



MASS DEDICATIONS

FEB. 20
5:00pm..... For James & Sheryl Vinson

FEB. 21
8:30am..... In memory of Forrest Garretson
10:00am..... In memory of Stephanie Kirkpatrick
10:30am..... In memory of John Corbitt
12:15pm..... For Emmaus Catholic Parish
5:00pm..... In memory of Eladia Hernandez

FEB. 22
8:30am..... For Mary Lee Baker

FEB. 23
8:30am..... In memory of Miriam Romero

FEB. 24
5:30pm..... In memory of Eladia Hernandez

FEB. 25
8:30am..... In memory of Eladia Hernandez
9:30am..... For Martha Scallon

FEB. 26
8:30am..... For the Varkey Family
To request a special mass intention for Emmaus Catholic Parish or Queen of Angels Chapel, contact the parish office, (512) 261-8500.

WEEKLY REFLECTION



February 21, 2016 2nd Sunday of Lent

"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." (Genesis 15:7)

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether our home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do we show our gratitude to God for the home He has given us? Do we make a sacrifice of any kind? Do we return any of our finances to God, investing equally in our eternal home just as we invest in our earthly home?

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Stewardship Report

February 14, 2016:	\$25,048
Fiscal YTD Offertory:	\$1,327,687
PLC Loan Balance:.....	\$1,274,299
Church Loan Balance:.....	\$4,125,837

Mortgage payments (principal/interest)

on above loans: \$46,708/month



Second Collections at Emmaus

Benevolence: First Sunday of the month
Parish Life Center: Fourth Sunday of the month

Buy SEED Program Gift Cards and Help Emmaus

Support Emmaus Every Day by purchasing SEED (gift) cards from Emmaus and using them just like cash when you shop. Purchase cards for groceries, gasoline, dining, gifting. You receive the full value, and Emmaus gets an added percentage from the retailer. That amount adds up for Emmaus and helps us pay parish expenses without any extra expense on your part. Available for a long list of retailers and in various denominations, SEED cards are sold at the parish office Monday through Friday and in the Emmaus narthex before and after masses on Saturdays and Sundays. For more information, visit emmausparish.org/seed.

2015-16 FYTD SEED Gift Card Program: \$20,829

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.

Scan to Give

Did you know that you can make your regular offertory donation using your smart phone? Just use any QR Code reader to scan this code and complete your donation.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

All items on the calendar are scheduled at Emmaus Catholic Parish with the exception of those marked as Queen of Angels. PLEASE NOTE: Changes may have occurred in the schedule between print deadlines and the bulletin distribution. Please refer to the Parish Website for the most current calendar listings.

SUNDAY, February 21

2nd Sunday of Lent

8:45 AM	RCIA Dismissal	Café
1:30 PM	First Eucharist Workshop-Spanish	Multi B & C

MONDAY, February 22

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Epic: A Journey through Church History	Q of A Chapel
9:30 AM	Emmaus Moms Lenten Prayer & Reflection Series	Rm 206
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	Boy Scouts	Great Hall
7:00 PM	The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Study	Rm 203
7:00 PM	Financial Peace University	Rm 204
7:30 PM	CRHP Men's Team-English	Pastoral A1/Library

TUESDAY, February 23

St. Polycarp

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	An Introduction to the Theology of the Body for Adults	Multi B & C
12:00 PM	Al-Anon	Pastoral B1, B3, B4
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
6:00 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Society	Q of A Chapel
6:00 PM	Great Christian Texts Discussion	Rm 205
6:30 PM	JustFaith	Multi B
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	Rm 203
7:00 PM	Volunteer Legal Services Clinic	Great Hall
7:00 PM	CRHP Women's Team 27-English	Rm 204
7:30 PM	Legion of Mary	Rm 206

WEDNESDAY, February 24

9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
10:00 AM	Light Weigh	Rm 206
10:30 AM	Called to be Friends	Pastoral A1/Library
6:15 PM	Pastoral Council	Pastoral A1/Library
7:00 PM	Narcotics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
7:00 PM	ESL Classes	Rms 201-206

