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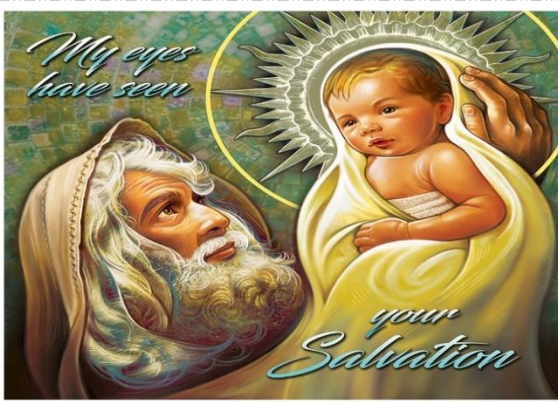
Saturday / Sabado
5:30 p.m. – English
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7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. - English
11:30 a.m. – Español
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5:30 p.m. - English
Wednesday / Miércoles
8:00 a.m. - English
7:00 p.m. - Español
Thursday / Jueves
6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 p.m. – Mass
Friday / Viernes
8:00 a.m. - English
7:00 p.m. – Español

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Office Hours / Horario de la Oficina
Monday – Friday / Lunes – Viernes
1:30-5:30 p.m.


With Joyful Hearts, We Welcome You into Our House of Prayer.
Visitors: Thank you for celebrating the Most Holy Eucharist with our faith community. We pray you will have a safe journey home.
Con Corazones Gozosos, Les Damos la Bienvenida a Nuestra Casa de Oración
Visitantes: Gracias por celebrar la Santísima Eucaristía con nuestra comunidad de fe. Oramos para que tenga un buen viaje a casa.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 9, 2025
“In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.”
–Psalm 138



Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
9 de febrero de 2025
“Delante de los ángeles tañare para ti, Señor.”
–Salmo 138

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament
First Friday of Every Month
8:00 a.m. – English Mass
Exposition of the Holy Sacrament
9:00 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.
7:00 p.m. – Mass in Spanish
Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento
Primer Viernes de Cada Mes
8:00 a.m. – Misa en Ingles
Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento
9:00 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.
7:00 p.m. – Misa en Español

Confessions / Confesiones
Saturdays 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. or by appointment.
Baptism Formation / Formacion de Bautizo
Please call the office to schedule & fill out forms before attending classes.
Spanish Classes: 3rd and 4th Monday of the Month with: Laurencio Velásquez (903) 434-2904
Jesus Verduzco (903) 285- 1746
English Classes: 3rd and 4th Monday of the Month with: Amanda Angel (903) 807-9349
Marriage Formation / Formación De Matrimonio
Couples should contact the office 9-12 months before marriage formation.
Anointing of the Sick / Unción De Los Enfermos
By appointment or emergency.
Con cita previa o urgencia.
Bible Study (English) - New Members Welcome!
Monday’s 5:30 P.M. - David Rice (817) 713-5905
Choir (English)
Stephanie Hyman – Music Director
Choir (Spanish)
Monday’s @ 7:00 P.M
Corazón González – Directora de Música
Jóvenes Y Adultos Para Cristo Grupo De Evangelización
Sundays 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fridays 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Juan and Betty Guerrero (469) 438-1061
Secretary / Bookkeeper – Marisol Hernandez

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults(RCIA)
Instruction in the Catholic Faith for Adults:
English: Greg Leitheiser (972) 444-0776
Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (RICA)
Instrucción en la Fe Católica Para Adultos:
Spanish: Cristina Narvaez (903) 204-0099
Classes start in October.
Religious Education for Children
Faith Formation Classes:
Wednesdays 6:30p.m. – 8:00p.m.
Start in September.
Sacramental Prep Classes:
Sundays 10:30a.m. – 11:20a.m.
Start in October.
Faith Formation Coordinator:
Cristina Narvaez (903) 204-0099

Following Jesus

In the Gospel for the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, Jesus calls Peter, James, and John to follow Him. They were fishermen, likely illiterate and not scholars of Scripture. Yet, Jesus saw potential in them. He calls ordinary people to be His disciples, showing that anyone willing to follow Him can be used for His purposes.

