



HOLY ROSARY PARISH PRIORY OF THE DOMINICAN FRIARS

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ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON



SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m.	Saturday Vigil
8:00 a.m.	
9:30 a.m.	Latin
11:00 a.m.	
12:30 p.m.	
3:15 p.m.	Vietnamese
5:00 p.m.	
6:30 p.m.	Vietnamese

TIME OUT ROOM

Located in the Parish Center
During the 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Masses

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

12:05 p.m.
5:15 p.m.

ROSARY

4:55 p.m. Monday – Friday
4:40 p.m. Saturday & Sunday

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday – 12:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Benediction 5:05 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Please call Parish Office ext. 101
for arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Weekdays 20 min. before Mass

MARRIAGES

Please call Wedding Coordinator ext. 110
at least 8 months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call Parish Office for the sick
who are at home or in the hospital.

PRIESTS ON STAFF

Fr. Joseph Konkell, O.P.	Ext. 107
Pastor	
Fr. Isidore Vicente, O.P.	Ext. 104
Parochial Vicar	
Fr. Juan Torres, O.P.	Ext. 103
Parochial Vicar	

IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Victor Brown, O.P.
Fr. James Burke, O.P.
Fr. Austin Green, O.P.
Fr. Ronald Henery, O.P.
Priory Phone 713-526-6322 (private)

PARISH OFFICE

3617 Milam Street, Suite 100
Office Hours:
9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Monday – Friday

Extensions:
101 Parish Secretary
105 Director of Music
108 Parish Bookkeeper
109 Special Projects Secretary

E-mail:

office@holyrosaryparish.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTER

3535 Louisiana Street
713-526-4389
Contact: Marisa Mendoza, D.R.E.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all new members. Please
register in the Parish Office.

A Message from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners:

In a few weeks, the Archdiocese will kick-off its 2009 Services Fund Campaign. Our Cardinal Archbishop has asked us to read a special letter at all the Masses this weekend. For the last several years, Holy Rosary did not emphasize the importance of this Campaign because we had had our Construction Capital Campaign. This year we will try to be more active in trying to meet our goal by have a better participation of all the parishioners. You might get tired of having me write about the importance of the Archdiocesan ministries and how necessary it is for all the members of our regional church to contribute to its many different works.

Though you will hear the Cardinal's letter read at this weekend's Masses, I thought that you might like to have a copy of the beginning of the letter as well. The opening of the letter follows:

"My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One way to make the word of God known is to show 'hospitality' to others – especially the stranger. Hospitality takes many forms – showing love and concern for others, serving those in need or supporting the weakest among us. Hospitality is essential to being a Catholic. It is our response and gratitude for being in the Household of the Lord.

How do we offer hospitality to the more than 1.2 million Catholics in our Galveston-Houston archdiocese? One way is through supporting the Diocesan Services Fund. This fund helps those near to us in our parish through CCE classes, engaged encounters and formation of our priests and deacons. It also assists those we do not know but who need our help: the poor, hungry, sick or incarcerated. Every time we offer service, compassion and care for others we demonstrate God's love and God's significance in this world."

The Cardinal went on to thank all of you in the name of those who will be served by your generosity.

More details on the 2009 Diocesan Services Fund will appear in future weeks.

Fr. Konkel

SECOND COLLECTION LAST SUNDAY, January 25, 2009, Church in Latin America amounted to \$7,168.00 Add to that the January 11th collection which was \$5,096.00 and we have a grand total of \$12,264.50 Thank you for your great generosity.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: *Mike Shannon and Ainsley Garza.*

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar every Sunday are donated by a parishioner. If you are interested in doing the same here is the information you need. Contact Nelly Abdo, at 281-242-7401 or nelly_abdo@yahoo.com. The cost is \$130.00 for two (2) flower arrangements. You can donate them for anything: anniversaries, in memory of a loved one, or any prayer request you may have.

FACE TO FACE CONFESSIONS: Fr. Austin Green will be available to hear face to face confessions at 11:20 a.m.-12 noon before the weekday noon Mass on **First Friday, February 6th and First Saturday, February 7th** in the confessional before the Blessed Mother's altar.

FATHER TORRES: The World Day for Consecrated Life is scheduled in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston for Sunday, February 8th, 2009. Cardinal DiNardo will preside at the 11 a.m. Mass, at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Fr. Juan Torres, O.P., has been invited to be the homilist. All parishioners are welcome to attend the Mass and support Fr. Juan.

COFFEE AFTER MASS will be served today, February 1st, in the Parish Hall, Room 200. All are welcome. Please join your fellow parishioners for some social moments.

WHAT'S COOKING: February 4th hot dogs with all the trimmings, dessert, coffee and tea, will be served on Wednesday, after the 12:05 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall, Room 200. As a reminder the lunches are \$4.00 and there are no take-outs.

"CATHOLIC LIFE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE": a 15-minute radio program, hosted by Fr. Austin Green, O.P., is aired every Sunday morning at 5:30 a.m. (KWWJ-AM, 1360, Baytown) & 6:45 a.m. (KYOK-AM, 1140, Conroe). February 8th topic, *"Come, let us worship the Lord"*.

SAVE A LIFE: The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Blood Drive here at the parish with the M. D. Anderson Cancer Center on Sunday, February 15th from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. They will be located on the ground floor of the Parish Hall. All are invited to give. We'll take appointments to guarantee donors speedier service. You may call Don Payne at 281-355-1585, e-mail him at donpayne77@gmail.com or call the church to make an appointment.

