

HOLY FAMILY PARISH & SCHOOL

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON



December 10, 2023

Second 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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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
(6:00 PM Rosary Recitation)

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 St. Patrick Church (español)

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH ONLY

8:00 AM at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica
(7:30 AM Rosary Recitation)

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



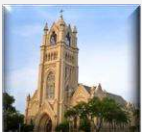
Our Lady by the Sea (OLBS)
2400 State Hwy 87
Port Bolivar, TX 77650



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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Rev. Jude Ezuma
Pastor
Matthew Furlong
Chairman
Bob Dring
Member
Deacon Sam Dell'Olio
Member
Rosetta Bonnin
Member

Capital Campaign

YEAR END - Tax Planning

For those parishioners that would like to donate to the Parish Capital Campaign prior to the year end deadline.... here are some ideas.

1. Individuals with income levels that require income tax payments: Check with your tax advisor to determine the optimum way your donation can offer tax savings.
2. Sole proprietors and some corporations with income levels that require income tax payments: Check with your tax advisor to determine the optimum way your donations can offer greater tax savings.
3. Individuals over 70 1/2 with Retirement Plans that allow direct transfers of RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) provisions: This provision may give you the ability to take that distribution without triggering income tax on that withdrawal amount. The key is to make that donation DIRECTLY to the charity. Make a call to your Retirement Plan or Investment advisor with the name and address of charity and they will do the rest. Here is our information:

Holy Family Parish - Capital Campaign
1010 35th St
Galveston, TX 77550

Please feel free to call me if I can assist you.

Grace Mansfield, Chair (409/771-0345)

Very Rev. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma

WORK IN PROGRESS!!



One Faith, One Family Campaign Update

Our Parish Goal:	\$5,500,000
Pledge Total:	\$3,961,563
Pledge Payments Received:	\$3,262,154

Total Number of Donors: 720

*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 to learn more and participate.

Una Fe, Una Familia Actualización de campaña

Nuestra Meta Parroquial:	\$5,500,000
Total en Promesas:	\$3,961,563
Total en Pagos Recibido:	\$3,262,154

de Familias Participando: 720

*¡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:

This week, our *Dialogues with the Saints* series, is from a commentary by Eusebius of Caesarea on the section of the Prophet Isaiah we read in today's First Reading –

“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....

Who is the bearer of the good news but the company of the evangelists? What does it mean to bear the good news but to preach to all nations, but first of all to the cities of Judah, the coming of Christ on earth?"

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,

Very Rev. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma
shepherdhfp@gmail.com

Mensaje del Pastor

Queridísimos amados en Cristo:

Esta semana, nuestra serie Diálogos con los Santos proviene de un comentario de Eusebio de Cesárea sobre la sección del profeta Isaías que leímos en la Primera Lectura de hoy -

“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....

¿Y quién es el que evangeliza sino el coro apostólico? ¿Y qué es evangelizar? Predicar a todos los hombres, y en primer lugar a las ciudades de Judá, que Cristo ha venido a la tierra.”

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,

Very Rev. Jude Ekenedilichukwu Ezuma
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Office Announcements:

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. Jacob 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)



To sign up for Flocknote and get parish announcements:

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.

Financial Updates

Thank you for your generous tithes which help maintain our beautiful churches and facilities where we draw closer to God. If you are unable to attend Mass, you are welcome to donate online or mail your contribution to:

**1010 35th St, Galveston, TX 77550
May God bless your generosity.**

Parish Contributions	Combined Churches
Weekend Dec 3	\$22,780.50
Online Contributions (Nov 27 - Dec 1, 2023)	\$ 6,752.13
TOTAL	\$29,532.63



Thank you for your continued support of Holy Family Parish. To access our **secure** Online Giving, please visit the parish website at www.holyfamilygb.com, and click on the "Donations" tab for the Online Giving option. Also, you can text the word, "give" to 409-515-7625

or scan this QR code to make a contribution. All forms of giving are **secured**. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

Fund	Goal	Pledge	Paid	Partici- pants
DSF	\$92,000		\$96,588.62	301
Capital Campaign	\$5,500,000	\$3,961,563	\$3,262,154	719

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS:

Please remember to bring your envelope(s)!

December 10, 2023 - Retirement Fund for Religious

2022 Contribution Statements are available by request:

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



Update on Holy Land Tour From Fr. Jacob

Greetings, after speaking with Inspirational Tours regarding the Holy Land Pilgrimage, I have been advised to wait until December for them to make a final decision regarding the trip. Inspirational Tours will provide options for a later date for the trip or a different destination with other attractions. Thank you for your patience and your concern regarding the pilgrimage. May we continue to pray for those affected by the violence and for peace among nations.

