

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH & SCHOOL

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON



December 6, 2020

## *2nd Sunday of Advent*

### **HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

**(Administrative Office for all 6 six churches)**

1010 35th St. Galveston, TX 77550

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### **HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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### **LIVE STREAM MASSES**

Facebook: Holy Family Catholic Parish

These videos are public and can also be accessed through our Website at: [holyfamilygb.com](http://holyfamilygb.com)

### **CONFESSIONS**

Wednesdays 5-5:30PM at St. Patrick's Church

Or by appointment, call 409.762.9646.

### **ADORATION**

Wednesdays only at St. Patrick 10:30 AM - 5:30 PM

### **MASS SCHEDULE (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)**

#### **SUNDAY VIGIL (SATURDAY)**

5 PM St. Patrick Church\*

6 PM Our Lady by the Sea Church

7 PM Mary Star of the Sea Church

#### **SUNDAY**

7:30 AM Sacred Heart Church

9 AM Holy Rosary Church

10 AM St. Patrick Church (Youth Mass)\*

11 AM Sacred Heart Church

**12 PM St. Patrick Church (español) TIEMPO NUEVO!\***

12:30 PM St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

#### **MONDAY - FRIDAY**

10 AM St. Patrick \*

#### **WEDNESDAY**

6 PM St. Patrick (español)\*

\*Denotes Mass is also available online.

(St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica will be closed during the week for construction.)

*Welcome to Holy Family Parish. We are 6 Catholic churches united in the service and worship of God in the Galveston-Bolivar area.*

***Church Addresses of Holy Family Parish***



**Holy Rosary (HR)**  
1420 31st Street,  
Galveston, TX 77550



**Mary Star of the Sea (MSOS)**  
16626 San Luis Pass Road,  
Galveston, TX 77554



**Our Lady by the Sea (OLBS)**  
2400 State Hwy 87,  
Port Bolivar, TX 77650



**Sacred Heart Church (SH)**  
1302 Broadway,  
Galveston, TX 77550



**St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica (SMC)**  
2011 Church Street,  
Galveston, TX 77550



**St. Patrick Church (SP)**  
3424 Avenue K,  
Galveston, TX 77550

You can find Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel (OLG), the Parish Office and your Parish Life Center all located at the St. Patrick's premises. New Parishioners can register online or at the office:

1010 35th St. Galveston, TX 77550.

Thank you for joining us!

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Rev. Jude Ezuma

Pastor

Matthew Furlong

Chairman

David Walker

Recorder

Deacon Sam Dell'Olio

Rosetta Bonnin

## Message from the Pastor

Dearly Beloved in Christ:

Our Readings on this Second Sunday of Advent invites us to “prepare a way for the Lord”. As part of our ongoing **Conversations with the Saints** series, we will be reflecting on excerpts on this theme from the **Commentary on Isaiah by Eusebius of Caesarea**; see below –

*“The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight the paths of our God. The prophecy makes clear that it is to be fulfilled, not in Jerusalem but in the wilderness: it is there that the glory of the Lord is to appear, and God’s salvation is to be made known to all mankind.*

It was in the wilderness that God’s saving presence was proclaimed by John the Baptist, and there that God’s salvation was seen. The words of this prophecy were fulfilled when Christ and his glory were made manifest to all: after his baptism the heavens opened, and the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove rested on him, and the Father’s voice was heard, bearing witness to the Son: *This is my beloved Son, listen to him.*

The prophecy meant that God was to come to a deserted place, inaccessible from the beginning. None of the pagans had any knowledge of God, since his holy servants and prophets were kept from approaching them. The voice commands that a way be prepared for the Word of God: the rough and trackless ground is to be made level, so that our God may find a highway when he comes. *Prepare the way of the Lord*: the way is the preaching of the Gospel, the new message of consolation, ready to bring to all mankind the knowledge of God’s saving power.

*Climb on a high mountain, bearer of good news to Zion. Lift up your voice in strength, bearer of good news to Jerusalem.* These words harmonize very well with the meaning of what has gone before. They refer opportunely to the evangelists and proclaim the coming of God to men, after speaking of the voice crying in the wilderness. Mention of the evangelists suitably follows the prophecy on John the Baptist.”

