



Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock

Office of Communications

PASTORAL UPDATE: MAY 23, 2017

Planning a parish event? To choose the best date, visit our **DIOCESAN CALENDAR** (under Calendar at top of page) at www.catholiclubbock.org.

Many events -- including retreats and jamaicas -- are listed.

Call us at 806-792-3943 Ext. 218 or **e-mail** pbehnke@catholiclubbock.org with news about any parish event of interest to the diocese by *noon on Tuesday*.

Sign up for weekly updates: Please send your request to catholiclubbock@gmail.com to receive this *Pastoral Update* by email.

TOP NEWS - MOST RECENT

PRIESTLY ORDINATION – All are invited to celebrate with Deacon Jacob M. Powell as he is ordained to the priesthood **May 27, 2017, @ 10:00 a.m.**, at Christ the King Cathedral, 4011 54th, Lubbock. A reception follows.

ESPIRITU SANTO MENSAJERO DIVINO - alabanza, predicación, reflexión y exposición del santísimo – Sábado, **3 de junio**, 2017, Saint Michael Church, 316 Washington, Levelland. Featuring Fausto Reyes, Winston Castro, Shaddai y Elvis y Salvatore. Información: 806-894-2268

HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE - Holy Spirit Catholic Church will host a day-long conference Saturday, **June 3**, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.. The conference will feature speaker David Bisono who will speak on Praise and Worship and how the Holy Spirit can bring healing and change into your life. There is no fee to attend. Lunch will be available for purchase. RSVP to Amy Craig, amy@holyspiritlubbock.org, or 806-544-6843

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS SPECIAL COLLECTION –Next week, **June 3 and 4**, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US, including the **Diocese of Lubbock**, are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING – **June 7 @ 6:30 p.m.**, Saint James Church, 1010 Hobbs Hwy, Seminole. To register, please contact Alicia Alvarez: (806) 792-3943 ext. 222 or aalvarez@catholiclubbock.org

SATURDAY SPIRITUALITY: June 3 - Dr. Paul Brooke "The Holy Trinity" - Christ the King Cathedral invites you to join us on the first Saturday of every month at 9 a.m. in the Parlor (room off of the Gathering Space where coffee and donuts are served after Mass) for prayer, for fellowship and to hear from a notable speaker. You don't have to RSVP; simply show up. (4011 54th Street, Lubbock)

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT!!! for Youth (girls) and Adults (boys), **June 10**, Saint Mary Magdalen Church, 309 S. Wall, Floydada. \$150 entry fee. First, second & third prizes, trophies and medals.

VOLLEYBALL TOURNEY!!! – **June 17**, \$60 entry fee. Trophies and medals will be awarded. Saint Mary Magdalen Church, 309 S. Wall, Floydada. Contact Father Ruban: (806) 781-7179 or the church ((806) 983-5878.

BIBLE FEST – June 12-15, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Christ the King Family Activity Center, 4011 54th Street, Lubbock.

FAMILIES ENCOUNTERING CHRIST SUMMER CAMP – June 19-22, 5:30-9 p.m., Catholic Renewal Center, 4th & Toledo. Watch for more information in upcoming Updates. [PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!](#)

CAFETERIA JOB OPENING – Christ the King School is looking for 1-2 people to work part-time in the CTK Café (the school cafeteria) during the 2017-18 school year, Monday-Friday, approximately 9:30am-1:30pm, throughout the school year. Duties include prepping, cooking & serving lunches for students, as well as cleaning and dishwashing after lunches. Duties could also include stocking incoming inventory, so applicants should be able to bend and lift items, heavy pans, and boxes. This is a great opportunity for school parents! Contact the school office for an application at 4011 54th Street, Lubbock. Summer office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8am-noon.

