

HOLY FAMILY PARISH & SCHOOL

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON



December 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

(Administrative Office for all 6 churches)

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HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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CONFESSIONS

St. Patrick: Sat. 3:30-4:30 PM/Wed. 4:30-5:30 PM

Our Lady by the Sea: Sat. 5:30 PM

Mary Star of the Sea: Sat. 6:30 PM

Holy Rosary: Sun. 8:30 AM

Sacred Heart: Sun. at 10:30 AM

Or by appointment, call 409.762.9646.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Last Fridays of each month after the 12:10 Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral-Basilica

MASS SCHEDULE

(OPEN TO THE PUBLIC at 100% Capacity)

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)

12:30 PM St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

MONDAY - FRIDAY

7 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel

12:10 PM St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

WEDNESDAY ONLY

6 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel (español)

ADORATION

7:30 AM Tue. - 5:30 PM Wed. at the OLG Chapel

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 (SMCB)
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:

St. John the Baptist, the forerunner of Jesus Christ, enters the scene on this second Sunday of Advent. He is the voice crying out in the wilderness, inviting all to prepare a way for the Lord. Today, in continuation of our Conversations with the Saints series, we will be reflecting on the following reflections 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.*

Advent is a time of preparation for the Lord's coming. As we prepare for the celebration of Christ's first coming at Christmas, let us not forget that he comes to us daily even as we anticipate his second glorious coming. Christ stands and knocks at the door to our hearts (cf. **Rev. 3:20**). May we welcome him by removing all obstacles to his coming into our lives, amen!

We are 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

Muy amados en Cristo:

San Juan Bautista, el precursor de Jesucristo, entra en escena en este segundo domingo de Adviento. Él es la voz que clama en el desierto, que invita a todos a preparar un camino para el Señor. Hoy, como continuación de nuestra serie Conversaciones con los santos, reflexionaremos sobre las siguientes reflexiones 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.

El Adviento es un tiempo de preparación para la venida del Señor. Mientras nos preparamos para la celebración de la primera venida de Cristo en Navidad, no olvidemos que él viene a nosotros todos los días, incluso cuando anticipamos su segunda venida gloriosa. Cristo está de pie y llama a la puerta de nuestro corazón (véase Apocalipsis 3:20). Que podamos darle la bienvenida eliminando todos los obstáculos a su llegada a nuestras vidas, ¡amén!

Somos la 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,

P. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma
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Capital Campaign Prayers



**ONE FAITH
ONE FAMILY**
HOLY FAMILY PARISH CAMPAIGN

CAMPAIGN PRAYER

O God,

giver of all good gifts, we thank you for all your blessings. We beg you to look graciously upon our efforts to continue the work of building a united and faith-filled one Holy Family Parish through our capital campaign -
One Faith, One Family.

May your Holy Spirit fill us with wisdom, courage, cooperation and generosity as we work toward reaching our campaign goals.

Mary, our Mother, you show us by your example that when we make great sacrifices, trusting in God's will for us, we are made abundantly fruitful. Pray for us your children so that following your example, we may prayerfully contribute to the success of our capital campaign to build a one Holy Family Parish, united in the joy of the Holy Spirit. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



**UNA FE
UNA FAMILIA**
CAMPAÑA DE LA PARROQUIA DE LA SANTA FAMILIA

ORACIÓN DE LA CAMPAÑA

Oh Dios,

Dador de todo lo bueno, te agradecemos por todas tus bendiciones. Te rogamos para que cuides amablemente nuestros esfuerzos mientras continuamos construyendo una parroquia unida y llena de fe a través de nuestra campaña capital -
Una Fe, Una Familia.

Que tu Espíritu Santo nos llene con sabiduría, valentía, cooperación y generosidad mientras trabajamos para alcanzar nuestras metas financieras.

María, nuestra madre, tu ejemplo nos enseña que cuando hacemos grandes sacrificios, confiando en la voluntad de Dios, recibimos beneficios abundantes. Reza por nosotros, tus hijos, para que podamos contribuir al éxito de nuestra campaña capital, y, reuniéndonos bajo el Espíritu Santo, sigamos el ejemplo de la Sagrada Familia.

Te lo pedimos por Cristo, nuestro Señor.

