

December 1, 2024 –First Sunday of Advent

St. Joseph Mass Intention

Nov. 30, Saturday (St. Andrew, Apostle)

- 5:00 pm + Elaine, Raymond & Cecelia Muzny

Dec. 1, Sunday

- 8:00 am + John David Mikulin/Juana Garza Reyes

Dec. 3, Tuesday (St. Francis Xavier, Priest)

- 6:00 pm + Glenn Faust

Dec. 5, Thursday

- 8:00 am + Lillian Faust

Dec. 6, Friday (St. Nicholas, Bishop)

- 8:00 am + Ray & Tim Muzny

Dec. 7, Saturday (St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)

- 5:00pm + Edwin & Margaret Zgabay

Dec. 8, Sunday

- 8:00 am + Francisco Caldera, Michaela Escalante, Felipe Arellano, & Rose Escalante

Dec. 2 Isaiah 2:1-5 Matthew 8:5-11
Dec. 3 Isaiah 11:1-10 Luke 10:21-24
Dec. 4 Isaiah 25:6-10a Matthew 15:29-37
Dec. 5 Isaiah 26:1-6 Matthew 7:21,24-27
Dec. 6 Isaiah 29:17-24 Matthew 9:27-31
Dec. 7 Isaiah 30:19-21,23-26 Matthew 9:35—10:1
Dec. 8 Baruch 5:1-9 Philippians 1:4-6,8-11 Luke 3:1-6

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Money Counters</u>
Sat. Nov. 30	Dorothy Rackel	Zach Zgabay D. Wiederhold	Dorothy Rackel Zach Zgabay	Tomas & Alma Hernandez	
Sunday Dec. 1	Monica Spacek	Robert Spacek Russell Spacek	Monica Spacek Frances Whitsel	David & Leo Gutierrez	Monica Spacek Frances Whitsel

Sat. Dec. 7	Ida Schuman	Floyd Kostelka Zach Zgabay	Frank & Judy Muzny	Joseph & Michael Mikulin	
Sunday Dec. 8	Craig Lysiak	James Krenek Jimmy Muzny	Craig Lysiak James Krenek	Henry & Daniel Kelly	James Krenek James Muzny

For Sunday Nov. 23/24: Attendance: 122 Collection: Regular: \$1470.00

Sanctuary Light: For Much Needed Rain

Holy Family Mass Intentions

Dec. 1, Sunday

- 10:00am + Wesley & Maegan Sanders/Roland Connally

Dec. 4, Wednesday (St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church)

- 6:00 pm + David Sherrill/Ray Sherrill

Dec. 8, Sunday

- 10:00am + Herman Sims, Ricky Brewer, Bill Gott, Reuben Goocher & J.B. Freeman

For Sunday Nov. 24: Attendance: 101 Collection: Regular: \$1451.26

Sanctuary Light: In Loving Memory of Amado & Deolinda Baca

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Gifts</u>	
Sunday Dec. 1 Green	Ron T. Donna A.	Belinda U. Brian L. Nonny L.	Rylie J. Rebecca J. Kylie W.	Chris Bayer Family	
Sunday Dec. 8 White	Nathan V. Belinda U	Scott Sa. Joan S. Justin W.		Creig Bayer Family	

Reflection 

Our readings for the first week of Advent waste no time in calling our urgent attention to these themes of reflection and preparation. They seem to shout, “Wake up! Get ready!” and offer us some practical advice as we enter into this season.

Stewardship

During Advent, we Christian stewards must ask ourselves some hard questions. Am I staying faithful to my prayer life? Am I using my energy and skills to serve others? Am I overly concerned about material gain? Am I relying on my “stuff” or my investments as my source of comfort or security? Am I living for the moment or for the coming of the Lord?

Bulletin Information: Submit by Tuesday to 979-884-3100 or office@stjoedb.org

Web Site:

www.stjoedb.org

www.holyfamilylex.org

Calendar of Events St. Joseph's - Dime Box

Building & Maintenance Fund: A second collection will be collected this weekend of November 30th & December 1st. Thank you for your generosity.

Special Collection: A collection will be collected for the Retired Clergy and Religious on the weekend of December 7th & 8th. Please give generously.

Year End Bulletin: The week of December 15th thru 18th will be the final bulletin for 2024. If you want to place any announcements for the remainder of the year, please submit it by Tuesday, December 17th. Our bulletin will resume on January 8th. Just a reminder any announcements should be submitted each Tuesday.

CCD Update: There will be NO class on December 1st. We will return for a final rehearsal on December 8th for our Christmas program which will be held on December 14th. **Parents I need ALL students present.** There will be no CCD classes December 15th-29th, classes will resume on January 5, 2025.

Christmas Program: Mark your calendars for our CCD Christmas program on Saturday, **December 14th at 6:15pm** in the Parish Hall. Please join us for a kid's program, dinner and Santa.

Programa de Navidad: Marque sus calendarios para Nuestro programa navideno de CCD **el sabado 14 de diciembre a las 6:15pm** en el Salon Parroquial. Unase a nosotros para el programa para ninos y una cena y una visita de Santa.

Our Lady of Guadalupe: Please join us on Thursday, December 12th at 5:30am starting at the Grotto and then Mass to celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall, right afterwards.

Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe: Por favor, unase a nosotros el Jueves 12 de diciembre a las 5:30am comenzando en la Gruta y luego en Misa para celebrar a Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe. Se serviran refrescos en el salon parroquial.

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Christmas Flowers: The envelopes for Christmas poinsettias are in the pews. Please return envelope to the collection basket by December 15th.