The fishermen’s response is immediate. They leave everything and follow Jesus. This act of leaving behind their livelihood and security demonstrates their trust and commitment. It teaches us that following Jesus often requires sacrifice and a willingness to let go of our own plans.

Jesus’ choice of these unlikely followers highlights that He values a willing heart over qualifications. He does not look for the most educated or the most skilled, but for those ready to give themselves fully to Him. This gives hope to all of us, as it shows that we don’t need to be perfect to be used by God.

Our call to follow Jesus is similar. We might feel unqualified or unworthy, but Jesus invites us to trust Him and follow Him wholeheartedly. By answering this call, we embark on a journey of faith, trusting that Jesus will guide and equip us. Like the fishermen, we are called to leave behind anything that hinders our commitment and follow Jesus with our whole heart.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Here I am, send me! (Isaiah 6:1–2a, 3–8)
Psalm – “In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.” (Psalm 138)

Second Reading – I handed on to you what I received. (Corinthians 15:1–11 or 15:3–8, 11)

Gospel – They left everything, even their nets, and followed Jesus. (Luke 5:1–11)

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Offerings & 2nd Collection Schedule

February 1-2:

1st Collection: \$ 2896.00

2nd Collection: \$ 564.69

(Diocese of Tyler Catholic Schools)

2nd Collections:

February 16th – Building Maintenance

March 5th – Aid to the Church in Central/Eastern Europe

2da Colectas:

16 de febrero – Mantenimiento del Edificio

3 de marzo - Ayuda a la Iglesia en Europa Central y Oriental

Church Kneelers

The church kneelers which were broken are now fixed. Please keep in mind that they are very delicate and when they are slammed down the wood cracks and the screws get loose so *please* be more gentle when placing them down and putting them back up during mass. Our Church and all items we use for worship must be handled more gently. We appreciate your cooperation. We would like to thank Carlos Escobedo for repairing the kneelers. Thank you, Carlos, for your time and work.



2025 Bishop’s Annual Appeal: Receiving Mercy, Restoring Hope.

Our goal for the Bishop’s Appeal this year remains the same (\$16,000.00) and with your help we hope to achieve the same if not better results. At next week’s Masses, we will show the Diocesan video as well as ask for your support once again with a pledge. To make the process smoother, you may want to bring a voided check if you plan to use auto-withdrawal. Your generous contribution to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal will help ensure that our Diocese can continue to be a beacon of mercy and hope in a world that so desperately needs it. In advance, we thank you for your generosity.

Scan to give online or go to www.dioceseoftyler.org/baa2025



Online Event: Accompanying People Toward Easter Q&A

This virtual event will be on **Monday, February 10** from **7:30-8:30 p.m.** This event is for all faith formation, Christian Initiation, and marriage formation leaders throughout the Diocese of Tyler. In this event we will discuss accompanying individuals to Easter. If you have questions about OCIA/RICA, sacrament formation for marriage, baptism, confirmation, faith formation, accompanying couples with prior marriages ... you name it: We will either answer your question immediately, or we will search out an answer for you. Please register for this Zoom session to receive the login information, and you’ll also have the opportunity to submit questions ahead of time on the form. Please register at: www.dioceseoftyler.org/events



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Oremos Por...

Ernie Snapka, Peter Vella, Susan Marchionda, Dudley & Sally Salisbury, Henry Russell, John Dillon Lauren Herman, Philip Smith, Elizabeth Mckenzie – Smith, Elizabeth Mckenzie, Ray Banning, Julianne Pinto, Davi Morais, Blanca Padilla

Seguir a Jesús

En el Evangelio del quinto domingo del Tiempo Ordinario del año C, Jesús llama a Pedro, Santiago y Juan a seguirlo. Eran pescadores, probablemente analfabetos y no eruditos de las Escrituras. Sin embargo, Jesús vio potencial en ellos. Llama a personas comunes a ser sus discípulos, mostrando que cualquiera que esté dispuesto a seguirlo puede ser utilizado para sus propósitos.

