



In today's Gospel, taken from the sixth chapter of Luke, Jesus offers a very challenging, seemingly impossible approach to daily life. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak do not withhold even your tunic." It makes one want to say, "Seriously, Lord?" And He doesn't stop there. Jesus adds, "Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back."

It seems so unfair! Unless, that is, we look at this way of life from a stewardship point of view. Then, not only does it seem doable (though challenging), but it also actually makes perfect sense. A steward understands clearly that all he has and all that he is — his very life — is a gift from God given to him from an unfathomable abundance of love. This changes everything! This means "my" cloak, "my" tunic, "my" money, and time — all of it ultimately belongs to God. He has entrusted these things to each of us in love to use for His purposes and His glory.

Does this mean we are to be passive "doormats" to anyone who wants to take advantage of us? Certainly not. Jesus explains this in the next verse of this passage when He says, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." As the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, Jesus understands human nature well. He knows that we naturally desire only good and nothing bad for ourselves. And there is nothing wrong with loving oneself since God loves us and has made us in His own image and likeness. Jesus is simply asking that we also approach others, and the sharing of our gifts, with this same attitude. He is giving us a definition here of real love, a steward's love!

In fact, Jesus tells us that anything short of this is not love at all. "For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same."

We are made for much higher than that. Jesus says instead, "Love your enemies and do good to them and lend expecting nothing back." That is true greatness in God's view. When we love like that, He promises our "reward in heaven will be great." A stewardship way of life is a life worth living because it is modeled after nothing less than our Most High God.

And if that is still not incentive enough to embrace this way of life, Jesus gives us one more bit of loving motivation. "Give and gifts will be given to you: a good measure, packed together, shaken down and overflowing will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." Our wonderful God and Father simply will not be outdone in love.

Be generous with your gifts — with your life — and just watch what He will do!

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

February 13, 2022

Sunday Collection	\$ 4,511.34
Vigil Candles.....	\$ 136.75
Facilities Improvement fund.....	\$ 22.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 235.00
Misc Donations.....	\$ 160.00
Holy Days.....	\$ 170.00

***Second Collection - February 26 - 27:
No Second Collection Next Week***



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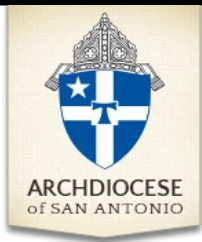
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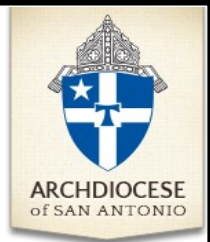
***"Be the change you wish to see in the world and
light up the darkness!"***

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"Porque tenía hambre, y me diste algo de comer, tuve sed, y me diste algo de beber, era más extraño, y me acogiste, estaba desnudo, y me viste, estaba enfermo, y me cuidaste, estabas en prisión y me visitaste". (Mateo 25:36-37)



En nombre del Arzobispo Gustavo y del Padre Michael English, los invito a ustedes y a su familia a participar en el Llamamiento del Arzobispo para Ministerios Compartidos de este año.

Nuestro tema para el Llamamiento de este año es: **Nuestro Viaje Juntos.**

¿Cuál es el Llamamiento de nuestro Arzobispo para Ministerios Compartidos?

Es el amor transformador lo que es tan crítico para la vida de nuestra iglesia local. Es el ministerio compartido entre la Parroquia Santo Tomás Moro y la Arquidiócesis de San Antonio, entre el Padre Michael English y el Arzobispo Gustavo.

Es un amor compasivo para los más necesitados.

Caminemos juntos para apoyar financieramente la formación de sacerdotes y diáconos que servirán a nuestra parroquia.

Su apoyo financiero ayuda a preparar a los líderes laicos para servir como catequistas, capellanes y lectores.

Ofrece una educación católica a las familias necesitadas.

Transmite misas televisadas y ayuda a expandir nuestro alcance a través de otros medios digitales.

Su apoyo financiero a este Llamamiento compartirá el amor de Cristo mientras

alimenta, viste, alberga y cuida a los más vulnerables.

Todos estos ministerios compartidos apoyan a nuestros vecinos necesitados y promueven la misión de la Iglesia.

Nuestra meta parroquial es la plena participación.

Para lograr esto, necesitamos su apoyo.

Cada familia debe participar haciendo un regalo a este llamamiento.

Cualquier regalo, cualquier cantidad hará una diferencia en la vida de alguien.

Los invito a orar y encontrar en su corazón hacer un don sacrificial al llamamiento de este año.

Se pueden dar regalos: • Texto para dar: (210) 750-6712; palabra clave APPEAL

• En línea en <http://www.archsa.org/appeal>

• O usando el sobre de apelación de la parroquia

Todas estas formas de dar son seguras y rápidas. Si necesita ayuda con él, por favor háganoslo saber, estaremos encantados de ayudarlo.

