



# Holy Rosary Parish



3600 Travis Street - Houston, Texas 77002

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil - Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

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 may be used

Sunday during  
9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Masses  
in the Parish Center

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

## ROSARY

Recited weekdays at 5:00 p.m.  
Sat. & Sun. at 4:45 p.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Weekdays 15 minutes before  
all weekday Masses

## EVENING PRAYER

Weekdays after  
5:15 p.m. Mass in Sacristy

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays 12:45 - 5:00 p.m.  
Benediction 5:05 p.m.

## PRIESTS ON STAFF

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

## Adjunct Staff

Fr. William Brenda, O.P. Ext. 102  
Fr. Albert Moraczewski, O.P.  
Ext. 102

## In Residence:

Fr. James Burke, O.P.  
Fr. Austin Green, O.P.  
Priory 713-526-6322

## PARISH OFFICE

First Floor Parish Center  
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## Extensions:

101 - Parish Secretary  
105 - Director of Music  
108 - Parish Bookkeeper  
109 - Special Projects Secretary  
110 - Wedding Coordinator

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## MAILING ADDRESS

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## RELIGIOUS ED. CENTER

3535 Louisiana Street  
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Marisa Mendoza, D.R.E.

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (Second Scrutiny)

March 2, 2008

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK - Catholic Relief Services.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & CONVALESCENT** - Louise Bering, Denise Akeroyd Scanlin, Mary Willoughby, Marion Spiers, Robert Webster, Virginia Geaslin, Diana Rutkowski, Anne Green, Fr. Albert Moraczewski, O.P. and the Friars of Holy Rosary.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - There are no flowers on the altar during the Lenten season.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be celebrated on every **Wednesday during Lent** at 11:30 a.m. prior to 12:05 Mass. **Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence.

**FIRST FRIDAY is March 7th.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin after the 12:05 p.m. Mass and will conclude with the Benediction before the 5:15 p.m. Mass.

**FACE TO FACE CONFESSIONS** - Fr. Austin Green will be available to hear face-to-face confessions at 11:30 a.m. - 12:05 before the weekday noon Mass on **First Friday, March 7th** in the confessional before the Blessed Mother's altar.

**COFFEE AFTER MASS** will be served today, March 2nd, in the Parish Hall, Room 200. All are welcome. Please join your fellow parishioners for some social moments.

**HERE'S WHAT'S COOKING ... for March 5th, Hamburgers, French fries, dessert, coffee and tea,** will be served on Wednesday, after the 12:05 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall, Room 200. Welcome. **Please note that there will be no take-outs available for Wednesday lunches until further notice.**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - "The 3rd Annual University of St. Thomas, Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry will take place on Friday March 14th from 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. on the Crooker Patio (Rain Location: Jerebeck). The event will have fresh food, drinks, a silent auction, raffles and live entertainment. The UST Knights will be cooking all the fresh food themselves on site. The Catholic Daughters will be providing deserts and facilitating a silent auction. All proceeds of the event benefit Texas State Catholic Charities."

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** for teens are now underway but it is not too late to join the next class. Students must be in the 10th grade (or higher) by the time we next celebrate the sacrament - October of 2009. Please contact Marisa at 713- 526-4389 for more information.

**BIBLE STUDY** for young people who have already received the sacrament of Confirmation will begin in March. The study group will meet on the **1st and 3rd Sundays of the month** and the catechist will be Marisa Mendoza. The time will be after the 11:00 Mass, from 12:15 to 1:15 PM. Please make plans to join us!

**MOTHERS PLAYGROUP** - The playgroup will meet the First and Third Thursdays of the month in the Religious Education Building from 10-11:30. **The next dates are March 6, and March 20th.**

**2008 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES:** If you have not picked up your 2008 envelopes, **they will be in the Parish Hall, room 200, after the Sunday morning Masses.** Please note that if you use loose checks please put your envelope number in the memo line of the check to ensure that you are given credit for your contribution.

**DO YOU NEED YOUR 2007 ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT?** - Please call the parish office, 713-529-4854 ext. 109 or drop by during parish office hours, Monday - Friday, 9:30 - 4:30. We will mail your statement if requested.