The proclamation of the Gospel throughout the ages is the ultimate preparation for the coming of the Lord. We are invited, therefore, to make a home for the Gospel message in our hearts and in turn, to share that Good News with all we meet by our lifestyle. Relying on God’s grace, let us diligently identify and get rid of all obstacles to the Gospel message in order to prepare a home for God in our hearts.

We are **one Holy Family Parish, united in the joy of the Holy Spirit and in charity, as missionary disciples, amen!**

Your Servant-Leader in Christ,

Fr. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma  
[shepherdhfp@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdhfp@gmail.com)

## Mensaje del Pastor

Queridos amados en Cristo:

Nuestras lecturas de este segundo domingo de Adviento nos invitan a “preparar un camino para el Señor”. Como parte de nuestra serie de **Conversaciones con los santos**, estaremos reflexionando sobre extractos sobre este tema del **Comentario sobre Isaías de Eusebio de Cesarea**; vea abajo -

*“Una voz grita en el desierto: «Preparad un camino al Señor, allanad una calzada para nuestro Dios.»* EL profeta declara abiertamente que su vaticinio no ha de realizarse en Jerusalén, sino en el desierto; a saber, que se manifestará la gloria del Señor, y la salvación de Dios llegará a conocimiento de todos los hombres.

Y todo esto, de acuerdo con la historia y a la letra, se cumplió precisamente cuando Juan Bautista predicó el advenimiento salvador de Dios en el desierto del Jordán, donde la salvación de Dios se dejó ver. Pues Cristo y su gloria se pusieron de manifiesto para todos cuando, una vez bautizado, se abrieron los cielos y el Espíritu Santo descendió en forma de paloma y se posó sobre él, mientras se oía la voz del Padre que daba testimonio de su Hijo: *Éste es mi Hijo, el amado; escuchadlo.*

Todo esto se decía porque Dios había de presentarse en el desierto, impracticable e inaccesible desde siempre. Se trataba, en efecto, de todas las gentes privadas del conocimiento de Dios, con las que no pudieron entrar en contacto los justos de Dios y los profetas.

Por este motivo, aquella voz manda preparar un camino para la Palabra de Dios, así como allanar sus obstáculos y asperezas, para que cuando venga nuestro Dios pueda caminar sin dificultad. *Preparad un camino al Señor*: se trata de la predicación evangélica y de la nueva consolación, con el deseo de que la salvación de Dios llegue a conocimiento de todos los hombres.

*Súbete a un monte elevado, heraldo de Sión; alza fuerte la voz, heraldo de Jerusalén.* Estas expresiones de los antiguos profetas encajan muy bien y se refieren con oportunidad a los evangelistas: ellas anuncian el advenimiento de Dios a los hombres, después de haberse hablado de la voz que grita en el desierto. Pues a la profecía de Juan Bautista sigue coherentemente la mención de los evangelistas.

La proclamación del Evangelio a lo largo de los siglos es la última preparación para la venida del Señor. Por lo tanto, se nos invita a hacer un hogar para el mensaje del Evangelio en nuestros corazones y, a su vez, a compartir esa Buena Nueva con todos los que encontramos por nuestro estilo de vida. Confiando en la gracia de Dios, identifiquemos diligentemente y eliminemos todos los obstáculos al mensaje del Evangelio a fin de preparar un hogar para Dios en nuestros corazones.

Somos **una parroquia de la Sagrada Familia, unidos en la alegría del Espíritu Santo y en la caridad, como discípulos misioneros, ¡amén!**

Tu siervo líder en Cristo,  
Fr. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma  
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### Office Announcements:

#### *Interested in Volunteering?*

**We would love for you to get involved! Holy Family has an active community with numerous organizations and ways to help. Ask the Parish Office for a stewardship directory to learn more about each group and where you would love to contribute!**

**Every volunteer must complete the diocesan safe environment training (CMG which has replaced the old Virtus program). You can get started at with your CMG training in the comfort of your own home at: [galvestonhouston.cmgconnect.org/](http://galvestonhouston.cmgconnect.org/), or stop by the office if you need a computer.**

#### **NEED AN ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE BULLETIN?**

**Email [theofficehfp@gmail.com](mailto:theofficehfp@gmail.com) 2 Wednesdays prior to distribution. Please include the word "Bulletin" along with desired posting dates in the header of your email. Thank you!**

#### *Preparing for sacraments?*

**INFANT BAPTISMS:** We look forward to welcoming your little one into the faith of the Church. Come meet with a priest who will guide you through the process. For Spanish Baptisms, contact Fr. Jorge for an appointment, or Fr. Stephen for English Baptism interviews. Walk-ins welcome.

