



# 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.*



### Parish Office Hours :

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

Parish Office: (512) 280-4460

Parish Email: [office@saintpaulaustin.org](mailto:office@saintpaulaustin.org)

Financial Assistance: (SVDP) (512) 420-4077

### Address:

10000 David Moore Drive

Austin, Texas 78748

Facebook: [stpaulcatholicaustin](https://www.facebook.com/stpaulcatholicaustin)

Instagram: [@spccaustin](https://www.instagram.com/spccaustin)

Website: [www.saintpaulaustin.org](http://www.saintpaulaustin.org)



SOME WHO ARE LAST

**WILL BE  
FIRST**

AND SOME WHO ARE FIRST

**WILL BE  
LAST**

LOS QUE AHORA SON LOS ÚLTIMOS

**SERÁN LOS  
PRIMEROS**

Y LOS QUE AHORA SON LOS PRIMEROS

**SERÁN LOS  
ÚLTIMOS**

**August 24, 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

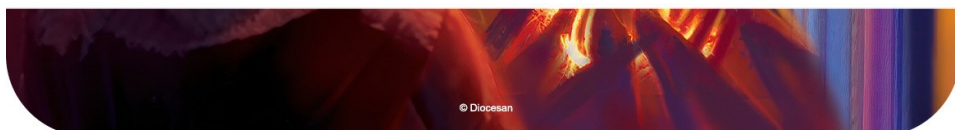
## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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,

Jesus seems to be somewhat irritated by the question He was asked in this Sunday's gospel about who is going to be saved and who isn't. What Jesus was just telling them had nothing to do with the next life; it had everything to do with this life. What matters is how we live here and now. We should leave the future to our Heavenly Father who will ultimately decide that. Why should I worry about who goes to heaven or hell when people all around me need love and care and concern. "Follow me and I will show you how you can heal and help them and bring them to a life they never dreamed of." Thus with tough love he says, "Enter by the narrow gate." We are to focus our hearts and attention on getting to our church to break bread together and celebrate the mysteries of our faith and thereby become the people of God. We must focus on what we want to do with our life, instead of rambling around being pulled by every whim or fancy. We are to learn to walk with Jesus who is the narrow gate. He's always with us, helping us to find our focus and walking with Him as the narrow gate. This is accomplished by loving the person next to me, by loving the children and the elderly, and all those who need our help, especially the poor, the downtrodden and the immigrant. The door will always be open because of our focus and walking through the narrow door of love, thereby building a genuine and loving family in our new Church. May Mary, Mother of the Church accompany us into this coming week and help us enter more deeply into the heart of her Son who is the narrow gate!

Have a blessed week!  
Father Hector

## August: The Immaculate Heart of Mary



This significance represents her pure love for God and her Son, Jesus Christ. It is an emblem of her maternal affection for all humanity and her sorrow over the sins of the world. This devotion calls us to emulate Mary's love and virtue, fostering a deeper commitment to our faith and a greater love for our fellow man.

*Esta importancia representa su amor puro por Dios y por su Hijo, Jesucristo. Es un emblema de su afecto maternal por toda la humanidad y de su dolor por los pecados del mundo. Esta devoción nos llama a imitar el amor y la virtud de María, fomentando un compromiso más profundo con nuestra fe y un mayor amor por nuestro prójimo.*



**Our Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 1st, in observance of Labor Day! We will resume on Tuesday September 2nd at 9am.**

**Nuestra Oficina Parroquial permanecerá cerrada el Lunes 1 de Septiembre. Volverá a abrir el Martes 2 de Septiembre a las 9am.**

