HOLY FAMILY PARISH & SCHOOL

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON



December 20, 2020

4th Sunday of Advent

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

(Administrative Office for all 6 six churches)

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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

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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Message from the Pastor

Dearly Beloved in Christ:

Mary's *Fiat* – i.e. her "yes" to God – is a remarkable testament to the overflowing effects of God's grace in every believer who submits their lives to God's will. We will conclude our *Conversations with the Saints* series for this Advent with a homily from St. Bernard; see below –

"You have heard, O Virgin, that you will conceive and bear a son; you have heard that it will not be by man but by the Holy Spirit. The angel awaits an answer; it is time for him to return to God who sent him. We too are waiting, O Lady, for your word of compassion; the sentence of condemnation weighs heavily upon us. The price of our salvation is offered to you. We shall be set free at once if you consent. In the eternal Word of God we all came to be, and behold, we die. In your brief response we are to be remade in order to be recalled to life.

Tearful Adam with his sorrowing family begs this of you, O loving Virgin, in their exile from Paradise. Abraham begs it, David begs it. All the other holy patriarchs, your ancestors, ask it of you, as they dwell in the country of the shadow of death. This is what the whole earth waits for, prostrate at your feet. It is right in doing so, for on your word depends comfort for the wretched, ransom for the captive, freedom for the condemned, indeed, salvation for all the sons of Adam, the whole of your race.

Answer quickly, O Virgin. Reply in haste to the angel, or rather through the angel to the Lord. Answer with a word, receive the Word of God. Speak your own word, conceive the divine Word. Breathe a passing word, embrace the eternal Word.

Why do you delay, why are you afraid? Believe, give praise, and receive. Let humility be bold, let modesty be confident. This is no time for virginal simplicity to forget prudence. In this matter alone, O prudent Virgin, do not fear to be presumptuous. Though modest silence is pleasing, dutiful speech is now more necessary. Open your heart to faith, O blessed Virgin, your lips to praise, your womb to the Creator.

See, the desired of all nations is at your door, knocking to enter. If he should pass by because of your delay, in sorrow you would begin to seek him afresh, the One whom your soul loves. Arise, hasten, open. Arise in faith, hasten in devotion, open in praise and thanksgiving. **Behold the handmaid of the Lord, she says, be it done to me according to your word**."

May we imitate the Blessed Virgin Mary through a life that is dedicated primarily to God's will, Amen!

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

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Mensaje del Pastor

Queridos amados en Cristo:

El Fiat de María, es decir, su "sí" a Dios, es un testimonio notable de los efectos desbordantes de la gracia de Dios en cada creyente que somete su vida a la voluntad de Dios. Concluiremos nuestra serie **Conversaciones con los santos** para este Adviento con una homilía de San Bernardo; vea abajo -

"Has oído, oh Virgen, que concebirás y darás a luz un hijo; habéis oído que no será por el hombre sino por el Espíritu Santo. El ángel espera una respuesta; es hora de que regrese a Dios que lo envió. Nosotros también estamos esperando, oh Señora, tu palabra de compasión; la sentencia de condenación pesa mucho sobre nosotros. Se te ofrece el precio de nuestra salvación. Seremos liberados de inmediato si usted da su consentimiento. En la Palabra eterna de Dios todos llegamos a ser, y he aquí, morimos. En su breve respuesta, vamos a ser rehechos para ser devueltos a la vida.

El lloroso Adán con su afligida familia te ruega esto, oh Virgen amorosa, en su exilio del Paraíso. Abraham lo suplica, David lo suplica. Todos los demás santos patriarcas, tus antepasados, te lo piden, ya que habitan en el país de la sombra de la muerte. Esto es lo que espera toda la tierra, postrada a tus pies. Es correcto hacerlo, porque de tu palabra depende el consuelo de los miserables, el rescate de los cautivos, la libertad de los condenados, de hecho, la salvación de todos los hijos de Adán, de toda tu raza.

Responde rápido, oh Virgen. Responde apresuradamente al ángel, o más bien a través del ángel al Señor. Responde con una palabra, recibe la Palabra de Dios. Habla tu propia palabra, concibe la Palabra divina. Respire una palabra pasajera, abrace la Palabra eterna.

¿Por qué te demoras, por qué tienes miedo? Cree, alaba y recibe. Deja que la humildad sea audaz, deja que la modestia sea confiada. No es momento de que la sencillez virginal olvide la prudencia. Sólo en este asunto, oh Virgen prudente, no temas ser presuntuosa. Aunque el silencio modesto es agradable, ahora es más necesario hablar con respeto. Abre tu corazón a la fe, oh Virgen bendita, tus labios a la alabanza, tu vientre al Creador.

Mira, el deseado de todas las naciones está a tu puerta, llamando para entrar. Si pasara de largo a causa de tu demora, en el dolor empezarías a buscarlo de nuevo, Aquel a quien tu alma ama. Levántate, apresúrate, ábrete. Levántate en la fe, apresúrate en la devoción, ábrete en alabanza y acción de gracias. *He aquí la esclava del Señor, dice ella, hágase en mí según tu palabra ".*

Que podamos imitar a la Santísima Virgen María a través de una vida dedicada principalmente a la voluntad de Dios, ¡Amén!

