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Call 9-1-1 in an emergency.

The Diocese of Tyler is committed to **respecting the dignity** of all persons and to helping anyone who may have been hurt or abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Any current or past cases of abuse involving Church personnel should also be reported to civil authorities and the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (903) 266-2159 or vac@dioceseoftyler.org

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Welcome to Our Parish

Mass Schedule

Saturday / Sabado
5:30 p.m. – English
7:00 p.m. – Español
Sunday / Domingo
7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. - English
11:30 a.m. – Español
Tuesday / Martes
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

Online Donations To Sacred Heart , please visit the following:
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Office Hours
Horario de la Oficina

Monday – Thursday
Lunes – Jueves
1:00-5:30 p.m.

Religious Education for Children

Faith Formation Classes:
Wednesdays 6:30p.m. – 8:00p.m.
Classes start in September.

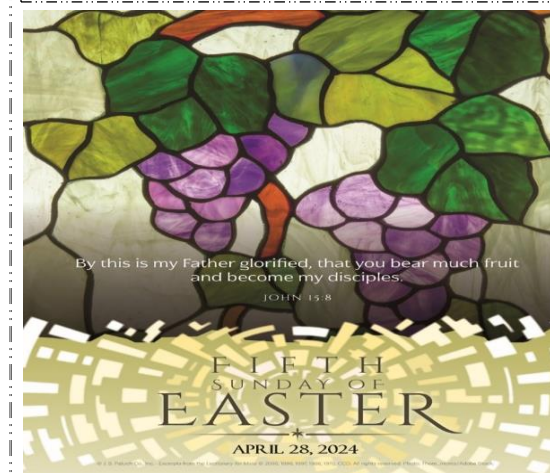
Sacramental Prep Classes:
Sundays 10:30a.m. – 11:20a.m.
Classes start in October.

Faith Formation Coordinator
Cristina Narvaez (903) 204-0099

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024

“I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.”

-Psalm 22



Quinto Domingo de Pascua
28 de Abril de 2024

“El Señor es mi alabanza en la gran asamblea.”

-Salmo 22

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament

First Friday of Every Month
8:30 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
8:30 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 / Formación de Bautizo

Please call the office to schedule & fill out forms before attending classes.

Spanish Classes are the 3rd and 4th Monday of the Month with:
Laurencio Velásquez (903) 434-2904
Jesus Verduzco (903) 285- 1746

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.

Quinceañeras

Please contact the office to schedule & fill out forms. A Saturday class will be required.

Bible Study (Spanish)

¡Miembros Nuevos son Bienvenidos!
Cada 1º y 2º Lunes del Mes – 6:00 p.m.
Emma Mendez (903) 285-2562

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

Texas Rosary Rallies

texasneedsfatima.org

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.

Bearing Fruit

The Gospel for the 5th Sunday of Easter Year B presents us with the beautiful metaphor of the vine and the branches. Jesus emphasizes the importance of remaining in Him to bear fruit. Like branches that cannot survive, let alone bear fruit when severed from the vine, our spiritual lives wither without a deep and sustaining connection to Christ. This imagery invites us to consider the nature of the fruit we're called to bear. It's not merely about individual accomplishments but about contributing to the flourishing of the whole community, to the glory of God.

Bearing fruit requires trust and drawing strength from the Lord. It involves pruning—letting go of what hinders our growth and embracing a process of spiritual refinement. This is not always comfortable, but it is necessary for growth. In the spirit of the 5th Sunday of Easter Year B, we are reminded that our efforts, grounded in faith and sustained by grace, can lead to abundant life for ourselves and for others.

