



# HOLY ROSARY PARISH

## PRIORY OF THE DOMINICAN FRIARS

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### 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

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

12:05 p.m. Monday – Saturday  
5:15 p.m. Monday – Friday

### TIME OUT ROOM

Available in the parish office building during the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses

### ROSARY

4:50 p.m. Monday-Friday  
4:40 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

12:45-5:00 p.m. Fridays with benediction at 5:05 p.m.

### BAPTISMS

Please call parish office at ext. 101 for arrangements.

### RECONCILIATION

4:00–5:00 p.m. Saturdays  
Twenty minutes before each weekday Mass

### MARRIAGES

Please call the wedding coordinator at ext. 110 at least eight months in advance.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office for the sick who are at home or in the hospital.

### PRIESTS ON STAFF

Fr. Ian Bordenave, O.P. Ext. 107  
*Pastor*  
Fr. Isidore Vicente, O.P. Ext. 104  
*Parochial Vicar*  
Fr. Juan Torres, O.P. Ext. 103  
*Parochial Vicar*

Fr. Anthony Hung Tran, O.P.  
*Chaplain to the Vietnamese Community*

### IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Arthur R. Kirwin, O.P., *Prior*  
Fr. Victor Brown, O.P., *Pastor Emeritus*  
Fr. Joseph Konkel, O.P., *Pastor Emeritus*  
Fr. François Pouliot, O.P.  
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### 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

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### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTER

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

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Please contact the parish office if you wish to register, if your contact information has changed, or if you wish to remove your registration.

## A Message from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Representatives from the U.S. Census Bureau and from Catholic Charities have contacted me, asking me to emphasize to you, the parishioners, the importance of participating in the 2010 U.S. Census, which will begin to be taken this month.

The U.S. Census will have an enormous impact on the life of our country over the next ten years. The information gained from this census, like past censuses, will be used to determine representation at the local, state, and federal government levels and to direct more than \$400 billion in annual federal funds across the United States according to population size. Private industries will also use U.S. Census information to determine whether it will be advantageous to them to open new businesses in a given area. There are still many other ways in which the information will be used. One way, however, that it will not be used will be to target individuals for law enforcement action. It is a federal crime to do so.

The 2010 U.S. Census will begin to arrive in people's mailboxes across America shortly. The head of each household should carefully complete the census and mail it back to the U.S. Census Bureau no later than April 1, 2010. If you do so, the bureau will probably not contact you further. If you do not, you will receive repeated mailings from the bureau attempting to get you to complete the census. If you fail to respond to these, the bureau will finally send a census taker to your residence to obtain your completed census. It is everyone's best interest to complete the census promptly and accurately. It is estimated that the Houston metropolitan area lost \$250 million as a result of 30% percent of its residents not being properly counted in the 2000 Census. Let us not make the same mistake twice: stand up and be counted!

Inserted in today's bulletin are questions and answers pertaining to the 2010 Census. Please take time to read them. Thank you!

*Fr. Ian*

**NEXT SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION, March 14: *Catholic Relief Services***

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** *Fr. Isidore Vicente, O.P., Dorothy Daley, Brian Geaslin Sr., Catherine Gilvary, Kirk Wheeler, Peter Kirwin, Marvin Kurtzman, Gloria Stephen, Jean Ried, Virginia Navarro, Fr. Austin Green, O.P., Brian Benson, Fr. Bruce Noble, Fr. David Noble, Darryl Garrels, Bob Reeder, Toni Christopher, Jesse Doucette, Howard Van Zandt, Queta Freeman, and Mary Ann Chambers.*

**IN MEMORIAM:** Please remember in your prayers Mary Willoughby, a parishioner, who died this past week. May she rest in peace.

**WHAT'S COOKING, March 10:** Salmon cakes, sour cream potatoes, salad, dessert, tea, and coffee. Wednesday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass in the parish hall, Room 200.

**LENT** is a penitential season, and therefore, the Catholic Church highly encourages the faithful to make use of religious practices such as daily Mass, confession, the Stations of the Cross, works of charity and justice, and acts of self-denial to foster their spiritual growth.

**FASTING:** The Church obligates all Catholics ages 18 to 59, unless prevented by poor health, to fast on **Ash Wednesday, February 17, and Good Friday, April 2.** To fast means to eat no more than one full meal and two smaller meals, which taken together do not equal the one full meal, within a 24-hour period.

**ABSTINENCE:** All Catholics age 14 and older are to refrain from eating meat and foods prepared from meat such as sauces, gravies, and soup from meat stock on **Ash Wednesday, Lenten Fridays, and Good Friday.**

**THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be prayed on the Wednesdays of Lent at 11:30 a.m. before the 12:05 p.m. Mass and **now also on the Fridays of Lent immediately after the 5:15 p.m. Mass.**

**LENTEN PRESENTATIONS:** Father Ian will give a presentation on "Sin" this coming Tuesday, March 9, and another presentation on "How to Go to Confession" on Tuesday, March 23. Both presentations will take place in the parish hall at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE:** Christians throughout Houston are invited to take part in the national 40 Days for Life effort from February 17 through March 28. 40 Days for Life involves peaceful prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Please consider volunteering to pray outside of the Planned Parenthood (located at 3601 Fannin) for one or more hours each week during the 40 days. Due to people like yourselves being God's instruments of love and life, dozens of abortion-minded women have changed their minds and chosen life right here in Houston. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Christine or Suzanne at 713-395-1330 or at [kaspar@houstoncoalition.com](mailto:kaspar@houstoncoalition.com). All are welcome!