▼ SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE VOCATIONS CAMPS – *Quo Vadis Days* (for boys) – **August 7-9**; *Fiat Camp* (for girls) – **August 9-11**. For youth ages 13-17. More information to come. ▼

TRAVEL WITH BISHOP COERVER TO THE HOLY LAND – **January 15-26, 2018** - Most Rev. Robert Coerver, Bishop of Lubbock and Reverend Don Zeiler, pastor of St. Gabriel the Archangel parish in McKinney, invite you to join them for an inspiring pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Travel during a beautiful time of the year in the Holy Land--crowds are thinner and access to sites much nicer. The program balances archaeological, religious and cultural opportunities. Learn more about the rich cultural life of local people by enjoying their hospitality, food and art. Celebrate Mass each day at sites where Jesus and his early disciples gathered and/or where pilgrims have gathered over the centuries. The program also includes a visit to the spectacular site of Petra, in Jordan. This is an enchanting place where monuments are carved into the orange rock and sandstone. En route, we will visit Mt. Nebo where Moses looked out over the Promised Land. Join for a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to walk in the footsteps of visionary men and women of faith and connect with your own faith heritage. For more information and registration materials (**due June 15, 2017**) visit: www.travelillumine.com/trc/idl or call: 1-800-368-6757 ext 128.

Parishes and Around the Diocese

GRIEF SUPPORT MEETINGS begin **Thursday, June 1, 6:30 p.m.** in the Parish Family Center, Christ the King Cathedral (same building where parish offices are located.) The death of a loved one can be one of the hardest things that we experience in our lives. Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Meetings are facilitated by Deacon Randy and Cindy Canale, 797-2210.

SISTER MARY ANN MISHURDA, OSF invites all to join her in celebrating her Golden Jubilee on **Saturday, June 3, @11 a.m.**, at Saint John Neumann Church, 22nd and Frankford, Lubbock. Priest friends are invited to concelebrate the Mass (please bring your alb and stole), and contact Father George Roney if you will be there. The Mass will be followed by a reception at Saint John Neumann gymnasium.

SWING INTO SUMMER – PLAY PROJECT – **Saturday, June 3, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.**, Christ the King School, 4011 54th, Lubbock. Jump & Play wristbands (\$10 first child [ages 3-13], \$5 each child thereafter). Live music, food, face painting, bounce house, water games. 100% of proceeds goes to playground renovations. Pre-order your wristbands: <http://bit.ly/2qRM0gM>

BLESSING OF THE HELMETS & MOTORCYCLES – **Sunday, June 4 – 12:30 p.m.** Mass/ blessing of bikes, held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 1120 52nd Street Lubbock. After Mass, ride to the Texas Café (the original Spoon), 3604 50th where there will be a bike show, outdoor/indoor event, BBQ, nachos, pizza, hamburgers, and drinks. \$5 donation at door. Proceeds will benefit 2017 Toy Run Fundraiser. Contacts: Javier-239-2403, Maria-773-1984, Veronica-632-3025.

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS - **June 2-4**, and October 6-8, 2017. Contact: Roy and Ellie Contreras, 806-773-9803, contrerasclan@sbcglobal.net For more information: <http://catholicclubbock.org/Engaged.pdf>

NIGHT TO REMEMBER - Catholic Charities Annual Night to Remember 'Luau' is scheduled for **June 4, 2017**. All are invited to the McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center (17th & University) for a fun Hawaiian Luau with social hour beginning at 6:00 pm. \$125.00 admits two people and gives you a chance to win \$1,000 in which 5 winners will be awarded (need not be present to win). Show your support for Catholic Charities while you enjoy good food, drinks, music and a wide selection of silent and live auction items for bidding. For more information, please call Cynthia Quintanilla at 806-765-8475 ext 125 or email questions to cynthiaq@cclubbock.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – The following Vacation Bible School kits may be check-out from the library: *Avalanche Ranch* – Western theme; *Crocodile Doc* – Water theme; *God's Big Backyard*- Serving theme; *Great Bible Reef: Dive Deep into God's Word*; *Kingdom of the Son: Prayer Safari* – Jungle theme; and *Son Quest*- Rainforest theme. The following websites offer more summer camps: <http://pastoral.center/vacation-bible-school>; www.liguorivbs.org; <http://vbs.osv.com/>; <https://www.growingwiththesaints.com/about.cfm>
Contact: Rose Martin, Resource Librarian, rmartin@catholicclubbock.org 806-792-2234 ex.224

