

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 18, 2026



### THE CATHOLIC CHURCH— HERE COMES EVERYBODY

This popular way of describing the universality of our Church is a theme of today's readings. The prophet Isaiah tells of God's servant who will be the "light of the nations." It will not be enough for this servant only to bring back the survivors of Israel's dispersion and captivity. God's salvation must reach to the ends of the earth.

Saint Paul writes to a local church of mainly Gentiles and presumably former sinners of all kinds in Corinth. He greets them and tells them that they are to take their place with "saints everywhere" in the name of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel reading from John tells of Jesus' commissioning by the Father in the Holy Spirit to bring salvation to all, to take away the sins of the world. This Chosen One has come to baptize the world in God's Spirit. Everybody.

As you hear these words, consider your own task to bring the good news of salvation to everyone you will meet in the coming days, weeks, years.

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### REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

To be a disciple of Jesus Christ means to learn from him. He is the teacher, we the students; he is the master, we his servants. But what is it we are to learn? One important title for Jesus is the Lamb of God who has come to serve by taking away our sin. He serves by leading us to participate in the holiness of God. We are to do the same for others.

Jesus came to understand his own calling by reading and praying the book of the prophet Isaiah, especially the four poems found there called the Servant Songs. Today we hear part of the second song in which the servant professes how he was formed as servant from the womb, not only to bring back Israel to God, but to be a light to the nations, so God's "salvation may reach to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6).

Those who serve Jesus as disciples are to join in this work of bringing God's salvation to the world. Paul recognizes this in his greeting to the Corinthians, noting his call to be an apostle of Christ, one sent by God to the church at Corinth, which has been made holy in Christ and called to be holy. Paul is sent not only to them, but to "all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 1:2). God's will is our holiness. By responding to the call to know Jesus as the Lamb of God, we accept the invitation to participate in this holiness and become the vehicle for inviting others to dwell there.

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

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### Celebrate the Baby by Helping Babies!

The parish will be collecting baby items during the month of January to donate to the Women's Pregnancy Crisis Center.

#### ► **BABY DONATIONS to include:**

Diapers – Sizes 4-6, Wipes,  
New or gently used Baby Clothes, preferably  
12 months and up,  
Baby Lotions, and Baby Shampoo.

**You can bring your donations to any of the Masses.**

### ¡Celebra al Bebé ayudando a los bebés!

La parroquia estará recolectando artículos para bebés durante el mes de enero para donarlos al Centro de Crisis de Embarazo de Mujeres.

#### ► **DONACIONES PARA BEBÉS para incluir:**

Pañales - Tallas 4-6, Toallitas húmedas,  
Ropa de bebé nueva o poco usada,  
preferiblemente de 12 meses en adelante,  
Loción para bebés y Champú para bebés.

**Puedes llevar tus donaciones a cualquiera de las Misas.**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;  
Mk 2:18-22  
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28;  
Mk 2:23-28  
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6  
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13;  
Mk 3:7-12 *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*  
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19  
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21  
Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;  
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

### HOLY SPIRIT CLEANING SCHEDULE

January 24 –Guadalupana January 31 – Jamaica



**I will make you a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the ends of the  
earth.**  
— Isaiah 49:6b

**Saturday, January 17th -**

**5:00PM-IHM**— +Maria Morales, Carlos C., Maria y Carlos Guerrero, Sr., Rodolfo Morales; +Alejandro Jaramillo

**Sunday, January 18th -**

**8:00AM – IHM** Por Grupo Misionero y en acción de gracias por los cumpleaños de Maria Gonzales y Marta Herrera  
**9:30AM – HF** - For the People of Nolan County  
**11:00AM – IHM** +Miguel Ortiz, Tomasita Alcaras, Alfonso, Sara & Benjamin Gonzales; +Rufus Palacios, Jr.

**Tuesday, January 20th 9:00AM - HF**

In Thanksgiving for Tiffany Andrea Hardin’s birthday

**Wednesday, January 21st 6:00PM– IHM**

+Christopher Cardoza

**Thursday, January 22nd 9:00AM-HF**

“Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.”

+Beatriz Aguilera

**Friday, January 23rd 9:00AM HF**

For the well-being of Tanis Moreno’s family

**Saturday, January 24th -**

**5:00PM-IHM**— +Gavin Martinez; +Belinda Gomez, Tomas & Guadalupe Morales

**Sunday, January 25th -**

**8:00AM – IHM** Por la Gente de Nolan County  
**11:00AM – IHM** In Thanksgiving for Lonnie Mendez’s birthday; for our Seminarian, Martin Luna; In Thanksgiving for the birthdays of JT Wilson, Hilario, Antonio & Pablo Gonzalez; +Ezequiel, Albina, Delia y Teresa Gonzalez; Rafael y Concha Acevedo

**RELIGION CLASSES ---**

- Sunday Classes 9:30 - 10:40A.M.
- Wednesday Classes 7:00 - 8:30P.M
- OCIA –Thursdays, 6pm at HF Hall, 507 Crane St.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all our Parish Council members & officers! **President:** Marianna Aguilar; **Vice-President:** Christa Soto; **Secretary:** Loretta Hernandez;. Rita Hernandez, Gloria Torres, Sally Peña, Dinna Villa, & Ronny Maldonado. Thank you to our outgoing members for their service to the parish.

*God Bless*

**DAY OF PRAYER AND PENANCE**

**(January 22, 2026)**

January 22 is designated as a particular day of prayer and penance for Catholics in the United States, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.” Note back page for info to join in praying the 9 days for Life Novena for the protection of human life.

**ULTREYA MEETINGS**

Sunday, January 18 - 6:00pm (*English*)

Monday, January 19 - 7:00pm (*Spanish*)

Both at IHM Hall. All are welcome! You don’t have to be a cursillista to attend. For information on the Cursillo movement, please visit <http://www.sanangelocursillo.com/home.html>

**WEDNESDAY** - Confessions begin at 5:15pm followed by Mass at 6:00pm & Adoration until 8:30pm at IHM.

**PARISH MOVIE GROUP** – meets Sunday, January 18th, 4pm, Holy Family Hall.

**2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** – If you haven’t picked up your boxed envelopes, please do so. They will be moved to the office next week. Thank you!

**January 10/11, 2026 COLLECTION DATA**

ENVELOPES/CHECKS \$	3,748.00
LOOSE PLATE	1,259.17
TOTAL COLLECTION \$	5,007.17

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**2nd Collection Next weekend:**

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ANNUAL COLLECTION**

Catholic Schools are a ministry of the whole Church community. A special collection for the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of San Angelo to assist in providing a Catholic education will be held at Masses throughout the diocese the weekend of January 24-25. You may contribute to this special collection or you can donate online at <https://sanangelodiocese.org/give>. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

*Las Escuelas Católicas son un ministerio de toda la comunidad de la Iglesia. Una colecta especial para las Escuelas Católicas en la Diócesis de San Angelo para ayudar a proporcionar una educación católica se llevará a cabo en las Misas en toda la diócesis el fin de semana del 29 al 30 de enero. Puede contribuir a esta colección especial o puede donar en línea en [www.sanangelodiocese.org/give](http://www.sanangelodiocese.org/give). Gracias por su apoyo a este ministerio.*



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities invites you to join many thousands of Catholics nationwide in praying the annual 9 Days for Life novena for the protection of human life. This year the novena will take place from Friday, January 16 through Saturday, January 24, surrounding the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.

Since the novena began, it has reached hundreds of thousands of people in over one hundred countries spanning six continents. The novena is available in both English and Spanish, and participants can download the novena or sign up to receive it by email or text message at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com). Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.