

Parish Services/Ministries

Anointing of the Sick:

Call 830-484-3302

Adoration:

Every 1st Friday of the Month

7:30am – 1:30pm

Every 1st Saturday of the Month

4:30pm – 5:30pm

Baptism:

Contact Pastor for Pre-Baptismal class and to set a date.

Confessions:

Before Masses

Deacons:

Deacon Alan Crosby

Deacon Jesse Nunez

Spiritual Direction:

Deacon Jesse Nunez (210-705-3029)

Rosie Nunez (210-705-3472)

Marriage:

Contact Pastor at least 6 months ahead for preparation and a date.

OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Contact Gerri Garza at (830-200-9854) or email gerrigarza@gmail.com.

Victim Assistance & Safe Environment Director:

Steve Martinez (210-734-7786)

Altar Flower Coordinator: Linda Moczygemba (830-484-2351)

Altar Society

President – Ester Luna

ACTS Mission

Core – William Hons

Catholic Daughters of the Americas:

Regent – Cynthia Kruse

Junior Catholic Daughters

Chairman – Danette Lyssy

Co-Chairman – Stacy Koether

President – Olivia West

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight – Mark Moczygemba

Faith Formation Classes:

DRE – Rebecca Raabe (830-484-3303)

Funeral Committee:

Leader – Carolyn Krawietz (830-484-3329)

Church Website:

Denise Knight

blessedsacramentpoth.org

Blessed Sacrament Choir

Director – Ginger Jarzombek 830-534-9340



The Healing Rosary

The Litany of our Blessed Mother, and the Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, is being prayed every

Thursday in the Church

beginning at 5:00pm and on Sunday evenings at 4:00pm in the Church Pray for yourself, pray for another.

Mass Intentions For The Week of December 15th through December 21st 2025

Monday, December 15

NO MASS

Tuesday, December 16

6:00pm

✠Sammy Morales

The Blessing of Rain

Wednesday, December 17

6:00pm

✠Adrian & Regina Foegelle

✠Joe B. Wiatrek & Deceased Members of the Keller & Wiatrek Families

✠Alois, Florence, Fred & George Olenick,

Mark Blanchard & Dennis Jaksik

The Blessing of Rain

Thursday, December 18

6:00pm

✠Melissa Mutz Moy

✠Michael Baumann Sr., Christine Baumann & Deceased Family Members

✠Florence Jaskinia

Birthday Blessings for Minerva Martinez

Vocations

The Blessing of Rain

Friday, December 19

7:00am

✠Daniel & Jane Hosek

The Blessing of Rain

Saturday, December 20

5:30pm

✠Victor & Agnes Dugi, Mary & Ben Lyssy

✠Irene Fey

The Blessing of Rain

Sunday, December 21

7:30am

✠Mary Hope Garcia

The Blessing of Rain

9:30am

The Parish Family

The Blessing of Rain



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 20, 2025 (5:30PM Mass)

Deacon: Deacon Jesse

Lector: Carol Hosek

Body of Christ Minister: Deacon Jesse

Blood of Christ Ministers: Ruth Vontur, Carolyn Krawietz

Choir: Peter Kane

Ushers: Jeff & Cynthia Kruse

Sunday, December 21, 2025 (7:30AM Mass)

Deacon: Deacon Jesse

Lector: Debbie Wiatrek

Body of Christ Minister: Deacon Jesse

Blood of Christ Ministers: Erasmo Flores, Juanita Flores

Choir: BSC Choir

Ushers: Lawrence Jansky, Steve Kotara

Sunday, December 21, 2025 (9:30 AM Mass)

Deacon: Deacon Jesse

Lector: Janie Hennig

Body of Christ Minister: Deacon Jesse

Blood of Christ Ministers: Tracy Moody, Amy Lyssy

Choir: BSC Choir

Ushers: Mark Jarzombek, Matthew Jarzombek



**WE PRAY FOR THE
SICK IN OUR
COMMUNITY: LET**

US PRAY: May the Lord of Love and Mercy send the grace of healing and consolation upon all our sick in the Parish and in our community, especially: **Terry Gorzell, Michael Pena, Ray Cantu, Leroy Mutz, Claude Olenick, Ryder Drzymala; Becky Raabe, Tommye Rihn-Lysaght, Pat Richardson, Elaine Vontur, Sherry Stavinoha, Alvin Castellano, Clarence Dziuk, Megan Garcia, Annette Pruski, Elaine Felux, Jesus Daniel Arellano, Juanita Flores, Randy (Maya) Padilla, Marie Ponce, Rita Olenick, Robert Vontur, Al Kollodziej, Please call the rectory to add or remove someone from our list.**



Let us Pray for those in the

MILITARY: Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. **Amen. Isaiah Garcia,**



Noah Wiatrek, Christian Nelson, Derek Raabe, Baldemar Flores IV, Steve Martinez.