JOURNEY TO GOD'S LOVE, MERCY AND HEALING - **July 7-9, 2017**, Our Lady of Mercy Retreat Center, 605 S. 19th Street, Slaton. Presenters: Attorney David Garza & Monsignor Joe James. *Is God calling you to a more joyful life? A more spiritual life? Have prayer, Mass and the sacraments become dull and routine? Do you want God to be more real in your life?* If so: Sign up for the retreat, prepare by reading the Book of Acts, Chapters 1-4; if possible, fast on Wednesdays and Fridays before retreat; pray the rosary daily; Read Luke 15, the Parables of God's mercy; and, come to this retreat! Three Day Retreat - \$150/person double occupancy, meals included. Deposit is \$75. Register at www.mercyrc.com or 806-828-6428, 789-8456.

FREE NUTRITION/COOKING SERIES – Catholic Charities will offer a program that includes **nutrition** classes **Tuesdays June 6, 13, 20 & 27** @ 6 p.m.; **cooking** class on **Monday, June 12** @5 p.m. (taught by an experienced chef); and dietitian appointments (call 370-3385 to set up appointment). The dietitian can provide advice tailored to help manage chronic diseases. A \$60 gift card to United supermarkets will be given to participants who complete the course and meet income guidelines. Space is limited. To register, contact Alexandra Garcia, 806-765-8475 ext. 128 or 370-3385 or learntocook@cclubbock.org. Location: Catholic Charities, 102 Avenue J, Lubbock

RAIDER PROMISE BRICK AND TILE GIFTS – Raider Promise is a campaign for the construction of the new John Saleh Catholic Student Center that is quickly approaching completion, home to Raider Catholic, which provides students at Texas Tech University, South Plains College and the surrounding community with opportunities to grow in faith and fellowship. Raider Catholic friends and family are offered the opportunity to leave their mark on the building by purchasing a brick or granite tile to forever be a part of this building and its history. **BRICKS:** \$250 (one-time payment) - 4"x8" brick 3 lines of 18 characters and includes 1"x3"x1/2" souvenir brick; Pavers will be located in the sidewalk leading up to the West entrance. **GRANITE TILE:** \$1,000 (one-time or 1-year payment option with \$200 initial payment) - 12" x 12" black granite tile may contain up to 9 lines, 25 characters per line; Will frame the vestibule floor and multi-purpose room. For other donation options, please see www.RaiderPromise.org or email Nathan.Robinett@raidercatholic.org

EN-COUN-TER CATHOLICISM: **Wednesdays**, 6-7 p.m. in Kasteel Hall, Christ the King Cathedral, 4011 54th Street, Lubbock. A different topic and presenter each week.

May 31 – 'Eucharistic Adoration – What Is It and Why It's Important' - Many of us know that we have the Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Christ the King Cathedral. But do we *really* know what opportunity we have in our midst and why it is important? Don't miss this week's Encounter session when Deacon Steve Tjia will talk

to us about what is Eucharistic Adoration and what it can mean for our faith in Christ. **"Come to Me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."**

Office for Vocations

NEW FEATURE: Let's support vocations in each parish by prayer, recognition and invitation.

Vocation Blurb – ***Seventh Sunday of Easter*** -- **May 28, 2017- Ascension of the Lord** - "They received the Holy Spirit." The Blessed Virgin Mary intercedes for your faithfulness to the vocation to which the Spirit is leading you. If you think God may be offering you the grace of serving Him and His people as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact Father John Ohlig at the Vocation Office at 806-792-3943 ext 226 or email johlig@catholiclubbock.org

Office of Youth & Young Adults

TEEN ACTS #11 - The next TeenACTS retreat is **July 13-16**. The retreat is for teens who have completed their first year of high school through those that have just graduated. The cost is \$180. For more information, go to www.actscommunityoflubbock.org or call Robin Gross, TeenACTS Liaison at (806)777-6137. Adult Director Karen Quintana; Adult Co-director Abel Hernandez; Teen Director Kaitlynn Bednarz, Teen Co-director Adam Rodriguez, Spiritual Companion Gracie Quintana, and Spiritual Director Father Rudi Crasta.

