

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 29 – Youth Ministry hosts Social Sunday - after all morning masses. Here is a chance for service hours that everyone, especially Confirmation candidates will need for this year. See Michelle to sign up!!!

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

Registration Packets for Religious Education classes and Confirmation will be sent out in mid August. Please watch for them in your mailbox. If you do not receive one, contact Michelle to have one mailed to you. Registration will also be held during masses the middle of August. Classes will begin September 12th. Schedules and registration forms will soon be available on the website. The Sophomore class will receive Confirmation preparation, and will be confirmed in the Spring of 2011. Catholic School Students will be attending classes all year with the public school students – space may be limited, so register early! **THERE WILL BE A MANDATORY CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE/ PARENT MEETING ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH AT 7:15 P.M. IN THE GYM. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.** Any Juniors or Seniors who have not yet been confirmed can also register for Confirmation classes. There will also be a Freshman and Junior/Senior class available. Call Michelle at 478-5011 if you have any questions in the meantime.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FOR TEENS

The High School Religious Education Program will be offering “Theology of the Body for Teens” this year for all Juniors and Seniors who have been confirmed. This class will help teenagers to discover God’s plan for love and for life. This class helps bring Pope John Paul 11’s landmark teaching known as the Theology of the Body to our teens in such a way that engages their minds and their hearts. The curriculum is both catechetical and evangelistic. Theology of the Body for teens is not a list of rules, but a map that answers questions like: Who am I?, What is my purpose in life?, How can I find true happiness here on earth? This class will be offered on Sunday evenings from 7:15 – 8:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria starting September 26th. Classes will meet at least once a month, sometimes twice a month. Call Michelle Weekley for more information.

RCIA FOR TEENS

This program is designed for any teenager who would like to know more about the Catholic faith, as well as for any teenager who would like to prepare to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. If a teen has been baptized, but has not received first Eucharist or Confirmation, these classes will guide him/her through the preparation process for these sacraments. Registration will begin again in August, with classes starting September 12th and running through June. If you have any questions, please call Michelle Weekley at 478-5011.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group is for all teenagers who are classified as High School students. The meetings are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. at 11039 Vance Jackson Dr. (the pink brick house just past the first station). If you are interested in joining with a group who share your Catholic Christian beliefs, come and be a part of the great social and spiritual activities that members of the Youth Group participate in. There is free food too!!! Call Michelle Weekley at 478-5011 for additional information.

Meetings for August:

August 25 – Meeting 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the VJ House

August 29 – **Social Sunday** – see above for more information.

*****Notice there has been a time change for High School Youth Group to 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to allow for much more needed time.*****

HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!!! MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT!!! The High School Fall Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of 8-10 October at TECABOCA (otherwise known as “Heaven on Earth”) which is located off of IH-10W, approximately 20 miles past Kerrville. The High School Student team and adults who work with the retreat team are already planning a spiritually enhancing and fun filled weekend for the retreatants. The High School Retreats are designed to help the students to nurture a closer relationship with their God, and to help them become more aware of what it means to lead truly Christian lives. Leave your hectic schedule behind for a weekend and join with other Catholic Christian teens for a weekend of fellowship and Fun!!!

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

T.A.G (Tweens and God)

If you are a middle schooler and would like the opportunity to share in social and spiritual activities with your friends, we meet twice a month from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Vance Jackson House (11039 Vance Jackson – the pink house just past the fire station). We have all kinds of fun things to do, and we feed you too! If you would like to come and join us please call Michelle Weekley at 478-5011. See you there!

Meetings for August:

August 22 – **Welcome Back to TAG – Meeting 6-7:30p.m. at the VJ House**

August 29 – **Social Sunday** – see above for more info

August 29 – Meeting 6-7:30 pm. At the VJ House

FREEDOM FINDERS – YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Are you between the ages of 18 and 25, and want to connect with Christ and old friends, as well as meet new people in your St. Matthew Community?! Well, then come join the Freedom Finders Young Adult Group! Our goal is to continue to strengthen and intensify our relationship with each other as Brothers and Sisters in Christ. We will address current issues, hot topics and participate in activities that will rejuvenate our urge to serve our Lord and our community. We meet Mondays from 7-9 p.m. at the Vance Jackson House (11039 Vance Jackson)

August 23 – Meeting 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the VJ House

August 29 – **Social Sunday** – see above for more information

August 30 – Meeting 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the VJ House

Attention All Middle School Students

T.A.G.

