

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH & SCHOOL

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON



*July 3, 2022*

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## **HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

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

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## **HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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Principal: Nadia Canino [Ncanino@hfcsgalv.org](mailto:Ncanino@hfcsgalv.org)

## **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!

**CLERGY**

**Very Rev. Jude Ezuma, Pastor/Rector**  
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*Member*  
Deacon Sam Dell'Olio  
*Member*  
Rosetta Bonnin  
*Member*

## Capital Campaign

Our Diocese is 175 years old! It's very remarkable to note that our diocese started in Galveston. Holy Family Parish will augment that celebration when we restore some of the building situated on the property that belonged to the Ursuline Nuns upon their arrival in 1847.

In the first year of our \$5.5 million Capital Campaign we have hit our milestone of \$3,000,000 in pledge commitments. What a great way to celebrate our Dodransbicentennial Anniversary year (175 years)! Congratulations to the over 420 families who have generously answered the call. *You are amazing!*

Contributions have ranged from \$100.00 to \$1,000,000.00 These parishioners have one thing in common.. . to support the parish's need for a Parish Life Center. The pledge donor reminder notices were sent out last week. We have discovered a few software issues. Contact the office if you notice any errors in the reminder notice.

Please join us in this quest by completing the pledge card below and returning it to the office or in next Sunday's collection basket. For more info about any phase of the Campaign, contact the Campaign Chair, Grace Mansfield (409 771 0345) or the Parish Office (409 762 9646).



**ONE FAITH  
ONE FAMILY**  
HOLY FAMILY PARISH CAMPAIGN  
1010 35th Street | Galveston, TX 77550

*Not everyone can make the same size gift; but everyone can make an equal sacrifice.*

### Suggested Gift Plans/Planes de Regalos Sugeridos

Total Gift Total del Compromiso	10% Down Payment Pago Inicial de 10%	4 Annual Payments 4 Pagos Anuales	16 Quarterly Payments 16 Pagos Trimestrales	48 Monthly Payments 48 Pagos Mensuales	Daily Sacrifice Compromiso Diario
\$1,000,000	\$100,000	\$225,000	\$56,250	\$18,750	\$616.44
\$500,000	\$50,000	\$112,500	\$28,125	\$9,375	\$308.22
\$100,000	\$10,000	\$22,500	\$5,625	\$1,875	\$61.64
\$75,000	\$7,500	\$16,875	\$4,219	\$1,406	\$46.23
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$11,250	\$2,813	\$938	\$30.82
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$5,625	\$1,406	\$469	\$15.41
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$2,250	\$563	\$188	\$6.16
\$7,500	\$750	\$1,688	\$422	\$141	\$4.62
\$5,000	\$500	\$1,125	\$281	\$94	\$3.08

#### Online Giving/Donaciones En línea

1) To give online, go to <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/hfp>  
Para hacer su donación en línea, simplemente vaya a la página <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/hfp>

2) In addition, please return this pledge card to the campaign office.  
Además, favor de devolver esta tarjeta de compromiso a la oficina de la Campaña Capital.



I / we prefer to pay the balance as follows:  
Yo/Nosotros preferimos pagar:

Monthly / Mensualmente     Quarterly / Trimestralmente  
 Semi-Annually/ Semestralmente     Annually/ Anualmente

Over a period of: / Durante un periodo de:

4 years/años     3 years/años     2 years/años  
 1 year/año     other/otro \_\_\_\_\_



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Please make checks payable to: / Haga sus cheques a nombre de:

**Holy Family Parish**

Kindly write "Capital Campaign" in the memo.  
Escriba "Campaña Capital" en la línea del memo.

Please contact me/us with information regarding the following:  
Favor de contactarme con más

### One Faith, One Family Campaign Update

Our Parish Goal:	\$5,500,000
Pledge Total:	\$3,257,401
Pledge Payments Received:	\$1,796,442
Total Number of Donors:	432

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

It is never too late to pledge or donate. Visit [holyfamilygb.com/capital-campaign](http://holyfamilygb.com/capital-campaign) to learn more and participate.

### Una Fe, Una Familia Actualización de campaña

Nuestra Meta Parroquial:	\$5,500,000
Total en Promesas:	\$3,257,401
Total en Pagos Recibido:	\$1,796,442
# de Familias Participando:	432

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

Nunca es muy tarde para comprometerse o donar.  
Visite [holyfamilygb.com/campana](http://holyfamilygb.com/campana) para más información.

