

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

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ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES

Dios Padre nuestro, te damos gracias por llamar a hombres y mujeres a servir en el Reino de tu Hijo como sacerdotes, diáconos y personas consagradas.

Envía tu Espíritu Santo para ayudar a otros a responder generosa y valientemente a tu llamado.

Que nuestra comunidad de fe apoye vocaciones de amor sacrificial en nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos.

A través de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

Amén



"Every person carries in his heart the blueprint of the one he loves."

- Bishop Fulton Sheen

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

September 17, 2023

Sunday Collection	\$ 5,328.86
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 137.60
Facilities Improvement.....	\$ 60.00
Helping Hands.....	\$ 20.00
STM School.....	\$ 779.10
Raffle.....	\$ 9,900.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 20.00
Donations.....	\$ 2,163.75

Second Collection Sept 30 - Oct 1:

No 2nd Collection Next Week



Senior Appreciation Afternoon

Many, many thanks for your generous donations of Time, Talent, and Treasure that made our Senior Appreciation Afternoon event possible.

There was plenty of food, refreshments, and door prizes... great music, and fellowship.

The turnout was fantastic...

It was a huge success!

God's blessings to all of you!





40 DAYS for LIFE
September 27 - November 5
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 20,000 babies saved from abortion

Over 200 abortion workers converted

Over 100 abortion centers closed

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

Vigil Location: Outside the Planned Parenthood; 2140 Babcock Rd. 78229
Vigil Hours: 7 am to 7 pm, Mon - Sat
Local Contact: Cindi Serna - San Antonio Coalition for Life (210) 410-9424 or Cindi@sacfl.org
Learn More: **Get Involved** - Sign up for prayer times by visiting our web address shown below.
Visit: 40DaysForLife.com/SanAntonio ; www.sacfl.org



What a week!!! So many Feast Days!!... it's awesome!

It all begins this Wednesday, Sept 27th with St. Vincent de Paul; then on Friday, the 29th, we celebrate the Feast of the Archangels, (*Michael, Gabriel, and Rafael*)! The only named angels in Scripture! Saturday, the 30th, we celebrate the Memorial of St. Jerome, a Doctor of the Church, who translated most of the Bible (*OT from Hebrew and NT from Greek and 'Old Latin*) into the more current Latin. His translation is called the *Vulgate* and is still the source from which all Bible versions are based today.

On Sunday, Oct 1st, we normally celebrate the Memorial of St. Therese of the Child Jesus... another Doctor of the Church. She is best known as the "Little Flower" and her many writings.

She advocated a simple life style... saying all things, done with the right frame of mind, could be a prayer to honor and glorify God. But since Oct 1st falls on Sunday this year... we forgo her feast day in preference to our Sunday Celebration. (*feel free, however, to honor her with a prayer*).

On Monday, Oct 2nd, we celebrate the Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels. Angels abound!

We each have at least one to look after and guide us from the moment of our conception... 'till the day we die. Just think of how many angels there must be! Literally billions upon billions of them (***and more!***)!

Then, on Wednesday, Oct 4th, we celebrate the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. We've all heard how he could communicate with animals! The school children will bring all their pets and / or stuffed animals (*representing their pets*) to school to have them blessed by Father Ed.

And, we top off our week with Thursday's celebration for St. Faustina Kowalska. If you are not familiar with St Faustina and the Divine Mercy devotion... I invite and encourage you to ***check it out!***

I also invite you to *look at your 'Parish' calendar...*

I mean really look at it. Don't just see the numbers (*1-31*)!

See the Saint(s) who are being remembered / celebrated on the different days. If you have access to a computer or even a smart phone... "Google" the saint-of-the-day and find out a little about him or her. There are some beautiful stories out there!

I'd love to get into a few of them right here... but I'm really pressed for time!

Maybe a future 'Corner.'

Until next time... God Bless- DT

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ARCHDIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S., invites priests, deacons, men and women religious, and all the people of God to continue the synodal journey towards Eucharistic Renewal by participating in the Archdiocesan Eucharistic Congress.

Let us open our hearts for a moment of grace where a profound encounter with our Lord through the reflection and celebration of the Sacred Mysteries of the Mass will transform us to go out as missionary disciples to witness about the saving power of Jesus Christ.

Friday, November 3, 2023

St. John Neumann will kick-off the Eucharistic Congress this year, after the 11:30 am Mass. We will have Adoration in the Church starting at Noon, and will conclude with Devotion to Divine Mercy and Benediction at 6:30pm.

All are welcome.

Saturday, November 4, 2023

Campus of St. Mary's University | 8:00 AM-1:00 PM

Join thousands of the faithful. Families with their kids, Catholic school faculty and staff, and leaders from all over are invited. All are welcome to gather as one family to celebrate and share meaningful experiences and moments of encounter founded in the Eucharist as the summit of our Faith. Part of our day will include presentations by Cardinal Tobin and Fr. Torre along with a memorable Mass celebrated by Archbishop Gustavo.



CARDINAL JOSEPH
W. TOBIN, C.S.S.R.
Keynote Speaker (English)

FATHER FERNANDO
TORRE, M.SP.S.
Keynote Speaker (Spanish)



Participation is free but registration is required. **CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** ASSEMBLY@ARCHSA.ORG | 210-734-1952
LEARN MORE AND REGISTER: WWW.ASSEMBLYSA.ORG



Healing Holidays *Making your Grief Count*



Grief during the Holidays is always challenging, and even more so in these past few years.

The holiday season renew memories, family ties, and traditions.

We become painfully aware that our loved one is no longer present, and the pain of the loss is confused with the spirit of the season making it difficult for families to navigate.

We live with added layer of collective grief and vulnerability.

