# HOLY FAMILY PARISH & SCHOOL

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# February 20, 2022 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary 7ime

#### **HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

(Administrative Office for all 6 six 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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### Capital Campaign

# SAVE THE DATE MARCH 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

ONE FAITH, ONE FAMILY Capital Campaign CELEBRATION Reception

It is official!!!! WE ARE HALFWAY to our \$5.5 Million Goal. We plan to celebrate on MARCH 9. All contributors to the campaign's success, are invited to the celebration. It's not too Late to join in!!! All parishioners making a contribution/pledges received by February 28th are welcomed to join us.

More details about time and location soon!

Pledge cards and Campaign brochures are available at church entrances or at the parish office!



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.

# UNA FEUNA FAMILIA CAMPAÑA DE LA CAMPAÑA ORACIÓN DE LA CAMPAÑA

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

# One Faith, One Family Campaign Update as of 12/03/2021

Our Parish Goal: \$5,500,000
Pledge Total: \$2,816,795
Pledge Payments Received: \$1,500,622
Total Number of Donors: 376

Thanks you for your continued support, may God bless your generosity!

<u>It is never too late to pledge or donate</u>. Visit holyfamilygb.com/capitalcampaign to learn more and participate.

# Una Fe, Una Familia Actualizaciones desde 12/03/2021

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# de Familias Participando: 376

¡Gracias por su apoyo, que Dios bendiga su generosidad!

Nunca es muy tarde para comprometerse o donar. Visite holyfamilygb.com/campana para más información.

### Message from the Pastor

Dearly Beloved in Christ:

As some of you may recall, a few weeks back (precisely on the weekend of January 15/16), I wrote about the ongoing Synod of Bishops which was convoked by Pope Francis last October. The theme of the synod is: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". While the actual Synod of Bishops will take place in Rome in October of 2023, the Pope's desire is for as many people throughout the world to be part of it. As a result, the Pope has asked bishops throughout the world to conduct listening sessions in their respective arch/dioceses.

The Church, by nature, is synodal. That is, she is accustomed to the practice of "walking together" as members of the Body of Christ. We can recall from Scriptures a multitude of examples of how the Lord walks with us on the journey of salvation. In the Gospel of Luke 13:22 for instance, the Evangelist recalls that Jesus "passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem". The Acts of the Apostles, fondly referred to as the Gospel of the Holy Spirit, is a clear manifestation of how the Lord continued to accompany the nascent Church through and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

It is this very character of the Church — i.e., walking together as brothers and sisters, listening and discerning God's words, and guided by the Holy Spirit — that the Pope wants to draw our attention to by convoking this Synod. We have scheduled some listening sessions to take place here in our parish. In order to ensure that these sessions are fruitful, the Pope has also provided us with some questions to serve as guide. See page 5 for the full schedule and the questions as well.

We hope to see you at the listening sessions. You may attend just one or as many as you desire. We ask that you prayerfully reflect over the questions before coming to the listening sessions.

We all can agree that the Pandemic significantly disrupted the flow of community living. Yes, while the myriad of rules and regulations on social-distancing and contact restrictions were necessary, they inevitably caused rifts among us at too many levels. The synod is a powerful tool to help us continue the work of rebuilding the fabrics of community and social life. Come, let us continue our journey together!

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 <a href="mailto:shepherdhfp@gmail.com">shepherdhfp@gmail.com</a>

### Mensaje del Pastor

Amado en Cristo:

Como algunos de ustedes recordarán, hace unas semanas (precisamente el fin de semana del 15 al 16 de enero), escribí sobre el Sínodo de Obispos en curso que fue convocado por el Papa Francisco en octubre pasado. El tema del sínodo es: "Por una Iglesia sinodal: comunión, participación y misión". Si bien el Sínodo de los Obispos se llevará a cabo en Roma en octubre de 2023, el deseo del Papa es que la mayor cantidad de personas en todo el mundo sean parte de él. Como resultado, el Papa ha pedido a los obispos de todo el mundo que realicen sesiones de escucha en sus respectivas archidiócesis.

La Iglesia, por naturaleza, es sinodal. Es decir, está acostumbrada a la práctica de "caminar juntos" como miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo. Podemos recordar de las Escrituras multitud de ejemplos de cómo el Señor camina con nosotros en el camino de la salvación. En el Evangelio de Lucas 13,22, por ejemplo, el evangelista recuerda que Jesús "pasaba por pueblos y aldeas, enseñando por el camino y dirigiéndose a Jerusalén". Los Hechos de los Apóstoles, llamados cariñosamente el Evangelio del Espíritu Santo, es una clara manifestación de cómo el Señor siguió acompañando a la Iglesia naciente a través y por el poder del Espíritu Santo.

