



# ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH



***Solemn Rite of Consecration  
of St. Paul's New Church***  
by Bishop Daniel E. Garcia  
Saturday, April 11, 2026 · 10:00 AM  
*Reception Immediately Following*

<p><b>Parish Office Hours :</b> Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm <b>Parish Office: (512) 280-4460</b> <b>Parish Email: office@saintpaulaustin.org</b> <b>Financial Assistance: (SVDP) (512) 420-4077</b></p>	<p><b>Address:</b> <b>10000 David Moore Drive</b> <b>Austin, Texas 78748</b></p>
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**March 8, 2026**

**PASTORAL TEAM**  
Pastor: Rev. Johnson Nellissery, ISP  
Associate Pastor: Rev. Hector Vega, ISP  
Dcn. Michael Marchek  
Dcn. Rey Garza

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**  
Parish Business Administrator  
John Steen  
Office Administrator  
Veronica (Betty) Torres  
Director of Religious Ed.  
JJ Flores  
Coordinator of Youth Ministry  
Alyssa Duran  
Custodian  
Anita Gonzalez  
Bookkeeper  
Dewi Sauer

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
First Saturday: 8:00 am (English)  
Saturday: 5:00 pm (English)  
Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am,  
& 5:00 pm (English)  
12:30 pm (Spanish)  
Daily Mass: Monday-Friday, Noon (Eng.)

**RECONCILIATION**  
Thursday in anticipation of  
First Friday at 6:00 pm  
Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:45 pm  
First Saturday: 8:30 am  
or Call Parish Office for an appointment

**BAPTISM**  
Check the St. Paul Parish  
website or call the Parish Office

**MARRIAGE**  
Call Parish Office or complete intake form  
on the website 9-12 months in advance.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/  
ANOINTING**  
Call the Parish Office

**ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
Every Friday 12:30 pm - 10:00 pm  
First Friday of each Month  
following the Noon Mass until  
Saturday at 7:30 am

**CHAPEL**  
Open daily 8:30 am - 8:00 pm

## Greetings From Father Hector

Dear Friends,

As the Hebrews left slavery in Egypt, we can imagine they thought they would have a great future ahead of them. They trusted Moses' leadership and the fact that God was finally liberating them. But then they came to the Red Sea, and we can imagine them saying, "It shouldn't have been like this." After this they find themselves in the desert tormented by thirst, and they complain because they feel that God is distant, and instead of trusting, they put God to the test. Don't we sometimes murmur because our focus is on what we don't have or what we think we should have, rather than focusing on what God has already done for us. The Hebrews in the desert forgot one fundamental point: God had a plan for them and would see that plan through. Do we forget at times that God has a plan for us and will always provide for us? So when things don't go the way we think they should, we might want to keep in mind the 1988 song, *Don't Worry, Be Happy*. We don't have to take that burden of worry upon ourselves. God knows what we really need, not what we think we need, and God knows what will best prepare us for our future. God is to be first in our lives, because God is the source of our happiness. When things are not as we thought they should be, remember God has a plan. The plan right now is to accompany His Son during the next several weeks as we prepare to renew our baptism on Easter Sunday.

Have a blessed week!  
Father Hector



**DONATIONS NEEDED**  
**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
**-BULK BAGS OF EASTER CANDY**  
**-EASTER TRINKETS**  
**-EASTER BASKETS**  
**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP STUFF EGGS OR HELP AT THE EASTER EGG HUNT, PLEASE CONTACT JJ FLORES RELIGIOUS.EDUCATION@SAINTPAULAUSTIN.ORG**  
**PLEASE DROP OFF ALL DONATIONS NO LATER THAN MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup>**

## Saludos de Padre Hector

Queridos amigos,

Quando los hebreos fueron liberados de la esclavitud en Egipto, podemos imaginarnos que pensaban que les esperaba un gran futuro. Confiaban en el liderazgo de Moisés y en que Dios finalmente los estaba liberando. Pero luego llegaron al Mar Rojo, y podrían haber Pensacola entre sí: "No debería haber sido así". Después de esto, se encuentran en el desierto atormentados por la sed, y se quejan porque sienten que Dios está lejos, y en lugar de confiar, lo ponen a prueba. ¿No murmuramos a veces porque nos centramos en lo que no tenemos o en lo que creemos que deberíamos tener, en lugar de centrarnos en lo que Dios ya ha hecho por nosotros? Los hebreos en el desierto olvidaron un punto fundamental: Dios tenía un plan para ellos y lo llevaría a cabo. ¿Olvidamos acaso que Dios tiene un plan para nosotros y que nos proveerá? Así que, cuando las cosas no salen como esperamos, quizás deberíamos recordar la canción de 1988, "Don't Worry, Be Happy". No tenemos por qué asumir esa carga de preocupación. Dios sabe lo que realmente necesitamos, no lo que creemos necesitar, y sabe qué nos preparará mejor para el futuro. Dios debe ser lo primero en nuestras vidas, porque Él es la fuente de nuestra felicidad. Cuando las cosas no resultan como pensábamos, recuerden que Dios tiene un plan. El plan ahora mismo es acompañar a su Hijo durante las próximas semanas mientras nos preparamos para renovar nuestro bautismo en Pascua de Resurrección.