(Tweens And God)

You're it!!!



Sunday, August 22 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM for

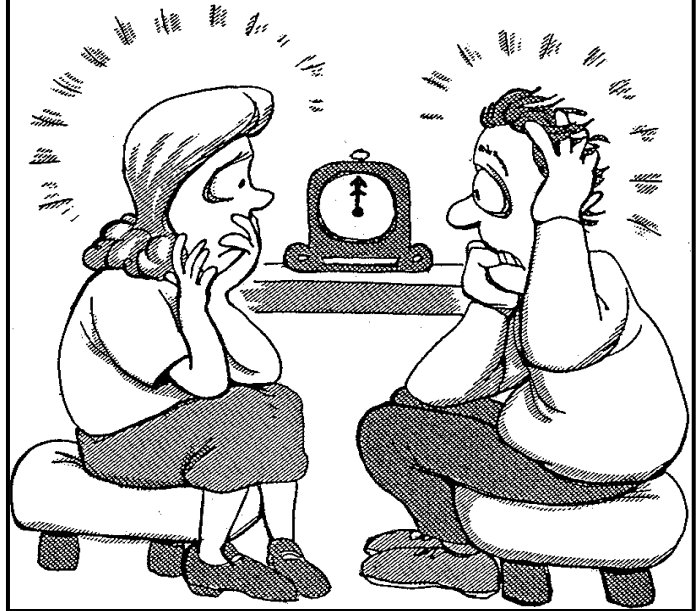
Middle School Youth Night.

You've been TAGged - come on out to the 11039 Vance Jackson House for some GREAT Fellowship, AWESOME Food, & CRAZY Outdoor Fun!!!!

You and your parent/guardian will need to fill out an information card before we begin our meeting.

RSVP to Michelle Weekley - St. Matthew Youth Minister at 478-5011

TIME CHANGE FOR
HIGH SCHOOL
YOUTH GROUP!!!
WE WILL NOW MEET
FROM 6:00 - 8:00 P.M
AT THE VJ HOUSE!



A HABIT OF THE CATHOLIC HEART

Are we ready to say grace?" Many religious people pause before they eat and pray.

Christians do this also. The English word we have for this prayer is "grace"—the same word we use to speak of the way God's love is given to us freely, given without any earning it on our part.

"Grace" comes easily from a Latin word, gratia, a word many know from the close Spanish word, gracias. This simple word is trying to get hold of what is best in the human spirit. It is that spontaneous "thanks" that is our response to a kindness, some good word or deed with which another person blesses us.

So at table we say grace, we give thanks. Hunger brings us back to the table—even when there's no table at all—and before we take nourishment, we go hungry a moment longer while we give thanks.

What is done before eating is just one tiny moment of what's the deepest Catholic habit. We want "grace" all the time, morning and night, even in hard times. We are a "thanks saying" people. It comes with the territory. We're shaped in giving thanks by the obligation we have to gather at the church's table every Sunday and make the eucharistic, the thanks-giving, prayer before we feast on the body and blood of the Lord.

We're baptized to be Christ's body giving God thanks all the days of our life, being the voice of creation whether we feel like it or not, whether the times are good or awful (thanks can leave lots of room for lament and even just pray the psalms). This is no easy "Hey, thanks a lot!" It is rather the total thanks of those who have been shaped by Christ's passion and death in God's merciful love for the world.