School News

ENROLL NOW FOR 2017-1018! Enrollment for current students or new students is underway at Christ the King Cathedral School. Serving PreK-3 through 12th grade. Come see for yourselves. Financial aid & scholarships available for those who qualify. Contact Becky King, 795-8283 or bking@ctkcathedralschool.org,

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL NOW REGISTERING for the 2017-2018 school year. Early childhood, Pre-K 4 and Kindergarten. Pre-K students must be 4 and Kindergarten students 5 by September 1. A grade will be added each year. Registration forms and instructions: www.holyspiritcathparish.org

Office of Stewardship and Development

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS Solemnity of the Lord's Ascension- May 27/28 - In today's Gospel, Jesus charges his followers to "make disciples of all nations." What exactly is going on here? What is this Great Commission anyway? Good stewards know they are directed to share what they exercise stewardship over: their life of faith in Christ Jesus. They know Jesus didn't direct them to go to church and to keep quiet about it; or to go out into the neighborhood, workplace or marketplace and just be nice. Christ's Good News is meant to be shared. Many people in our communities don't know about Jesus Christ. Does that bother us? Do we care? Do we realize we are supposed to do something about it?

Intercession: That are able to use our gifts of time, talent and treasure to glorify God, we pray to the Lord.

Solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor - *En la segunda lectura de hoy, nosotros escuchamos la proclamación de que somos bendecidos si compartimos los sufrimientos de Cristo. ¿Qué significa entonces "compartir Sus sufrimientos" en este contexto? La mayoría de nosotros no vivimos en un lugar del mundo en el que pudiéramos ser asesinados por ser seguidores de Jesús. Pero podríamos enfrentar o "sufrir" burlas, ridiculización y desaprobación de parte de otros. Con demasiada frecuencia, y por varias razones, quienes profesan la fe en Cristo actúan como si se avergonzaran de Él. Aunque actuar avergonzados, es lo mismo que una negación. Los corresponsables de las Buenas Nuevas nunca están avergonzados de revelar su amor por el Señor. ¿Cómo revela usted a otros cada día que es un seguidor de Cristo?*

Intercesión- Para que podamos usar nuestros dones de tiempo, talento y tesoro para glorificar a Dios, roguemos al Señor.

To access the *entire month of readings*, Stewardship e-bulletin: <http://catholiclubbock.org/Stewardship.html>

Retreats/ Spiritual Development

Posting these Rachel's Corner quotes in the bulletin every week does a tremendous job of gently and confidentially reminding those who need healing after abortion that help is available. Sometimes it takes months or longer of seeing these quotes in the weekly bulletin for someone to get the courage to call for help

RACHEL'S CORNER - "I never knew my wife suffered so much pain over an abortion she had before we met. It was eye-opening to attend a Rachel retreat with her and be a support in an area of her life where there was so much secret grief. We are closer now than we have ever been."

- RV Retreat Participant

Call Rachel Ministries and let us help you heal the wounds of abortion. Confidential contact: Kathy.krile@gmail.com and 806-577-5912.

RINCON DE RAQUEL - "Dejen que los más grandes pecadores pongan su confianza en Mí misericordia... Ellos tienen el derecho delante de otros a confiar en el abismo de Mí misericordia. ...El alma que hace un llamamiento a Mí misericordia me deleita. A dicha alma le daré aún más gracias de lo que piden."

-Palabras de Jesús a Santa Faustina (Diario 1146)

¿Sufriendo porque un aborto? Deleita a Jesús apelando a Su misericordia en un retiro Rachel de fin de semana. Confidential contact: Kathy.krile@gmail.com and 806-577-5912.