La respuesta de los pescadores es inmediata. Dejan todo y siguen a Jesús. Este acto de dejar atrás su sustento y seguridad demuestra su confianza y compromiso. Nos enseña que seguir a Jesús a menudo requiere sacrificio y la voluntad de dejar de lado nuestros propios planes.

La elección de Jesús de estos seguidores improbables resalta que Él valora un corazón dispuesto por encima de las calificaciones. Él no busca a los más educados o a los más capacitados, sino a aquellos dispuestos a entregarse completamente a Él. Esto nos da esperanza a todos, ya que muestra que no necesitamos ser perfectos para ser utilizados por Dios.

Nuestro llamado a seguir a Jesús es similar. Puede que nos sintamos incapaces o indignos, pero Jesús nos invita a confiar en Él y a seguirlo de todo corazón. Al responder a este llamado, emprendemos un camino de fe, confiando en que Jesús nos guiará y nos equipará. Al igual que los pescadores, estamos llamados a dejar atrás todo lo que obstaculiza nuestro compromiso y a seguir a Jesús con todo nuestro corazón.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — ¡Aquí estoy, envíame! (Isaías 6:1-2a, 3-8)
Salmo — ““Delante de los ángeles tañare para ti, Señor.” (Salmo 138)
Segunda lectura – Les transmití lo que recibí. (Corintios 15:1-11 o 15:3-8, 11)
Evangelio — Dejaron todo, incluso sus redes, y siguieron a Jesús. (Lucas 5:1-11)

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Please turn in your mass intentions to the Parish Office before the date that you are requesting.

Por favor entregue sus intenciones de misa a la Oficina Parroquial antes de la fecha que solicita.

Reclinatorios de la Iglesia

Los reclinatorios de la iglesia que estaban quebrados ya están arreglados. Tenga en cuenta que son muy delicados y que cuando se los golpea, la madera se agrieta y los tornillos se aflojan, así que tenga más cuidado al colocarlos y al subirlos durante la misa. Nuestra Iglesia y todos los elementos que utilizamos para el culto deben manipularse con más cuidado. Agradecemos su cooperación. Nos gustaría agradecer a Carlos Escobedo por reparar los reclinatorios. Gracias, Carlos, por su tiempo y trabajo.



La Promesa Anual al Obispo 2025: Recibir Misericordia, Restaurar la Esperanza.

Este año nuestra meta para la Promesa Anual al Obispo sigue siendo el mismo (\$16,000.00) y con su ayuda esperamos lograr los mismos resultados, o incluso mejores. En las misas de la próxima semana, mostraremos el video Diocesano y pediremos nuevamente su apoyo con una promesa de donación. Para que el proceso sea más sencillo, puede traer un cheque anulado si planea utilizar el retiro automático. Su generosa contribución a la Promesa Anual al Obispo ayudará a garantizar que nuestra Iglesia pueda seguir siendo un faro de misericordia y esperanza en un mundo que la necesita desesperadamente. De antemano, le agradecemos su generosidad.

Escanea para dar en linea o vaya a www.dioceseoftyler.org/baa2025



Evento en línea: Acompañamiento a las Personas hacia la Pascua

Preguntas y respuestas : Este evento virtual será el lunes 10 de febrero de 7:30 a 8:30 p. m . Este evento es para todos los líderes de formación en la fe, iniciación cristiana y formación matrimonial en toda la Diócesis de Tyler. En este evento, hablaremos sobre acompañar a las personas a la Pascua. Si tiene preguntas sobre OCIA/RICA, formación sacramental para el matrimonio, bautismo, confirmación, formación en la fe, acompañamiento a parejas con matrimonios previos... lo que sea: Responderemos su pregunta de inmediato o buscaremos una respuesta para usted. Regístrese en esta sesión de Zoom para recibir la información de inicio de sesión y también tendrá la oportunidad de enviar preguntas con anticipación en el formulario. Por favor regístrese en: www.dioceseoftyler.org/events



February 11th

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes celebrates the 18 times that the Virgen Mary appeared to St. Bernadette Soubirous. Take time to pray the rosary today!

11 de febrero

El Dia Festivo de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes celebra las 18 veces que la Virgen Maria se le aparecio a Santa Bernadita Soubirous. Tomen tiempo para rezar el rosario hoy!