Gracious God – We ask that you bless those who reside in our local nursing homes. Bless them with loving caretakers and friends and family that respect and care for them. Keep them in your prayers. **Floresville Nursing Home** Marie Hosek, Katie Hernandez. **Prairie Meadows:** Fabian Wacławczyk, Margie Arnold, Angie DeHoyos. **Assisted Living:** Marilyn Millikin, Edna Uhlig. **John Paul** – Benjamin Dugi, Wilbert Felux. **Pleasanton North Health & Rehab** – Dora Cervantes.

Offertory Collection Totals for

12/06 – 12/08

Sunday -\$7,124.00;

Immaculate Conception - \$1,132.00

Christmas Flowers 1,565.00

Archbishop's Appeal –

GOAL - \$14,864

TOTAL RAISED - \$12,582.00

47 Families Donated

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL
OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Donation Boxes

The Donation Boxes for 2026 are now in the Rectory.

Decorations in the Church.

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who joined us this past Sunday to help decorate the church for Christmas. Your time, effort, and joyful spirit made the work light, and the results are simply beautiful. We are truly grateful for your help in preparing our worship space for this blessed season.

Christmas Flowers

Each year, we are blessed by your generous donations toward our Christmas flowers. This year, we are especially grateful to Mrs. Robert Wheless for donating the full amount in loving memory of **Victoria Mutz Richter, Chester and Marcia Richter, Chester D. Richter,** and **Shirley Wheless**, as well as for an additional donation in loving memory of **Antonio Guevara** by his devoted family.

Please note that the donations collected through our Christmas flower envelopes were used to replace the old and worn Christmas arrangements in our windows. We are delighted to share that we now have new and beautiful pieces adorning the windows.

Thank you, as always, for keeping your church so close to your hearts and for your continued generosity.

**Christmas Ministry
Signup Sheet**

All **Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers** are kindly asked to indicate which Masses they are available to serve during the Christmas season. Your participation helps greatly with scheduling.

A signup sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. Thank you in advance for your service and support!

Do You See Them?

Our ladies of the Altar Society can often be found scurrying around the church, making sure linens are laundered, ironed, and placed on the Altar and Sanctuary during the proper seasons. They ensure albs and robes are cleaned and ready for Father, lectors, and altar servers. They fill candles with oil, restock altar supplies, keep the flowers and plants alive, and decorate the church for every season. The details of their ministry can sometimes feel overwhelming, yet through it all they keep smiling and help make our church breathtaking—allowing us to worship in such a beautiful and reverent space.
God Bless these beautiful ladies!!

**Poth Food Pantry Offers Thanks for
Generous Donations**

The Board Members and Staff of the Poth Food Pantry and Thrift Store would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to everyone for their generous donations. It is through the support of people like you that they are able to continue assisting the needy in our community and the surrounding areas.

Children's Christmas Play

Plans for the annual Children's Christmas Play are underway. All children ages 3 years to 5th grade are invited to participate and we are looking for children to play the parts of animals, shepherds, wise men, Joseph, Mary, Angel Gabriel & Narrators.

All Costumes are provided for the participants. The only requirement is that everyone attends practices which will be held on **Sunday, 12/14, and Sunday 12/21. Practices will begin immediately after the 7:30am Mass.** The Children's Christmas Play will take place on Wednesday, December 24th, (Christmas Eve) at 6:00pm. Please contact Lacey Kotzur if interested.
210-269-1695

Exterior Door Update

This Thursday, December 18th, the remaining two side doors are scheduled to be refinished and restored—just in time for Christmas! Please use caution when entering and exiting the church during this work. Thank you for your patience as we complete these improvements.