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PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those suffering from illness that they may find relief from their burdens, especially:

Dottie Aderholt	Carol Janysek	Tom Richter
Dee Allen	Betty Keffe	Roland Ramirez
Sam Beltran	Joe Keffe	Yolanda Ramirez
Louie Beltron	Lucille Kostelnik	Becky Rangel
Colleen Pope Bitu	Sr. Bernice Lindsey, OSB	Deacon Tony Rivera
Bobby Bleir	Norma Lizarraga	J.R. Rodriguez
Liz Boyle	Barry Lockard	Maria W. Rodriguez
Margie Callahan	Brandy Lockard	Yolanda Rodriguez
Manuel Canales	David Lockard	Lydia Salzillo
Toni Canales	Evangeline Lockard	Robert Scott
Margarita Cantu	Gary Madden	Marc Soler
T. Collins	Anne Manganelli	Deacon Anton
Bettie Conrad	Michael Manganelli	Svatek
Katie Curtis	Anita Meier	Louise Taylor
Linda Danysh	Melody Meza	Rodney Taylor
Cpl. Carlos Davila, USMC	Patricia Minar	Dorothy Tolle
Thomas DelaHunt	Lillie Moczygamba	Kathy Toudouze
Elizabeth D. Elliott	Connie Monrreal	Enrique Trevino, Sr.
Archbishop P. Flores	Charles Moore	Concepcion Tudon
Tracie Foreman	JoAnn Moore	Harriet Uhr
Deacon Tom Fox	Virginia Morrow	Richard Uhr
Alice Garcia	Jakob Narendorf	Joe Valadez
Mary Garrett	Jay Naughton	Christy Tynan Wells
Margaret Gueldner	Deacon Mike Nealis	Juliana Wetmore
Harriet Ham	Joe O'Campo	Jennifer Wimmer
Cindy Hart	Alyssa Ortiz	Sherrri Wimmer
Dale Hart, Jr.	Englantina Pena	Orrine Woinowsk
Dale Hart, III	Bea Perez	E. Wurz
Lindsey Hart	Charles Poizat	Ginger Wurz
Kiley Hayden	Ricardo Tomas	Dave Yeager
Robert Hayden	Perez	John Zamarripa
Rita Horner	Glenda Picou	Robert Zamarripa
Ray Horvath	Bill Pratt	Bernard Zarazua
Kenny Hudnall	Diana Pulido	Rich Zimmer
Fr. Stephen Huffstetter, SCJ	Joan Pytel	

**MASS REMEMBRANCES
WEEK OF AUGUST 23—29, 2010**

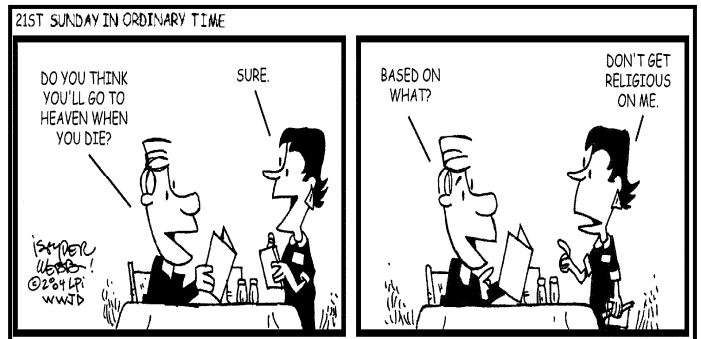
- Mon. — 6:00 a.m. — Julius Trevino †
Tom Holloran (Recovery)
- Mon. — 8:15 a.m. — Jim Lane †
Hector Garcia (Special Intention)
- Mon. — 12:05 noon — Terry Quinterro †
Carmen Quinterro †
- Mon. — 6:00 p.m. — Augustino Kim (Special Intention)
Beatrice Hawkins †
- Tues. — 6:00 a.m. — A. J. Bellanger †
- Tues. — 8:15 a.m. — Tom Richter (Recovery)
Judy Ruiz (In Thanksgiving)
- Tues. — 12:05 noon — Charles Dotson †
Angela Acevedo Garcia (Special Intention)
- Tues. — 6:00 p.m. — M. O. Turner †
Luisa M. Torres †
- Wed. — 6:00 a.m. — Stevie Crane †
Cecilia Shinn (Birthday)
- Wed. — 8:15 a.m. — John Naughton, Sr. †
Cuca Torres †
- Wed. — 12:05 noon — Doug Darnowski (Birthday)
Mary Les Wade (Birthday)
- Wed. — 6:00 p.m. — Michael Boyd (Special Intention)
- Thurs. — 6:00 a.m. — Al Traynor †
- Thurs. — 8:15 a.m. — Elida Rivera †
- Thurs. — 12:05 noon — Marcello Quinterro †
Raymond Quinterro †
- Thurs. — 6:00 p.m. — James Boyd (Special Intention)
- Fri. — 6:00 a.m. — Pete & Annie Zamarripa (Wedding Anniversary)
Loretta Barr †
- Fri. — 8:15 a.m. — Bill Pratt (Recovery)
- Fri. — 12:05 noon — Clara Wurz †
Roy Guzman †
- Fri. — 6:00 p.m. — Bill Boyd (Special Intention)
- Sat. — 8:15 a.m. — Deacon Michael Nealis (Recovery)
- Sat. — 5:30 p.m. — Mary Louise Bario †
Harry Foster †
- Sun. — 7:30 a.m. — Salvatore & Maria Guido †
Antonio & Hortensia Del Bosque †
- Sun. — 9:15 a.m. — Theodore & Anastasia Theis †
Jim Lane †
- Sun. — 11:00 a.m. — Rev. Fr. Augustino Hwang (Special Intention)
- Sun. — 11:15 a.m. — For the Parishioners
- Sun. — 12:45 p.m. — Daniel Guerrero †
Concepcion DeLeon †
- Sun. — 6:00 p.m. — Trey Clifford †



