

MASS INTENTIONS



NOV 18
5:00PM..... Manolito Salazar †
Dwayne Guidry †

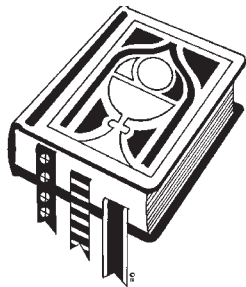
NOV 19
8:30AM..... Stacy Kurtz †
John Galaviz †
10:30AM..... Alice Domke †
John Herland †
12:30PM..... Fidel Iniguez †
Jose Soto †
5:00PM..... For our parish family

NOV 20
8:30AM..... Rebecca Salinas †
Birthday blessings
for Cesar Contreras

NOV 21
6:30PM..... For the special intentions
of the Legion of Mary
Bret Alexander †

NOV 22
7:00PM..... For the special intention
of Irma Bernal
Victoria Aviles †

NOV 24
8:30AM..... Helen Ferraro †
Birthday blessings
for Gloria Calabro



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK NOV 19-25

Sun Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20,
30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6;
Matthew 25:14-30
Mon 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63; Luke 18:35-43
Tue 2 Maccabees 6:18-31;
Luke 19:1-10
Wed 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31;
Luke 19:11-28
Thurs 1 Maccabees 2:15-29;
Luke 19:41-44
Fri 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59;
Luke 19:45-48
Sat 1 Maccabees 6:1-13;
Luke 20:27-40

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE		
Week of:	October 5, 2017	YTD (July 2017 - June 2018)
Cash & Checks	\$27,808.38	\$465,637.56
Credit Cards & EFT's	\$4,074.50	\$40,516.14
Total Contributions Received:	\$31,882.88	\$506,153.70
Weekly Offering GOAL:	\$29,877.60	\$567,674.40
Over/Under:	\$2,005.28	(\$61,520.70))
SECOND COLLECTION		
No Second Collection		\$0.00
DEBT REDUCTION (Reported monthly on the 2nd Sunday of the month)		
For more information about making your offerings electronically, please contact Cesar Bobadilla at (512) 259-3126 ext. 108.		
Para autorizar sus ofrendas mensuales con tarjeta de crédito o trasferencia bancaria, por favor comunicarse con Cesar Bobadilla at (512) 259-3126 ext. 108.		

NOVEMBER 23 - THANKSGIVING DAY

Countries around the world dedicate special days to expressing thanks for blessings. God gifts each person through His loving generosity each day. Be particularly observant and reflective of the blessings you have in life. Pray for those less fortunate. Put your faith into action through caring words and gestures of outreach and service, being especially mindful of the two greatest commandments - to love God, and to love our neighbors.

A Vigil Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 22 at 7PM. Our regularly scheduled daily Mass will not be celebrated on Wednesday or Thursday. Also, the church office will close for the holiday at noon on Wednesday and will reopen on Monday, November 27.

On behalf of all the clergy and all the staff at St. Margaret Mary, we wish you and your family a blessed Thanksgiving Day!

NOVIEMBRE 23 - DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

Los países de todo el mundo dedican días especiales para expresar agradecimiento por las bendiciones. Diariamente, Dios dota a cada persona a través de Su amorosa generosidad. Sea particularmente observador y reflexione acerca de las bendiciones que tiene en la vida. Ore por los menos afortunados. Ponga su fe en acción a través de palabras gentiles y gestos de extensión y servicio, sea cuidadoso especialmente de los dos mandamientos principales - amar a Dios y amar a nuestro prójimo.

La Misa de Vigilia para el Día de Acción de Gracias se celebrara el miércoles 22 de noviembre a las 7PM. Los días miércoles y jueves no habrá celebración de la Eucaristía en el horario de costumbre, de misma forma la oficina se cerrara al mediodía el miércoles y estará cerrada para los *días festivos hasta el lunes 27 de noviembre.*

¡De parte del clero y de todo el personal de St. Margaret Mary, les deseamos un feliz día de Acción de Gracias!

