



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

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Website: www.saintpaulaustin.org

December 7, 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
Alyssa Duran

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

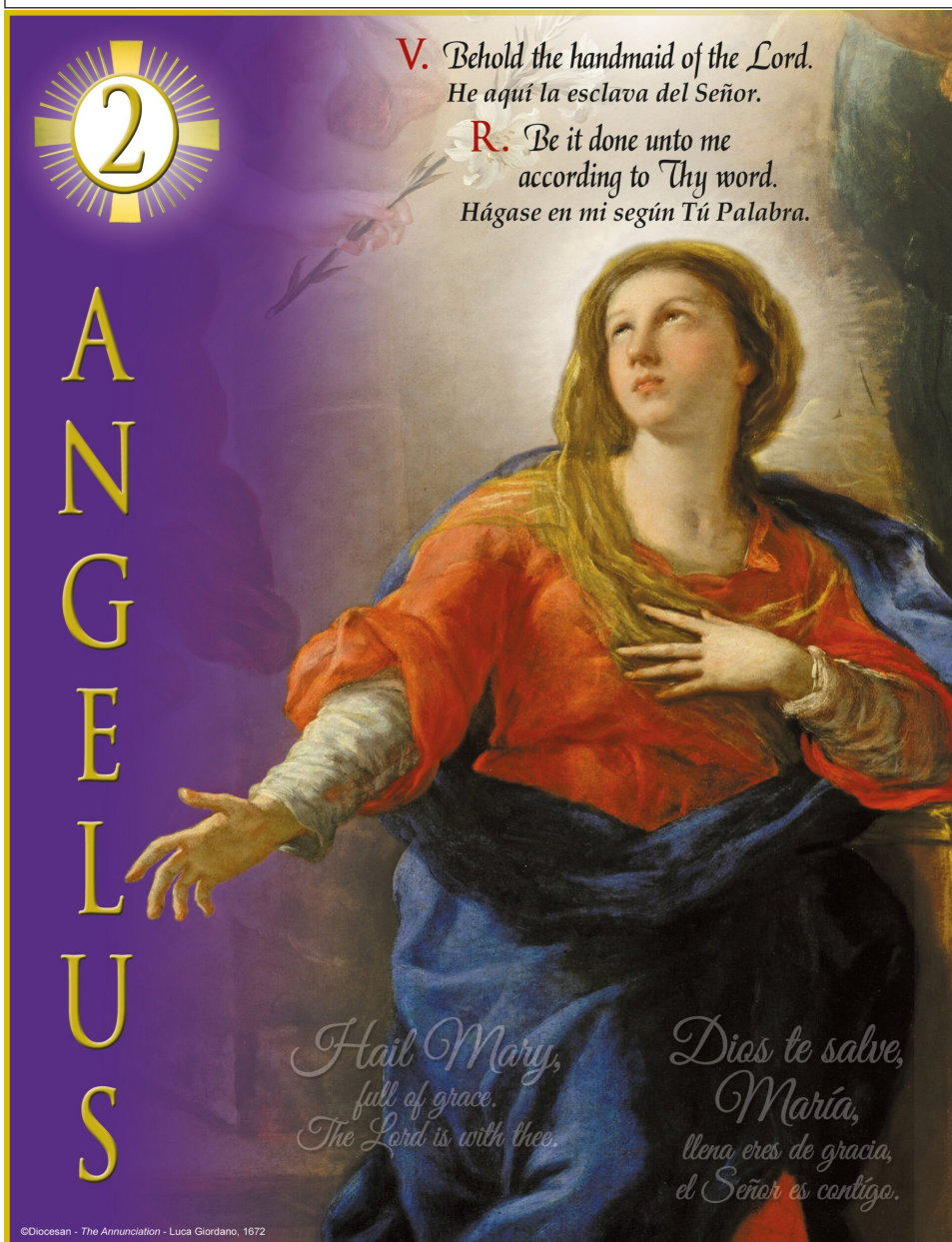
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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



V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
He aquí la esclava del Señor.

R. Be it done unto me
according to Thy word.
Hágase en mí según Tú Palabra.

*Hail Mary,
full of grace.
The Lord is with thee.*

*Dios te salve,
María,
llena eres de gracia,
el Señor es contigo.*

Greetings From Father Johnson

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Warm greetings to you from India! I am blessed to be spending this time with my brother priests and my family. It is a profound joy and privilege to celebrate Mass in my home parish and to pray with people who have been part of my life for so many years. My family sends their heartfelt greetings to all of you at St. Paul. They were delighted to hear news of our new church and are already hoping to be present when we celebrate its consecration.

