

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

<b>Sunday, January 6</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b> +Gerald Sokolowicz by the Innes Family (Msgr. Fred)
10:30 a.m.	+Walleska Maldonado by the Bruno Family (Fr. Mamachan)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Monday, January 7</b> 7:00 a.m.	+Hunter Nhan by Parents (Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Tuesday, January 8</b> 7:30 a.m.	Remedios Villaflor by Paul & Norma Washinsky (Fr. Mamachan)
12:00	+Betty Jean Brooks by the Diersing Family (Msgr. Fred)
<b>Wednesday, January 9</b> 7:00 a.m.	Kaye Swink by Charles & Kaye Schwertner (Fr. Mamachan)
8:00 a.m.	+Emilio Camacho by Ike Camacho (Msgr. Fred)
<b>Thursday, January 10</b> 7:00 a.m.	+Joe Beyer by Rita Bozarth (Fr. Mamachan)
8:00 a.m.	+Frank & Wilma Kappel by Doug Kappel & Family (Msgr. Fred)
<b>Friday, January 11</b> 9:00 a.m.	+Helen Hajovsky by Johnny & Carol Bliznak (Msgr. Fred)
<b>Saturday, January 12</b> 8:00 a.m.	Suzahn Roach by Ladies Share Group (Msgr. Fred)
4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred)
5:30 p.m.	+Greg Perez by Joey & Karen Light (Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Sunday, January 13</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b> +Laurie Tice by John & Loretta Funk (Fr. Mamachan)
10:30 a.m.	Todd Englerth & Family by Verle & Carol Englerth (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Msgr. Fred)



<b>Sunday, January 6</b> 8:45-10:00/10:15-11:30 a.m. 8:45-10:00/10:15-11:30 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b> Religious Education Grades PK-6 Adult Education AMANI Bible Study Confirmation Class – Rite of Enrollment
<b>Monday, January 7</b> 6:45 p.m.	Confirmation Choir
<b>Tuesday, January 8</b> 6:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.  12:30-2:30 p.m. 7:00-8:45 p.m.	Men's Spirituality Group Sacrament of Reconciliation (Fr. Mamachan) Ladies Share Group RCIA
<b>Wednesday, January 9</b> 6:30-8:15 p.m. 6:30-8:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00-8:15 p.m.	Religious Education Grades 7-12 Women's Scripture Study Parish Choir Practice Men's Spirituality Group
<b>Thursday, January 10</b> 9:15-11:30 a.m.	Women's Scripture Study
<b>Friday, January 11</b> 8:30-9:00 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred)
<b>Saturday, January 12</b> 4:00 p.m. 4:45-5:15 p.m.	Celebrate Life Bassinet – Church Foyer Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred) Sabbath Choir Rehearsal
<b>Sunday, January 13</b> 8:45-10:00/10:15-11:30 a.m. 8:45-10:00/10:15-11:30 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 6:00-8:00 p.m.	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b> Celebrate Life Bassinet – Church Foyer Religious Education Grades PK-6 Children-Parent Meeting during RE Adult Education AMANI Bible Study TNT

**WORD YOUTH DAY USA NEAR THE CONCHO RIVER** - Young adults throughout the world will soon be travelling to World Youth Day 2019 in Panama. Join young adults (ages 18-39) in the Diocese of San Angelo as we celebrate locally at the McNease Convention Center (501 Rio Concho Dr., San Angelo, TX 76903) on Saturday, January 26, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

The day will open with a Eucharistic Procession and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by a video welcome by Pope Francis, music, talks, discussions and livestreaming of World Youth Day. The cost is \$25 per person and includes lunch.

For online registrations, please visit our website at: <https://sanangelodiocese.org/>

The Closing Mass will be held at 4:30 p.m. and is open to all young adults and families. You do not need to register for it.

**2019 PARISH CALENDARS** are still available in the church foyer. If you have not already done so, please take one for your family.

*Please pray for the Sick:* Chad Bartosh, Veronica Bartosh, Joyce Bayer, Bruce Benigno, Kerry Borth, Curtis Caffey, David Caffey, Dawson Anthony Campos, Larry Dorsey, Todd Englerth, John Higuera, Margie Hills, Trudy Hughes, David Hutchins, Paula Matchen, Gerry McAuliffe, Roy Morris, Claudette Perry, Fran Scanlon, Joey Schaefer, Chloe Szymanski, Emil Szymanski, Dena Thorn, Bill Yoes.  
*Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks unless the office is notified.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** the soul of Beverly Springer. We pray that her family will be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, and that she, and all the faithful departed may rest in peace through God's mercy.