THURSDAY, February 25

8:00 AM	Men's Scripture Study	Q of A Chapel
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
9:30 AM	Consoling the Heart of Jesus	Rm 206
10:15 AM	Stations of the Cross	Q of A Chapel
10:15 AM	Overeaters Anonymous	Rm 205
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:00 PM	Fundraising Party for the Parish at Point of Origin	Off Site
5:15 PM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
6:30 PM	CRHP Continuation Committee	Pastoral A1/Library
7:00 PM	Spanish Prayer Group	Youth Space
7:00 PM	Consoling the Heart of Jesus	Rm 206
7:00 PM	RCIA	Multi B & C
7:00 PM	Hispanic Community Meeting	Great Hall

FRIDAY, February 26

5:45 AM	Men of Emmaus	Great Hall
9:00 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
12:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Pastoral B1
5:00 PM	K of C Fish Fry	Great Hall
6:30 PM	Stations of the Cross-English	Church
7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross-Spanish	Church

SATURDAY, February 27

8:30 AM	Jazzercise	Café & Youth Space
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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, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at Emmaus, 8:30 AM on Wednesdays at Emmaus, 4:20 PM on Saturdays at Emmaus, and at 9:15 AM on Sundays at Queen of Angels.

THE ADORATION CHAPEL is open 24 hours a day. To sign up for available hours, visit emmausparish.org/adoration.

PARISH OFFICE: (512) 261-8500; Monday-Friday, 9 AM-4 PM; Sunday, 8 AM-12 noon

NURSERY: The Nursery is available at Emmaus for the Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12:15 PM masses. The nursery may be available for other designated parish events if advertised and a minimum number of children are registered. For such designated events, you must specifically request childcare by calling the parish office at least 72 hours in advance.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Fridays (10 days in advance), 12 noon, communications@emmausparish.org

MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS: Thursdays, 12 noon, communications@emmausparish.org

LOST AND FOUND at Emmaus is located on the ledge at the left hand side of the narthex (near the SEED table). Any valuable items are taken to the parish office.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES are available for your use during mass. Pick one up in the sacristy.

ALTAR FLOWERS/MASS DEDICATIONS: To order altar flowers or to dedicate masses at Emmaus or Queen of Angels, please call the parish office.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES: If you know someone who is struggling and could use our support, or would like to receive Holy Communion in their home, please call the parish office. A complete listing of Social Outreach offerings is available on the website.

EMMAUS' RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY is committed to the preservation of human life and the human spirit through education on Respect Life issues and programs. As part of Respect Life, the Gabriel Project assists with Crisis Pregnancies, and Project Rachel provides hope and healing after abortion. Further information is available on the website or by contacting the parish office.

TO MEET WITH A PRIEST, to request Anointing or a visit for an ill loved one, or to arrange a blessing of a pregnancy or your home, please call the parish office.

TO REQUEST EUCHARIST for the facility- or homebound, please call the parish office. We ask that you allow 48 hours for arrangements to be made.

HEALTHCARE VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATES CLINIC: (512) 263-0265

LADIES OF CHARITY: (512) 791-5750

LAKE TRAVIS CRISIS MINISTRIES: (512) 266-9810

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: (512) 576-1744

PARISH NEWS

Please join us Fridays during Lent for our **LENTEN SUPPERS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS**. Supper at 5 PM in the PLC Great Hall is followed at 6:30 PM by Stations in English and 7:30 PM by Stations in Spanish. For more details, visit emmausparish.org/lent.

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

Love to shop? Love your parish? Join us on Thursday, **Feb. 25**, 5-8 PM at Point of Origin in Lakeway for a **SHOPPING PARTY!** We'll share in fabulous shopping, adult beverages and treats, and Emmaus-style fellowship. We hope to fill the store with shoppers, because 20% of sales will benefit Emmaus Catholic Parish! While you're there, consider purchasing an item to donate to Emmaus' gala auction. The store will be filled with all the newest items from market. Bring your friends and enjoy some shopping fun!

You are invited to come take part in an evening of prayer and conversation at a **HISPANIC COMMUNITY MEETING**, Thursday, **Feb. 25**, 7-9:30 PM in the Great Hall. This community dialogue is part of ongoing efforts for parishioners to share with each other and with your parish staff. Please come share the evening and your hopes for Emmaus with us. Contact Sr. Elizabeth at the parish office for details.