Amen

R. Alleluia, alleluia. Your word, O Lord, is truth consecrate us in the truth. R. Alleluia, alleluia.



ONE FAITH, ONE FAMILY

Holy Family Weekly Campaign Newsletter

UNA FE, UNA FAMILIA

Información semanal para los fieles de Sagrada Familia

**WE HAVE RECEIVED OVER
\$2.4 MILLION IN PLEDGES**

FROM 221

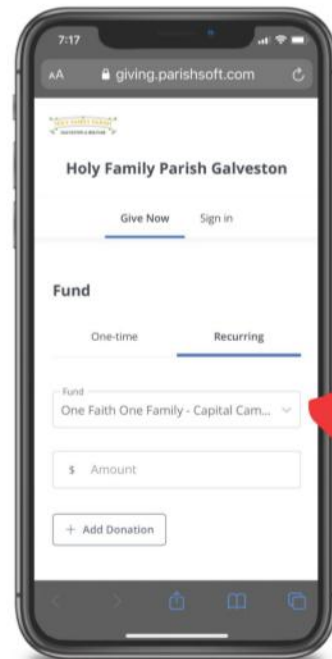
PARISH FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS

There are over 2,000 registered parish families,
we pray YOUR family supports our effort to build a new
Parish Life Center.

**\$25 A MONTH
BREAKS DOWN TO
\$6.25 A WEEK OR
\$0.89 A DAY**

MONTHLY DONATION	PLEDGE TOTAL
\$25	\$1,200
\$50	\$2,400
\$75	\$3,600
\$100	\$4,800
\$200	\$9,600

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**HEMOS RECIBIDO MÁS DE
\$2.4 MILLONES
DE 221**

FAMILIAS E INDIVIDUOS PARROQUIALES

Hay más de 2,000 familias parroquiales,
oramos que SU familia apoye este esfuerzo para poder construir
un nuevo centro de vida parroquial.

**\$25 MENSUALES
ES \$6.25 POR SEMANA
O \$0.89 DIARIO**

DONACIÓN MENSUAL	COMPROMISO TOTAL (4 años)
\$25	\$1,200
\$50	\$2,400
\$75	\$3,600
\$100	\$4,800

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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 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 theofficehfp@gmail.com **Ten (10) days** 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. 213

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

Parish Contributions	Combined Churches
Weekend of November 21	\$19,495.00
Online Contributions (Nov. 15-Nov. 19, 2021)	\$19,916.13
TOTAL	<u>\$38,990.00</u>
Thanksgiving 11/21/2021	\$ 244.00
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	\$ 1,725.00
Weekend of November 28	\$15,744.00
Online Contributions (Nov. 22-Nov. 26, 2021)	\$ 8,427.13
TOTAL	<u>\$24,171.13</u>
Thanksgiving 11/25/2021	\$ 773.00

Fund	Goal	Pledge	Paid	Participants
DSF	\$83,000		\$85,400.36	303
Capital Campaign	\$5,500,000	\$2,490,239	\$317,082	221

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS: Please turn in your envelope(s)!

Retirement Fund for Religious: December 12, 2021
2020 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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PRAYER LIST

Mass Intentions

Dear Holy Family,

Please join us in praying for the Improved health of David Bates, Lisa Torres, Joseline Ortega, Greg James, Jack Hughes, Frank Giusti, and Mary Taylor. For the repose of the soul of Chris Williams, Josephina Parga, Gilbert Salinas Sr., Gilbert Salinas Jr., Bob Welter, Ernest Caldwell, and Fran and Gene Linton Also, for the Linton's son Charles and grand daughter Jordan, Elizabeth Perez and her family and for the intentions of Anne.



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 **CHRISTMAS** bulletin of 2021. You can fill out the form on the normal collection envelopes designated for Christmas Flowers, which you receive in the quarterly mailing, or the larger ones provided in the back of the Church.

Please designate

IN HONOR OF or **IN MEMORY OF** & the **DONOR NAME** when filling out the information. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!**

A donation of \$5 per name is requested for each name remembered. 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 basket by **DECEMBER 5th DEADLINE**

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

ALTAR SOCIETY OFFICERS & VOLUNTEERS

TAMALE SALE FOR CHRISTMAS!!

ALTAR SOCIETY FUNDRAISER

\$12 DOZEN // \$12 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 6TH !!

MARTIE TERRY 713-504-4202

martiejerry@comcast.net

The readings can be found at www.usccb.org.

Click on the Daily Readings Tab.

