



# Roman Catholic Diocese of Lubbock

Office of Communications

## PASTORAL UPDATE: APRIL 18, 2017

Planning a parish event? To choose the best date, visit our **DIOCESAN CALENDAR** (under Calendar at top of page) at [www.catholiclubbock.org](http://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](mailto:pbehnke@catholiclubbock.org) with news about any parish event of interest to the diocese by *noon on Tuesday*.

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### TOP NEWS - MOST RECENT

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET** will be prayed each evening April 18-21 at 6 p.m. at Saint Elizabeth University Chapel, 2301 Main, Lubbock; and again at 4 p.m. Saturday and after 11 a.m. Mass Sunday in the church. All are invited

**DIVINE MERCY IN ACTION SUNDAY** – **Sunday, April 23**, Mackenzie Park in Lubbock (going east on Broadway, turn left into park entrance and follow signs. **2:30 p.m.**-Live praise & worship with a meal for all; **3 p.m.**- brief explanation of Divine Mercy Sunday; **3:15 p.m.** Divine Mercy Chaplet (song); **3:35-5 p.m.**- Celebrate & receive mercy: Those invited are men, women, children of any faith or background, especially those in need of mercy physically and/or spiritually. Receive and show mercy by visiting stations representing various corporal and spiritual acts of mercy. Prayers for healing from deacons and opportunity to visit with priests to talk and/or receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. FREE EVENT—all are invited. More info or to offer help: Mindy Yarbrough, 806-702-2284 or Jenna Chang, 832-659-1049.

**SAUSAGE FESTIVAL** – Snyder Saint Elizabeth, 3005 Avenue A, will host the annual German sausage dinner (with all the sides) this **Sunday, April 23, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.** The all-you-can-eat dinner costs \$10.

**DCA DEANERY 6 P.M. DINNER MEETINGS**- Please send in your numbers attending **this week**.  
**Sunday, April 23** – Saint Elizabeth, Snyder      **Monday, April 24** –Saint Anthony, Brownfield  
**Tuesday, April 25** – Saint Theresa, Hale Center (Plvw deanery); **Thursday, April 27**- Saint Elizabeth, Lubbock

**ADORATION FOR YOUTH** – **Wednesday, April 26 @ 6:15 p.m.**, Saint Joseph Church, 102 N Avenue P, Lubbock.

**DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY ALMOST HERE!!! – April 28 & April 29**, Christ the King Cathedral School, 4011 54th Lubbock. Don't miss out! Get registrations in by April 23 to get the \$30 entrance fee. (\$35 after 4/23). **Friday, April 28** – Registration @ 5:30 p.m., Praise & Worship @7:15 p.m. followed by other activities until 10 p.m. **Saturday, April 29** – Registration @ 8 a.m.; 9 a.m. Praise & Worship, followed by prayer, breakout sessions for junior and senior high, keynote speakers, entertainment, Mass at 7 p.m., dance @ 8:30-10 p.m. Fill out group registration form and email to [mjvenhaus@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:mjvenhaus@catholiclubbock.org). Correct t-shirt size not ensured if you register after April 20. See: <http://catholiclubbock.org/Youth-Ministry.html> 806-792-3943 ext. 230

**BRISKET PLATE SALES** – Sunday, **April 30**, 9 a.m. all day until sold out! Serving breakfast tacos or brisket plates at Saint Joseph Church, 102 N. Avenue P. Proceeds will benefit the music costs for Saint Joseph Jamaica on June 25.

**GRADUATION PHOTOS:** High school and college graduates may submit photos for the annual supplement published by Bishop Coerver in the South Plains Catholic. Wallet-sized photos are best, but any close-up will do. Be sure to include your name, address, school, and parish on the back of the photos, and include \$1 and a self-addressed envelope to have your photo returned. Mail to: Graduation Issue, PO Box 98700, Lubbock TX 79499-8700. Photos may be e-mailed to [pbehnke@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:pbehnke@catholiclubbock.org). Include the above information in your e-mail. Deadline for receiving photos: **May 19, 2017.**

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

**Vocation Blurb - Second Sunday of Easter – April 23, 2017** - "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Is God inviting you to live the gift and mystery of being sent as a priest, sister or brother to proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ? Contact Father John Ohlig at the Vocation Office at 806-792-3943 ext 226 or email [johlig@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:johlig@catholiclubbock.org) Please look for this weekly blurb under the heading "Office of Vocations"

### Parishes and Around the Diocese

**MERCY SUNDAY PRAYER CELEBRATION – Sunday, April 23, 2:30-4:30 p.m.,** Our Lady of the Angels Convent, 8202 CR 7700, Wolfforth. The celebration includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, talk on Divine Mercy, silent prayer, sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and benediction. Refreshments will follow. Drinks will be provided, those who wish may bring a snack to share.

**Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration, April 23,** 3-4 p.m., Christ the King Cathedral. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, including a short teaching on Saint Faustina, the messages she received from Jesus, and why Saint John Paul II declared the first Sunday after Easter the Feast of Divine Mercy. We will adore the Blessed Sacrament and venerate the Image of The Divine Mercy as we sing the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

**SAINT ISIDORE RURAL LIFE MASS – Tuesday, April 25 @5:30 p.m.,** celebrated by Bishop Robert M. Coerver, at the Plácido Castro Farm, 261 County Road Q, Kress. Directions from Lubbock: I-27 North of Plainview 4 miles, Exit 56. Turn west on FM 788; 5 miles north on CR Q. First house on the right. Bring soil, seeds and/or plants to be blessed. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. For more information: Doug Hlavaty-806-777-0640 or [hlavaty@sptc.net](mailto:hlavaty@sptc.net) or Plácido Castro-806-292-6853

**AFRICAN MASS –Sunday, April 30, Noon,** Saint Elizabeth Chapel, 2301 Main, Lubbock. All are invited and welcome to attend.

**Holy Spirit Sausage Festival - April 30,** 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 9821 Frankford, Lubbock. The dinner will feature homemade German sausage, grilled chicken, sauerkraut, green beans, pinto beans, potatoes, bread and desserts. Cost: \$10/adults & \$5/children 12 & under. Carry-out plates available starting at 9am. Fresh German sausage can be purchased for \$5/pound frozen packaged before and during the festival. Live auction, silent auction and raffle will be held during the festival. Raffle prizes include: -2017 Silverado 1500 2WD LTZ Crew Cab Pickup, sticker price \$50,000 - Raffle tickets \$100 - only 2000 will be sold. Purchase meal and raffle tickets at the festival or in advance from the church office. For more information call 806-698-6400.

**SAVE THE DATE – 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima's appearance – Saturday, May 13,** 2-6:30 p.m., Holy Spirit Church.

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

**April 19:** Carl Sundell "*The Psychology of Atheism*" -There are many reasons why people become atheists. Not least among them is the decision to worship something or someone other than God. This can take the form of worshipping power, fame, riches, sex, etc. They might say they believe in God, but they live as if they believe only in themselves. Come gain practical insights into the psychology of atheism from Carl Sundell, Emeritus Professor of English and Humanities at Quinsigamond Community College in Worcester, Massachusetts. He is

the author of several books including *The Intellectual and the Gunman*, *Four Presidents*, *Shaw versus Chesterton*, *The Dilemmas of Atheism*.

### Office for Vocations

**ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION MASS – Sunday, April 30 @ 4 p.m.**, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 52 & Avenue L (1120 52nd), Lubbock. Please RSVP by **April 19** to Sister Olivia Rico: 806-792-3943 ext. 227 or [orico@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:orico@catholiclubbock.org) A meal and vocation presentation will be held in the parish hall following the Mass.

### Office of Youth & Young Adults

**YOUTH RALLY/YOUTH GROUP LEADERS** - Please email names of your youth and chaperones by April 23 to get a lower \$30 registration price. Find the correct forms at <http://bit.ly/2mkH9z0>. Office of Youth: Sister Jane – 806-792-3943 ext. 230

**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](http://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.

### Office of Catechesis & Evangelization

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM TRAINING (SEP)** Monday, **April 24, 6-9 p.m.**, Office for Evangelization and Catechesis Library. Contact Alicia Alvarez for more information: [aalvarez@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:aalvarez@catholiclubbock.org) or 806-792-3943 ext. 222.

### School News

**ENROLL** –for grades **Pre-K-through 5th** at Saint Joseph Catholic School (806- 828-6761) in Slaton. Call today to secure a place for your child(ren). Scholarships are available.

