



# 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

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

### IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Victor Brown, O.P.  
Fr. James Burke, O.P.  
Fr. Austin Green, O.P.  
Fr. Ronald Henery, O.P.  
Fr. Arthur R. Kirwin, O.P.  
Priory Phone 713-526-6322

### 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](mailto: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:

As you know, the Southern Dominican Province community at Holy Rosary had a very successful fund-raising gala on May 7, 2009. This year, we honored the Catholic Correctional Ministries of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Part of the award presentation included reading a letter from Cardinal DiNardo which I would like to share with you. Please continue to support the Diocesan Services Fund which helps to finance this special ministry. Here is the Cardinal's letter:

"It is a pleasure to extend my blessings to you as you celebrate the 2009 St. Martin de Porres Awards dinner. Please accept my heartfelt prayers and personal best wishes on this wonderful occasion. I add my joy to that of the supporters of the Southern Dominican Friars as the parishioners, families and friends of Holy Rosary gather in order to share a lovely evening of dining and fellowship.

As St. Martin devoted his ministry to helping those most in need, it is fitting that the Catholic Correctional Ministries of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston be the recipients of this year's prestigious St. Martin de Porres Award. Fr. Ron Cloutier and his excellent staff work tirelessly to share the light of Christ with our incarcerated brothers and sisters. For their dedication and resolve, I am personally grateful and I offer my sincere congratulation.

Be assured of my blessing and prayers for this evening. I deeply appreciate the Dominican Friars' dedicated service to the Church and to this Archdiocese and I ask God's continued blessing upon you and the people you serve so well."

Fr. Konkel

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Mary Katharine McMillan, Dorothy Daley, Mary Willoughby, Brian Geaslin, Sr., Catherine Gilvary, Tony Stasney, Sam Tuminello and Ainsley Garza. Please remember in your prayers Joseph Akeroyd who passed away this past week.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Being a prayerful community we are anxious to pray for all who are ill. Names of parishioners will remain on the list for three months and may be extended as needed in serious cases. If you wish to have prayers for yourself or a loved one added on the sick and convalescent announcement in the bulletin, please contact the parish office, 713-529-4854 ext. 101. If the person you wish to have placed on the prayer list is not a parishioner their name will be placed for one month on the list. Also, at every Eucharist we pray for all who are in need, whether mentioned by name or not. Please remember in your prayers Margaret Bertram, parishioner, who died last week.

**COFFEE AFTER MASS** will be served today May 31st, in the Parish Hall, Room 200. All are welcome.

**WISHING OUR WEDNESDAY COOKS a much needed and well deserved vacation.** There will be no Wednesday lunches June, July or August. We will be able to enjoy their fine talents in September; look for future announcements.

**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](mailto: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, June 5<sup>th</sup> & First Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>** in the confessional before the Blessed Mother's altar. First Friday, 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. First Saturday, Fatima Devotions will be prayed at 11:30 a.m. before the 12:05 Mass. All are invited to attend.

**"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). June 7<sup>th</sup> topic, *History of holy days in the Church*.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR PARENTS:** The next Baptism Preparation Session for registered parents for Holy Rosary Parish will be presented by Fr. Isidore Vicente, O.P., **Saturday, June 13**, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the parish office building. Please call the parish office, 713-529-4854 ext. 101 to register with the secretary.

**FIRST COMMUNICANTS:** May God bless the First Communicants of Holy Rosary Parish Vietnamese Community for 2009: Justin Hoang Nguyen, Joshua Hien Tran, Peter Tuan Tran, Thomas Chau Tran-Nguyen, Phuong Ngoc Nguyen and Binh Quoc Nguyen.

**SAVE THE DATE – SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2009:** This day will be a parish Appreciation Sunday. Father Konkell will be available, so come up to the Parish Hall, room 200, and visit with him, as he will not be in town for his birthday on June 15, 2009. Celebrate with him, and the whole parish, as he prepares to enter a new position in the parish family. Please come after all Sunday morning Masses 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (Latin), 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Have breakfast, stay for brunch, or have a bite of lunch depending on your favorite Mass.

**NEW MONTHLY MEETING DAY FOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The Knights of Columbus Council 11023 has changed their meeting date. Beginning in June 2009, the Knights will be meeting on the second Saturday of each month in the Religious Education Center. Please update your calendars.

**CATHECHISTS NEEDED FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR:** As we complete the year's religious studies, we find that we will need new catechists for the coming school year. What is required to be a catechist at Holy Rosary parish? You must be a practicing Catholic who can participate in the sacraments of the Church, have a desire to pass on authentic and orthodox teaching to young children or teenagers, be willing to work towards your catechist's certification by taking at least one or two classes a year, and submit to a background check and VIRTUS training (takes about 3 hours). We can provide some of the training at Holy Rosary. Please pray about this for yourself or mention it to someone who might be interested. We would love to hear from you. Call the parish office or write Marisa Mendoza, DRE, at [Jmymarisa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Jmymarisa@sbcglobal.net).

