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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

Sat. Dec. 14	Zach Zgabay	Will Mikulin Zach Zgabay	Zach Zgabay Dorothy R.	Gabriel Aguilar	
Sunday	Kristin	Charles Fritsche	Charles Fritsche	Alexis Zoe M.	Charles &
Dec. 15	Fritsche	Marcus Fritsche	Holly Muzny	Victoria/Sophie	Kristin Fritsche

For Sunday Nov. 30/Dec. 1: Attendance: 104 Collection: Regular: \$2433.00 Building & Maintenance Fund: \$688.00

Dec. 9 Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Luke 1:26-38 Dec. 10 Isaiah 40:1-11 Luke 1:26-38 Dec. 11 Isaiah 40:25-31 Matthew 11:28-30 Dec. 12 Zechariah 2:14-17 Luke 1:39-47 Dec. 13 Isaiah 48:17-19 Matthew 11:16-19 **Dec. 14** Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Matthew 17:9a. 10-13 Dec. 15 Zephaniah 3:14-18a Philippians 4:4-69

Holy Family Mass Intentions

- Dec. 8, Sunday
 - 10:00am + Herman Sims, Ricky Brewer, Bill Gott, Reuben Goocher &
 - J.B. Freeman

Dec. 11, Wednesday (St. Damasus I, Pope)

• 6:00 pm + Jerry Jackson/Roland Connally

Dec. 15, Sunday

• 10:00am + Billy Bownds/Mike Kalina

For Sunday Dec. 1: Attendance: 101 Collection: Regular: \$1781.00 Building & Maintenance Fund: \$387.00

Sanctuary Light: In Loving Memory of Amado & Deolinda Baca

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic</u> <u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Gifts</u>	
Sunday Dec. 8 Green	Nathan V. Belinda U	Scott Sa. Joan S. Justin W.		Creig Bayer Family	
Sunday Dec. 15 White	Tanya S. Rackel J.	Virgina S. Nathan V. April V.		Don Bayer Family	



The Gospel reading from Luke shows us how personal and detailed is God's love for humanity as He prepared the way for Christ's coming among us. We are told the precise time, place, and person, John the Baptist, He appointed to announce the arrival of our Savior. John tells us how to celebrate to the fullest this first "coming" on the feast of Christmas and how to prepare for the second coming — through repentance.

Stewardship

Let's turn away from any bad habits or sin that may have crept into our lives and turn our hearts and minds back to Christ this Advent. This is what the stewardship way of life is all about — moving closer ever closer in relationship with Christ and imitation of Him, ready to celebrate His birth, with eyes fixed on eternal life with Him.

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

Sanctuary Light: In Loving Memory of Joe A. Spacek

Web Site: www.stjoedb.org

www. holyfamilylex.org

<u>Calendar of Events</u> <u>St. Joseph's - Dime Box</u>

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CCD Class: Our final rehearsal today, **December 8**th 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, catered dinner and a visit from 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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2025 Mass Intentions: If you would like to have a Mass intention (\$5.00 per) for a loved one for 2025 please fill out the mass intention envelope (or write on paper if numerous) and place in the collection basket with your money. We are still in need of weekday Mass intentions, please consider adding a few intentions for weekdays.

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 Bennie & Doris Supak Archie Kubena Jaydem Mueller Evelyn Housenga Nisha George Emmanuel James Chmelar Kathleen Ayles Troy Weigand Megan (Kocurek) Longshore Christine Bogler Lynnlee Kocurek Donnie Richards Edward Jerry Best Sue Dziobala Miears Donna Iselt Tristen Lee Jennifer Ensey Beran Brisa Jaimes Sue Havelka Haylee Reiley Rachel Kocurek Key **Bill Williams** Jordan Weidermann Clint Oppermann

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Men's Fellowship: We delivered 21 Meal boxes for Thanksgiving, thank you for your contributions. The Christmas meal program, the list of items needed is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. We are asking that all food items or contributions be turned by Sunday, Dec. 15th. If you know of a family in need, please contact Ron Thompson at 512-658-5938 or at ron.thompson44@outlook.com. All we need is a name and a contact #.

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 <u>kcbayer18@gmail.com</u>

Calendar of Events Holy Family – Lexington

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

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

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 Casko 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. 11thHoly Family 6:30-7:30 PMConfession: Thursday, Dec. 12thSaint 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)

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