

APRIL 2/3, 2016

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY



“Unless I see the mark of the nail in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

John 20:25

TODAY’S CELEBRATION: My friends, today we hear about Doubting Thomas, who couldn’t allow himself to believe what he couldn’t see. Many of us find ourselves struggling with doubt at some time in our faith lives. Perhaps we can ask God to open our eyes to the miracles of new life all around us, to the many acts of compassion, to the ordinary works of mercy and generosity. These, too, are signs of God’s presence with us.

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41. The apostles were ordered to stop speaking in the name of Jesus.

Psalms 30:2, 4-6, 11-13. I praise you,

Lord, for you have rescued me.

Revelation 5:11-14. John’s vision: Worthy is the Lamb!

John 21:1-19. Jesus appears a third time to the disciples and eats with them.

STEWARDSHIP AND TITHING

Please bring or send your offering regularly.

If you are absent, remember the Parish expenses go on just the same.

	ENVELOPES	LOOSE	TOTAL
Ballinger	\$2800.00	\$739.37	\$3539.37
Robert Lee	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Bronte	\$310.00	\$112.00	\$422.00

**Catholic Radio Station
91.5 FM KPDE**

The Franciscan Resource Center is located at 133 W. Concho, Suite 108 in San Angelo.

San Angelo Office for Immigration Services

The San Angelo Immigration Services Office, Located at the Franciscan Resource Center, 133 W. Concho, Suite 108, in San Angelo on Mondays from 8am to 5pm, and Tuesdays from 8am to 4pm.

Christian 12 Step

Group carrying the 12 Steps to a deeper level meet at the 1st United Methodist Church at 7PM. Use the Ave A and 7th St. entrance.325-365-2323

PREGNANCY HELP CENTER The Pregnancy Help Center of San Angelo needs our help to prevent abortions. Any new or gently used items for babies or mothers are graciously appreciated. Please place your gifts in the basket at the back of the church. Thank you for helping others.

Seminarian of the month for March is: Kevin Lenius. If you would like to write or send a card to Kevin the address is:

Conception Seminary
P. O. Box 502
Conception, MO 65533

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

Prayer is important in our daily life and we are called upon to pray for others, especially those who are sick. The parish has established **an electronic prayer chain**. If you would like to receive notification to pray for someone, please send your name and email address to the parish email address. <http://stmarystaroftheseaballinger.org>.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

We remember the following in a special way at these Masses

April	2	4:00PM	James Mueller by Linda Bruckmiller
		6:00PM	For the Parish
April	3	8:45AM	John Studer by Jim & Doris Studer
		11:15AM	For the deceased of the parish
		5:00PM	For an end to abortion
April	4	7:00PM	James Mueller by Pat Lange & Stan Kvapil
April	5	7:30AM	James Mueller by Pat Lange & Stan Kvapil
April	6	7:00PM	Daniel Jansa by Marlene Harrell
April	7	9:00AM	James Mueller by Donoy & Barbara Boker
		10:00AM	James Mueller by Clare Schniers
April	8	7:30AM	James Mueller by Roy & Marilyn Niehues
April	9	4:00PM	For the Parish
		6:00PM	James Mueller by Rita & Joseph Busenlehner
April	10	8:45AM	Eleanora Zly by the family
		11:15AM	James Mueller by Roy, Jeri & Becky Rohmfeld
		5:00PM	Fr.Wade

The **Vocation Office** is live. Check out the webpage and inks at <http://sanangelovocationoffice.org>.

Going to the Hospital? If you are going to be in the hospital please make sure that the hospital knows that you are Catholic and publishes this on their census. If you do not do this, the Ministers to the Sick who visit the hospitals with Communion will have no way of knowing that you are there.

Stewardship is God’s invitation to a way of life. It helps us to overcome our selfishness and love of things.

La administracion cristiana es una invitacion divina a un modo de vivir. Nos ayuda a superar nuestro egoism y apego a las cosas.

SOCIETIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Youth Group will meet on Sundays, from 5-7pm in Parish Center. Please contact Cindy for more information.

The **Altar Society** will meet on **April 18th at 6PM**. They support the various liturgies with their time and talent. For more information contact Brenda Workman or Cindy Rettman.

The Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe will meet on **April 4th in the parlor at 6PM**. All members are encouraged to attend and new members are always welcome.

ALTAR SERVERS: There is a need for Altar servers. If you are interested call Pete and Ginger Bryan, 365-8929. We welcome all who have a desire to serve at any Mass.

Horizons, classes for our senior high school students in grades 11th – 12th, meet on Wednesdays in the parlor of the Parish Center.

Questions about Annulments? If you or anyone you know is in need of an annulment of a previous marriage, we invite you to see Deacon David Workman for more information on how to begin the process for an annulment. For more information contact Deacon David at 325-400-7202.

Cindy Rettman new cell number is 325-977-9117.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Attention all parents! Our school of Religion, CCD meets at 10AM on Sundays. Classes are offered for students in grades Kindergarten through 10th grade at this time.

Parents you are entrusted with the education of your children. I ask you to support your children and our parish mission by bringing them to classes and ensuring they are ready.

Adult Bible Study meets on Tuesday evenings at 6 PM in the Parish Center. All are invited to join.

Ballinger Community Pantry

The Ballinger Community Pantry, located in St. Joseph Hall, assists members of the community with food and clothing. Volunteers from local churches staff the pantry, Monday through Friday, from 9AM – 12PM noon. The Pantry is staffed by St. Mary, Star of the Sea volunteers on Wednesdays of each week. We are in need of volunteers to sort donations, fill food orders and maintain the cleanliness of the facility. If you would like to assist in this ministry, please contact Cindy Rettman at 325-365-2687

Marriage Jubilee 2016 All couples who are celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th, 45th, 50th and above sacramental wedding anniversaries in the calendar year of 2016 are invited to the Diocesan marriage Jubilee bilingual celebration on May 1st, 2016 at 3:00PM, in the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Families and friends are invited to accompany our jubilarians to this celebration. Renewal of vows will take place within the Mass. This celebration will conclude with a reception in the Cathedral gymnasium. To register, please contact Cindy in the parish office

A donation was made to the St. Mary, Star of the Sea **Building Fund in Memory of William F. DeHass Jr. by Gary & Dinell Jacob.** Monies will go to the building fund and for upgrades to the kitchen.

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A donation was made to the **Seminarian Burse in Memory of Marcella Zly by the Zly family.** Only the interest from the Burse is used for the education of our seminarians thus ensuring continued support for future priests.

Dear Members of St. Mary, Star of the Sea Parish,

Happy Easter! Progress is being made on the new building and in the Pavilion. Thus far \$116,650.00 has been pledged to the building fund, these monies will be used to purchase the equipment needed for the facility. If you have pledged, or would like to pledge, there is still plenty of time.

Thank You.

PRIESTLY ASSIGNMENTS

The Diocese of San Angelo is happy to announce that Fr. Yesu Mulakaleti, currently the Pastor of St. Charles in Eden, will become the new pastor of St. Mary, Star of the Sea, St. James and Our Lady of Guadalupe effective July 25th of this year. Fr. Wade will begin medical retirement effective 25th of July of this year and will take up residence in St. Mary's House.