Need to reconnect with yourself and God? Want to meet Catholics like yourself? Searching for your spirituality? Join us for a **CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH** weekend of spiritual renewal, fellowship, and fun. Retreats are scheduled as follows: **Mar. 5-6** (Women's-English); **Apr. 9-10** (Men's-English). Let the Spirit move you! Register online at emmausparish.org/crhp. **Join CRHP on The City**

SOCIAL OUTREACH

Emmaus Catholic Parish is hosting a **FREE LEGAL CLINIC** for persons who may be seeking legal assistance. We are partnering with Volunteer Legal Services of Austin. The clinic will take place on the last Tuesday of each month beginning **Feb. 23**, 7-9 PM in the PLC Great Hall. Sign-in for services will begin at 6 PM. The nursery will be available. For further information, please contact Sr. Elizabeth at the parish office.

The Central Texas Coalition for Life will again host **40 CHURCHES FOR 40 DAYS**, and Emmaus Catholic Parish will cover one day out of the entire 40 days on Saturday, **Mar. 12**, 7 AM-3 PM, at Planned Parenthood, 201 E. Ben White Blvd., Austin. Please pray and discern to be a part of that day to honor the sanctity of life. Just one prayerful hour of your time will make a big difference. To sign up, visit volunteersignup.org/D4JC8. For additional information, contact Lee Malkowski, (601) 927-8818, ljm8459@gmail.com. **Join Respect Life on The City**

Nineteen Journey Middle School students collected \$1,110.89 in donations over Super Bowl weekend through the annual **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING** collection. Donations will benefit Mobile Loaves and Fishes *Community First!* Village and Helping Hand Crisis Ministry of Spicewood. In addition, Emmaus Early Childhood Education Program collected almost 200 cans of food to benefit Lake Travis Crisis Ministries. Thank you to the students and parishioners who supported this effort!

MERCIFUL LIKE THE FATHER, a Lenten mission, will be presented in Spanish at Emmaus **Mar. 6-8**, 7-8:30 PM each evening. Presenters will be Fr. Everardo Cázares, José Juan Valdez, and José Rivera. The mission will close on March 8 with Mass and a potluck dinner. All are invited. For details in Spanish, visit the website, emmausparish.org/lent, or pick up a flyer from the west narthex racks. **Join Adult Faith Formation on The City**

A WORKSHOP ON THE GOSPEL OF LUKE - Luke is the evangelist who we are going to hear most from during this liturgical year. Furthermore, as we celebrate this Year of Mercy, Luke's writings are known as the Gospel of Mercy. On Saturday, **Mar. 12**, 9 AM-12 PM, come join Dr. Suzanne Nawrocki, MA, M.Div., D.Min., in a morning workshop on the Gospel of Luke. Suzanne will share her scriptural knowledge in order to give a more comprehensive view of this beloved author. How do we date this Gospel? What do we know about Luke from the Bible itself? From where did he get his material? Why did he write this account of Jesus' life when he already had the Gospel of Mark? Understanding the intricacies and theology of the whole will enable participants to better understand and put into context the readings proclaimed each Sunday. This workshop would be of help to the ordained, lectors, catechists, and all those who simply want to delve into the sacred scriptures a little deeply. No prerequisite is required; just a willing spirit and an open heart to hear God's Word anew. **Join Adult Faith Formation on The City**

We are excited to tell you that Emmaus Catholic Parish has subscribed to **FORMED**, a digital gateway to the best Catholic content, teachers and presenters, accessible anywhere at any time on most smartphones, tablets and computers, for catechetical training, study groups or personal growth. Whether you're trying to catch up on a Bible study or watch a great Catholic movie, FORMED is for you! Choose from programs, movies, audios, and books. The parish covers the cost; you simply register, enter Emmaus' code, and enjoy this remarkable source of online learning. Register today at formed.org and enter code 28648a. **Join Adult Faith Formation on The City**

FAITH FORMATION

Registration is now open for the **CONFIRMATION RETREAT** which will take place **Apr. 9-10** at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. To register, print a permission form from emmausparish.org/outcry and turn in to the office with payment of \$100. For more information, contact Matt Scruggs, outcry@emmausparish.org. **Join Outcry on The City**



Early Bird Registration for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** will take place **Mar. 5-31**. Take advantage of discounted early registration rates by signing your child up today! VBS 2016 will take place July 25-29 at Emmaus. Did you know that adults who sign up as volunteers for the full 5 days can take 50% off their child's tuition? Combine that with early bird registration, and you could pay only \$20 per child! For details, visit the website, emmausparish.org/vbs, or stop by the narthex after Masses on March 5 & 6 to sign up. **Join Vacation Bible School 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.