As we reflect on the readings for the 5th Sunday of Easter Year B, we are called to embrace boldness in our proclamation and living of the Gospel, to foster communities grounded in love and service, and to bear fruit that brings glory to God. Let us draw strength from our connection to Christ, the true vine, trusting that He will guide and sustain us in our journey. Just as the early Christians' boldness in faith and action played a pivotal role in the growth of the Church, so too are we called to be instruments of God's love and grace in the world today. -young-catholics.com

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading —Barnabas reported to the Apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way. (Acts 9: 26-31)

Psalm - "I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people." (Psalm 22)

Second Reading – This is his commandment: that we may believe and love. (1 Jn 3: 18-24)

Gospel – "I am the vine, you are the branches." (Jn 15: 1-8)

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Offerings

April 13-14

1st Collection: \$ 1959.93

April 20-21

1st Collection: \$ 2327.00

2nd Collection: \$ 730.00 (Ladies Guild)

2nd Collection – April 28th – Catholic Home Missions

Your participation in the annual Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports dioceses throughout the United States and its territories that need financial help to sustain core pastoral services and missions of mercy to those they serve.

2da Colecta – 28 de Abril –Misiones Domésticas Católicas

La participación de ustedes en el Llamado anual para las Misiones Católicas apoya a las diócesis en Estados Unidos y sus territorios las cuales necesitan ayuda financiera para mantener los servicios pastorales básicos y las misiones de misericordia para aquellos a quienes sirven.

April 28 - National Blue Sunday

Day of Prayer for Abused Children

National Blue Sunday, a day of prayer for abused children and those who rescue them. We must pray and educate ourselves, our children, and our community on the facts about child abuse and neglect.

1. Pray they will be rescued.
2. Pray they are placed with caring people.
3. Pray their minds and bodies can heal.
4. Pray they find hope.
5. Pray for those who rescue them

Keeping Our Parish Safe & Alert

In keeping with the Diocesan guidelines for Ethics and Integrity In Ministry, we ask parents to help us keep the parish children safe. Always be aware of your child's location while at mass, especially around the restroom areas and hallways. If you have your children here while attending your group meetings or ministries, please don't leave them unattended outside. If you have meetings in the Family Life Center, please do not allow them to stay alone in the restrooms.

Always keep in mind that abuse is not just perpetrated by a stranger but also by a person the child knows.



Joe-Ann Roberts Martin

Rest in Peace

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of one of our wonderful parishioners,

Joe-Ann Roberts Martin. Please keep her and her family in your prayers. May you rest in peace, Joe-Ann.

A celebration of Joe-Ann's life will be held at the Aguilar Funeral Home in Mt. Vernon, TX, on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., where friends and family will gather to honor her memory.

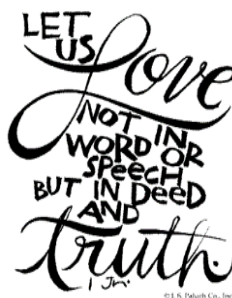
RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who has purchased raffle tickets from the Guadalupano Committee. They still have tickets available if you would like to purchase. If you would like to help sell tickets, please call Pedro Valle (903) 305-2396 or Julia Muñoz (903)285-2269.

Remember that the profits will go to the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe and a percentage will be donated to the church.

Project Rachel Retreat:

Project Rachel's one day Retreat is a life-giving journey for women who struggle with the emotional and spiritual pain caused by abortion, where they can experience the mercy and compassion of God. This retreat helps the suffering soul to begin the healing journey by finding a voice and transforming the pain of the past into hope for the future. The next retreat will be held on May 4, 2024. For more information and to register, call or text 903-539-2941 or visit <http://www.sanctityoflifetyler.org/project-rachel.html>.



AMÉMOS NO DE PALABRA
NI DE DISCURSO
SINO
DE HECHO Y DE VERDAD
- 1 Juan 3:18-24

Dando Fruto

El Evangelio del V Domingo de Pascua Año B nos presenta la hermosa metáfora de la vid y los sarmientos. Jesús enfatiza la importancia de permanecer en Él para dar fruto. Como sarmientos que no pueden sobrevivir, y mucho menos dar fruto cuando se separan de la vid, nuestra vida espiritual se marchita sin una conexión profunda y sustentadora con Cristo. Estas imágenes nos invitan a considerar la naturaleza del fruto que estamos llamados a dar. No se trata simplemente de logros individuales sino de contribuir al florecimiento de toda la comunidad, para la gloria de Dios.

