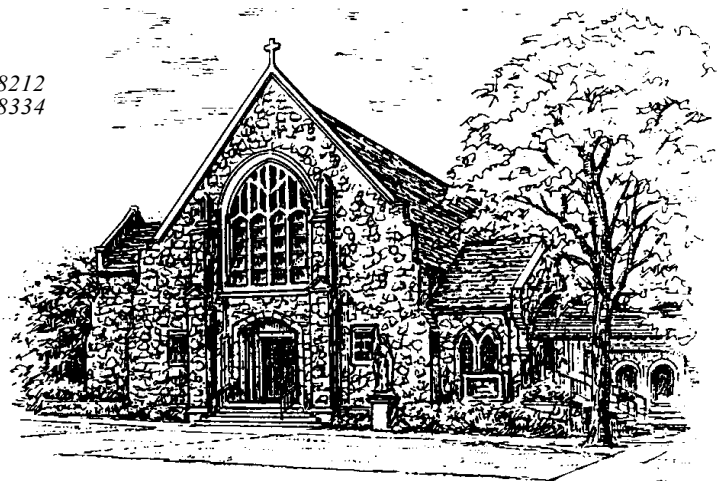


Our Lady of Grace

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Masses: Saturday 5:30 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:00 Noon
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 PM
Sacrament of Baptism: Call the rectory to schedule Baptism.
Sacrament of Marriage: Call rectory at least six (6) months in advance.



February 21, 2010

**FIRST SUNDAY OF
LENT**

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This weekend we are pleased and happy to welcome Fr. David Garcia, Director of the Old Spanish Missions and Catholic Relief Services. He will be speaking at all the Masses. The Second Collection this weekend is for Catholic Relief Services. Please be generous.

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Lenten Bible Program: If you did not pick up your free Bible CD last weekend, they are available in the Gathering Area. By listening for 28 minutes a day, you will be able to hear the entire New Testament by Easter. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience the living Word of God in a new way this Lent. You will be blessed as you enrich your faith. Reflection questions for the Bible Listening Program are also available in the Gathering Area.

THE SEASON OF LENT:

Once again the Church invites us to enter the desert of repentance. That desert, as today's first reading reminds us, is also a desert of remembrance. This holy season summons us to remember all that God has done for us. Like the Israelites who recalled their captivity and God's work to free them from the Egyptians, we, too, recall those times when we were held captive by sin and experienced freedom through the gift of God's redeeming love.

Saint Paul tells us that the word of God is near us; it is in our mouths and in our hearts. May that sacred word prompt us to remember God's great work of reconciliation in our lives and in our community. As this season of Lent unfolds, let us take to heart these words of Saint Paul and spend these forty days calling upon the name of the Lord, asking for forgiveness and healing. (c) Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

The Buildings Renovation Fund: On February 14, 2010 we received \$50.00 for the Buildings Renovation Fund. This brings the total received to date for 2010 to \$1,546.00. Many Thanks!

Eucharistic Adoration: - Eucharistic Adoration begins each week after the 7:00 a.m. Mass on Monday morning and ends before the 7:00 a.m. Mass on Friday. To sign up for Adoration, please contact Eli or Becky Prieto at (210) 826-1554.

Adult Confirmation Program: If you have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, there is a wonderful opportunity to do so. It consists of a series of seven classes on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the classrooms. It will conclude before the Archbishop comes to OLG for Confirmation on April 25th.

2010 Archbishop's Appeal:

The goal of the Archbishop's Appeal for this year is \$3,500,000.00. Our goal at Our Lady of Grace has been set at \$33,816.00. Many thanks to those parishioners who have completed and returned their pledge cards. If you have not yet made your pledge, envelopes are available in the pews and on the tables at the entrances of the church. You may mail in your pledge, place it in the collection basket, or put it in the boxes at the entrances of the church. Please consider these words from Archbishop Jose Gomez: *"Stewardship provides an opportunity for each one of us to answer God's call to be generous. It is a wonderful moment of grace when we share our Time, Talent and Treasure with people, simply because we are all God's children. It is the generosity we show, as Church, as the Mystical Body of Christ on earth, that turns our gifts into love."*

Many thanks to Henry Gonzalez for speaking on behalf of the Archbishop's Appeal last weekend. He gave us many compelling examples of the good work that the Appeal does to meet the needs of thousands of people in our Archdiocese. It is important that we all participate in the 2010 Archbishop's Appeal because we are **"One Household of Faith."**