Faith Formation Highlights

More good news from the little white building where young hearts are nurtured with the Good News of Jesus, and where beautiful examples of sharing and caring continue to take place.



Our first group—the 5th Grade

Students—were guided by Otilia Montez, Janie Hennig, Ophelia Flores, and Cindy Pruski as they collected food for the Food Pantry.

A special thank-you to Jeff Antuna, who generously donated two turkeys for their collection.



Our second group—the 4th Grade students

—were guided by Mary Baumann, Kristin Wyatt, Amy Lyssy, and Tami Ramzinski as they came together and gave Jesus a “baby shower.” All of the gifts they gathered will be donated to Seton Home.

Generosity shines bright in our little white building, where the Holy Spirit is truly present in the hearts of all our CCD students.

Blessed Sacrament will host Pasterka — the traditional Polish “Shepherds’ Mass” — on Wednesday, December 24th at 4:00 PM.

Pasterka is the beloved midnight Mass celebrated on Christmas Eve in Poland, honoring the biblical shepherds who received the angel’s announcement of Christ’s birth. All are warmly invited to join us for this beautiful Christmas tradition. Polish Koledy (*Christmas Carols*) begin at 3:15pm followed by the Holy Mass.

Background on the Gospel Reading

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called *Gaudete Sunday*. *Gaudete* is the Latin word meaning “rejoice.” This Sunday is so named because “Rejoice” is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today’s Mass taken from Philippians 4:4,5:

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near.” Some people mark this Sunday on their Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near. This week’s Gospel Reading continues our Advent reflection on the person and message of John the Baptist. Last week we heard John speak about his relationship to the coming Messiah, Jesus. This week, we hear Jesus’ message to John the Baptist, now in prison, about the signs of the kingdom found in Jesus’ ministry and Jesus’ assessment of John’s role in the Kingdom of God. The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of John’s arrest in chapter 14:3-12. In today’s Gospel, John sends word to Jesus from prison, asking if Jesus is the Messiah for whom he has been waiting. Jesus responds by pointing to the miracles that he has worked and invites John and the other hearers to make their own determination. In his next breath, however, Jesus praises John for his role in preparing the way for Jesus. Then Jesus says that all of those who work for the Kingdom of God will be as great as John and even greater.

Jesus’ message to John about the signs of the kingdom being performed recalls the salvation described by the prophet Isaiah.

This passage is a reminder that the beginning of salvation is already mysteriously present to us, but also yet to be fulfilled. Salvation is already in our midst as manifest in the miraculous deeds of Jesus and in the Church. But salvation is also to be fulfilled in the coming reign of God. Even as we observe our world today, we can find glimpses of God’s work among us. Even more, we help to prepare the way for God’s kingdom by our words and our deeds. This message is indeed a cause for rejoicing.

10-Day Pilgrimage to Poland, Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, and More

Join **Father Fuik** and **Father Damian** for a spiritually enriching guided pilgrimage
June 8–17, 2026.

Discover sacred sites, beautiful landscapes, and rich Catholic heritage across Central Europe.

For more information, visit
nativitypilgrimage.com or call
832-406-7050.

Donations

Periodically, parishioners ask what the church may need and kindly offer to contribute toward upcoming projects. We currently have several improvements planned, and for anyone who feels called to donate, please know that your generosity is truly appreciated. We continue to work diligently to enhance the beauty of our church and to repair areas that need attention.

Current projects include:

- Replacing damaged ciboria and acquiring matching chalices
- Restoring the statues of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph, as well as the Blessed Virgin Mary statue in the grotto facing FM 541
- Replacing damaged baseboards throughout the church

We would like to extend this invitation to anyone interested in giving of their time, talent, or financial support. Everyone’s generosity throughout the year does not go unnoticed, and we are deeply grateful for all you do for our parish community.

God Bless!

Upcoming Holy Days of Obligation

The Nativity of the Lord

Wednesday, 12/24/25

(Christmas Eve)

Pasterka

Mass at 4:00pm

OR

Children’s Mass

Mass at 6:00pm

OR

Midnight Mass at 10

Mass at 10:00pm

OR

Wednesday, 12/25/25

(Christmas Day)

Mass at 9:00am

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Wednesday, 12/31/25

(New Year’s Eve)

Mass at 4:00pm

Thursday, 1/1/2026

(New Year’s Day)

Mass at 9:00am