

MASS INTENTIONS



JAN 14
 5:00PM..... For husbands and wives
 that they be blessed with the grace
 to live their marriage with
 fidelity, holiness and joy.

JAN 15
 8:30AM.....Lorraine Collins †
 Catherine Johnson †
 10:30AM.....For the special intentions
 of M/M Joe Calabro
 Raymond Arriola †
 12:30PM..... Hermelinda Ramirez †
 5:00PM.....For our parish family

JAN 16
 8:30AM.....For the special intentions
 of Kaylie Doman
 Joseph Bogdan †

JAN 17
 6:30PM..... Bob Savage †
 Anna Mai †

JAN 18
 8:30AM.....Ninh Tran †
 Manuelito Salazar †

JAN 19
 6:30PM..... Robin Meyers †
 For the special intentions
 of Orly Elizondo

JAN 20
 8:30AM..... Julia Castro †
 Birthday blessings
 for Jennie Tedesco

**Mark Your Calendar
 For Upcoming Events!**

Together Encountering
 Christ RetreatJanuary 14-16
 High School
 Youth Group Resumes January 15
 Senior Citizen's
 Luncheon..... January 18
 DCYC.....January 27-29
 Ladies' Retreat.....January 27-29

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE
 WEEK JAN 15-JAN 21**

Sun Isaiah 49:3, 5-6;
 1 Corinthians 1:1-3; John 1:29-34
 Mon Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22
 Tue Hebrews 6: 10-20; Mark 2:23-28
 Wed Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6
 Thurs Hebrews 7:25 - 8:6; Mark 3:7-12
 Fri Hebrews 8:6-13; Mark 3:13-19
 Sat Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14;
 Mark 3:20-21

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

The Holy Spirit, who descended on Jesus at his Baptism, is given to us through the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Like Jesus we are called to be God's servants for the "victory of justice". We are called to be signs of the covenant of God's love, which is manifest whenever peace triumphs over violence; love overcomes apathy and division; when our world is transformed by that love into God's reign of justice, mercy, compassion and peace. How can we live our baptismal call this week?

El Espíritu Santo, que descendió sobre Jesús en su Bautismo, es dado a nosotros a través de los sacramentos del Bautismo y la Confirmación. Como Jesús, estamos llamados a ser siervos de Dios para la "Victoria de la justicia". Estamos llamados a ser signos del convenio de amor de Dios, el cual se manifiesta en cualquier lugar donde la paz triunfa sobre la violencia; el amor supera la apatía y la división; cuando nuestro mundo es transformado por ese amor en el reino de justicia, misericordia, compasión y paz de Dios ¿Cómo podemos vivir nuestro llamado bautismal esta semana?

A GOSPEL REFLECTION

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." We hear a very similar version of this in every Mass. Our Gospel today tells us the role of John the Baptist was to make known Jesus, the Lamb of God." Who has helped you to recognize Christ in your life? How does your life direct others to Christ?

"Este es el Cordero de Dios, el que quita los pecados del mundo" Escuchamos una versión muy similar de esto en cada Misa. Nuestro Evangelio hoy nos dice que el papel de Juan el Bautista iba a ser el de dar a conocer a Jesús, el Cordero de Dios. "¿Quién le ha ayudado a reconocer a Cristo en su vida? ¿Cómo es que su vida dirige a otros a Cristo?"

"[God] comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others."

— Pope Francis, Misericordiae vultus, www.goo.gl/uwk5e4 © 2015. Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.

"[Dios] viene a salvarnos de la condición de debilidad en la que vivimos. Y su auxilio consiste en permitirnos captar su presencia y cercanía. Día tras día, tocados por su compasión, también nosotros llegaremos a ser compasivos con todos".

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week of:	January 1, 2016	YTD (July 2016 - June 2017)
Cash & Checks	\$21,925.84	\$646,978.32
Credit Cards & EFT's	\$1,092.00	\$65,963.47
Total Contributions Received:	\$23,017.84	\$712,941.79
Weekly Offering GOAL:	\$26,034.52	\$702,932.04
Over/Under:	(\$3,016.68)	\$10,009.75

We have **2378** registered families of which, **490** remembered to use their weekly envelope. Thank you for your generous support and faithful stewardship!

SECOND COLLECTION

Feast of the Holy Family \$1,434.00

For more information about making your offerings electronically, please contact Adrian DeLaCruz at (512) 259-3126.