## Message from the Pastor

Dearly Beloved in Christ:

Happy July 4th weekend! We live in a country where we strive to uphold the fundamental rights of all. While this is the ultimate goal, you and I know that it is not always attainable by all. Yet, we take pride in knowing that as a nation, we continue to do what is humanly possible to uphold the truth that all humans (and that includes the unborn, viable in their mother's womb) – regardless of race, creed, nationality or color) should be treated with equity and equal rights.

The foundation of equal rights stems from the fact that we are all created in the image and likeness of God! Even our national constitution implies this when it states: “we hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men [and women] are created equal, that they are endowed by **their Creator** with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness” (emphases are mine).

For the interest of time, I would like to focus on what I would like to refer to as the fundamental inalienable right – the right to life! Our faith teaches us clearly that human life begins from the womb, from the moment of [natural] conception. St. John the Baptist, whose feast day we celebrated just last week, reminds us of this truth. We know the story of the encounter between the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of our Savior Jesus Christ, and Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, before the birth of their respective children. Scripture tells us that when Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the **infant in her womb leaped** for joy! (see: **Luke 1:42**). John the Baptist was recognized as a child while he was still in her mother's womb!

The Church clearly opposes all forms of abortion procedures, which are directly aimed at interrupting/destroying the natural process of the ongoing formation of human life, following natural conception. On Friday, June 24th – which was also the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – we all received with jubilation, the Supreme Court's ruling on *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, overturning *Roe v. Wade*. As expected, this has caused uproar in several quarters. The teachings of the Church seeks to uphold the right to life, the first of the inalienable human rights. Let us pray that as a nation, we will not be afraid to do what is right for ALL, especially the vulnerable.

In conclusion, St. Paul reminds us that “For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery” (**Galatians 5:1**). In other words, we truly live free when we live in accordance with the will of God. May we not be afraid to discern and choose God's will, even when it is difficult. 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  
[shepherdhfp@gmail.com](mailto:shepherdhfp@gmail.com)

## Mensaje del Pastor

Amadísimos en Cristo:

¡Feliz fin de semana del 4 de julio! Vivimos en un país donde nos esforzamos por defender los derechos fundamentales de todos. Si bien este es el objetivo final, usted y yo sabemos que no siempre es alcanzable por todos. Sin embargo, nos enorgullece saber que, como nación, continuamos haciendo lo humanamente posible para defender la verdad de que todos los seres humanos (y eso incluye a los no nacidos, viables en el vientre de su madre), independientemente de su raza, credo, nacionalidad o color. ) deben ser tratados con equidad e igualdad de derechos. ¡El fundamento de la igualdad de derechos proviene del hecho de que todos somos creados a imagen y semejanza de Dios! Incluso nuestra constitución nacional da a entender esto cuando afirma: “sostenemos que estas verdades son evidentes, que todos los hombres [y mujeres] son creados iguales, que **su Creador** los dotó de ciertos derechos inalienables, que entre estos están la vida, La libertad y la búsqueda de la felicidad” (el subrayado es mío).

Por cuestiones de tiempo, me gustaría centrarme en lo que me gustaría llamar el derecho inalienable fundamental: ¡el derecho a la vida! Nuestra fe nos enseña claramente que la vida humana comienza desde el vientre materno, desde el momento de la concepción [natural]. San Juan Bautista, cuya fiesta celebramos la semana pasada, nos recuerda esta verdad. Conocemos la historia del encuentro entre la Santísima Virgen María, la Madre de nuestro Salvador Jesucristo, e Isabel, la madre de Juan Bautista, antes del nacimiento de sus respectivos hijos. La Escritura nos dice que cuando Isabel escuchó el saludo de María, **¡el niño en su vientre saltó** de alegría! (ver: **Lucas 1:42**). ¡Juan el Bautista fue reconocido como un niño mientras aún estaba en el vientre de su madre!

La Iglesia se opone claramente a todas las formas de procedimientos de aborto, que tienen como objetivo directo interrumpir/destruir el proceso natural de formación permanente de la vida humana, siguiendo la concepción natural. El viernes 24 de junio, que también fue la Solemnidad del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, todos recibimos con júbilo el fallo de la Corte Suprema sobre *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, anulando *Roe v. Wade*. Como era de esperar, esto ha causado revuelo en varios sectores. Las enseñanzas de la Iglesia buscan defender el derecho a la vida, el primero de los derechos humanos inalienables. Oremos para que, como nación, no tengamos miedo de hacer lo correcto para TODOS, especialmente para los vulnerables.