¡Que tengan una semana bendecida!

Padre Héctor

### March Pope's Intention - For Children With Incurable Diseases



Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

### Caregiving Cafe



Join us as we discuss caregiving of others or for taking care of ourselves, as we age! Caregiving Café meets once a month. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 from 10-12pm in Grace Hall. Everyone is welcomed! Resources are available for a diversity of issues when providing care and/or for self-care. Meetings provide emotional support, fellowship and prayer. For more information visit CaregivingCafe.com or contact: Gina Vega, 512-517-3457.

¡Únete a nosotros en donde hablamos sobre el cuidar de otros o cuidarnos a nosotros mismos, a medida que envejecemos! Nuestra próxima reunión es el martes 10 de marzo de 2026 de 10 a 12pm en Grace Hall. No hace falta confirmar asistencia. ¡Todos están bienvenidos! Caregiving Cafe es una comunidad de cuidadores. Existen recursos disponibles para una gran variedad de preguntas cuando uno es cuidador o para el cuidado de uno mismo. Las reuniones proporcionan apoyo emocional, compañerismo y oración. Para más información visite CaregivingCafe.com o contacte a: Gina Vega, 512-517-3457.

### Thank you!! ¡Gracias!

Thank you to the **Grupo de Oracion** for providing our third Lenten Soup this Friday, March 13, 2026 at 7:30 pm in Grace Hall.

Gracias a los **Grupo de Oración** por ofrecer nuestra tercer sopa de Cuaresma este viernes 13 de Marzo de 2026, a las 7:30 pm en Grace Hall.



**COLLECTION REPORT/INFORME DE RECAUDACION**  
February 23 - March 1, 2026

<b>First Collections (Tithing)</b>	\$13,307
<b>Additional Donations:</b>	
New Building Fund	\$3,311
SVdP	\$100
Interior Campaign	\$3,100
Diocese Second Collection	\$135
Total Other Donations	\$6,646
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b><u>\$19,953</u></b>

**FISCAL YEAR 2025 STEWARDSHIP REPORT/REPORTE DE MAYORDOMIA - March 1, 2026**

Regular <b>Weekly</b> Collection (Actual Collection)	\$13,307
Amount Needed <b>Weekly</b> (Budgeted Collection)	<u>\$14,500</u>
<b>BELOW Weekly Budget</b>	<b>(\$1,193)</b>
Year-to-Date Actual (July 1, 2025 - March 1, 2026)	\$461,923
Year-to-Date Budget (July 1, 2025 - March 1, 2026)	<u>\$507,500</u>
<b>BELOW 2026 Annual Budget</b>	<b>(\$45,577)</b>

**Thank you for your continued support and generosity!**  
**¡Gracias por su continuo apoyo y generosidad!**

**Special Collections/Colecta Especial**

**March/Marzo**

- 8 - For the Poor
- 15 - Catholic Relief Services

**WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE**

<b>Mass Attendance</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Saturday 5:00 pm	193
Sunday 8:30 am	174
Sunday 10:30 am	371
Sunday 12:30 pm	308
Sunday 5:00 pm	<u>174</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,220</b>

**Thank you! ¡Gracias!**

Schoenstatt would like to give a "Big Thanks" to everyone from St. Paul who purchased raffle tickets and donated funds on Saturday, March 22, and Sunday, March 23, to help sponsor families with children who will be attending the Schoenstatt Family Retreat in Lamar, Texas on March 27-29, 2026.

**Congratulations** to the winners of the prizes: Joseph Sanchez, Rosa Elena Everett and Chris Arth.

**English Lenten Retreat**

ACTS invites you to a Lenten Retreat in English on Saturday, March 14, from 12-2 PM. A small meal will be provided. To help us prepare enough food, please RSVP by calling or texting Kelly at 512-964-8689.

**ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
*Religious Education*

*Stations of the Cross*  
*During Lent*

**SUNDAYS DURING LENT**  
**4:15 PM** (before 5:00 PM Youth Mass)  
*Vocation Stations of the Cross*  
Led by **High School Students**  
*All are invited*

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**MONDAYS DURING LENT**  
**7:00 PM** (after Religious Education)  
*Children's Stations of the Cross*  
Hosted by **Elementary & Middle School Students**  
*A child-friendly version for families*



**Easter Triduum Rehearsals/Ensayos del Triduo Pascual**

**7:00pm Rehearsals/Ensayos**

- March/Marzo 30 - Monday/Lunes - Holy Thursday/Jueves Santo
- March/Marzo 31 - Tuesday/Martes - Good Friday/Viernes Santo
- April/Abril 1 - Wednesday/Miércoles - Easter Vigil/Vigilia Pascual

All those who serve at the liturgy need to be present.  
*Todos los que sirven en la liturgia deben estar presentes.*

**Lenten/Easter Services**

**February 20 - March 27th, 7pm:** Bilingual Stations of the Cross and Lenten Meal, held every Friday

**February 21 - March 28th, 9:30AM:** Stations of the Cross with Mary in the Rosary Garden, held every Saturday

**March 14th -** Lenten Retreat in English; 12 - 2pm

**March 29th -** Palm Sunday

**March 31st -** Chrism Mass (noon eucharistic service)

**April 2nd -** Holy Thursday Mass 7pm Bilingual

**April 3rd -** Good Friday 3pm Station of the Cross mime with the youth, 4pm Confessions, 7pm Bilingual passion of the Lord

**April 4th -** Confessions at 4pm, Easter Vigil Mass 8pm

**April 5th -** Easter Sunday: 7am Mass with Youth Mime, 8:30am, 10:30am, & 12:30pm (s)

**Easter Sunday Egg Hunt at 11:45am by stage outside enjoy pictures with the Easter Bunny!**

## Prayer Requests/*Peticiones de Oración*



Lucy Castillo	Letty Flores	Monika Arizmendi
Cesar Lopez	Yvette Robledo	Jane Greenberg
Lisa Rodriguez	Joann Molina	Mike Nielson
George Necer	Imelda Chapa	Joanna Mancini
Pat Ramirez	Charles Saldana	Luis Sanchez
Fran Macias	Charlie Davila	LuAnn Paiz
Richard Boncales	Agnes Bunn	Maria E. Cantu
Elizabeth Walsh	Mary DeLeon	Pablo Reynaga Jr
Jerome Eureste	Jason Wilson	Roberto Reyna
Conner Williams	Scott Spencer	Fernanda Nieblas
Victor Lefebvre	Eddie & Jessie Riojas	Roger & Mary Rice
Georgette & Gaston St-Onge	William Vandermate	Theo Syr

### Online Prayer Requests/*Peticiones de Oración*

Please pray for our parishioners who are ill at this time. Thank you!

*Favor de orar por nuestros feligreses que están enfermos. ¡Gracias!*

We remove the names of the sick at the end of each month, so please contact the office to update regularly. Thank You!

*Eliminamos los nombres de los enfermos al final de cada mes, así que por favor llame a la oficina para actualizar se información regularmente. ¡Gracias!*

## Mass Intentions/*Intenciones de Misas*

Mar 07	5:00pm † Roxana Arredondo
Mar 08	8:30am † Jane, Barbara & Debbie
	10:30am † Adolfo Alvarado Jr.
	12:30pm † Antonia Ibarra Bueno y Pantalion Espinosa
	5:00pm † Valerie Mihalko Heise
Mar 09	12:00pm For the good of our Parishioners
Mar 10	12:00pm Ryan & Vanessa Callison Wedding Anniversary
Mar 11	12:00pm † Enedina Castillo
Mar 12	12:00pm † Margarita Acosta
Mar 13	12:00pm † Noel Arancillo

## Blessed Candles/*Velas Bendecidas*

These beautiful 9-inch blessed candles are now available at the front office. We are asking for a \$9 donation per candle to offset the cost.

**Visit the front office today to get yours!**

## Tabernacle Candle/*Vela de Tabernáculo*

We invite you to participate in our parish community by sponsoring a Tabernacle candle with a particular prayer intention. The flickering light will symbolize your intentions and bring solace and hope to all who gather in prayer.



**Intention/Intención:** † Pedro Memorial

**From/De:** Family



## ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Religious Education*

# FAITH ESCAPE ROOM ADVENTURE

Solve the Clues • Work as a Team  
*Unlock the Mystery of Faith!*

**Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**  
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM  
**Sparks Youth Building**

**For Children Ages 6–12**

A special Lenten experience to help children grow in faith and prepare their hearts for Easter.



RSVP – Scan the QR Code



## Easter Bulletin Cover Contest

We invite all students to participate!

