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Catholic Church**  
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**OUR MISSION**

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is a community living out Christ's mission by extending our hearts to those in need through evangelization, nourished by the word and bread of life and with a *full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage*, to become witnesses in faith and strive to empower our community to live as Disciples of Christ.

**PASTOR :**

Rev. Fr. Innocent Eziefule

**PARISH SECRETARY:**

Mrs. Joanne Herrera

**CRE:**

Mrs. Jennifer Lopez

**DEACON**

Dcn. Eduardo Castillo

**NUESTRA MISIÓN**

*La iglesia católica de San Francisco de Asís es una comunidad que vive a cabo la misión de Cristo mediante la ampliación de nuestro corazón a los necesitados a través de la evangelización, alimentada por la Palabra y el pan de la vida y con el corazón lleno enriquecida por un servicio honesto, amor, sacrificio y valor, a convertirse en testigos de la fe y se esfuerzan por capacitar a nuestra comunidad a vivir como discípulos de Cristo*

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Mon, Wed, & Fri. 9:00AM—5:00PM**

**Tues. & Thurs. 9:00AM—3:00PM**

**Closed for Lunch from 12:00PM to 1:00 PM**

**Saturday, Sunday: Closed**

**Bulletin Deadline Wednesday @ Noon**

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**FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

Pastoral Council	John Ford.....	676-3708
Finance Council	Jose Corral	
Vocations	Rev. Innocent Eziefule Rosalba Serrato.....	201-3102
Funeral Meals	Parish Office.....	672-6695
Religious Education	Jennifer Lopez.....	338-0139
Knights of Columbus	Francisco Arredondo.....	325-513-4315
Cursillo de Cristianidad	Rosalba Serrato.....	2013102
Guadalupe Society	Amanda Torres.....	514-1125
La Legion de Maria	Socorro Hernández.....	721-1709
Por La Gracia de Dios [Spanish Choir]	Maria Flores	
Coro de Colores [Spanish Choir]	Louis Cisneros	
Saturday Vigil Choir	Marty Diaz	
Sunday 9am Mass Choir	Rebecca Cortez	
Infant Baptism Prep/Class [English]	Antonio & Joanne Herrera	
Infant Baptism Prep/Class [Spanish]	Armando & Yolanda Siller	
Marriage Prep, Spanish	Jose & Faviola Corral	
Youth Ministry	Rebecca Arredondo.....	660-4177
Lectors	John Ford.....	518-3997
Eucharistic ministry	Fr. Innocent & John Ford	
Altar Servers	Maria Elena Devora-Portillo.....	518-4600
Chief Sacristan	Anita Sanchez.....	672-6695
Maintenance	Ruben Sanchez	
Cleaning & House Keeping	Angelica Acebedo	

**FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Saturday, January 31**

4pm Vigil.....+Ted Cardenas by Gloria Esparza

**Sunday, February 1**

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00am.....FAP

11am .....Serrato Family—Spiritual Healing by Serrato Family

**Tuesday, February 3**

**Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr: Saint Ansgar, Bishop**

6:30pm.....Communion Service

**Wednesday, February 4**

No Mass

**Thursday, February 5**

**Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**

8:30am.....Communion Service

**Friday, February 6**

**First Friday**

**Saint Miki and Companions, Martyrs**

6:30pm.....Communion Service

**Saturday, February 7**

4pm Vigil.....+Frank Herrera by Antonio and Joanne Herrera

**Sunday, February 8**

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00am.....FAP

11am .....+Diego Hernandez by the Hernandez-Serrato Family

.....Poor Souls in Purgatory by Martha Ortega-Diaz

**STEWARDSHIP  
01/17/2026 and 01/18/2026**

Weekend Masses	\$	3889.94
Children's	\$	144.00
Building Fund	\$	311.00
Mail in	\$	210.00
Other	\$	950.00
Bulletin	\$	30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5534.94</b>
<b>Breakfast by Por la Gracia De Dios</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1600.00</b>

*Thank you for your continuous contributions and sacrifices you make to our church community. You are greatly appreciated.*  
**GOD BLESS YOU**

**Please take note that there was no collection for last weekend  
Due to the Masses being canceled**

**INFANT BAPTISMS:** Parents need to come by the office to register their children (must be below 7 years) and to register as well for Baptism classes for parents and godparents.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Please call the office at least six months in advance and make an appointment with Fr. Innocent.