En conclusión, San Pablo nos recuerda que “Para la libertad, Cristo nos hizo libres; así que estad firmes y no os sometáis otra vez al yugo de la servidumbre” (**Gálatas 5:1**). En otras palabras, vivimos verdaderamente libres cuando vivimos de acuerdo con la voluntad de Dios. Que no tengamos miedo de discernir y elegir la voluntad de Dios, incluso cuando sea difícil. ¡Amén!

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

Tu siervo-líder en Cristo,  
P. 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 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) **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](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. 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 June 26	\$25,162.50
Online Contributions (June 20- June 24, 2022)	<u>\$ 7,039.13</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$32,201.63</b>
Peter's Pence Collection	\$ 1,699.00

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	\$87,150		\$ 66,732.66	247
Capital Campaign	\$5,500,000	\$3,257,401	\$1,796,442	432

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

**7/10/2022 St. Vincent de Paul Society Black Bag Annual Collection**

**2021 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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**Dear Holy Family,**

Please join us in praying for Robert "Bobby" Bohn, Deb Kelley, and the improved health of Charles and Rose Olivier.



**VOCATIONS CROSSES**

**Every Mass has a special Vocations Cross to plant a seed of prayer.**

*Thank you to the following families for praying during the month of June:*

- 5:00 St. Patrick - Dennis and Diane Sheehan
- 6:00 OLBS - Lee and Yolanda Moses
- 7:00 MSOS -
- 7:30 Sacred Heart - Karen and Shae Jobe, Mack, Kate and Claire
- 9:00 Holy Rosary - David and Paulette Reed
- 10:00 St. Patrick - Irene Henry
- 11:00 Sacred Heart - Nancy & Larry Keenan
- 12:00 St. Patrick - Frias Family
- 12:30 St. Mary's - Luvie Meneses

*Would you or your family like to host the Vocations Cross for a month? You can sign up by contacting the Evangelization and Stewardship Committee through Monica Ott at: [mpott@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mpott@sbcglobal.net).*

The readings can be found at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).  
Click on the Daily Readings Tab.

**Saturday July 2nd - Vigil Mass**

- 5:00pm (SP) † Manuel Flores (Repose of Soul) & Flores Family
- 6:00pm (OLBS) † John Tijerina
- 7:00pm (MSOS) † Irma & Joe Garcia (Repose of Souls) & Garcia Family

**Sunday July 3rd**

- 7:30am (SH) Jennifer Wasson (Birthday)
- 9:00am (HR) † Nancy Woods
- 10:00am (SP) † Loretta Perez
- 11:00am (SH) † John D'Ambra (In Memory of 58th Wedding Anniversary)
- 12:00pm(SP)Español † Celia Losoya (2nd Anniversary of Death)
- 12:30pm (SMCB) † Marco Antonio Garza

**Monday July 4th**

- 10:00am (SMCB) † Mr. V.G. Philip

**Tuesday July 5th**

- 7:00am (OLG) Rosemary (for family & friends)
- 12:10pm (SMCB) † Richard L. Mansfield (Anniversary of Death)

**Wednesday July 6th**

- 7:00am (OLG) † Tom Meade
- 12:10pm (SMCB) Lucia Ramirez (90th Birthday)
- 6:00pm (OLG)Español † Julia (Julie) Davila DeYbarrondo

**Thursday July 7th**

- 7:00am (OLG) Rosemary (for family & friends)
- 12:10 pm (SMCB) † Niki Brouillard

**Friday July 8th**

- 7:00am (OLG) † Mary Ann Reilly (Anniversary of Death)
- 12:10pm (SMCB) † Derrick Blueitt



**NOW  
HIRING**  
**APPLY TODAY**

Holy Family Catholic School is hiring teachers for the upcoming school year. There are various positions open and ready for applicants. Our island school is the founding Catholic school of Texas and is striving to find top-notch teachers to continue the legacy of our great education.

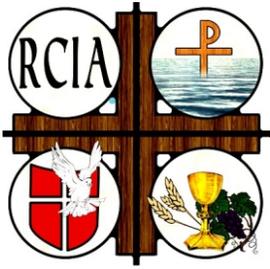
Holy Family offers smaller class sizes, a family-centered community, and a dedicated team of teachers. We invite you to come and share your passion for learning and see what our school has to offer. Interested applicants can complete the online application at [choosecatholicschools.org/employment](http://choosecatholicschools.org/employment)



*Come Teach by the Beach!*



## 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? Please come and join us learn more about the Catholic Church and/or finish your sacraments.

REGISTRATION FOR THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS IS ONGOING AT HOLY FAMILY PARISH OFFICE.

