

**MASS INTENTIONS**



**DEC 30**  
8:00PM..... For our parish family

**DEC 31**  
8:30AM..... For the special intention of Jose Orduñez  
10:30AM..... Victor Rodriguez †  
Albert Amezcuita †  
12:30PM..... Mike Nabor †  
5:00PM..... For our parish family

**JAN 1**  
8:30AM..... For our parish family

**JAN 2**  
6:30PM..... Birthday blessings for Carolina Ramos

**JAN 3**  
8:30AM..... For all the faithful who are weakened by the storms of daily life  
7:00PM..... For all the sick of our parish

**JAN 4**  
6:30PM..... For the deceased members of the Aranda Family †

**JAN 5**  
7:00PM..... Edwigs & Dolores Armendariz †

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK DEC 31 – JAN 6**

Sun Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Luke 2:22-40  
Mon Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21  
Tue 1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28  
Wed 1 John 2:29—3:6; John 1:29-34  
Thurs 1 John 3:7-10; John 1:35-42  
Fri 1 John 3:11-21; John 1:43-51  
Sat 1 John 5:5-13; Mark 1:7-11

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Youth of the parish are encouraged to become Altar Servers. For next weekend's schedule or for more information about serving, please contact Martha Collins at [marthaicollins@yahoo.com](mailto:marthaicollins@yahoo.com).

Si usted tiene cualquier pregunta referente al ministerio de los monaguillos favor de hablar con Martha Collins al [marthaicollins@yahoo.com](mailto:marthaicollins@yahoo.com).

**The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

The Baby Jesus with his Mother Mary and with St Joseph are a simple but so luminous icon of the family. The light it casts is the light of mercy and salvation for all the world, the light of truth for every man, for the human family and for individual families. This light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth in those family situations in which, for various reasons, peace is lacking, harmony is lacking, and forgiveness is lacking. May our concrete solidarity not diminish especially with regard to the families who are experiencing more difficult situations due to illness, unemployment, discrimination, the need to emigrate.... Let us pause here for a moment and pray in silence for all these families in difficulty, whether due to problems of illness, unemployment, discrimination, need to emigrate, due to difficulty in understanding each other and also to disunion. Let us pray in silence for all these families...(Hail Mary...).

~From Pope Francis' Angelus, St. Peter's Square, 12/28/14



**Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y Jose**

El Niño Jesús con su Madre María y con san José son una imagen familiar sencilla pero muy luminosa. La luz que ella irradia es luz de misericordia y de salvación para todo el mundo, luz de verdad para todo hombre, para la familia humana y para cada familia. Esta luz que viene de la Sagrada Familia nos alienta a ofrecer calor humano en esas situaciones familiares en las que, por diversos motivos, falta la paz, falta la armonía y falta el perdón. Que no disminuya nuestra solidaridad concreta especialmente en relación con las familias que están viviendo situaciones más difíciles por las enfermedades, la falta de trabajo, las discriminaciones, la necesidad de emigrar... Y aquí nos detenemos un poco y en silencio rezamos por todas esas familias en dificultad, tanto dificultades de enfermedad, falta de trabajo, discriminación, necesidad de emigrar, como dificultades para comprenderse e incluso de desunión. En silencio rezamos por todas esas familias...(Dios te salve María...).

~Del Ángelus de Papa Francisco, Plaza de San Pedro, 28/12/14

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

Week of:	December 17, 2017	YTD (July 2017 - June 2018)
Cash & Checks	\$27,981.06	\$621,935.28
Credit Cards & EFT's	\$10,483.04	\$77,188.68
<b>Total Contributions Received:</b>	<b>\$38,464.10</b>	<b>\$699,123.96</b>
<b>Weekly Offering GOAL:</b>	<b>\$29,877.60</b>	<b>\$746,940.00</b>
<b>Over/Under:</b>	<b>\$8,586.50</b>	<b>(\$47,816.04)</b>

**SECOND COLLECTION**

<b>No Second Collection</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
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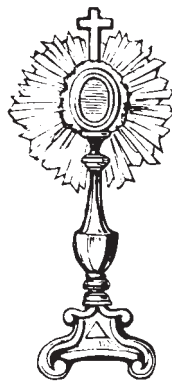
**DEBT REDUCTION (Reported monthly on the 2nd Sunday of the month)**

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 transferencia bancaria, por favor comunicarse con Cesar Bobadilla at (512) 259-3126 ext. 108.