Para autorizar sus ofrendas mensuales con tarjeta de crédito o transferencia bancaria, por favor comunicarse con Adrian DeLaCruz al (512) 259-3126.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, January 15

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
8:30 AM	RCIA	Day Chapel
8:30 AM	Religious Education	RE classrooms
10:00 AM	Religious Education	RE classrooms
10:30 AM	Catechist Meeting	Conference Room
10:30 AM	MASS	Church
12:00 PM	Religious Education	RE classrooms
12:30 PM	MASS - Spanish	Church
1:30 PM	Ministros de Eucaristía	Day Chapel
2:00 PM	Catecismo para padres	Special Events Room
2:00 PM	Religious Education	RE classrooms
3:00 PM	Middle School Youth Group	Benish Center
5:00 PM	MASS	Church
6:15 PM	High School YG/Confirmation	Benish Center

Monday, January 16

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
9:30 AM	Divine Mercy Group X	Day Chapel
6:00 PM	Religious Education	RE classrooms
7:00 PM	Choir Practice (Sat Vigil)	Special Events Room
7:00 PM	Formación Católica Para Adultos	Conference Room
7:00 PM	Lector Training	Church
7:15 PM	Divine Mercy VII - Spanish	RE RM 105
7:30 PM	Ultreya	RE RM 110

Tuesday, January 17

4:00 PM	Movimiento Familiar Cristiano	Benish Center
6:00 PM	Religious Education	RE classrooms
6:30 PM	MASS	Church
7:00 PM	RCIA/RICA	Benish Center/Day Chapel
7:15 PM	Divine Mercy Group II - Spanish	Confessional

Wednesday, January 18

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
9:00 AM	ADORATION	Church
10:00 AM	Senior Luncheon	Benish Center
7:00 PM	Lector Training	Church
7:00 PM	Scripture Study	RE RM 105/107
7:15 PM	Choir Practice (10:30)	Special Events Room
7:15 PM	Legion of Mary - Spanish	RE RM 106/108
7:30 PM	Grupo de Oración Carismático	Benish Center

Thursday, January 19

9:00 AM	Scripture Study	Benish Center
9:30 AM	Divine Mercy Group IX - Spanish	Confessional
5:00 PM	RECONCILIATION	Confessional
6:30 PM	MASS	Church

Thursday, January 19

7:00 PM	Choir practice (5:00 Sunday Mass)	Special Events Room
7:15 PM	Liturgy Committee	Conference Room
7:30 PM	Divine Mercy Group X - Spanish	RE RM 101

Friday, January 20

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
7:00 PM	Talleres de Oración y Vida	RE RM 106/108

Saturday, January 21

8:00 AM	Curso de Crecimiento 2017	Conference Room
9:00 AM	St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference	RE RM 106/108
10:00 AM	Divine Mercy Group V - Spanish	Special Events Room
3:30 PM	RECONCILIATION	Confessional
5:00 PM	VIGIL MASS	Church

Bulletin Deadline: Submit notices by noon on Friday at least two weeks prior to the Sunday in which you want the item to be published in the bulletin. Please submit bulletin notices and pulpit announcements to Lilly Montes at lmontes@stmargaretmary.com.

FECHA LIMITE PARA EL BOLETIN: Enviar avisos hasta el mediodía del viernes por lo menos dos semanas antes del domingo en el que desea que los eventos se anuncien en el boletín. Favor de enviar los anuncios para el boletín y los anuncios que se hacen los fines de semana al nuevo editor del boletín Lilly Montes en lmontes@stmargaretmary.com.

DO WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER?

A written acknowledgement for contributions made during 2016 will be mailed late January. To ensure that you receive your letter, please call the office to verify that our records are up to date and that we have your correct mailing address. Please let us know of any recent changes by calling 512-259-3126 or email your updates to stmmc@stmargaretmary.com.

¿TENEMOS SU DIRECCIÓN CORRECTA Y NÚMERO DE TELÉFONO?

Un reconocimiento por escrito de las contribuciones realizadas durante 2016 se enviará por correo a finales de enero. Para asegurar que usted reciba su carta, por favor llame a la oficina para verificar que nuestros registros están al día y que tenemos su dirección postal correcta. Por favor avísenos sobre los cambios recientes llamando al 512-259-3126 o más bien envíe por correo electrónico su información al stmmc@stmargaretmary.com.

Please visit our website at www.stmargaretmary.com to find out what's happening in the parish. Along the bottom of the home page, you can link to our church calendar of events so that you can see all the events that are planned for our parish. If you need to schedule a meeting or if you are planning an event, check the calendar to see if the meeting space is available and then send your reservation request to cramos@stmargaretmary.com.