**QUINCEANERAS:** Please call the office at least 6 months in advance to set up an appointment to talk with Fr. Innocent.

**Have you registered in the parish?**

Registration helps to foster a sense of connectedness for parishioners and clergy. With your contact information, we keep you informed of events and happenings.

Registration forms are in the sacristy (please ask the ushers). You are more than welcome to come to the office.

**MYSTICAL ROSE CATHOLIC BOOKSTORE**

Address: 1317 N. 8th St. Suite #100  
Wednesdays & Fridays 2:00 pm-5:00 pm  
Saturdays 12:00pm-5:00pm

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY**

**Saturday, January 31**

3:00-3:45pm

Confessions

4:00pm

Vigil Mass

**Sunday, February 1**

9:00am

Mass

11am

Mass (Spanish)

**Monday, February 2**

6:30pm

Men's Rosary

7:00pm

Legion of Mary

**Tuesday, February 3**

6:00pm

Pro Life Rosary

6:30pm

Communion Service

7:00pm

Ultreya

**Wednesday, February 4**

8:30am

No Mass

5:45pm-7pm

RE Classes [K-5]

7:15pm-8:30pm

RE Classes [6-12]

**Thursday, February 5**

8:30am

Communion Service

**Friday, February 6**

6:30pm

**FIRST FRIDAY**

7:00pm—1am

COMMUNION SERVICE

Exposition and Adoration

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Weekday</b>	<b>THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD</b> Mal 3: 1-4 Ps 24: 7-10 Heb 2: 14-18 Lk 2: 22-40 or 2:22-32
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Weekday [4]</b>	<b>Saint Blaise, Bishop, Martyr</b> <b>Saint Ansgar</b> 2Sm 18: 9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 Ps 88;1-6 Mk 5: 21-43
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Weekday [4]</b>	2Sm 24: 2, 9-17 Ps 32: 1-2, 5-7 Mk 6: 1-6
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Weekday [4]</b>	<b>Saint Agatha, Virgin, Martyr</b> <b>1Kgs 2: 1-4, 10-12</b> (Ps) 1Cor 29:10-12 Mk 6: 7-13
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Weekday [4]</b>	<b>Saint Miki and Companions, Martyrs</b> Sir 47:2-11 Ps 18: 31,47, 50-51 Mk 6: 14-29
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Weekday (4)</b>	<b>1kgs 3: 4-13 Ps 119: 9-14 Mk: 6: 30-34</b>

**LAY MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**Lectors January 30 & February 1**

4pm	Joanne Herrera	Juanita Pedroza
9am	Mary Murillo	Norma Collazo
11am	John Ford	Nadyne Ford

**Extraordinary Ministry of Eucharist**

4pm	Brad Stone	Melinda Stone
9am	Mayo Fernandez	Berta Fernandez
11am	Amanda Torres	Norma Rodriguez
	Norma Garza	Jose Garza

**Lectors February 7 & February 8**

4pm	Mary Murillo	Lupie Aguirre
9am	James Vasquez	Michael Navarrette
11am	Maria Kalatzis	Eloisa Ortiz

**Extraordinary Ministry of Eucharist**

4pm	Emma Catterall	Anita Sanchez
9am	Ana Guajardo	Norma Collazo
11am	John Ford	Nadyne Ford
	Ester Gallegos	Sesar Gallegos

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

Saturday, February 7 10 am	English Baptism Class
February 15 After each Mass	Breakfast by the Knights of Columbus
<b>February 18 Wednesday 6:30pm</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Mass</b>
February 18	Collection for Aid to the Church In Central & Eastern Europe, in Latin America and Africa

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### EMPOWERING GOD'S CHILDREN Wed., February 11 - ALL GRADES

"Empowering God's Children" is a program focused on preventing the abuse of children and empowering them to protect themselves. It educates children about recognizing and responding to potential abuse, promoting safety, and fostering healthy boundaries.

