



ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH



Mission Statement/Declaración de la Misión

We, the Catholic community of St. Paul, are building the kingdom of God through the celebration of sacraments, faith formation, support of one another, the sharing of gifts in ministry and by evangelization.

Nosotros, la comunidad Católica de la Iglesia St. Paul, estamos construyendo el reino de Dios por medio de la celebración de los sacramentos, la formación en la fe, el apoyo mutuo evangelización.

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Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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ASCENSION OF THE LORD | ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR



UNTIL THE
end of the age.
MATTHEW 28:20

HASTA EL FIN
del Mundo.
MATEO 28, 20

May 17, 2026

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Johnson Nellissery, ISP
Associate Pastor: Rev. Hector Vega, ISP
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,

This Sunday marks the feast of the Ascension when Jesus gives His final instructions to His followers and is taken into the heavens. The Ascension is not simply something that happened to Jesus – his departure, physically, from this world. It is the feast that celebrates the hope that evil and all that makes for dehumanization and death in our world will not have the last word. I would like to leave you with a somewhat paraphrased prayer that Fr. Kentenich, the Founder of Schoenstatt, wrote while he was a prisoner in the concentration camp in Dachau.

“The sun makes ready for the night and invites us to enter the Cenacle. There Mary implored the Spirit for the Church who freed her from the scourge of half-heartedness, guided her to the teaching of Christ and enkindled in her the spirit of the apostles and the martyrs. That is how you want to work in St. Paul: strengthening our weak eyes of faith so that we might see life as God sees it and always walk by heaven’s light. In this light of faith let me see how the Father’s love wished to accompany me today. Let loyalty to our mission be my thanksgiving for the boundless gifts he has showered on me in love. Amen!”

May She do the same for us as we prepare Her coronation during the month of May! Have a blessed week!

Fr. Hector

In Loving Memory/En Amorosa Memoria

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the family of **Janie Noriega**, who entered eternal life on May 2, 2026.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

*Extendemos nuestras oraciones y condolencias a la familia de **Janie Noriega**, quien partió a la vida eterna el 2 de mayo de 2026. Dale, Señor, el descanso eterno, y brille para ella la luz perpetua.*

Pastoral Council Report/Reporte del Consejo Pastoral

The Pastoral Council met on May 7, 2026 to discuss parish growth, hospitality, ministry outreach, and updates to the new church and Trinity Hall. Positive feedback continues regarding the new church, and efforts are underway to welcome and engage new parishioners through ministry involvement, family and youth activities, and fellowship events. Upcoming parish events include

Bingo, the Corpus Christi Procession on June 7, Vacation Bible School, and the Fall Festival. Additional lectors are needed for the Sunday 8:30 am and Saturday 5:00 pm masses. Please continue praying for the growth and success of our parish community.

El Consejo Pastoral se reunió el 7 de mayo de 2026 para dialogar sobre el crecimiento de la parroquia, la hospitalidad, el alcance de los ministerios y las actualizaciones de la nueva iglesia y Trinity Hall. Continúan los comentarios positivos sobre la nueva iglesia, y se están realizando esfuerzos para dar la bienvenida e integrar a los nuevos feligreses mediante la participación en los ministerios, actividades familiares y juveniles, y eventos de convivencia. Los próximos eventos parroquiales incluyen Bingo, la Procesoión de Corpus Christi el 7 de junio, la Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones y el Festival de Otoño. Se necesitan lectores adicionales para las misas del domingo a las 8:30 a.m. y del sábado a las 5:00 pm Por favor, continúen orando por el crecimiento y el éxito de nuestra comunidad parroquial.

Saludos de Padre Hector

Queridos amigos:

Este domingo celebramos la fiesta de la Ascensión, momento en que Jesús da sus últimas instrucciones a sus apóstoles y es elevado a los cielos. La Ascensión no es simplemente algo que le sucedió a Jesús —su partida física de este mundo— es la fiesta que celebra la esperanza de que el mal, y todo aquello que genera deshumanización y muerte en nuestro mundo, no tendrá la última palabra. Quisiera dejarles una oración —ligeramente parafraseada— que el Padre Kentenich, fundador de Schoenstatt, escribió mientras se encontraba prisionero en el campo de concentración de Dachau:

El sol se encamina al reposo y nos invita a dirigir hacia el Cenáculo la mirada. Allí para la Iglesia, María imploro al Espíritu Santo, quien la liberó de las miserias de la mediocridad, la inició en la doctrina de Cristo y avivó en ella el espíritu de apóstoles y de mártires. También así quieres actuar en nuestra Comunidad de St. Paul fortaleciendo la fe de nuestros débiles ojos para que contemplemos la vida con la mirada de Dios y caminemos siempre bajo la luz de cielo. Haz que esa luz me ilumine, y mire con fe cómo el amor del Padre me acompañó en este día. Fidelidad a la misión sea mi agradecimiento por sus innumerables dones.”