### Mark Your Calendar For Upcoming Events!

- Mobile Food Pantry .....January 6
- Blood Drive.....January 6
- RE Resumes  
(Elementary & Middle School)....January 7
- Together Encountering
- Christ Retreat (TEC) .....January 13-15
- Ladies' Retreat .....January 26-28



### IMPORTANT REMINDER!

The Mass on the First Friday of the month (Jan. 5) will be celebrated at 7PM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight. On the First Saturday of the Month (Jan. 6), Mass will be celebrated at noon in the Church and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow until 3:30PM.

### UN RECORDATORIO IMPORTANTE!

La Misa del primer Viernes del mes (5 de ene) se celebra a las 7 de la tarde y después tendremos la adoración al Santísimo Sacramento hasta la medianoche. El primer sábado del mes (6 de ene) se celebrara la Misa al mediodía en el templo y la adoración al Santísimo seguirá hasta las 3:30pm.

### MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Next Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, from 12:30 – 1:30 pm, the mobile food pantry will be stationed in the North parking lot at St. Margaret Mary to distribute food and to provide assistance with the food benefits application.

### DESPENSA MOVIL DE ALIMENTOS

El próximo sábado 6 de enero de 12:30 – 1:30 pm, estará la despensa de alimentos en el estacionamiento en St. Margaret Mary para distribuir alimentos y proporcionar ayuda con la aplicación de beneficios de alimentos.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Please visit our website at [www.stmargaretmary.com](http://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](mailto:cramos@stmargaretmary.com).

Visite por favor nuestro sitio web en [www.stmargaretmary.com](http://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](mailto:cramos@stmargaretmary.com) para hacer su reservación.

### Sunday, December 31

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
10:30 AM	MASS	Church
12:30 PM	MASS - Spanish	Church
1:30 PM	Ministros de Eucaristía	Day Chapel
2:00 PM	Catecismo Para Padres	Special Events Room
5:00 PM	MASS	Church
5:30 PM	CRSP Men's Formation Team	RE RM 105/107

### Thursday, January 4

9:00 AM	CSS Bible Study	Benish Center
5:00 PM	RECONCILIATION	Confessional
6:30 PM	MASS	Church
7:00 PM	Choir practice (5:00 Sunday)	Special Events Room
7:00 PM	KC General Meeting	Benish Center
7:00 PM	Planeamiento - Vida en el Espirito	RE RM 104

### Monday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
7:00 PM	Choir practice (Sat Vigil)	Special Events Room
7:00 PM	Planeamiento - Vida en el Espíritu	Benish Center
7:15 PM	Divine Mercy VII - Spanish	RE RM 105/107

### First Friday, January 5

7:00 PM	MASS - Bilingual	Church
7:00 PM	Voces Profetas de Cristo	Special Events Room
7:30 PM	ADORATION	Eucharistic Chapel

### Tuesday, January 2

9:00 AM	HS Retreat Planning	Benish Center
6:30 PM	MASS	Church
7:00 PM	RCIA/RICA	Day Chapel/Benish Center
7:15 PM	Movimiento Familiar Cristiano	RE RM 102/103
7:30 PM	The Gathering	Special Events Room

### First Saturday, January 6

7:30 AM	Spanish Choir Practice	Church
8:00 AM	Blood Drive	RE RM 105-110
10:00 AM	Divine Mercy - A Year to Honor Our Lady	Special Events Room
12:00 PM	MASS	Church
12:30 PM	ADORATION	Day Chapel
12:30 PM	Mobile Food Pantry	Back Parking Lot
2:00 PM	CRSP Women's Formation Team	RE RM 106/108
3:30 PM	RECONCILIATION	Confessional
5:00 PM	Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Hijos/Hijas	RE RM 101-104
5:00 PM	VIGIL MASS	Church

### Wednesday, January 3

8:30 AM	MASS	Church
9:00 AM	ADORATION	Church
7:00 PM	CSS Bible Study	RE RM 106/108
7:00 PM	MASS - Spanish	Church
7:30 PM	Choir Practice (10:30)	Special Events Room
7:30 PM	Grupo de Oración Carismático	Benish Center

**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  
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**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*  
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Annie Gott, *Asst Dir. of YM*  
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**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.

