

Third Sunday of *Advent*

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**who takes no
offense at me**

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

December 14, 2025



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Interested in becoming a parishioner? Scan the QR Code or call the office to schedule a visit with Fr. Abe.



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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.

Parish Leadership Team



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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

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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

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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

WOMENS SPIRITUALITY BOOK STUDY

LAURA MACOM 210-734-7285

GRIEF MINISTRY - ANASTASIA MCKENNA

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SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN-SHE

AMANDA CLAIBORNE 210-365-4952

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GREG CLARY 903-714-0232

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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

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

PARISH PROGRAMMING

GRACE GUEST SPEAKER & LUNCHEON SERIES

VERÓNICA ESCOBEDO 210-734-7285

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

THEOLOGY ON TAP- JAIME SOLIS

210-707-3597

A Men's Fellowship group which meets every 4th Thursday of the month combining a relaxed social setting with discussions on spiritual topics over a beverage of one's liking. Location TBA each month

MINISTRIES HOSTED BY OLG

ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

ASSOCIATES OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

CONNECT YOUNG ADULT GROUP

TEENS GIVE BACK

Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Blanca Aldape, Susan Auque, Neomi Balderas, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Larry Blume, 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, Maria White, Henry Wolf, Cheryl Wolf.



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MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, December 15

7:00 AM Fr. Abe
Good Health for Laura Bond - Jeanne Albrecht

Tuesday, December 16

4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe
5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe
Shawn Coleman (d)

Wednesday, December 17

7:00AM Fr. Abe
Good Health for Judy Debner - Jeanne Albrecht

Thursday, December 18

5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe
Jane Horton (d) - Pierrel Family
7:00 AM Fr. Abe

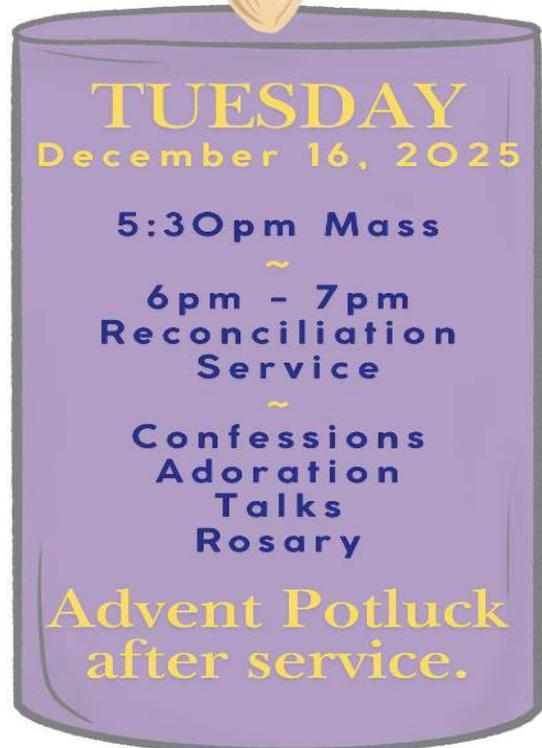
Saturday, December 20

8:00 AM Fr. Abe
4:30 PM Confessions - Fr. Abe
5:30 PM Mass - Fr. Abe
James R. White (d) - Sylvia White

Sunday, December 21

8:30 AM Fr. Abe
Dr. Deborah Mueller (d)
10:30 AM Fr. Abe
In Thanksgiving - Dora Urrutia
12:00 PM Fr. Abe
Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

Advent RECONCILIATION SERVICE



Our Lady of Grace
CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Registration Deadline is Wed. Dec. 17th @5 PM
 Roles will be announced at the
 First Rehearsal - Sun. Dec. 21st @2pm

Please use the QR Code to sign your children
 up for the Christmas Pageant

Parents of all participants will be added to the
 "2025 Christmas" Flocknote for communication





PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL LAS POSADAS!
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH @6PM - 8PM MADONNA ROOM

COME CELEBRATE THE JOURNEY MARY AND JOSEPH MADE
 ON THE EVENING OF JESUS' BIRTH.

6:30 PM - CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION
 7 PM - TAMALES POTLUCK DINNER
 7:45 PM - PIÑATA, HOT COCOA & DESSERTS

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS:
 ASSISTING WITH THE PARISH POSADA WILL COUNT
 TOWARDS SERVICE HOURS.
 *PLEASE RSVP YOUR VOLUNTEERING WITH THE
 CONFIRMATION QR CODE IN YOUR RE CLASSROOM*

Volunteer
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 RSVP

To participate please scan the QR Code




The Lord is my light and my salvation.
 Psalm 27:1

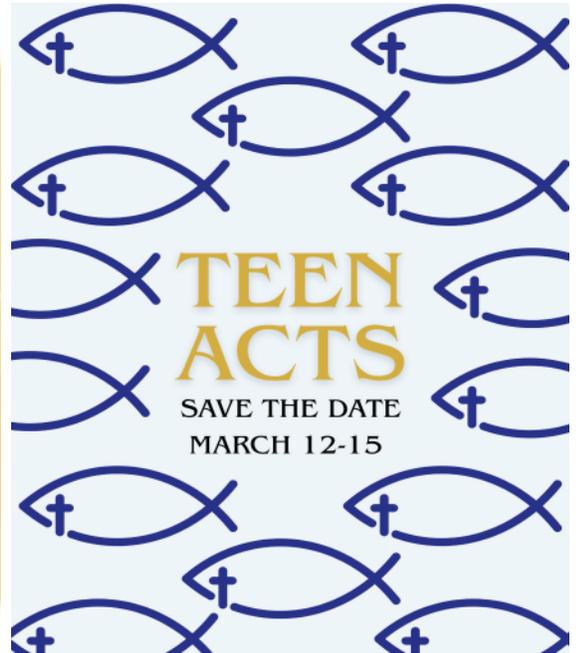
2026 OLG Women's ACTS Retreat
 January 22 - January 25
 (Thursday evening - Sunday midday)

ACTS stands for the themes which guide the retreat activities:
 Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. This ACTS
 weekend provides an opportunity for women to develop a
 deeper relationship with the Lord and fellow parishioners.

For more details and to register,
 pick up a registration form in the foyer or
 scan the QR code!



For more information, contact
 Brenda Blankenship (Director): 512-538-4598
 Lauren Stadelman (Co-director): 210-260-8897
 Celina Alvarez (Co-director): 210-316-6089



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 and your daughters shall
 prophesy, and your young
 men shall see visions,
 and your old men
 shall dream dreams..."
 Acts 2:17-21

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THURS

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David Kauffman *in Concert*

7:00 PM

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Old Testament prophets were not very popular. Most were killed or exiled because they challenged people to follow the commands of God. John the Baptist suffered the same way. So what kept the prophets going? First of all, the prophets had faith in God. They believed that God spoke through them, that God would protect them and support them. Second, they had patience. They kept going when people rejected their preaching. Some prophets had to be patient with their own weaknesses. The third gift of the prophets was hope: That by keeping God's commands, God's people would be renewed, along with all of creation. Our first reading is an example of such hope, with its descriptions of deserts becoming gardens and the sick and disabled being healed and strengthened.

So what do we learn from those prophets? First, we need to keep our faith in God strong. If you go to church once a week, the bare minimum, it would be like exercising only once a week and thinking that will keep you in shape. Second, we need patience and not just with our kids. We need to be patient with ourselves and with God. Some people stop going to church because they don't see any spiritual growth in themselves. So be patient; don't expect to become a saint right away. Finally, the reading from Isaiah gives us hope that God will open our eyes of faith, clear our ears to hear His word, (Is 35:5) and "meet him with joy and gladness" (Is 35:10).

Tom Schmidt

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ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

BEGIN SOON!

If you are an adult aged 18 or older, have received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion and are ready to take the next step in your Faith Journey, you are invited to attend these classes.

The eight class series will begin on
Sunday, January 4, 2025 after the 10:30am Mass
in the OLG Guadalupe Room
223 East Summit San Antonio, Tx 78212

You will be asked to provide your Baptism & 1st Communion certificates

Contact Deacon George Wunderlich at 240-707-0724
for more information about the program.

Mystagogy Roundup Podcast with Deacon George



If you are unable to attend our Tuesday Faith Journey sessions, Deacon George summarizes the questions from each session in a podcast.

Listen at:



Senior Angel Tree

CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE

Our Ministry to the Sick & Homebound will once again be asking for blessings for the residents of San Pedro Manor & SA North Rehabilitation Centers.

\$20 gift limit for each gift recipient

Angel Trees will be placed in the Narthex thru December 13-14 and deadline is Thursday December 18th

All of San Pedro Manor resident tags are available on the Angel Trees!

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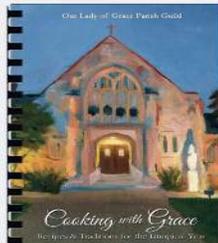
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Christmas SEASON SCHEDULE

Parish Advent Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, Dec. 16th ~ 6:00pm

“The Light is On” Weekly Reconciliation Thursdays ~6:30pm

4th Sunday of Advent

Dec. 20th Confessions 4:30pm & Mass 5:30pm

Dec. 21st 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

Wednesday, Dec. 24th

3:30pm Children’s Pageant-OLG

4:00pm

Children’s Mass-OLG

4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass-St.AHS Chapel

6:30pm

Christmas Eve Mass

9:00pm

Christmas Carols

10:00pm

Christmas Eve Mass

Thursday, Dec. 25th

Christmas Day Mass

10:30am

Feast of the Holy Family

Dec. 27th Confessions 4:30pm & Mass 5:30pm

Dec. 28th 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Dec. 31st

Vigil Mass 5:30pm

Jan. 1st

8:30am, 12:10pm & 5:30pm

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Jan. 3rd

Confessions 4:30pm & Mass 5:30pm

Jan. 4th

8:30am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

Adoration of the Child Jesus after every Mass

The Baptism of the Lord (Jan. 10th & 11th)

is the conclusion of the Christmas Season



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