

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.

PILGRIMS

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.

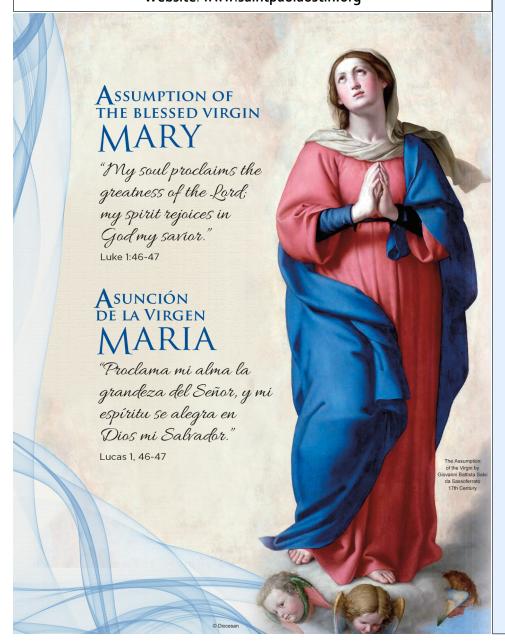
Parish Office Hours:

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August 10, 2025 PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Johnson Nellissery, ISP Associate Pastor: Rev. Hector Vega, ISP Dcn. Michael Marchek Dcn. Rey Garza Dcn. Salomon Villegas

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Parish Business Administrator
John Steen

Office Administrator Veronica (Betty) Torres

Director of Religious Ed.

JJ Flores

Coordinator of Youth Ministry Monse Robledo

> Property Manager 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

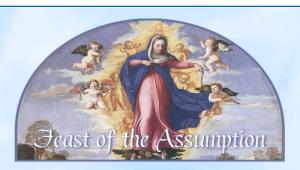
Dear Friends,

This week Jesus wants to tell us about an incredible gift God the Father wants to give us and what we need to do to possess it. He tells us that God is pleased to give us the kingdom now and forever. Thus we should no longer be afraid. Sometimes we are afraid of displeasing God, we are afraid of our weaknesses and our capacity to choose against God, and afraid of the eternal consequences of our sinful choices. But Jesus encourages us not to be afraid, because His Father is delighted to give it all to us. That's why He tells us that we need to let go of a desire to build our own material kingdom here on earth and use everything we have to obtain God's kingdom. He tells us to be more generous and charitable thus building up an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy.

The way to seize the kingdom is through Christ-like charity, to use the money we have, the time we have, the goods we have, to lift others up. To love in this way is like transferring all we have to a celestial bank account that can never be taxed, where it will form an "inexhaustible treasure" that will never cease giving dividends. But Jesus wants us to make a choice as to whether we are going to build up this heavenly treasure or, like the fool in last Sunday's Gospel, whether we will seek to build up towers for our grain and wealth here on earth. "For where your treasure is," Jesus tells us, "there also will your heart be." Is our heart really in God, in his kingdom and in his eternally secure treasure? Or is it in this fleeting world? This is a good question to ponder during this coming week as we begin closing out our summer holidays and begin thinking about the new school year. I'll continue to join you in prayer from afar as I enjoy a few weeks of R&R on my vacations.

Have a blessed week!

Father Hector



Friday, August 15, 2025

Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:00 AM English Mass
- 12:00 PM English Mass
- 7:00 PM Spanish Mass

Adoration will begin after the noon Mass and will conclude at 10:00 PM.

Saludos de Padre Hector

Queridos amigos,

Esta semana, Jesús quiere contarnos de un regalo increíble que Dios Padre quiere darnos y de lo que debemos hacer para poseerlo. Nos dice que Dios se complace en darnos el reino ahora y para siempre. Por lo tanto, ya no debemos tener miedo. A veces tememos desagradar a Dios, tememos nuestras debilidades y nuestra capacidad de elegir en contra de Él, y tememos las consecuencias eternas de nuestros pecados. Pero Jesús nos anima a no tener miedo, porque su Padre se complace en dárnoslo todo. Por eso nos dice que debemos dejar de lado el deseo de construir nuestro propio reino material aquí en la tierra y usar todo lo que tenemos para obtener el reino de Dios. Nos anima a ser más generosos y caritativos, acumulando así un tesoro inagotable en el cielo que ningún ladrón puede alcanzar ni polilla destruir.

La manera de conquistar el reino es mediante la caridad cristiana: usar el dinero, el tiempo y los bienes que tenemos para ayudar a otros. Amar de esta manera es como transferir todo lo que tenemos a una cuenta bancaria celestial que nunca se grava, donde formará un "tesoro inagotable" que nunca dejará de dar dividendos. Pero Jesús quiere que decidamos si vamos a acumular este tesoro celestial o, como el necio del Evangelio del domingo pasado, si buscaremos construir torres para nuestro grano y riquezas aquí en la tierra. "Porque donde esté tu tesoro", nos dice Jesús, "allí estará también tu corazón". ¿Está nuestro corazón realmente en Dios, en su reino y en su tesoro eternamente seguro? ¿O está en este mundo fugaz? Esta es una buena pregunta para reflexionar durante la semana que viene, mientras terminamos nuestras vacaciones de verano y comenzamos a pensar en el nuevo año escolar. Seguiré uniéndome a ustedes en oración desde la distancia mientras disfruto de unas semanas de descanso y relajación en mis vacaciones.