These classes provide age-appropriate resources for our youth to understand and identify potential risks, helping them develop self-protective skills and confidence to report any Abuse.

Parents are welcome to attend this class with their student(s) and/or can also preview the material before the class. Parents may also opt-out. Please contact the office a week in advance to preview the material and/or to opt out of this class.

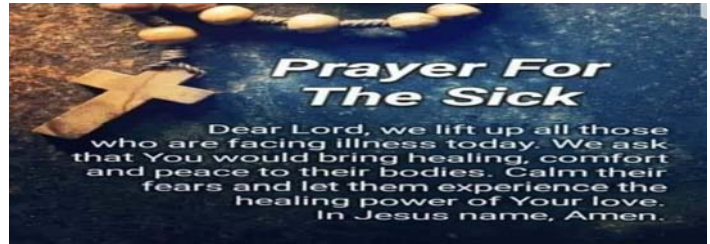
Jennifer Lopez  
Coordinator of Religious Education  
Off: (325) 672-6695  
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**Are you struggling after an abortion?  
Are you seeking healing and hope?**  
**The Project Rachel Ministry of the Diocese of San Angelo** is here for you. Our team has been praying for you, and you are not alone. Jesus offers healing and mercy to all who desire peace and self-forgiveness. Please reach out to our confidential helpline or email to learn more about healing retreats, counseling, and compassionate support.

Project Rachel Ministry – Diocese of San Angelo  
  Call or text: (432) 236-9883  
 [projectrachel@sanangelodiocese.org](mailto:projectrachel@sanangelodiocese.org)

**¿Está sufriendo después de un aborto?  
¿Necesita sanación y esperanza?**  
**El Ministerio Proyecto Raquel de la Diócesis de San Angelo** está aquí para usted. Nuestro equipoha estado orando por usted, y no está sola. Jesús ofrece sanación y misericordia a todos los que desean paz y perdón interior. Por favor comuníquese con nuestra línea confidencial o por correo electrónico para obtener información sobre retiros de sanación, consejería y apoyo compasivo.

Ministerio Proyecto Raquel – Diócesis de San Angelo  
  Llame o envíe un texto: (432) 236-9883  
 [projectrachel@sanangelodiocese.org](mailto:projectrachel@sanangelodiocese.org)



### Please pray for our brothers and sisters, especially for:

Tristan Sanchez, Guillermina Ortega, Berta Fernandez, Lola Sanchez, Robert Carrion, Rosa Chavirra, Laura Amador, Sylvia Urban, Olga Valdez, Angie Aubin, Ramon Aguirre, Lupe Aguirre, Juanita Siller, Alex Martinez, Mario Carrillo, Linda Sanchez, Lupe Ledesma, Robert Trujillo, Cecilia Wilson, Sonya Garcia-Tellez, Olga Serrano, Angie Serrano, Rocio Herrera, Teresa Esquivel, Rosalinda Agüero, Patty Olvera, Susie & Joe Rodriguez, David Gonzalez, Mary Ann Cruz, Yolanda Hodges, Juanita Perez, Mireya Molina, Mary Flores, Hector Garcia, Dolores (Dee) Rollins, Aurelio Murillo, Jr. Mario Gonzales, Maria Gomez, Rebecca Martinez, Mary Rodriguez, Margarita Villareal, Marty Diaz, Carol Ann Hernandez, Hugo Pena, Jesus-Manuel Hernandez, Abraham Rodriguez, Jr., Helen Garcia

