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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents & Godparents need to attend a pre-baptism instruction class. Call the parish office to register.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Before Masses or by Appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples are asked to call the parish office to receive information.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you are seriously ill, will have a major surgery, are old aged or in danger of death, call the priest.

CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Sunday Masses:

- 5:30 p.m. (Vigil in English)
- 8:00 a.m. (Spanish)
- 10:00 a.m. (English)
- 12:00 p.m. (Spanish)
- 2:30 p.m. (Spanish)

@ 12:00 p.m..

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament on First Fridays @ 11:00 a.m.

CCE—Catechism

On Sundays and Wednesdays

RCIA

A program to join the Catholic Faith. Contact the parish office.

Weekday Masses: Wednesday through Friday



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Cuarto Domingo de Adviento

December 18, 2016

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

5:30 p.m. † Ruben Hernandez
† Felix Pina by the Family

Sunday

8:00 a.m. For our parish
10:00 a.m. In thanksgiving of the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Cleto & Connie Martinez
12 noon For our sick parishioners
2:30 p.m. For our grandparents

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

This Sunday's breakfast is served by the Knights of Columbus. Breakfast is served after the 8 and 10 am masses. A delicious Mexican home style breakfast of eggs, chorizo, guiso, potatoes and beans and of course homemade tortillas. Do not miss out on enjoying great fellowship and delicious food!

THANK YOU !

So that all of our parishioners may enjoy the holy season, with their families, breakfast will not be served at the church hall on Christmas Day or New Year's Day. We want to thank all the church societies, groups and families who so faithfully serve breakfast every Sunday morning. Your dedication is deeply appreciated.

LAS POSADAS



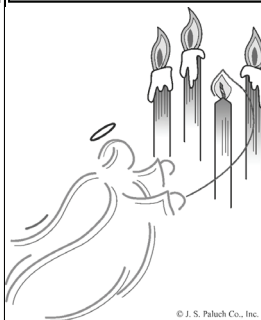
Las Posadas started last Friday. Continue to join us just check at the church's foyer for information on the host families and the addresses. Las Posadas are a commemoration of the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth

to the baby Jesus.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Practice for those participating in this year's Children's Christmas Pageant will be this Sunday at 4:00 pm in the church.

ADVENT CONFESSION



Advent is a time of preparation for us to receive the light of the world. Let us prepare ourselves for the birth of Christ - Christmas. Advent Confessions in our area are listed below.

Confession schedule in our deanery:

December 20 at 6 pm - St. Eugene in McGregor; and St. Louis
December 21 at 5:30 pm - St. Eugene in McGregor with CCE; at 7 pm at St. Joseph in Bellmead.
December 22 at 6 pm at St. Thomas in Hamilton; 7:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes in Gatesville.

WEEKLY ENVELOPES FOR 2017

If you prefer to give your weekly tithing using an envelope, the 2017 envelopes are available in the church's foyer for your convenience. Select one of your own choice.

WEEKDAY MASS & ADORATION

Weekday Masses on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday are celebrated at 12 p.m. Join us and receive the Lord in the Eucharist.

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament is done every Thursday from 7 - 8 p.m. Join us.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

The Knights of Columbus have "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets available as a reminder to all that Jesus Christ is the reason for our Holy Seasons. The magnets are also available in Spanish with "Christo es Navidad". The magnets can be put on your car or refrigerator or any metal surface and are \$5 each. They also make excellent gifts! Get yours today!

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Regular Collection	\$8,038.00
Second Collection	\$1,781.14
Breakfast by Guerreros de Dios	\$1,098.65

Sacred Heart is a parish family called to be a visible sign of Christ, formed by the Word of God, strengthened by the Eucharist and empowered to serve the needs of God's people.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Join us for our Christmas Masses.

- ◆ **December 24th - 5:30 PM** - Children's play followed by Mass in English.
- ◆ **December 24th - 11:30 PM** - The Arrolliamento del Niño followed by Midnight Mass in Spanish.
- ◆ **December 25th - Christmas Day - Mass:**
10 am Mass in English
12 pm Mass in Spanish.
- ◆ **Please note** there will be no 8 AM and 2:30 PM masses on Christmas Day.

40 DAYS TO MARDI GRAS RAFFLE



Raffle drawings will begin on January 4, 2017 and continue through February 28, 2017. Drawings on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday are for

a \$50 gift card. Drawings on Fridays are for a \$100 gift card. The Grand Prize drawing on **Fat Tuesday, February 28, 2017** is for a **\$1,000 gift card**. A \$20 donation qualifies you for 40 chances to win! If you win early on in the raffle, your ticket is put back in for more chances to win! Gift cards are for WalMart or HEB. Tickets are on sale after each mass or during normal office hours at the church office. Proceeds of this raffle will be used for the demolition of the "white house" and to fix the solenoids of our church's bells and have it upgraded. Please participate with this good cause.

CATHOLIC RADIO IN CENTRAL TEXAS

RED-C Catholic Radio is pleased to announce that we are now **LIVE** in Central Texas on KYAR 98.3 FM! Listen to incredible programming from EWTN Global Catholic Radio, Relevant Radio, and our RED-C produced shows and local spots. Find out more about RED-C Catholic Radio and even listen to us online through your computer or mobile device at www.redcradio.org. We praise God from whom all blessings flow, and we pray that you are blessed by listening to RED-C Catholic Radio!

CCE NEWS

- **Monday, December 19th** - join us at **Fred-dy's Frozen Custard and Steakburgers**, off of I-35 (Near Baylor). Mention that you are supporting Sacred Heart Catholic Church when you order and a portion of the proceeds will be given to the church. Flyers will be passed out to give you the information but there is no need to present the flyer when you order. Just make sure to mention Sacred Heart. Any item ordered qualifies, drinks, shakes, burgers.....
- **NO CCE classes** will be held on December 25, 2016 and January 1, 2017.

2017 CHURCH CALENDARS

The 2017 Sacred Heart Church Calendars are now available. Please get your calendar today. The Ushers will distribute one to each family. We have limited quantity.

MEDITATION

The mystery of the Incarnation occurred through Mary and yet through the Holy Spirit given to us in Baptism and Confirmation we too are called to embody the presence of God. Have we, like Mary, said yes to God? Are we, like Joseph, nurturing and protecting that life within us? As we celebrate this holy season of birth, are we giving birth in our lives to the fruits of God's love: justice, peace, kindness, humility and joy?

El misterio de la Encarnación ocurrió a través de María, y a través del Espíritu Santo que nos es dado durante el Bautismo y la Confirmación, también estamos llamados a personificar la presencia de Dios ¿Hemos nosotros, como María, dicho que sí a Dios? ¿Somos como José, alimento y protección de la vida dentro de nosotros? Mientras celebramos esta temporada santa de nacimiento ¿estamos dando a luz en nuestras vidas los frutos del amor de Dios: justicia, paz, amabilidad, humildad y gozo?

GETTING EVEN

The only ones you should try to get even with are those who have helped you.

—Anonymous