Que Dios los bendiga por su disposición a compartir sus oraciones y apoyo financiero a este Llamamiento.

Tu hermano en Cristo... Alfredo (Fred) Sánchez,

Coordinador de Apelación del Arzobispo para Santo Tomás More



St. Thomas More English Prayer Group



Feb 24 7 pm Main-Line "If your foot is your undoing, cut it off." Mark 9:45

Contacts: Olga Guerrero (210) 657-1610 or Stella Lopez: (210) 618-6977



Grupo de Oración Familias compartiendo la palabra



25 de febrero - Los apelativos y Símbolos del Espíritu Santo

El grupo de oración se reúne los viernes a las 7 pm.

Contacte a: Maria Isabel Hernandez (210) 843-9756

ACTS \$10.00 / Plate

TEEN MISSIONS RETREAT LONGHORN STEAKHOUSE BREAKFAST



February 26, 2022 (8 - 10 am)

Breakfast includes: Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Coffee or Orange Juice



22503 N. US Hwy 281 San Antonio, TX 78258

Proceeds will help fund the retreat and scholarships.

For Tickets: **On Sale after Mass today** ...or...

Sam Avitua (210) 274-4646 SamAvitua@Yahoo.com

Or: Kristin Avitua @ (210) 771-2908 SKAvitua@Yahoo.com



***"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat,
I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink,
I was stranger, and you took Me in,
I was naked, and you clothed Me,
I was sick, and you looked after Me,
I was in prison, and you visited Me."*** (Matthew 25: 36-37)

On behalf of Archbishop Gustavo and Father Michael English,
I invite you and your family to participate in this year's Archbishop's Appeal for Shared Ministries
Our theme for this year's Appeal is: ***Our Journey Together.***

What is our Archbishop's Appeal for Shared Ministries?

It is the transformative love that is so critical to the life of our local church.
It is the ministry shared between St. Thomas More Parish and the Archdiocese of San Antonio,
between Father Michael English and Archbishop Gustavo.

It is a compassionate love for those most in need.
Let us journey together to financially support the formation of priests and deacons who will serve our parish.

Your financial support helps prepare lay leaders to serve as catechists, chaplains, and lectors.

It offers a Catholic education to families in need.

It broadcasts televised Masses and helps expand our reach through other digital media.

Your financial support to this Appeal will share Christ's love as it
feeds, clothes, shelters, and cares for the most vulnerable.

All these shared ministries support our neighbors in need and further the mission of the Catholic Church.

Our parish goal is full participation.

To accomplish this, we need your support.

Every family should participate by making a gift to this appeal.

Any gift, any amount will make a difference in somebody's life.

I invite you to pray and find it in your heart to make a sacrificial gift to this year's Appeal.

Gifts can be given: • Text-To-Give: (210) 750-6712; keyword APPEAL

• Online at <http://www.archsa.org/appeal>

• Or using the parish Appeal envelope

All these ways of giving are safe and fast. If you need help with it, please let us know, we will be happy to assist you.
May God bless you for your willingness to share your prayers and financial support to this Appeal.

Your Brother in Christ... Alfredo (Fred) Sanchez,
Archbishop's Appeal Coordinator for St. Thomas More



LENTEN RETREAT

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Society is
sponsoring a Lenten Retreat on**

**Saturday, March 19, 2022
from 8 am to 12 pm
in Carolan Hall.**

Father Garcia will be our speaker.

**Contact: Belinda Trevino (210) 275-6529 or
Irene Negrete (210) 219-1130
to make a reservation.**

**Space is limited to 50 attendees
so reserve your space early!**



Over the course of this COVID Pandemic we,
(STM Parish) have had many of our parishioners stay
home in an effort to avoid infection.

We have tried to keep-up (*in touch*) with them but it has
been difficult... little staff... many people...

We miss them all and don't want them to feel they have
been forgotten. They are still part of our '*family*.'

We are trying to set up a Calling-Tree ministry where we
can contact our home-bound parishioners on a regular
(*weekly??*) basis... but we need a support staff.

Two things: 1. If you would be willing to call and talk
with some of our home-bound
parishioners; -or-
2. If you, or someone you know, would
like to receive a call... just to check on
you / them...



