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SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY  
TIME

## The Healing of a Deaf Man

*"He has done all things well.  
He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."*

Mark 7:37



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9:00AM - 5:00PM

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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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#### WEDDINGS

Call the office at least six  
months in advance to reserve  
date and complete marriage  
preparation.

## STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

### To Be a Christian Steward

#### A Summary of the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship

*"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. (1 PT 4:10)*

What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

### Disciples as Stewards

As members of the Church, Jesus calls us to be disciples. This has astonishing implications:

- *Mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost.*
- *Christian disciples experience conversion—life shaping changes of mind and heart—and commit their very selves to the Lord.*
- *Christian stewards respond in a particular way to the call to be a disciple. Stewardship has the power to shape and mold our understanding of our lives and the way in which we live.*

Jesus' disciples and Christian stewards recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom, and source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards.

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

Neomi Balderas, Marie Black, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Theresa Connolly, Esther Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein, Vangie Gallardo, Juan Garza, Danny Gusme, Eric Hawbecker, Josephine Janczar, Mary Margaret Janosek, Steve Janosek, Markus Klink, Joe Mangione, Helga Mayo, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, Joseph McKinley, Gracie Miller, Amanda Murray, Jim O'Brien, Ernestine Pavelka, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Elias M. Prieto, Mary Lou Prieto, Jose Sanchez, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Jacob Sciantarelli, Jim Sciantarelli, Laurie Seligman, Carolyn Smith, Dora Urrutia, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick, Cheryl Wolf.

#### Online Offertory and Parishioner Registration



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# Grace Luncheon & Lecture Series

## Shroud of Turin



**Journey with the Shroud of Turin. Explore an unsolved mystery- the most studied relic in the world; an ancient linen cloth bearing an image of a tortured and crucified man's body.**

**Who do you say that he is?**

**Thursday, October 10**  
**12 p.m. Luncheon - 12:45 Presentation**  
**Madonna Room**  
**Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church**  
**223 East Summit**  
**Tickets - \$15**

For reservations, call the Church office at (210) 734-7285.

Deadline for reservations is noon Friday, October 4.

Reservations are required. Seating is limited.

Presented by Mary Jane Fox (Co-Founder, Pilgrim Center of Hope)



With over 55 years of experience in full-time ministry, presenter Mary Jane Fox has participated in the Shroud Studies Certificate program with the International Center of Studies on the Shroud (Turin) and Ricci Center of Sindonology (Rome).



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**Our Lady of Grace Choir needs YOU!!**

Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 in the Church. The Choir sings regularly at the 10:30 Mass and for High Feasts of the Church such as Christmas and Holy Week. You needn't have prior experience, we welcome all voices to join and we will help you.

Interested? Want to know more? Want to sign up?

Contact 'Mr. Rick' McLaughlin, Director of Music  
 210-887-7425(call or text)  
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## MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, September 9

7:00 AM Fr. Jorge

Eileen A & Eleanor A Mursch Birthdays  
 - Marilyn Johnson

Tuesday, September 10

4:45 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe

Mrs. Nora Johnson - Marilyn Johnson

Wednesday, September 11

7:00AM Fr. Jorge

Cecilio & Becky Rodriguez's Wedding Anniversary

Thursday, September 12

4:45 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM Fr. Abe

Fred (d) & Mary Jane Diaz (d) - Friends

Friday, September 13

7:00 AM Fr. Jorge

Jerry Sesco (d) - Joe & Carolyn Casas

Saturday, September 14

4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe

Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

Sunday, September 15

8:30 AM Fr. Abe

Dr. Deborah Mueller (d)

10:30 AM Fr. Frank

Alma Sanchez Perez (d) - Carmen Drury

12:00PM Fr. Abe

Jerry Sesco (d) - Friend



**Masses as Gifts:** Having a Mass offered on a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion, is a most prayerful way to commemorate the special event. Mass cards are available to acknowledge your loved one's special remembrance. Call or come by the Office to schedule.



**Holy Hour For Priests**  
**Tuesday, September 10th**  
 7 PM- 8 PM

Rosary, Prayers and Benediction

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group

**Tuesday, September 17th**

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



**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

All are welcome to the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition begins on Tuesdays in the Adoration Chapel after the 5:30pm Mass and ends on Friday at 7am. For more information please contact Becky Prieto at 210-725-2383.



