

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 11

5:00 p.m.

7:30 p.m. Intenciones de los parroquianos

Sunday, February 12

9:30 a.m. Parishioners Intentions

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6:00 p.m. College Students

Weekly Parish Activities

February 12 to February 18

*All confessions 30 minutes before Mass

*Sacred Heart and OLG confess after Mass

SUNDAY: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Marriage Day

Sacred Heart

9:30 a.m. ENGLISH Bible Study

9:30 a.m. SPANISH Bible Study

9:30 a.m. Sacred Heart

Our Lady of Guadalupe

10:00 a.m. CCD class

11:00 a.m. Mass - Our Lady of
Guadalupe

St. Brendan:

4:15 – 5:45 p.m. RCIA in CCD Building

6:00 p.m. Mass- St. Brendan

St. Mary:

9:30 a.m. Mass - St. Mary

CCD 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. at FLC

Monday: Presidents Day

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass (St. Brendan)

Tuesday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius;
Valentine's Day

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Wednesday:

No Mass

6:00 p.m. CCD St. Brendan

6:45 p.m. Bible Study at OLG

7:00 p.m. Youth Group OLG

Thursday:

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Español-Estudio Biblica en St.
Brendan

7:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración St. Mary

Friday: The Seven Founders of the Order of
Servites

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Vigil Holy Mass:

5:00 p.m. St. Brendan (English)

7:30 p.m. Santa Misa en St. Mary
(español)

CHOICE

February 12, 2017

“If you choose you can keep the commandments,” Sirach tells us. God “has set before you fire and water; to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand” (Sirach 15:15, 16). This is a great mystery: God does not control us so completely that we cannot choose our own path. We have certain boundaries, of course, but no one but we can choose our way within those boundaries.

In today's reading from Matthew's Gospel, Jesus reminds us of our freedom and our responsibility for our lives. He calls us to look beyond the words of the commandments, all the way to their meaning. Look beyond the adultery to the selfishness that poisons our love. Look beyond the murder to the anger that eats away at our compassion. Look beyond the perjured testimony to the lies and deception that drive our behavior.

Our vocation is to choose life for ourselves, and to choose a path through our part of the world that helps make life possible and more abundant for others as well. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

Psalm — Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Psalm 119).

Second Reading — God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

Gospel — Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37).

SACRED HEART

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SERVICE

Our Eucharistic Service scheduled for February 19th will begin at 10 a.m. instead of 11:00 a.m. Thank you!

Annual Fajita Dinner - Everyone is invited to the Fajita Dinner on February 19 beginning after Mass. Plates are \$10.00 each and will benefit the Church Building Fund. Thank you for your support!

NO CCD on February 19.

SAGRADO CORAZÓN

SERVICIO DE ADORACION EUCARISTICA

Nuestro servicio eucarístico programado para el 19 de febrero comenzará a las 10:00 de la mañana en vez de las 11:00 de la mañana. ¡Gracias!

Cena Fajita Anual – Todos son invitados a la cena Fajita el 19 de febrero comenzando después de la Misa. Los platos son \$10 cada uno y beneficiarán al Fondo de la Iglesia. Gracias por su apoyo.

No tendremos el Catecismo el 19 de febrero. Gracias

PRAYER CORNER:

Prayers this week for: Abel Cruz, Filegonio Cardenas, Josefina Basulto de Solorio, Ed Withers, Maria Inez Hernandez, Juan Hernandez, Maureen Bole, Billy Joe Fulfer, Angel Coronado, David Gonzales, Jeanna DeVinney, Clyde Mayo, Kate B., Pete Sanchez, Teresa Sanchez, Barbara Kennedy, Frank Derrick, Anne Blount, Robert Gifford, Walter Serratt, Tiffany F. Nursing Home Patients and all those who are ill

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

TÚ DECIDES

12 de febrero

“Si tú lo quieres, puedes guardar los mandamientos”, nos dice Eclesiástico (Sirácide). Dios “ha puesto delante de ti fuego y agua; extiende la mano a lo que quieras” (Eclo 15:15, 16). Este es un gran misterio: Dios no nos controla tan completamente que no podemos elegir nuestro propio camino. Es cierto que tenemos límites, pero nadie sino nosotros mismos podemos elegir el camino dentro de esos límites.