## Saludos de Padre Hector

Queridos amigos,

*Jesús parece estar algo irritado por la pregunta que le hicieron en el evangelio de este domingo sobre quién se salvará y quién no. Lo que Jesús les acababa de decir no tenía nada que ver con la otra vida. Tenía todo que ver con esta vida. Lo que importa es cómo vivimos aquí y ahora. Debemos dejar el futuro en manos de nuestro Padre Celestial, quien en última instancia lo decidirá. ¿Por qué debería preocuparme por quién va al cielo o al infierno cuando quienes me rodean necesitan amor, cuidado y preocupación? «Siganme y les mostraré cómo pueden sanarlos, ayudarlos y llevarlos a una vida que jamás soñaron». Por eso, con firmeza, dice: «Entren por la puerta estrecha». Debemos centrar nuestro corazón y atención en llegar a la iglesia para partir el pan juntos y celebrar los misterios de nuestra fe, y así convertirnos en el pueblo de Dios. Debemos enfocarnos en lo que queremos hacer con nuestra vida, en lugar de divagar, arrastrados por cualquier capricho. Debemos aprender a caminar con Jesús, que es la puerta estrecha. Él siempre está con nosotros, ayudándonos a encontrar nuestro enfoque y a caminar con Él como la puerta estrecha. Esto se logra amando a la persona que tengo a mi lado, amando a los niños y a los ancianos, y a todos los que necesitan nuestra ayuda, especialmente a los pobres, los oprimidos y los inmigrantes. La puerta siempre estará abierta gracias a nuestro enfoque y a nuestro paso por la puerta estrecha del amor, construyendo así una familia genuina y amorosa en nuestra nueva Iglesia. Que María, Madre de la Iglesia, nos acompañe en esta semana y nos ayude a adentrarnos más en el corazón de su Hijo, que es la puerta estrecha.*

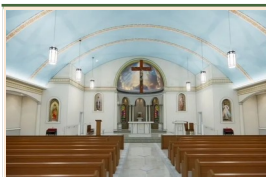
**¡Que tengan una semana bendecida!**  
**Padre Héctor**

## Floral Arrangements/Arreglos Florales

A special thank you to the Bob Fonseca's Family for donating their funeral sprays to the parish. We used those flowers in the floral arrangements for the Masses the weekend of August 16-17, 2025. Rest in Peace, Bob. You will be missed.



*Un agradecimiento especial a la familia Bob Fonseca por donar sus ramos funerarios a la parroquia. Usamos esas flores en los arreglos florales para las misas del fin de semana del 16 y 17 de agosto de 2025. Descansa en paz, Bob. Te extrañaremos.*



## 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.



## COLLECTION REPORT/INFORME DE RECAUDACION August 11 – August 17, 2025

<b>First Collections (Tithing)</b>	<b>\$16,504</b>
<b>Additional Donations:</b>	
New Building Fund	\$2,925
SVdP	\$1,535
Mary Queen of Heaven Mission Appeal	\$4,898
Interior Furnishing Campaigns	<u>\$2,480</u>
Total Other Donations	<u>\$11,838</u>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b><u>\$28,342</u></b>

## FISCAL YEAR 2026 STEWARDSHIP REPORT/REPORTE DE MAYORDOMIA - August 17, 2025

Regular <b>Weekly</b> Collection (Actual Collection)	\$16,504
Amount Needed <b>Weekly</b> (Budgeted Collection)	<u>\$14,500</u>
<b>ABOVE Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$2,004</b>
Year-to-Date Actual (July 1, 2025 – August 17, 2025)	\$95,548
Year-to-Date Budget (July 1, 2025 - August 17, 2025)	<u>\$101,500</u>
<b>BELOW 2026 Annual Budget</b>	<b>-\$5,952</b>

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

## WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE

Mass Attendance	Attendance
Saturday 5:00 pm	161
Sunday 8:30 am	163
Sunday 10:30 am	265
Sunday 12:30 pm	317
Sunday 5:00 pm	<u>127</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,033</b>

## Special Collections/Colecta Especial

### August/Agosto

24 - Central Texas Catholic Charities

### September/Septiembre

7 - New Building Fund

14 - For the Poor

## Prayer Activities/Actividades de Oración

**We invite you to join us in some of the activities we offer:**

**Mondays:** a group of parishioners gather at 9am in the chapel to pray the rosary in need of prayer requests.

**The prayer group in Spanish** gathers every Thursday at 7pm in Grace Hall to pray and praise.

**Join us for the daily Mass at noon.**

**Adoration every Friday**

**12.30pm – 10pm**

(First Fridays all through the night)



Church Activities

## Religious Education/Educación Religiosa

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](mailto:religious.education@saintpaulaustin.org)



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!!