INCENSE ON THE FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE: Please be aware that incense will be used at all weekend liturgies next weekend. If you have respiratory issues that might be aggravated by the smoke, please take the necessary precautions or speak to one of the ushers before Mass so that they can help you locate a seat away from the smoke to help minimize any ill effects.

INCIENSO PARA LA SOLEMNIDAD DE NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO: Se avisa que el incienso se usara en todas las liturgias del próximo fin de semana. Si usted tiene problemas respiratorios que empeoren a causa del humo, por favor tome las precauciones necesarias o consulte con uno de los acomodadores antes de la misa para que le puedan ubicar en un asiento alejado del humo.

World Day of the Poor - Nov. 19

“Let us love, not with words but with deeds.”

~Pope Francis



Our faith calls us to serve the poor. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been answering that call since 1845.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers the chance to live your faith. Members grow spiritually and develop Christian friendships while serving those in need. Through person-to-person service, food pantries, thrift stores, medical care, rent and utility assistance, disaster relief, advocacy and more, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul helps people move out of poverty to self-sufficiency.

Each year, the Society gives over 17 million service hours to help those in need and serves more than 20 million people. Through the gracious donations of our parishioners the St Margaret Mary SVDP Conference provides assistance with rent, utilities, prescriptions, food, etc. for needy families in our area (includes parts of Cedar Park, Leander, and Liberty Hill).

Please consider getting involved with our St Margaret Mary Conference. Contact Jackie Godwin-Ditz at 512-250-9149 or jackie.godwin@att.net, or for more information about SVDP organization visit www.svdpusa.org.

ALTAR SERVERS

NOV 25

5:00 PM

Gabriel Carter, McCailey Merritt, Chris and Phillip Dinh

NOV 26

8:30 AM

Eloisa Cleaveland, Salma and Olivia Jimenez, Cade and Maricela Collins

10:30 AM

Danny Reich, Landon Farias, Luke Kerner, Isabel and Aaron Guzman

12:30 PM

Abel Calderon, Nataniel Rodriguez, Vianey, Amelia and Tomas Navarro

5:00 PM

Sydney Knight, Catherine Ritchie, Nico Kallinikos, Cristian and Sophie Espinoza

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.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

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.

Sunday, November 19

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
10:30 AM	MASS	Church
12:30 PM	MASS - Spanish	Church
2:00 PM	Catecismo Para Padres	Special Events Room
2:00 PM	CRSP Women's Formation Team	RE RM 106/108
2:00 PM	MLF Food Prep	Kitchen
5:00 PM	MASS	Church
5:30 PM	CRSP Men's Formation Team	RE RM 105/107
7:00 PM	Misa Retiro de Profetas	Church

Monday, November 20

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
9:30 AM	Divine Mercy Group VII	Confessional
9:30 AM	Divine Mercy Group X	Day Chapel
4:00 PM	MLF Food Prep	Kitchen
7:00 PM	Choir practice (Sat Vigil)	Special Events Room
7:00 PM	Crecimiento - Vida en el Espíritu	Benish Center
7:00 PM	Divine Mercy Group II	Confessional
7:00 PM	Divine Mercy VI	Day Chapel
7:15 PM	Divine Mercy VII - Spanish	RE RM 105/107
7:30 PM	King's Army	RE RM 109
7:30 PM	Ultreya	RE RM 110

Tuesday, November 21

4:00 PM	MLF Food Prep	Kitchen
6:30 PM	MASS	Church
7:15 PM	Legion of Mary	RE RM 106
7:30 PM	The Gathering	Special Events Room

Wednesday, November 22

Office Closed at Noon

4:00 PM	MLF Food Prep	Kitchen
7:00 PM	CSS Study - Mary, Queen of Heaven	RE RM 106/108
7:00 PM	Thanksgiving Vigil MASS	Church
7:15 PM	Legion of Mary - Spanish	RE RM 110
7:30 PM	Grupo de Oración Carismático	Benish Center
7:30 PM	Matlachines	Back Parking Lot

