

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

Sunday, Aug. 30	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.	+Victoria Calvo by Bill & Victoria Yoes (Msgr. Fred)
10:30 a.m.	For the safety of those in uniform by Joey & Karen Light (Fr. Mamachan)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Fr. Mamachan)
1:00 p.m.	Distribution of Communion
Monday, Aug. 31	
7:00 a.m.	+Hippolyte Bellet by Ron & Marie Bishop (Fr. Mamachan)
Tuesday, Sept. 1	
7:30 a.m.	For teachers, students, and the Chavez Family by Lupe & Janie Chavez (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 p.m.	+Leroy Caughey by Barbara Caughey (Fr. Mamachan)
Wednesday, Sept. 2	
7:00 a.m.	+Dr. Victor Hinojosa by Janice & Barbara Pugh (Msgr. Fred) +Lucy McCants by Bill & Victoria Yoes (Fr. Mamachan)
Thursday, Sept. 3	
7:00 a.m.	For the safety of those in uniform by Joey & Karen Light (Msgr. Fred) Pamela Poole by Bill & Victoria Yoes (Fr. Mamachan)
Friday, Sept. 4	
9:00 a.m.	+Ernest & Mary Talerico by Barbara Caughey (Msgr. Fred – Main Celebrant) For Doctors, nurses, & medical assistants treating Covid-19 and hospitalized victims by Lupe & Janie Chavez (Fr. Mamachan - Concelebrant)
Saturday, Sept. 5	
8:00 a.m.	+Leroy Caughey by Barbara Caughey (Msgr. Fred)
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred)
5:30 p.m.	+Hunter Nhan by Parents (Fr. Mamachan) – recorded
6:30 p.m.	Distribution of Communion
Sunday, Sept. 6	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m.	Pamela Poole by Bill & Victoria Yoes (Fr. Mamachan)
10:30 a.m.	+Leroy Caughey by Barbara Caughey (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Msgr. Fred)
1:00 p.m.	Distribution of Communion

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Veronica Bartosh, Joyce Bayer, Phyllis Beyer, Raymond Buck, Harold Bush, Sonia Gallagher, Orlando Garcia, Manuel Hernandez, John Higuera, Sandy Hood, Kathy Jones, Jim Lessin, Jim Luyet, Max Mendez, Terry Novak, Claudette Perry, Pamela Poole, Kiki and Gabriel Ruiz, Fran Scanlon, Chris Shadley, Joey Schaefer, Bernie Taylor, Octaviano Villanueva, Maureen White. *Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks unless the office is notified.*

THE 5:30 P.M. MASS IS RECORDED and posted to our website and Facebook page. For those who are in attendance during the recording of Mass, please be aware that by attending this liturgy you acknowledge and consent that you may be recorded during this event.

THE OFFICE TELEPHONES have experienced problems recently due to the work that is being done along Buffalo Gap and in new construction within our area. We are working to correct this, and we apologize for any problems this has caused.

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE is steadily increasing. We had about 200 people at the 9:00 a.m. Mass last Sunday. This is close to the 50% maximum capacity set by the State and the Diocese. We are not allowed to seat additional people once the maximum capacity is reached. If we are full in the church, a sign will be posted just outside the entrance asking that you wait in your car and receive Communion at the end of Mass. The 5:30 p.m. Mass is recorded and posted on our website and facebook page for viewing on Sunday.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION WHEN WEARING FACE MASKS. When you approach the minister to receive Communion, please remove your face mask and consume the consecrated host before returning to your pew. Please do not carry the host and consume it in your pew.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MINISTRY will be taken up this weekend, August 29-30. Our contributions to this collection will help to provide support for the Catholic faith life of the students at the colleges and universities located in our Diocese of San Angelo. Please drop your envelopes in the black box in the foyer.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the souls of Gerry McAuliffe, father of Mike McAuliffe, and Nancy Conlan. We pray that their families will be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, and that they and all the faithful departed may rest in peace through God's mercy.

MARRIAGE JUBILEE 2020 – All couples who are celebrating their church wedding anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and above in the **calendar year of 2020** are invited to the Diocesan Marriage Jubilee bilingual celebration on Sunday, October 11, 2020, at 2:30 p.m. in the sacred Heart Cathedral in San Angelo. Renewal of their commitment will take place within the Mass. In light of the current coronavirus pandemic, social distancing will be practiced, and a couple need not be present to receive a certificate. Those who attend the Mass can pick up their certificates at the Cathedral that day. The certificates of those who do not attend will be sent to the corresponding parish office for distribution. Space is limited. Reserved seating will be available to the jubilant couples; then, if space is available, family, and friends may reserve seats on a first-come, first-serve basis. Livestreaming will be available for those unable to attend in person. For registration information, please contact your pastor. The deadline to register for this celebration is Monday, September 28, 2020.