**MARRIAGE:** Our office manager, Vera Gavlik, is experienced in helping you get started with your wedding plans at Holy Family Parish. She can help answer any questions. Please see our website at [holyfamilygb.com](http://holyfamilygb.com) to begin the process by filling out the marriage intake form which can be found under the Sacraments/Marriage tab at the top of the front page. 409-762-9646 Ext. 114

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:** Contact the Parish Office or call our emergency line: 409-354-6598

**FOR OTHER INQUIRIES:** Please contact the Religious Education Department 409-762-9646 Ext. 202

## Financial Updates

*Thank you for your generous tithes which help maintain our beautiful churches and facilities where we draw closer to God. If you are unable to attend Mass, you are welcome to donate online or mail your contribution to:*  
**1010 35th St. Galveston, TX 77550**  
*May God bless your generosity.*

Parish Contributions	Combined Churches
Nov. 28/29, 2020	\$ 14,377.00
Online Contributions	<u>\$ 4,580.13</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 18,957.13</b>

**For those who are able, it is easy to sign up for online giving. Go to [holyfamilygb.com](http://holyfamilygb.com) and click the link on the front page.**

**Or text "give" to 409.515.7625.**

Online Giving is available 24/7 at [holyfamilygb.com](http://holyfamilygb.com), on MyParish App and on the Online Giving website at: <https://tinyurl.com/n3jrnmq>. Thank you for your continued support of Holy Family Parish.

Fund	Goal	Pledge	Paid	Participants
DSF	\$81,000.00	\$88,895.72	\$87,123.42	328
IGNITE	\$1,180,291	\$643,128.00	\$527,651.96	234

**Dec 13th - Retirement Fund for Religious  
Dec 25th - Christmas**

**2019 Contribution Statements  
are available by request:**

Please email [secretaryhfp@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryhfp@gmail.com) for your statement or call 409-762-9646 ext. 114.

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**Visit <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-2367961>**

## Notices

- ◆ Sunday Masses have resumed at their regular times in all the churches, except the 11:30 Spanish Mass at St. Patrick's which has been moved to 12 PM.
- ◆ The Masses at St. Patrick will continue to live stream for those who are unable to attend in person.
- ◆ Churches can accommodate worshipers at up to 50% Capacity.
- ◆ Please be sure to wear a mask, sanitize your hands, and help clean/disinfect the churches.
- ◆ Daily Masses have been moved to 10AM at St. Patrick's Church and Wednesday night at 6PM in Spanish. You can now attend in person or online through our facebook page.
- ◆ Confessions are available on Wednesdays at St. Patrick's from 5-5:30 or by appointment.

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- ◆ Las misas dominicales se han reanudado en sus horarios regulares en todas las iglesias, excepto la misa en español a las 11:30 en San Patricio, que se ha trasladado a las 12 p.m.
  - ◆ La misas de San Patricio continuará en línea para aquellos que no pueden asistir en persona.
  - ◆ Las iglesias pueden acomodar a los fieles al 50% de su capacidad.
  - ◆ Asegúrese a cubrir la boca, desinfecte sus manos y ayude a limpiar/desinfectar las iglesias.
  - ◆ Las misas diarias han sido trasladadas a las 10 a.m. en la iglesia de San Patricio y el miércoles a las 6 p.m. en español. Ahora puede asistir en persona o en línea por nuestra página de Facebook.
  - ◆ Las confesiones se reanuda los miércoles desde 5-5:30 en San Patricio o con cita previa.