*Welcome Back to All of Our  
Religious Education Students  
and Catechists!  
May God Bless You All with  
Abundant Faith and Open Hearts  
for a Successful  
Faith Formation Year.*

**2024-2025  
Faith Formation  
registration is still  
OPEN  
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Sept. 8th**

Online Offertory and  
Parishioner Registration



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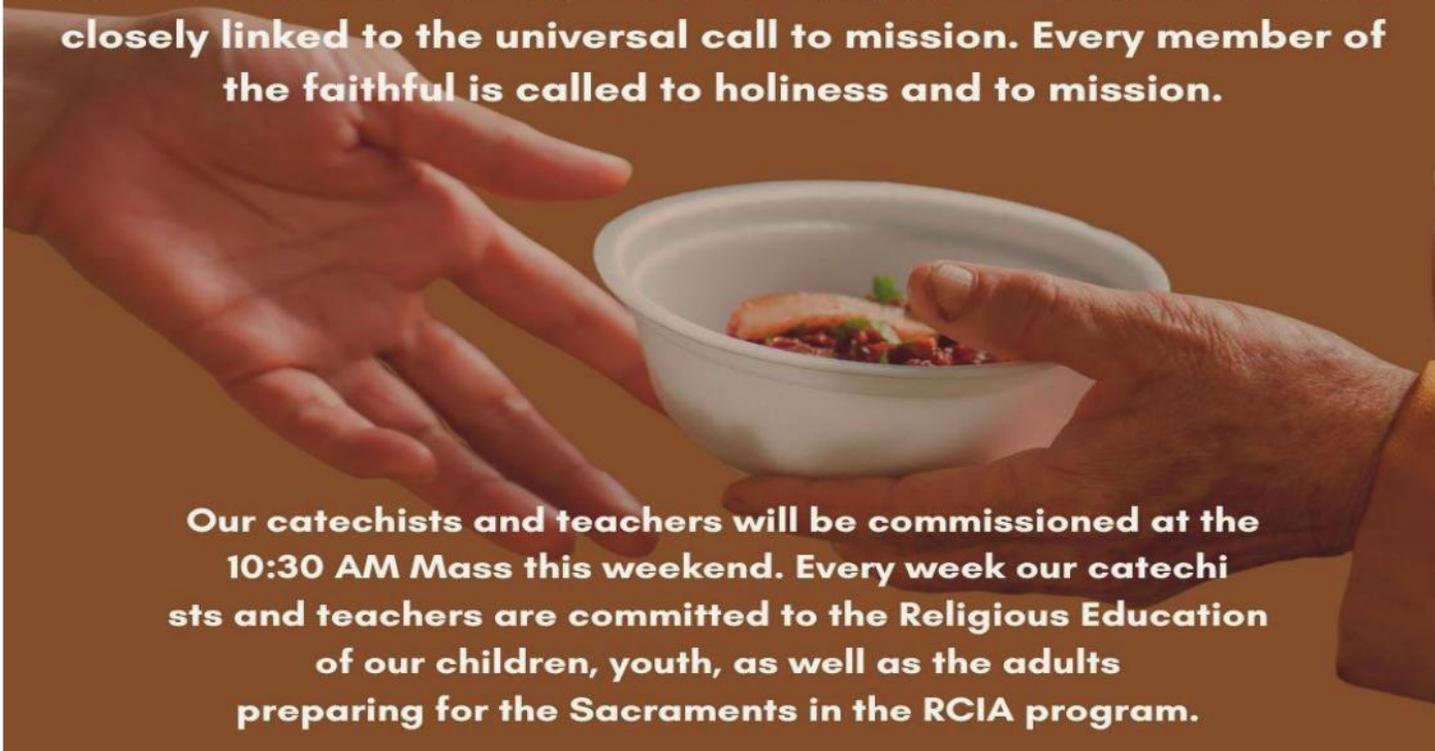
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YOUR CHILD

# Catechetical Sunday

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

**"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"**

**Our theme reflects our call to missionary discipleship. As St John Paul II reminded us: The universal call to holiness is closely linked to the universal call to mission. Every member of the faithful is called to holiness and to mission.**