Es este mismo carácter de la Iglesia, es decir, caminar juntos como hermanos y hermanas, escuchando y discerniendo las palabras de Dios, y guiados por el Espíritu Santo, sobre el que el Papa quiere llamar nuestra atención al convocar este Sínodo. Hemos programado algunas sesiones de escucha aquí en nuestra parroquia. Para que estas sesiones sean fructíferas, el Papa también nos ha proporcionado algunas preguntas para que nos sirvan de guía. Consulte la página 5 para ver el programa completo y las preguntas también.

Esperamos verte en las sesiones de escucha. Puedes asistir a uno solo o a tantos como desees. Le pedimos que reflexione en oración sobre las preguntas antes de asistir a las sesiones de escucha.

Todos podemos estar de acuerdo en que la pandemia interrumpió significativamente el flujo de la vida comunitaria. Sí, si bien la gran cantidad de reglas y regulaciones sobre el distanciamiento social y las restricciones de contacto fueron necesarias, inevitablemente causaron divisiones entre nosotros en demasiados niveles. El sínodo es una herramienta poderosa para ayudarnos a continuar el trabajo de reconstrucción de los tejidos de la comunidad y la vida social. ¡Ven, continuemos nuestro camino juntos!

Somos una Parroquia de la Sagrada Familia, unida en el gozo del Espíritu Santo y en la caridad, como discípulos misioneros, jamén!

Tu siervo-líder en Cristo, P. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma shepherdhfp@gmail.com

## Message from the Pastor

Schedule for Listening Sessions: We will have listening sessions on the following days at St. Mary's Caathedral Basilica, starting at 7PM: March 3, 4, 7, 9, 10 and 11; and at Our Lady By the Sea Church on March 12. All are invited – come, let's continue our journey together as we listen to each other!

For more information about the synod, please go to: https://www.archgh.org/synod

#### For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission

#### Synod Reflection Questions

#### I. Central Topic. Journeying Together

First, let's talk about our journey together as the Church. How have we been journeying together in our parish in the last couple of years?

What joint experiences do you recall?

- Re-read these experiences in greater depth
  - What joys and difficulties have we encountered?
  - · What wounds did we reveal?
  - What insights were brought to light?
- 2. Let's gather the fruit to share
  - Where in these experiences does the voice of the Holy Spirit resound?
  - What is the Spirit asking of us?
  - Where do we register a consensus?
  - What paths are opening up for our local Church?

#### II. Personal engagement moment.

Now, let's share how this journey was significant for each one of us.

How has been your personal experience in journeying together at your community?

- Mention a special moment where you felt included in journeying together with the community,
  - How was it? Describe it physically, emotionally, rationally, spiritually.
  - Mention the person or persons that played a crucial role in your experience.
  - What elements stay with you to this day?
- 4. Did you at some point feel excluded? How was it?
- 5. If at some point you were away, What made you come back?
- 6. How do you personally share the message of the Gospel to ...family, friends, neighbors, strangers, enemies...?

#### Preguntas de reflexión del Sínodo I. Tema central. Caminando juntos

Primero, hablemos del camino que recorremos juntos como Iglesia. ¿Cómo han caminado juntos **en nuestra parroquia, ministerio** en los últimos años? ¿Qué experiencias comunes recuerda?

- 1. Re leerlas a mayor profundidad
  - a. ¿Qué alegrías y dificultades encontramos?
  - b. ¿Qué heridas se pusieron al descubierto?
  - c. ¿Qué aprendizajes salieron a la luz?
- 2. Reunir los frutos para compartirlos
  - a. ¿Dónde, en estas experiencias, resuena la voz del Espíritu Santo?
  - b. ¿Qué es lo que el Espíritu nos pide?
  - c. ¿Cómo avanzamos hacia el consenso?
  - d. ¿Qué rutas se abren para nuestra iglesia local?

#### II. Momento de compromiso personal.

Ahora, compartamos lo que ha significado este camino para cada uno de nosotros.

- Mencione un momento especial en el que se sintió incluido en el camino junto con la comunidad,
  - a. ¿Cómo fue? Descríbalo físicamente, emocionalmente, racionalmente, espiritualmente.
  - Mencione a la persona o personas que jugaron un papel crucial en su experiencia.
  - c. ¿Qué elementos permanecen en usted hasta el día de hoy?
- 4. ¿En algún momento se sintió excluido? ¿Cómo fue?
- 5. Si en algún momento estuvo fuera, ¿qué le hizo volver?
- 6. ¿Cómo comparte usted personalmente el mensaje del Evangelio con... la familia, amigos, vecinos, extraños, enemigos ...?