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS:** Please call Mary at the parish office (713-529-4854 ext. 101) if you, or someone you know, would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring you the Eucharist because you are not able to be present with the community on Sundays.

**RESPECT FOR LIFE:** Houston Coalition for Life addresses pro-life issues in a peaceful manner through sidewalk counseling and prayerful presence at abortion clinics. Our parish will be sponsoring a monthly day of prayerful presence at the Planned Parenthood facility on Fannin. The organization will host an information session in the parish hall this Sunday, Mary 31<sup>st</sup> after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Other opportunities for involvement in additional pro-life issues will also be discussed. If you can't make it, please contact Cindy Hotze, 713-665-0479 or [cahotze@att.net](mailto:cahotze@att.net) or Marcia Potempa, 713-592-0390 with questions or suggestions.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, June 1** – Reading I (1 Corinthians 1:18-25) Psalm – 34, Gospel (Matthew 5:13-19)

**Tuesday, June 2** – Reading I (Tobit 2:9-14) Psalm 112:1-2, 7-8, 9, Gospel (Mark 12:13-17)

**Wednesday, June 3** – Reading I (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14) Psalm – 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9, Gospel (Matthew 5:1-12a)

**Thursday, June 4** – Reading I (Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17: 8:4-9a) Psalm – 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, Gospel (Mark 12:28-34)

**Friday, June 5** – Reading I (Acts of the Apostles 26:19-23) Psalm – 117, Gospel (Mark 12:35-37)

**Saturday, June 6** – Reading I (Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20) Psalm - Tobit 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8, Gospel Mark 12:38-44)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Week of May 31, 2009

**Sunday**

8:00 a.m. Dr. James Considine †  
 9:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish  
 11:00 a.m. Sophie Althmer Lang †  
 12:30 p.m. Fr. William Brenda, O.P. †  
 5:00 p.m. Georgia Woodson †

**Monday**

12:05 p.m. Elizabeth & Christian Groff  
 5:15 p.m. Daniel Bellmore †

**Tuesday**

12:05 p.m. Kevin Rogers †  
 5:15 p.m. Dolores Nee †

**Wednesday**

12:05 p.m. Beatrice Ann Konkell Seliger †  
 5:15 p.m. Joseph Akeroyd †

**Thursday**

12:05 p.m. Tony Stasney  
 5:15 p.m. Sam Tuminello

**Friday**

12:05 p.m. Francis Weiland †  
 5:15 p.m. Katrina and Mark McDonald

**Saturday**

12:05 p.m. Ted Groff  
 5:00 p.m. Frank Alexander

† Mass said for the repose of the soul.

**CATHOLIC DAILY MESSAGE**

713-529-4449

## June Conferences Honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Pentecost, May 31, 2009:

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life.*

Every Sunday at Mass as you say the Nicene Creed you profess belief in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life. This is not like reciting a grocery list but rather is a statement of the truths of faith which guide your life. The Holy Spirit is 'Lord of Life' because he is the third person of the Blessed Trinity, equally God with the Father and the Son, the expression of the infinite and eternal love and life shared by them. He is also the 'Giver of Life.' Precisely because he is the expression of God's love, he gives life to all things that exist outside of God. It is truly said, 'God loves us into existence' and the expression of that love is the Holy Spirit, who gives life and breath to every creature but especially to humans for we are made in God's image.

Today, Pentecost, is the feast of the Holy Spirit, poured out upon the apostles, disciples, holy women and Mary, the mother of Jesus. He appeared as a tongue of fire on the head of each, symbolizing the fire of God's love at work in each so as to proclaim in all languages the marvelous works of God, accomplished through Jesus Christ.

It is this same Holy Spirit given to each of you at baptism and which continues to live in you through your faith and love, for He is the Spirit of truth who will guide you to all truth. He is the gift of God's love, given to each so as to proclaim in all languages the marvelous works of God, accomplished through Jesus Christ.

Try to live by this Spirit and not gratify the desires of your flesh. St. Paul warns you, 'The flesh lusts against the spirit, and the spirit opposes the flesh.' He gives examples of how our lower passions oppose our high desires and lead to 'works of the flesh' such as immorality, impurity, lust, hatreds, jealousy, outbursts of fury, drinking bouts, orgies and the like. Those whose whole lives are lived in this way will not inherit the kingdom of God. In contrast, the works done under the influence of the Holy Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, self-control. Paul urges you to 'crucify' your flesh, that is, go against its passions and sensuality. Pay attention to the inner urgings of the Holy Spirit and follow those urgings. True, this means you will always be engaged in spiritual combat, but take courage. The Holy Spirit who lives within you is far stronger than the urgings of your lower passions. Yet He needs your daily cooperation in a spirit of prayer and humility, trusting more in God's help than in your own efforts. Here is a strong prayer:

*Heart of Jesus, I trust in you.*