planned Parenthood at 201 E. Ben White in Austin and then all will proceed to St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin at 9 AM. Mass with Bishop Joe Vásquez begins at 10 AM, and lunch will be available after Mass. Buses will be available to join the March for Life, which starts at 1 PM in downtown Austin at 18th Street and Congress Ave. to join the Rally for Life at the Capitol at 2 PM. Buses will return to St. Vincent de Paul at 3:30 PM from the southeast corner of the Capitol at Brazos & 13th streets. T-shirts and bus tickets are on sale now! For full details, visit austindiocese.org/offices-ministries/offices/pro-life-activities-and-chaste-living-office/texas-catholic-pro-life-day.

The next **TOGETHER ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC) RETREAT** will be held **Jan. 16-18** at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. The retreat is specifically designed for juniors in high school to young adults in their 20s and is focused on the Paschal Mystery of Christ. The cost for the weekend is \$100 and includes two nights, meals, and supplies. For more information, contact Jennifer Kodysz at (512) 949-2467 or jennifer-kodysz@austindiocese.org.


The annual Mass celebrating the legacy of **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.** will be celebrated **Jan. 17** at 9:30 AM at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Bishops Joe Vásquez and Daniel Garcia will concelebrate the Mass.

A **HEALING HEARTS RETREAT** for women who have suffered any kind of sexual trauma will be held **Jan. 22-24** at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The cost is \$135. For more information or to register, call Beverly Collin at (254) 780-2436.

The Austin/Travis County **POINT IN TIME (PIT) COUNT** is an effort to learn more about homelessness in our community so that we can better serve those in need. By knowing who is on the street, where they are, and what they need, ECHO (Ending Community Homelessness Coalition) and its partner agencies can most effectively target services to those that need them the most. Individual and group volunteers are welcome. To register for the Count on **Jan. 23** and for more information about the activity visit: austinecho.org/2016-point-in-time-count-registration/. If you would like to join the Catholic Charities team, register for Shift 2 and put "Catholic Charities" in the note section. We will meet up for breakfast after the count. Email christina-schneider@ccctx.org for more information about the CCCTX team.

ENCOUNTERING CHRIST is a retreat co-sponsored by Cedarbrake and led by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist on **Jan. 30**, 9 AM-2 PM at St. John Vianney Parish in Round Rock. The day retreat will be based on the diocesan Pastoral Plan entitled "Encounter that Leads to Transformation." The cost is \$25 with lunch included. Register through Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436.

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



Have you "moved in" yet?

The City allows us to:

- 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

www.emmausparish.onthecity.org