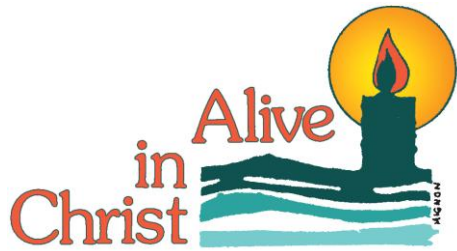


Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE RICHNESS OF LIFE IN CHRIST

Today we have the beautiful story of the woman promised a child, the wonderful exhortation about life in Christ, and a powerful instruction from Jesus. An embarrassment of riches? Not if we take Jesus' words about "welcome" to heart. The many challenges and blessings offered to us today by Elisha, Paul, and Jesus should be cause for rejoicing, and welcomed heartily into our lives. And, like the great treat that they are, they should be enjoyed and shared generously with others.

Today's reading from Romans was chosen very early in the liturgical life of the Church to be the sole apostolic instruction received by candidates for baptism at the Easter Vigil. This illustrates its importance as a core belief, and as a means of comprehending the story of the Resurrection. Christ's resurrection is not merely a story about something that he underwent once upon a time, but it is our story, the story of how we joined the other members of the one Body of Christ, the church. We were not only dead, but we were buried; not ultimately buried, but raised to eternal life with Christ. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

HOSPITALITY

As children, my sister and I visited our grandparents in West Virginia. Carloads of aunts, uncles, and cousins came to see us. As the visit ended, each family bid farewell and headed toward the road. About halfway across the footlog, they turned back toward all of us waving from the front porch. "Come and go up with us," they'd call out. With excitement and anticipation of more playing time with the cousins, we'd beg our parents, "Please let us go." I often wonder now if our relatives really meant for us to take them up on the offer every time they extended it, but they always made us feel welcome when we'd go home with them. Looking back, I realize they also welcomed Jesus into their homes with generous hospitality.

COMMENT

It was fortunate for Elisha that the wealthy woman was so generous with her hospitality. She recognized Elisha as a man of God and wanted to help him in some way. The one thing she had to offer was her hospitality. She gave him food when he first started passing by. Soon she asked her husband to build a room for him so that he might stay with them whenever his travels took him in their direction.

Elisha wanted to repay the woman's kindness and learned that she longed for a baby. He promised her that within the year she would hold her new baby.

The idea of hospitality continues as we are told in Matthew that those who welcome the disciples also welcome Jesus. And if they welcome Jesus, they recognize God. Our reward will be great if we offer hospitality to the weakest of God's creation. The hospitality of heaven will be ours because we have welcomed Christ in others.

REFLECTION

We welcome everyone as we would welcome Christ; we see Christ in the faces of people we meet. Right? We know, that's not always as easy as it sounds. What about the beggar we passed on the street? Or the person who wandered around with no home? The hospitality we show others is a message of our love for God. We can tell God of our love, but unless we demonstrate it, it is hollow, empty love.

What greater hospitality can we hope for than that of heaven's open doors? We are called to love God more than the world. That does not mean that we can't be grateful for the world and enjoy the fruits of it. But it is God who gives us the world's gifts and asks for our love above all else. The way to express our love for God is to love the poor and forsaken.

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Celebrate the Baby by Helping Babies!

The parish will be collecting baby items during the month of July 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 julio 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,
- Lociones para bebés y Champú para bebés.

Puedes llevar tus donaciones a cualquiera de las Misas.

Holy Spirit VBS 2026

"Fruits of the Spirit"

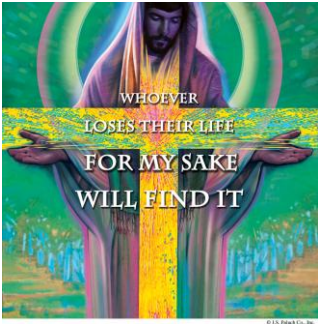
July 20 - 24 Incoming 1st-6th grade

Monday – "Pool Party"

6 – 9 PM @ Sweetwater City Pool

Tuesday - Friday VBS

6 – 8 PM @IHM Hall



Saturday, June 27th - 5:00-IHM – +Maria Morales Guerrero, Rodolfo Morales, Carlos C, Maria and Carlos Guerrero, Sr.; In thanksgiving for Juanita Guerrero’s 75th birthday; +Alma & Frances Solano