Para dar fruto se requiere confianza y recibir fortaleza del Señor. Implica podar: dejar de lado lo que obstaculiza nuestro crecimiento y abrazar un proceso de refinamiento espiritual. Esto no siempre es cómodo, pero es necesario para crecer. En el espíritu del quinto domingo de Pascua del Año B, se nos recuerda que nuestros esfuerzos, cimentados en la fe y sostenidos por la gracia, pueden conducirnos a una vida abundante para nosotros y para los demás.

Al reflexionar sobre las lecturas del quinto domingo del Año B de Pascua, estamos llamados a abrazar la audacia en nuestra proclamación y vivencia del Evangelio, a fomentar comunidades basadas en el amor y el servicio, y a dar frutos que traigan gloria a Dios. Saquemos fuerza de nuestra conexión con Cristo, la vid verdadera, confiando en que Él nos guiará y sostendrá en nuestro viaje. Así como la audacia de los primeros cristianos en la fe y la acción jugó un papel fundamental en el crecimiento de la Iglesia, también nosotros estamos llamados a ser instrumentos del amor y la gracia de Dios en el mundo de hoy. -young-catholics.com

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Bernabé contó a los Apóstoles cómo Saulo había visto al Señor en el camino. (Hechos 9: 26-31)

Salmo — "El Señor es mi alabanza en la gran asamblea." (Salmo 22)

Segunda lectura – Este es su mandamiento: que creamos y amemos. (1 Jn 3:18-24)

Evangelio — "Yo soy la vid, ustedes los sarmientos". (Jn 15:1-8)

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Pray for ...

Oremos Por...

Ernie Snapka, JoAnne Martin, Peter Vella,
Sam Vella, Nora Holder, Dudley & Sally Salisbury,
Spencer Bratko



Domingo Azul - Iniciativa de prevención del abuso infantil

28 de abril - Domingo Azul Nacional

Día de Oración por los Niños Maltratados

Domingo Azul Nacional, un día de oración por los niños maltratados y quienes los rescatan. Debemos orar y educarnos a nosotros mismos, a nuestros hijos y a nuestra comunidad sobre los hechos sobre el abuso y la negligencia infantil.

1. Ore para que sean rescatados.
2. Ore para que sean colocados con personas bondadosas.
3. Ore para que sus mentes y cuerpos puedan sanar.
4. Ore para que encuentren esperanza.
5. Oren por quienes los rescatan.

Manteniendo Nuestra Parroquia Segura Y Alerta

De acuerdo con las pautas diocesanas de Ética e Integridad en el Ministerio, pedimos a los padres que nos ayuden a mantener seguros a los niños de la parroquia. Esté siempre consciente de la ubicación de su hijo mientras está en misa, especialmente alrededor de los baños y pasillos. Si tiene a sus hijos aquí mientras asiste a las reuniones de su grupo o ministerios, no los deje desatendidos afuera. Si tiene reuniones en el Centro Familiar, no permita que se queden solos en los baños.

Tenga siempre en cuenta que el abuso no sólo lo perpetra un extraño sino también una persona que el niño conoce.



Ministros Eucarísticos

Los Ministros Eucarísticos tendrán una junta el 9 de mayo a las 8:00p.m., después de la misa del jueves. Si no puede asistir, por favor comuníquese con:

Carmen Caro (903) 466-4295

RIFA

Gracias a todos los que han comprado boletos para la rifa del Comité Guadalupano. Todavía hay boletos disponibles si desean comprarlos. Si desea ayudar a vender boletos, llame a Pedro Valle (903) 305-2396 o Julia Muñoz (903) 285-2269. Recuerden que las ganancias serán para la Fiesta de La Virgen de Guadalupe y un porcentaje será donada a la iglesia.

Mass Intentions

Intenciones de la Misa

"You have made us for yourself O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." -St. Augustine