Visite por favor nuestro sitio web en www.stmargaretmary.com. Usted podrá consultar nuestro calendario de actividades parroquiales en el enlace de la página principal. Usted puede ver allí todos los acontecimientos planeados en nuestra parroquia. Si usted planea una reunión o evento, puede verificar el calendario para ver si el espacio está disponible y enviar su solicitud al cramos@stmargaretmary.com para hacer su reservación.

DIRECTORY

Call 512-473-6596 to request
Anointing of the Sick or Last Rites.

Llame al 512-473-6596 para pedir la
unción de los enfermos o extremaunción.

- Office..... (512) 259-3126
- Cynthia Villarreal
Receptionist.....x102
- Jean Hinojosa
Receptionist.....x103
- Adrian De La Cruz, Jr.
Parish Administrator.....x104
- Lilly Montes
Secretary.....x105
- Georgina Savage
Quinceañeras & Weddings.....x106
- Cindy Perez
Bookkeeper.....x108
- Steve Tedesco
Maintenance(512) 450-8048

NEWCOMERS

If you are new to the area and have not registered with a parish, please pick up a registration form at the information center in the church Narthex or call the church office.

Matrimony: Call the church office to speak to a priest 6 months before setting wedding date.

Pastoral Council President:

Antonio Becerra, (C) 512-470-3215,
pastoralcouncil@stmargaretmary.com

Gabriel Project: (pregnancy counseling)
1-877-932-2732

Mother's Day Out:

Debbie Pulver, (W) 512-259-9050,
mothersdayout@stmargaretmary.com

Baptism, Mass Intentions &

Ministry to the sick: call 512-259-3126

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

For financial assistance call:
512-550-1581 (Eng) 512-259-1056 (Esp)

Ministry Coordinator

Chuck Ramos
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Faith Formation:

Pk-5th Grade:

Robin Yanez, *Director of RE*
robin@stmargaretmary.com
(W) 512-260-0162 (C) 512-296-0191

Middle School & High School:

Melanie Owens, *Director of YM*
melanie@stmargaretmary.com
(W) 512-259-3126 x110 (C) 830-203-0081

Annie Gott, *Asst Dir. of YM*
annie@stmargaretmary.com
(C) 512-784-4560

MARRIAGE RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES will once again be offered to couples who are married 10 years or more as of 12/31/2016. The certificates will be available for anniversaries in five year increments (for example 10, 15, 20, 25 etc.) The certificates will be presented on the occasion of World Marriage Day (February 11/12). The couples to be recognized must be in a valid marriage in good standing with the church and regularly attend Mass in the parish. What is a valid marriage? This means you were married in a Catholic church or if you were married outside the church, you obtained the necessary dispensation.

If you would like to obtain a certificate signed by Bishop Vasquez, please fill out the "Marriage Recognition" form that can be found in the church Narthex or obtain a copy from the parish office. Please return the form in the collection basket or to the church office no later than **Monday, Jan. 30**. We cannot make any exceptions to this deadline.

Also, if you were married by a justice of the peace and would like to have your marriage validated or blessed by the church so that you can get a certificate in the future and more importantly receive holy communion, please call the church office (512-259-3126) as soon as possible to help get the process started.

EL RECONOCIMIENTO DE MATRIMONIO se ofrecerá a las parejas que están casadas 10 años o más a partir del 31 de diciembre, 2016. Los certificados estarán disponibles para los aniversarios en incrementos de cinco años (por ejemplo, 10, 15, 20, 25 etc.). Se requiere que las parejas estén en un matrimonio valido y en buen estado con la iglesia y que asisten regularmente a misa en la parroquia. ¿Qué es un matrimonio valido? Esto significa que se casaron en una iglesia católica o si se casaron fuera de la iglesia que consiguieron la dispensa necesaria.

Si desea obtener un certificado firmado por el Obispo Vásquez el fin de semana 11/12 de Febrero, por favor llene el formulario "Certificado de Reconocimiento del Matrimonio" que se puede encontrar en el atrio del templo u obtener una copia en la oficina de la parroquia. Por favor entregue el formulario en la canasta de la colecta o en la oficina a más tardar el **lunes 30 de enero**. No será posible hacer excepciones a este plazo.