Peace,
Fr. Jacob

PRAYER LIST

Dear Holy Family,

Please join us in praying for Amelia Collins, Roxy Williamson, Betty Dyda, Erica Ojeda Long, Sean Fuhrmann, Armando Sanchez and Ernest Leal, for improved health.



COME AND ADORE JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please come and spend one hour or more with our master and redeemer Jesus Christ, and tell him how your day went. You will be renewed in mind and body, I promise you.

*Tuesdays: 7:30 AM to
Wednesdays 5:30 PM
At Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel*

HIGHLIGHTING OUR STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEES

*This week we recognize:
KPC Ladies Auxiliary
Madonna Court 20*



Mass Intentions

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

Click on the Daily Readings Tab.

Saturday December 9th- Vigil Mass

- 5:00pm (SP) † Carolyn Regini
- 6:00pm (OLBS) † Dario & Debbie Dafonte
- 7:00pm (MSOS) † Rosamma George Mangalath

Sunday December 10th

- 7:30 am (SH) † Benjamin Mays
- 9:00am (HR) † William Neikirk
- 10:00am (SP) † Richard R. Fritz
- 11:00am (SH) † Dorsem Lee Koehler
- 12:00pm(SP)Esp For the People
- 12:30 pm (SMCB) † Richard R. Fritz

Monday December 11th

- 7:00am (OLG) † Emily Mamula
- 12:10pm (SMCB) † Marco A. Garza

Tuesday December 12th

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

- 7:00am (OLG) † Silvio Vallecillo
- 12:10pm (SMCB) † Susan Marie Fitzhugh

Wednesday December 13th

Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

- 7:00am (OLG) † Ursula C. Vina
- 12:10pm (SMCB) † Jerome Borsellino
- 6:00pm (SP)Esp Dannyel Velazquez (Birthday)

Thursday December 14th

Memorial of Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

- 7:00am (OLG) † Fr. John Leonard Boscoe, CSB
- 12:10pm (SMCB) † Silvio Vallecillo

Friday December 15th

- 7:00am (OLG) † Martha Kieu Thi Nguyen
- 12:10pm (SMCB) † Remedios Cruz



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HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL SEEKING ADVANCEMENT COORDINATOR

Holy Family Catholic School is seeking a dynamic individual to fill a part-time Advancement Coordinator position. This position reports directly to the Pastor and Principal. The Advancement Coordinator will be responsible for strategically promoting the school's brand, cultivating relationships with key constituent groups, and soliciting gifts that support the school's mission to Catholic education. Think you are the ideal candidate? Submit your resume and a letter of interest to Jeanna Porter at jporter@hfcsgalv.org

IN SEARCH OF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Holy Family Catholic School is looking for an organized, energetic, task-oriented candidate to serve the school as an administrative assistant. Apply at <https://www.applitrack.com/archgh/onlineapp/>. We need you!



CHRISTMAS CHOIR CONCERT

The choir of Holy Family Catholic School will present a Christmas concert on December 12, 2023 at 6 p.m. in the school chapel. All are welcome to join us for the concert and for cookies and punch afterwards.

O Come Let Us Adore Him!



Faith Formation

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/10/2023	Spanish Faith Formation (K - 5th)	10:00 - 11:00am	Holy Family Catholic School
12/10/2023	English Faith Formation (K - 5th)	11:30am - 12:30pm	Holy Family Catholic School
12/10/2023	High School Faith Formation	1:30 - 3:30pm	St. Patrick Youth Room & Live Cntr
12/10/2023	Middle School Faith Formation	4:00 - 5:00pm	St. Patrick Youth Room & Life Cntr
12/13/2023	RCIA-C Year 2 (English)	6:00 - 7:30pm	St. Patrick Life Center Small Conference Room
12/13/2023	Life Line High School Faith Formation	6:00 - 7:30pm	St. Patrick Youth Room

INITIAL CONFIRMATION MEETING

SCHEDULE A MEETING WITH JENNY TO REGISTER FOR CONFIRMATION 2024
(PARENT AND TEEN SHOULD ATTEND MEETING)

SCAN THIS QR CODE FOR CALENDLY SCHEDULING PAGE.

OR CONTACT JENNY GAY TO SCHEDULE MEETING (YOUTHMINISTERHFP@GMAIL.COM)

RCIA AND ADULT CONTINUING FAITH FORMATION

Registration for RCIA and for Adult Confirmation Classes are currently ongoing.

RCIA is meant for adults who are either baptized in a different Christian denomination or are yet to be baptized but are interested in becoming Catholics. Adult Confirmation classes are for baptized Catholics who have made their First Holy Communion but are yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact the parish office (409-762-9646) for more information and registration details.

Meals needed for Sunday Life Teen

Help me feed the teens!

SCAN HERE TO SIGN UP!

Do not be afraid to take a chance on peace, to teach peace... Peace will be the last word of History.