**ENROLL NOW FOR 2017-1018! Enrollment for current students or new students is underway at Christ the King Cathedral School.** Serving PreK-3 through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Come see for yourselves. Financial aid & scholarships available for those who qualify. Contact Becky King, 795-8283 or [bking@ctkcathedralschool.org](mailto: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](http://www.holyspiritcathparish.org)

### Office of Stewardship and Development

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION GRANTS:** Any parish/parish organization or Catholic school within the Diocese of Lubbock may apply for a grant again this year from Catholic Foundation. Projects may include, but are not limited to, construction or renovation, youth activities, equipment or software, catechetical materials, scholarships, start-up expenses for new projects, retreats, and so on. Only one request will be funded per school or parish/parish organization. The signature of the parish pastor is required on the grant application. To apply, simply visit [www.catholicfoundationlubbock.org](http://www.catholicfoundationlubbock.org) to download an application and return it by email, fax, mail or deliver it to the Catholic Foundation on or before 5 p.m. on **May 15**. For questions about the application process, please contact Rachel Martinez, 792-3943 ext. 207 or [rmartinez@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:rmartinez@catholiclubbock.org).

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS** - Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday - **April 22/23** - In today's first reading, the four activities of the earliest church are introduced to us as priorities of the church: devotion to the teachings of the apostles, communal fellowship, the Eucharist and prayer. The early members of the church saw themselves as devoted stewards of these activities. These were not options. They were the fruits of a genuine conversion to a life in Christ. Sharing in the Eucharist was the most intimate expression of fellowship, while the most common expression of fellowship in the New Testament was that of sharing financial resources – giving. It was not a perfect community, but one that gave evidence of God's active presence in its midst. This early community offers us an excellent example of how to better exercise stewardship in our own parish families.

**Intercession** - To be mindful that Jesus meets our every need not necessarily our wants, we pray to the Lord.

**Segundo Domingo de Pascua – Domingo de la Divina Misericordia-** *En la primera lectura de hoy, son presentadas ante nosotros las cuatro actividades de la primera iglesia como prioridades de ella: la devoción a las enseñanzas de los apóstoles, el compañerismo comunal, la Eucaristía y la oración. Los primeros miembros de la iglesia se vieron a sí mismos como devotos corresponsables de estas actividades. Éstas no eran opcionales. Eran los frutos de una conversión genuina para la vida en Cristo. Compartir la Eucaristía fue la expresión más íntima de compañerismo, mientras la expresión más común de compañerismo en el Nuevo Testamento era la de compartir los recursos económicos – dar. Esta no era una comunidad perfecta, sin embargo dio evidencia de la presencia activa de Dios en el centro de ella. Esta primera comunidad nos ofrece un ejemplo excelente sobre cómo ejercitar mejor la corresponsabilidad en nuestras propias familias parroquiales.*

**Intercesión** – *Para ser conscientes de que Jesús satisface todas nuestras necesidades no nuestros deseos, 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 am forgiven! Taking this time to pause in my life and address this was so worth it!"*  
- Testimony after a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Take the time to work through the grief and regret of abortion. Find forgiveness and peace on the next Rachel retreat: **April 28-30, 2017** Confidential contact: [Kathy.krile@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.krile@gmail.com) and 806-577-5912.

**RINCON DE RAQUEL** *"¡Estoy Perdonada! Tome el tiempo para hacer una pausa en mi vida y enfrentar esto y definitivamente valió la pena! "*  
- Testimonio después de un retiro del Viñedo de Raquel

*Tomar tiempo para encontrar sanación después del aborto y encontraras perdón y paz en el próximo retiro de Raquel. Retiro Proximo: April 28-30, 2017* Confidential contact: [Kathy.krile@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:sewilliams91@yahoo.com)

**GRIEF SHARE** program **Tuesdays**, 6:30-8:00 p.m., runs for 13 weeks. To register: 806-792-3943 ext. 231 or [familylife@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:familylife@catholiclubbock.org)

**MASS ON TEXAS TECH CAMPUS:**

**Wednesdays** at 12:10 P.M., Kent Hance Chapel  
Visit [www.raidercatholic.org](http://www.raidercatholic.org)

**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](mailto: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>.

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98700, Lubbock, Texas 79499-8700, or [lflores@catholiclubbock.org](mailto:lflores@catholiclubbock.org). The next deadlines are:

**EDITION DATE:** April 9      **DEADLINE:** March 29

**SAVE THE DATE: 2017**

- April 27:** Vocation Dinner in Plainview Deanery
- April 28 & 29** – Youth Rally, CTK
- April 30:** Altar Servers’ Appreciation Mass- Our  
Lady of Guadalupe, Lubbock, 4 p.m.
- April 23** – Snyder Sausage Fest, St Elizabeth, 11-2
- April 30** – Holy Spirit Sausage Festival
- May 13** – Fatima Celebration, Holy Spirit +
- May 27** – Ordination, Jacob M Powell, 10 am, CTK

- 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 21 & 22 -Oktoberfest/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**– Slaton Our Lady of Guadalupe, 12-10 pm

**August 6**–Wilson Blessed Sacrament, noon-6 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