



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 Konkell, 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.
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Fr. James Burke, O.P.
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PARISH OFFICE

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110 - Wedding Coordinator

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 27, 2008

2008 DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND. The 2008 Diocesan Services Fund begins next weekend in every parish throughout the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Our theme - *The Eucharist Calls Us To Reach All People*. This week, all registered parishioners will receive a letter from Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, along with a personalized pledge card, inviting participation in this year's Diocesan Services Fund. Please complete the enclosed pledge card and return it in the mail in the special envelope provided or bring it to Mass next weekend. If you prefer, you may go on line at www.archgh.org/dsf to make your donation. Your generous gift will allow our Catholic community to continue the many vital programs and services that *Reach All People* in our archdiocese. Our parish goal for this year is \$111,522.00.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & CONVALESCENT - Louise Bering, Denise Akeroyd Scanlin, Mary Willoughby, Fr. Albert Moraczewski, O.P. and the Friars of Holy Rosary. Please keep in your prayers Emily Harris, parishioner, who passed away earlier this month.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in memory of Captain Patrick Tilton. Please remember him and the donor in your prayers.

COFFEE AFTER MASS will be served today, January 27th, in the Parish Hall, Room 200. All are welcome. Please join your fellow parishioners for some social moments.

HERE'S WHAT'S COOKING ... for January 30, Hamburgers, fries, ice cream, coffee and tea, will be served on Wednesday, after the 12:05 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall, Room 200. Welcome. **Remember, there will be no lunch on Ash Wednesday, February 6, 2008.** See you next Wednesday, February 13th.

FIRST FRIDAY is February 1st. 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 is February 2nd. Fatima Devotions will be prayed at 11:30 a.m. before the 12:05 Mass. All are invited to attend.

FACE TO FACE CONFESSIONS - Fr. Austin Green will be available to hear face-to-face confessions at 11:20 a.m. - 12:05 before the weekday noon Mass on **First Friday, February 1st** in the confessional before the Blessed Mother's altar. Also, **First Saturday, February 2nd, 11:20 a.m. - 12:05.**

THE KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11023's monthly meeting will be held on **Saturday, February 2nd** with the social hour beginning at 9 a.m. and the business meeting beginning at 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the Religious Education Center on Louisiana & Berry Street.

BIBLE STUDY CLASS -- This Sunday, January 27, 2008. Classes will be each Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the Parish Library, room 106. Please call the office for more information.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION FOR PARENTS: The next session for parents will be **Saturday, February 9th** from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in the library of the Parish Office Building, Room 106. This Baptism preparation session, given by Father Vicente, is for parishioners of Holy Rosary Parish only. Please call the office to register, 713-529-4854 ext. 101.

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.

2008 HOLY ROSARY CALENDARS - Calendars are now available in the office during office hours, Monday - Friday, 9:30 - 4:30.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK in the Archdiocese begins January 27 and continues through February 2, 2008. There are brochures concerning "Academics, Christian Values and Spirituality" that our Catholic high schools provide in the vestibule of the church.

"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). February 3rd topic, *Seek first the kingdom of heaven.*

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KONKEL: The first announcement in this Bulletin has to do with the 2008 Diocesan Services Fund. Our parish goal may seem quite high, but since it is based on a percentage of our yearly income, it is really a reflection of the growth of our parish and of the generosity of our members. Most importantly our contribution to the Diocesan Services Fund helps the Catholic Church in our area provide many different services that an individual parish could not manage. In the 1970's, for example, I worked for seven years as a Newman chaplain at the University of Houston. This was an example of a ministry that needed to be funded by the Diocese. Another example would be the Hospital Chaplain's Corps at the Texas Medical Center. In the mailings that parishioners will receive about the Diocesan Services Fund, there will be many examples of the work that is funded through this appeal. May God bless you for your generosity.

BENEDICT XVI

ANGELUS

*St Peter's Square
Sunday, 4 February 2007*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today, *Pro-Life Day*, organized by the Bishops' Conference on the theme: "Love and desire life", is being celebrated in Italy. I cordially greet all those who are gathered in St Peter's Square to witness their commitment in support of life, from its conception to its natural end. I join the Italian Bishops in renewing the appeal made several times by my venerable Predecessors to all men and women of good will to welcome the great and mysterious gift of life.

Life, which is a work of God, should not be denied to anyone, even the tiniest and most defenseless unborn child, and far less to a child with serious disabilities. At the same time, echoing the Pastors of the Church in Italy, I advise you not to fall into the deceptive trap of thinking that life can be disposed of, to the point of "legitimizing its interruption with euthanasia, even if it is masked by a veil of human compassion". The "Week of life and of the family" begins in our Diocese of Rome today. It is an important opportunity to pray and reflect on the family, which is the "cradle" of life and of every vocation. We are well aware that the family founded on marriage is the natural environment in which to bear and raise children and thereby guarantee the future of all of humanity.

However, we also know that marriage is going through a deep crisis and today must face numerous challenges. It is consequently necessary to defend, help, safeguard and value it in its unrepeatable uniqueness. If this commitment is in the first place the duty of spouses, it is also a priority duty of the Church and of every public institution to support the family by means of pastoral and political initiatives that take into account the real needs of married couples, of the elderly and of the new generations.

A peaceful family atmosphere, illumined by faith and the holy fear of God also nurtures the budding and blossoming of vocations to the service of the Gospel. I am referring in particular not only to those who are called to follow Christ on the path of the priesthood but also to all men and women religious, the consecrated people we remembered last Friday on the "World Day of Consecrated Life".

Dear brothers and sisters, let us pray that through a constant effort to promote life and the family institution, our communities may be places of communion and hope in which, despite the many difficulties, the great "yes" to authentic love and to the reality of the human being and the family is renewed in accordance with God's original plan. Let us ask the Lord, through the intercession of Mary Most Holy, to grant that respect for the sacredness of life will grow so that people will be ever more aware of the real needs of families and that the number of those who help to build the civilization of love in the world will increase.

After the Angelus:

I offer a warm welcome to the English-speaking pilgrims and visitors gathered for today's Angelus prayer. My special greeting goes to the Government officials from Sri Lanka engaged in the reconstruction of areas struck by the tsunami. Today's Gospel shows us the great spiritual fruitfulness that accompanies our whole-hearted decision to answer the Lord's call. May you and your families be strengthened in faith and confident hope in God's promises!

I wish everyone a good Sunday.

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In the following weeks the Bulletin Cover will feature articles taken from the Vatican website and will feature the Lenten messages from His Holiness Benedict XVI for Lent 2007. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the Sundays of Lent, Palm Sunday, Passion of the Lord, and Easter Sunday, Resurrection of the Lord .

The Saint articles from Fr. Austin Green, O.P. will resume after Easter Sunday, March 23, 2008.