## Mass Intentions

*\*Online Masses can be found through our facebook page: Holy Family Catholic Parish.*

### SATURDAY, 12/5/2020 Vigil

5PM SP\* +Phyllis Tijerina  
6PM OLBS +Butch Mallia  
7PM MSOS +Connie O'Rourke

### SUNDAY, 12/6/2020 2nd Sunday of Advent

7:30AM SH +Captain Robert Webster (IMO Birthday)  
9AM HR +Emmett Jordan, Sr. (Wedding Anniversary)  
10AM SP\* For the People  
11AM SH +Domenica & Anello D'Ambra  
12PM SP\* (ESP)+Lucia Gonzalez  
12:30PM SMC +Nellie Forester

### MONDAY 12/7/2020

10AM SP/ONLINE  
Vera Dever

### TUESDAY 12/8/2020

10AM SP/ONLINE  
+Beck Boecker  
For the People

### WEDNESDAY 12/9/2020

10AM SP/ONLINE  
+John Saracco  
+Mary Thurman  
6PM SP (ESP)/en línea  
Rosemary (for Family and Friends)

### THURSDAY 12/10/2020

10AM SP/ONLINE  
+Connie O'Rourke

### FRIDAY 12/11/2020

10AM SP/ONLINE  
Joan Killebrew

*Readings can be found at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org). Just click on the Daily Readings tab.*



**HOLY FAMILY**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## **Holy Family Catholic School**

### **Christmas Wish List**

- 12 Chromebooks for classrooms (\$289 each)**
- 11 Rolling laptop carts (\$178 each)**
- 10 Window air conditioner units (\$600 each)**
- 9 Tablet chargers (\$30 each)**
- 8 Classroom file cabinets (\$75 each)**
- 7 Wobble cushions (\$14 each)**
- 6 Air purifiers (\$270 each)**
- 5 Cube organizer shelves (\$90 each)**
- 4 Circle time class carpets (\$289 each)**
- 3 Document cameras (\$144 each)**
- 2 Custom welcome entry mats (\$250 each)**
- 1 Fireproof deposit safe (\$1,000)**



**Any donations or purchases of the above items help our school become closure to our goal. Please visit our Amazon wish list for more details. Holy Family Catholic School thanks you for your continued generosity and support. We wish you all a very merry Christmas and happy New Year!**

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Galveston, TX 77550**

**Schedule a  
tour today!**

**(409) 765-6607  
[www.hfcsgalv.org](http://www.hfcsgalv.org)**





WELCOME TO HOLY FAMILY'S RCIA PAGE  
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS  
COME! LEARN ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH!  
ALREADY CATHOLIC? COME LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH!  
AND/OR COMPLETE YOUR SACRAMENTS



**REALLY CENTS-LESS GIFTS!!**

CHECK OUT THESE GREAT GIFTS & GIVE SEVERAL FOR CHRISTMAS!!

The Gift of an Invitation: Invite someone (anyone—even your spouse) to help you set up the Christian Manger. Use that time to discuss what it is about, & its importance to us; then read the Christmas story in Luke 2.



The Gift of a handwritten note: Say "Thank You" to a priest, deacon, teacher, parent, or child. It may be their best gift ever.

The Gift of Solitude: Give yourself some TIME ALONE to remember the REAL story of Christmas and its importance in your life and the life of family and friends.



Tues. 7 p.m. til 8:30 p.m.  
RCIA: Come learn about the Catholic Faith  
All Covid rules are followed!!

**MORE CENTS-LESS GIFT IDEAS!!**

The Gift of Listening: Really listen—no interrupting; no daydreaming; no planning your response; Just Listen!! *Really listen especially when you are participating in Holy Mass.*

The Gift of a Favor: Everyday, go out of your way to do something kind.

The Gift of Action: Be a witness for Christ simply by the way you speak and act. Folks will want to know what makes you such a wonderful person, and how they can become that way, too.



## UPCOMING EVENTS—FAITH FORMATION

Dec 6	Faith Formation K-5th	At Home
	<u><i>FAITH FORMATION K-5TH ASSESMENTS</i></u> <u><i>DUE!!</i></u>	
	Middle School (6th-8th) Youth Group	11-00am-12:00pm In Person - <u><i>SERVICE PROJECT</i></u>
	High School (9th-12th) Youth Group	1:00pm-2:00pm In Person
Dec 13	Faith Formation K-5th	At Home
	Middle School (6th-8th) Youth Group	At Home
	High School (9th-12th) Youth Group	At Home

## UPCOMING EVENTS— RCIA-C

Dec 9 & 16	RCIA-C Year 1	6:15pm - 7:30pm In Person
Dec 16	RCIA-C Year 2 English & Spanish	6:15pm - 7:30pm In Person