Find the registration link at  
[saintpaulaustin.org](http://saintpaulaustin.org) or  
scan the QR code on this flyer

**2025-2026  
School Year**



**Classes begin  
in September!**

**Registration closes  
August 31st!**



**Wishing all the students and  
teachers a happy  
first day back at school today.**



## Prayer Requests/*Peticiones de Oración*



Lucy Castillo	Letty Flores	Monika Arizmendi
Cesar Lopez	Yvette Robledo	Eliseo Salas
Jane Greenberg	Lisa Rodriguez	Joann Molina
Charlotte Kensik	Mike Nielson	George Necer
Imelda Chapa	Joanna Mancini	Pat Ramirez
Rocio Garcia	Theo Cyr	Eddie Riojas
Fran Macias	Shemekia Doyle	Luis Sanchez
LuAnn Paiz	Alex Ojeda	Calian E. Walsh
Charles Warner II	Richard Boncales	Agnes Bunn
Maria Elizabeth Cantu	Florence Tripp	Miguel Morris

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 23	5:00pm †	Cecilia Martinez
Aug 24	8:30am †	Sandra Martinez
	10:30am	Leslie Garza - Birthday Blessings
	12:30pm †	Maria Ofelia Valencia
	5:00pm	Virginia Reymundo - Thanksgiving
Aug 25	12:00pm	For the good of our Parishioners
Aug 26	12:00pm †	Juanita Salas
Aug 27	12:00pm	Aubree & Sydney Steen Birthday Blessings
Aug 28	12:00pm †	Timothy Varian
Aug 29	12:00pm †	Eppie Carroll

## 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:** Ed & Azy Empero  
Prayers for Health

**From/De:** Empero Family



# 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.

## ABRIENDO EL MISTERIO DE LA BIBLIA

UN PASEO BIBLICO DE 6 SEMANAS A TRAVÉS DE LA MISA

Para Profundizar tu Fe y Conocimiento

Primer Clase: Miércoles Septiembre 3, 2025

6:30 – 8:00 PM en el CUARTO 8

Para más información o para inscribirte,  
mande un texto a **María Betancourt 512-884-1430**  
y deje su nombre, número y  
dirección de correo electrónico



## OCIA Registration is OPEN!

Have you been wondering what Catholics believe?  
Would you like to learn more about the Catholic Faith?

OCIA formerly (RCIA) is the process for anyone who is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith community. The program is designed for persons who may or may not be baptized, or perhaps baptized in another Christian faith, or who were baptized Catholic but not raised in the faith.

Each year on Holy Saturday, during the Easter Vigil mass, candidates enter into full communion with the Catholic Faith through Baptism. The newly Baptized and those already Baptized are then confirmed, and at Communion receive the Eucharist, Christ's Body and Blood for the first time.

**You MUST be 18 or older to register**

Please scan the code to register



For questions please email or call  
512-420-4070  
religious.education@saintpaulaustin.org



## 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

**Description** field), or **2.) leaving your payment and intention in the office**. 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 guide.) 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.*