St. Pope John Paul II, 1979

Around the Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Damas Meeting @ St. Patrick Life Center Cafeteria & Kitchen

Sunday, December 10th from 8:00am – 12:00pm

Youth Choir Practice @ St. Patrick Church

Sunday, December 10th from 9:00 – 10:00am

Annual Ecumenical Advent Pilgrimage @ St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Sunday, December 10th from 3:30 – 5:30pm

Men's Spanish ACTS Meetings @ St. Patrick Chapel

Monday, December 11th from 7:00 – 9:00pm

Guadalupanas Mananitas @ Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel

Tuesday, December 12th from 5:00 – 6:30am

Altar Society Meeting @ St. Patrick Parish Life Center, Cafeteria, Kitchen

Tuesday, December 12th from 12:00 – 2:00pm

Holy Rosary (Weekly Rosary) @ Holy Rosary

Tuesday, December 12th from 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Christmas Nativity Practice @ St. Patrick Church

Tuesday, December 12th from 5:30 – 7:30pm

RCIA Adults @ St. Patrick Rectory

Tuesday, December 12th from 6:30 – 8:30pm

Galveston Catholic Young Adult (18 - 45 yrs) Event @ St. Patrick Upper Room

Tuesday, December 12th from 7:00 – 9:00pm

(See Facebook Page or email

GalvestonGCYA@gmail.com for details)

MFCC Asesorias @ St. Patrick Life Center Room #2

Wednesday, December 13th from 7:00 – 9:00pm

Seaside Seniors Lunch @ St. Patrick Life Center Cafeteria & Kitchen

Thursday, December 14th from 11:30am – 2:00pm

Adult Confirmation Classes @ St. Patrick Rectory

Thursday, December 14th from 6:00 – 8:00pm

Men's ACTS Meeting @ St. Patrick Life Center Rm #4

Thursday, December 14th from 6:00 – 8:00pm

Guadalupanas - Weekly Rosary @ St. Patrick Chapel

Thursday, December 14th from 6:00- 7:00pm

Christmas Choir Rehearsal @ Sacred Heart Church

Thursday, December 14th from 6:30 – 7:30pm

Eucharistic Revival @ St. Patrick Life Center

Thursday, December 14th from 6:30 – 7:30pm

Legion of Mary (Spanish) @ St. Patrick Life Center Room #6

Thursday, December 14th from 7:00 – 9:00pm

Simbang Gabi Reception @ St. Patrick Life Center, Cafeteria, Kitchen

Friday, December 15th from 5:00 – 9:30pm

Grupo de Oracion de Sagrada Familia prayer meeting @ St. Patrick Life Center Cafeteria

Friday, December 15th from 7:00 – 9:00pm

English Baptisms @ St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Saturday, December 16th from 10:00 – 11:00am

Christmas Carols by Galveston Community Band @ Sacred Heart Church

Saturday, December 16th 7:00pm

Aposteles Meeting @ St. Patrick Life Center Room# 6

Saturday, December 16th from 5:30 – 7:30pm

The Gift Shop is open at the Parish Life Center



The Gift Shop 's last day open for business this year will be **Wednesday Dec. 20th!**

The Staff is grateful for your generous support throughout the year and wish everyone a Merry Christmas!!

Business Hours

Sundays 8:30am-Noon

Mondays 9:30 am– Noon

Wednesdays 9:30 am -Noon

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm



Holy Rosary and Sacred Heart will have a combined Midnight Christmas Mass. All singers and musicians are invited to participate in the combined parish choir for the Pre-Mass Concert and the mass. Remaining rehearsal dates are: December 14, and 21 at Sacred Heart Church @ 6:30p. For more information, please contact Amy Brennan Larison (409) 256-5669 and/or John Cooks (409) 771-2772.



Seaside Seniors



Our Seaside Seniors 55+ Group meets on the second Thursday of each month.

Our next luncheon will be on
December 14th

In St. Patrick Life Center Cafeteria
starting at
11:30AM

ALL SENIORS ARE WELCOME!!

We will be having our Christmas party!
We will also have information on FREE
exercise classes being done at Moody
Methodist Church.

Come for a great hot meal. (Coffee, tea and
water).
Cost is \$6.00

If possible, bring a dessert or door prize to
share.

Anyone wishing to help please call Judy
Dolfi,

409 789-6879.

Thanks to all
our wonderful volunteers!!