Learning to navigate a changing world combined with the sorrow of our loss causes us to grieve on many levels.

How do we allow ourselves in these difficult times, to “*make our grief count*” and find our grounding?

This workshop will help identify internal and external resources that contribute to self-compassion and enhance resiliency. It will help families to embrace their grief while strengthening characteristics of resilience.

Participants will use the holidays to discover how their loved one can live on into their life story, using this special time to continue to heal.

When: Wednesday, October 11, 2023
Where: St Thomas More Catholic Church
Time: 10:00 - 11:30 am
Presenter: Chaplain Harry Miller B.Div

Contact (RSVP): Church Office (210) 655-5070
Cost: \$0. - no charge



This Week at Our Parish

Sunday, 8:00 am	September 24, 2023 KC Breakfast after All Masses - <i>Carolán Hall</i> KC Wheelchair Mission - <i>Carolán Hall</i> School Bake Sale - <i>Carolán Hall</i> 10:00 am CDA Mass - <i>Church</i>
Monday,	September 25, 2023
Tuesday, 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	September 26, 2023 Divine Mercy - <i>Rectory Mtg Room</i> Coro Alegria Choir Practice - <i>Rectory Mtg Room</i> Grupo de Oracion Choir Practice - <i>Church</i>
Wednesday, 6:00 pm	September 27, 2023 KC 4th Degree Mtg - <i>Carolán Hall</i>
Thursday, 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	September 28, 2023 Charismatic Prayer Grp - <i>Church</i> RCIA - <i>Rectory Mtg Room</i>
Friday, 7:00 pm	September 29, 2023 Grupo de Oracion - <i>Church</i>
Saturday, 8:00 am 11:00 am	September 30, 2023 ACTS Team Mtg - <i>Rectory Mtg Room</i> Fr. Mike's Farewell Picnic - <i>Carolán Hall</i>
Sunday, 10:00 am	October 1, 2023 KoC Mass - <i>Church</i>

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Sanctuary Light Intention:
Arcenio Esquivel & Albert Villalobos
by Ana Villalobos

Lecturas de la Semana del 25 sept - 1 oct

Lunes:	Esd 1:1-6; Sal 125:1-6; Lc 8:16-18
Martes:	Esd 6:7-8,12,14-20; Sal 121:1-5; Lc 8:19-21
Miércoles:	Esd 9:5-9; Tob 13:2-4,7-8; Lc 9:1-6
Jueves:	Ag 1:1-8; Sal 149:1-6,9; Lc 9:7-9
Viernes:	Dn 7:9-10,13-14; Sal 137:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Sábado:	Zac 2:5-9,14-15; Jr 31:10-13; Lc 9:43-45
Domingo:	Ez 18:25-28; Sal 24:4-9; Flp 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

Readings for the week of Sept 25 - Oct 1

Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8,12b,14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2-4,7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a,9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Dn 7:9-10,13-14; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9,14-15a; Jer 31:10-13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 23, 2023 8:00 am †Theresa Hoi by Kim Nguyen †Genara & Manuel Noin †Lauro and Lupe Vargas by Vargas Family 5:00 pm STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased	
Sunday, September 24, 2023 8:00 am †Willard & Margaret O'Connor by Oswald Family †Vernon Ball by Volpenhein Family 10:00 am †Juan Urbano & Mike Urbano by Urbano Family †Joseph J. Weich by Pat Weinert 12:00 pm †Guadalupe Aguilar by Isela Bazan BIRTHDAY - Luis Vicente Cisneros by Isela Bazan	
Monday, September 25, 2023 8:00 am †Therisa Hoi by Kim Nguyen BIRTHDAY - Alicia Kay Saldiva by Rosa Saldiva	
Tuesday, September 26, 2023 8:00 am †Oscar & Socorro Noin †Theodore & Marie Willingham by Margie Murray	
Wednesday, September 27, 2023 8:00 am †Rosie Reyes & Suzell Waller by Eddie Reyes Souls in Purgatory by Isela Bazan	
Thursday, September 28, 2023 8:00 am †Michelle Osiner Gonzales by Mom Ordained Clergy and Religious	
Friday, September 29, 2023 8:00 am †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen Health - Richard & Angelina Willingham by Margie Murray	
Saturday, September 30, 2023 8:00 am †Aurora & Rafael Garza by Guadalupeanos Health - Deacon Rolando Guerra 5:00 pm †Joe A. Barrera, Sr & James A. Barrera by Barrera Family Olga Weich - Continued Good Health and Blessings by Pat Weinert	
Sunday, October 1, 2023 8:00 am †Charles Jimenez by Norberto & Jeanette Pansza †Jose Garcia by Volpenhein Family 10:00 am †Juan Urbano & Mike Urbano by Urbano Family †Medardo E. Morales & Evangelina G. Morales by Morales & Briseno Families 12:00 pm †Kathryn Marie Sweet by Maria G. Sweet STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased	

Liturgical Roles**Saturday, September 30, 2023**

5 pm	Altar Servers - (None) Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, S.Chapa, T.S.Garza, J.Garcia, (+1 Vol) Lector - M.Fisher
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Sunday, October 1, 2023

8 am	Altar Servers - (None) Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, R.Davila, P.Klar, (+2 vol) Lector - P.Klar
10 am	Altar Servers - ,L.McCaffrey, A.Mata, M.Lawson Eucharistic Ministers – Dcn Tim, P+R.Mendoza, E+M.Cantu, Sr.Eucharía, A.Fuentes Lector - Abi.Perez
12 pm	Altar Servers - S.Obregon, A.Gomez, Volunteer Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rojas, C.Martinez, A.Chavez, R.Borrego, H+R.Gomez, I.Hernandez Lector - D+F.Malacara