SATURDAY 12/04/2021 Vigil Mass

5PM SP Jo Ann Robinson

6PM OLBS † Michael Ashbacher (In Loving Memory)

7PM MSOS † Jessica Anne Mallison

SUNDAY 12/05/2021: Second Sunday of Advent

7:30AM SH † Joe Centenio

9AM HR † Domenica & Anello D'Ambra

10AM SP † Niki Brouillard

11AM SH Peggy Cruzebaur

12PM SP (ESP) Jo Anne and Camren Silva

12:30PM SMC For the People

Bar 5:1-9 ; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 ; 1 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 ; Lk 3:1-6

MONDAY 12/06/2021

7AM OLG Rosemary (for family & friends)

12:10PM SMCB † Lucia Fichera

TUESDAY 12/07/2021

Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7AM SP † Sebastian Lofaro

12:10PM SMCB † Brenda Harman

WEDNESDAY 12/08/2021

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7AM OLG † Michael Ashbacher (In Loving Memory)

12:10PM SMCB For the People

6PM OLG Accion De Gracias por la salud de Antonio Ramos

THURSDAY 12/09/2021

7AM OLG † Audrey Ricketts

12:10PM SMCB † Janie Smith

FRIDAY 12/10/2021

7AM OLG † Captain Robert Webster (In memory of Birthday)

12:10PM SMCB † Antonio Smecca (Birthday)



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 05	Faith Formation K-5th Spanish	10:00am-11:00am	St. Patrick Life Center
Dec. 05	Faith Formation K-5th English	11:30am-12:30pm	St. Patrick Life Center
Dec. 05	Jr. High Youth Group	4:00pm - 5:30pm	Jr. High Youth Room
Dec. 05	High School Youth Group	4:00pm - 5:30pm	High School Youth Room
Dec. 08	Youth Night- Movie	6:00pm	High School Youth Room
Dec. 09	Primera Sesión de Reconciliación para padres" e hijos Spanish #3	6:00pm - 7:30pm	St. Patrick Upper Classrooms

HOLY FAMILY PARISH GALVESTON

FAITH FORMATION

All Faith Formation students in kindergarten through Grade 8 and their families are invited to our Christmas Party on Sunday, December 19, 2021, from 1:00 – 3:00 PM in the Parish Life Center.

We will have games, prizes, crafts, treats, Food, drinks and **MUCH, MUCH MORE!!**

Join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior.

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Holy Family Altar Society
Host

Committee Members
Dana Ashbacher
Lori Crossno
Julia Garza
Cynthia Schaaf



YOUTH MINISTRY CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECT:



We're having a baby shower
FOR MARY!

During the season of Advent we await the birth of Jesus Christ and we honor the expectant Blessed Virgin Mary in a special way!

Donations needed:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • travel set toiletries • receiving blanket • 10+ size 1 diapers • clothes up to 2T • 3-5 NB diapers • diaper inserts • bottle brush • baby lotion • teether/toy • birth cloth • infant tub • cookbook • bottle • shoes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • washcloth in ziplock bag • wipes (small, med, large) • fleece blanket or quilt • diaper rash ointment • baby wash/shampoo • stuffed animal • socks 3 pr • burp cloth • sippy cup • pacifiers • onesie • book • bib • hat |
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All proceeds will be donated to the Pregnancy Help Center of Galveston

Donations will be collected until December 19th
Contact Youth Minister Moni with questions:
youthministerhfp@gmail.com

Wednesday Youth Night:

MOVIE NIGHT

December 8th • 6pm

Contact Youth Minister Moni with any questions:
youthministerhfp@gmail.com

RCIA AND ADULT CONTINUING FAITH FORMATION



WELCOME TO HOLY FAMILY'S RCIA
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
AND ADULT CONTINUING FAITH FORMATION PAGE
Want to become a Catholic or learn more about the Faith? Come
learn more about your faith, and/or Finish Your Sacraments?

If you find the topic below interesting and you would like to learn more about topics like this and our Catholic Faith, please join us for RCIA Night in the Life Center this Tuesday evening 6:30pm.



The Immaculate Conception of Mary

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of our Mother Mary is celebrated on December 8. The feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary is different from the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Though they both talk about Our Lady, they are two different aspects of her. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception reminds us that our mother Mary was conceived in the womb of her mother Anne without the stain of original sin. Our Omniscient God chose her before she was conceived to be the Mother of His Son, Jesus Christ. So the Church in her wisdom celebrates her conception which was pure, spotless, and without original sin. She who is the greatest among women, She who is full of grace, was purified from all stains of sin in order to prepare her body and make her holy for the coming of God the Son.

Many Catholics often make the mistake of thinking that the feast of the Immaculate Conception refers to Jesus' conception. We already know that Jesus is the son of God, and of course He (Jesus) was without sin while on earth because he is God. Mary, as the Mother of Jesus, was preserved from the stain of original sin in preparation of her virginal birth of the Savior. This is how Pope Pius IX defined this dogma: "We declare, pronounce, and define that the doctrine which holds that the most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instance of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege granted by Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, was preserved free from all stain of original sin, is a doctrine revealed by God and therefore to be believed firmly and constantly by all the faithful" (INEFFABILIS DEUS, Dec. 8, 1854).

