

Saturday	Apr. 24 th	5:00pm	✠Tina Garcia - Socorro & Raquel Castillo ✠Rudy Partida - M/M Cena & Family
Sunday	Apr. 25 th	8:00am	For the People of our Parish Community ✠Sara Mesenberg - Daughter & Family ✠Manuel Vasquez - Ramirez Family
		10:00am	✠Albert B. Ruiz, Jr. - Mother I.T.G. Hope Hernandez ✠M/M Manuel Carrera - Sanpayo & Carrera Family
		12:00pm	✠Beatrice Arias - Esposo ✠Guadalupe Melendez - Wife & Family
Monday	Apr. 26 th	8:15am	✠David Ybarra - M/M Willie Garcia ✠Evelyn Small - M/M Joseph Crittall
Tuesday	Apr. 27 th	8:15am	✠Maria Villanueva - Robert De La Vega
Wednesday	Apr. 28 th	8:15am	✠Stella Almanza - Irene ✠Paul Rivera - Wife & Family
Thursday	Apr. 29 th		No Services
Friday	Apr. 30 th	8:15am	For All Priests
Saturday	May 1 st	12:00pm	Wedding of Benjamin Apaez & Natica Rivera
		5:00pm	✠Joe & Oliva Benavides - Family ✠Paula Chapa - Family ✠Julia M. Flores - Socorro & Raquel Castillo
Sunday	May 2 nd	8:00am	✠Eddie Albert Vasquez - Mom & Dad ✠Raul Dorado - Wife ✠Tommie Fonseca - Fonseca Family
		10:00am	For the People of our Parish Community Virgen de Fatima - Marta Tobias ✠Hortensia Espinoza - Steven Ramos
		12:00pm	✠Aurora Campos - Campos Family Health of Rosa Espinoza - Family

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+Deceased

I.T.G. - In Thanksgiving

G.O.L. - Gift of Life

THIS WEEK		
Mon. Apr. 26th	7:00pm	Ultreya (Church) - Share/Word (Room 15)
	7:00pm	Food Booth Training (Cafe)
Tues. Apr. 27th	5:00pm	St. Vincent de Paul (Room 13)
	7:00pm	Healing Service (Church)
Wed. Apr. 28th	7:00pm	Finance Council (Library)
Thur. Apr. 29th	7:00pm	English Bible Study (Room 15)
	7:00pm	Mass on the Grass (Cafe)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

April 18, 2010 Collection			
Envelopes	\$3,721.75	5:00pm	\$ 997.99 (116)
Loose	\$1,771.00	8:00am	\$ 853.85 (101)
School	\$ 96.79	10:00am	\$1,521.97 (240)
SVDP	\$ 641.33	12:00pm	\$1,408.94 (390)
		Mail In	\$ 710.00

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Since next Sunday is our festival and we will not be passing out bulletins on that day, the monthly newsletter that would have been given out will be passed out on the following Sunday, May 9th

† PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH †

Ray Almaguer, Cecilia Espinoza, Monica Younger, Ray & Anthony Pérez, Tommy Martinez, José & Lucila Flores, Hilda De La Zerda, Benito Agustín Perales, Connie Tenorio, Joe Julián Moreno, Rita Pérez, Catarina García, Joe Moreno, George Moreno, Amalia Moreno, Miranda Sanchez, Melanie Sanchez, Mary V. Garcia, María Espino, Lucy Clare Treviño, Jesse Mario Vega, Frances Ramirez, Edward Jiménez, Virginia Silva, George L. Hernandez, Raúl Tapia, Robert A. Gallegos, Elvira Moreno, and Frank Barrera.

SPANISH BAPTISMAL CLASSES

Deacon Sandoval is giving baptismal classes in Spanish for those who prefer to have their instructions in Spanish. If you would like more in formation on this please give him a call at 315-2202.

HEALING SERVICE

There will be a healing service with Deacon Roy Munoz on Tuesday, March 27th in the church at 7:00pm. All are invited to attend.

† REST IN PEACE †

We pray for the souls of our departed friends and relatives and those who were buried from our parish community, especially Roy Albert Berlanga.



Fourth Sunday of Easter WHO ARE WE?

April 25, 2010

Who are "we" today as we sing "We are his people, the sheep of his flock" in the responsorial psalm? It is very easy to think that it is just us, at this Mass, or just the members of this parish or diocese, or perhaps we are thinking it is all Roman Catholics in the United States. But "we" are much larger and broader than that. If you take a globe or atlas in your hand, it would be difficult to point to any place on land where "we" aren't singing this psalm today. Not only that, but "we" are the saints who survived the great time of trial, as described in Revelation's reading today. And "we" continue to grow not just in numbers but in complexity and diversity as the work begun by Paul and Barnabas in today's first reading continues. But, even though who "we" are, the flock of the Lord, is almost beyond our ability to comprehend, we all hear the voice of Jesus Christ, our one and only shepherd, as we continue through the Easter season to follow him faithfully
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SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection today is for Assumption Seminary. Many seminarians have graduated from Assumption and have moved on to serve the Archdiocese as priest in many parishes. Your contribution will enable the seminary to continue educating men for the priesthood. Please be generous.