Recurring (Weekly) Activities

THE UPPER ROOM YOUNG ADULT FAITH GROUP—

First & Third Mondays @ 8 p.m., Lubbock Saint Elizabeth Pallotti Building. Contact Shelby Williams at sewilliams91@yahoo.com

ADORATION – Saint Elizabeth Chapel, 2305 Main

Wednesdays -6-8:30 p.m., **Thursdays**-6-8 p.m.

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION-Saint John Neumann, 22nd & Frankford, 7 p.m., **Thursdays.**

HOLY HOUR for Vocations- Christ the King Cathedral, 7 p.m., every **second Thursday**. Lubbock Our Lady of Guadalupe- **Thursdays @6:30 p.m.**

FIRST FRIDAY MASS @5:30 p.m. to end abortion and euthanasia, Saint John Neumann, 24th & Frankford. Every **First Friday** of the year.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS- 7:30 a.m., Adoration until 5 p.m.-Lubbock Our Lady of Guadalupe

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET- 3 p.m. **First Saturdays** at Christ the King, 4011 54th Street.

CATHOLIC MOMS OF LUBBOCK – Contact:

Vicki.divine@gmail.com or 607-226-6398

COUNSELING: Affordable marriage and family counseling offered by Marriage & Family Life Office, in collaboration with TTU Marriage & Family Clinic. For appointment, call Dr. Nicole Springer at 806-742-3074

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OUR LADY OF VICTORY RADIO: Visit 102.9 FM website at <http://www.olvradio.com> to hear live streaming of EWTN. For program schedule, please see <http://www.ewtn.com/radio/schedule.asp>.

TWITTER: *Bishop Coerver is now on Twitter. You can follow him @BishopLubbock.*

<https://twitter.com/BishopLubbock>

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SEND *South Plains Catholic* story ideas, stories, and photos (including names and explanations) to: PO Box 98700, Lubbock, Texas 79499-8700, or lflores@catholiclubbock.org. The next deadlines are:

EDITION DATE: June 11 **DEADLINE:** May 31

SAVE THE DATE: 2017

June 4 – Night to Remember, TTU McKenzie Market

June 19-22 - Family Summer Camp

August 7-9: Quo Vadis Camp

August 9-11: Fiat Camp

October 3, 6:30, Red Mass, Kent Hance Chapel

October 14- Catechetical & Ministries Conference, Lubbock Memorial Civic Center+

October 21 & 22 -Sausage Festival, Slaton Saint Joseph

October 26 – NurtureLife Banquet, TTU Market

JAMAICAS: 2017

June 4 – Saint Patrick, 12-7 p.m.

June 4 --St. Theresa

June 11 – Wolfforth Saint Francis

June 17—Idalou Saint Philip, 12-9 p.m.

June 24--Crosbyton San Jose

June 24-Seagraves Saint Paul, 11-11

June 25 –Lubbock Saint Joseph, 11-8

June 25 – Woodrow San Ramon, 12-8 p.m.

July 1—Floydada St Mary Magdalen 10 am-11 pm

July 8 – Anton Saint Anthony, 2-8 p.m.

July 8 – Ralls Saint Michael, 3-11 p.m.

July 16 -Tahoka Saint Jude

July 16 – Muleshoe Imm. Conception, 12-8 p.m.

July 23 –Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lubbock, 10-8

July 29 – Brownfield Saint Anthony, 12-8 p.m.

July 29 – Saint Isidore, Abernathy, 11-8

July 30 – O'Donnell Saint Pius X, 12-8 p.m.

July 30 – Hale Center Saint Theresa

August 5 - San Lorenzo, Lorenzo, Noon – 9 p.m.

August 5—Slaton Our Lady of Guadalupe, 12-10 pm

August 6 – Lamesa Saint Margaret Mary/OL of Guadalupe, 12-9 p.m. (on OLG grounds)

August 6—Wilson Blessed Sacrament, noon-7 p.m.

August 6—Sacred Heart, Littlefield, 12-8 p.m.

August 13—Our Lady of Grace, 12:30-8:30 p.m.

August 20- St. Philip Benizi Shallowater, 11:30-8pm

August 27 – Pep Saint Philip, 12 p.m. -?

September 3 – Levelland Saint Michael