¡Que Ella haga lo mismo por nosotros mientras preparamos su coronación durante este mes de mayo! ¡Que tengan una semana bendecida!

P. Héctor

Celebration of Baptisms/Celebración del Bautismo

We welcomed the following children into the One Holy Catholic Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this Saturday 05/16/26.

Congratulations!

Adalin Amelia Gongora, Evalina Marie Banda, Leiliana Rose Banda

You are a child of God, you are wonderfully made, dearly loved and precious in his sight.
PSALM 139

Dimos la bienvenida a los siguientes niños a la Santa Iglesia Católica por el Sacramento del Santo Bautismo este Domingo 05/17/26.

Felicidades!

Isabela Itzel Garcia Alejandro

Eres un hijo de Dios, eres maravillosamente hecho, muy amado y precioso a su vista.
SALMO 139



Altar Flowers/Flores Del Altar



The floral arrangements for this weekend Masses are in celebration of the wedding of **Stefanie Barre and Matthew Burroughs**. May the Lord bless their marriage with love, joy, and lasting peace.

*Los arreglos florales para las Misas de este fin de semana son en celebración de la boda de **Stefanie Barre y Matthew Burroughs**. Que el Señor bendiga su matrimonio con amor, alegría y paz duradera.*

COLLECTION REPORT/INFORME DE RECAUDACION
May 4 - May 10, 2026

First Collections (Tithing)	\$13,395
Additional Donations:	
New Building Fund	\$17,530
SVdP	\$2,401
Total Other Donations	\$19,931
Grand Total	\$33,326

FISCAL YEAR 2025 STEWARDSHIP REPORT/REPORTE DE MAYORDOMIA - May 10, 2026

Regular Weekly Collection (Actual Collection)	\$13,395
Amount Needed Weekly (Budgeted Collection)	\$14,500
BELOW Weekly Budget	(\$ 1,105)
Year-to-Date Actual (July 1, 2025 - May 10, 2026)	\$615,989
Year-to-Date Budget (July 1, 2025 - May 10, 2026)	\$652,500
BELOW 2026 Annual Budget	(\$36,511)

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

Special Collections/Colecta Especial

May/Mayo

17 - Gabriel Project

June/Junio

7 - New Building Fund

14 - For the Poor

28 - Peter's Pence

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE

<u>Mass Attendance</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Saturday 5:00 pm	250
Sunday 8:30 am	190
Sunday 10:30 am	371
Sunday 12:30 am	390
Sunday 5:00 pm	197
Totals	1,398

May Pope's Intention—That everyone might have food



Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

Oremos para que todos, desde los grandes productores hasta los pequeños consumidores, se comprometan a evitar el desperdicio de alimentos y a garantizar que todos tengan acceso a alimentos de calidad.



Dates: Monday June 15-Friday June 19, 2026

Time: 9am-1pm with mass from 12-12:30pm

Requirements: Ages 5 through Middle School

Fee: \$35 per child and \$15 for each additional sibling

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



HIGH SCHOOL AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FOR VBS THIS JUNE 15TH - 19TH

PLEASE APPLY USING THE QR CODE BELOW!



Prayer Requests/*Peticiones de Oración*



Cesar Lopez	Yvette Robledo	Jane Greenberg
Lisa Rodriguez	Joann Molina	Mike Nielson
Imelda Chapa	Joanna Mancini	Pat Ramirez
Charles Saldana	Luis Sanchez	Theo Cyr
Fran Macias	Charlie Davila	LuAnn Paiz
Richard Boncales	Agnes Bunn	Maria E. Cantu
Elizabeth Walsh	Mary DeLeon	Pablo Reynaga Jr
Jerome Eureste	Jason Wilson	Monika Arizmendi
Lucy Castillo	Letty Flores	Francie Stull
Eddie & Jessie Riojas	Roger & Mary Rice	Barbara Boyd
Peggy Graddy	Mike Saucedo	Lyle Boardman
		George Necer