Please call the Parish Office with your / their contact
information. (210) 655-5070 (*more to follow...*)

This Week at Our Parish

Sunday, February 20, 2022
ACTS Fundraiser Breakfast Ticket Sales After Every Mass
 8:00 am Guadalupano Mass– Church
 9:00 am Guadalupano General Mtg - Carolan Hall
 6:00 pm ACTS Team Mtg - Carolan Hall

Monday, February 21, 2021
 12:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 5:00 pm Cenaculo de la Divina Misericordia - RMR
 7:00 pm Finance Council Mtg - RME

Tuesday, February 22, 2021
 12:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy - Rectory Mtg Room
 6:00 pm Divine Mercy - Devotion –Church
 6:30 pm Coro Alegria Choir Practice - Rectory Mtg Rm
 7:00 pm Grupo Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday, February 23, 2021
 12:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 6:00 pm KC 4th Degree Mtg - Carolan Hall

Thursday, February 24, 2021
 12:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 7:00 pm RCIA - Rectory Mtg. Room
 English Prayer Grp - Church

Friday, February 25, 2021
 12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration - Church
 7:00 pm Grupo de Oracion - Church

Saturday, February 26, 2022
 4:00 pm Reconciliation - Church

Sunday, February 27, 2022
 8:30 am KC Breakfast - Carolan Hall
 10:00 am CDA Mass - Church
 6:00 pm ACTS Team Mtg - Carolan Hall

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 19, 2022
 8:00 am †Teresa Hoi & †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen
 †Cecilia Nguyen by Thuy Nguyen
 5:00 pm †Fr. Joe Uvietta by Melba Fisher
 †Ramon Mata, Sr by Mata Family
 †George Omar & George Chrisopher Garcia
 By Anna and Jonathan Garcia

Sunday, February 20, 2022
 8:00 am †Benjamin Rodriguez By Guadalupanos
STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased
 10:00 am †Fr. Arnold Maninge
 †Salome H. Briseno & Carolina B. Briseno
 By Morales / Briseno Families
 12:00 pm †Acension Torres Flores by Torres Family
 †Teresa Hoi & †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen

Monday, February 21, 2021
 8:00 am †Cecilia Nguyen by Thuy Nguyen
 †Marina Segovia by Martha Menchaca

Tuesday, February 22, 2021
 8:00 am †Teresa Hoi & †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen
 †Ed McCarthy

Wednesday, February 23, 2021 (Communion Service)
 8:00 am **All Ordained Clergy and Religious**
 †Teresa Hoi & †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen
 †Cecilia Nguyen by Thuy Nguyen

Thursday, February 24, 2021 (Mass)
 8:00 am †Teresa Hoi & †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen
 †Cecilia Nguyen by Thuy Nguyen

Friday, February 25, 2021
 8:00 am †Teresa Hoi by Kim Nguyen
 †Sonia Hernandez by Teresa Hernandez

Saturday, February 26, 2022
 8:00 am †Teresa Hoi & †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen
STM Parishioners - Living and Deceased
 5:00 pm †Robert Martini by Doc & Eileen Adams
 †Antonio Cortez by Debra Cortez

Sunday, February 27, 2022
 8:00 am †Cecilia Nguyen By Thuy Nguyen
 †Teresa Hoi & †Vicente Khanh by Kim Nguyen
 10:00 am †Juan Urbano & Mike Urbano by Teresa Clark
 †Al Weinheimer by Adrian Zaiontz
 12:00 pm †Santos Garcia by Garcia Family



Sanctuary Light Intention:
 †Fr. Gilbert Pansza and
 †Richard Pansza, Jr

Lecturas de la Semana del 21 - 27 febrero

Lunes: Sant 3:13-18; Sal 18:8-10,15; Mc 9:14-29
Martes: 1Pe 5:1-4; Sal 22:1-6; Mt 16:13-19
Miércoles: Sant 4:13-17; Sal 48:2-3,6-11; Mc 9:38-40
Jueves: Sant 5:1-6; Sal 48:14-20; Mc 9:41-50
Viernes: Sant 5:9-12; Sal 102:1-4,8-9,11-12;
 Mc 10:1-12
Sábado: Sant 5:13-20; Sal 140:1-3,8; Mc 10:13-16
Domingo: Eclo 27:4-7; Sal 91:2-3,13-16;
 1Co 15:54-58; Lc 6:39-45

Readings for the week of Feb 21 - 27

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10,15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: 1Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3,6-11; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4,8-9,11-12;
 Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3,8; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3,13-16;
 1Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, February 26, 2021
 5:00 pm **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, DC John, (+ 1 Vol-IN)
Lector - T.Guerrero

Sunday, February 27, 2022
 8:00 am **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Tim, (+2 Vol - If Needed)
Lector - S.McCarthy
 10:00 am **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, V.Smith, E.Garcia
Lector - M.Torres
 12:00 pm **Altar Servers** - (None)
Eucharistic Ministers - Dcn Rolando, R.Gomez, I.Hernandez
Lector - E.Marshall / R.Borrego