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9:00AM - 5:00PM

#### MASS SCHEDULE

MON, WED, FRI

7:00AM

TUES & THUR

5:30PM

SATURDAY

5:30PM

*\*1st Saturdays - 8:00am*

SUNDAY

8:30AM

10:30AM

12:00PM

#### CONFESSION/ RECONCILIATION

TUES, THURS, SAT  
4:45PM - 5:15PM

SUNDAY

*\*Please see weekly schedule*

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in advance to prepare  
registration documents*

#### WEDDINGS

*Call the office at least six  
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date and complete marriage  
preparation.*

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Eugenio B., Neomi Balderas, Marie Black, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Maria Chavez de Hernandez, Esther Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein, John Ferguson, Vangie Gallardo, Juan Garza, Danny Gusme, Erlinda Hamilton, Eric Hawbecker, Marialice Hayes, Josephine Janczar, Mary Margaret Janosek, Steve Janosek, Markus Klink, Joe Mangione, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, Joseph McKinley, Gracie Miller, John David Navejar, Jim O'Brien, Servando Perales, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Rey Ramos, Jose Sanchez, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Jacob Sciantarelli, Jim Sciantarelli, Laurie Seligman, Carolyn Smith, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick.



#### MONDAY, 29TH

- Youth Night 7pm

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

- 33 Days to Eucharistic  
Glory Bible Study -  
9:30am
- Confirmation Rehearsal  
6pm
- Choir Practice - 7pm

#### THURSDAY, 2ND

- Confirmation Mass  
5:30pm
- First Corinthians Bible  
Study - 6:30pm

#### FIRST FRIDAY, 3RD

- 1st Friday Mass 5:30pm
- First Communion  
Rehearsal 6pm
- 1st Friday Potluck 6pm

#### FIRST SATURDAY, 4TH

- 1st Saturday Mass 8am
- Taco Breakfast 8:30am
- Men's Fellowship Group  
8:30am
- First Communion Mass  
10am
- Reception 11am

**New to the Parish?**  
**We welcome you to join  
our faith family!**





# Welcome



On April 12, 2024 at St. Peter Prince of Apostles Church  
we joyfully welcomed

**Olivia Luvero, Jadelyn Querubin,  
Natalie Rivas & Liliana Sublette**

as they received the Sacrament of Confirmation  
with Bishop Gary Janak.

Thank you to Deacon George & Irene Wunderlich  
for preparing our Confirmandi through the  
Adult Confirmation Formation Classes.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
†Lawrence Hamilton  
who died January 23, 2024  
May he rest in peace.

**LOVE NOT IN WORD  
OR SPEECH BUT IN  
DEED AND TRUTH**

1 John 3:18

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The church was being built up, and grew in numbers (Acts 9:26-31).

**Psalm** — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth (1 John 3:18-24).

**Gospel** — Remain in me, as I remain in you. I am the vine, you are the branches (John 15:1-8).

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## MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

### Monday, April 29

7:00AM **Fr. Jorge**  
James Patrick 'Rick' Walker, Sr. (d)  
- Lulu & Marcus Zertuche

### Tuesday, April 30

4:45 PM **Confessions - Fr. Jorge**  
5:30 PM **Mass - Fr. Jorge**  
Beatriz Martinez Azius (d) - Lulu & Marcus Zertuche

### Wednesday, May 1

7:00AM **Fr. Jorge**  
Robert Curtright (d) - Family

### Thursday, May 2 - Parish Confirmation Mass \* see info below

5:30 PM **Bishop Gary Janak**  
Our Confirmation Students

### Friday, May 3 - First Friday

7:00 AM **Fr. Abe**  
Special Intentions  
5:30 PM **Mass - Fr. Abe**  
Odie DeLeon (d) - Dolores Beardsley

### Saturday, May 4 - First Saturday

8:00 AM **Fr. Abe**  
First Communion Students  
4:30 PM **Confessions - Fr. Abe**  
5:30 PM **Mass - Fr. Abe**  
Antonio Quintero (d) - Daughter