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*

May 16	5:00pm	† Mary Acosta
May 17	8:30am	Nelson Hernandez - Conversion & Health
	10:30pm	† Lupe Duran Anguiano
	12:30pm	† Jose Aguilar, Diego Mandujano y Elisa Ponce
	5:00pm	† Gene & JoAnne Cable
May 18	12:00pm	For the good of our Parishioners
May 19	12:00pm	† Jorge & Gladys Angulo
May 20	12:00pm	† Marguerite Carroll
May 21	12:00pm	† Norman Onancis
May 22	12:00pm	† John & Kelly Badger

Blessed Candles/*Velas Bendecidas*

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

Please visit the front office during business hours, Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

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: Paul Boncales
Healing

From/De: Bessie Boncales



Confirmation Class of 2026 Celebration in Our New Church



Congratulations to our Confirmation Class of 2026!

As you received the Sacrament of Confirmation, may the Holy Spirit continue to guide and strengthen you in your faith journey. We are proud of your commitment to Christ and to our parish community. May God bless each of you always!

We extend our sincere gratitude to **The Most Reverend Daniel E. Garcia, Bishop** of Austin, for celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with our parish community in the new church. We also thank **Fr. Johnson** and **Fr. Hector** for their support and participation in this special celebration. May God continue to bless our parish family always!



MAY CROWNING & Living Rosary

 Friday, May 29 | 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Join us for a special evening honoring our Blessed Mother and giving thanks for our new Church.



Hosted by the following: Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Parish Schoenstatt Members, and Legion of Mary

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO BRING:

-  An image, statue, or picture of the Blessed Mother from your home
-  A flower to offer during the procession

 Flowers may be placed in vases at the front of the church during the procession.

Come celebrate our love for Mary and unite as a parish family in prayer and thanksgiving.

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Honoring Mary in May/Honrando a María en Mayo

May is dedicated to honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. It's a beautiful time to deepen your faith by asking for her prayers and reflecting on her trust in God.

Let us ask Mary to lead us closer to her Son.

Mayo está dedicado a honrar a la Santísima Virgen María, la Madre de Dios. Es un hermoso tiempo para profundizar en la fe, pidiendo su intercesión y reflexionando sobre su confianza en Dios. Pidamos a María que nos acerque más a su Hijo.

Guadalupeños invite all parishioners to the rosary for Our Lady of Guadalupe



Every Monday & Wednesday
During May at
6:30PM

St. Paul Our Lady Of Guadalupe Grotto

SCAM WARNING!

Scam Emails & Texts
Claiming to Be from
Fr. Johnson!

Fr. Johnson will **NEVER** ask for money, gift cards, or personal info by email or text.

Beware of suspicious messages!

When in doubt, **VERIFY** with the Parish Office!

Protect Yourself:
Always Contact the Parish Office to Confirm!



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Cómo configurar su donación semanal o mensual
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Readings for the Week of May 17, 2026 Lecturas para la Semana 17 de Mayo, 2026

Sunday/Domingo

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Mt 28:16-20

La Solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor

Monday/Lunes

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday/Martes

Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday/Miércoles

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday/Jueves

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday/Viernes

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday/Sábado

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25



Please join us for Texas Alliance for Life's Walk for Life on Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 8:30-10:00 AM in S. Austin. The walk-a-thon is for the entire family. Walk with us to promote the sanctity of innocent human life and raise funds for programs that protect mothers, unborn babies, and pregnancy resource centers.

Every walker who raises \$250 will earn a commemorative T-shirt! You can earn additional incentives like tickets to the Annual Benefit Dinner. Register as a Walker at www.texasallianceforlife.org or support **Deacon Rey** by signing up at the table this weekend.



St. Paul Knights of Columbus is proud to announce our 2026 Scholarship recipients: Emiliano Martinez, Patrick Morgan, Kaitlyn Jistel, Jessica Esquivel, Josef Morgan, and Janelly Cardoso Flores.

These outstanding students will be formally recognized at the Graduate Mass on Saturday, May 17th at 5:00 PM.

We invite the community to join us in celebrating their achievements. We also extend our sincere gratitude to all who applied this year — the quality and dedication of our applicants continues to inspire us. We encourage students to apply each year of their academic career, as scholarships are available annually and our goal is to support as many students as possible on their educational journey.