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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 <a href="mailto:theofficehfp@gmail.com">theofficehfp@gmail.com</a> 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

<u>ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:</u> 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, 7X 77550

Parish Contributions	Combined Churches
Weekend of February 6 Online Contributions (Jan. 31 - Feb.4, 2022) TOTAL	\$ 20,812.70 \$ 9,195.13 \$ 30,007.83

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	Partic- ipants
DSF	\$87,150		\$560	2
Capital Campaign	\$5,500,000	\$2,816,795	1,500,622	376

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

2/20/2022 Black and Indian Missions Collection

2021 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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Support Holy Family Parish every time you shop! When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate a portion of the proceeds to Our Holy Family Parish.

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

#### Dear Holy Family,

Please join us in praying for the improved health of Alma Zepeda, and for the repose of the soul of Ana Gladis Reyes de Rosa, Owen Morkovsky and for Owen Morkovsky's Family.



The Bereavement Committee is in need of volunteers. The Bereavement Committee reaches out to families who have suffered the loss of a loved one through death.

Committee members help with the reception, usually held in the parish auditorium, that often follows a funeral Mass or service.

Committee members set up the auditorium for a meal, serve the meal and clean up after the meal. The family provides their own food, and the parish provides paper goods, plastic ware, water, tea and coffee. Committee members are not required to cook. Please contact the parish office if you would like to join this Ministry.

#### **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY!**

If you are homebound and want a homebound minister to visit you and bring you Holy Communion, please call the Parish Office at (409) 762-6946 or Mary Ramirez at (409) 974-4799.

Si usted está enfermo en casa y desea que uno de los ministros le traiga la Santa Comunión, favor de llamar a la Oficina Parroquial a (409) 762-9646 o a Mary Ramirez (409) 974-4799.



The readings can be found at www.usccb.org. Click on the Daily Readings Tab.

#### Saturday February 19th Vigil Mass

5:00 pm (SP) † Marvin Freudensprung

6:00 pm (OLBS) † Louis Alessio

#### **Sunday February 20th**

#### 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am (SH) † Joe Grillo

9:00 am (HR) † Domenica & Anello D'Ambra

10:00 am (SP) † Glenita Segura

11:00 am (SH) † Giovanni (John) Giacona

12:00 pm (SP) Español For the People

12:30 pm (SMCB) Barbara Shafer (Birthday)

#### **Monday February 21st**

7:00 am (OLG Chapel)† Romeo Del Puerto

12:10 pm (SMCB) † Gary John Young Jr.

#### **Tuesday February 22nd**

#### Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle

7:00 am (OLG Chapel) † Tim Donovan

12:10 pm (SMCB) † Bob Welter

#### Wednesday February 23rd

#### Memorial of Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

7:00 am (OLG Chapel) † Romeo Del Puerto

12:10 pm (SMCB) † Irene Hundl

6:00 pm (OLG Chapel) Rosemary (for family & friends)

#### Thursday February 24th

7:00 am (OLG Chapel) † Tony Patane

12:10 pm (SMCB) † Sebastian Lofaro

#### **Friday February 25th**

7:00 am (OLG Chapel)† Nasaria Rincon

12:10 pm (SMCB) † Bob Welter



# THANK YOU!







HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL WAS ABLE TO RAISE \$6,235! THE ON-CAMPUS COLOR RUN WAS A HUGE SUCCESS AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY HAD A BLAST. THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED THEIR TIME, TREASURES, OR TALENTS TOWARD THIS EVENT.

#### Faith Formation

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Feb. 20	Faith Formation K-5th Spanish	10:00am-11:00am	St. Patrick Life Center
Feb. 20	Faith Formation K-5th English	11:30am-12:30pm	St. Patrick Life Center
Feb. 20	Jr. High Youth Group	4:00pm - 5:30pm	Jr. High Youth Room
Feb. 20	High School Youth Group	4:00pm - 5:30pm	High School Youth Room
Feb. 22	RCIA-C Year #1	6:15pm - 7:30pm	St. Patrick Life Center
Feb. 23	Youth Night	6:00pm - 7:30pm	St. Patrick Youth Room



Lent is a liturgical season that focuses on the three pillars of prayer. fasting and almsgiving. The 40 days' journey of Lent begins from Ash Wednesday and ends with Holy week. Lent is a time for sacrifice and spiritual reflection preparing us for the joyful celebration of Easter Sunday.