**Blessing in the New Year**

May your New Year be a time of peace, joy, and serenity!  
May each day bring you closer to Christ and more loving to those in your family!  
May each week see you advancing in the practice of faith, hope, and charity!  
May each month give to you the aid, comfort and strength you need from God!  
May the march of the seasons make you appreciate and be grateful for all the good things you enjoy!  
May the end of the New Year find you happier, healthier, and holier than you have ever been! Amen!

~Franciscan Mission Associates

**Bendición en el Año Nuevo**

Que el nuevo año sea un tiempo de paz, alegría y serenidad!  
Que cada día te acerques más a Cristo y logres amar más a los miembros de tu familia!  
Que cada semana avances en la práctica de la fe, la esperanza y la caridad!  
Que cada mes el Señor te brinde la ayuda, consuelo y fortaleza que necesitas!  
Que por medio de cada estación del año llegues a apreciar y agradecer todo lo bueno que disfrutas!  
Que al fin del Año Nuevo seas más feliz, más sano y más bienaventurado que nunca!  
Amen!

~Asociados Franciscanos Misioneros

**Happy New Year!  
¡Feliz Año Nuevo!**

**Religious Education Christmas Break**

- RE classes for elementary grades and Middle School Youth Group will resume on Sunday, January 7.
- All 2nd-year Confirmation high school students are required to attend the Confirmation Retreat scheduled for the weekend of Jan. 5-7. High School Youth Group will resume on January 14, 2017. Please contact Melanie Owens as soon as possible at [melanie@stmargaretmary.com](mailto:melanie@stmargaretmary.com) or at 512-259-3126 for any questions.

**Educación Religiosa Se Suspende Durante Los Días Festivos De La Navidad**

- Las clases de catequesis para los niños en grados PK al quinto y los de secundaria reasumirán el domingo, 7 de enero.
- Los alumnos que están en su 2º año de clases de confirmación, deben de asistir el Retiro de Confirmación que se llevara a cabo del 5 al 7 de enero. Estudiantes de la preparatoria reasumirán sus clases el 14 de enero. Por favor comuníquese con Melanie Owens al [melanie@stmargaretmary.com](mailto:melanie@stmargaretmary.com) o 512-259-3126 lo más pronto posible si tiene alguna pregunta.

Ted, please keep below pro-life text separate. “Your own quiet, patient presence can provide important support as your loved one prepares emotionally and spiritually for his or her passing.”

- USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“Caring for Loved Ones at Life’s End,” [www.goo.gl/fvSEYp](http://www.goo.gl/fvSEYp)

“Su propia presencia tranquila y paciente puede ser un apoyo importante mientras su ser querido se prepara emocional y espiritualmente para la partida”.

- Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB  
“Cuidado de los seres queridos al final de la vida”, [www.goo.gl/5dVwWV](http://www.goo.gl/5dVwWV)

**The church office will be closed until Tuesday, January 2nd.  
La oficina de la parroquia se cerrara hasta el martes 2 de enero.**

### Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

(Since the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God on January 1, 2018 falls on a Monday this year, it is not observed as a Holyday of Obligation. ~ Liturgical Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States of America, USCCB.)