**Our catechists and teachers will be commissioned at the 10:30 AM Mass this weekend. Every week our catechists and teachers are committed to the Religious Education of our children, youth, as well as the adults preparing for the Sacraments in the RCIA program.**

## Creating A Rule of Life

*Incorporating Benedictine Spirituality Into Your Daily Life*



### **Our Lady of Grace Women's Day Retreat 2024**

*Session 1: Saturday, September 7*

*Session 2: Saturday, September 21*

*8:30-12:00 Madonna Room*

As busy Catholic women, finding time to pray and study, spending time with other Catholic women who can offer guidance and support, and staying focused on our own faith journey is often a challenge. Thankfully, the Church gives us many examples of how to live a life focused on Christ and His Church, and the Rule of St. Benedict can help you create your own Rule of Life to face the challenges in your faith journey. Sometimes an overnight retreat is not convenient, feasible, or possible for your stage in life. Day retreats offer the opportunity to step out of the world and into

God's presence for a few precious hours.

Join us for a two-part exploration of:

- the ancient and practical principles of Benedictine spirituality including community, hospitality, and stability;
- the beauty of Benedictine prayer including lectio divina;
- the valuable practice of developing a Rule of Life based on the Rule of St. Benedict.

**Facilitated by Laura Macom**  
**RSVP to the Church Office.**

*\*Each session is a separate portion of the content. While attending both sessions will provide the full program, retreatants are welcome to attend a single session.*

## Remembrance Mass for Those Who Have Died by Suicide

**September 10, 2024 | 6:30 PM**  
**St. Dominic Catholic Church**  
(5919 Ingram Rd, San Antonio, TX 78228)

**Bishop Gary Janak, J.C.L.**  
Celebrant and Homilist

In observance of World Suicide Prevention Day, Bishop Gary Janak, J.C.L., will celebrate a special Mass to remember loved ones lost to suicide and to promote healing for those who grieve their passing. In honor of a loved one, those attending will be invited to lay a flower at the altar to symbolize our commending those lost by suicide to God's love, mercy, and care.

**Questions/comments?** Contact [michelle.flores@archsa.org](mailto:michelle.flores@archsa.org) or call 210-734-1695. Visit <https://archsa.org/event/remembrance-mass-for-those-who-have-died-by-suicide> for more information about this Mass and resources for suicide prevention and healing.

## RCIA / OCIA



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (also called Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process where adults can become fully initiated into the Catholic faith. This process is for any adult that has not been baptized, baptized into another Christian faith, or those who were baptized Catholic but have not received the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. There will be a series of two inquiry sessions beginning September 18, 2024 for those who wish to speak with team members about this process. RCIA classes will begin after the inquiry sessions and continue through the Easter season.

If you or someone you know is interested in the RCIA process contact Laura Macom for more information at [lauramacom@gmail.com](mailto:lauramacom@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 210 -734-7285.

A new OLG women's program is being formed called "SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN".

Through vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, this new women's program offers deeper insights into theological truths and practical wisdom.

*We meet weekly on Wednesdays starting on September 18 at 7pm.*

Please contact Amanda Claiborne at 210-365-4952 for more information or follow this QR code to register.



## WOMEN'S DECADES DINNER

*Join us for an evening of fellowship, as women of each decade invite us into a celebration of this journey of life we walk together.*

### Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

Madonna Room

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024 AT 6PM

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# The Bible Timeline

*The Story of Salvation*

## OLG Fall Bible Study

In this revolutionary approach to Bible study, The Bible Timeline divides the Bible into twelve color-coded time periods that make the narrative thread easier to follow. Using a unique color-coded chart, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our Faith. The Bible Timeline will teach you how to read and understand the entire Bible and introduce you to the wonderful narrative of Scripture in a way that will transform your life.

**Wednesdays ~ 9:30am**  
**Beginning Sept. 18th**  
**Guadalupe Room**  
**Study Leader: Shelley Clary 903-714-3889**  
**Cost of Study Book: \$36.**

## Women in Salvation History.

In this 8 week study, we will read about each major biblical time period and the women who helped shape salvation history. Each lesson from the Old and New Testaments will highlight their virtues, vices and struggles and how God used them to change history through an amazing assortment of circumstances. These life experiences are relevant to Christian women and men of today and are examples that both can follow in daily life. This Bible Study is for both Women and Men.