**HOLY ROSARY'S DAY:** This Thursday, March 11, is Holy Rosary's day to sponsor a day of prayerful presence from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Planned Parenthood. Please sign up to stand and pray that the innocent lives of the unborn may be saved and that those involved in Planned Parenthood may experience a conversion of heart. For those who can't come to pray at Planned Parenthood but would like to participate, please commit to praying where you are in unity with those at the facility. Sign up sheets for both will be available in the foyer this weekend, or please contact Cindy Hotze at 713-665-0479 or at [cahotze@at.net](mailto:cahotze@at.net).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** The Knights will serve pancakes and sausages after the morning Masses next Sunday, March 14. Come and enjoy a delicious Sunday breakfast in the parish hall.

**THE QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY GROUP OF LAY DOMINICANS** will meet next Sunday, March 14, at 2 p.m. in the Religious Education Center at 3535 Louisiana St.

**A NOTE FROM FR. VICENTE**

Dear Parishioners,

I will see a doctor on Tuesday, March 23, to learn more about the cancerous, ulcerated tumor found in my mouth at the base of my tongue. Doctors at M. D. Anderson will do tests for three to five days and from there determine a course of action to follow. I am doing fairly well, considering, and I ask everyone for his or her prayers. I am able to do small things that do not require a lot of public speaking. I have some pain and discomfort, but I am otherwise well. I am staying at Holy Rosary Priory, reading, praying, and adjusting. I may not be able to answer phone calls or emails, but I would welcome prayer cards. A simple daily prayer for my healing is already a gift. Many thanks to you for your concern and love! With God's grace, I hope and pray I may be able to return to public ministry at Holy Rosary soon. Thank you, *Fr. Vicente*

**SANCTUARY LIGHT:** Harry Preston donated the sanctuary light for the tabernacle in honor of Noelle Holtz's one hundredth birthday on January 28, 2010.

**WANTED: COLLECTION COUNTERS.** Holy Rosary Parish needs four more people to help count the parish's collections once a month on Mondays from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. If you can help, please contact the parish office or tell Fr. Ian, the pastor.

**LECTURE ON GAUDI'S SAGRADA FAMILIA CHURCH IN BARCELONA, SPAIN:** Wednesday, March 10, at 6:30 p.m. in University of St. Thomas' Cullen Hall at 4001 Mt. Vernon. The event is free and open to the public. Event flyers can be found in the church vestibule.

**TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC CONCERT:** Wednesday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. Jones Hall, 3910 Yoakum, University of St. Thomas Center for Irish Studies. Adult Ticket Price: \$15. Students: free with ID. First-come, first-served. Parking available for \$2 in Moran Center, Graustark and West Alabama. For more information, contact Lori Gallagher at 713-525-3592.

**OCEANS OF FUN:** Kick up your heels to Ned Battista's "Swing & Dance" sound, vie for a one-of-a-kind auction item, and raise a glass to the Port Ministry of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston on Thursday, May 6, 2010, at the Houstonian. The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Southern Dominican Awards Gala promises an ocean of fun, food, and fellowship as it celebrates the province's 97th year of faithful service to the Houston community. The gala committee welcomes your support of this special event as an underwriter, table sponsor, ticket purchaser, or auction donor. For further information, please contact Carole Kelley, ckelley@holyroaryparish.org or 713-529-4854, ext. 109.

**SOUTHERN DOMINICAN GALA'S WINE AUCTION:** Fr. Juan Torres, O.P., is requesting monetary donations towards this year's Southern Dominican Gala's Wine Auction. Please make checks payable to "Southern Dominican Gala" (in the memo area of check, please write "wine") and mail them to the parish office, Attention: Fr. Juan Torres, O.P. All contributions are greatly appreciated and tax deductible. The gala will offer wonderful auction items and fine wines!!