Humility is not self-contempt, but the truth about ourselves coupled with a reverence for others.
—Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

PRIESTS PRESIDERS SCHEDULE
AUGUST 28-29, 2010

- Sat. — 5:30 p.m. — Fr. Dennis Aréchiga
* Deacon Tom Fox
 - Sun. — 7:30 a.m. — Fr. Dennis Aréchiga
* Deacon Pete Cuellar
 - Sun. — 9:15 a.m. — Fr. Dennis Aréchiga
* Deacon Norman Kutschenreuter
 - Sun. — 11:00 a.m. — Fr. Jake Empereur, SJ
* Deacon Tom Houle
 - Sun. — 11:15 a.m. — Fr. Valentine Gallegos
* Deacon Roberto Rios
 - Sun. — 12:45 p.m. — Fr. Jake Empereur, SJ
* Deacon Rafael Lara
 - Sun. — 6:00 p.m. — Fr. Valentine Gallegos
* Deacon Michael Nealis
- * Deacon Homilist



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Th 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51
Wednesday: 2 Th 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68;
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14



LITURGY OF THE HOURS — Psalms I

IF YOU WOULD LIKE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLES OR THE SANCTUARY LAMP to burn in memory of a loved one or for a special intention for one week, please call 478-5003.

MASS ATTENDANCE for August 14-15— 4,707

DONATIONS NEEDED to purchase thread for baby blankets, hats and booties. St. Matthew has two wonderful ladies who donate their time crocheting for the poor. For \$20 they are able to make 3 sets. If you can help, please call Sr. Therese at 478-5010. Thanks for your support!

ST. MATTHEW ACTS RETREAT UPDATE

2010 Retreats

MEN'S SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 3 at Oblate
Director----Arturo Nunez, 863-1727

ST. MATTHEW ACTS MINISTRY
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Stay involved in the ACTS Ministry! You don't have to wait to be invited to assist in the many aspects of the weekend. See the dates above and mark the upcoming retreats on your calendar. Below are just a few ideas of where and how you can get involved!

Thursday, 6:00 p.m.	Registration
	Luggage
	Transportation (drivers needed)
Sunday Mass	Reception (set out refreshments)
	Luggage

For more information regarding retreats or to volunteer to help with retreats, please call the ACTS Core President, **Annette Smith** at 823-5832, or the Vice-President, **Irene Chapa-Einkauf** at 601-2638.