# Silent Auction

## Readings for the Week of August 24, 2025 Lecturas para la Semana 24 de Agosto, 2025

### Sunday/Domingo

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

**Vigésimo Primero Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

### Monday/Lunes

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22

### Tuesday/Martes

1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mt 23:23-26

### Wednesday/Miércoles

Memorial of Saint Monica

1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

**Memoria de Santa Monica**

### Thursday/Jueves

1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42-51

**Memoria de San Agustín, Obispo y Doctor de la Iglesia**

### Friday/Viernes

Memorial of the Passion of John the Baptist

1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mk 6:17-29

**Memoria del Martirio de San Juan Bautista**

### Saturday/Sábado

1 Thes 4:9-11, Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

## 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.



# 'It's Time!' Really!



## St. Paul Catholic Church

### HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

Thanks to the generous support of the Parishioners and Friends of St. Paul Catholic Church, we broke ground on our new Church in March, 2024. Construction is well underway and we now turn our attention to furnishing our beautiful Church. Various items have been selected and will be made available on the weekend of August 23/24, 2025 for sponsorship. Please consider sponsoring an item(s) on your behalf, your family, or in honor/memory of loved ones. We invite individuals, families, couples, or organizations to participate.

The liturgical items (listed below) must be funded (sponsored) prior to ordering from the manufacturer, per the Diocese of Austin requirements. Payments for liturgical items are either on a monthly basis or in their entirety at the time of sponsorship. Donors do not have to pledge/pay for the entire item.

The deadline to complete all payments is December 31, 2025.

#### List of New Church Liturgical Items

Chalice & Scale Paten	\$1,960	Paschal Candlestick	\$2,720
Matching Open Ciboria	\$1,450	Processional Candlestick (2)	\$2,540 ea.
Chalice & Scale Paten	\$1,760	Floor Candlestick (6)	\$2,090 ea.
Stacking Ciboria w/lid (2)	\$1,290 ea.	Votive Candle Stand (2)	\$1,490 ea.
Communion cups (6)	\$ 570 ea.	Ambry Cabinet	\$1,560
Missal Stand	\$1,830	Censer (Incense burner) Stand	\$1,540
Holy Water Bucket (2)	\$1,180 ea.	Sanctuary Lamp	\$3,450
Altar Crucifix	\$1,710	Priest Vestments	\$1,080 - \$1,560
Stations of the Cross (15)	\$3,300 ea.	Tabernacle Restoration	\$3,300
		Stain Glass Window (new)	\$8,000



For further information on how to sponsor liturgical items, please call Tom Natoli at (512) 845-7537 or email [tbone815@aol.com](mailto:tbone815@aol.com). To learn more about the It's Time! Campaign, please visit [the.saintpaulaustin.org](http://the.saintpaulaustin.org) website or simply scan the QR Code.

Kindly continue to make your pledge payments to the It's Time! Capital Campaign.

Thank you for your generous contributions.

### Liturgical Items Campaign

Saturday, August 23, 2025

Reception in Grace Hall | 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Sunday, August 24, 2025

Reception in Grace Hall | 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 1:30 pm, and 6:00 pm



St. Paul Catholic Church, 10000 David Moore Drive, Austin, TX 78748 (512) 280-4460 [saintpaulaustin.org](http://saintpaulaustin.org)

## FALL FESTIVAL FRIDAY & SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19 & 20, 2025

ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH  
10,000 DAVID MOORE DR AUSTIN, TX 78748



**FRI**  
**6-10 PM**

**SAT**  
**1-10 PM**

ACTIVITIES:

FREE ADMISSION, LIVE BANDS, GAMES, FACE PAINTING, TRAIN RIDES, PONY RIDES,  
FOOD, SILENT AUCTION AND RAFFLE

FRIDAY NIGHT: JORGE TANAYO & FRIENDS 6:00-7:15 PM	SATURDAY: AKINS MARIACHI 1:30-2:45 PM	SATURDAY: GEORGE MERCADO 4:30-6:00 PM	SATURDAY: DESPERADOZ 8:30-10:00 PM
FRIDAY NIGHT: GROOVEKNIGHTS 7:30-10:00 PM	SATURDAY: GRUPO ADX 2:00-4:15 PM	SATURDAY: LOS FUNKY MONKEYS 6:30-8:00 PM	

PRESENTING SPONSORS:

