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Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm

Mass Schedule

Mon ~ Wed ~ Fri	7:00am
Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat	5:30pm
Sunday	8:30am, 10:30am, 12pm
1st Friday	5:30pm
1st Saturday	8:00am

Reconciliation

Tue ~ Thur ~ Sat	4:30pm
1st Friday	4:30pm

Baptisms

Call the Office six weeks in advance to schedule a meeting with Fr. Abe to begin the registration process. You will be asked to bring your child's birth certificate for this meeting.

Weddings

Couples who have been registered parishioners for at least 6 months should visit our website, olgsa.org to review our guidelines and submit a Wedding Inquiry Form.

Ministries & Organizations

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – ISRAEL MANRIQUEZ
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Parishioners may serve in the Holy Mass as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar servers.

SACRISTANS – ISRAEL MANRIQUEZ
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Parishioners are responsible for opening and closing the church, and for setting up and storing all items needed for Mass.

MUSIC MINISTERS – RICK MCLAUGHLIN
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Parishioners share their musical talents, vocal or instrumental, as ministers of the sung prayer of the community.

MINISTRIES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – ASHLEY SALVADOR
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR
ASHLEY.SALVADOR@OLGSA.ORG

Religious Ed. (K-12) These programs spread the Word of God and foster a living, conscious, and active faith in Christians of all ages.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD – CRYSTAL MONAHAN
210-734-7285

Special readings for children that include a short catechesis of each reading are offered as part of the 8:30 am Mass.

YOUTH MINISTRY – DCN. RICH DEHOYOS
DEACON.RICH.DEHOYOS@OLGSA.ORG

The changing needs of the youth, Grade 6 through High School, are met through various spiritual, service, and social activities.

EVANGELICAL & FORMATION MINISTRIES

ADULT CONFIRMATION – DCN. GEORGE WUNDERLICH
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Adult Confirmation is for adults that have already received the sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion.

O.C.I.A. – LAURA MACOM
LAURAMACOM@GMAIL.COM

The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process that forms a community of inquirers through the education, formation and ritualization for entrance into the Catholic community. OCIA is for the unbaptized, baptized but uncatechized, and for those seeking full Catholic Communion.

A.C.T.S. – CHRIS CLAIBORNE 210-904-4709
Retreats are offered yearly for men, women, and teens. ACTS: Adoration, Community, Theology & Service.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – BECKY PRIETO
210-725-2383

Adorers commit 1 hour (or more) per week to be present with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND
ISRAEL MANRIQUEZ

Eucharistic Ministers ensure that the sick, the elderly, and the homebound continue their Eucharistic place in our community.

ROSARY PRAYER MINISTRY – GREG CLARY
IRISHGMC@GMAIL.COM

Parishioners meet monthly to reflect on a passage of Scripture, for intercessory prayer, to pray the Rosary, and to enjoy a time of fellowship.

BIBLE STUDY & BOOK STUDY

Several groups meet for Fall & Spring Sessions. Past studies included programs from Ascension Press, Word on Fire and Bishop Fulton Sheen. The Teen Group is formed by teens for teens.

MORNING STUDY – SHELLEY CLARY
903-714-3889

EVENING STUDY – LINDA ENRIQUEZ
210-387-4804

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP – ROGER WILLIAMS
210-724-8828

TEEN STUDY – KAI CLAIBORNE
210-734-7285

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY BOOK STUDY
LAURA.MACOM.210-734-7285

GRIEF MINISTRY – ANASTASIA MCKENNA
210-734-7285

A pastoral ministry providing compassion and mutual support to anyone at any stage of their grief journey.

SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN – SHE
AMANDA.CLAIBORNE.210-365-4952

This women's program offers deeper insights into theological truths & practical wisdom.

THAT MAN IS YOU – TMIY!
GREG.CLARY.903-714-0232

Dynamic speakers guided by the principle that "knowing who you are changes everything."

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
AL.ZGARDOWSKI.210-632-2337

This organization, which is open to Catholic men 18 years and older, provides support to the parish and community and promotes the principle of charity.

OLG PARISH GUILD
MARDI.CHRISTENSEN.210-818-9352

The Guild fosters the spiritual and personal growth for our members and the parish community through spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED
[SARAH.BARLOW.318-455-5458](mailto: SARAH.BARLOW.318-455-5458)

A prolific, nationwide initiative to increase local outreach to pregnant and parenting women facing difficulties.