### Theme Requirement:

Your artwork must represent

**The Resurrection of Jesus and the joy of Easter**

### Deadline:

**March 15**

### Paper Requirements:

- Must be on solid white 8.5 x 11 paper
- Use crayons, markers, colored pencils, or paint
- Artwork should be neat and ready for printing

### Turn In To:

- Your RE Teacher  
OR
- Leave in the Main Office for Mrs. JJ

Help us celebrate the hope and new life of Easter!

For more questions, please email Mrs. JJ at:  
[religious.education@saintpaulaustin.org](mailto:religious.education@saintpaulaustin.org)

## Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary and Renewal of Marian Consecration



**Consecration Mass**  
**Feast of the Annunciation**  
by Father Hector Vega

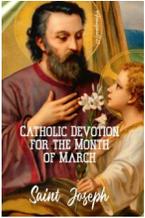
**March 25th 2026**  
**6:30 pm Rosary**  
**7:00 pm**

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David Moore Dr. Austin, TX 78748

### March: Month of St. Joseph



The **Solemnity of St. Joseph** is a special landmark this month in which we will celebrate the great honor bestowed upon the foster father of Jesus. And if you are Irish **St. Patrick's feast** is another cause for a joyful celebration. The feast of the **Annunciation**

Walk in the Footsteps of Jesus

# Holy Land

JORDAN AND EGYPT PILGRIMAGE

**JERUSALEM** ★ **BETHLEHEM** ★ **NAZARETH** ★ **SEA OF GALILEE** ★  
**CAPERNAUM** ★ **JERICHO** ★ **ST. CATHERINE** ★ **CAIRO** ★ **AMMAN** ★  
**PETRA** AND MORE!

**FR. JOHNSON NELLISSERY**  
SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR  
St. Paul Catholic Church, Austin, TX

**Tour Coordinator**  
Dolores Garza  
(512) 294-4260  
dgarza911@yahoo.com

**SEPT. 14-27, 2026**

**Nativity Pilgrimage** *where Faith Meets Adventure*  
832-406-7050 | info@nativitypilgrimage.com | nativitypilgrimage.com/holyland-6095

## Readings for the Week of March 8, 2026 *Lecturas para la Semana 8 de Marzo, 2026*

### Sunday/Domingo

#### Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rm 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

#### *Tercero Domingo de Cuaresma*

### Monday/Lunes

2 Kings 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

### Tuesday/Martes

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

### Wednesday/Miércoles

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

### Thursday/Jueves

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

### Friday/Viernes

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34

### Saturday/Sábado

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

### “Valentine Dinner & Dance” Results!

The St. Paul Valentine Committee would like to thank parishioners and friends of the parish for the continued support of the annual Valentine fundraiser. Committee members received many positive comments on the event held on February 14, 2026. The committee is grateful for the following donations from: the Schoenstatt Advent Women's Fundraiser, donation \$1,000; the Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe, donation \$200; the Floral Ministry, donation \$50; and an additional \$547 donated by other parishioners and used for “seed money.” Donations from committee members: Denise Gran, Cris Maldonado, Lupe & Eddie Ruiz, Yvonne & Richard Hood, Irene & Joe Tijerina, Celia & Ramiro Segura and Gina & Ric Vega helped offset many event expenses including the sponsorship of the meal and desserts, center pieces, raffle prize baskets, the photo booth, table linens, security services, etc. A special thank you to Kathy Natoli for her Valentine-themed party favors and to Genevieve Angeles for her design of our poster and our video. This year's event raised \$8,600 which was presented to St. Paul for the new church building and other related expenses. The Valentine Committee is positioned to support and help not only with building the St. Paul community but also with funding on-going parish projects.



*El Comité de Valentín de St. Paul desea agradecer a los feligreses y amigos de la parroquia por el apoyo continuo a la recaudación anual de fondos de San Valentín. El comité agradece las siguientes donaciones de: Schoenstatt Advent Women's Fundraiser, donación \$1,000; Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe, donación \$200; Floral Ministry, donación \$50; y una donación adicional de \$547 donados por otros feligreses y usados como “semilla de capital.” Donaciones de los miembros del comité: Denise Gran, Cris Maldonado, Lupe y Eddie Ruiz, Yvonne y Richard Hood, Irene y Joe Tijerina, Celia y Ramiro Segura, y Gina y Ric Vega ayudaron a cubrir muchos gastos del evento, incluyendo el patrocinio de la comida y los postres, los centros de mesa, las cestas de premios de la rifa, el fotomatón, los manteles, los servicios de seguridad, etc. Un agradecimiento especial a Kathy Natoli por sus regalos temáticos de San Valentín y a Genevieve Angeles por el diseño de nuestro póster y video. Este año el evento recaudó \$8,600 dólares que se donaron a St. Paul para el nuevo edificio de la iglesia y otros gastos relacionados.*