¡Qué tengan una semana bendecida! **Padre Héctor**



The Gabriel Project would like to thank the parishioners of St. Paul for all their wonderful donations of backpacks and school supplies that helped 40 children.

While we don't know everyone that donated we would like to thank the few we are aware of,



Parish Office Closed/Oficina Estará Cerrada

Our Parish Office will be closed on Friday, August 15th in Observance of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation.

We will resume on Monday August 18th at 9am.

Nuestra Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada el Viernes 15 de Agosto. En observancia de la Solemnidad de Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María, día de precepto. Volverá a abrir el Lunes 18 de Agosto a las 9am.

COLLECTION REPORT/INFORME DE RECAUDACION July 28 – August 3, 2025

First Collections (Tithing)	\$12,726
Additional Donations:	
New Building Construction Fund	\$3,232
SVdP	\$70
Interior Furnishings Campaign	<u>\$100</u>
Total Other Donations	<u>\$3,402</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$16,128</u>

FISCAL YEAR 2026 STEWARDSHIP REPORT/REPORTE DE MAYORDOMIA - August 3, 2025

Regular Weekly Collection (Actual Collection)	\$12,726
Amount Needed Weekly (Budgeted Collection)	\$14,500
ABOVE Weekly Budget	-\$1,774
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Year-to-Date Actual (July 1, 2025 – August 3, 2025)	\$65,976
Year-to-Date Budget (July 1, 2025 - August 3, 2025)	<u>\$72,000</u>
BELOW 2026 Annual Budget	-\$6,024

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

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE

Mass Atte	endance	<u>Attendance</u>
Saturday	5:00 pm	222
Sunday	8:30 am	153
Sunday	10:30 am	231
Sunday	12:30 pm	314
Sunday	5:00 pm	_115_
Totals		1,035

Special Collections/Colecta Especial

August/Agosto

- 10 For the Poor
- 17 Mary Queen of Heaven Mission Appeal
- 24 Central Texas Catholic Charities



Prayer for the New Church Building Project

Heavenly Father, we are most grateful to be at this point in the construction

of our new church. As this phase of the project progresses, we ask that you may protect the builders from all harm. We also pray that we the people of St. Paul may be built up into living temples of your love, so that the inner challenges of becoming a genuine Family may be overcome. May this spirit of family become the cornerstone of our new Church. May the Blessed Mother always be there to tell her Son, "They have no more wine..." when we are confronted with grave challenges. Kindly grant us the best solutions for our needs and may our efforts, gifts, talents, and sacrifices be pleasing to you. Amen.

As a reminder, we will be holding a special back-to-school blessing, backpack tags, and prayer cards the weekend of August 16th and 17th at all masses, or until supplies run out.



Mark your calendars for the weekend of August 16th! We'll be sprinkling some extra joy with blessed backpack tags, teacher prayer cards, and special blessings at all masses for our amazing students and teachers!

Mary Queen of Heaven Missionaries



Please help us welcome Sr. Irene D. Baquiran, who will be sharing at all our Masses on the weekend of August 16–17 as part of this year's Mission Appeal. She will be sharing about her missionary work and the needs of the community she serves. There will

be a second collection to support these important efforts.

Their mission is to peacefully fight the scourge of human trafficking and sexual-exploitation through rescuing survivors and rehabilitating them holistically: mind, body, and soul. They are also active in preventing human trafficking and exploitation through their educational assistance in vulnerable communities prone to trafficking, particularly in the rural areas of the Philippines.

They have two rehabilitation centers. The Home of Love, a shelter for rehabilitation of human trafficking women and their children survivors Cebu, Philippines and the Regina Coeli Home of Love USA in California, a Women's Shelter for survivors of sex trafficking.

They are seeking our help to sponsor innocent victims of human trafficking.

Caregiving Cafe

Join the Caregiving Café on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 from 10-12pm in Grace Hall. No RSVP needed. Caregiving Cafe is a group that connects family caregivers to resources, information, emotional support,



fellowship, and tips on self-care for others or for themselves. Need more information, visit CaregivingCafe.com for a taste of what we do. Questions: Gina Vega, 512-517-3457. See you there!

Únase al Caregiving Café el martes, 12 de Agosto de 2025 de 10 a 12 pm en Grace Hall. No es necesario confirmar su asistencia.

Caregiving Cafe es un grupo que conecta a los cuidadores de familia o a uno mismo con recursos, información, apoyo emocional, compañerismo y consejos sobre como mejor manejar estos asuntos. Necesita más información visite CaregivingCafe.com para conocer lo que hacemos. Prequntas: Gina Vega, 512-517-3457.