PARISH PROGRAMMING

GRACE GUEST SPEAKER & LUNCHEON SERIES
VERONICA.ESCOBEDO.210-734-7285

Hosted twice a year offering a fellowship luncheon & featuring guest speakers and presentations on various faith subjects.

THEOLOGY ON TAP – ROGER WILLIAMS
210-724-8828

A Catholic program for young adults that combines a relaxed, social setting, like a bar or coffeehouse, with presentations on faith-related topics by speakers

MINISTRIES HOSTED BY OLG
ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

ASSOCIATES OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
CONNECT YOUNG ADULT GROUP

TEENS GIVE BACK



Introducing Our newest Mission Work in Pedro Carbo, Guayaquil, Ecuador

When the sisters first met the people in the area and experienced their warmth and welcome their hearts burned with the desire to “stay” with them. The area of Pedro Carbo is very poor. There are a large number of children who are physically and mentally challenged in need of education and training and the sisters were happy to take over this very special work. The clinic was originally started because many of the mothers were dying at childbirth. Now it has grown and there are more departments in the clinic to help individuals with other health problems. The clinic provides services to all in the area and the patients at Clinica de Nuestra Senora de Merced are treated with dignity and respect.

There is so much to do and so much help needed! These sisters can do the work only if you can help them with your prayers and donations! It is a joy and a blessing to be able to share what we have with others in need! The five sisters who are in Ecuador find many challenges: adjusting to hot weather, learning a new language and culture, experiencing different food, seeing poverty and learning the new work, but with your prayers and concern they will be blessed with God’s grace and continue to see the beauty in these differences. The Love of the Lord makes all things one!

One of the homes in the area



Clinic in Pedro Carbo with taxi out front





The parable in today's the Gospel has a crooked steward who is commended by his master for being prudent, or clever, trying to protect himself. Jesus wanted us to be just as clever in serving the Lord. Let's look at the first two readings and how they challenge us to do more.

The reading from Amos talks about those "who trample upon the needy and destroy the poor" (Amos 8:4). The challenge here is to ask yourself, "What do I do for the poor?" Most parishes have organizations to help the needy and are happy to get volunteers. Do you ever think of praying for the poor?

Speaking of prayer, our second reading also challenges us to do more. Paul recommends prayers for "kings and for all in authority" (1 Timothy 2:2). It's easy to pray for friends and family; how much time do we give to prayers for government leaders and executives? Paul reminds us that God wants everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:4), sinners as well as saints, terrorists and embezzlers, atheists and agnostics. I'll bet you don't spend much time praying for the "bad guys." Yet Jesus said, "Love your enemies. Pray for those who hurt you" (Matthew 5:44). I can't say I've ever heard anyone say that was their favorite Bible passage. But if Jesus expects more from those who love him, who are we to let him down?

Tom Schmidt



Today's 2nd Collection:
Archdiocesan Mission
Cooperative Weekend

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection:
Special Collection for our
affected brothers & sisters
in Gaza & the surrounding
areas in the Middle East

MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, Sept 22

7:00 AM Fr. Abe

Joan Moody Healing—Pierrel Family

Tuesday, Sept 23

4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe

Fr. Jude Offie Birthday—Clara Winfield

Wednesday, Sept 24

7:00AM Fr. Abe

Noelhia Iguirre Healing - Susan Pierrel

Thursday, Sept 25

4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe

Maria Villalobos Birthday - Clara Winfield

Friday, Sept 26

7:00 AM Fr. Abe

Men's ACTS Retreatants

Saturday, 27

4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe

Sylvia B. Alanis (d) - Cecilio & Becky Rodriguez

Sunday, Sept 28

8:30 AM Fr. Abe

Children & Youth of Our Parish

10:30 AM Fr. Abe

Vivienne Rettinger - Grandparents

12:00 PM Fr. Abe

Mary Lou Prieto (d) - Aida & Adolfo Puig

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Susan Auque, Neomi Balderas, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Eric Chapa, Theresa Connolly, Esther Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein, Theresa Ellie, Vangie Gallardo, Juan Garza, Danny Gusme, Don Harz, Eric Hawbecker, Josephine Janczar, Mary Margaret Janosek, Steve Janosek, Joann Lamb, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, Joseph McKinley, Al Medina, Gracie Miller, Jim O'Brien, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Jose Sanchez, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Laurie Seligman, Carolyn Smith, Dora Urrutia, Henry Wolf, Cheryl Wolf.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING



**September 24, 2025
6:30 PM**

TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER THE SACRAMENT OF
FIRST COMMUNION MUST BE COMPLETED

For any questions please contact Israel Manriquez
Israel.Manriquez@olgsa.org



The Venerable Bishop Fulton Sheen was a master theologian, philosopher and preacher of the Word who recorded a series of talks entitled *Life is Worth Living!*

We will gather each Saturday morning beginning Sept. 13th from 8:30 - 9:30 am in the St. Joseph's Room to listen to a 25 minute talk from Bishop Sheen, share our thoughts as a group, and close with prayer.

For information contact Roger Williams at 210-724-8828 or rogerwtx@gmail.com.

The Thursday Evening Bible Study at OLG resumes September 11, 2025 at 6:30pm ~ Guadalupe Room. Please join us as we study the *Acts of the Apostles: the Beginning of the Church*. In this second part of his writings, Luke presents the crucial events and turning points in the early Christian community after the Resurrection. Writing from acquired tradition and from first hand experience with Paul, Luke covers the Church's development from the Ascension of Christ to Paul's journey to Rome. We will explore these events through scripture reading and discussion.

This study is open to all men and women.
Bring your Catholic Bible, Catechism of the Catholic Church & pen/paper for notes !

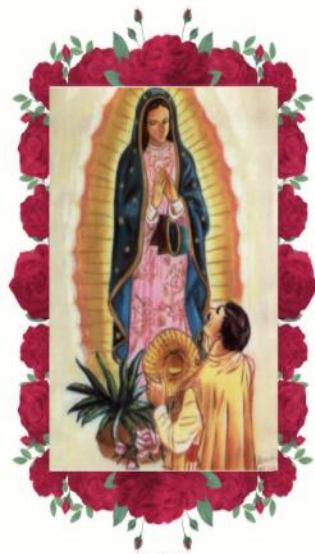


OUR LADY OF GRACE

Fall

GUEST SPEAKER &
LUNCHEON SERIES

"Our Lady of Guadalupe: Build Me A Casita"



Artist:
Sr. Dominic Garcia, MCDP

presented by
Sr. Angela Erevia, MCDP
Missionary Catechists of Divine
Providence



Mark Your Calendars!

Don't miss out on this exciting presentation of our 'Virgencita de Guadalupe'. Sister Angela is a celebrated speaker who, for 70 years, has served the Church at all levels of pastoral ministry - parish, diocesan, regional, national, and international. She has served on various USCCB committees and national projects. She has received several honors for her contributions to Hispanic ministry in the United States.

**Thursday, October 16, 2025
OLG ~ Madonna Room**



**Join us on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month
6:30 to 8:00 pm
in Our Lady of Knock Classroom.**

This event is open to anyone at any stage of their grief journey, whether you are dealing with a recent loss or reflecting on past experiences. We aim to create an environment where mutual support helps us heal together.

**We look forward to walking alongside you
on this path toward healing.**



Associate of the Blessed Sacrament Classes
This formation program will help you explore how the Eucharist shapes your life as an individual, as a family member, and as a member of society.

Last chance to join the program is October 2nd at 6:30pm in the Madonna Room.

Dear Parishioners,
It is with great joy that I announce the formation of the Development and Enhancement Committee at Our Lady of Grace Parish, to be chaired by Mr. Ruben Escobedo.

This committee—composed of the chairpersons of the Parish Leadership Team, Finance Council, and Pastoral Council, along with our business manager, deacons, and pastor—will work together to identify and prioritize development projects and enhancements in and around our church. Its purpose is to ensure that our parish facilities continue to serve the needs of our faith community with beauty, safety, and care.

Ruben brings to this role not only a deep love for our parish, but also a lifetime of professional and leadership experience. He practiced public accounting for 50 years, founding Ruben Escobedo & Co., CPAs in 1977 and leading it until his retirement in 2010. He served for 25 years on the boards of Cullen-Frost Bankers and Valero Energy Corporation, chairing the audit committees of both, and he has generously given his time to many non-profit organizations. Ruben also chaired and co-chaired several capital campaigns, including the \$22 million campaign to refurbish San Fernando Cathedral. He and his wife, Verónica, have been faithful parishioners of Our Lady of Grace for 28 years. Verónica herself served on the Pastoral Council for 12 years, 10 of them as president. Together, they embody the spirit of commitment and stewardship that strengthens our parish.