Mondays to Fridays – 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

PLEASE COME AND REGISTER AND BECOME A FULL MEMBER OF THE FAMILY OF GOD.

### COME TO ME, SAYS THE LORD

What troubles you? Why do you look so stressed out? Are you having trouble sleeping at night because you have a lot on your mind? Is there a problem in your life that you think no one can help solve? Come, lay them at the foot of the cross - the sign and symbol of our salvation. Why worry over things that the Master is waiting with open arms to make light? Why bother about things that you cannot change? Christ took all our burdens away; I mean the most difficult part of our burden - sin. He made everything easy and light. If at any point, we feel burdened, Christ is our light, our help, and our salvation; Christ is our life, why should we be afraid? (see Psalm 27:1-2).

He has taken our heavy burdens away; Christ our Lord has made our lives easier. Come to me, Christ said in Matthew 11:28-29, all you who are weary and burdened, and I the Lord will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.

Christ has not promised to take away our struggles; those are part of the human experience on this side of eternity. What he has promised however, is to help us through them. Let us therefore endeavor to "*cast our burdens on God because He cares for us*" (1 Peter 5:7).

Come to Christ, our refuge and strength, our hope and our comfort in distress. Yes, his yoke is easy and his burden is light. Christ has all the solutions to our problems and he is the only one who has the power to make everything easy and light. Come to him, come to Christ, the strength and the hope of the hopeless.

My yoke is easy and my burden light, and you will find rest for your soul.



**Please come register for Adult Confirmation and be fully initiated into the Catholic Faith.**

**Registration is on at the Parish office here at St. Patrick's Church Mondays to Fridays (8:30AM to 4:30PM).**



## Around the Parish

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Youth Choir Practice @ St. Patrick Church

Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 - 10:00 AM

#### Holy Rosary (Weekly Rosary) @ Holy Rosary

Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 - 5:30 PM

#### Spanish Bible Study @ St. Patrick Life Center Rm# 2

Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 - 5:30 PM

#### Galveston Catholic Young Adult (18 - 45 yrs) Event

Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 - 8:30 PM

Please Join the GroupMe for more info:

<https://bit.ly/GCYAGroup>

#### The Bible Timeline Class @ St. Patrick Life Center Rm# 2

Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 - 11:00 AM

#### Women's Spanish ACTS Meeting @ St. Patrick Cafeteria

Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:45- 9:00 PM

#### The Bible Timeline Class @ St. Patrick Life Center Rm# 2

Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 8:00 PM

#### Food Bank Distribution @ St. Patrick Large Parking Lot

Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

#### English Baptism Class @ St. Patrick Life Center Rm# 2

Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 8:00 PM

#### Men's ACTS Retreat Prep @ St. Patrick Life Center Small Conference Room

Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

#### Grupo Oración Sagrada Familia -prayer meeting @ St. Patrick Church

Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

#### Aposteles de la Palabra @ St. Patrick Life Center Rm# 2

Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 - 6:00 PM

**Gift Shop**



The Gift Store has reopened  
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**The Office and Chapel will be closed on Monday July 4th in observance of Independence Day.**

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Words are not enough to express my profound gratitude to all of you. Thank you so much for helping to organize and attending such a lovely farewell reception for our brother, Fr. Jorge! May the Lord bless you abundantly and grant your prayer requests in accordance to His Holy will, Amen!

Please remember to continue praying for Fr. Jorge and the community of St. Jerome in Clute. Know also, that you can rely on our own prayers for you.

Once again, thank you all and may God bless you abundantly in the mighty name of Jesus, amen!

Your humble and grateful servant-leader,

Very Rev. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma  
Pastor/Rector

Mi querido amado,

Las palabras no son suficientes para expresar mi profundo agradecimiento a todos ustedes. Muchas gracias por ayudar a organizar y asistir a una recepción de despedida tan hermosa para nuestro hermano, el Padre. Jorge! Que el Señor les bendiga abundantemente y conceda sus peticiones de oración de acuerdo a Su Santa voluntad, ¡Amén!

Por favor, recuerde continuar orando por el Padre. Jorge y la comunidad de San Jerónimo en Clute. Sepa también que puede confiar en nuestras propias oraciones por usted.

Una vez más, gracias a todos y que Dios los bendiga abundantemente en el poderoso nombre de Jesús, ¡amén!