CHURCH / SCHOOL FESTIVAL

Our parish community will be having its annual festival next month, May 2nd. In order to make it as profitable as possible we are asking the help of everyone. If you have not picked up your raffle tickets please come by the rectory office as soon as possible. If you can please turn in your money as soon as possible and sell some more if you can. Most of the money made on the festival comes from the raffles so let's all do our part to make it as successful as possible.

WORDS TO REFLECT ON

Holding Our Ground

In a world so full of social and political turmoil and immense human suffering, people of faith will often be ridiculed because of their so-called ineffectiveness. Many will say, "If you believe that there is a loving God, let your God do something about this mess!" Some will simply declare religion irrelevant, while others will consider it an obstacle to the creation of a new and better world.

Jesus often tells his followers that, as he was, they will be persecuted, arrested, tortured, and killed. But he also tells us not to worry but to trust in him; at all times. "Make up your minds not to prepare your defense, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict" (Luke 21: 14-15). Let's not be afraid of skepticism and cynicism coming our way, but trust that God will give us the strength to hold our ground -----Fr. Henri Nouwen

NEW CAFETERIA POLICY

The Pastoral Council has decided to place new rules on the usage of these facilities. Starting immediately all church and school organizations that use these facilities will pay the following charge(s):

\$50.00 dollars to use the kitchen

\$50.00 dollars to clean the kitchen

\$50.00 to clean the dining room and put the tables and chairs back in their proper place

Renters will only be charged for the area they use and full payment is due at the time the area is booked. Renters are also responsible for a general cleaning of the area they use. All reservations and payments will be made at the rectory office. The money paid for use of the kitchen will be saved and used when a repair or replacement becomes necessary. This payment will not cover the entire cost of repairs and maintenance to the kitchen facilities but it will help a little.

FINANCE COUNCIL

All finance council members are reminded of the next meeting which will be on Wednesday, April 28th, at 7:00pm in the school. The finance council provides advice on financial issues of the parish. Please keep them in your prayers.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society does a lot of good in the community. Every month they visit the residents at Retama Nursing Home and play bingo with them. They also help many with food, utility assistance, and prescriptions. In addition to this they serve dinner to the homeless at the downtown St. Vincent de Paul dining room. While they never complain they can always use more help with the good works they do. If you would like to be part of this group please come to the next meeting which will be on Tuesday, April 27th, at 5:00pm in Room 13 in the school building.

GUADALUPANAS / GUADALUPANA'S SCHOLARSHIPS

The deadline for the Guadalupe scholarships is Monday, May 3, 2010 by 5:00pm. Our Guadalupe Society works very hard on their numerous fundraisers and uses most of their hard earned money for the parish. They pay for the host and altar wine we use at mass as well as any other item needed for our church. If you would like to know more about this group please come to the next meeting which will be on Tuesday, May 4th, at 6:00pm in the cafeteria.

DID YOU KNOW?

Sundays had no particular themes in early Christianity until the seasons of the church year evolved. Now Sunday themes unfold through cycles of readings from both the Old and New Testament, through the official prayer formulas of the day, the homily preached, the songs sung, the colors used, the rituals emphasized and the art and environment. These themes unfold through the liturgical seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and the 33-34 weeks of Ordinary Time.

MARRIAGE CONVALIDATION

Those who were not married in the Catholic Church and are wondering if they can have their marriage blessed by the church are encouraged to call Fr. Rudy at 210-434-3247 or email him at fatherrudy@yahoo.com to discuss this possibility. Many couples who think they cannot have their marriage convalidated are pleasantly surprised to find out they can. If you have been thinking about this please get in touch with him.

SJB RENTALS

We have been getting many requests lately for rental of our cafeteria, its tables and chairs. Because arson investigators stated the fire was most likely started by individuals who attended a function and hid in the building after it was over, Fr. Rudy decided the cafeteria would no longer be rented out for private functions and be used only for school and parish events. Several times individuals have pressured him to make an exception to this policy for them but he will not. We also do not lend out our cafeteria tables and chairs.

MOTHERS DAY

May 9th is Mothers Day, a day to give thanks to God for all our mothers. Tell your mother how much you love her and treat her special, she deserves it. All the masses on May 8th and 9th will be offered for all our mothers, living and deceased mothers. If you would like your mother remembered in these masses please write her name on the tablet located in the gathering area of the church.

WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY

We extend a warm welcome to anyone new to our parish family and all visitors who celebrate with us throughout the year. If you would like to join this parish please register in the rectory office, Monday-Friday 9:00 am-5:00pm. (*We are not closed for lunch during this time*) and 10:00am to 2:00pm on Saturdays. Complete and return the registration form at your convenience. Also, donation envelopes are available. Feel free to ask about them when you register.