Thursday, November 23 - Thanksgiving Holiday

Office Closed

4:00 PM	MLF Food Prep	Kitchen
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Friday, November 24 - Thanksgiving Holiday

Office Closed

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
4:00 PM	MLF Food Prep	Kitchen
7:00 PM	Profetas de Cristo	Benish Center
7:00 PM	Voces Profetas de Cristo	Special Events Room

Saturday, November 25

7:00 AM	Men's Prayer Group	Eucharistic Chapel
7:30 AM	Spanish Choir Practice	Church
10:30 AM	MLF Food Prep	Kitchen
3:30 PM	RECONCILIATION	Confessional
5:00 PM	VIGIL MASS	Church

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
- Maribel Jimenez
Receptionist (512) 259-3126
- Jean Hinojosa
Receptionist x103
- Adrian De La Cruz, Jr.
Parish Administrator..... x104
- Lilly Montes
Secretary x105
- Georgina Savage
Quinceañeras & Weddings x106
- 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

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
cramos@stmargaretmary.com

Faith Formation:
Pk-5th Grade:
Robin Yanez, *Director of RE*
robin@stmargaretmary.com
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Middle School & High School:
Melanie Owens, *Director of YM*
melanie@stmargaretmary.com
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Annie Gott, *Asst Dir. of YM*
annie@stmargaretmary.com
(C) 512-784-4560

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.

#iGIVECATHOLIC



NOVEMBER 28, 2017

To celebrate our unique Catholic heritage, **#iGiveCatholic** is the first-ever giving day created to rally the Catholic community on **#GivingTuesday, Nov. 28th** - a global day of giving. Donors make secure, tax-deductible donations to their parish, alma mater, and favorite ministries. Donations will be accepted on iGiveCatholic.org during a 24-hour period, and gifts may be scheduled in advance beginning Friday, November 10th. Please consider sharing your blessings and supporting our parish goal by making a donation at www.iGiveCatholic.org.

Para celebrar nuestra herencia Católica, **#iGiveCatholic** fue creado para unir la comunidad Católica en **#GivingTuesday, el 28 de noviembre, un día de donación mundial**. Los donantes hacen donaciones seguras y deducibles de impuestos a su parroquia, alma mater, y a sus ministerios favoritos. Las donaciones serán aceptadas en iGiveCatholic.org durante un período de 24 horas, y los regalos se pueden programar por adelantado comenzando el viernes, 10 de noviembre. Por favor considere compartir sus bendiciones y apoyar nuestra meta parroquial haciendo una donación en www.iGiveCatholic.org.

THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY sponsored by the Capital Area Food Bank (CAFB) will **not** be at St. Margaret Mary distributing food on November 25 due to the holiday. The distribution has been rescheduled for **Saturday, Dec. 2** from 12:30-1:30 pm.

DESPENSA MOVIL DE ALIMENTOS patrocinada por CAFB no estará en St. Margaret Mary para distribuir alimentos el 25 de noviembre debido a las vacaciones. La distribución de alimentos ha sido reprogramado para el **sábado, 2 de diciembre** de 12:30 a 1:30 pm.



Mark Your Calendar For Upcoming Events!

- iGiveCatholic Online
- Fundraising Event Nov 28
- Advent Penance Service..... Dec 5
- Immaculate Conception
- Feastday HDO Dec 8
- Parish Christmas Dinner/
- Children's Play Dec 9



THIS WEEK IN RCIA we will not have class due to the Thanksgiving holiday. We will meet next Tuesday at 7PM in the Benish Center, all are welcome! For more information, contact Kevin Pasnik at kevin.pasnik@gmail.com or 512-585-0307.

ESTA SEMANA EN RICA no hay clases. Nos reunimos el próximo martes a las 7PM en la Capilla; todos son bienvenidos! Para más información en español, por favor comunicarse con Jesús Fernández Dávila al (818)441-2046, jfernand112@aol.com, o con Paola Fernández Dávila al (302)450-8685, paobaby777@gmail.com.



