



HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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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

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

12:05 p.m. Monday – Saturday
5:15 p.m. Monday – Friday

TIME OUT ROOM

Available in the parish office building during the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses

ROSARY

4:50 p.m. Monday-Friday
4:40 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

12:45-5:00 p.m. Fridays with benediction at 5:05 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Please call parish office at ext. 101 for arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

4:00-5:00 p.m. Saturdays
Twenty minutes before each weekday Mass

MARRIAGES

Please call the wedding coordinator at ext. 110 at least eight months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the 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. Joseph Konkel, O.P., *Pastor Emeritus*
Fr. François Pouliot, 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTER

3535 Louisiana Street
713-526-4389
Contact: Janet Hafernik, D.R.E.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please contact the parish office if you wish to register, if your contact information has changed, or if you wish to remove your registration.



A Message from the Pastor



**Basilica of St. Anne-de-Beaupre
Quebec, Canada**

Dear Parishioners,

I had enjoyable time running the Quebec City Marathon in Quebec, Canada, last Sunday. I finished the race in 4 hours, 20 minutes, and 11 seconds, which was 41 minutes slower than my time at the Boston Marathon in April. However, I took off two weeks from running shortly before the race to finish preparing for the mission I gave at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Niceville, Florida—not an ideal way to prepare for a race. Also, the mean temperature on the day of the race was warm for a marathon—73°F. Warm temperatures will definitely slow you down while running! I got a nice little sunburn as a race souvenir ☺. Nevertheless, I enjoyed the race—locals cheered runners on, and I loved watching sailboats glide on the St. Lawrence River as I ran down one side of the river and up the other. (The race began in Levis, Quebec, crossed a bridge, and then finished in Quebec City.)

I spent the rest of my time visiting churches with my mother like St. Anne-de-Beaupre pictured above. It was a fantastic trip, but it's also great to be back.

Fr. Ian

NEXT SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION, SEPTEMBER 12: CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA AND THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS. Please give generously. Thank you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: *Fr. Isidore Vicente, O.P., Dorothy Daley, Brian Geaslin Sr., Gloria Stephen, Jean Ried, Virginia Navarro, Brian Benson, Fr. Bruce Noble, Fr. David Noble, David & Gail Newman, Pat Covington, Bob Reeder, Howard Van Zandt, Mary Ann Chambers, Todd Donalson, Natalie Broussard, Alex Jimenez, Martha McDonald, Lucille Johnson, Frank Campisi, Zein Mangalji, Canice Shelton, Nina Alford, Bob Fretz Sr., Jimmy Anderson, and Gloria Guerrero.*

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers near the main altar are in honor of Ms. Caryn Vukerlich's birthday. Please remember her in your prayers.

FAREWELL FOR MARISA MENDOZA: Holy Rosary Parish will bid adieu to Marisa Mendoza, the former Director of Religious Education, today, September 5, at the 11 a.m. Mass. A cake and punch reception will follow the Mass in the parish hall. Please come to express your gratitude to Marisa and to wish her Godspeed. Thank you.

LABOR DAY, SEPTEMBER 6: The parish will celebrate Holy Mass at 10 a.m. on Labor Day, September 6. There will be no other Masses and no confessions on that day. The parish office will also be closed. May you have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

WHAT'S COOKING, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8: Beef stew, salad, dessert, coffee, and tea. Lunch is served after the 12:05 p.m. Mass in the parish hall. Lunches are \$4, and there are no take-outs. Please do not submit bills larger than \$10.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES for children and high school students in Grades K4-12th grade will begin on Sunday, September 19. Registration for all students will take place in the parish hall after next Sunday's morning Masses, September 12. Parents wishing to enroll their children in religious education must be registered parishioners of Holy Rosary Parish and must present a Baptismal certificate for each child they wish to register. Classes are held on Sundays from 9:30am to 10:45 a.m. in the Religious Education Center. **Religious Education Needs You!** If you are committed to your faith and willing to sacrifice a couple hours a week to help in some capacity with Religious Education, please call Janet Hafernik, Holy Rosary's Director of Religious Education, at 713-529-4389. We are looking for people to help with arts and crafts, sports, a student library, catechists, catechist aides, special events, retreat help, music, A/V technical help, organizing, and assisting/loving children who have special needs.