## UPCOMING EVENTS— SACRAMENTAL PREP

Dec 10	First Holy Communion Prep Spanish	6:00pm - 7:30pm In Person
Jan 10	First Holy Communion Prep English - <u><i>FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT</i></u>	4:00pm - 5:30pm In Person



The word Advent comes from a the Latin advenio, “to come to,” and refers to the coming of Christ. Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare us for Christmas when Christ’s first coming to us is remembered; to the coming of Christ in our lives through grace and the sacrament of Holy communion; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ Second Coming at the end of time. Our preparations therefore, should have all three comings in mind. We need to prepare our souls to receive Christ worthily. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation. The season is a four-week preparation whose focus was on joyful celebration of the Lords incarnation.

The First Sunday is centered on the Lord’s second coming; the Gloria is omitted as during Lent. So that on Christmas night the song of the angels may ring out anew in all its freshness. On the other hand, there is a clear note of joyful expectation: The Alleluia is retained before the Gospel. During this period, the priests wear purple vestments. The only exception is on third Sunday of Advent where the priest wear violet vestment (with rose as an option) known as Gaudete Sunday. During the first period of Advent, the readings from the prophet Isaiah continually speak of God’s visitation. Consolation and redemption of His people, while the corresponding Gospel selections portray Christ as the fulfilment of the prophetic promises.

Remember Advent reminds us of sacred meaning of Christmas. This year it will start on 30<sup>th</sup> November and end on the fourth Sunday before 25<sup>th</sup> December. We are wishing you all a grace filled, prayerful filled 2020 Advent season!!!

Faith Formation Team



## *Around the Parish*



The Office will be closed for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

Mass will be at St. Patrick's at 10 AM  
You can celebrate this holy day in person or online on December 8, 2020



**Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass:**

Saturday, December 12, 2020  
St. Patrick Church

**Celebrating Our Lady with Mariaches**

No procession due to covid\*

**Did you know?** Her native name means, "she who crushes the stone serpent." Our Lady of Guadalupe is also the patroness of the Americas and the Unborn.

*Special thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make our Advent Mission a success.*



*We appreciate the love and dedication you show in serving our parish family.*

**Congratulations to Barbara Roberts who has completed the Nullity Case Sponsor Program!**

**She will be an integral part of assisting couples in need of annulments.**

**If you are divorced and remarried outside the Catholic Church, and would like assistance with getting an annulment so you can be married in the Catholic Church, please contact Fr. Jude at [shepherdhfp@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdhfp@gmail.com).**



 **Catholic Charities**  
ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston continues to serve people in need during the COVID-19 pandemic through all of its programs. Food pantries are open for drive-through food distribution with hours each week at our three locations: Guadalupe Center in Houston; Mamie George Community Center in Richmond; Beacon of Hope Center in Galveston. For hours or other information, click [here](#) or call the COVID Assistance Line at 713-874-6521.

Catholic Charities' St. Frances Cabrini Center for Immigrant Legal Services advises that renters facing eviction during the pandemic can get free information in English and Spanish from Stop Texas Eviction, a website set up by established nonprofit legal aid providers. Visit [StopTxEviction.org](http://StopTxEviction.org) to learn more about tenant rights and available rental assistance .



# ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

## Every Wednesday

St. Patrick's Church  
10:30 AM- 5:30 PM

*Come and Worship*

**Second Sunday of Advent Reflection**  
December 6<sup>th</sup>

***"Prepare the way of the Lord..."***

**Mark 1:3**



Stay up to date on the latest parish information, please sign up for flocknotes:

**Text: fullofgrace to 84576**

**Or sign up online at: [HFParish.flocknote.com](http://HFParish.flocknote.com)**

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.