THANKSGIVING BREAK FOR THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE) PROGRAM:

There will be no RE classes (PK-5th Grade) starting Sunday, November 19. RE classes will resume on Sunday, December 3.

EL PROGRAMA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA SE SUSPENDE DURANTE LOS DÍAS FESTIVOS DE THANKSGIVING:

No habrá clases de educación religiosa para los alumnos en grados PK-5^o iniciando el domingo 19 de noviembre. Las clases de catequesis reasumirán el domingo, 3 de diciembre.

PARISH COUNCIL HOSTING THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

Everyone is invited on Saturday, Dec. 9th at 6pm following Mass in the Benish Center. Come join us for a delicious traditional dinner and an evening of fellowship with friends and family. The festivities for the evening will also include the Children's Christmas Play following Mass as well as a visit from Santa if he makes it from the North Pole in time!

You can purchase a dinner ticket for each family member for \$2. We want to make sure that we can accommodate everyone and to do so, dinner will be served in two shifts: the first from 6-7:15pm and the second from 7:15-8:30pm. If you have a dinner time preference, please purchase your ticket for the preferred session and buy your tickets early as only 275 tickets will be sold for each session.

If you can't afford the tickets, please let the Pastoral Council know and we'll be happy to help. The issue of finance should not prevent anyone from enjoying the Christmas dinner. Tickets for the dinner can be picked up in the Narthex after Mass over the next two weekends. Tickets need to be purchased by December 8th and will **not** be available at the door.

We also need volunteers to help us cook, serve and clean-up. For more information or to sign up to help, please contact Antonio Becerra at 512-470-3215 or at abecerra007@gmail.com.



Christmas

CENA ANUAL DE NAVIDAD

El Consejo Parroquial ofrecerá la Cena de Navidad el sábado, 9 de diciembre, después de la misa de vigilia, en el Centro Benish. Acompañenos a esta estupenda noche de compañerismo con familia y amistades. Las festividades también incluirán la obra de Navidad presentada por los niños después de la misa de las 5PM tanto como la visita de Santa, ¡si llega a tiempo del Polo Norte a Cedar Park!

De nuevo, estaremos vendiendo boletos a \$2 por cada persona que vaya a asistir. Nuestro deseo es ser capaces de servir a todos nuestros invitados así que la cena se sirve en dos turnos, el primero de 6-7:15 pm y el segundo de 7:15-8:30 pm. Si prefiere una hora de la cena, por favor compre sus entradas para la sesión preferida y comprar sus entradas con anticipación, ya que solo se venderán 275 boletos para cada sesión.

Si no pueden pagar por los boletos para la cena, por favor avísenos y con gusto les ayudaremos. La cuestión de finanzas no debe impedir que alguien goce de la Cena de Navidad. Los boletos para la cena pueden recogerse en el atrio después de misa comenzando este fin de semana. Por favor de comprar sus boletos para el viernes 8 de diciembre. Los boletos **no** estarán disponibles la noche del evento. Esperamos verlos ahí.

También necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar a cocinar, servir y limpiar. Para más información o si desea ayudar, comuníquese con Antonio Becerra al 512-470-3215 o abecerra007@gmail.com.

HAS YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER CHANGED? Please let us know of any recent changes by calling 512-259-3126 or email your updates to stmmc@stmargaretmary.com

¿HA CAMBIADO SU DIRECCIÓN O SU NÚMERO DE TELÉFONO? Por favor avísenos sobre los cambios recientes llamando 512-259-3126 o más bien envíe por correo electrónico su información al stmmc@stmargaretmary.com

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

We all want to be considered God's good and faithful servants and God gives us all we need to be his disciples: Sacraments and their grace, God's word and a community of faith. What we need to do is to risk pouring out our lives as Jesus did and not clinging to our life and gifts out of fear. We can do this by giving our lives away and learning that so much more is given when we spend ourselves in God's service to others. If you don't believe this, ask someone who has served in a ministry to others like the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Communion ministry to the sick, prison ministry, pro-life ministry or any other in your parish. They will report the rich rewards they receive.