This Second Sunday of Advent brings us the powerful voice of John the Baptist in the Gospel of Matthew (Mt 3:1–12). His call to “prepare the way of the Lord” invites each of us to sincere repentance and renewal of heart. Advent is not only a season of waiting—it is a season of intentional turning toward God, clearing the spiritual clutter so that Christ may enter more fully into our lives. May this holy time awaken in us a desire for deeper conversion and a readiness to welcome the Lord who comes.

This week, we are also blessed with two beautiful Marian feasts. Tomorrow, December 8, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Let us gather in gratitude for the one prepared from the first moment of her life to be the Mother of our Savior. Friday, December 12, we honor Our Lady of Guadalupe. Our parish will celebrate with joy-filled festivities, and I warmly invite you and your families to join us in honoring our Blessed Mother under this beloved title.

As we approach the end of the year, I kindly invite you to remember St. Paul Parish in your year-end giving. As we continue building our parish community and preparing for our new church, we rely entirely on your generosity. Your support truly makes a difference, and I am deeply grateful.

Wishing each of you a prayerful, peaceful, and grace-filled Advent. May the Lord continue to prepare our hearts as we prepare for Him, **Father Johnson**

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 8, in observance of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

As this day is a holy day of obligation, we encourage you to join us for one of the masses listed below.

Mass Times:

**10am and 12pm– English
7:15pm– Spanish**

Saludos de Padre Johnson

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

¡Un cordial saludo de mi parte, desde la India! Me siento bendecido por poder pasar estos días con mis hermanos sacerdotes y mi familia. Es una alegría profunda y un privilegio celebrar la Misa en mi parroquia natal y rezar con personas que han formado parte de mi vida durante tantos años. Mi familia les envía un cordial saludo a todos ustedes en St. Paul. Se alegraron mucho al conocer la noticia de nuestra nueva iglesia y ya esperan estar presentes cuando celebremos su consagración.

Este segundo domingo de Adviento nos trae la poderosa voz de Juan el Bautista en el Evangelio de Mateo (Mt 3, 1-12). Su llamada a “preparar el camino del Señor” nos invita a cada uno de nosotros al arrepentimiento sincero y a la renovación del corazón. El Adviento no es solo un tiempo de espera, es un tiempo de volverse intencionalmente hacia Dios, despejando el desorden espiritual para que Cristo pueda entrar más plenamente en nuestras vidas. Que este tiempo santo despierte en nosotros el deseo de una conversión más profunda y la disposición a recibir al Señor que viene.

Esta semana también tenemos la bendición de dos hermosas fiestas marianas. Mañana, 8 de diciembre, celebramos la solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María, día de precepto. Reunámonos en gratitud por aquella que desde el primer momento de su vida fue preparada para ser la Madre de nuestro Salvador. El viernes 12 de diciembre honramos a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Nuestra parroquia lo celebrará con festividades llenas de alegría, y les invito cordialmente a ustedes y a sus familias a unirse a nosotros para honrar a nuestra Santísima Madre bajo este querido título.

Al acercarnos al final del año, les invito amablemente a recordar a la parroquia de St. Paul en sus donaciones de fin de año. A medida que continuamos fomentando nuestra comunidad parroquial y preparándonos para nuestra nueva iglesia, dependemos completamente de su generosidad. Su apoyo realmente marca la diferencia, y les estoy profundamente agradecido.

*Les deseo a cada uno de ustedes un Adviento lleno de oración, paz y gracia. Que el Señor continúe preparando nuestros corazones mientras nos preparamos para Él. **Padre Johnson***

AUSTIN VOCATIONS

Heart of Jesus

*Men's Discernment Retreat
Retiro de Discernimiento para Hombres*

**Dec. 17-19, 2025 | 5:30 p.m.-12:30 p.m.
Del 17 al 19 de diciembre del 2025**

**Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center
5602 Texas 317, Temple, TX 76502**

**Open to men ages 18 to 49
Para hombres de 18 a 49 años de edad**

*Scan to register, or visit
Escanee para registrarse, o visite
www.austinvocations/events*



COLLECTION REPORT/INFORME DE RECAUDACION
November 23 – November 30, 2025

First Collections (Tithing)	\$13,701
Additional Donations:	
New Building Fund	\$930
SVdP	\$95
Interior Campaign	<u>\$1,200</u>
Total Other Donations	<u>\$2,225</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$15,926</u>

FISCAL YEAR 2025 STEWARDSHIP REPORT/REPORTE DE MAYORDOMIA - November 30, 2025

Regular Weekly Collection (Actual Collection)	\$13,701
Amount Needed Weekly (Budgeted Collection)	<u>\$14,500</u>
ABOVE Weekly Budget	(\$799)
Year-to-Date Actual (July 1, 2025 – Nov. 30, 2025)	\$286,871
Year-to-Date Budget (July 1, 2025 - Nov. 30, 2025)	<u>\$319,000</u>
BELOW 2026 Annual Budget	(\$32,129)

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

Please Don't Forget Us!



It is easy to forget about the operating needs of our parish with the focus on our new church. 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. Su diezmo regular es muy apreciado. Gracias por su generosidad al ayudar a sostener nuestra parroquia.

Special Collections/Colecta Especial

December/Diciembre

7 - New Building Fund	21 - Retired Clergy & Religious
14 - For the Poor	28 - Feast of the Holy Family

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE

Mass Attendance	Attendance
Saturday 5:00 pm	165
Sunday 8:30 am	175
Sunday 10:30 am	353
Sunday 12:30 pm	318
Sunday 5:00 pm	<u>166</u>
Totals	1,337

ALTAR FLOWERS/FLORES DEL ALTAR

THE FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MASSES THIS WEEKEND, DECEMBER 6-7, 2025, ARE IN CELEBRATION OF RHYEA BROWN'S QUINCEANERA AND COURTESY OF DANIEL AND JJ FLORES, SPONSORS. MAY THE LORD THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF OUR LADY BLESS AND GUIDE YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS GATHERED TODAY. CONGRATULATIONS!

LOS ARREGLOS FLORALES PARA LAS MISAS DE ESTE FIN DE SEMANA, 6 Y 7 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2025, SON PARA CELEBRAR LOS QUINCE AÑOS DE RHYEA BROWN Y CORTESÍA DE DANIEL Y JJ FLORES, PADRINOS. QUE EL SEÑOR, POR INTERCESIÓN DE NUESTRA SEÑORA, LOS BENDIGA Y LOS GUÍE A USTEDES, A SUS FAMILIARES Y AMIGOS REUNIDOS HOY. ¡FELICIDADES!

Men's Breakfast/Desayuno para Hombres



The next Saint Paul Men's breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday December 16, at 7am at Casa Garcia located on William Cannon and Manchaca (Across from Sprouts). All men of St. Paul are welcome. Join us for a relaxing social breakfast. Questions, call Tom at 512-845-7537

El próximo desayuno de hombres de San Pablo está programado para el Martes 16 de Diciembre a las 7am en Casa García, ubicada en William Cannon y Manchaca (frente a Sprouts). Todos los hombres de San Pablo son bienvenidos. Acompáñanos para un desayuno social y relajado. Si tienes preguntas, llama a Tom al 512-845-7537.

December - Immaculate Conception of the



From all eternity God chose with infinite wisdom the woman who would be the Mother of His divine Son. To prepare for the Word Incarnate a spotless and holy tabernacle, God created Mary in grace and endowed her from the moment of her conception with all the perfections suited to her exalted dignity.

Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, December 12, 2025

6:30 a.m. Mañanitas / Rosary
7:00 a.m. Danza San Pablo
7:30 a.m. Mass / Mariachi Clasico
8:30 a.m. Reception in Grace Hall
6:15 p.m. Rosary
7:00 p.m. Mass followed with refreshments / Danza San Pablo in front of the church



Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

el viernes 12 de diciembre de 2025

6:30 a.m. Mañanitas / Rosario
7:00 a.m. Danza San Pablo
7:30 a.m. Misa / Mariachi Clasico
8:30 a.m. Recepción en Grace Hall
6:15 p.m. Rosario
7:00 p.m. Misa seguida de un refrigerio / Danza San Pablo frente a la iglesia