We are blessed to have Ruben leading this important new effort. Please join me in praying for him, the committee members, and the success of this mission, that it may bring glory to God and lasting blessings to our parish family.

With gratitude and hope,
Fr. Abe



SEPTEMBER @ OLG

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
21 Teens Give Back - 3:30pm Men's ACTS Return	22 Encounter School of Ministry - Years 1 & 2 6pm Men's ACTS Retreat Planning - 6pm	23 TMIY! 6:15am	24 Bible Study 9:30am SHE Women's Ministry 6:45pm OCIA 7pm Choir Practice 7pm	25 Men's ACTS Send Off Mass at SA North 10am Bible Study 6:15 pm Grief Ministry 6:30pm Young Adult Group 7pm	26 Men's ACTS Retreat Mass at The Towers 10am	27 Men's ACTS Retreat Men's Fellowship Group 8:30am
28 Men's ACTS Return Mass - 12pm Reception - 1pm	29 Encounter School of Ministry - Years 1 & 2 6pm	30 TMIY! 6:15am	For more event information, please see the Ministry & Organization contacts listing or call the office at 210.734.7285.			



Wednesdays 7—9pm

OLG



Faith
Journey
Ministry
Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday

**40 DAYS
FOR LIFE**
September 24th til
November 2nd



HELP SAVE LIVES IN SAN ANTONIO!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over **25,000** saved babies
- More than **170** closed facilities
- More than **270** converted workers

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood
2140 Babcock Rd

Vigil hours: 7am -7pm Mon - Sat

Local contact: Cindi Serna 210-410-9424
cindi@sacfl.org

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

40daysforlife.com/sanantonio

A WOMAN'S HAVEN INVITES YOU TO AN EVENING FOR LIFE WITH RAYMOND ARROYO

New York Times Bestselling Author
EWTN Anchor, FOX News Contributor

FRIDAY,
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DOORS OPEN 6:00 PM
DINNER 6:30 PM

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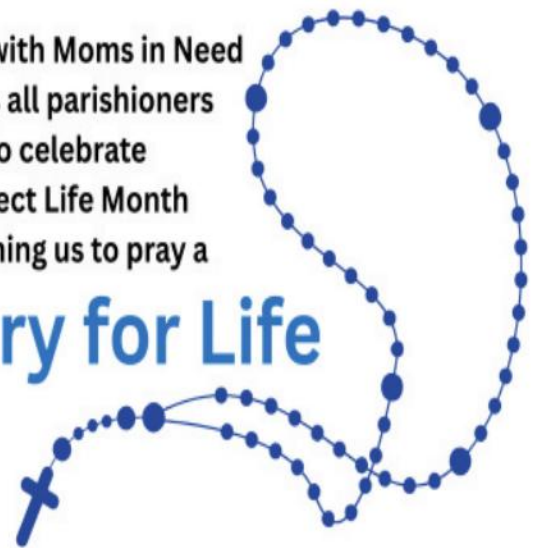
We'd absolutely love to have you as a guest - no commitment required. But if you are coming, would you prayerfully consider being a Table Host?

As a Table Host, you'll help save lives. Invite 10 friends to an evening where they'll hear how A Woman's Haven serves women in crisis with real help, real hope, and the chance to choose life. There is no cost to host and every guest you bring helps someone get closer to our mission. When you register at CelebrateLifeSA.com, you'll be asked if you'd like to host a table. Event is free for all guests (21+ only).



Walking with Moms in Need
invites all parishioners
to celebrate
Respect Life Month
by joining us to pray a

Rosary for Life



Sunday, October 19, 2025

**9:45 am in the Church
(after the 8:30 mass)**

LIFE
Our Sign of Hope



The 2025 Respect Life theme, "Life: Our Sign of Hope," reflects the Jubilee Year of Hope and features an image of an infant being baptized, a powerful reminder that life is a sacred gift. Through Baptism, we are united with Christ and called to witness to the dignity of every human person.

Join the Archdiocese of San Antonio

at upcoming liturgies in support of human life.

October 5 | 6:00 p.m.

St. Anthony Mary Claret

(6150 Roff Rd, San Antonio, TX 78253)

English Mass

Celebrant and Homilist:
Bishop Gary W. Janak, JCL

October 12 | 8:00 a.m.

San Fernando Cathedral

(115 Main Plaza, San Antonio, TX 78205)

Spanish Mass

Celebrant and Homilist:
Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S.


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