



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. 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. James Burke, O.P.
Fr. Austin Green, O.P.
Fr. Ronald Henery, O.P.
Fr. Joseph Konkell, O.P., *Pastor Emeritus*
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

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:

I wrote in my column for last Sunday's bulletin about writing in this Sunday's bulletin on guidelines for contributing financially to one's parish. The information I have to present to you comes from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' document entitled *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*, which was published in 2002 on the tenth anniversary of the original document under the same name. Here are some things the bishops say about stewardship:

1. All Christian stewards should prayerfully consider what gifts God has given to them and decide what return they will make to the Lord as a matter of "firstfruits" rather than "leftovers" after other obligations have been met.
2. One's stewardship should be planned, proportionate, and sacrificial. It should tend toward maximum giving, out of a desire to follow the Lord and to give him thanks, rather than toward a minimal giving that is borne out of selfishness.
3. Once Christian stewards decide what return they will make to the Lord in terms of their time, talent, and treasure, it is normally accepted that one half of this total amount would go to one's parish and the other half would go to any worthwhile (I would say "moral") religious, educational, or charitable endeavor. Contributions to second collections intended for the benefit of an entity other than one's parish can be considered all or part of this other half.
4. The bishops shy away from using the term "tithing" (the biblical concept of giving back to God 10% of one's income) in relation to stewardship. Instead, they promote giving according to one's means. In hard times, this might mean giving much less than 10%; in bountiful times, it might mean giving much more than 10%.

Fr. Ian

Collections for September 13, 2009

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| First Collection | \$17,087.00 |
| 188 Envelopes Submitted Out of 914 Households; Percentage 21% | |
| 2009-10 First Collections YTD (7/1/09-6/30/10) | \$182,827.00 |
| 2009-10 Fiscal Budget YTD | \$179,850.00 |
| Difference | \$2,977.00 |
| September Utility Offerings | \$1,097.00 |
| Votives (Candles) | <i>Not Available At This Time</i> |
| Last Sunday Second Collection | Catholic University of America - University of St. Thomas \$4,474.00 |

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: *Mary Katharine McMillan, Dorothy Daley, Mary Willoughby, Brian Geaslin Sr., Catherine Gilvary, Kirk Wheeler, Tony Stasney, Peter Kirwin, Marvin Kurtzman, Pete Scanlin, Gloria Stephen, Jean Ried and Brian Benson.*

K of C PANCAKE BREAKFAST - The Knights of Columbus will be having a pancake breakfast on **today, Sunday, September 20**, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish hall, room 200. All are invited.

COFFEE AFTER MASS will be served today September 20, in the Parish Hall, Room 200. All are welcome.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the Divine Mercy. Please keep the donor in your prayers.

WHAT'S COOKING: September 23- *Stroganoff with noodles, corn, Cole slaw 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, please do not have bills larger than \$10.00.
Thanks.

"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.)
September 27th topic, "Whoever is not against us is for us." Mark 9

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS will begin again soon at Holy Rosary. If you or someone you know is interested in converting to Catholicism or has never been baptized, please contact Marisa Mendoza in the parish office. This formation is also available to Catholics who were baptized but not catechized nor received the sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation. Thank you for evangelizing and passing this information on to your family and friends. Contact email: Jmimarisa@sbcglobal.net

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES will begin **TODAY Sunday, September 20**.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following parishioners who received the sacrament of Confirmation yesterday with Bishop Vincent M. Rizzotto: Victoria Aquila, Nicolaus Dulworth, Phillip Hotze, Alexander Hotze, Leo Linbeck and Ashlie Marie Molbeck. May the Holy Spirit guide and bless them as they complete their initiation in the Catholic faith.

SAUERKRAUT BALLS AND OKTOBERFEST: Fall is almost here. Sauerkraut balls will be prepared and available for \$1 each. Orders may be placed by the dozen or half dozen. Please contact either Rose Ann Lauer at 713-686-0985 or rjoselauer@aol.com or Sharyn Sporar at 713-869-5957 or sharynsporar@att.net with your order for sauerkraut balls.

Remember to include your name and phone number and the amount of sauerkraut balls in your message. Orders may be picked up at the annual Holy Rosary Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 4 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Come join the annual Holy Rosary Oktoberfest in the parish hall, room 200. We will have a delicious menu with brats, sauerkraut balls, German potato salad, sweet and sour cabbage, bread, German chocolate cake along with drinks. All are welcome.

MARKET DAY - Our annual parish Market Day will be held in November. Drop-off dates and locations for donations to be sold will be announced in later bulletins. This sale is a treasure hunt, not a garage sale. Now is the time to start looking through the attic, the top shelf of closets, etc. for treasures in good condition that probably won't be used and can generate funds for parish needs in addition to providing someone else a treasure that normally would not be purchased. We are looking for jewelry, art, toys, men's accessories, ladies' accessories, religious goods, holiday decorations, home furnishings, antiques and collectibles, small appliances, and books, CDs, VCRs, and tapes.

MOTHER & DAUGHTER PROGRAM for 10-12 year old girls will be held Sunday, September 27, 2009. The program discusses sexuality and God's gift of human fertility. It will be held at the Chancery at St. Dominic Archdiocesan Center, 2403 Holcombe Blvd. The fee is \$20 per family and the registration deadline is 10 days prior to the program. For more information and/or to register, contact Family Life Ministry at lgarcia@archgh.org or 713-391-2631.