Además, si usted se casó por el civil o se encuentra en una unión libre y le gustaría tener su matrimonio bendecido por la iglesia, para que pueda obtener un certificado en el futuro y sobre todo poder recibir la sagrada comunión, por favor llame a la oficina (512-259-3126) de la iglesia tan pronto como sea posible para iniciar el proceso.

SENIOR LUNCHEON

The next senior citizen luncheon will be held on Wednesday, January 18 at 11AM in the Benish Center. Please be sure to bring a friend, a dish to share and join us. Hope to see you there! In addition, we are looking for EIM-certified volunteers to help with the senior luncheon from 10am-1pm.

El próximo almuerzo para los jubilados está programado para el miércoles 18 de enero a las 11AM en el centro Benish. ¡Invite a sus amigos, traiga su platillo favorito para compartir y acompañenos en este convivio! También estamos buscando voluntarios que han sido certificados en la clase de **Ética y la Integridad en el Ministerio**, para ayudar con el almuerzo de 10am-1pm.

SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for the annual St. Margaret Mary Ladies Retreat to be held at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton on Jan 27-29, 2017. Retreat Master Cheryl Maxwell will discuss the topic for the weekend, "A Renewed Me". Contact Margaret Huntley at maggiefh@yahoo.com or at 512-563-2337 for more information.

THIS WEEK IN RCIA we will discuss: Baptism. We meet on Tuesday at 7PM in the Day Chapel, all are welcome! For more information, contact Kevin Pasnik at kevin.pasnik@gmail.com or 512-585-0307.

ESTA SEMANA EN RICA vamos a discutir: el Sacramento del Bautismo. Nos reunimos el martes a las 7PM en el centro Benish; todos son bienvenidos! Para más información en español, por favor comunicarse con Eunice Tanco al 512-986-5437 o Mary Hernández al 512-259-1740.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Margaret Mary Church is a warm and diverse family unified by our Roman Catholic faith through the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Like the Apostles, we teach and proclaim the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ and through our ministries we serve the needs of the community in Sacrament, Word, and Deed.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR JANUARY 19!

This is a reminder to all the leaders of ministries that are involved in the liturgy; the next meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, January 19 at 7:15 PM in the Conference Room. Ministry Leaders, please plan to attend or send a representative. RSVP to Deacon Phil via email at deaconphil@stmargaretmary.com.

MARQUE SU CALENDARIO EL 19 DE ENERO!

Solo un recordatorio a todos los líderes que participan en los ministerios de la liturgia que tenemos una reunión prevista para el jueves 19 de enero a las 7:15 PM en el salón de conferencias. Los líderes de los ministerios litúrgicos deben asistir o enviar a un representante. Favor de contactar al Diácono Phil al deaconphil@stmargaretmary.com.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

- **Holy Family Catholic School (grades PK4-8th)** will be holding an Information Session for parents of prospective students on January 20 from 8:30-10:00 a.m. To reserve a spot for this event, please register online at www.holyfamilycs.org/admissions/informationssessions.cfm or call (512) 244-4825. Online Applications for the 2017-2018 school year are now available at (www.holyfamilycs.org). For more information, please contact Ellen Vento in the Admissions Office at (512) 244-4825.
- **St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School** is also now accepting online applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Applications may be found at www.saviochs.org/admission/howtoapply.cfm. All applications are due by February 10th. Please join us for one of these visiting opportunities to learn about our school, enjoy a student led tour of our beautiful campus and hear about our admission process: Jan. 25 from 6:30-8:00 PM, Feb. 3 from 8:30-10:00 AM. *Reserve a spot as space is limited by visiting our website: saviochs.org > Admissions > Visit St. Dominic Savio or by contacting Holly Bologna, Director of Admission, at 512-388-8846 ext. 5504.*

Adult Formation Ministry is offering a free class to help you prepare for the Feast of Divine Mercy: **“Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told.”** We will learn about the consoling message of divine mercy as we discover how we can apply the knowledge to recognize God’s mercy in our own lives and to imitate that mercy in how we live. The classes will be on **Thursday evenings, Jan 26-Apr 6, from 7-9 PM in RE 106-108.** There will be no class during Spring Break (Mar 16).