**Collections for February 28, 2010**

Regular Collection	\$17,983.92
237 Envelopes Submitted Out of 943 Households; Percentage 26%	
2009-10 Regular Collections YTD (7/1/09-6/30/10)	\$599,468.79
2009-10 Fiscal Budget YTD	\$572,250.00
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$27,218.79</b>
Black and Indian Missions	\$240.00
Candle Offerings	\$216.31

Liturgical Calendar for the Week of  
March 7, 2010

<b>7 Sun</b>	<b>3rd SUNDAY OF LENT</b> Ex 3:1-8a,13-15/ 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12/ Lk 13:1-9
8:00	James St. Julian ☩
9:30	Josephine Pumilia ☩
11:00	Lyle Spiering ☩
12:30	For the People of the Parish
5:00	Pete Cordova and Ampro Cordova ☩
<b>8 Mon</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/ Lk 4:24-30 - <i>St. John of God, religious</i>
12:05	Dr. James Considine ☩
5:15	Maria Kim ☩
<b>9 Tue</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Dn 3:25,34-43/ Mt 18:21-35 - <i>St. Frances of Rome, religious</i>
12:05	Mario Smith ☩
5:15	Jerry Vandeenboom ☩
<b>10 Wed</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Dt 4:1,5-9/ Mt 5:17-19
12:05	George Goloby ☩
5:15	Joseph Youn ☩
<b>11 Thu</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Jer 7:23-28/ Lk 11:14-23
12:05	Bill Edmundson ☩
5:15	Maria Kim ☩
<b>12 Fri</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Hos 14:2-10/ Mk 12:28-34
12:05	Catherine Groff
5:15	Alberto and Edith Supelano ☩
<b>13 Sat</b>	<b>Lenten Weekday</b> Hos 6:1-6/ Lk 18:9-14
12:05	C. J. Flanagan Jr. ☩
5:15	Guy Alexander ☩
<b>14 Sun</b>	<b>4th SUNDAY OF LENT</b> Jos 5:9a,10-12/ 2 Cor 5:17-21/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

# On the Mendicant Orders

## “The Proposal of a ‘Lay Sanctity’ Won Many People”

*(Continued from last Sunday's bulletin, February 28, 2010)*

With an altogether original choice in the history of consecrated life, the members of these orders not only gave up possession of personal goods, as monks had since antiquity, but even wanted real estate and goods put in the name of the community. In this way they intended to give witness of an extremely sober life, to be in solidarity with the poor and trust only in Providence, to live every day by Providence, in trust, putting themselves in God's hands. This personal and community style of the Mendicant Orders, joined to total adherence to the teaching of the Church and her authority, was greatly appreciated by the Pontiffs of the time, such as Innocent III and Honorius III, who gave their full support to these new ecclesial experiences, recognizing in them the voice of the Spirit.

And fruits were not lacking: The poor groups that had separated from the Church returned to ecclesial communion or, gradually, were re-dimensioned until they disappeared. Also today, though living in a society in which "having" often prevails over "being," there is great sensitivity to examples of poverty and solidarity, which believers give with courageous choices. Also today, similar initiatives are not lacking: movements, which really begin from the novelty of the Gospel and live it radically today, putting themselves in God's hands, to serve their neighbor. The world, as Paul VI recalled in "Evangelii Nuntiandi," willingly listens to teachers when they are also witnesses. This is a lesson that must never be forgotten in the endeavor of spreading the Gospel: to live first of all what is proclaimed, to be a mirror of divine charity.

Franciscans and Dominicans were witnesses, but also teachers. In fact, another widespread need in their time was that of religious instruction. Not a few lay faithful, who lived in greatly expanding cities, wished to practice a spiritually intense Christian life. Hence they sought to deepen their knowledge of the faith and to be guided in the arduous but exciting path of holiness. Happily, the Mendicant Orders were also able to meet this need: the proclamation of the Gospel in simplicity and in its depth and greatness was one objective, perhaps the main objective of this movement. In fact, with great zeal they dedicated themselves to preaching. The faithful were very numerous, often real and veritable crowds, which gathered to hear the preachers in the churches and in places outdoors -- let us think of St. Anthony, for example. They dealt with themes close to the life of the people, especially the practice of the theological and moral virtues, with concrete examples, easily understood. Moreover, they taught ways to nourish the life of prayer and piety. For example, the Franciscans greatly spread devotion to the humanity of Christ, with the commitment of imitating the Lord. Hence it is not surprising that the faithful were numerous, women and men, who chose to be supported in their Christian journey by the Franciscan and Dominican friars, sought after and appreciated spiritual directors and confessors.

Thus were born associations of lay faithful that were inspired by the spirituality of Sts. Francis and Dominic, adapted to their state of life. It was the Third Order, whether Franciscan or Dominican. In other words, the proposal of a "lay sanctity" won many people. As the Second Vatican Council recalled, the call to holiness is not reserved to some, but is universal (cf. "Lumen Gentium," 40). In every state of life, according to the needs of each, there is the possibility of living the Gospel. Also today every Christian must tend to the "lofty measure of Christian life," no matter what state of life he belongs to!

The importance of the Mendicant Orders grew so much in the Middle Ages that lay institutions, such as labor organizations, ancient corporations and even civil authorities, often took recourse to the spiritual consultation of members of such orders for the writing of their regulations and, at times, for the solution of internal and external opposition. The Franciscans and Dominicans became the spiritual leaders of the Medieval city. With great intuition, they put into practice a pastoral strategy adapted to the transformation of society. Because many people were moving from the countryside to the cities, they placed their monasteries no longer in rural but in urban areas. Moreover, to carry out their activity for the benefit of souls, it was necessary to move in keeping with pastoral needs.

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*The pope's address will be continued in next Sunday's bulletin, March 14, 2010.*