SUNDAY TV MASS for the Homebound 9:00 a.m. on KNWS, Channel 51. Also on cable and satellite TV. Check listings for KNWS.

Lord God, thank you for the gift of this new day and the promise it holds. As I strive to serve you through my work and my play, I pray that I may face each challenge with confidence, knowing that you are with me always. And if I forget that, Lord, please send your angels and saints with a reminder. Amen

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 21 – Reading I (Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13) Psalm – 19:5, Gospel (Matthew 9:9-13)

Tuesday, September 22 – Reading I (Book of Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20) Psalm 122:1, Gospel (Luke 8:19-21)

Wednesday, September 23 – Reading I (Book Ezra 9:5-9) Psalm – TB13:1b, Gospel (Luke 9:1-6)

Thursday, September 24 – Reading I (Book of the Prophet Haggai 1:1-8) Psalm – 149:4a, Gospel (Luke 9:7-9)

Friday, September 25 – Reading I (Book of the Prophet Haggai 2:1-9) Psalm –43:5, Gospel (Luke 9:18-22)

Saturday, September 26 – Reading I (Book of the Prophet Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a) Psalm – Jer (31):10d, Gospel (Luke 9:43b-45)

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of September 20, 2009

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Edna Colton †
- 9:30 a.m. William Dogherty †
- 11:00 a.m. Vereind Gonzalvo Demesal and Soledad Gonzalvo Perez †
- 12:30 p.m. For the People of the Parish
- 5:00 p.m. Betty James

Monday

- 12:05 p.m. Jerry and Wynonne Hart
- 5:15 p.m. Bob Elshner †

Tuesday

- 12:05 p.m. Sheri McNair
- 5:15 p.m. Jacqueline Goloby †

Wednesday

- 12:05 p.m. Dr. James Considine †
- 5:15 p.m. Maria Teresa Erbenstein

Thursday

- 12:05 p.m. Jimmie St. Julian †
- 5:15 p.m. Walter Elshner †

Friday

- 12:05 p.m. Malcolm R. Wilkey
- 5:15 p.m. Maria Ganayan

Saturday

- 12:05 p.m. Rev. Charles McCusker †
- 5:00 p.m. Bessie Palermo †

† Mass said for the repose of the soul.

CATHOLIC DAILY MESSAGE

713-529-4449

CONFERENCES FOR THE YEAR OF THE PRIEST:

1. The priest images the Heart of Christ.

Last June 19th, the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Pope Benedict XVI formally opened the Year for Priests, saying, "The Church needs priests who are holy ministers, who help the faithful experience the merciful love of the Lord, and who are convinced witnesses of that love." He also added a warning of "the terrible risk of damaging those we are obliged to save." The Pope, as a wise spiritual father, reminds priests of the greatness of their vocation as well as warning them of the dangers they must avoid. The year opened on the feast of the Sacred Heart because that day is dedicated to the sanctification of priests, and it is Pope Benedict's hope that by encouraging the personal devotion of priests to the Sacred Heart of Jesus that they in turn will have the grace to inspire in those to whom they minister a more ardent love of the Heart of Christ. That Sacred Heart is a symbol of Christ's human and divine love, his total love for all mankind. In sacred iconology that Heart of Christ is surmounted by flames of fire, a reminder that the love of Christ for us is not merely a passive love, but rather is a burning love, a love on fire with the ardent desire for the salvation of every man and woman on earth. To quote the Pope again from his homily during the opening Mass on June 19th, "The essential nucleus of Christianity is found in the Heart of Jesus: the saving love of God that invites us to step outside of ourselves and make ourselves a gift of love without reserve." He added, "God's heart throbs with compassion."

Previous to the feast itself there was an evening prayer service in St. Peter's Basilica, Rome, and thousands of priests packed the basilica. They took part in a procession which preceded the evening prayer service in which was carried a relic of the heart of St. John Vianney. The Pope stopped to pray in front of this relic, enclosed in a glass and gold reliquary. St. John Vianney, the holy French pastor of the 19th century, is the patron of this Year of the Priest, and in his opening remarks the Pope mentioned why, "St. John Vianney's heart was burning with divine love, a love that priests today need to imitate if they are to be effective pastors." It was Pope Pius XI who in 1929 officially declared St. Vianney, "The curé of Ars", to be the heavenly patron of all parish priests. That same pope issued an encyclical on the Catholic priesthood in 1935 in which he declared, "Sanctity (holiness) is the chief and most important endowment of the Catholic priest. Without it, other gifts will not go far; with it, even supposing other gifts to be meager, the priest can work marvels. We have the example of...the humble Curé d'Ars, St. John Mary Vianney, whom we have willed to set up before all parish priests as their model and heavenly patron." Expanding on the declaration of Pius XI, now Pope Benedict XVI has declared that St. John Mary Vianney is patron of ALL priests, not only parish priests but also all religious priests, priests teaching in high schools and colleges, priest-chaplains, priests on foreign missions, or wherever else Catholic priests may live and minister.

The day before the ceremony, the Pope issued a six-page letter, thanking God for the gifts that priests have given to the Church. While acknowledging the harm done by some priests, he hoped that priests would use the year to deepen their commitment to renewal for the sake of a more forceful and incisive witness to the gospel. To conclude the ceremony the pope held a monstrance with the Blessed Sacrament and blessed the assembly with the sign of the cross.