CONFESSIONS ARE TAKING PLACE IN ROOM 101, the room to your left as you enter the church building. The schedule for this week is as follows:

Tuesday, Sept. 1 - 11:30 a.m. until finished – Fr. Mamachan
Friday, Sept. 4 - 8:30 a.m. until finished – Fr. Fred
Saturday, Sept. 5 – 4:00 – 5:15 p.m. – Fr. Fred

CURIOUS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

The **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for you if:

- You are not Catholic but wish to learn more about the Catholic Church
- You want to become a member of the Catholic Church
- You are a baptized Catholic and would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation).

The **RCIA** program begins in September and meets weekly on Tuesdays from 7:00 – 8:45 p.m. During this time, participants will receive an overview of the Catholic faith and doctrine, and meet others who are on the same spiritual journey. There is no cost for the classes. Please contact Gail Wheeler at the church office to register for the classes.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE to locate our Saturday, 5:30 p.m. recorded Mass and much more:

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| Video Archive | Online Giving |
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| Family Parish Registration Form | |
| Religious Education Registration Form | |

EVANGELUS

Diocese of San Angelo website and messages from Bishop Sis

NOCTURNAL ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be this Thursday, September 3, from 7:00 p.m. until 12:00 a.m. (midnight). What better time to pray for our country and for world peace. You may come at any time, or you may sign up on the poster board in the church foyer. If you would like to sign up for a set time each month, please contact Gerald Phillips at (325) 518-5674.

WOMEN’S SCRIPTURE STUDY will be held in-person this fall, following the Covid safety protocols of our diocese. The Wednesday evening classes begin September 9 at 6 PM and will study Genesis. The Thursday morning classes begin September 10 at 9:15 AM and will study Acts of the Apostles. Both classes will take place in the parish center with socially distanced seating and face masks required. Please do not come to class if you have a temperature, are coughing, sneezing or showing other symptoms related to the Covid-19 virus. Childcare/Nursery will not be available. If you have not already done so, go to the parish website - www.holyfamilyabilene.org – register with EVANGELUS and select the Women’s Scripture Study group to be included in text/email messages about the classes.

2020-2021 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: With the constraints caused by the coronavirus outbreak, our diocese has recommended that we use virtual learning rather than in-person classes. All families are invited to register their children for religious education and participate in our newly adapted **online programs** for grades One through Twelve. Materials will be provided to PreK and Kindergarten parents, and teachers will assist in the learning process for this age group. Please return your registration form or complete the downloadable form at our website. Due to the unusual circumstances this year, we are waiving the usual registration fee.

Dear Padre

August 30, 2020

I feel guilty about putting my mother in a nursing home. Have I abandoned her?

Caring for aging, fragile parents is a responsibility that is increasing as people live longer due to advances in medical technology. Accompanying longer lives, however, is often poorer health. Frequently family members conclude that they don’t have the wherewithal to care responsibly for their parents. So, they seek a nursing facility where parents may be properly cared for in terms of their physical, psychological, and even spiritual health. Nursing homes with staff that understand the needs of the elderly are a great assistance. They have experience with many elderly residents, while our experience may be limited to our own loved one.

The situation becomes more complicated when parents ask their children to “never put me into a nursing home.” As difficult as it is to refuse this request, neither you nor your parent knows how much care will be needed, so a guarantee isn’t fair to the family. The best response would be: “We’ll look after you as long as we possibly can, and we would only consider a nursing home if your needs become more than we could handle, or if it were the only place where you could be safely cared for.”

Sometimes guilt arises when we haven’t had the best relationship with a parent, and regret things from our past. The best response then is to learn from the past and move forward. Commit to being more attentive, even though our parents no longer live with us. The worst abandonment would be depriving them of our love and affection.

From Life, Death, and catholic Medical Choices.

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING: August 22-23, 2020 with 1287 families:

Envelopes and Checks	9,381.00
Other contributions and receipts	95.85
Building Fund	150.00
Total Income	9,626.85

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