21 de febrero de 2016
2o Domingo de Cuaresma

"Yo soy El Señor, que te saqué de Ur de los caldeos, para darte a heredar esta tierra" (Génesis 15:7)

Así como el Señor le dio a Abraham, Moisés y los Israelitas la posesión de unas tierras, también nos ha dado a cada uno de nosotros un hogar. Sea nuestra casa grande o humilde, es un don de Dios. Abraham preparó un gran sacrificio al Señor en agradecimiento por la casa que Dios le dió. ¿Cómo le podemos mostrar nuestra gratitud a Dios por la casa que nos ha dado? ¿Hacemos algún tipo de sacrificio? ¿Le regresamos algo de nuestras finanzas a Dios, invirtiendo igualmente en nuestra casa eterna, así como invertimos en nuestra casa terrenal?

LAS PREGUNTAS MÁS FRECUENTES DE LA PARROQUIA DE EMAÚS

¿INTERESADO EN SER CATÓLICO? Para los adultos interesados en aprender más acerca de convertirse Católico a través de RICA, visite el sitio web de la parroquia o llame a la oficina parroquial.

¿NUEVO A LA PARROQUIA? Escriba a newcomer@emmausparish.org o llame a la oficina parroquial para registrarse para asistir a un evento de Bienvenida y Registro.

PREPARACIÓN PARA LOS SACRAMENTOS: Para obtener más información acerca de la preparación sacramental para el Bautismo, la Reconciliación, la Eucaristía (Comunión), la Confirmación, o Matrimonio, visite el sitio web de la parroquia o llame a la oficina parroquial.

ROSARIO (en inglés) se reza a las 9 AM, de lunes a viernes en Emaús, a las 4:20 PM los sábados en Emaús, y a las 9:15 AM los domingos la capilla Reina de los Ángeles.

LA ADORACION CHAPEL esta disponible a la 24 horas. Para anotarse para las horas disponibles visite emmausparish.org/adoration.

OFICINA PARROQUIAL: (512) 261-8500; Lunes-Viernes, 9 AM-4 PM; Domingo, 8 AM a 12 del mediodía

GUARDERÍA (CUIDADO DE NIÑOS): La Guardería está disponible en Emaús para las Misas de Domingo 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM y 24:15. La guardería puede estar disponible para otros eventos particulares si esta anunciado, y un número mínimo de niños están registrados. Para estos tipos de eventos particulares, usted debe solicitar específicamente el cuidado de su niño(s)

llamando a la oficina de la parroquia al menos 72 horas de anticipación.

FECHA TOPE PARA BOLETÍN: viernes, a las 12 del mediodía, escriba a communications@emmausparish.org.

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 EMAÚS ¿SABÍA USTED QUE PUEDE VER LA PÁGINA WEB DE EMAÚS EN ESPAÑOL? VISITE EMMAUSPARISH.ORG. EN LA PARTE INFERIOR DE CADA PÁGINA HAY UN ENLACE PARA VER LA PÁGINA EN ESPAÑOL.

REUNIÓN PARA LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA - TODOS ESTÁN INVITADOS A VENIR PARTICIPAR EN UNA NOCHE DE ORACIÓN Y CONVERSACIÓN CON LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA. ESTE DIÁLOGO CON LA COMUNIDAD ES PARTE DE LOS ESFUERZOS PARA SEGUIR COMPARTIENDO ENTRE USTEDES Y CON SU PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA. LA REUNIÓN SE LLEVARÁ A CABO LA NOCHE DEL JUEVES **25 DE FEBRERO**, 7 PM HASTA 9:30 PM, EN EL GRAN SALÓN. POR FAVOR, VEN A COMPARTIR ESTE MOMENTO ESPECIAL Y TUS ESPERANZAS PARA TU PARROQUIA DE EMAÚS CON NOSOTROS. PARA MÁS DETALLES COMUNÍQUESE CON LA HERMANA ELIZABETH.