Todos queremos ser considerados siervos fieles y buenos y Dios nos da todo lo que necesitamos para ser sus discípulos: los sacramentos y su gracias, la palabra de Dios, la comunidad de fe. Lo que necesitamos hacer es arriesgarnos a derramar nuestras vidas tal como Jesús lo hizo y no aferrarnos a nuestra vida y dones por miedo. Podemos hacer esto al dar nuestras vidas y al aprender que mucho más es dado cuando nos damos a nosotros mismos en el servicio de Dios hacia los demás. Si usted no cree esto, pregúntele a alguien que ha servido en un ministerio para los demás tal como la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul, el ministerio de la comunión para los enfermos, un ministerio para encarcelados, un ministerio pro-vida o cualquier otro en su parroquia. Ellos le platicarán a usted las ricas recompensas que recibieron.

Gift Shop Ministry Needs You!

We are currently looking for a new ministry leader to help run our Gift Shop Ministry beginning in January of 2018. The Gift Shop is open on the second Sunday of the month, and provides our parish community the wonderful opportunity to purchase religious items after mass. Please, prayerfully consider if you feel called to serve our parish community in this way, and contact Chuck Ramos in the parish office at chuck@stmargaretmary.com for more information.

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 lilly@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 lilly@stmargaretmary.com.

SAVE THE DATE: SENIOR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Christmas Luncheon for Seniors is scheduled for **Wed. Dec 13th at 10am**. You can bring holiday cheer to the young of heart by donating food items for the annual Christmas luncheon. Collection boxes will be set up in the Narthex and office lobby through Dec 9th. The following items are needed to prepare the traditional feast:

- cans of cranberry sauce
- cans of chicken broth
- cans of yams
- cans of green beans
- boxes/bags of dry stuffing mix
- **dessert donations can be dropped off morning of luncheon Dec. 13th**

Volunteers also needed the day before the event - Tuesday, Dec. 12th at 10am to carve the turkeys.

On Dec. 13th, volunteers will be needed from 9- 1pm. If you would like to volunteer to help at this event, please contact **Rebecca Tovar at 512-699-9165 or Linda Tapp at 713-724-2421**.

¡GUARDA LA FECHA!

El almuerzo de Navidad para los jubilados está programado para el miércoles 13 de diciembre. Usted puede ayudar a compartir la alegría navideña con nuestros mayores de edad por medio de la donación de alimentos para el almuerzo anual. Los donativos de alimentos se pueden colocar en los contenedores de colección especial que serán situados en el atrio del templo y la oficina hasta el 9 de diciembre. Los siguientes elementos son necesarios para preparar la fiesta tradicional:

- Latas de salsa de arándanos en gelatina
- Latas de caldo de pollo
- Latas de batata/camote
- Latas de ejotes
- Paquetes de mezcla para relleno
- **Donaciones de postres se aceptaran el día del almuerzo 13 de diciembre**

El día antes del evento, martes 12 de diciembre a las 10am, también necesitamos **voluntarios** para tallar los pavos. El 13 de diciembre se necesitan voluntarios de 9-1pm. Para más información o si usted desea ayudar en este evento, póngase en contacto con **Rebecca Tovar al 512-699-9165 o Linda Tapp al 713-724-2421**.

Youth Ministry Spotlight

- Middle School and High School Faith Formation will not meet on Sunday, Nov. 19 & Nov. 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Classes will resume on Dec. 3rd.
- Reminder to all 2nd Year Confirmation Students: The deadline to submit your Retreat forms and payment is Dec 1st. For questions, please contact Melanie Owens at melanie@stmargaretmary.com.