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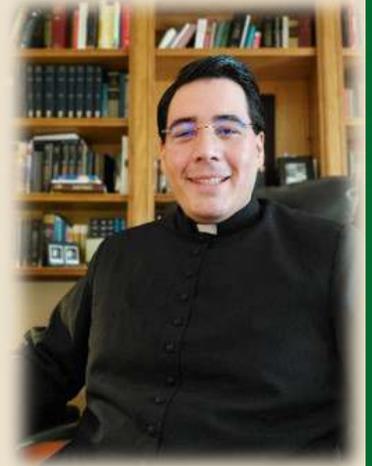
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## ***Fr. José Alonso***

My name is Fr. José Alonso. I was born and raised in Guatemala City. I have an older brother and sister, who are twins. So, I am the youngest in my family. When I was a little kid, I wanted to be a doctor like my grandfather was. A few years later, I thought maybe I wanted to be a teacher. Then I thought maybe I can be a psychiatrist. As I grew older, I still felt the desire to help others, but didn't know exactly what that would look like. Eventually, in my teenage years I began returning to the practice of our Catholic faith. I discovered there was a small parish near where I lived, so every Sunday I would walk to mass. As time went on, I began altar serving and helping at the parish. I also discovered the great prayer of the rosary, which I would pray as I would walk to mass.



It was in my teenage years that I realized also there was more to life than just working and making money, and that money is not equal to perfect happiness. Then, one day as I was praying, I asked God the question that changed my life: "Lord, what do YOU want from me? What is YOUR will for my life?" And God did not delay in responding. Now every time I went to mass and saw the priest at the altar, I began experiencing this desire to be a priest. At first, I resisted because I had never thought about it. But the more I discerned God's will, the more peace I experienced.

Eventually, after pulling a prophet Jonah and running the other way for some time, I surrendered to God's will and was accepted to seminary in Guatemala in 2008. I was there for about a year and a half, but due to the harsh conditions and my health declining because of them, I couldn't continue. At this point, I asked God again what He wanted from me, and He answered quickly and clearly. The summer of 2009 I came to visit my uncle in Houston, and he suggested we contact the Office of Vocations. I met with Fr. Dat, the vocation director at the time, and as they say, everything else is history.

I went to Holy Trinity Seminary in Dallas for 4 years and graduated with a bachelor's in philosophy and letters from University of Dallas. After that I went to study theology at St. Mary's Seminary in Houston, TX. I graduated with a master's degree in Divinity, a Master of Arts in Theological Studies and a bachelor's in Sacred Theology. I was ordained a transitional deacon on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and served at St. Jerome's parish for a year. I was ordained a priest of Jesus Christ on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. My first priestly assignment was at St. Helen in Pearland, TX where I have been serving from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, until June 30<sup>th</sup> of this year.

I love being a priest! My favorite part of being a priest is to celebrate the Most Holy Mass and to hear confessions. It's always awe-inspiring to see how God works in people's lives! I enjoy listening to classical music and drinking coffee, particularly Guatemalan coffee (the best there is of course ). I enjoy a good book, particularly now that I've discovered audiobooks, and Italian food. I am really looking forward to serving each of you in this Holy Family Parish. I am thankful to our pastor Very Revd. Jude Ezuma for welcoming me as vicar here. I ask all of you to pray for me and for all priests, that we may all be holy and faithful and lead God's people to the house of the Father.





### Third Order/Lay Carmelites

The next Lay Carmelite meeting **date has been changed** and will take place on **Sunday, July 17th at 2pm at St. Patrick's, room 2** across from the chapel. Anyone interested in learning about the Carmelite Third Order is welcome to attend. Every main religious order in the church has a Third Order for Lay people, teaching religious, and diocesan clergy. If a person is interested in joining a Third Order, it is advised that they study the charism of the Order. The Carmelite Charism is prayer, contemplation and service.

Joining the Carmelite Third Order requires that one be 18 years old or older, be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the church, have a great love and devotion to the Blessed Mother, and wear the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Becoming a Third Order or Lay Carmelite is not joining a club or social group. It is becoming a member of a religious Order. We attend Holy Mass daily, if possible, and pray the Liturgy of the Hours (morning and evening). Please plan to attend our next meeting if you feel you have a vocation to Carmel. You may call Ellen Perry at 409-740-6842 for more information.



### Mobile Food Distribution Ministry

Location: St. Patrick's Church  
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Time: 9:30 AM - 12 Noon  
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\* We need volunteers to help with this ministry. If you are interested, please email Fr. Jude (shepherdhfp@gmail.com) or call the parish office (409-762-9646)\*



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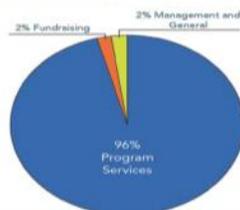


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