Dear brothers and sisters! *Jesus Christ is the blessing* for every man and woman, and for all of humanity. The Church, in giving us Jesus, offers us the fullness of the Lord's blessing. This is precisely the mission of the people of God: to spread to all peoples God's blessing made flesh in Jesus Christ. And Mary, the first and most perfect disciple of Jesus, the model of the pilgrim Church, is the one who opens the way to the Church's motherhood and constantly sustains her maternal mission to all mankind. Mary's tactful maternal witness has accompanied the Church from the beginning. She, the Mother of God, is also the Mother of the Church, and through the Church, the mother of all men and women, and of every people. ~From Pope Francis' Homily for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God, 01/01/2015.



### Solemnidad de Santa María, Madre de Dios

(Porque la Solemnidad de Santa María, Madre de Dios el 1° de enero de 2018, cae en un lunes este año, no se observa como un día de precepto. ~ Calendario Litúrgico para las Diócesis de los Estados Unidos de América, USCCB)

Queridos hermanos y hermanas. Jesucristo es la bendición para todo hombre y para toda la humanidad. La Iglesia, al darnos a Jesús, nos da la plenitud de la bendición del Señor. Esta es precisamente la misión del Pueblo de Dios: irradiar sobre todos los pueblos la bendición de Dios encarnada en Jesucristo. Y María, la primera y perfecta discípula de Jesús, la primera y perfecta creyente modelo de la Iglesia en camino, es la que abre esta vía de la maternidad de la Iglesia y sostiene siempre su misión materna dirigida a todos los hombres. Su testimonio materno y discreto camina con la Iglesia desde el principio. Ella, la Madre de Dios, es también Madre de la Iglesia y, a través de la Iglesia, es Madre de todos los hombres y de todos los pueblos.

~Homilía Del Santo Padre Francisco en la Solemnidad de Santa María, Madre de Dios, 01/01/2015.

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

**ESTA SEMANA EN RICA** vamos a discutir: Los Sacramentos. Nos reunimos el martes a las 7PM en el centro Benish; todos son bienvenidos! Para más información en español, por favor comunicarse con Jesús Fernández Dávila al (818)441-2046, [jfernand112@aol.com](mailto:jfernand112@aol.com), o con Paola Fernández Dávila al (302)450-8685, [paobaby777@gmail.com](mailto:paobaby777@gmail.com).

**2018 MEETING SPACE RESERVATIONS:** We are in the process of preparing the events calendar for next year. **Please do not assume your schedule will continue.** To facilitate this reservation process, ministry leaders are asked to submit a list of dates, times and facility being requested via email to [chuck@stmargaretmary.com](mailto:chuck@stmargaretmary.com). Additionally, due to the growth in our parish, all ministries are asked to only use the meeting space on the dates and times that have been reserved. If another date or time is needed, you must check with Chuck Ramos for availability, as the church facilities are frequently booked. Thank you for your cooperation.

**RESERVE LAS FECHAS EN 2018:** Estamos preparando el calendario de eventos para el próximo año. **Por favor no haga una suposición de que la programación continuara en el nuevo año.** Para facilitar esto se pide que los líderes del ministerio sometan una lista con las fechas, horas y lugares que se solicitan por correo electrónico a [chuck@stmargaretmary.com](mailto:chuck@stmargaretmary.com). Adicionalmente, debido al crecimiento en nuestra parroquia, se urge que los ministerios solo utilicen los salones en la fecha y el tiempo que se reservó. Si necesita otra fecha o tiempo, usted debe verificar con Chuck Ramos para confirmar la disponibilidad, pues estos espacios se reservan con frecuencia. Gracias por su cooperación.

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Today we celebrate that God is redeeming us and the world through Christ's birth, life, death and resurrection in a real human family. God is incarnate in the midst of our chaotic world because he desires to free us from sin, fear and death. As we meditate with gratitude this great gift of love, our minds and hearts must remember our brothers and sisters whose need may overcome any sense of gratitude. This day pray for those who are alone and without the love of family around them, for families living in cars or on streets, for those who will starve this day. God is saving them, but are we being neighbor and family to them?