**CELEBRATE LIFE BASSINET** will be in the church foyer next weekend January 12-13; to accept contributions of new baby supplies, such as diapers, formula, clothing, and blankets. Your contributions will support Pregnancy Resources of Abilene. Please help PRA help others choose life. You may call Mary Clark at 698-7373 for more information.

## The Epiphany of the Lord

**TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE:** The Catholic Diocese of San Angelo is firmly committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children and vulnerable adults. If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by anyone who serves the Church, and you need a place to talk with someone about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, we are here to help you. To report incidents, call Lori Hines, Victim Assistance Coordinator, 325-374-7609 (cell), or write Diocese of San Angelo, Victim Assistance Ministry, PO Box 1829, San Angelo, TX 76902. If the incident occurred outside this diocese, our Victim Assistance Coordinator will assist in bringing your concern to the attention of the appropriate diocese. Please keep in mind that one always has the right to report abuse to civil authorities, and civil law requires that any abuse of a minor must be reported.

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN AGE 7 TO 6TH GRADE:** An orientation meeting will be held in the parish center Sunday, January 13 and 20, during your child's religious education class for all parents of children 7 years of age through 6th grade who are making plans to receive the sacraments of Baptism, First Confession, and/or First Communion this year. Additionally, the required parent preparation classes will be held at this same place and time each Sunday from January 27th to February 17th. These classes support official Church teaching that requires parents to assume their important roles of primary educators of their children in regards to religious education. While the religious education program exists to provide supplemental preparation, children cannot be adequately prepared for reception of the Sacraments without parents playing the most important and vital role. Please email Bob Moore at [bemoore@hsutx.edu](mailto:bemoore@hsutx.edu) with questions.

**AN INTERPRETER FOR THE DEAF** is needed to provide ASL (American Sign Language) for the prayers, music and homily at the Sunday noon Mass. If you or someone you know is able and willing to do this for our parishioners, please call the business manager at the church office, 692-1820. Your time and talent will be deeply appreciated. Compensation may be provided for this service.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING:** December 22-23, and 24-25, 2018 with 1286 families:

Envelopes and Checks .....	25,831.80
Loose Plate .....	8,827.16
Other Contributions .....	226.00
<b>Total Income.....</b>	<b>34,884.96</b>
St. Vincent De Paul .....	4,379.41

# Dear Padre

January 6, 2019

*I'm having an argument with a fundamentalist friend who insists the Epiphany happened exactly as it says in the Bible. I keep saying there's no way it could have. Who is right?*

Catholics believe that each book of the Bible needs to be appreciated according to the principles of its own literary genre. We don't look to the Gospels for modern critical history or unbiased biographical/reportorial fact-telling.

The four Gospels were written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Each Gospel writer uses human skill to craft a true story, presenting the saving mystery of our Lord's life, death, and resurrection so that readers may come to know Christ, share his life, and be saved.

Every story in the Gospels is shaped to communicate saving truth, but not every story is told as a direct "just the facts, ma'am" report of sequential events. So there's saving sense in which, yes, the Epiphany happened exactly as it says in Matthew 2:1-12. And there's a more literal sense in which, no, the Epiphany probably didn't happen exactly as it's recounted.

What is most certain is the Gospel's saving message of the birth of our true King, the Light of the World, before whom we offer homage and who, when we encounter him, will change our lives and send us home in a new path.

—Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR

**A "9 DAYS FOR LIFE" NATIONWIDE NOVENA**, sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, will begin January 14 and end January 22 – the annual Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. The overarching intention of this multi-faceted novena is the respect of all human life, and each day highlights a different intention. Visit [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com) to obtain the daily reflections, educational information, and suggested acts of reparation. You may also download a free mobile app or sign up for daily email or text messages.

**VOCATION CROSS FOR THE HOME:** Please volunteer to take home the vocation cross which is located on the table in the church foyer. The parish will join your family during their selected week in praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

January 6 – Bob Moore Family  
January 13 – James Lenius Family

Please include Upton Sewell and all of our seminarians in your prayers for vocations this month.