### Sunday, May 5

8:30 AM **Fr. Jorge**  
Our Lady of Grace Liturgists  
10:30 AM **Fr. Abe**  
Our Lady of Grace Parishioners  
12:00PM **Fr. Abe**  
Msgr. Lawrence Walsh (d)



**Our Parish Confirmation Mass  
will take place on**

**Thursday, May 2nd at 5:30pm.**  
**This will NOT be a regular daily Mass  
and there will be NO confessions.**  
**We have 25 students getting  
confirmed and we will be reserving  
seats for these students.**

**This weekend's second collection  
Is for Home Missions Appeal**

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group  
Every third **Tuesday of the month.**

Please join us from **6:30-8:00 pm** in the  
Madonna Room. For more information,  
contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.





# I Am the Vine

## you are the branches

John 15:5

### Seeking to be Pruned

Pruning a vine is an important part of helping it to grow and produce not only more fruit but the best fruit. If left unpruned, a grape vine will eventually produce less fruit and poorer quality fruit. Good pruning helps to direct the nourishment of the vine to the new buds that are most fruitful.

Jesus' teaching above uses the imagery of pruning a vine to help us understand that faith must lead to charity. First, Jesus says that He is the "true vine." He is the only source of the nourishment we need for the new life of grace. He is the only way to Heaven and salvation. Knowing our Lord and being attached to Him firmly is faith. Second, our Lord says that He takes away every branch that does not bear fruit. This indicates that faith without the good fruit of charity is dead and is like a branch on a vine that produces nothing. Third, when Jesus finds a branch that bears good fruit, he doesn't leave it alone. Instead, He prunes it with loving attention so that "it bears more fruit."

To apply these teachings to your own life, begin by looking at your faith as if it were a branch firmly attached to a vine. Do you believe all that God has spoken through His holy Word? It is useful to regularly examine your conscience in regard to your faith. Since faith is the first step in the spiritual life, it must remain firmly grounded in the Truth God has revealed. This means we must regularly study the Word of God as it is revealed through the Scriptures and the catechetical teachings of the Church, and assent to those teachings with all our mind.

Next, after affirming your faith in all that God has spoken through the Scriptures and the Church, try to examine your charity. Do you see concrete acts of love in your life that result from your faith? In other words, we can "love" many things in a purely emotional sort of way. But charity is based on faith, not on how we feel. Charity is the fruit of faith. What acts of charity can you point to in your life? What have you sensed God calling you to do in a selfless and sacrificial way? Have you done it?

Finally, when you discover the ways that charity is alive within you, know that God will focus His pruning there. Pruning can be painful. It will require sacrifice, patience in the face of trial, overcoming selfishness, and doing things you don't feel like doing. In fact, sometimes God even makes charitable acts seem unpleasant as a way of pruning your motivations and making them more pure, based more on faith than on emotion. But this is good.

Reflect, today, upon this holy imagery from Jesus. It's a lesson from nature that reveals the supernatural life of grace at work. Don't be deterred by the pruning God wants to do. Embrace suffering with love, respond to injustice with forgiveness, offer mercy when you don't feel like it, and seek to serve selflessly those who seem undeserving. Doing so will prune you so that God will be able to build up His Kingdom in glorious ways through you.

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Join the Ladies Bible Study Group as we study

### 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory by Dynamic Catholic.

This book study will be held for 5 weeks, beginning on Wednesday, April 24 through Wednesday, May 29th in the Guadalupe Room at 9:30 am.

We plan to consecrate ourselves to the Most Blessed Sacrament at Mass on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Thursday, May 30.

Please call the office or Sarah Barlow (318-455-5458) to sign up or if you have any questions.



This isn't just another book.  
IT IS AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A SACRED JOURNEY—  
*a Spiritual Pilgrimage*

2024

### Spring Bible Study

Thursdays  
6:30 to 8:00 pm  
April 4 - June 13  
Guadalupe Room

## First Corinthians

We will read the first letter that Paul wrote to the church in Corinth. The conflicts of the early Christians in Corinth were in many ways similar to our struggles today as Christians.

They, too, witnessed division, scandal, immorality, persecution and other trials. Paul's message to the Corinthians offers much needed wisdom for our own times. In this 11 week study, we will learn how Paul addresses divisions within the Church, emphasizes the importance of unity among Church members and introduces the Corinthians to God's greatest gift – the Eucharist.

