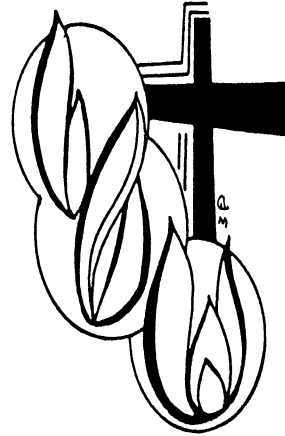


<b>Saturday</b>	July 24 <sup>th</sup>	3:00pm	Debut of Viktoria Gonzales
		5:00pm	✠Tina Garcia - Willie Garcia & Family I.T.G. Virgen de Guadalupe - C. Araguz & Family ✠Johnny Arocha - Family
<b>Sunday</b>	July 25 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	✠Tommie Fonseca - Fonseca Family ✠Rita Estrada - Traspenna Family ✠Mr. Guadalupe Trevino - Nora Trevino
		10:00am	For the People of our Parish Community ✠Ryan Sanchez - Sanchez Family G.O.L. Joseph Anthony - Ponce Family
		12:00pm	✠Clara Villarreal - Johnny, Cassie & Gloria I.T.G. Hope Hernandez ✠John W. O'Shea, M.D. - Betty Wilhelmi
<b>Monday</b>	July 26 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	G.O.L. John R. Escobedo - Mom ✠Hector Sanchez - Victoria Sanchez
<b>Tuesday</b>	July 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	✠Ricardo Ramirez - Dora Arocha
<b>Wednesday</b>	July 28 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	✠Efrain & Stella Almanza - Irene
<b>Thursday</b>	July 29 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Services</b>
<b>Friday</b>	July 30 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	✠Jose M. Canales - Angie
<b>Saturday</b>	July 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00pm	✠Baleriano & Guadalupe Rivera - Family ✠Raymond Valdivia - Campos Family ✠Tina Garcia - Estefana Reyes
<b>Sunday</b>	Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00am	✠Eddie Albert Vasquez - Mom & Dad ✠Raul Dorado - Wife ✠Juan Silva - Wife & Family
		10:00am	I.T.G St. Jude - C. Araguz & Family ✠Ryan Sanchez - Sanchez Family Special Intentions for Stephen Ramirez - Mom & Dad
		12:00pm	For the People of our Parish Community ✠Rosa Espinoza - Irene & Family I.T.G. Holy Spirit - Elena Sanchez



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**SANCTUARY LIGHT**  
For the Health of Elida Valenzuela - Mrs. Cruz

THIS WEEK		
<b>Mon. July 26<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00pm	Ultreya (Church) / Share the Word (Café)
<b>Tues. July 27<sup>th</sup></b>	5:00pm	St. Vincent De Paul (Room 13)
	6:00pm	Guadalupanas (Cafe)
	6:30pm	Dance Comm. (Lib.)
	7:00pm	Healing Service (Church)
<b>Wed. July 28<sup>st</sup></b>	7:00pm	Finance Council (Lib.) / LifeTeen (Cafe)
<b>Thur. July 29<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00pm	English Bible Study (Room 15)
<b>Fri. July 30<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00pm	Young Adults (Cafe)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
<b>Monday:</b>	Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Jer 15:10; 16-21; Mt 13:44-46
<b>Thursday:</b>	Jer 18:1-6; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
<b>Friday:</b>	Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58
<b>Saturday:</b>	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12

July 18, 2010 Sunday Collection			
Envelopes	\$3,778.25	5:00pm	\$1,203.02
Loose	\$1,059.71	8:00am	\$ 922.48
SVDP	\$ 415.39	10:00am	\$1,228.31
Mail In	\$ 395.00	12:00pm	\$1,089.15

**FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**

All members of the finance council are reminded of their next meeting, which will be on Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the school library. The finance council advises Fr. Rudy on all financial matters of the parish. Please keep them in your prayers.

† **PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH** †

Hilda De La Zerda, Benito Perales, Connie Tenorio, Joe Moreno, Rita Pérez, Catarina García, Joe Moreno, George Moreno, Amalia Moreno, Miranda Sanchez, Melanie Sanchez, Mary V. García, María Espino, Lucy Treviño, Jesse Vega, Frances Ramirez, Edward Jiménez, Virginia Silva, George L. Hernandez, Raúl Tapia, Robert A. Gallegos, Elvira Moreno, Frank Barrera, Gabriel Carreon, Hilda Torres, Josie Guerra, Lorraine Jackson, Moses Moreno, Adrian Rendon, Stella Rico, Aurora Sherwood, Ray Almaguer and Hilda Valdez.

**PARISH DANCE TICKETS**

Parish Dance tickets can be purchased after all masses.

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**100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY MEAL TICKETS**

The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meal tickets can be purchased at the rectory.

**HEALING SERVICE**

We will be having a healing service with Deacon Roy Munoz on Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the church. All are welcome 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.



17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
LISTENING TO GOD

July 25, 2010

Familiarity, in the case of the Lord's Prayer, probably hasn't bred contempt in most of us, but it certainly can breed a kind of inertia. The words we speak in prayer run the same risks as all our other human words: they can be spoken hastily, thoughtlessly, carelessly. In a manner parallel to the words we say in the Lord's Prayer—"forgive us as we forgive others"—today might be the day to invite God to "listen to us as well as we listen to you." Today might be the day to listen to the Lord's Prayer with newly attentive ears.

Let us learn from the example of Luke's Jesus, who would not instruct others how to pray until he himself had been a man of prayer. Moreover, listen carefully to the follow-up Jesus gives for the prayer itself. In our quick-fix society we must heed the call to persistence; in a world that puts glib explanations on difficult situations we must continue to seek and knock; in our all-too-humanness, we must be open to the patience, grace, and wisdom of the will of God. Do we want the Lord to listen to our voice? Maybe we can start by listening to God's. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

#### MR. MIGUEL MORENO

It is with great sadness that we say good-bye to our seminarian, Mr. Miguel Moreno. In the short time he has been with us Miguel has left a positive impact on the parish. He will be returning to Assumption Seminary to begin his second year of studies. We wish him all the best as he continues his journey to the priesthood.

#### AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Don't forget to read the August newsletter inserted in next week's bulletin. Since Fr. Rudy cannot speak to each parishioner individually he uses this way to keep you informed about important things happening in our parish as well as his thoughts and feelings. If you want to respond to something he wrote please send him an email at [fatherrudy@yahoo.com](mailto:fatherrudy@yahoo.com) or call him at 434-3247.

#### ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

For the protection of our parishioners, we ask that you refrain from giving money to persons or individuals requesting assistance on the Church grounds. This has given us cause for concern as parishioners are approached in front of the church and in the parking lot at all hours. Please refer these people to our St. Vincent de Paul Society or Fr. Rudy during office hours. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

#### WORDS TO REFLECT ON

The Sacredness of God's Handiwork

How do we live in creation? Do we relate to it as a place full of "things" we can use for whatever need we want to fulfill and whatever goal we wish to accomplish? Or do we see creation first of all as a sacramental reality, a sacred space where God reveals to us the immense beauty of the Divine?

As long as we only use creation, we cannot recognize its sacredness because we are approaching it as if we were its owners. But when we relate to all that surrounds us as created by the same God who created us and as the place where God appears to us and calls us to worship and adoration, then we are able to recognize the sacredness of all God's handiwork.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society will be having a meeting on Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm in the Room 13. This small group of people does a lot of good in our parish and in the community. They play bingo with the residents at Retama Nursing Home, serve dinner to the homeless at St. Vincent de Paul dining room, and help people in our area with food, utilities, and prescriptions. While they never complain, they can always use more help with the ministries they have. If you are interested in this please come to their meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### GRATITUDE

Today, we too rarely practiced good manners. When we neglect to require our children to say "thank you" when someone gives them a gift or does something for them, we are raising ungrateful children who are highly unlikely to be happy. Without gratitude, happiness is a rare thing. With gratitude, the odds go up dramatically that happiness will be the result.

A classic example of the validity of gratitude in action is the story of Roy Rogers. After he starred in his first movie, he began receiving huge stacks of fan mail that he wanted to answer. However, his salary of \$150 a week did not even cover the required postage. He talked to the head of Republic Pictures in the hope that the studio would handle some of his fan mail. He was summarily turned down and told he was foolish to think about answering fan mail because nobody else did. It took too much time and money.

Roy Rogers, one of the genuinely good guys of life, couldn't buy that. It was his conviction that if someone thought enough about him to write a letter, he should have enough respect for the person to answer it. Fortunately, the movie that caused him his "problem" also made him so popular that he could go on a personal appearance tour. He traveled many miles and performed countless one-night stands to raise the money to pay the salaries of the four people it took to answer his fan mail.

As a result of answering fan mail, he built a fan base that was faithful to him and remained faithful to him many, many, years later. Yup, the good guys and the good gals really do win. So, develop some manners, respect others, and be grateful for what you have.

#### CATHOLIC COUNSELING AND CONSULTATION CENTER

The Catholic Counseling and Consultation Center offers individual, couples, and family counseling at the Center's main San Antonio office at 1144 Lockhill-Selma Road, suite 101, and several parish locations in San Antonio and surrounding areas. Counseling appointments can be scheduled Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:00am through 5:00pm, and Tuesday and Thursday 11:00am through 7:00pm; special times by individual arrangement. Medicare/Medicaid and most insurance are accepted. A sliding scale is also available. For information or to make an appointment, you are invited to call the Counseling Center at 2210-377-1133.

#### PARISH ANNIVERSARY

We will be celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a parish with a special mass of thanksgiving on Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. This will be the only mass we will be having on this day. After mass those who purchased meal tickets will be allowed into the school for the meal and other festivities. In advance we want to thank everyone who had a part in the planning of this great event.

#### DE COLORES

All those who have participated in a Cursillo are reminded we have Ultreya every Monday in the church at 7:00pm. Please come and invite all your friends who made a Cursillo to come also. For more information please contact Henry Castillo, Jr. Henry is part of our 8:00am Sunday Spanish choir or Deacon Sandoval.

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If you haven't done it, please visit our website to obtain valuable information. The church calendar is also posted on our website. Our site is a work in progress and needs your input to make it complete.

#### HEB GIFT CARDS

We sell H.E.B. gift cards. The next time you get ready to go to the store please buy one of these cards from us. These cards are valid for all grocery and gasoline purchases. The church will get back 4% of what you spend. Please consider purchasing your groceries this way and tell all your friends and neighbors about it.