En la lectura de hoy del Evangelio según san Mateo, Jesús nos recuerda que somos libres y responsables de nuestra vida. Nos llama a ir más allá de las palabras de los mandamientos para considerar su significado. Si vas más allá del adulterio verás el egoísmo que envenena nuestro amor. Si vas más allá del asesinato verás la ira que corroe nuestra compasión. Si vas más allá del falso testimonio (perjurio) verás las mentiras y engaños que producen este comportamiento.

Nuestra vocación es elegir la vida para nosotros mismos, y tomar un camino a través de nuestro mundo que haga la vida posible y más abundante para otros también.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Here are the commitments and payments from our 4 parishes toward the Annual Diocesan Appeal of the Diocese of Fort Worth as of February 2nd.

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Committed</u>	<u>Paid</u>
St. Mary	\$7668	\$9531.50	\$8231.50
St. Brendan	\$7668	\$8953.88	\$7388.33
Our Lady of Guadalupe	\$1760	\$1940	\$1630
Sacred Heart	\$3128	\$3536.50	\$3386.50

Each of those parishes exceeded the goals of this year's appeal. If you have not participated in this year's appeal, you may drop your commitment envelope in the collection basket or you can mail it to the Diocese in the postage paid. Information and support forms are in the back of all churches for you to pick-up after Mass. Sincere thanks to all of you who have contributed to this year's appeal.

DIOCESAN RCIA CONFERENCE

To learn more about leading people through the RCIA journey, nineteen of our 29 students in our 4-Parish Saint Francis de Sales Training attended the Diocesan RCIA Formation Day at St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday, January 28th. Thanks to all who attended from our parishes!

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OUR NEW WEBSITE

Please visit us at: www.stbrendanscc.org
Favor de visitarnos en el web:

BISHOP'S LETTER

The Most Reverend Bishop Michael Olson has written a letter that will be read today at the end of the celebration of Holy Mass. If you have questions about the content of the letter, please direct your questions to the Bishops' Office at (817)560-3300. Thank you.

NEWS FOR ALL PARISHES

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Pastoral Council Meeting on **Monday, February 13 beginning at 6:30 p.m.** All members please attend. Thank you.

ST. FRANCES DE SALES CATECHIST CLASS

If you are part of the St. Frances De Sales Class, the next meeting will take place on February 18 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary. Thank you.

BABY BOTTLES

Please return your Baby Bottle on or before Sunday, February 26. Thank you for your generosity.

SEARCH RETREAT – Please make note of the **NEW** date. The Spring **SEARCH Retreat** will take place on the weekend of **March 3, 4, and 5, 2017.** Ages from 12 to 18 are invited to attend. Registration fee, \$15. Registration forms distributed by your parish youth minister. All parishes are welcome to participate. Please contact Evelyn Bolf at (254)979-3428 for registration and volunteer information.

VENTA

El grupo de oración de San Brendan tendrá una venta de alimentos los días 11 y 25 de febrero después de la misa de 7:30 p.m.. Los fondos recaudados serán para los enfermos, los alimentos para funerales, todo el dinero recaudado irá a la iglesia. Gracias.

RITO DE INICIACION CRISTIANO

Tenemos clases del Rito de Iniciacion Cristiano cada viernes a las 6:00 p.m. hasta 7:30 p.m. en St. Mary. Por mas información llamen Imelda Cardenas en (254) 967-6075. Gracias.

Who are Sts. Cyril and Methodius? Feast Day February 14

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Saints Cyril and Methodius

(826-869, 815-885; Greek: Κύριλλος

και Μεθόδιος; Old Church Slavonic:

Кѣрилль и Меѡдїи) were two brothers who

were Byzantine Christian theologians and

Christian missionaries. Through their work they influenced the cultural development of all Slavs, for which they received the title "*Apostles to the Slavs*". They are credited with devising the Glagolitic alphabet, the first alphabet used to transcribe Old Church Slavonic.^[4] After their deaths, their pupils continued their missionary work among other Slavs. Both brothers are venerated in the Orthodox Church as saints with the title of "*equal-to-apostles*". In 1880, Pope Leo XIII introduced their feast into the calendar of the Roman Catholic Church. In 1980, Pope John Paul II declared them co-patron saints of Europe, together with Benedict of Nursia.^[5]



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