Hoy celebramos que Dios nos redime a nosotros y al mundo a través del nacimiento de Cristo, su vida, muerte y resurrección dentro de una familia humana real. Dios es encarnado en medio de nuestro mundo caótico porque desea liberarnos del pecado, del miedo y la muerte. Mientras meditamos con gratitud sobre este gran don de amor, nuestras mentes y corazones deben recordar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas cuya necesidad supera cualquier sentido de gratitud. Este día ore por aquellos que están solos y sin amor familiar a su alrededor, por familias que se encuentran viviendo en autos o en las calles, por aquellos que pasan hambre hoy. Dios los salva, pero ¿estamos siendo buen prójimo para ellos?

**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](mailto: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](mailto:stmmc@stmargaretmary.com)

**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](mailto: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](mailto:lilly@stmargaretmary.com).

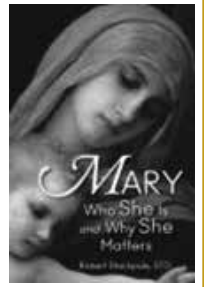
**LAS POSADAS 2017**

Les agradecemos a todos los ministerios hispanos por su apoyo y servicio incondicional para continuar con la tradición de Las Posadas en esta comunidad. De igual manera gracias a todo el pueblo que asistió, por dedicar su valioso tiempo y su compartir en esta novena al Niño Jesús.

# Big Thank You!

We thank the Hispanic Ministries for their support and their heartfelt welcome to those of our faith community who came to participate in this year's traditional Posadas. We also appreciate all who attended, for taking time out of your schedule to share in this novena to the sweet Baby Jesus.

**Adult Book Study:** Join us every First Saturday in 2018 as we discover "Mary, Who She IS and Why She Matters". We will meet from 10 a.m. - 11:30am. Our first meeting will be Saturday, January 6th in the Special Events/Ministry Room. Format of the study will be prayer of thanksgiving, share, lesson, prayer/petition. For more information or to order the book (cost \$15), contact [Vcook7@hotmail.com](mailto:Vcook7@hotmail.com).

**Volunteers Needed for Our 2018 Pictorial Directory**

We need help in the following areas:

- Publicizing our photography event
- Contacting our families
- Helping with photography session sign-ups
- Greeting our families during photography
- Laying out our directory for publication

Contact us via email at [smmccphotos2018@gmail.com](mailto:smmccphotos2018@gmail.com) or by calling Sonny Reininger at 512-671-1000.

**Se Necesitan Voluntarios para nuestro Directorio Pictórico 2018**

Necesitamos ayuda en las siguientes áreas:

- Publicitar nuestro evento fotográfico
- Contactar a nuestras familias
- Ayuda con la sesión de fotografía
- Saludar a nuestras familias durante la fotografía
- Colocación de nuestro directorio para publicación

Comuníquese con nosotros por correo electrónico a [smmccphotos2018@gmail.com](mailto:smmccphotos2018@gmail.com) o llamando a Sonny Reininger al 512-671-1000.

**TEC Retreat (Together Encounter Christ)** is an intergenerational movement focused on the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ. TEC is a high energy and spirit filled retreat where young adults explore and deepen their faith. Weekends are filled with witness talks, group discussions, personal reflections/prayer, recreations and live music. The TEC retreat is for young adults ages 17 (or a 2nd semester junior) and up. TEC of Central Texas is a 3-day retreat hosted at Eagles Wings Retreat Center. You will experience a fresh, faith-filled atmosphere away from home, school, and/or work. Retreat participants meet, reflect, and share how they see themselves, their ideals, and their hopes/dreams while finding God's presence in their life. There are only two (2) TEC of Central Texas weekends each year and availability is limited. The next retreat will be held on Saturday Morning, January 13, 2017 - Monday Evening, January 15, 2017 (MLK Weekend) at Eagles Wings Retreat Center - Burnet, TX. Visit the TEC website at <https://tecofctx.wordpress.com> for more information and to register online today for the January retreat.

**A SPECIAL COLLECTION**

The special collection this weekend, for the Feast of the Holy Family, is to support family and pro-life activities in the Diocese of Austin. These include: Annunciation Maternity Home in Georgetown, Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter in Temple and the diocesan Office of Pro-life Activities. Please be generous in your support of this most worthy cause.