As part of our study, we will watch and discuss the fast-paced and lively videos in which Father Michael Gaitley, MIC, weaves a tapestry of wonder and beauty from the threads of the dramatic history of Poland, the transformative message of St. Faustina, the prophetic apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, the powerful witness of St. Maximilian Kolbe, and the world changing papacy of St. John Paul II. We’ll joyfully discover the amazing ways in which Fr. Gaitley connects these people and events in history to a unifying vision of the splendor of God’s merciful love. For additional information or to register, please contact Belinda and Brian Lehmkuhle at belindal@utexas.edu or (512) 986-4273. *Registration is requested but not required.*

Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary

The 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary begins on Feb. 20. In Fatima, Our Lady said, “My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God.” On this 100th anniversary of Our Lady’s apparitions in Fatima, join people throughout the diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. Prayers begin on Feb. 20 and are done privately in one’s home using the consecration preparation book. Visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org by Jan. 25 to receive the free Montfort preparation prayer book by mail and for more information.

En Fátima, nuestra Señora dijo, “Mi inmaculado corazón será tu refugio y el camino que te conducirá a Dios.”. En este centésimo aniversario de las apariciones de la Virgen de Fátima, por favor únase a miles a través de nuestra diócesis para realizar 33 días de oración para la Consagración Total a Jesús por María. A partir del 20 de febrero, las oraciones se hacen utilizando de forma privada el libro de preparación. Por favor visite www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org hasta el 25 de enero para recibir su copia GRATUITA del libro de oraciones de preparación. Por favor pida su libro en la página web y se le enviara por correo.

ALTAR SERVERS

JAN 21	
5:00 PM	McCaley Merritt, Devin Scassa, Chris and Phillip Dinh
JAN 22	
8:30 AM	Maricela Collins, Nora DeLaCruz, Emily Lindsey, Joshua Renteria
10:30 AM	Cody Nguyen, Andrew Coyle, Landon Farias, Auggie Cottrell
12:30 PM	Camila Garcia, Edwin, David and Eduardo Tinajero
5:00 PM	Sydney Knight, Jordyn Owens, Michael and Dillon Ferguson

Youth of the parish are encouraged to become Altar Servers. For information about serving, please contact Martha Collins at marthaicollins@yahoo.com. Si usted tiene cualquier pregunta referente al ministerio de los monaguillos favor de hablar con Martha Collins al marthaicollins@yahoo.com.



SERVING OTHERS THROUGH ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (SVdP):

In the month of December, through your gifts, the society of SVdP brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting 34 families, providing \$10,460 in rent, utility bills and prescriptions. In addition, the Mother’s Day Out Program provided Christmas presents to eight SVDP families with a total of 25 children. Thank you for your generous giving!

Mandatory Lector Training will be held in the church from 7-8 PM on the following dates: Monday (1/16), Wednesday (1/18), Monday (1/23), Wednesday (1/25) and Friday (1/27). If you are currently a lector or are a new lector, your attendance is required at ONE of these sessions. You will be meeting the new Lector Ministry leader, Christy Knight. The lector manual will also be updated. If you have any questions, please contact Walter Yucikas by email at w_yucikas@hotmail.com or by phone at 512-506-0117.

TEXAS CATHOLIC PRO-LIFE DAY is Jan. 28. The day will begin with a prayer vigil to end abortion at Planned Parenthood (201 E. Ben White Blvd. in Austin). Then the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 9:15 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin followed by Mass at 10 a.m. with Bishop Joe Vásquez. Everyone will proceed to the March for Life at 18th and N. Congress Ave., which begins at 1 p.m. then the Rally for Life starts at 2 p.m. For more information, contact Luisa De Poo at (512) 949-2487 or luisa-depoo@austindiocese.org.

LONGEST MARRIED COUPLE

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is searching for the Longest Married Couple in the State of Texas and in the Country. The Longest Married Couple Project was created by Worldwide Marriage Encounter to highlight the value of marriage and to show the world that marriage really can go the distance. You may know of couples who have been married for 60 or more years. The nomination process is simple - just email their names, wedding date and city they live in along with your contact information to wwmelmc2017@gmail.com or go to wwmelmc.com to nominate your couple.

Catholic Charities of Central Texas is partnering with Atmos Energy to assist individuals and families in Central Texas who are at risk of losing their gas service because of financial difficulties. Atmos Energy customers who live in Brazos, Burleson, Falls, Milam, Limestone and Robertson counties may call the Catholic Charities office in Bryan at (979) 822-9340 for assistance. Residents of Bastrop, Bell, Burnet, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Lee, Llano, McLennan, Mills, San Saba, Travis and Williamson counties may call the Catholic Charities office in Austin at (512) 651-6100.