PRAYER REQUESTS

DOMINGA GAUNA, JOHN MADDEN,
ELSIE WINKLER, HELEN POTTORFF,
RALPH YOUNG, DOTTIE SHARP,
SUKARTO FAMILY, MARTIN KENNEDY,
BERNICE GUESS, JERRY & JOANN
PAULETTE, DON & BETTY PRESLEY,
LAURO BRIONES, JR., ARMANDO
ALTAMIRANO, NATARAJAN FAMILY,
JAMES BRYANT, GARY ROSS,
MARTHA SCALLON, CARMINA PEREZ,
HOSSEIN SHAHKARAMI,
MARILYN NIEVE, STEPHANIE MAHER,
JONATHAN FLYGER, DON PRESLEY,
MAUREEN GREMP SCHMIDT



BAPTISMS



WELCOMING OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED
Edward Ortega & Carlos Gabriel Resendiz

ACROSS THE DIOCESE

You are invited to attend **MARY'S ENCOUNTER**, a quarterly women's morning of reflection at the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt, on **May 21**. The program takes place 9:30-11:30 AM followed by Mass. RSVP to info@schoenstatt.us or call (512) 330-0602.

2016 GALA FAQs

MAGIC 'TIL MIDNIGHT Emmaus Catholic Parish's 2016 Gala

When and Where?

Saturday, April 16, 6 PM 'til 12 midnight in Emmaus' Parish Life Center

How much does it cost?

Ticket prices have not changed. Your general admission of \$75 per person includes a catered dinner, adult beverages, dancing, surprise entertainment, casino games galore and more! You won't find another gala in this area that offers all of this for \$75!

What do we wear?

Wear your Sunday best, cocktail attire, your most glamorous gown or tux, or that magician's or bunny suit in your closet. Your choice!

Do you have to be an Emmaus parishioner to attend?

Absolutely not! All adults are invited to join in the fun. Come one, come all! Bring your friends for a fabulous night out!

What band is playing?

Every band! DJ Edge is joining us this year to play your requests. Dance to the music YOU want to hear!

Can we sit with our friends?

Yes, by purchasing a reserved table. Or purchase individual seats and make some new friends! Individual seating will be at your choice of General Admission tables upon arrival at the event.

I am on a gluten free diet. Can I eat?

Of course! We will pass special dietary concerns on to our caterer. We will be contacting registered guests closer to the event to gather this information.

How do I sign up?

Register online at www.biddingforgood.com/emmausgala. Tickets will not be mailed; all registered guests will be on a list at event check-in.

Are reserved tables still available?

Yes, we have tables available at all levels - from our edge-of-the-dancefloor Sponsor tables to our reserved tables for 8. Visit our Gala webpage at www.biddingforgood.com/emmausgala for the benefits of purchasing a reserved table.

I can't attend. Are there other ways to support the Gala?

We would be so grateful for your support, whether as a sponsor, an auction donor, or through the purchase of program ad space. Contact us at events@emmausparish.org to discuss the many available opportunities. We could very much use the support of ALL of our parishioners and community members at whatever level best fits!

I'm not sure. I need more information.

Call Paula at (512) 261-8500 x 204 or email events@emmausparish.org. She would love to answer your questions!

Make some magic with us!

www.biddingforgood.com/emmausgala

ACROSS THE DIOCESE

Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Austin will present **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR**, Wednesday, **Feb. 27**, 8 AM-5 PM at Christ the King in Belton. For details and to register, visit craustin.org.

An **RCIA RETREAT** will be held **Feb. 27**, 9 AM-2 PM at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Come and explore the meaning of Christ's resurrection and why our need for "so great a Redeemer" is an ongoing journey, both for those entering the Catholic Church and those continuing the Christian life. Tracy Rodenborn, Director of RCIA at Emmaus Parish in Lakeway, will lead this retreat. The cost is \$25 per person, which includes lunch. Contact your parish RCIA director (for Emmaus, that's Tracy, rcia@emmausparish.org) to register.

Come join in the next **COURAGEOUS CONVERSATION** to discuss the continued shootings of blacks by law enforcement and the actions we can take to undo racism. Thursday, **Mar. 3**, 6:30-8:30 PM at St. Edwards University Ragsdale Center, 3rd Floor, Mabee Ballrooms A & B. Parking is near the softball field; park in the parking garage or Lot P just past the garage. Co-Sponsors: Holy Cross Catholic Church; Diocese of Austin, Office of Life, Charity and Justice, Office of Black Catholics, St. Austin Catholic Church, St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Pax Christi Austin

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

A **DIVINE MERCY DAY OF REFLECTION** will be presented **Apr. 3**, 9 AM-2:30 PM at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Fr. Brian Eilers will lead this day which will focus on the life of St. Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy. Cost is \$25 with lunch included. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

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