From December 8 to September 8 is nine months. The Church celebrates Mary's conception in the womb of Saint Anne, her mother, on December 8; and Mary our Mother's birthday is celebrated on September 8.

So let us continue to ask the purest of all virgins and the Mother of God and our mother to intercede for us as we pray the prayer Our Lady herself gave to Saint Catherine Laboure, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. Amen."



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Youth Choir Practice @ St. Patrick Church

Sunday, December 5th from 9 - 10 AM

RCIA Class @ St. Patrick Church Life Center Sunday,

December 5th from 10:15 - 11:15 AM **Ladies**

Auxiliary Meeting @ St. Patrick Rm. 2 Sunday,

December 5th from 10:30 AM - 12 PM **Betania XVII**

@ St. Patrick Chapel

Monday, December 6th from 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Legion of Mary (Spanish) @ St. Patrick Rm. 2

Monday, December 6th from 7 - 9 PM

Men's Spanish ACTS @ St. Patrick Parish Life Center

Monday, December 6th from 7 - 9 PM

Novena to St. Joseph (Español) @ St. Patrick Church

Monday, December 6th from 7 - 8:30 PM

Holy Rosary (Weekly Rosary) @ Holy Rosary

Tuesday, December 7th from 4:30 - 5:30 PM

RCIA @ St. Patrick Parish Life Center

Tuesday, December 7th from 6:30 - 8:30 PM

MFCC Meeting @ St. Patrick Parish Cafeteria

Tuesday, December 7th from 7 - 8 PM

Galveston Catholic Young Adult Event

Tuesday, December 7th from 7:30 - 8:30 PM

See Facebook for details.

33 Day Consecration of the Family/Parish to St.

Joseph @ St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Wednesday, December 8th from 7 - 9 PM

Hooks & Needles Bible Study @ St. Patrick Cafeteria

Thursday, December 9th from 6:30- 7:30 PM

Genesis Prayer Meeting @ St. Patrick Church

Friday, December 10th from 7 - 9 PM

Aposteles de la Palabra @ St. Patrick Rm. 2

Saturday, December 11th from 4 - 6 PM

Spanish Choir Practice @ St. Patrick Rm. 2

Saturday, December 11th from 6 - 7:30 PM



The Parish Office Will be Closed
Wednesday, December 8, 2022
for the
Feast of Immaculate Conception

La Parroquia de la Sagrada Familia de Galveston y Bolívar patrocina la Celebración de la

Virgen de Guadalupe!

Sábado, Diciembre 11, 2021

Les invitamos a la gran fiesta en honor de la Virgen!

You are invited to the feast of our Blessed Mother!

PROCESSION:
Rosario, Alabanza,
y Danza
9:00am

Reunirse 8:00a.m. en la calle 43 & Broadway y proceder al templo de St. Patricio

Santa Misa:
10:00a.m.

Recepción:
Después de la misa en el Salón de la Sagrada Familia

PROCESSION:
Rosary, Praise, & Traditional Dances
9:00am

Meet at 8:00a.m. at 43th Street & Broadway and proceed to St. Patrick's Church

Holy Mass:
10:00 a.m.

Reception:
Following mass in Parish Hall



Para Más Información 409-256-3015 For More Information



Seaside Seniors



Seaside Seniors will have the December Luncheon at Moody Methodist fellowship hall on December 9 starting at 11:30 please bring a dessert or door prize to share. With higher food and supply expenses the dinners are now \$6.00.

Starting in January all the churches will participate but please note St Patrick's will be doing the SECOND Thursday and Moody Methodist will be doing the FIRST Thursday. All the other churches will remain the same as before. We will be giving out flyers to remind everyone. Any questions call Judy Dolfi (409) 789-6879.

