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St. Ferdinand Catholic Church

The First Sunday of Advent

November 27th 2016

Pastor: Fr. Wade Russell

Deacons: Tony Barbour, Jessie Esquivel and George Lillard

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Welcome Visitors and Guests

Thank you for Celebrating the Mass with us. We are glad that you are here. If you have any questions about our parish or joining the Catholic faith, please contact the Church office for information concerning reception of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Matrimony and Anointing of the Sick. Parent interviews for Baptism need to be scheduled with the priest six weeks in advance. Marriage Arrangements need to be made with the priest at least six months in advance. Holy Communion can be brought to the sick on request. If you know of anyone in need please call the office.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Spanish Mass: Saturdays at 7:00 p.m.
en Español se celebrará el Sábado a la 7.

Sunday Morning Mass:

11:00 a.m. at St. Ferdinand

9:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd in Johnson City

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

Wednesday, 5 p.m., Saturday, 4 p.m.

Week Day Masses:

Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m.

Healing Mass: 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. with Anointing of the Sick immediately following

Adoration: Wednesday 1 p.m. – 6 p.m.

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart

After 8:00 a.m. Mass

Parish Ministries and Organizations

Altar Servers ...Joe Hernandez ...830-833-5227

Altar Society...Judy Doherty...281-850-9247

Building & Development...Doug Dowlearn...210-240-2101

Bulletin...Cathy Cudd...cathy@stferdinandblanco.org

Catholic Daughters...Belinda Delgado...830-385-5049

Cemetery...Joe Crowley...830-833-1213

Eucharist Adoration ... 830-833-5227

Finance Council....Kevin Keck...830-833-0979

Hispanic Council...Phillis Esquivel...806-773-7835

Knights of Columbus..Tim Cowser...979-270-1655

Mass Scheduling...Dora Alegria...210-218-9633

Men's ACTS...Ruben Manriquez...512-508-5013

Music Ministry....Joan Keck...830-833-4939

Pastoral Council... P. J. Wearden...830-833-4696

Parish Secretary ... Margie Vasquez...830-833-5227

RCIA...Bernie McDaid...512-842-1106

RCIA Spanish...Maria Villegas...830-833-5433

Religious Education.....Susan Moore...830-833-0444

Teen ACTS... Michael Rios... 830-330-1063 or

Angie Manriquez... 210-323-9414

Website....Cathy Cudd...cathy@stferdinandblanco.org

Women's ACTS....Dora Alegria...210-218-9633

Youth Ministry...V. Hernandez...210-386-1468

Office Hours

10:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday through Friday

Readings for the Week

Sun: Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

Mon: Isaiah 4:2-6; Matthew 8:5-11

Tues: Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24

Wed: Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

Thurs: Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Fri: Isaiah 29:17-24; Matthew 9:27-31

Sat: Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Masses & Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 26th 5:00 PM

For the Parishioners of St. Ferdinand and Good Shepherd

7:00 PM Spanish Mass

Bendiciones para la Comunidad Hispania

Sunday, November 27th 11:00 AM

For the Repose of the Soul of Marisa Vargas by Family

Tuesday, November 29th 12:00 PM

For the Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 30th 8:00 AM

For the Repose of the Soul of Casey Russell

Wednesday, November 30th 6:00 PM

For the Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, December 1st 8:00 AM

For the St. Anne's Altar Society

Friday, December 2nd 8:00 AM

For the Parishioners of St. Ferdinand and Good Shepherd

Saturday, December 3rd 5:00 PM

For the Repose of the Soul of Dan Kubin by Family

Collections for the Week of November 20, 2016

Regular Collection \$ 5,419.00

Building Fund \$ 51.00

Catholic Campaign for Human Dev. \$709.09

Prayer Lists

Our Parish Community offers the gift of prayer. Please pray for parishioners' spiritual, mental and physical needs, especially for the following: Alex Alba, Keith Bell, Bob & Clara Jo Bindseil, Arturo Cabrera, Jr., Claire Cantini, Aureliano Cortez, Paul Crowley, Helene Duran, Joyce Franklin, Carolyn Gieringer, Rusty Greene, Thomas Grimes IV, Bill Hill, Peter Hoch, Cliff Lane, Jeanette H. Lavelle, Charles McKinney, Jim & Elsie Meurer, Sarah J. Neal, Richard Ochoa, Alicia Ramirez, Guadalupe Rubio, John & Kevin Ruiz, Mia Isbell Saltz, Lucille Scharnhorst, Susan Spencer, Jackie Stephens, Heather N. Stranton, Jackson Taylor, and Pam Woods.

Pray for the Homebound: Charlotte Ellis, Mary Kuricar, Dan Nelson, Elizabeth Dechert Sorrel, and Lucille Walton.

Parish Organizations and Meeting Times

ST. ANNE'S ALTAR SOCIETY--Meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall (**No meeting in December, Christmas Luncheon, Friday, Dec. 2**)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS--Meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS--

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall

PASTORAL COUNCIL--Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the RE Conference Room

HISPANIC COUNCIL--Meets the 1st Saturday of the month at 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall

FINANCE COUNCIL--Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the RE Conference Room

CHOIR PRACTICE--Wednesday nights at 6:00 pm, Call 830-833-4939 for more information.



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Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of all the Americas

Dec. 12

Mañanitas and rosary in the Chapel at **5:00 a.m.** to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Mass at 6:00 a.m.