Vocations: Men of the parish, have you considered whether God might be calling you to the priesthood? The Vocation office offers the Heart of Jesus: A Discernment Retreat for men on December 18-20th at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton, TX, and is open to single men who are 18-49 years old. Register today at www.austinvocations.com

December Winners: Linens: Andrea Mata Flowers: Gloria Sanchez

Toy Drive: Prosperity Bank will be hosting the 2nd annual toy drive between the dates of November 1 thru December 6th. All toys will be donated to Dime Box Elementary (Ages- Pre-School to 5th grade), where they will be distributed to local kids in need for Christmas. Please help us make their Christmas special by donating new unwrapped toys or monetary donations are accepted. Please drop off at Prosperity Bank in Dime Box.

Special Prayers for the Sick: RJ Muzny Jalane Wiederhold Louis Muzny
Rev. Msgr. Isidore Rozycki Elena Massey Patsy Krenek Josephine Schultz
Jamin White Sue Bradford Becky Dallke Oscar Slovacek Dennis Lysiak
Patricia Tarnowski John T. Eubanks Brian Peters Arnold & Florice Tydlacka
Evelyn Housenga Bennie & Doris Supak Archie Kubena Jaydem Mueller
Nisha George Emmanuel James Chmelar Kathleen Ayles Troy Weigand Megan
(Kocurek) Longshore Christine Bogler Lynnlee Kocurek Donnie Richards Edward
Beran Jerry Best Sue Dziobala Miers Donna Iselt Tristen Lee Jennifer Ensey
Brisa Jaimes Sue Havelka Haylee Reiley Rachel Kocurek Key Bill Williams
Jordan Weidermann
(May they be freed from danger, relieved of suffering, and held fast in the tender arms of Jesus, the Divine Healer!)

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CHILI COOK OFF: In conjunction with the Aggie/Longhorn watch party at the PAC on Saturday, November 30th, we will also have a Chili Cook Off! It should be a lot of fun so please bring a pot of your homemade chili to enter. Prizes will be awarded! For questions, please call or text Johnny or Lynn Speier 512-658-2889 or 512-751-4890.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): RCIA is now OCIA
Are you interested in diving deeper into your Catholic Faith? Do you know anyone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church? OCIA classes will be held on Tuesdays at 7pm starting October 1st, 2024 in Lexington at the Parish Hall. To register or for more information; please contact Kevin Bayer (512) 748-2510 or kcbayer18@gmail.com

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Holy Family Catholic Enrichment: We will meet each Friday from 1pm-3pm and have a field trip once a month. Kids ages 2 and up are welcome to take part in fun, age-based educational activities. Please note, parents MUST be in attendance and must RSVP. If you are interested in attending, please contact Charlotte at 979-540-7418, Megan at 512-539-9086, or Katharina at 979-203-6695.

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Upcoming Life Teen Events

Dec 4th - Edge Night (5th - 7th grade)

Dec 11th - Life Night (8th - 12th grade)

UPCOMING MEN'S FELLOWSHIP EVENTS:

Dec 4th The Chosen Season 4 Episode 6 Video

Dec 4th The Chosen Season 4 Episode 6 Bible Study

Dec. 11th The Chosen Season 4 Episode 7 Video

Dec. 15th The Chosen Season 4 Episode 7 Bible Study

2024 Church Cleaning Schedule (Clean Any Day the Week Of)

Anderson (Brockenbush) December 2- December 7

Anderson (Brockenbush) December 9- December 14

Anderson (Brockenbush) December 16- December 21

Wilson December 23- December 28

Special Prayers for the Sick: For the sick members of the Holy Family Community: Caleb Schmidt Karla Blaine Paul Goocher Phillip Sims Keith Sims Brian Koehler Eleanor Gonzales Laura Casco Tommy Adams Haylee Reiley Sean Sullivan Linda Goocher Santos Gonzales KC Hudson Harper Pittman Eric Anthony Martinez Mary Best Juanita Greene Virginia Schmidt Blake Gibson Avery Wright Mary Truex Barbara Sanders Hart Oshman Paul Rockett J.B. Freeman Nisha George Billy Paul Richards William Weiser Brisa Jaimes Arnold & Florice Tydlacka Tucker McCord Marino Cardona, Jr. Sue Havelka Taytum Tillery
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Advent & Christmas 2024
St. Joseph & Holy Family Parishes

Advent Penance Service

Confession: Wednesday Dec. 11th Holy Family 6:30-7:30 PM
Confession: Thursday, Dec. 12th Saint Joseph: 6:30-7:30 PM

Penance Service Advent Schedule for Local Churches

Dec. 3:	Saint Margaret/Giddings	6:00-8:00pm
Dec. 11:	Holy Family/Lexington	6:30-7:30pm
Dec. 12:	Saint Joseph/Dime Box	6:30-7:30pm
Dec. 13:	Saint John/Fayetteville	6:00-8:00pm
Dec. 17:	Saint Joseph/Rockdale	6:00-8:00pm
Dec. 18:	Saint Stanislaus/Chappell Hill	6:00-8:00pm
Dec. 19:	Saint Mary/Brenham	6:00-8:00pm
Dec. 20:	Saint Ann/Sommerville	6:00-8:00pm

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, Dec. 24th Holy Family Mass: 4:00 PM
St. Joseph Mass: 12:00 AM Midnight

Christmas Day

Wednesday, Dec. 25th St. Joseph Mass: 8:00 AM:
Holy Family Mass: 10:00 AM

(NO DAILY MASS: DEC. 26th & 27th)

New Year's Eve/Day Mass:

Tuesday, Dec. 31st Saint Joseph: 6:00 PM