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

Tu siervo líder en Cristo, Fr. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma <u>shepherdhfp@gmail.com</u>

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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/, or stop by the office if you need a computer.

NEED AN ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE BULLETIN? Email <u>theofficehfp@gmail.com</u> 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 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.

Due to the publisher deadlines this bulletin had to be submitted before the contributions for December 13th could be received.

We are thankful to each of you for your generosity and support!

For those who are able, it is easy to sign up for online giving. Go to 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, 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	Partici- pants
DSF	\$81,000.00	89,045.72	\$87,323.42	330
IGNITE	\$1,180,291	\$643,128.00	\$527,651.96	234

Dec 25th - Christmas

2019 Contribution Statements are available by request:

Please email secretaryhfp@gmail.com for your statement or call 409-762-9646 ext. 114.

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Notices

Mass Intentions

- 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.
- <u>The Masses at St. Patrick will continue to live</u> 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.
- 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 trasladadosa 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 reanudio los miércoles desde 5-5: 30 en San Patricio o con cita previa.
- No 10AM Mass on December 24th. The office will be closed December 24th at noon December 28th.

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

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	SATURDAY, 12					
า	5PM SP*	+Souls in Purgatory				
	6PM OLBS	+Gerald Mallia				
<u>e</u> n		Deacon Sam Dell' Olio				
		<u>0/2020 4th Sunday of Advent</u> +Carolyn Urbani				
	9AM HR	+Verlie Alexander				
р						
	11AM SH	+John D'Ambra				
	12PM SP* (ESP)+Conception Martinez					
s.	12:30PM SMC +Juan Vargas					
	2 SM 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16 ; PS 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 ; ROM 16:25-27 ; LK 1:26-38					
•	MONDAY 12/21/2020					
e.	10AM SP/ONLINE					
t	Rosemary (for Family and Friends)					
	TUESDAY 12/22/2020					
	10AM SP/ONLINE +John Saracco					
	WEDNESDAY 1	2/23/2020				
	10AM SP/ONL	INE				
		+Marsha Standridge				
n	6PM SP (ESP)/en línea					
	THURSDAY 12	+Sixto Macias /24/2020 Christmas Eve				
	5PM OLBS	+Candy Deem				
	5PM SH	+Lee Streater				
	5PM SP/ONLIN	NE Maria Villarreal (Improved Health)				
	8PM SMC	Patricia Johnson				
	10:30 PM SP/C	ONLINE SPANISH				
		Joyce Farrell				
		2020 The Nativity of Our Lord				
.0	12AM HR	+Agnes Cole Etienne				
	12AM SH	+Nelda Ann Proctor				
	9AM MSOS	+Bill Harris				
	9AM SP	+Holy Souls in Purgatory				
	10AM SH	Dolores Johnson and Family				
	11:30AM SP/	ONLINE/Spanish				
		Donna Hunter				
	12PM SMC	For the People				
be	Readings can b	e found at www.usccb.org. Just click on the				

Daily Readings tab.



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 closer 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!

> 2601 Ursuline Ave. Galveston, TX 77550

Schedule a tour today! (409) 765-6607 www.hfcsgalv.org





WELCOME TO HOLY FAMILY'S RCIA PAGE <u>RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS</u> Come Learn About the Catholic Faith. Catholic? Come learn more about your faith, and/or Complete Your Sacraments.



Your RCJA PRAYS THAT YOU ARE PREPARED TO CELEBRATE THE TRUE MEANJNG OF CHRJST'S BJRTH, AND THAT

JT WJLL TOUCH YOUR LJFE ON



CHRJSTMAS DAY AND EVERY DAY THROUGHOUT THE COMJNG YEAR!



Faith Formation UPCOMING EVENTS—FAITH FORMATION **Dec 20** FAITH FORMATION K-5TH ASSESMENTS DUE!! **NO CLASSES Dec 20** Dec 27 NO CLASSES Jan 03 **NO CLASSES** UPCOMING EVENTS— RCIA-C Dec 16 **RCIA-C Year 1** 6:15pm - 7:30pm In Person Dec 16 **RCIA-C Year 2** 6:15pm - 7:30pm In Person UPCOMING EVENTS— SACRAMENTAL PREP First Holy Communion Prep English - FIRST Jan 10 4:00pm - 5:30pm In Person First Holy Communion Prep Spanish - FIRST 4:00pm - 5:30pm Jan 17 In Person **RECONCILIATION RETREAT**



Are you looking for a new and unique way to serve the Church? Have you thought about the importance of forming today's youth in the faith? Have you received the Sacrament of Confirmation?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you are the perfect person to help out with the Holy Family Parish's High School Youth Group! Help the young people of the parish dive deeper into their faith every other Sunday (starting January 10th) from 1:00-2:30!

It is an experience you won't regret!

- Debbie Nichols, on her experience working with youth group

"Working with the teens has been one of the most uplifting and inspiring experiences for my own Faith life. I have worked with teens for almost ten years now and the best years were as a parent of my own daughter's participation in the Youth Program. I feel like it brought us closer in our relationship to each other and to God. Watching teens grow in their own Faith and being a part of helping them with that growth has been one of the biggest blessings in my life."

