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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - 24 APRIL 2022

OUR CLERGY



MOST REV. STEVEN J. LOPES, Bishop REV. FATHER MARK W. LEWIS, Pastor REV. FATHER JON JENKINS, Parochial Vicar REV. MR. MICHAEL D'AGOSTINO, Deacon REV. MR. DAVID DELANEY, Deacon REV. MR. RANDALL KING, Deacon

PASTORAL EMERGENCY SUPPORT

Emergency Pastoral Care Hot Line

Please call (210) 370-7838 - Emergency calls only including last rites, anointing, and imminent death. For anything else please contact the parish office at (210) 695-2944 ext 126.

Sacraments for the Homebound

Please call and leave message at (210) 695-2944 ext 126.

AMASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5 p.m. Vigil Mass (Said Mass)

Sunday 7 a.m. (Said Mass) 9 a.m. (Sung Mass) 11 a.m. (Sung Mass) 5 p.m. (Said Mass)

Monday through Saturday 7 a.m. (Said Mass)



Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Wednesday 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday 7:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

READINGS & INTENTIONS

Sun, Apr 24, Divine Mercy Sunday Acts 5:12-16 / Psalms 118:1-4, 13-15, 22-24 / Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 / John 20:19-31
DWSM: Propers & Readings: p. 603 Order of the Mass: pp. 663-706
5 p.m. Intention for Thomas Pecha
7 a.m. Intention for the Delaney Family
9 a.m. William Castillo, Departed
11 a.m. Intention for People of the Parish
5 p.m. Intention for Rita Forrai

Mon, Apr 25, St. Mark, Evangelist 1 Peter 5:5b-14 / Mark 16:15-20 7 a.m. Intention for David & Rebecca Burshe 7 p.m. Intention for Jose Oliveros

Tue, Apr 26, Eastertide Feria Acts 4:32-37 / John 3:7b-15 7 a.m. Intention for Jose & Inmaculada Oliveros

Wed, Apr 27, Eastertide Feria Acts 5:17-26 / John 3:16-21 7 a.m. Intention for Dylan Markey

Thu, Apr 28, St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr Acts 5:27-33 / John 3:31-36 7 a.m. St. Gianna Beretta Molla

Fri, Apr 29, St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church Acts 5:34-42 / John 6:1-15 7 a.m. Intention for Jack Elsner

Sat, Apr 30, St. Pius V, Pope Acts 6:1-7 / John 6:16-21 7 a.m. Robert L. Pecha, Departed

Vigil Mass - Third Sunday of Easter / Crowning of Mary 5 p.m. Jesse Avila, Departed



Gospel Meditation

April 24, 2022 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

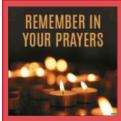
While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!" _{CLFi}



Question: Can anyone offer the Anointing of the Sick to a sick or dying person, or is that only something a priest can do?

Answer: The Letter of James speaks to us of the ancient tradition of a special anointing and blessing of those who are sick: "Is there anyone sick among you? Let him send for the presbyters of the Church and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord ... If he has committed any sins, they will be forgiven him" (5:14, 15b). This passage forms the foundation for the theology of the sacrament that we call "Anointing of the Sick." In keeping with what we read in the Letter of James and the ancient tradition of the Church, the anointing of a person who is sick or dying may only be performed by a priest or bishop.

Although deacons and other members of the Church are not able to celebrate the sacrament with a person who is sick, we can read Sacred Scripture and pray with and for those who are ill. Resources like the Book of Blessings also contain special blessings that can be celebrated by deacons or lay ministers. In the end, we want to be sure that we show a special care and concern for the sick, helping them to always experience God's loving comfort made tangible through our acts of charity and service.



Brothers & Sisters, we ask that you keep the following members in your prayers.

 > Regina Szyszkiewicz
 > The People of Ukraine

 > Fr. Mark Lewis
 > Bishop Steven J. Lopes

 > The Faculty and Staff of The Atonement Catholic Academy

To add someone to this list, please send an email to joliveros@atonementonline.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS



2022 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY SERVICE. Please join us on **Sunday, April 24, 2022, from 2 to 4 p.m.**, in St. Anthony Hall, for a special presentation on Divine Mercy. We will have the Holy Rosary, Hymns, Meditations, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Presenters will be Joan and Dave Maroney, affiliates of the Marian Fathers at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA. For more information please contact Bill Vogt at (913) 961-2981.



NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES. John and Cathy Nix will be giving a series of three classes for couples to learn the Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning through the Couple to Couple League. These classes are designed to teach couples how to track their signs of fertility to help achieve or avoid pregnancy in a morally acceptable way. Attendance at all three classes is necessary to complete the course. Classes will be held on **Sundays, April 24, May 28, and Jun 25, from 3 to 6 p.m.** Please register at CCLI.org. For more information please contact Cathy Nix at (210) 833-8894 or send an email to Cathy@SACFL.org.



Please join us on **Sunday, April 24, 2022, at 7 p.m.** for another great musical event. Our wonderful and very talented organist, Kieley Morales, will be offering a recital on the grand Casavant organ here in the church. This recital is given in order to fulfill the requirements towards completion of her master's degree at UTSA. Kieley has generously asked that all proceeds and donations go directly to support the Parish Music Program



The Guadalupe Radio Network invites all parishioners to attend the 15th Annual "**FISHERS OF MEN**" **Benefit Dinner** to be held at the Banquet Hall at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 20523 Huebner Rd., San Antonio, TX 78258, on **Thursday, April 28, 2022**. Keynote speaker will be Fr. Donald Calloway. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner and program from 7 to 9 p.m. To register or for more information visit us at https://www.grnonline.com and click on the events tab.