Procession around the parking lot and then refreshments in the Parish Hall: Chocolate, coffee, and Mexican pastries, etc.

Matachines will dance in front of church before Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Bilingual Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Pot luck dinner after Mass in the Parish Hall



12 de diciembre

Mañanitas y rosario en la Capilla a las **5:00 a.m.** para honrar a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe.

Misa a las 6:00 a.m.

Procesión por el estacionamiento y luego Refrscos en el Salón Parroquial: Chocolate, café y Pan Dulce, etc.

Matachines bailarán en frente de la iglesia antes de Misa En honor a la Virgen de Guadalupe

Misa Bilingüe a las 6:30 p.m.

Comida de traje después de misa en el Salón Parroquial

St. Anne's Altar Society Christmas Luncheon will be held on **Friday, December 2nd at East Main Grill in Johnson City from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

Cost per person is **\$20**. Parishioners who would like to attend may contact Georgeanne Wood at **830-833-4649** to RSVP and choose menu selections.



CHOSEN
YOUR JOURNEY TOWARD CONFIRMATION

"Chosen" 2016-2017 Confirmation Classes have started. If you need to register, call the office at 830-833-5227 to get more information. The classes will be on Wednesday nights starting at 7:00 pm.



"YOU: Love & Human Relationships" is a

program focusing on relationships and human connection specifically designed for high school students. All 9th-12th grade youth are encouraged to attend. Classes are free and will take place on Wednesdays at 7pm. For more information and to register call James in the parish office, 830-833-5227.

EIM Workshop at St. Ferdinand

August 1, 2016, the Diocese of Austin launched a new education program for our Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) workshop, which replaced the Basic/Refresher workshop format. The workshop educates staff and volunteers in the parish on how to keep our youth and vulnerable adults safe from preventable harm. All clergy, religious, seminarians and employees, and all volunteers serving in parish ministries, will attend this new EIM Workshop whenever they are due for a workshop (every three years). To register as a new user and/or to find the schedule and Sign Up for a Workshop, login to your EIM account at https://www.eappsdb.com/Login.asp?ORGZ_KEY=4. If you don't recall your User ID/Password, you can use the Alternate Login option. For the Workshop: 1) please arrive promptly, as late arrivals may not be admitted, 2) children should not be brought to EIM workshops, due to the sensitive subject matter.

EIM training will be conducted **Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9:00-11:00 am, in the St. Ferdinand Parish Hall**. If you are unable to attend this training, you must find and attend a class scheduled in the nearby area--most classes are in Austin but other nearby classes are held in San Marcos and Wimberley. Note: You must attend training in the Austin Diocese to serve in any parish ministry within the Austin Diocese (training in another Diocese is no longer accepted).

For assistance registering, or if you are a victim of sexual abuse and have concerns regarding your attendance at a workshop, please contact Liza or Carl Struck at [\(830\) 833-3210](tel:8308333210) to discuss an alternative workshop arrangement.

Religious Education

Faith Formation Schedule Please note new class times!

Please note the New Schedule effective Wednesday, November 30th:

Sunday Morning 9:30-10:45 a.m. PreK-5th Grade
Wednesday Evening 6:00-7:15 p.m. 6th-8th

Please contact Susan in the Religious Education office at 833-0444 if you have any questions about the schedule.
Religious Education Office Hours: Sundays 9:00-10:45 a.m., Wednesdays 2:00-6:30 p.m., or by appointment.

Classes will not meet on Sunday, Nov. 27th

Blanco Tots Need Toys Christmas Gift Program

Religious Education classes will be participating in the Blanco Tots Need Toys program along with several area churches during the month of November. A collection box for the gifts will be available after mass on November 26th and 27th, or gifts can be delivered to the church office by Tuesday, November 29th. Gifts will be given to the families on Saturday, December 3rd.

For any questions, please contact Susan in the RE Office at 833-0444.

Bake Sale Fundraiser for DCYC Volunteers and baked goods are needed for the RICH booth at the Blanco Christmas Market Days on December 10 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. All proceeds will benefit teens attending DCYC. Please contact james@stferdinandblanco.org if you can help!

Help Our Teens get to DCYC! You can help us raise funds to help our teens attend the Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference by donating cases of water and sodas for our teens to sell at Lights Spectacular in Johnson City on the weekend after Thanksgiving. Simply drop off your donation in the Narthex before Mass or in the office during normal business hours. Thank you for your wonderful help!

DCYC Registration is Open!--DCYC 2017 will take place January 27-29 in Waco and teens from all over the Diocese of Austin will be in attendance. Registration for RICH youth is open at this time. The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt! More information can be found by visiting: stferdinandblanco.org/youth-ministry or by contacting: james@stferdinandblanco.org

Youth Musicians Needed--St. Ferdinand and Good Shepherd are in need of youth and young adults to help lead worship at one Mass per month in the upcoming year. No prior liturgical music experience is necessary. Serving in music ministry is a great way to deepen your faith and will definitely be a lot of fun! Please contact james@stferdinandblanco.org if you are interested in joining.

PULSE Teen Leadership Group

Are you looking for ways to grow in your faith? Do you want to put all of those graces you received in Confirmation to work for you and your community? PULSE is hoping to develop effective, holistically Catholic, peer-led ministry leaders among teenagers from ages 14-19 in our community. We need you! More information can be found by visiting: stferdinandblanco.org/youth-ministry or by contacting: james@stferdinandblanco.org



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