HOLY ROSARY MINISTRY FAIR: Representatives from each of the parish's ministries from Altar Flowers to the Youth Group will be in the parish hall next Sunday, September 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to explain about their organizations. This will include both what they have to offer Holy Rosary Parish, and what it's like being a member of their ministry. All parishioners are invited to attend and become involved in a Holy Rosary Parish ministry. The Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast tacos from 9 to 11 a.m. and regular tacos from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

OKTOBERFEST: The Knights of Columbus and the Special Events Committee are pleased to sponsor Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 18, from 6 to 9 p.m., and on Sunday, September 19, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Knights will serve sausage, hot dogs for the kids, potato salad, German chocolate cake, and German beer. They will also serve their version of sauerkraut balls on Saturday night only. Place your order by the dozen or half-dozen (\$1 per ball) for traditional sauerkraut balls. **The deadline for orders is next Friday, September 10.** Please call either Rose Ann Lauer at 713-686-0985 or Patricia Easley at 713-783-9423. If leaving a message, please include your name, your phone number, and the number of sauerkraut balls you would like to order.

Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or know someone who may be, the Inquiry Phase of the RCIA is the place to be! It answers people's questions about the Catholic faith and helps them to decide freely whether they should become a Catholic. Please call Janet Hafernik in the Religious Education Office (713-526-4389) for more information. All are welcome!

WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION AT HOLY NAME PASSIONIST RETREAT CENTER: "Martha and Mary Moments," Thursday, September 23, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. In the midst of our busy schedules and overloaded calendars and routines, do we remember to find the time for prayer as well as hospitality? Come and spend a day of prayer reflecting on the story of the sisters of Lazarus. A \$35 offering includes coffee, breakfast pastries, and lunch. Contact Deborah Johnson at djohnson@passionist.org or 713-464-0211 to register.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP): Barrett and Jessica Counts, Holy Rosary Parishioners, will teach a NFP course at Holy Rosary, beginning Saturday, October 2, at 9:30 a.m. The course will consist of three classes with each class lasting about two hours. The fee is \$60, which includes the cost of the materials. Classes will take place on October 2, November 6, and December 4. For more information and/or to register, please contact the Counts at BarrettAndJessicaNFP@gmail.com or at 281-997-2508.

PARISH PRIESTS' COMINGS AND GOINGS:

➤**Father Juan Torres, O.P.,** August 30-September 24, General Chapter in Rome, Italy, serving as an English-Spanish translator.

CATECHISM CORNER:

2460 The primordial value of labor stems from man himself, its author and beneficiary. By means of his labor man participates in the work of creation. Work united to Christ can be redemptive.

2168 The third commandment of the Decalogue recalls the holiness of the sabbath: "The seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest, holy to the LORD."

Liturgical Calendar for the Week of September 5, 2010

5 Sun	23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME HOURS Week III Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10,12-17/Lk 14:25-33
8:00	✠ James St. Julian
9:30	✠ Quyen Family
11:00	Clair Groff
12:30	Aris Gonzalvo
5:00	For the People of the Parish
6 Mon	Weekday 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11 - <i>Labor Day (National Holiday - USA)</i>
10:00	✠ Fr. Albert Morzczewski, OP
7 Tue	Weekday 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19
12:05	✠ Bill Fisher
5:15	✠ Carl Gor Ben, Chau, & Nga
8 Wed	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (F) Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16,18-23 or 1:18-23
12:05	✠ Irene Torres
5:15	Aimee & Timothy J. Ortiz
9 Thu	St. Peter Claver, priest (M) 1Cor 8:1b-7,11-13/Lk 6:27-38
12:05	✠ Mary K. Willoughby
5:15	In Thanksgiving for Allen Johnson's Baptism
10 Fri	Weekday 1 Cor 9:16-19,22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
12:05	✠ Ana Tovar
5:15	Mary F. MacDonald
11 Sat	Weekday 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49 - <i>BVM on Sat</i>
12:05	✠ Carol Poore
5:00	Frank Alexander