Sunday, June 28th – 8:00AM – IHM –

+Sarah Gomez, Eulalio y Sarita Olvera, Ysidro y Elvira Navarrette; +Estela Perez Gomez; En acción de gracias por los cumpleaños de Lupe Medellin y Fabiola Acevedo
11:00AM – IHM – For the People of Nolan County

Tuesday, June 30th 9:00AM-HF
In Thanksgiving for Melba Acosta’s birthday

Wednesday, July 1st 6:00PM - IHM
+Jovita, Benjie, Daniel y Amanda Olguin;
+Jennifer & Roger Gomez

Thursday, July 2nd 9:00AM-HF
+Jaime Montealvo

Friday, July 3rd 9:00AM – HF
+Estela Perez Gomez

Saturday, July 4th - 5:00-IHM – Guadalupanas living and deceased;
+Ruben Gutierrez; +Gloria Castro, Delia Sparkman, Rudy Torres, Nellie, Dolores, Francisco, Frank, Jr., Velia, Juana, Tony y Patricia Gomez
7:00PM - Por la Gente de Nolan County

Sunday, July 5th – 8:00AM – IHM +Cirilo, Victoria y Lucia Chavira y en acción de gracias por el cumpleaños de Rosa Galvan;
+Christopher Cardoza; +Margarito & Carlotta Gomez
11:00AM – IHM – +Manuel & Cuquita Heredia;
+Jaime Montealvo;
In thanksgiving for Gabriel Hernandez’s birthday

Vocation Office of the Diocese of San Angelo hosting two summer events in the Abilene area:

DISCERNMENT RETREAT - July 31–August 2, 2026, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Abilene. This retreat is open to high school men and above who are open to and interested in discerning a vocation to the priesthood.

ANNUAL KICKBALL GAME - Sunday, August 2, 2026, Wylie Baseball Field, beginning at 4:00 p.m. All middle school and high school youth are welcome to participate. There will be music, hot dogs, and other snacks for everyone to enjoy.

HOLY SPIRIT CLEANING SCHEDULE

July 4 – Parish Council July 11 – Cursillistas

The **OFFICE** will be **CLOSED** Friday, July 3rd, in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe & Happy 4th!

FIRST FRIDAY – July 3rd, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:00-10:00pm at Holy Family. Confession will be available.

WEDNESDAY – Mass at 6:00pm & Adoration until 8:00pm @IHM. Fr. Josh will be in the church after the Mass. If you need to go to confession, please let him know. He will hear confessions until 8:00pm.

ULTREYA MEETINGS

Sunday, June 28th - 6:00pm (*English*)
Monday, June 29th - 7:00pm (*Spanish*)
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>

GRUPO MISIONERO - Meets on Thursdays, at 7:00pm at Immaculate Heart Hall

RAFFLE TICKETS “2026 Jamaica” - We are still handing them out after all weekend Masses. Don’t forget to get yours!

WORLD YOUTH DAY – Calling all young Catholics 21+. You’re invited to an unforgettable World Youth Day 2027 pilgrimage of faith, friendship, and Joy in Seoul! Pray, worship, and celebrate with the Holy Father and young adults from around the world. Spots are limited!
Registration Deadline – August 7, 2026. Visit Diocese of San Angelo website. Questions? Contact Angela Garcia (325) 651-7500.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7-13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
- Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8
- Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1b-2; Jn 20:24-29
- Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17 or, for Independence Day nos. 882-886, or nos. 887-891
- Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

June 20/21, 2026 COLLECTION DATA

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| ENVELOPES/CHECKS..... | \$2,996.00 |
| LOOSE PLATE..... | 1,672.15 |
| BUILDING FUND..... | 847.00 |
| TOTAL COLLECTION..... | \$5,515.15 |

Thank you for your generosity

EL GRUPO MISIONERO les da las gracias al Padre por permitir esta misión y a todas las personas que ayudaron hacer posible las misiones de la Familia Mejia. Tambien gracias al PARKSIDE INN por participar con su ayuda, y a las personas que tomaron el tiempo para asistir. Gracias a todos; que Dios los bendiga y los colme de bendiciones.



With Praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God,
the Diocesan Church of San Angelo
joyfully announces the

40th Anniversary Mass

of Priestly Ordination of

Bishop Michael J. Sis

Sunday, July 19, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Cathedral
20 E. Beauregard Ave., San Angelo, TX 76903

All are invited.

Reception to follow in the Cathedral gymnasium.
No gifts please.

Donations are welcome in support of the Seminary Burse
for the Diocese of San Angelo at the following link:

