



# 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.  
Ext. 102

## In Residence:

Fr. James Burke, O.P.  
Fr. Austin Green, O.P.  
Priory 713-526-6322

## PARISH OFFICE

First Floor Parish Center  
(entrance in courtyard) Rm.100  
3617 Milam Street  
Office hours:  
9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Monday - Friday  
Phone 713-529-4854  
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## Extensions:

101 - Parish Secretary  
105 - Director of Music  
108 - Parish Bookkeeper  
109 - Special Projects Secretary  
110 - Wedding Coordinator  
E-mail:  
office@holynosaryparish.org

## MAILING ADDRESS

3600 Travis Street  
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## RELIGIOUS ED. CENTER

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

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT (Third Scrutiny)

March 9, 2008

**Catholic Relief Services**, second collection last week amounted to \$5,992. Thank you for your generosity.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & CONVALESCENT** - Louise Bering, Denise Akeroyd Scanlin, Mary Willoughby, Marion Spiers, Robert Webster, Virginia Geaslin, Diana Rutkowski, Anne Green, Fr. Albert Moraczewski, O.P. and the Friars of Holy Rosary.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - There are no flowers on the main altar during the Lenten season.

**COFFEE AFTER MASS** will be served today, March 9th, in the Parish Hall, Room 200. All are welcome. Please join your fellow parishioners for some social moments.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be celebrated every Wednesday during Lent at 11:30 a.m. prior to 12:05 Mass. **Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE** - Lilac fliers are available in the vestibule for your convenience.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will be sponsoring an **Easter Egg Hunt on March 23rd after the 11 a.m. Mass, beginning at 12 noon**. Provisions will be made for gathering of eggs in the grassy area between the Religious Education Center and Annex facing Louisiana.

**HERE'S WHAT'S COOKING ... for March 12th**, Corn beef and cabbage with potatoes and carrots, dessert, coffee and tea, will be served on Wednesday, after the 12:05 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall, Room 200. Welcome. **Please note that there will be no take-outs available for Wednesday lunches until further notice.**

**"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). March 16th topic, *Passion: He became obedient even to death on a cross. (Phil 2)*

**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.

**SILENT RETREAT**—Father John Moloney of the Congregation of Saint John will preach a silent retreat the weekend of April 4 - 6, 2008. The retreat will be held at the Mount Carmel Retreat Center, located at 9600 Deer Trail. All are welcome. For information, please call Marcia Potempa at 713/592.0390.

**HONOR ST. JOSEPH** with us on Saturday, March 15th at St. Joseph church, 1505 Kane at Houston Avenue. Mass at noon with Archbishop Emeritus Joseph A. Fiorenza presiding. A delicious pasta luncheon will follow Mass, and a traditional St. Joseph Altar will be displayed in the church.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - "The 3rd Annual University of St. Thomas, Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry will take place on Friday March 14th from 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. on the Crooker Patio (Rain Location: Jerebeck). The event will have fresh food, drinks, a silent auction, raffles and live entertainment. The UST Knights will be cooking all the fresh food themselves on site. The Catholic Daughters will be providing deserts and facilitating a silent auction. All proceeds of the event benefit Texas State Catholic Charities."

**APRIL 2, 2008** - The offices will be closed on **Wednesday, April 2nd** to enable the staff to attend the dedication of the new Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. There will also be **no luncheon** on that day.

**A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KONKEL:** Two special items of interest. Fr. David Seid, O.P., who lived at Holy Rosary Priory from August 1, 2007 until he moved to Hong Kong last July, will be ordained to the priesthood by the Bishop of Macau on March 15, 2008. Our prayers will be with him. His address is as follows:  
Fr. David Seid, O.P.  
Casa de Santo Domingo  
Avenida de Sidonio Pais, n. 39-41  
Macau, China SAR  
China

The other item has to do with the engraving of the dedication wall in the Parish Hall/Office Building. During the fund-raising phase for the new building, it was planned that those who made gifts of \$25,000 or more to the Capital Campaign would be listed on the limestone wall if they wished. You will notice that some chose "anonymous" to honor their gift. Work will take approximately two weeks so there might be some inconvenience in the main entrance area of the new building. Please be careful in that area as you go to the parish hall for your Sunday coffee.

## JOHN PAUL II

### ANGELUS

*St Peter's Square  
Fifth Sunday of Lent, 25 March 2007*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

The 25th of March is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin. This year it coincides with a Sunday in Lent and will therefore be celebrated tomorrow. I would now like, however, to reflect on this amazing mystery of faith which we contemplate every day in the recitation of the Angelus.

The Annunciation, recounted at the beginning of St Luke's Gospel, is a humble, hidden event - no one saw it, no one except Mary knew of it -, but at the same time it was crucial to the history of humanity. When the Virgin said her "yes" to the Angel's announcement, Jesus was conceived and with him began the new era of history that was to be ratified in Easter as the "new and eternal Covenant".

In fact, Mary's "yes" perfectly mirrors that of Christ himself when he entered the world, as the Letter to the Hebrews says, interpreting Psalm 40[39]: "As is written of me in the book, I have come to do your will, O God" (Heb 10: 7). The Son's obedience was reflected in that of the Mother and thus, through the encounter of these two "yeses", God was able to take on a human face.

This is why the Annunciation is a Christological feast as well, because it celebrates a central mystery of Christ: the Incarnation.

"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord, let it be done to me according to your Word". Mary's reply to the Angel is extended in the Church, which is called to make Christ present in history, offering her own availability so that God may continue to visit humanity with his mercy. The "yes" of Jesus and Mary is thus renewed in the "yes" of the saints, especially martyrs who are killed because of the Gospel.

I stress this because yesterday, 24 March, the anniversary of the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador, we celebrated the Day of Prayer and Fasting for Missionary Martyrs: Bishops, priests, Religious and lay people struck down while carrying out their mission of evangelization and human promotion.

These missionary martyrs, as this year's theme says, are the "hope of the world", because they bear witness that Christ's love is stronger than violence and hatred. They did not seek martyrdom, but they were ready to give their lives in order to remain faithful to the Gospel. Christian martyrdom is only justified when it is a supreme act of love for God and our brethren.

In this Lenten Season we often contemplate Our Lady, who on Calvary sealed the "yes" she pronounced at Nazareth. United to Christ, Witness of the Father's love, Mary lived martyrdom of the soul. Let us call on her intercession with confidence, so that the Church, faithful to her mission, may offer to the whole world a courageous witness of God's love.

#### **After the Angelus:**

Next Sunday, we will be celebrating the solemn and evocative liturgy of Palm Sunday which begins Holy Week. The [22nd World Youth Day](#), whose theme this year is Jesus' commandment: "Just as I have loved you, you should also love one another" (Jn 13: 34), will take place on this occasion. To prepare ourselves for this Day and for the celebration of Easter, I invite the youth of the Diocese of Rome to a penitential Liturgy at which I will preside on Thursday afternoon, 29 March, in St Peter's Basilica. Those who so wish will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confession, a true encounter with God's love which every person needs in order to live in joy and peace.

I welcome all the English-speaking pilgrims and visitors present at today's Angelus. In particular I greet the members of the International Federation for Family Development and I encourage them in the vital work of promoting the rights and responsibilities of the family.... Upon all of you and your loved ones, I invoke the strength and peace of Christ our Lord!

I wish everyone a good Sunday!