## PRAYER LIST

***Please join us in praying for the improved health of: Mary Roque  
And the Repose of the Souls of: Lisa Kelly Adams, Christopher E. Williams, Victoria LaFrance Turner, James Grant Turner Sr., James Grant Turner Jr., Clarence Anthony Turner Sr., Nola LaFrance Camp, Roland Camp, Francois and Pauline LaFrance, and Coralee Turner.***

*"If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy. Now you are Christ's body and individually parts of it." 1 Cor. 12:26-27*

\*Our Holy Family Parish will pray for your intentions. Please go to [holyfamilygb.com](http://holyfamilygb.com) and search for prayer list under the Home tab and send us your or your loved one's name. The names will be listed in the bulletin for 2 weeks. For those without computer



# TAMALE SALE FOR CHRISTMAS!!

## ALTAR SOCIETY FUNDRAISER



### TAMALES

\$10 DOZEN // \$10 JAR SALSA

CHOOSE FROM BEAN (REGULAR OR SPICY)  
PORK (REGULAR OR SPICY) OR  
CHICKEN (REGULAR OR SPICY)  
SALSA IS AVAILABLE – VERDE OR ROJA – MILD,  
SPICY OR HOT!

ORDER FORMS ARE  
IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW FOR  
TAMALES FOR CHRISTMAS

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING & PAYMENT IS DECEMBER 7th!!

DELIVERY DAY IS AFTERNOON DECEMBER 17<sup>th</sup> at  
St. Patrick's Parish Life Center – MAY BE DRIVE THRU PICK UP

## *Christmas Season Flower Fund*

Honor family and friends with a donation for Christmas flowers for our 6 churches. Their names will be listed in the **Holiday** bulletin. You can fill out the form on the normal collection envelopes designated for Christmas Flowers, which you receive in the quarterly boxes, or the larger ones provided in the back of the Church.

Please designate:  
**"IN HONOR OF" or "IN MEMORY OF"**  
when filling out the names.

A donation of \$5 per name is requested for each name remembered.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.**

Please limit one name, one couples' name, or one family name per line.  
Be sure to include your name & phone number in case additional information is needed.  
Place your completed envelopes in the collection location by **DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> DEADLINE.**

Thank you for your support of our Parish  
and honoring your loved ones and our Lord in this holy season.





# Christmas Wish List

## Holy Family Parish

*Thank you for your continued generous support.  
No gift is too small when it comes from the heart.*

### Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica

- ◆ Replace kneeler fabric (\$2000)

### Sacred Heart

- ◆ Dome structural repair (\$400,000)
- ◆ Repair Fleur de Lis (\$7000)
- ◆ Refurbish doors/add handicap entrance door opener (\$20,000)
- ◆ Refurbish floor (\$75,000)
- ◆ Repair bell (\$50,000)
- ◆ Power wash exterior (\$1,000)
- ◆ Touchup aging paint on the interior (\$100)
- ◆ Repair/replace choir loft a/c (\$10,000)

### Holy Rosary

- ◆ Refurbish doors (\$10,000)
- ◆ Repair drooping floor (\$5000)
- ◆ Repair stain glass windows (\$5000)
- ◆ Touchup aging paint on the exterior (\$200)

### Saint Patrick

- ◆ Repair bell and bell tower (\$70,000)
- ◆ Renovate the altar area; move the Blessed Sacrament centrally to the altar; and create two confessionals on either side of the altar (\$70,000)

### St. Patrick Rectory

- ◆ Replace two a/c units (\$20,000)

### Mary Star of the Sea

- ◆ Reseal windows (\$200)
- ◆ Replace bad wooden steps (\$200)
- ◆ Replace ceiling fans (\$2000)
- ◆ Purchase new chairs with kneelers (\$16,000)

### Our Lady by the Sea

- ◆ Repair a/c unit for lobby (\$1000)
- ◆ Replace rusting pipes (\$500)

### Parish Life Center

- ◆ Repair leaks (\$10,000)
- ◆ Replace aging window units (\$2,800)
- ◆ New tables and chairs (\$2,500)

### Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel

- ◆ Replace a/c system (\$10,000)

### Parish Office

- ◆ Replace security cameras (\$1,500)

### General Parish Needs

- ◆ Refinish pews (\$1,500)
- ◆ New or good quality used truck/van and utility trailer for parish use (\$25,000)
- ◆ Replace aging street signs (\$500)



*Spread Christmas Cheer and the Love of Christ to our neighbors in need by participating in the*

## **Gift Card Angel Tree!**

**Who will be helped?** We would like to assist 10-12 families from our community: Several identified by SVdP, several identified by our community agencies and several more families from our parish. If you would like to recommend a family for this program, please leave a message with the SVdP assistance line at: 409-356-5135 or email us at [hfp.svdp@gmail.com](mailto:hfp.svdp@gmail.com) with the family's contact info and brief description (# of family members, adults and children). We will take names from now until December 5, or until we reach our goal of 10 –12 families, more if we have enough donations.