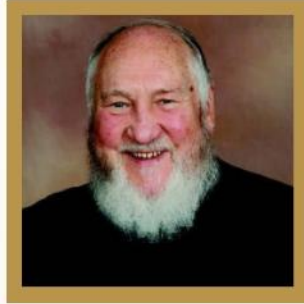
BULLETIN PUBLICATION FOR THE HOLIDAYS

****Due to the upcoming holiday season some of the deadlines for submission will change to meet the Publisher's printing deadlines.****

December 19th Bulletin
Due by Dec. 7th 8:30 AM

December 26th Bulletin
Due By Dec. 9th 8:30 AM

January 2nd Bulletin
Due By Dec. 13th 8:30 AM



Fr. Stephen's Golden Anniversary of Ordination

We will be celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving commemorating the Golden Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood of the

Reverend Stephen J. Payne

Sunday, December 19, 2021 12:30 P M

at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Reception immediately following at Knights of Columbus Hall



***Holy Family Parish is delighted to welcome
Deacon and Mrs. Jeff & Mary Lynn Willard***

It is a great honor to be assigned to serve Holy Family parish. I was ordained as a permanent deacon in 1999 and have worked full time for the Catholic Church for 26 years in various parish roles. My wife, Mary Lynn and I have been in love with Galveston since 2003 and are thrilled to have the chance to finally be here. I am newly appointed to serve the Archdiocese as Port Chaplain and my office is in the Galveston Seafarers Center. Mary Lynn and I moved to Texas in 2016 and I have been serving first as director of liturgy at Christ the Redeemer parish in Cypress, and most recently as director of pastoral care and spiritual life at Saint John Vianney parish in the energy corridor. Both Mary Lynn and I are Licensed Professional Counselors with degrees in marriage and family therapy. It is our love for the water and warmer weather that caused us to embark on this journey and we look forward to meeting and learning from you more of the beauty of Galveston and to share in the richness of your faith. Please stop by the Seafarers Center and chat with me when you have the chance.

Blessings,

Jeff



Around the Parish

Let Joseph carry you to
Jesus.

Go to Joseph!



At each stage of our lives,
Jesus seeks to pull something out of us. Let Joseph
help you, and carry you this Advent - to help make
this - YOUR BEST ADVENT EVER

Join Fr. Jude, Seminarian Viet Nguyen, St. Emilia
and your fellow parish family:

December 8, Wednesday- group mtg 3.

December 15, Wednesday- group mtg 4.

December 22, Wednesday- group mtg 5.

@ 7:00pm St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

December 26, Sunday - Day of Consecration - Feast
of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and
Joseph; ALL MASSES

Fr. Jude Ezuma and the Evangelization and
Stewardship Committee of Holy Family Parish

Novena to St. Joseph (Español)

A partir del lunes

29 de noviembre

7:00 - 8:30 pm

Semanalmente el lunes,

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**Help us spread Christmas Cheer and the
love of Christ to our neighbors in need this
year by participating in the
Holy Family Parish 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.svd@gmail.com with the family's contact info (name, phone number and address) and a brief description. We will take names from December 3 to December 15 or until we reach our goal of 10-12 families, additional names will be put on a waiting list.

How Can you Participate?

The Angel Tree will be set up in the Parish Office with Angel Ornaments. Each angel represents a family we will help. Our families range from individuals to families of 8. You may donate Walmart gift cards, cash or checks. We attempt to provide a \$50.00 Walmart Gift Card per family member.

If you prefer to donate in cash or check, please mail or drop off at the parish office or drop in the weekly collection at Mass. Please indicate SVdP of HFP on the check and put ANGEL TREE in the memo. Any Cash donations may be placed in an envelope addressed to Angel Tree. We will be delivering these gift card to Our families on December 18 so that they will have time to shop before Christmas. We ask that you make donations by December 18.

God bless you all for your generosity during this Christmas season.

Around the parish



Advent Penance Service/ Reconciliation



(for both English and Spanish
speaking parishioners)
Tuesday, December 7th, 2021,
starting at 6PM
St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Las Posadas

SAVE THE DATES!

12/15 Genesis
12/16 MFCC
12/17 MFCC
12/18 ACTS
information to follow.



Friday, December 24th

5:00pm St. Patrick
5:00pm Sacred Heart
8:00pm St. Mary's Cathedral
10:30pm St. Patrick - Spanish
12:00am Sacred Heart
12:00am Holy Rosary

Saturday, December 25th

9:00am Our Lady by the Sea
9:00am St. Patrick
9:00am Mary Star of the Sea
11:00am Sacred Heart
12:00pm St. Patrick - Spanish
12:30pm St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica
(Cardinal DiNardo)

Sunday, December 26th:

8:00am - Our Lady by the Sea
8:00am - Mary Star of the Sea
8:00am - Holy Rosary
10:00am - St. Patrick
11:00am - Sacred Heart
12:00pm - St. Patrick - Spanish
12:30pm - St. Mary's Cathedral





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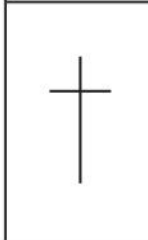
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