Reconciliation for Children grades 2 and up who have not received this Sacrament will be held on Saturday, February 27th at 10:30 a.m. in the church.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, Feb. 22

7:00 AM In Thanksgiving V.S.I. - Donor

5:30 PM Stacey Rabel (d) - Family

Tuesday, Feb. 23

7:00 AM Mirardo Baduel (d) - Winnifer Baduel

5:30 PM Magdalen Muras (d) - Family

Wednesday, Feb. 24

7:00 AM Blasa (Betsy) Tamez (d) - Family

5:30 PM Robert Klekar (d) - Family

Thursday, Feb. 25

7:00 AM Jesse Medrano (d) - Jana Inc, Niland & Marshall Family

5:30 PM Special Intention - Maria I. Brooks

Friday, Feb. 26

7:00 AM Madalene Cain (d) - Donor

5:30 PM Charles & Betty Toudouze (d) - Frances Heard Billups

Saturday, Feb. 27

8:00 AM Ruth Bohak (d) - Estate

5:30 PM Martha Lowry (d) - M/M Ed Hodge

Sunday, Feb. 28

8:30 AM For the People of the Parish

10:30 AM In Thanksgiving V.S.I. - Donor

12:00 PM Genevieve Pendergast (d) - Family

COMMUNION MINISTERS

READERS

February 27th and 28th

5:30 PM Mary Helen Santillan Mary Joe Biediger
Rudy Moreno
Pat Aleman

8:30 AM Katie Shults Rebecca Clemons
Roger Williams
Mark McLiney

10:30 AM Maree Longoria Karen Rankin
Fred Longoria
Rachel & Yvonne Soucie
Al Salazar (Prayer Chapel & Choir Loft)

12:00 PM Becky Prieto Youth Group
Leonard Cockerill
Maggie Cockerill

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:30 PM Monica Enriquez & Ian Mayfield

8:30 AM Rachel Williams, Robert Williams & Carson Shults

10:30 AM Sarah Soucie & Mathew Musel

12:00 PM Camille Sauer & Alec Parker

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH: Timothy Amen, Tanya Bode, Hugo Espinosa, Melinda L. Gutierrez, Allan Proper, Betsy Sullivan, Fred & Mary Jane Diaz, Joe Sandoval, Louise Thiltgen, Herlinda V. Esquivel, Frank Fisher, Ollie Mayo, Rosie Garcia, Terri Dome, Laura Y. L. Martinez, Joe Martinez, Elizabeth D. Elliott, Rose Heusinger, Ernest Rodriguez, Linda Dehan, Kailey Rodden, Patrick Solis, Mary Prado, Tere Castillo, Bill Priest, Freddie Longoria, Severino Castro, Roy Moreno, Quinn Kopas, Jack Seger, Mary & Alfonso Garza, Bob Landholt, Frank Flores, John Flores, Alfonso Garza & Msgr. Larry Walsh.

After ACTS "Service Lecture Series" Tuesdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2010 from 7:00-9:30 p.m. at Tymen Hall, Oblate School of Theology, presented by Sr. Sarah Sharkey, O.P. / Call Ph. (210) 341-1366 X266 or www.ost.edu.

Project Rachel of San Antonio: If you or someone you know still carries the burden of a past abortion, come to a Project Rachel retreat on Mar. 5-6. Call 342-4673.

The Life Justice and Peace Ministry invites you to a special presentation on "The Dignity of the Human Person" and "The History of Catholic Social Teaching" on Monday, February 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Madonna Room. The featured speakers will be Fr. Martin Leopold and Professor Bates Hoffer. All are welcome to attend to learn more about how our Catholic Faith teaches us to approach the important issues of our time.

Nix Heart Wellness Series: We would like to invite you to attend this free series presented by Nix Physicians. Learn how to prevent, detect, and treat heart disease. Wednesday, Feb. 1, Thursday Feb. 25, March 4, and Thursday, March 11 at Nix Medical Center, 414 Navarro - 5th Floor Auditorium. Call (210) 579-3157 for additional information.

Catholic Radio: A fundraiser luncheon for our local Catholic Radio station 1380 AM (Spanish) and 89.7 FM (English) will be held on Thursday, March 4th at 11:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church in Stone Oak (20523 Huebner Rd.) Proceeds from the luncheon will support our local Guadalupe Catholic Network stations. Please call the Parish Office if you wish to form a group to attend the luncheon and support our Catholic radio stations.

GOD BLESS THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES