



Texas Catholic Historical Society

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Dear Parish Leaders,

The Texas Catholic Historical Society (TCHS), which is affiliated with the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops, works to preserve and highlight the importance of the Catholic Church in Texas history and culture. The Society encourages historical research and sponsors scholarly presentations covering the Church's historical involvement in the lives of Texans, publishes the annual, award-winning *Catholic Southwest: A Journal of History and Culture*, provides support for the Catholic Archives of Texas, and makes awards to scholars who have made contributions to the promotion of Texas Catholic history.

Established in 1926, we are entering into 2020 with a renewed sense of the value of our work. Please help us spread the word about the value of membership in the Texas Catholic Historical Society!

Membership in the Society offers the following opportunities and benefits:

- Meet and network with others. **Our next annual meeting will be at the University Catholic Center, 2010 University Ave in Austin, following noon Mass on Feb. 28. The meeting is held in conjunction with the Texas State Historical Association's annual meeting.**
- Hear and present papers at the Texas State Historical Association's Annual Meeting.
- Receive the Society's annual scholarly journal and stay updated through a semiannual newsletter.
- Submit historical papers for review and publication in the Society's journal, *Catholic Southwest: A Journal of History and Culture*.
- Be part of an effort to encourage scholarship and research into the influence of the Church on Texas history and culture.

The Society welcomes people interested in Texas history. Membership is open to everyone; the annual membership fee is \$20 for individuals and \$10 for students. The Society also offers parish, library, and institutional memberships for \$25 per year. To join, visit our website at <https://txcatholic.org/historical-society>.

We hope you will pass this letter on to groups or individuals in your parish who might be interested in joining us, including students at Catholic universities and high schools, senior citizen groups, and men and women's organizations.

Sincerely,

Claudia Anderson
President