### Enriched

in him in all speech and knowledge

1 Corinthians 1-5

All are welcome to join these free sessions. Bring your Bible and writing material. Study questions will be provided each week.

Linda Enriquez: 210.387.4804 - linda.lamar@yahoo.com



All men are invited to join the TMIY group for a weekly six part Spring program entitled "My father's Father" by Fr. Dave Pivonka beginning **Tuesday April 30, 6:30am-7:30am.** "How many of us struggle to know that we have a Father in heaven who knows, loves, and chooses us as His sons and daughters? Join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he journeys home to reflect on the urgent need to know God as Father amidst the backdrop of his hometown and the relationship he shared with his dad. This poignant documentary series explores the transformative impact of embracing our inheritance, unraveling the intricate tapestry of fear, doubt, shame, and brokenness to reveal a loving Father— for each of us."

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**29TH JUNE 2024**

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**MAY 22, 2024 • FREE EVENT**  
**MASS 6PM—GAME TIME 7PM**  
St. Luke's Catholic Church  
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**FIRST FRIDAY MASS - May 3rd**  
 Please join us for the 5:30pm Mass and Devotion  
 to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



**First Friday Potluck**  
 will be held this Friday, May 3rd  
 Please join us after the  
 5:30pm Mass and Devotion to the  
 Sacred Heart of Jesus.  
*Bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share!*

**Our Lady of Grace**  
**DIAPER**  
 drive

**Donate New Diapers to**  
**"Walk with Moms in Need"**  
 Diapers Size 0 -3 urgently needed

**Collection Dates:**  
**May 1st - 31st**

**Drop-off Location:**  
 Please place diapers in  
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 San Antonio Pregnancy  
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**For More Information:**  
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**FIRST SATURDAY TACO BREAKFAST -**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 4TH**

**OLG WOMEN'S ACTS TEAM**

INVITES YOU TO ENJOY A TACO, COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP  
 AFTER THE 8:00AM FIRST SATURDAY MASS IN THE  
 BREEZEWAY CLASSROOM.

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The Men's Fellowship Group The Men's Fellowship  
 Group meets on Saturday mornings from 8:30-9:30  
 am in the Madonna Lower Level. The current focus  
 of our discussions is the weekly Sunday readings  
 and sermons by Bishop Barron. All men are invited  
 to join us as we prepare for Sunday Mass with  
 scripture, spiritual discussion and fellowship.  
 Coffee is provided.

**DONUTS WITH MOM**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 12TH @9:30 AM**

**THIS IS A PARISH FAMILY EVENT**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN IN CELEBRATING ALL**  
**MOTHERS WITH A DONUT AND A HOT CUP OF COFFEE**

**10AM - 10:20AM**  
**WE BEGIN WITH THE PARISH PROCESSION OF**  
**MARY, THEN PRAY THE ROSARY AND END WITH THE**  
**CROWING OF MARY INSIDE THE CHURCH JUST**  
**BEFORE 10:30AM MASS**

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**Last day to register is April 30th**

All incoming freshmen in high school (current 8th graders) through incoming freshmen in college (current high school seniors) are invited to attend this life changing convergence with our group. Scan the QR Code to sign up!!



Contact Kim Morrison at [kim.morrison@olgsa.org](mailto:kim.morrison@olgsa.org) for more information.

Coming Soon  
*Stay Tuned*



New young adult program incoming



**Registration Opens  
May 5th!**



## Youth and Young Adults Calendar

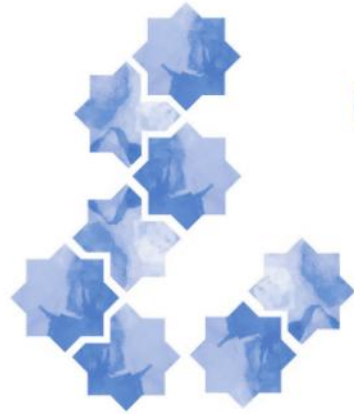
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
28	29 Youth night @OLG 7pm	30				



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