

PARISH CALENDAR AND MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK OF December 4, 2017 — December 10, 2017

MASS READINGS and INTENTIONS

(† Indicates Deceased)

Monday, December 4	Is 2:1-5 Mt 8:5-11
8:30am †Georgia Horak	
Tuesday, December 5	Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24
5:30pm Sara & Paul Webber (Special Intentions)	
Wednesday, December 6	Is 25:6-10a Mt 15:29-37
9:20am †Rubin & Leona Gottschalk	
Thursday, December 7	Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27
5:30pm †Mary Motloch (Birthday)	
Friday, December 8	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Gn 3:9-15, 20 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38
8:30am †Paul Park †Parents of Phil & Dolly Kaiser	
12:05pm †Georgia Ketterman	
6:30pm For the Parish Youth	
Saturday, December 9	Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
5:00pm Josephine Grygar (Special Intentions)	
Sunday, December 10	Second Sunday of Advent Is 40:1-5, 9-11 2 Pt 3, 8-14 Mk 1:1-8
8:00am †Leroy E. Smith, Sr.	
11:00am †Alois "Ollie" Ketterman †Dr Edward Bellens	
5:00pm For the People	

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, December 4

8:30am **Mass** (Chapel)
2:00pm-3:30pm Legion of Mary Meeting (R.E. Bldg)
6:30pm-8:00pm Psalms, Wisdom, Galetians--CAFFÉ (DM Room)

Tuesday, December 5

6:45am-7:45am Men's Bible Study Group (Parish Hall Library)
5:30pm **Mass** (Chapel)
6:00pm-7:00pm KC Fellowship Meal (Parish Hall)
6:30pm-8:00pm Follow Me (Fall) CAFFÉ (DM Room)
7:00pm-9:00pm KC Rosary/Meeting (Holy Family Room)

Wednesday, December 6

9:00am-9:00pm Our Lady of Fatima Statue (Church)
9:00am-10:30am Arrival of Our Lady of Fatima Statue
and **Mass** (Church)
11:00am-noon **Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Church)
4:00pm-7:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
4:00pm-8:00pm **Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Church)

Thursday, December 7

1:00pm-2:30pm Revelations—CAFFÉ (RE Bldg Rm 104)
4:00pm-5:00pm Pietra Fitness Class (DM Room)
5:30pm **Mass** (Chapel)
6:00pm-8:00pm Bible Timeline—CAFFÉ (RE Bldg Rm 104)
6:30pm-8:00pm Faith/Theology Chat Session with Fr. James
(Youth Upper Room)

Friday, December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception

8:30am **Mass** (Church)
9:30am-11:00am Friday Morning Scripture Study (Upper Room)
12:05pm **Mass** (Church)
6:30pm **Mass** (Church)

Saturday, December 9

10:00am-noon Mothers Together in Christ (Holy Family Room)
4:00pm-4:45pm Confessions (Reconciliation Room—Church)
5:00pm **Mass** (Church)

Sunday, December 10

8:00am **Mass** (Church)
9:00am Fellowship Café (Parish Hall)
9:15am-10:45am Advent Liturgy—CAFFÉ (Holy Family Room)
9:15am-10:45am RCIA (Youth Upper Room)
9:15am-10:45am Elementary Faith Formation (RE Bldg & DM Room)
9:15am-10:45am Early Keysis Outreach (RE Bldg & DM Room)
11:00am **Mass** (Church)
5:00pm **Mass** (Church)
6:15pm-7:45pm KEYSIS (Youth Upper Room)
6:30pm-8:00pm Young Catholics in Community

Special Collection — Retirement Fund for Religious: Dec. 9-10

Catholics in the Diocese of Austin will have the opportunity to "give to those who have given a lifetime" as part of the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, to be held in parishes Dec. 9-10. Coordinated by the National Religious Retirement Office (NRRO) in Washington, D.C., the annual appeal benefits 32,000 elderly Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests whose religious congregations lack adequate retirement funding. Together, we can make a difference. Please donate prayerfully and generously. Thank you.

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 3, 2017**



Brothers and Sisters,

Advent is upon us. From the onset, the Lord Jesus says to us, "Be watchful! Be alert! May no one be found lacking in any spiritual gifts as we wait for the coming of the savior!" Let us be mindful since it would be very tempting, and very easy to get so wrapped up in the transient gifts of this season that we forget the true spiritual gift, Christ the Lord.

The Advent season is a good time to engage in an interior journey. It is the time to look at the quality of our life in Christ and our Catholic faith: the regularity and devotedness of our Sunday experience at mass, our personal prayer life, our respect and dealings with others, our honesty, our truth-telling, our commitment to changing the world through authentic discipleship and service to the poor, the sacredness of human life, the strengthening of marriage and family life.

Advent is a good time to use the varied gifts of God in service to one another. It's a good time to restart dropping spirit, to restore broken relationships and build bridges among peoples and neighbors. It's a good time to try to liberate ourselves from the devouring beast of secularism, and arrant materialism. In short, this Advent is the opportune time to renew a vibrant relationship with the Lord and his Church.

Let's not forget that God is our Father. He is the potter and we are the clay. We are all the work of his hands. Let us pray that we will be mindful of Him in our ways of life, and that upon the return of Christ, he might meet us doing right and irreproachable.

I wish everyone a Grace-filled Advent!

Fr. James



**Epiphany Party
Saturday, January 6, 2018**

Mark your calendar! Please plan to join the whole parish as we celebrate at our annual Epiphany Party potluck dinner in the parish hall after the 5:00pm Mass. More info to come.

Pope Francis encourages us that time spent with the sick is holy time. It is a way of praising God who conforms us to the image of His Son. It is in the care and prayers for the sick that love becomes a witness of hope in the Resurrection.

We encourage you to call the office with the names of those who need prayer. They will be mentioned in the Sunday liturgy and then placed in the bulletin following week. Their names will remain in the bulletin for two weeks.

Please cut out the prayer list and put it somewhere that will remind you to pray for those in need. Thank you!

Please pray for. .



**Beverly Heimsoth
Trinidad & Audelia
Palomino
Mike Dixon
Steve Cook
Gunner Levi
Coleman Thompson
Ernie and Molly Haynes
Florence Linz
Minda Agtarap**

**Doris Blair
Janet Murphy
Debbie Fiorini
Kathy Rasmussen
Chris Brown
Leonor Torrez
H.G Barganier
Vanessa Petrarca
Yuriko Murakami**

†**Raymond Hoelscher**
†**Margie Gerik**

†**Chester Green**
†**Joseph Cu Nguyen**



CAFFÉ
St. Luke Catholic Church
Continuing Adult Faith Formation
and Evangelization

New Classes Beginning 2018

Give yourself a Christmas gift by joining a CAFFÉ class in January. There are classes throughout the week to meet your schedule. Look over the list and begin planning now to enrich your spiritual life. Classes will begin the week of January 7th.

To register for CAFFÉ Classes, you may print the Registration Form on the website or pick one up in the Narthex, fill it out, and then either email it to care@slparish.org, turn it into the parish office, or drop it in the basket in the Narthex.

For more information please contact CAFFÉ Chairman Susan Terry at care@slparish.org

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

"It is more Blessed to Give than it is to Receive." Acts 20:35

Sunday Regular Collection (11/19/17)	\$ 9,328.52
E-Giving (11/13/17 – 11/17/17)	\$ 10,595.50
Children's Collection (11/19/17)	\$ 33.00
CC Human Development (11/19/17)	\$ 1,324.00
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Sunday Regular Collection (11/26/17)	\$ 10,226.00
E-Giving (11/20/17 – 11/24/17)	\$ 2,725.00
Children's Collection (11/26/17)	\$ 29.75
Building Fund (11/26/17)	\$ 2,077.00



**2018
New ALPHA Session
begins**

January 10, 2018

**5:30 pm - 8:00 pm
(meal provided)
Parish Hall**

What is ALPHA??

ALPHA is a series of 11 sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each session will include a meal, a talk, and small group interaction. This is the perfect opportunity for you to invite others who have been interested in forming a deeper relationship with Christ or just beginning to discover who He is.

To register go to www.slparish.org or for more information contact Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation Marcella Weisbruch at marcella@slparish.org

Mothers Together in Christ

Our next meeting is December 9th in the Holy Family Room for fellowship and prayer. All moms are welcome!

For questions please contact Mary Ann at (609) 369-9929

KC's BASKETBALL THROW CONTEST

Saturday - December 16, 2017 9am - 11am
@ Ralph Wilson Youth Club of Temple
Boys/Girls Ages 10-14
(Proof of AGE Req. as of Jan. 1, 2018)

CONTACT: LeRoy Hesser 254-228-9787

2017-2018 YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

**Elementary Faith Formation
EFF/EKO**

Pre-K3 - 8th Grade

For Wednesday classes:

No classes will be held

December 6, 2017

Next classes will be

December 13, 2017

For Sunday classes:

Breakfast Café from 9:00am - 9:15am
Classes start at 9:30am. Parents need to bring their children into the RE Bldg no earlier than 9:00am and no later than 9:30am!

Pickup from the RE Bldg at 10:50am. Students will not be released unless a parent comes into the RE Bldg to receive them.

Please help us keep our children safe.

**Coordinator of Elementary Faith Formation
Jordanna Richesin (254) 913-1827
Jordanna@slparish.org**

KEYSIS

**High School Youth Ministry
Grades 9-12th**

Sundays 6:15pm – 8:00pm, Upper Room

**Middle/High School Youth Minister, Bennett Diano
Bennett@slparish.org—(205) 792-0930**

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Knight's Korner



Raffle Winners

Prize		Winner
\$1000	Visa Gift Card	Clint J. Hajovsky
\$500	Visa Gift Card	Leroy Hesser
\$500	Visa Gift Card	Scruffy Ambrosini
\$500	Visa Gift Card	Joe Pishner
\$500	Visa Gift Card	Diana Spillman
\$250	Target Gift Card	Kathy Pappenfort
\$250	Walmart Gift Card	Diane Bringman
\$250	Academy Gift Card	Dr. Hamilton
\$250	HEB Gift Card	Jerry Klement

Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held on December 5th in the Parish Hall/Holy Family Room starting at 6:00pm.

FEATURED ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

TOP STONE

Thank YOU for SUPPORTING Our WEEKLY Bulletin!

ST. LUKE WOMEN'S SOCIETY NEWS

Our December meeting will be on December 12th. There will be a morning covered dish brunch meeting at 10:00 AM and an evening covered dish meeting at 6:30 PM (so you can attend 5:30PM mass before the meeting). Both of these meetings will be at the home of Pat Johnson at 4017 Sunflower Lane, Temple ([254-624-9613](tel:254-624-9613)). You are most welcome to attend one or both meetings, but we are making an attempt to include those of you who are unable to attend our regularly scheduled morning meetings. Bring an unwrapped toy in a gift bag. We will have some fun and end up donating the toys to Temple Fire & Rescue to be distributed to the needy.

Thank you all who helped with the Arts & Crafts Fair to make it a success. Your gifts of time, baked goods (talent) and treasure are most appreciated.

The T-shirt and socks collection in conjunction with Outreach Ministry was an awesome success. Between Women's Society, Killeen-Temple Deanery of Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, and Outreach we were able to create over 250 hygiene gift bags and, at last count, 375 t-shirt/sock gift packs for the homeless. The remaining male and female socks will be donated to local nursing homes and VFW center. Thank you so much for your generosity to help these of God's children.