La colecta especial este fin de semana, en honor de la Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia, es para apoyar las actividades pro-vida en la Diócesis de Austin: Estas incluyen: Annunciation Maternity Home en Georgetown, el albergue de maternidad Our Lady of the Angels en Temple y la Oficina de Actividades Pro-vida diocesana. Por favor sea generoso en su apoyo a esta valiosa causa.

**Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary**

In Fatima, Our Lady said, "My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God." Please join thousands of Faithful throughout our Diocese for 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. The prayers begin on February 20th and are done privately using the preparation book. Please visit [www.TexasToJesus-ThroughMary.org](http://www.TexasToJesus-ThroughMary.org) by **January 24th** to receive your **FREE** copy of the Montfort preparation prayer book. Your book will be mailed to you.

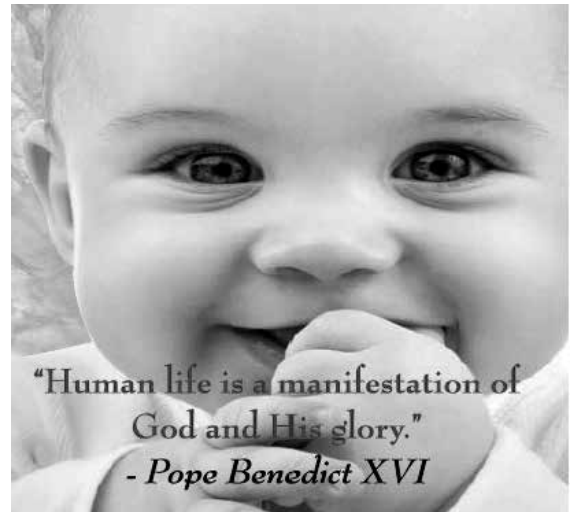
**Preparación para la Total Consagración a Jesús por María**

En Fátima, Nuestra Señora dijo, "Mi Inmaculado Corazón será tu refugio y el camino que te conducirá a Dios". Por favor, únase a miles de Fieles de toda nuestra Diócesis para realizar 33 días de oración para la Total Consagración a Jesús por María. Las oraciones comienzan el 20 de febrero y son hechas de manera privada en nuestro hogar usando un libro de preparación. Por favor visite [www.TexasToJesus-ThroughMary.org](http://www.TexasToJesus-ThroughMary.org) antes del **24 de enero** para recibir su copia **GRATUITA** del libro de preparación y oración Montfort. Su libro le será enviado por correo.



### LADIES' RETREAT

St. Margaret Mary's annual Ladies reTREAT, "The Joy of Living The Gospel" presented by Fr. Larry Rice CSP, Director of the University Catholic Center in Austin, will take place on January 26-28, at Cedarbrake, in Belton. Come and explore the possibilities of coming out of the darkness and into the light. You are the salt of the earth, but what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Why not "TREAT" yourself for the New Year to this weekend retreat? The weekend won't stop the storms of life, but it will better prepare you to face the storms which life sometimes presents. Registration is \$150 for a double-occupancy room or \$200 for a single-occupancy room. This includes your 5 meals over the weekend. For more information contact Teresa Shaw at [teresa\\_a\\_shaw@yahoo.com](mailto:teresa_a_shaw@yahoo.com), Margaret Huntley at 512-563-2337 or [maggiefh@yahoo.com](mailto:maggiefh@yahoo.com), or Gigi Bost at [gigibost@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gigibost@sbcglobal.net). Registration forms available @ <http://www.stmargaretmary.com>.



"Human life is a manifestation of  
God and His glory."  
- Pope Benedict XVI

### Texas Catholic Pro-Life Day

Texas Catholic Pro-Life Day is Jan. 27. The day begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop Joe Vásquez at 10 a.m. at San José Parish in Austin and Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel Garcia at 10:30 a.m. at St. Louis Parish in Austin. The March and Rally for Life will follow in downtown Austin. For details, visit [austindiocese.org/texas-catholic-pro-life-day](http://austindiocese.org/texas-catholic-pro-life-day).

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