Prayer Requests/Peticiones de Oración



Lucy Castillo Cesar Lopez Alice Lambert Joann Molina George Necer Pat Ramirez Eddie Riojas Luis Sanchez Calian E. Walsh Agnes Bunn Miguel Morris

Letty Flores Yvette Robledo Jane Greenberg Charlotte Kensik Imelda Chapa Rocio Garcia Fran Macias LuAnn Paiz Charles Warner II

Monika Arizmendi Eliseo Salas Lisa Rodriguez Mike Nielson Joanna Mancini Theo Cyr Shemekia Doyle Alex Ojeda Richard Boncales Maria Elizabeth Cantu Florence Tripp

Roger & Mary Rice Mary DeLeon Marty & Claudia Brown Stephanie Garcia Carlos Mendoza Georgette & Gaston St-Onge Ellen Sanchez

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

Aug	09	5:00pm	†	Claudio Yacila & Carmen Arce	
Aug	10	8:30am		Hung Dinh	
		10:30am	†	Barbara Nelson & Jane Neilan	
		12:30pm	†	Jose Aguilar Ponce	
		5:00pm		Eric Ingram - Prayers	
Aug	11	12:00pm		For the good or our Parishioners	
Aug	12	12:00pm	†	Rose Lubek	
Aug	13	12:00pm	†	For the souls in purgatory	
Aug	14	12:00pm	†	Juan Medina	
Aug	15	7:00am	†	Rafaela Ramirez & Juanita Salas	
		12:00pm		John Michael Steen - Birthday Blessings	
		7:00pm		Carlos Mendoza - Health	

Blessed Candles/Velas Bendecidas

These beautiful 9 inch blessed candles are now available at the front office. We are asking for an \$8 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: Robert, Janie Gomez and Family Many Blessings

From/De: Gomez Family



Religious Education/Educación Religiosa

This past week, we celebrated our last movie night with a Christmas in July themed theme, which the kids really enjoyed. We hope everyone had a wonderful summer







Please note that registration for Religious Education is currently open. You can find the registration link on the accompanying flyer. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Religious Education department at religious.education@saintpaulaustin.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION S NOW OPEN!!

Find the registration link at saintpaulaustin.org or scan the QR code on this flyer

2025-2026 School Year



Classes begin in September!

egistration closes August 31st!

Altar Flowers-Sponsorship/Flores del Altar Apadrinamiento



Is there a special day that you would like to commemorate such as an anniversary, birthday, deceased memorial, etc.? Donations are always accepted and appreciated to sponsor the floral arrangements and to help offset the floral expenses for the parish. You may pay by: 1.) Online Giving (from) the Online Giving Drop Down Menu, select Fees – Pay Here, select Account * Floral', and please fill in the

<u>Description</u> field), or **2.)** <u>leaving your payment and intention in the office</u>. A donation of \$85 is recommended. (This may exclude weddings and quinceañeras when the arrangements are more lavish and tailored for the occasion. The respective coordinators will quide.) A two-week notice is recommended.

The sponsor and intention will be listed in the Bulletin. Thank you for your support of the Floral Ministry.

Fall Festival - Silent Auction

The silent auction committee is requesting donations, new or slightly used, for the fall Festival auction. No furniture please.



For more information contact Beverly Shepherd, 512-914-7439

El comité de la subasta silenciosa está solicitando donaciones, nuevas o ligeramente usadas, para la subasta del Fall Festival. Por favor, no se acepta mobiliario. Para más información, comuníquese con Beverly Shepherd al 512-914-7439.



Readings for the Week of August 10, 2025 Lecturas para la Semana 10 de Agosto, 2025

Sunday/Domingo

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20 -22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40

Décimo Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Monday/Lunes

Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin

Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

Memoria de la Santa Clara, Virgen

Tuesday/Mαrtes

Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday/Miércoles

Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17, Mt 18:15-20

Thursday/Jueves

Memorial of Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 18:21-19:1

Memoria de San Maximiliano María Kolbe, Presbítero y Mártir <u>Friday/Viernes</u>

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin MaryVigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Solemnidad de Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María Saturday/Sábado

Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11, Mt 19:13-15

Please Don't Forget Us!

It is easy to forget about the operating needs of our parish with the focus on our new church and summer vacations. Your regular tithing is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity in helping to support our parish.



Por Favor, No Se Olvide de Nosotros

Es fácil olvidarse de las necesidades operativas de nuestra parroquia al centrarnos en nuestra nueva iglesia y las vacaciones de verano. Su diezmo regular es muy apreciado. Gracias por su generosidad al ayudar a sostener nuestra parroquia.

The Prophets Messengers of God's Mercy

If we consider that God is the Divine Bridegroom and the Church is his Bride, then the prophets can be seen as "spiritual marriage counselors." They afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted, calling us to return to our covenant relationship with God. They urge us to repentance, warn us of the dangers of sin, and announce the blessings of faithfulness. Their prophetic words speak to us even today, as they draw us closer to our heavenly Bridegroom.

GET READY! St. Paul Catholic Church will begin a ten-week Bible study *Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy*. Beginning on September 2nd, Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information to register, **TEXT** Maria Betancourt at 512 884 1420 and leave your name, phone number, and email address.