Diocesan Service Fund (DSF) Summary Report as of August 30, 2010

Parish Goal	\$ 115,687.00
Total Amount Paid	\$77,023.21
Total Amount Pledged	\$ 82,159.23
Total Number of Participants	221
Percent Paid	66.58 %
Amount Left to be Raised	\$38,663.79

Collections for August 29, 2010

Regular Collection	\$17,943.34
231 Envelopes Submitted Out of 912 Households (26%)	
2010-11 Regular Collections YTD (7/1/10-6/30/11)	\$163,134.59
2010-11 Fiscal Budget YTD	\$147,150.00
Difference	\$15,984.59
August Utility Offerings (Summer Monthly Cost: \$8,300.00)	\$206.00
Candle Offerings	\$300.55

REFLECTION FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, September 5, 2010

The most significant sentence from the Gospel of Luke for today's Mass (Lk 14,25-33) is probably the one occurring almost at the very end of it and which we may tend to overlook in a rapid reading of the narrative. "*To calculate the cost*" (v. 31) it reads, referring to the metaphor of a war lord who considers entering into battle with an enemy and *calculates* his or the enemies' strength and weakness, of numbers, of troops, or positions. Such a war lord king, in the very words of the parable of Jesus, has to "*calculate the cost*". I think that is one part that most of us do very well, most of the time, for the daily routines in our life: big events, small events, day-to-day running for any household, for parents, for single persons, for the elderly. If we miscalculate the parts, the totality arrived at could be a big mess. So, most of us do that well. But this Gospel narrative, and these words of Jesus, naturally, have to carry a deeper meaning. They are spoken by the Son of God for His followers. And that is when the piece becomes more unpalatable. To the point that we are jolted out of our comfort seats as we read: "*If you do not hate father or mother, wife or children, brothers or sisters, even your very life, you cannot be my disciple*" (14,16). That is Luke for you. Other translations will soften the blow some and (Mt 10,37) will speak of "*turning our backs on our parents, wife, children...*" or "*loving parents, wife, or children more than you love Me...*" The first translation may be closer to the original, since we know how radical Jesus' message was, and in Semitic literature, the point is exaggerated on purpose to grab the attention of the listener. By now, we know Jesus is speaking seriously about another reality that in His mind is more important than all the personal relationships, or possessions, or attachments: **THE KINGDOM OF GOD!!!!** And in Jesus' mind, nothing takes precedence over it. It was more shocking to hear for the people of Jesus' time, because their identity as individuals was derived from family, clan, village, and religious group. We are more individualistic—ready to cut ties from others to pursue our own goals. But it was not like that two thousand years ago. The question, then, in reference to the Kingdom of God is: *Are we in for the long haul? Do we understand the word "commitment" with all that it implies? How much do we want to risk to be a true disciple? Do we want to be like many in our faith, who just pick and choose doctrine—the so-called "Cafeteria Catholics"?* Calculating the cost means that we are aware of some stumbling blocks: **attachments to persons, to possessions, to our subjective views of life and issues, and to life itself.** Not that these are wrong. But for Jesus' disciples, these attachments cannot take priority over attachment to Jesus. Jesus speaks about *calculating the cost*, not to dissuade potential disciples, but rather to be sure that all (we) are aware of what commitment to Him demands, lest they (we) may be caught unaware. This Gospel also speaks about **the cross**. That reality is always present for the disciple. Difficult, but not seriously difficult. God's Grace is always there, so that the world of our small or personal attachments never contradicts the big attachment, the big reality, God's reality, His Kingdom, our discipleship, our salvation, no matter what the cost. May God bless you with His peace.

Fr. Vicente