**How Can you Participate?** The Angel Tree will be set up in the Parish Office from November 18th to December 16th for donations. Due to Covid 19 precautions we are trying to make it easier for you to donate with minimal contact. We ask that you bring ( or mail ) in your gift cards to the parish office in any denomination ( \$50, \$25, \$10s preferred). We are using Walmart since both gifts and groceries can be purchased there. You may also drop them off in the collection basket in an envelope marked SVdP Angel Tree. Cash donations will also be accepted but make sure they are identified for the Angel Tree Project. SVdP has been busy during these difficult times providing assistance to families in our community so we anticipate a lot of need at Christmas.

We will give each family a gift of Walmart gift cards for each member they list, so they can purchase what their family needs to make their Christmas special. Gift cards will be delivered on the 16th of December to allow time for shopping. A report of the number of families helped will appear in the Parish in January. Let us spread the joy of Christmas to our families in need. God Bless you all.



## **YOU AND ME THE HANDS AND FEET OF CHRIST**



Do you enjoy helping people? Are you looking for a way to help friends in need in our community? If you answered yes, Saint Vincent de Paul at Holy Family Parish might be for you! If you are interested in finding out more or would like to come to a meeting, please use the contact info below. We would love to hear from you!

**Email:** [hfp.svdp@gmail.com](mailto:hfp.svdp@gmail.com) \***Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7pm, Rectory at St. Patrick's Church  
**Phone:** 409-356-5135 **Donations gratefully accepted, please make checks payable to: SVdP at Holy Family Parish**

# GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS:



**Youth Choir Practice:**  
Sunday, December 6, 2020  
St. Patrick Room 2  
9-10 AM



**Ladies Auxiliary Meeting (LAKPC):**  
Sunday, December 6  
St. Patrick Room 2  
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM



**Altar Society:**  
Monday, December 7  
St. Patrick Rm. 2  
1:00 – 4:00 PM



**Stewardship Committee:**  
Wednesday, December 9  
Parish Life Center  
9:30 AM – 2:00 PM



**Stewardship Committee:**  
Friday, December 11  
Parish Life Center  
9:30 AM – 2:00 PM



Galveston Catholic Young Adults

*Look for upcoming events with Galveston Catholic Young Adults through our facebook page.*

**Messages of Hope:** During these difficult and trying times, priests of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston will be offering spiritual reflection videos on Scriptures of the day to help us stand firm in faith and hope. New videos in English and Spanish will be posted on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Find the video reflections online at [www.archgh.org/messagesofhope](http://www.archgh.org/messagesofhope). Audio of the reflections are also available on our podcast channel via your favorite podcast app.



## PLANNING FOR THE HOLIDAYS?

See our guide below to assist in scheduling your Advent and Christmas Activities.

**December 8- Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception-** 10 am St. Patrick (only)

**December 9-** (no confessions or 6:00 pm Spanish Mass) We will still have benediction at 5:30.

**December 12- Our Lady of Guadalupe**  
10:00 am St. Patrick. (No street procession due to Covid-19.)

### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

#### **December 24th:**

5:00 pm St. Patrick  
5:00 pm Sacred Heart  
5:00 pm Our Lady by the Sea  
8:00 pm St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica  
10:30 pm St. Patrick (español)  
12:00 am Sacred Heart  
12:00 am Holy Rosary

#### **December 25th:**

9:00 am St. Patrick  
9:00 am Mary Star of the Sea  
10:00 am Sacred Heart  
11:30 am St. Patrick (español)  
12:00 pm St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD:

#### **December 31<sup>st</sup> Vigil**

10:00 am St. Patrick  
5:00 pm St. Patrick-English  
6:00 pm Our Lady by the Sea  
7:00 pm Mary Star of the Sea  
**January 1<sup>st</sup>(New Year's Day)**  
9:00 am St. Patrick (español)  
9:00 am Holy Rosary  
11:00 am Sacred Heart  
12:00 pm St. Mary's Cathedral





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