- **40 Day Perpetual Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration:**
 - ◇ **Pre-Advent:** Tuesday, October 31, 2023 – Friday, December 8, 2023 (Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary); and
 - ◇ **Pre-Lent:** Tuesday, February 6, 2024 – Tuesday, March 19 (Feast of St. Joseph, the Worker)
 - ◇ **Venue:** in the Chapel (of Our Lady of Guadalupe)
 - ◇ ***Please endeavor to come and spend some time with Jesus who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist. He waits for you and would love to bless and comfort you!**
- **Presentations and Discussions on the Holy Eucharist:**
 - ◇ During Sunday homilies occasionally
 - **“Jesus and the Eucharist”** – a 7-Week Group Discussion Series by The Augustine Institute:
 - Every Thursday at 6:30 PM, from October 26 – December 14 (*EXCEPT on Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day);
 - Venue: Parish Life Center
 - ◇ Weekly bulletin inserts about approved Eucharistic miracles
- **Prayer and Worship:**
 - ◇ Eucharistic-centered hymns during Mass
 - ◇ Pray the National Eucharistic Prayer regularly (see the bulletin Page 11)
- **Christmas Gift to Parishioners:**
 - ◇ “Beautiful Eucharist” by Matthew Kelly (A book with beautiful, simple and very insightful testimonies from regular individuals about Jesus who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist)

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLE - SILLA, SPAIN 1907

Feast of the Annunciation
1907

On March 25, 1907, Father Fernando Gomez was preparing for the Feast of the Annunciation at the Church of Our Lady of Angels in Silla, Spain when he noticed the tabernacle door was opened. He was greatly disturbed to see that the ciborium and all of the Consecrated Hosts were missing.

Two days later, Father Gomez received a call that the Hosts had been found. They were detected under a rock in a garden just outside the city. A group of parishioners gathered and Father Gomez led a solemn Eucharistic procession to bring the Hosts back to the Church of Our Lady of Angels.

The parishioners provided a vessel, which Fr consecrated, to hold the Sacred Hosts. They were kept in the tabernacle where they remained for many years.

In 1934, these previously stolen Hosts were brought out of the tabernacle and inspected. They were found to be completely intact with no signs of deterioration. The Archbishop of Valencia declared the phenomenon to be a miracle. They are still present and venerated at the Church of Our Lady of Angels today.



Hosts of the miracle



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

ENGLISH

Lord Jesus Christ, you give us your flesh and blood for the life of the world, and you desire that all people come to the Supper of the Sacrifice of the Lamb. Renew in your Church the truth, beauty, and goodness contained in the Most Blessed Eucharist.

Jesus living in the Eucharist, come and live in me.

Jesus healing in the Eucharist, come and heal me.

Jesus sacrificing yourself in the Eucharist, come and suffer in me.

Jesus rising in the Eucharist, come and rise to new life in me.

Jesus loving in the Eucharist, come and love in me.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the paschal mystery of your death and resurrection made present in every Holy Mass, pour out your healing love on your Church and on our world. Grant that as we lift you up during this time of Eucharistic Revival, your Holy Spirit may draw all people to join us at this Banquet of Life. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Eucharist, Pray for us.



ORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

SPANISH

Señor Jesucristo, nos das tu carne y tu sangre para la vida del mundo, y deseas que todos los hombres vengan a la Cena del Sacrificio del Cordero.

Renueva en tu Iglesia la verdad, la belleza y la bondad contenidas en la Santísima Eucaristía.

Jesús que vives en la Eucaristía, ven y vive en mí.

Jesús, que sanas en la Eucaristía, ven y sáname.

Jesús, que te sacrificas en la Eucaristía, ven y sufre en mí.

Jesús, resucitado en la Eucaristía, ven y resucita a una nueva vida en mí.

Jesús, amando en la Eucaristía, ven y ama en mí.

Señor Jesucristo, por el misterio pascual de tu muerte y resurrección, hecho presente en cada Santa Misa, derrama tu amor sanador sobre tu Iglesia y sobre nuestro mundo. Concédenos que, mientras te elevamos durante este tiempo de Avivamiento Eucarístico, tu Espíritu Santo atraiga a todas las personas a unirse a nosotros en este Banquete de la Vida. Tú vives y reinas con el Padre y el Espíritu Santo, Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Madre de la Eucaristía, ruega por nosotros.



Around the Parish



Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24th

5:00pm St. Patrick
5:00pm Sacred Heart
6:00pm Our Lady by the Sea
12:00am Sacred Heart

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25th

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

****Regular Vigil and Sunday Masses will be celebrated on
December 23th & 24th, 2023****

Las Posadas



SAVE THE DATES!

December 15th - Simbang Gabi (5:00pm)

December 16th - ACTS (4:00-9:00pm)

December 18th - MFCC (6:00-9:00pm)

December 19th - Grupo de Oracion (6:30-9:00pm)

December 20th - Guadalupanos (4:00-9:00pm)



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Phone: 409-356-5135 Donations gratefully accepted, please make checks payable to: SVdP at Holy Family Parish



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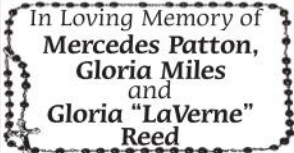
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