Ministerio De Jovenes

- Los alumnos de la secundaria y preparatoria no se reúnen el domingo 19 y 26 de noviembre para los días festivos de Thanksgiving. Las clases reasumirán el domingo, 3 de diciembre.
- Recordatorio a todos los estudiantes de 2^o año de Confirmación: el plazo de entregar sus formularios para el Retiro y el pago es el 1^o de diciembre. Para preguntas, por favor contacte a Melanie Owens en melanie@stmargaretmary.com.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

“When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls.” Spouses, find value in one another by enjoying a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend together. The next weekends are Feb 16-18 and Apr 20-22. For more dates, information & to apply go to www.austinme.org or contact wwmeaustin@gmail.com or call 512-677-WWME (9963). Call early to ensure a space. Para información en español llamar al 512-744-5318.

“Building a culture of life isn’t something we just do one month of the year, or with one event or initiative—it’s essential to who we are. It happens through our daily actions, how we treat one another, and how we live our lives.”

-Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan,
Chair USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities
2017 Respect Life Month Statement, <https://goo.gl/NSMjxT>

“Construir una cultura de la vida no es algo que solo hacemos un mes del año, o con una actividad o iniciativa: es esencial a quienes somos. Sucede por medio de nuestras acciones diarias, cómo nos tratamos unos a otros, y cómo vivimos nuestra vida”.

-Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan, Presidente Comité
para las Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB
2017 Declaración del Mes Respetemos la Vida, www.goo.gl/ZnF183

**Experience St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School:**

You will truly “experience Savio” by visiting our campus and learning more about what the Savio community has to offer in academics, extra-curricular activities, faith and service programs, college advising, and much, much, more. There will be an Experience Savio Parent Breakfast on Dec. 7th. *Register to attend by visiting our website: saviochs.org / Admissions or by contacting Holly Bologna, Director of Admission, at 512-388-8846 ext. 5504.*

SAVE THE DATE

For our St. Margaret Mary annual Ladies’ retreat, January 26-28, 2018 at Cedarbrake, in Belton. “The Joy of Living The Gospel” presented by Fr. Larry Rice CSP, Director of the University Catholic Center in Austin. Come and explore the possibilities of coming out of the darkness and into the light. Where the cross meets the road. Where our umbrella of fear and doubt will be unblocked. The beginning place, the foundation upon which more can be built. You are the salt of the earth, but what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? You need to “TREAT” yourself to this weekend reTREAT. The weekend won’t stop the storms of life, but will better prepare you to face these storms which life presents.

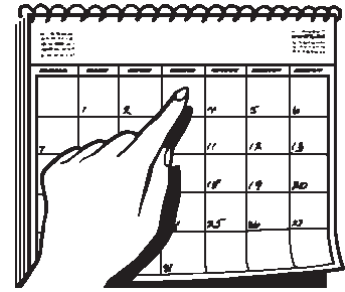
For more information contact Teresa Shaw at teresa_a_shaw@yahoo.com, Margaret Huntley at 512-563-2337 or maggielh@yahoo.com, or Gigi Bost at gigibost@sbcglobal.net. Registration form available on our parish website at <http://www.stmargaretmary.com>.



Second Collection: Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be generous in this week's second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Por favor, sean generosos en la segunda colecta de esta semana para la Campaña Católica para el Desarrollo Humano. En los Estados Unidos, una de cada seis personas vive en situación de pobreza. Con esta colecta ustedes dan su apoyo a programas que tratan con las causas de la pobreza y brindan un futuro sostenible a aquellos que están luchando en todo el país. Además, el 25 por ciento de los fondos recaudados permanecerán en nuestra diócesis para financiar proyectos anti-pobreza en nuestra área. Por favor, en oración, piensen en cómo dar su apoyo a esta colecta y trabajar en la periferia. Pueden encontrar más información sobre la Campaña Católica para el Desarrollo Humano en www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.



Upcoming Activities at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton

To register for any of these events, please call (254) 780-2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.

- **The Silent Advent Retreat** on Dec. 1-3 is a weekend of silence and solitude combined with communal prayer and Mass. Brian Egan and Beverly Collin will lead this retreat. Spiritual direction will be available. The cost is \$185 per person.
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