



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

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
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PARISH OFFICE

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SOLEMNITY OF S. S. PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES

June 29, 2008

A special Jubilee year for St. Paul, Apostle - June 28th, 2008 - June 29th, 2009. *Pauline Year.*

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY-PETER'S PENCE

How you can help-

Pray-Please pray for the Holy Father, asking for God's blessing on his mission of justice and peace for all, and for a generous response by the faithful to the Peter's Pence Collection.

Give-Prayerfully consider increasing your offering to your parish collection to help build a better world for those most in need. Perhaps you could give one hour's or one day's wage.

JULY 4TH - The parish office will be closed on Friday, July 4th and there will be only one Mass at 10:00 A.M on this day.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Kathleen McEvoy, Louise Bering, Denise Akeroyd Scanlin, Mary Willoughby, Marion Spiers, Earley Magnuson, Brian and Virginia Geaslin, Bonnie and James St. Julian and the Friars of Holy Rosary.

FACE TO FACE CONFESSIONS - Fr. Austin Green will be available to hear face to face confessions at 9:30 a.m. before the 10:00 Mass on **First Friday, July 4, there will be no Benediction on this day.** He will hear confessions on **First Saturday, July 5,** in the confessional before the Blessed Mother's altar. **FIRST SATURDAY is July 5.** Fatima Devotions will be prayed at 11:30 am before the 12:05 Mass. All are invited to attend.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given today by Julia Anderson Frankel in memory of her parents.

COFFEE AFTER MASS will be served today, June 29th, in the Parish Hall, Room 200. All are welcome. Please join your fellow parishioners for some social moments.

WHAT'S COOKING: Just a reminder that the Wednesday lunches will resume the first Wednesday in September and the cost will be \$4.00 a person.

DID YOU KNOW? How the words "UNDER GOD" came to be added to the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States originated on Columbus Day 1892. It contained no reference to Almighty God, until in New York City on April 22, 1951, The Directors of the **Knights of Columbus** adopted a resolution to amend the Pledge of Allegiance as recited at the opening of each of the meetings of the 800 **Fourth Degree Assemblies** of the Knights of Columbus by the addition of the words "**under God**" after the words "one nation". The adoption of this resolution by the Supreme Board of Directors caused the immediate initiation of this practice at all Fourth Degree Assembly meetings.

At its annual meeting in 1953, the Knights of Columbus repeated its resolution to make this amendment to the Pledge of Allegiance general and to send copies of this resolve to the **President, Vice President, Speaker of the House and to each member of both Houses of Congress.** From this latter action, many favorable replies were received, and a total of seventeen resolutions were introduced in the House of Representatives to so amend the Pledge of Allegiance as set forth in the Public Law relating to the use of the Flag.

A resolution introduced by **Congressman Louis C. Rabaut of Michigan** was adopted by both Houses of Congress, and it was signed by President Eisenhower on **Flag Day, June 14, 1954,** thereby making official the amendment conceived, sponsored, and put into practice by the Knights of Columbus more than three years before.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS - "Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. And give us peace. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen." Anonymous.

"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). July 6th, "*Learn of me for I am meek and humble of heart.*"

2009 ENVELOPES: Just a reminder, envelopes that are not used or have not been picked up (as of this date we have 100 boxes of envelopes that have not been picked up) **will not** have 2009 envelopes printed for those persons who haven't picked up their 2008 envelopes. The envelopes are outside Room 200 in the Parish Hall.

FATHER VICENTE will be on vacation until the end of July. Baptism Preparation Session for Registered Parents of Holy Rosary Parish will be **tentatively the second Saturday in August.** Please call the office to register, 713-529-4854 ext. 101 after July 21st.

Pauline Year

An Invitation from Pope Benedict XVI

‘I’m pleased to officially announce that we will dedicate a special Jubilee year to the Apostle Paul.,
June 28th, 2008 to June 29th, 2009
To mark the bi-millennium of his birth!’

A Jubilee Year

Pope Benedict XVI in the Basilica on Via Ostiense

Celebrating vespers in St. Paul’s Basilica, Pope Benedict affirms that dedication to the bi-millennium of the birth of the Apostle, the year will be celebrated with pilgrimages, as well as with liturgical and cultural events.