### English Baptism Class

*If you need to have your child baptized and need to take these classes: please come by the office to register. Please Register by Thursday, February 5.*

**February 7, 2026  
Saturday, 10am**



**Project ANDREW**

JOIN US FOR DINNER WITH BISHOP SIS AND LOCAL PRIESTS TO LEARN ABOUT THE PRIESTHOOD!  
**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND ABOVE!  
PARENTS WELCOME!**

Sunday, February 15, 2026, 6 pm  
Abilene—St. Vincent Pallotti Catholic Church  
**RSVP by February 9**

Sunday, March 1, 2026, 6 pm  
Midland—The Way Retreat Center  
**RSVP by February 23**

Contact Lori Hines to RSVP:  
[lhines@sanangelodiocese.org](mailto:lhines@sanangelodiocese.org) or 325-374-7609




## WORLD YOUTH DAY – SEOUL, KOREA 2027


The registration deadline for World Youth Day is August 2026.

If you have any questions, contact me Angela Garcia at: [angela.garcia@sanangelodiocese.org](mailto:angela.garcia@sanangelodiocese.org) or call the Diocese at 325-651-7500. Thank you.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
 MONICA TORRES  
 BY  
 ROGER & JOVITA TORRES



IN MEMORY OF  
 DELFINO AND ELVIRA  
 DOMINGUEZ  
 BY THE DOMINGUEZ  
 FAMILY



For Questions or Info Ask Grand Knight Francisco Arredondo 325-513-4315  
 Deputy Knight Chad Luckow 325-260-0998



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GUADALUPANA SOCIETY  
 OF SAINT FRANCIS

Everyone is invited to join.  
 Our meetings are on the first  
 Thursday of each month in  
 Homsey Hall, at 6:30pm

*Todos estan invitados.  
 Nuestras juntas son el primer  
 Jueves de cada mes en el  
 Salon Homsey, a las 6:30pm*



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Clases de Bautismo en  
 Espaniol

*Se necesita registrarse en la  
 Ofecina antes de tomar las clases.*

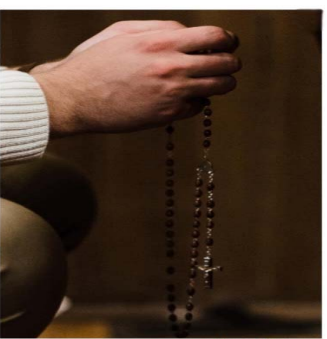


Pro-Life Rosary

Every Tuesday  
 6:00 –  
 6:30 pm

St. Francis Catholic Church  
 826 Cottonwood

Let us lift our  
 thanks to God and His  
 Blessed Mother for  
 answered prayers and  
 continue to pray for  
 all those working  
 to protect life at  
 the state level.



Hosted by  
 the Catholic Pro-Life Committee of the Abilene Deanery  
 -Dr. Jim Sulliman, Chairman

First Safe Haven Baby Box in Abilene



A Safe Haven Baby Box has been placed at a fire station in Abilene, Texas. The state's "Baby Moses" law allows parents to safely leave their baby at a fire station, hospital, or police station with employees within 60 days after the child's birth. The parents will not be charged with child abandonment, can leave the baby anonymously, and the child will be safe. Every state has a safe haven law, though each state differs on designated safe haven locations and the age of the child. Abilene's first Safe Haven Baby Box is located at Abilene's Fire Station No. 7, 431 N. Pioneer Dr. Abilene 79603.

The box is temperature-controlled, padded, and monitored. This allows the baby a safe environment and anonymous option to parents wishing to surrender their child. When the Safe Haven Baby Box is open, a silent alarm alerts firefighters. The baby is then taken to a hospital for medical evaluation.

For more information go to :  
<https://www.lifenews.com/2024/04/18/texas-city-installs-first-safe-haven-baby-box-to-protect-babies-from-infanticide/>  
 or search **Safe Haven Baby Box Abilene, TX**




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