**"CATHOLIC LIFE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE":** A 15-minute radio program, hosted by Fr. Austin Green, O.P., is aired every Sunday morning at 5:30a.m. (KWWJ-AM, 1360, Baytown) & 6:45 a.m. (KYOK-AM, 1140, Conroe). March 9th topic, *I am the resurrection and the life.* (Jn. 11).

**FIRST FRIDAY FORUM**—Wednesday, March 5th, 8:00 p.m. UST—Crooker Center—Ahern Room. Topic—The Wall That Divides by Jay J. Johnson-Castro, Sr. Mr. Johnson-Castro will update us on events in the Rio Grande Valley, the Wall, the Don Hutto detention center and the status of our immigration policy.

**2008 Diocesan Services Fund** - Thank you for answering the call to *Reach All People* through your commitment to this year's Diocesan Services fund. Remember that no gift is too small. If you have not yet responded, we urge you to consider offering your commitment at this time. Each gift helps. With every parishioner's meaningful participation, we will succeed in reaching our goal of \$111,522.00 and provide hope and help for those among us who are most in need. If you prefer to donate on line, visit [www.archdiogh.org/dsf](http://www.archdiogh.org/dsf).

# BENEDICT XVI

## ANGELUS

*St Peter's Square  
Fourth Sunday of Lent, 18 March 2007*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

I have just returned from Casal del Marmo, the reformatory for minors in Rome, where I went to visit on this Fourth Sunday of Lent, in Latin called *Laetare* Sunday, that is, "Rejoice", from the first word of the entrance antiphon in the liturgy of Mass.

The liturgy today invites us to rejoice because Easter, the day of Christ's victory over sin and death, is approaching. But where is the source of Christian joy to be found if not in the Eucharist, which Christ left us as spiritual Food while we are pilgrims on this earth?

The Eucharist nurtures in believers of every epoch that deep joy which makes us one with love and peace and originates from communion with God and with our brothers and sisters.

Last Tuesday the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation [\*Sacramentum Caritatis\*](#) was presented. Its theme, precisely, is the Eucharist, the source and summit of the Church's life and mission. I wrote it gathering the fruits of the [11th General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops](#), which took place in the Vatican in October 2005.

I mean to return to this important text, but I want to emphasize from this moment that it is an expression of the universal Church's faith in the Eucharistic Mystery and is in continuity with the [Second Vatican Council](#) and the Magisterium of my venerable Predecessors, Paul VI and John Paul II.

In this Document, I wanted among other things to highlight its connection with the Encyclical [\*Deus Caritas Est\*](#): that is why I chose as its title [\*Sacramentum Caritatis\*](#), taking up St Thomas Aquinas' beautiful definition of the Eucharist (cf. *Summa Th.* III, q. 73, a. 3, ad 3), the "Sacrament of charity". Yes, in the Eucharist Christ wanted to give us *his* love, which impelled him to offer his life for us on the Cross. At the Last Supper, in washing the disciples' feet, Jesus left us the commandment of love: "even as I have loved you, that you also love one another" (Jn 13: 34).

However, since this is only possible by remaining united to him like branches to the vine (cf. Jn 15: 1-8), he chose to remain with us himself in the Eucharist so that we could *remain in him*.

When, therefore, we nourish ourselves with faith on his Body and Blood, his love passes into us and makes us capable in turn of laying down our lives for our brethren (cf. I Jn 3: 16) and not to grasp it for ourselves. From this flows Christian joy, the joy of love and the joy to be loved.

Mary is the "Woman of the Eucharist" par excellence, a masterpiece of divine grace: the love of God has made her immaculate, "holy and blameless before him" (cf. Eph 1: 4).

At her side, as Custodian of the Redeemer, God placed St Joseph, whose liturgical Solemnity we will be celebrating tomorrow. I invoke this great Saint, my Patron, in particular so that by believing, celebrating and living the Eucharistic Mystery with faith, the People of God will be pervaded by Christ's love and spread its fruits of joy and peace to all humanity.

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### **After the Angelus:**

I extend warm greetings to all the English-speaking pilgrims gathered for today's Angelus. Continuing our journey towards the Paschal feast, we are reminded in this Sunday's Gospel of the heavenly Father's boundless love. May the riches of his infinite mercy fill you with peace and joy this Lenten season. Upon you and your families I invoke God's abundant blessings.

I wish you all a good Sunday!