**Beginning September 5th**  
**Thursdays, 6:30pm - 8:30pm**  
**OLG - Guadalupe Room**

**Bring your Catholic Bible,**  
**pen & paper/notebook.**

**Linda Enriquez 210-387-4804**



**"THERE IS BUT ONE SOURCE OF ALL LIGHT - JESUS! HE IS THE LIGHT SHATTERING THE DARKNESS OF OUR DAY. TO BE IN THE LIGHT IS TO ALLOW GOD'S LIGHT TO SHINE THROUGH YOU AND BECOME MANIFEST IN ABUNDANT VIRTUE. "IN HIM WAS LIFE, AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN. THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS, AND THE DARKNESS HAS NOT OVERCOME IT" (JOHN 1: 4-5)."**

### THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM IS ENTITLED "THE LIGHT OF MEN."

All men (18 and older) are invited to join us for another year of That Man Is You (TMIY) which begins Tuesday, September 10, and meets from 6:15-7:30 a.m. in the Madonna Room.

Access more details at

<https://paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you/#program-content>.

REGISTRATION IS FREE. IF YOU HAVE REGISTERED PREVIOUSLY YOU ARE STILL REGISTERED. JUST MAKE SURE YOU ARE ACTIVE! BEING REGISTERED PROVIDES YOU ACCESS TO VIDEOS SHOULD YOU HAVE TO MISS ANY SESSIONS. USE THE QR CODE TO REGISTER.



I hope you will join us this year (our fifth year at OLG) for another great community of men striving to be men after God's own heart. All those attending agree that this is one of the more rewarding programs they have seen thus far. Videos are extremely educational and inspiring. Small group discussions are very stimulating, personal and spiritually uplifting.

## **Prepare for the Ministry Fair with a Spiritual Gifts Inventory**

### **Save the Date: Sept. 22 for the OLG Ministry Fair**

What are your spiritual gifts? Are you an apostle? A caregiver? Is generosity your strength? Are you a teacher? Is yours the gift of hospitality?

What ministry best matches your gifts and talents? The upcoming OLG Ministry Fair is your chance to find out where you can contribute to your OLG faith community. The annual Ministry Fair will be held in the parking lot after the 8:30 and 10:30 am Masses on Sunday, September 22. Ministry information and some leaders will also have a presence and will distribute literature in the narthex after the 5:30 and Noon Masses.

Current ministry leaders will post some of the key gifts and talents that are common to their members in their booths at the fair. This will help you identify ministry opportunities that might be of interest to you.

We have identified a **Spiritual Gifts Inventory** that will help you identify your personal gifts and talents. The Inventory may help you discern where the Holy Spirit is leading you to share your gifts within the OLG community. It includes a Spiritual Gifts Inventory you can download, complete and self-score. It also includes an explanation of each Spiritual Gift and suggests parish ministries to which the gift may apply.

Pastoral Council members encourage you to complete the inventory if you are at all curious about what gifts and talents you have and how the Holy Spirit might be moving you to share them with others. The QR code will take you directly to the Inventory.

The Pastoral Council thanks you for your participation and for your efforts to make OLG better tomorrow than it is today!



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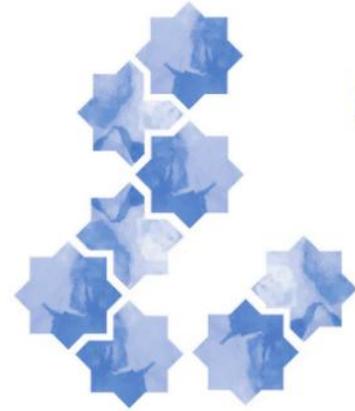
### **★ Save these Dates & \*Register Early!**

- September 12th - 15th ~ Men's ACTS Retreat
- September 18th ~ RCIA/OCIA 1st Inquiry Session
- September 21st ~ Women's Spirituality Day Retreat
- October 10th ~ \*Grace Luncheon & Lecture Series 'Shroud of Turin'
- October 17th ~ \*Women's Decades Dinner
- October 25th - 27th ~ \*Marriage Preparation Retreat
- October 26th ~ Trunk or Treat



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