Contact youth minister Moni Desmond for more information: email: <u>youthministerhfp@gmail.com</u> phone: 409-762-9646, ext. 201



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 (with Daniel Cardinal DiNardo presiding) 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 31st 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 1st(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

> Sign up for Flocknotes for easy access to our Holiday Mass Schedules and important parish announcements!

Flocknote is a communication tool that helps keep you updated on holiday Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates and more. Important notices are sent straight to your phone.

To sign up for Flocknote: Text: FULLOFGRACE to 84576 Or sign up online at HFParish.flocknote.com

Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy & conditions at flocknote.com/txt.



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) Parish Office

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)

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)

Around the Parish



Did you know? The "O" Antiphons have been a tradition in the church since the eighth century. These antiphons are said each night with the *Magnificat of* Evening Prayer between December 17-23. The powerful images draw from the messianic hope of the Old Testament and embody the longing of all for the coming of the Divine Messiah. You can incorporate these short invocations as part of your Advent Prayer as we get ready for the coming of our Lord this Christmas.

December 17

O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge!

December 18

O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai: come to rescue us with your mighty power!

December 19

O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people: come to save us without delay!

December 20

O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom: come and free the prisoners of darkness!

December 21

O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death.

December 22

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!

December 23

O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!



Knights of Columbus Monsignor Kirwin Council 787 Super Bowl Raffle Drawing At Halftime

Sunday February 7, 2021 Knights of Columbus Hall 1912 Winnie Galveston Island, TX (Winners need not be present.)

Prizes: 1st Place: \$5,000 2nd Place: \$ 1,000 3rd Place: \$500 4th Place: \$250 Only 300 tickets will be sold.

You do not have to be a member to sell these tickets. Donation: \$50

- Each ticket includes a square which pays \$100 per quarter. (No overtime)
- Due to current restrictiosn on social gatherings, the hall will not be open to the public.
- Higher raffle amounts are awarded this year due to the unavailability of food and drink accommodations as done in previous years.
- Halftime Raffle will be viewable as a Facebook Life stream only event.

Seller of the 1st Place Winning Raffle Ticket will receive \$200

For additional information or ticket purchases, the office hours for KC Hall are 10AM-1PM, Tuesday-Saturday. 409.762.2112.



Galveston Catholic Young Adults

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

Prayer Page



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Every Wednesday

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

Come and Worship

4th Sunday of Advent: December 20

Meditation:

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" - Luke 1:28

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.

4º domingo de Adviento: 20 de diciembre

"¡Salve, llena eres de gracia, el Señor es contigo!" – Lucas 1:28 Después de Jesús, miramos a María como una administradora ideal. Toda su vida la vivió en obediencia al llamado de Dios. María nos enseña a vivir con alegría por todo lo que se nos ha dado. Así como la luna refleja la luz del sol, María refleja la luz de Cristo. Como María, estamos llamados a reflejar la luz de Cristo al mundo a través de nuestra gratitud y generosidad.



PRAYER LIST

Please join us in praying for the improved health of: Mary Roque

We pray for Delon Kibbe

And the Repose of the Souls of: 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 it's 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 <u>holyfamilygb.com</u> 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 access, you may call the parish office at: 409.762.9646.

Social Outreach



Thank you to everyone who donated to the **Gift Card Angel Tree Project** to help families in our local community. God bless you!

YOU AND ME HE 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!

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

Catholic Chariti ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston c 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 to learn more about tenant rights and available rental assistance.

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.

Around the Archdiocese



MLK Mass of Remembrance

All are invited to the 36th annual Mass of Remembrance, honoring the birthday of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Mass will take place on Sunday, January 17 at 3:00 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 1111 St. Joseph Pkwy. in downtown Houston.



Café Catholica Lite: Jan. 14

The next Café Catholica Lite will be held online on Jan. 14, 2021, from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Our speaker is Heather Khym from Life Restoration Ministries and the Abiding Together Podcast.

Her topic will be "Christ, Our Firm Foundation." The night will include the talk, Q&A, and communal prayer. Register at: https://bit.ly/CatholicaLite

The Café Catholica program seeks to help young adults (ages 18-39) encounter Christ and his Church. All young adults are invited to join us for Café Catholica Lite throughout the year. For more information contact the Office for Young Adult and Campus Ministry at www.archgh.org/ cafecatholica or yacm@archgh.org or 713-741-8778.

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 <u>www.archgh.org/</u> <u>messagesofhope</u>. Audio of the reflections are also available on our podcast channel via your favorite podcast app.



Volunteers Needed for Gabriel Project

The Office of Pro-Life Activities is seeking phone volunteers to assist with the Gabriel Project, a ministry

for pregnant women and mothers in need. Volunteers will assist mothers and answer questions during initial intake calls. Volunteers should be available for at least one (two-hour) shift per week. Calls may be answered remotely. Training will be provided! If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Cathy McConn at cathymcconn@me.com or call the Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-741-8728 for more information.



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