A classical way of looking at the 40days of lent is consecrating our journey back to God and acknowledging that periodically we get off the track. But we got a person to show us the way- OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST who said "I am the way, the truth and the life" If we want to find our journey back to God is to go directly to Jesus who is the way.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) has an excellent way as it has become part of the tradition through RICEBOWL. That allows us to pray, it allows an act of sacrifice as we put in something at the RICE BOWL in the cost of giving up something, it allows us to do an act of love and service to charity to someone else. Lent is the time we admit with all the humility and sincerity that we can muster that life is a journey back to God. Periodically, we get lost. The best way to return is through Jesus. Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving are the best compose back to God.

Join our faith community – and more than 12,000 catholic communities across the United States – in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by injustice. Pick up your family's Rice Bowl from our Parish Office.

La Cuaresma es un tiempo litúrgico que se centra en los tres pilares de la oración. ayuno y limosna. El camino de 40 días de la Cuaresma comienza el Miércoles de Ceniza y termina con la Semana Santa. La Cuaresma es un tiempo de sacrificio y reflexión espiritual que nos prepara para la gozosa celebración del Domingo de Resurrección. Una forma clásica de ver los 40 días de cuaresma es consagrar nuestro camino de regreso a Dios y reconocer que periódicamente nos salimos del camino. Pero tenemos una persona para mostrarnos el camino: NUESTRO SEÑOR Y SALVADOR JESUCRISTO, quien dijo: "Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida". Si queremos encontrar nuestro camino de regreso a Dios, debemos ir directamente a Jesús, quien es el camino. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) tiene una excelente manera ya que se ha convertido en parte de la tradición a través de RICEBOWL. Eso nos permite orar, nos permite un acto de sacrificio como ponemos algo en el CUENCO DE ARROZ a costa de renunciar a algo, nos permite hacer un acto de amor y servicio a la caridad a otra persona. La Cuaresma es el momento en que admitimos con toda la humildad y sinceridad que podamos reunir que la vida es un viaje de regreso a Dios. Periódicamente, nos perdemos. La mejor manera de volver es a través de Jesús. La oración, el ayuno y la limosna son los mejores compuestos de regreso a Dios.

Únase a nuestra comunidad de fe, y a más de 12,000 comunidades católicas en los Estados Unidos, en un viaje transformador de Cuaresma con Plato de Arroz de CRS. Durante los 40 días de Cuaresma, reflexionaremos sobre el hambre en el mundo y tomaremos medidas para ayudar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas afectados por la injusticia. Recoja el Plato de Arroz de su familia en nuestra Oficina Parroquial.

### 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.



#### GOD'S PLAN

God has a plan for each and everyone of us. His plans are good, not evil. If God created us to love Him, to serve Him, and to be happy with Him in this world and the next, then everything about our future with God should be good. In Genesis, we are told that when God was done creating, He saw that everything He had created was good and He blessed the earth (see Genesis 1:31). God's plan for you and I are always good, and He wants us with Him in heaven when our lives here on earth come to a close. Whatever we do and however we spend our lives will determine where we will be when we are no more.

Saint Paul was not afraid of death because he lived his life to the fullest and was by the grace of God a true apostle of Jesus Christ. He was Christ-like in everything and gave his life for what he believed. For Saint Paul, "to live is Christ and to die is gain" (Philippians 1:21). Saint Paul knew what was awaiting him in heaven when he said, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for His appearing" (2 Timothy 4:7-8).

Those who live good lives have nothing to fear because like Saint Paul, they know what awaits them after this life. God's plans are good and He wants us to be good to one another. A good way to do this is to share what He has given us with those who have little or nothing for the glory of His name. If we keep the Commandments of God,

little or nothing for the glory of His name. If we keep the Commandments of God, faithfully reflect and observe the Beatitudes and the corporal works of Mercy as good Catholics, we are not far from the kingdom of God.

Dear God, we pray that we may love our neighbors from our hearts as you have loved us and given your Son for us. Amen.



#### Around the Parish

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Youth Choir Practice @ St. Patrick Church Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 - 10:00 AM

RCIA Class @ St. Patrick Church Life Center Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:15 - 11:15 AM

Legion of Mary (Spanish) @ St. Patrick Rm#2 Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Men's Spanish ACTS prayer meeting @ St. Patrick Church

Monday, February 21st from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Holy Rosary (Weekly Rosary) @ Holy Rosary Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:30 - 5:30 PM

RCIA @ St. Patrick Parish Life Center
Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30 - 8:30 PM

**Galveston Catholic Young Adult Event**Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:30 - 8:30 PM
See Facebook for details.