Rome (AsiaNews) - The Pauline Year, which Pope Benedict XVI proclaimed today, will have a particular ecumenical dimension and will follow the example of the Apostle of the Gentiles, showing in a special way that ‘the action of the Church is credible and effective only in as far as those who are part of her are prepared to pay in person for their faith in Christ in every situation.’ It is that witness, which united Paul and Peter right up until their martyrdom, that the Pope recalled this afternoon in the Roman Basilica dedicated to the Apostle of the Gentiles during the celebration of the first vespers for the solemnity of St. Peter and St. Paul

Designed to celebrate the bi-millennium of the birth of St. Paul, which historians place between the years 7 and 10 AD, the Pauline Year, in the words of the Pope, will include **‘a series of liturgical, cultural and ecumenical events, as well as various pastoral and social initiatives,** all inspired by Pauline ‘spirituality’ to take place between June 28th, 2008 and June 29th, 2009. **‘Seminars and special publications on the Pauline texts will also be prepared in order to make better known the great wealth of teaching they contain, a true patrimony of humanity redeemed in Christ.** Furthermore, in all parts of the world, similar initiatives can be organized in dioceses, shrines and places of worship by religious institutions, by social or educational institutes bearing the name of St. Paul or inspired by his character and teaching.’

‘Finally,’ the Pope added, ‘there is one particular aspect to which careful attention must be paid during the various celebrations of this bi-millennium of Paul’s birth: I am referring to the ecumenical dimension. **The Apostle of the Gentiles, who was particularly committed to bringing the Good News to all people, gave everything he had for unity and harmony among all Christians.** May he guide and protect us in this bi-millennium celebration, helping us to go forward in the humble and sincere search for full unity between all the members of the mystical body of Christ.’

As if to give a concrete vision of that desire for unity, a delegation from the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople, sent by Bartholomew 1st, was also on hand to hear Pope Benedict’s words. The Orthodox delegation was in Rome following on from an exchange visit of a Holy See delegation to Istanbul to mark the feast of St. Andrea, considered the founder of the Orthodox Church. **‘These encounters and initiatives,’ the Pope said, ‘are not merely a courteous exchange between the Churches, but instead they wish to express our common commitment to do everything in our power to increase the momentum towards full communion between Christians of the East and the West.’** ‘This basilica, which has witnessed significant ecumenical events,’ Pope Benedict added, ‘reminds us how important it is to pray together to implore the gift of unity, that same unity for which St. Peter and St. Paul gave of themselves completely, right up to the supreme sacrifice of their lives.’

ST. PAUL’S CHAIN ON DISPLAY NEXT TO HIS TOMB

The surviving links of the chain that, according to age old tradition, held St. Paul as a prisoner here in Rome between 61 and 63 AD until the successful outcome of his trial, are now on display in an illuminated and decorative display case near the Apostle’s tomb in the Papal Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls. In this way, what is regarded as the most important relic of the Apostle of the Gentiles can be more easily venerated than in past years by the thousands of pilgrims and faithful who come to the Basilica every day. The chain was previously kept in a gold and crystal ciborium in the chapel of the Benedictine Abbey together with other relics of the saint. The decision to give it greater visibility on the ‘Confessio’ altar under the baldacchino by Arnolfo di Cambio was taken by the Archpriest of the Basilica, Cardinal Andrea de Montezemolo to mark the Pauline Year which will be inaugurated by Pope Benedict XVI on June 28th. The relocation of the relic in the Basilica was carried out by the Benedictine Abbot, Fr. Edmund Power, while the Cardinal placed it into its bronze case with a crystal viewing window. Arranged on a silk background, you can now see all nine links of the chain with two enlarged Roman coins at the ends - ‘sesterces’ with effigies of the Emperor Nero to recall that St. Paul was kept prisoner and martyred under him. The display case, commissioned by Cardinal de Montezemolo, was designed by distinguished Italian sculptor Guido Veroi, who also made the panels for the Pauline Door, as well as a commemorative medal for the Pauline Year and a coin for the Vatican City State to celebrate the bi-millennium of St. Paul’s birth.

It was St. John Chrysostom who was among the first to bear witness to the tradition of venerating St. Paul’s chain. Every year during the liturgical celebration of the solemnity of St. Paul on June 29th, the chain is carried in procession around the Basilica by the Abbot of St. Paul Outside the Walls. Over recent years this procession has taken on an ecumenical dimension through the participation of many Orthodox and Protestant Christians.

The above excerpts and information were taken from the Vatican website www.annopaulino.org/interno.asp. To learn more about St. Paul and the Pauline Year please visit this website.