Blood Drive to Honor Legacy of MLK

The Office of Black Catholics of the Diocese of Austin will sponsor the 14th annual "Blood of the Martyrs" Blood Drive in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The blood donation campaign will be held on Martin Luther King Day, Jan. 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A Blood and Tissue Center van will be parked on Chalmers Street between 8th and 11th streets on the Campus of Huston-Tillotson University in Austin to accommodate those who want to give blood. Donors must be at least 17 years of age, have a photo ID and provide a Social Security Number at the time they donate. Advance sign-ups are being taken, so if you wish to donate blood or if you have any questions, contact Johnnie Dorsey at johnnie-dorsey@austindiocese.org or (512) 217-9616.

DISCERNMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG MEN & WOMEN

- **Project Andrew** will be held Feb. 11 at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Single, Catholic men between the ages of 16 and 45 who are interested in learning more about discernment, the priesthood and seminary life are invited to attend. The day will include prayer, testimonials by priests and seminarians, Mass and lunch with Bishop Joe Vásquez.
- **Project Miriam** will be held Feb. 18 at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Single, Catholic women between the ages of 16 and 45 are invited to learn more about Mary's joyful "yes" to God and how that is lived out in religious life. The day will include prayer, testimonials by religious sisters, Mass and lunch.

For more information, contact the diocesan Vocation Office at vocations@austindiocese.org or (512) 949-2430.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

The U.S. Bishops annual novena 9 Days for Life takes place Saturday, January 21 - Sunday, January 29. Pray for the respect and protection of all human life with new intentions, brief reflections, and more each day. Download the novena online, or participate through Facebook, email, text message or an app. Join at www.9daysforlife.com!

9 DÍAS POR LA VIDA

La novena anual de los obispos de EE. UU., 9 Días por la Vida, tendrá lugar del 21 al 29 de enero. Recen por el respeto y la protección de la vida humana con nuevas intenciones, breves reflexiones y más cada día. Bajen la novena de Internet o participe en Facebook, mensaje electrónico de texto o una aplicación. ¡Únete a www.9daysforlife.com!

Relevant Radio, 970 AM, in Austin area

Grow in your faith and change your life with Relevant Radio 970 AM - Austin's "Talk Radio for Catholic Life." This non-profit, listener-supported Catholic radio station bridges the gap between faith and everyday life - covering topics of the day from a uniquely Catholic perspective. Relevant Radio 970 can be heard on the radio, on the Internet at www.relevantradio.com or on the mobile app, available for Apple or Android devices. Take your faith with you wherever you go - tune in today!

Activities at the Schoenstatt Shrine

- **Mass** is celebrated on Sundays at 11 a.m. and on Wednesdays at 7 a.m. at the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt in Austin. The sacrament of reconciliation is offered on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon in the Movement House. Visit www.schoenstatt.us for more information.
- **A Girls' Morning with Mary** will be held Jan. 21 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Marian Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt in Austin. Girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to spend time at the shrine together to grow closer to Jesus through Mary with crafts, prayer and fun. Registration is required by contacting Rachel Gardner at rgardner@schoenstatt.us. For more information visit www.schoenstatt.us.

Attention Professional Catholics

The Catholic Business Network will hold its next meeting on Wednesday February 1st at St. William Catholic Church, Round Rock, TX. All Catholic Business Professionals are invited to attend and network in an effort to form trusted relationships based on Catholic values. The meeting begins at 7:30am and will end by 9am. To register, go to: <http://catholicbiznetwork.org/>. This month we are excited to have as our guest speaker, Will Newton, Executive Director, National Federation Of Independent Business/ Texas. Discussion will be on how the new Administration will impact small business.

Upcoming Retreats at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton

- A **Day of Reflection for Cancer Survivors** will be held on Feb. 20. Wanda Gibson, a spiritual director and cancer survivor, will lead this prayerful day of reflection, meditation, discussion and movement through the survivor's journey into the present moment. Whether celebrating one week or 20 years since a cancer experience, survivors are invited to this day of reflection. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch.
- An **Ash Wednesday Day of Reflection** will be held March 1. The Lenten season is a time for growth in our spiritual life. The day will begin with Mass and the distribution of ashes and the reflection will be presented by Cedarbrake staff. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch.
- A **Silent Lenten Retreat** will be held March 10-13. This is a weekend of silence combined with communal prayer and Mass. Brian Egan and Beverly Collin will lead this retreat. The cost is \$195 for a shared room, \$240 for a private room; commuter rate is \$95.

To register for any of these retreats or for more information, visit www.cedarbrake.org or contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.