The Bible Timeline Class @ St. Patrick Rm#2
Wednesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Women's Spanish ACTS Meeting@ St. Patrick Rm#6 Wednesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

The Bible Timeline Class @ St. Patrick Rm#2
Wednesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00 - 8:00 PM

MFCC Asesorias @ St. Patrick Parish Life Center Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 - 8:00 PM

**Genesis - Prayer Meeting @ St. Patrick Church** Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

**Spanish Baptisms @ St. Mary Cathedral Basilica**Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Aposteles de la Palabra@ St. Patrick Life Ctr. Rm. 2 Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 4 - 6 PM

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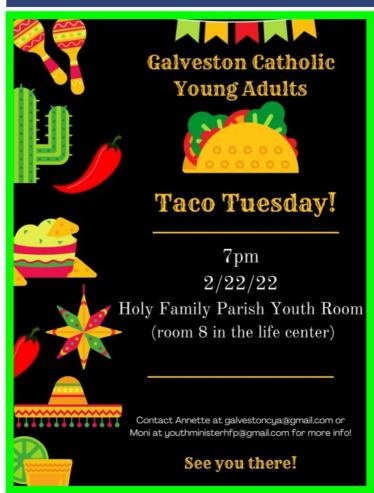


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The Third Order/Lay Carmelites will meet at Holy Family Parish Center on Sunday, February 27th at 2pm. Please join us if you would like more information about the Lay Carmelites.

Our Chapter is named for Blessed Titus Brandsma who died in Dauchau, a horrific Nazi concentration camp. We are now preparing for his canonization. He was a martyr and has had 2 miracles wrought through his intercession. He will soon join the other great Carmelite saints in the Church Triumphant. Call Ellen Perry (409-740-6842) for more information about the Lay Carmelites.



### Around the parish



#### Why we use the "Black Bag"



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Black Bag today enables everyone to give what they can afford without being judged. The passing of the Black Bag brings the Body of Christ together in the mission of caring for our neighbors. While we no longer actually pass the bags during Mass, it is in this spirit that we have our collection.

Our parish will conduct our first Black Bag collection in over 2 years on the weekend of March 5th and 6th. All funds collected will be used to assist our neighbors in need right here in Galveston and Bolivar. Please be generous. Thank You!!

#### What is The Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

We are a charitable Catholic society founded in 1833 in Paris, France. There are over 100,000 Vincentians in the US. Where there are people in need, it's likely you will find St. Vincent de Paul.

The first Society in Texas was founded in Galveston in 1871 and we have 25 Vincentians here in our parish.

#### What We Believe

We believe that "in serving the poor, we serve Jesus Christ".

Our primary purpose is the spiritual growth of our Vincentians. Our secondary purpose is serving people in need and helping them experience the love of Christ.

We strive to grow spiritually by offering <u>person-to-person service</u> to our neighbors in need.

No work of charity is foreign to our Society.

#### **How We Work**

We make no distinction in those we serve because in them we see the work of Christ.

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Email: hfp.svdp@gmail.com Meetings: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7pm virtually until further notice

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# Mark Your Calendars!



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March 18<sup>TH</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

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FRIDAY, MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>, Rummage Sale, Fish Fry, & Bingo

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#### **RUMMAGE SALE:**

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#### WINE PULL BOOTH:

We need bottles of wine valued at \$20 and higher donated to our Wine Pull Booth. Please place a tag on the donated bottle with your name along with an attached receipt. Bottles can be donated every Sunday from 12-3pm at Holy Family School. You may also donate cash by contacting Thomasine Allen at 409-739-5689 and she will do the purchasing for you!

#### **CAKE BOOTH & SWEET SHOP:**

Cakes of any size needed. Sweet Shop needs cookies, brownies, candies, fudge, trail mix, anything SWEET! Two weeks before the festival, in the back of each church, cake plates and containers for sweets will be handed out. DROP OFF TIME is Friday March 18th at circle drive Holy Family Catholic School on Ave N from 9am-5pm. Contact Martie Terry 713-504-4202 or martiejterry@comcast.net for more information.

#### **PLANT BOOTH:**

St. Vincent De Paul will be collecting plants of all sizes. Donation drop-off will be Friday March 18<sup>th</sup> in circle drive at Holy Family School from 3-6pm.

#### WE NEED YOUR GIFT OF TIME!

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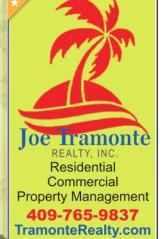
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