Prayer Requests/*Peticiones de Oración*



Lucy Castillo	Letty Flores	Monika Arizmendi
Cesar Lopez	Yvette Robledo	Eliseo Salas
Jane Greenberg	Lisa Rodriguez	Joann Molina
Mike Nielson	George Necer	Imelda Chapa
Joanna Mancini	Pat Ramirez	Rocio Garcia
Theo Cyr	Fran Macias	Charlie Davila
Luis Sanchez	LuAnn Paiz	Alex Ojeda
Calian E. Walsh	Charles Warner	Richard Boncales
Agnes Bunn	Maria E. Cantu	Elizabeth Walsh
Mary DeLeon	Carlos Mendoza	Pablo Reynaga Jr
Jerome Eureste	Roberto Reyna	Marty J. Alkis
Scott Spencer	Fernanda Nieblas	Victor Lefebvre
Eddie & Jessie Riojas	Roger & Mary Rice	Stephanie Flores
Marty & Claudia Brown	Georgette & Gaston St-Onge	Jason Wilson

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*

Dec 06	5:00pm †	Angelina Castillo
Dec 07	8:30am	Larry & Beth Odom Wedding Anniversary
	10:30am	Andrea McCormick
	12:30pm †	Joseph Apolayo Conte
	5:00pm †	Jose G. Flores & Severa Knight
Dec 08	12:00pm	For the good of our Parishioners
Dec 09	12:00pm †	Diaz & Proneda Families
Dec 10	12:00pm †	Melinda Rodriguez
Dec 11	12:00pm	Stephen S. Reyes & Family
Dec 12	12:00pm †	Phyllis Link

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: National Disasters:
Lives Lost, Families' Loss & First Responders

From/De: Denise Gran



Christmas Ornament Making Event

Open to All Students in Grades 1-12

Get into the holiday spirit with a fun and festive ornament making with Religious Ed!

Friday, December 12th

6:30-8:30pm

Sparks Youth Building

Parents may drop off or stay with children. If dropping off please note you will need to sign the drop off list when you arrive.

All tools and materials will be supplied just bring your creativity!

December Pope's Intention - Christians in areas of Conflict



Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

KINDLY JOIN US FOR A Merry & Bright

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AND CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

DEC | 18 | 6 PM

ST. PAUL STAGE

FREE FOOD, DRINKS, GOODIES, CHRISTMAS CAROLS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNUAL

BAKING Spirits Bright



SATURDAY DECEMBER 20, 2025
11AM-1PM

Come join us in our annual Christmas cookie baking, this is a free event and open to all ages!

Learn how to make cookies and make friends! RSVP REQUIRED!



Parents may drop children off; however, sign in and out by parent is required.

RSVP BY SCANNING QR CODE OR FOLLOWING LINK



Religious Education
DONATIONS NEEDED

We are hosting our 3rd annual Baking Spirits Bright event. We are in need of a few donations to help this event.

Below is the link to their Amazon wishlist.
If you have any questions, please contact
Mrs. JJ Flores at 512-420-4070.

All donations are needed by

DECEMBER 15TH




Readings for the Week of December 7, 2025 Lecturas para la Semana 7 de Diciembre, 2025

Sunday/Domingo

Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rm 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Monday/Lunes

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gen 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María

Tuesday/Martes

Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday/Miércoles

Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday/Jueves

Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

Friday/Viernes

Zech 2:14-17 or Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Judith 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saturday/Sábado

Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Memoria de Santa Lucía, Virgen y Mártir

St Paul ACTS

Advent Retreat

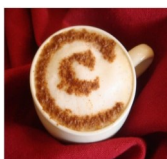
Join us for an evening focussed on learning how to experience a liturgical life, as we begin a new liturgical year in the Church.

If you are planning to eat dinner (pizza), please sign-up below so we know how much to provide.

Date: 12/10/2025 (Wed.)
Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm CST
Location: Grace Hall



Caregiving Café Invitation to our Christmas Gathering!



Are you a Caregiver or want to learn about taking care of Yourself as you age? Join the Caregiving Café on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 from 10-12:00pm in Grace Hall. No RSVP needed. Just show up! 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 or contact: Gina Vega, 512-517-33457. See you there!

¡Invitación a nuestra reunión navideña de Caregiving Cafe!
¿Es usted Cuidador de alguien o quiere aprender sobre el cuidado de usted mismo a medida que envejece? Únase al Caregiving Café el martes 9 de Diciembre de 2025 de 10 a 12:00pm en Grace Hall. No es necesario confirmar su asistencia. ¡Solo preséntate! 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 o contacte a: Gina Vega, 512-517-3457.