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE: The Diocesan Respect Life Office will celebrate a Mass on Saturday, February 7th at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Mass begins at 5:30 p.m. with Cardinal DiNardo presiding. There is a reception following Mass at the Cathedral Center. All are invited.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS: Our monthly meeting will be Saturday, February 7th, with social hour beginning at 9:00 a.m. and business meeting at 10:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. in the Religious Education Center at 3535 Louisiana and Berry. A reminder that the Knights are still collecting dues for the 2009 calendar year.

THE 20TH ANNUAL SOUTHERN DOMINICAN GALA: The 20th annual St. Marin de Porres Award will be given Thursday, May 7th, 2009, at the Southern Dominican Gala. You could help with this delightful evening of dining, dancing, and a silent auction (including fine wines) as an underwriter, table sponsor, ticket purchased or auction donor. For more information contact Carole Kelley in the Parish office, ckelley@holyrosaryparish.org, or 713-529-4854 ext. 109.

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS AND IRS: Your 2008 parish contribution statement has been mailed to your home.

MARRIED COUPLES: Worn out from the holidays? Are you looking for a way to avoid the blahs? How about a special weekend, just for the two of you? Register for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Upcoming dates are February 13-5, and April 17-19. Contact Brian & Tina Little at 281-485-5648 or go on-line at www.mehouston.org.

RESPECT FOR LIFE: Seeing in an ultrasound the unborn child she is carrying has been a powerful influence on women contemplating abortion. One study showed 75.5 percent of undecided women decided not to have an abortion after viewing her baby's ultrasound. (*The Southern Cross*, August 2008) Prayer for February 1st – For leaders of all churches that they may show concern for protecting the most vulnerable among us.

HOLY ROSARY PLAYGROUP: Meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. For more information call Mollie Ullrich at 281-693-6892.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 2 – Reading I (L524) (Malachi 3:1-4)
Psalm – 24:7, 8, 9, 10, Gospel (Luke 2:22-40)

Tuesday, February 3 – Reading I (L324-I) (Hebrews 1-4)
Psalm 22:26b-27, 28 & 30, 31-32, Gospel (Mark 5:21-43)

Wednesday, February 4 – Reading I (L325-I) (Hebrews 12:4-7, 11-15) Psalm – 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a, Gospel (Mark 6:1-6)

Thursday, February 5 – Reading I (L527) (1 Corinthians 1:26-31) Psalm – 31, Gospel (Luke 9:23-26)

Friday, February 6 – Reading I (L528) (Galatians 2:19-20) Psalm – 126, Gospel (Matthew 28:16-20)

Saturday, February 7 – Reading I (L328-I) (Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21) Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6, Gospel (Matthew 18:1-5)

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of February 1, 2009

Sunday

8:00 a.m. A. G. Gueymard †

9:30 a.m. Teresa Bilski †

11:00 a.m. Bernie Klien

12:30 p.m. Mercedes Landicho †

5:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish

Monday

12:05 p.m. Teresa Bilski †

5:15 p.m. Châu ad Nga †

Tuesday

12:05 p.m. Special Intention Trang Family †

5:15 p.m. Dr. William Winston Sullivan †

Wednesday

12:05 p.m. Gloria Maria Anderson †

5:15 p.m. Richard Bench Family

Thursday

12:05 p.m. Karen Pratte

5:15 p.m. For Victims of Abuse

Friday

12:05 p.m. Dr. William Winston Sullivan †

5:15 p.m. Kathleen McEvoy

Saturday

12:05 p.m. For Peace in the World

5:00 p.m. Josephine Salerno Pancio †

† Mass said for the repose of the soul.

CATHOLIC DAILY MESSAGE

713-529-4449

ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

His Life and Mission

By Ronald D. Witherup, S.S.

Teaching through letter writing. (continued)

On at least one occasion, the Letter to the Romans, he wrote to introduce himself to a community that had been founded by others. The earliest letter of Paul is First Thessalonians (50-51); the last letter is either Romans or Philemon (written sometime between 58 and 60).

By any estimation, Paul was a formidable personality. He argued persuasively with the well-known early Christian leaders, especially Peter and James, over the need to adapt the gospel of Jesus Christ to the gentiles (Galatians 2:11-14). He also had no trouble sternly reprimanding his communities whenever he thought they had strayed from the gospel he preached.

But he also loved his communities dearly and treated them as good parents treat their children. At one point he compares himself to a nursing mother: "But we were gently among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children" (1 Thessalonians 2:11). Elsewhere he calls himself their "father."

More important, Paul's letters contain tremendous insights into the spiritual life. Paul explicitly desired that his communities become "holy." He tells the Thessalonians outright, "For this is the will of God, your sanctification" (1 Thessalonians 4:3a). He reminds the Ephesians "to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness" (Ephesians 4:24). Holiness, he writes, is our destiny as Christians. Like all Jews of his day, Paul's understanding of holiness was not something people accomplish on their own. Rather, holiness meant becoming more and more Godlike.

Christians inherited this perspective. God is the only truly holy one. Our sanctity, our holiness, is sharing in God's holiness. True holiness comes about only by surrendering ourselves to God's will and to God's power.

Paul's world was quite diverse, multi-cultural and multilingual. In the following sections, we'll take a look at the variety of influences that shaped this great apostle: Judaism, Greek culture (called Hellenism) and the Roman empire. The first, and most important, is Judaism.

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Year of St. Paul 2008-2009

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This article will continue next week in the February 8th bulletin.