Please join us on **Thursday, April 28** for Theology on Tap at the Blue Star Brewery. All are invited to attend this free event, and we extend a special welcome to the young adults of the parish. Come share a pint of fine beer with friends while engaging with your parish community. This month's topic is "Cooperation with Evil: A Catholic View of Bioethics". Doors open at 7p.m. Please contact Rachel McCauley for more information at <u>rjcmccauley@gmail.com</u>.



SPRING BAZAAR & CRUSADER ANNUAL FIESTA. Join us on **Saturday, April 30, 2022,** from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. for food, drinks, music, fun, & shopping. We will be offering guided tours of our parish as well.



SOLEMN EVENSONG. We invite you to join us on **Sunday, May 1, 2022,** for Solemn Evensong, the sung order of Evening Prayer. The choir this day will be the Parish St. Augustine Choir. Our next scheduled Solemn Choral Evensong will be on Sunday, Jun 5, 2022, featuring the Parish Adult Choir. If you would like to join one of our choirs, please send email to the Director of Music at music@ourladyoftheatonement.org.

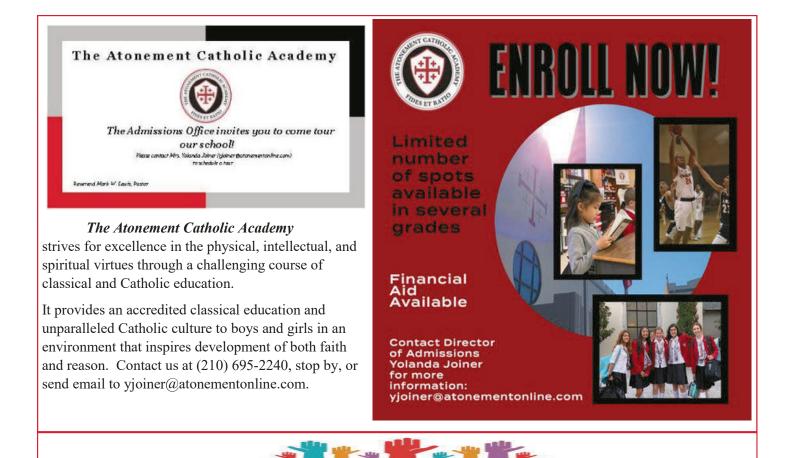
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SUMMER HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH RETREAT. *Save the date!* The Ordinariate Youth Retreat this summer is scheduled for **June 22 - 25, 2022.** Cost will be around \$300, and the venue will be Sanctus Ranch in Pipe Creek, only about 45 minutes away. Plans are already underway for this, and the theme will likely be "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God and Renew a Right Spirit within Me." More to come.

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Sacred Heart Chapel - Friday 7:45 a.m. to Sunday 6:15 a.m. Parish Family Adoration Hour - First Wednesday of the month - 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament - First Saturday after the 7 a.m. Mass Morning and Evening Prayer - Mon—Sun, 6:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. Parish Rosary - Saturday after the 7 a.m. Mass Healing Mass - Quarterly - Next Healing Mass is scheduled for Friday, May 20, 2022



The Parish Office is seeking volunteers to help count Sunday's offering. Typically done on Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.. If interested please send email to Mrs. Sandra Alejo at salejo@ourladyoftheatonement.org.

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UNTEERS

The Altar Guild is in need of two more volunteers for this year. In particular, we need to fill the **April and August** slots. We will train you. If interested, please contact Jessica Coleman at (210) 479-5863.

Livestream the Mass. We are looking for a volunteer to help us **livestream the 11 a.m. Mass.** No experience needed. We will train you. Please contact Mrs. Erica Lizama via email at elizama@ourladyoftheatonement.org.

Parish Ministries & Organizations are always looking for volunteers. Beside your talent, what we need most is just volunteers to help out. No experience is necessary. Contact any Ministry or Organization directly.

The Parish CYO is always looking for volunteers to help run this very important ministry. Multiple slots need your help. No experience is necessary. All that is needed is your time and desire to help our parish and academy youth. If interested please send email to cyopresident@atonementonline.com



Question: Where does the money go that is collected each week at Church?

Answer: This is a good question! Every parish has financial obligations, including the basic operation of the buildings, salaries, maintenance, and improvements. In addition, there are schools to support, programs to run, charities to be funded, and operational expenses like hosts and wine for Mass, music books, vestments, and so on. In some cases, cemeteries and other buildings need attention. Finally, there is the diocesan assessment that each parish pays to help run the diocese and the support services provided to each parish.

Most parishes manage to get by with the collection, a few fundraisers and endowments. But contrary to popular opinion, cash flow is also a problem, and many parishes operate in the red. The Finance Committee is responsible for assisting the pastor in fiscal management, and good stewardship is the basis for successful programs. ^{CLPI}



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Catherine School - schoolcat@att.net, (210) 275-5104

Adult Inquiry Class Alan Becker- inquiry@ourladyoftheatonement.org, (210) 273-9426

American Heritage Girls Veronica Tovar, AHG Coordinator, or Catherine Henriquez, AHG Vice Coordinator Email: ahgtroop0814@gmail.com, (210) 695-2240 ext. 109

Atonement Moms Group https://OurLadyofAtonement.flocknote/AtonementMoms

Culture of Life Ministry Phil Sevilla- philsevilla@att.net, (210) 784-0518

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Athletics Send email to cyopresident@atonementonline.com

Educating on Nature & Dignity of Women (ENDOW) Glorian Roman-Ashby - EndowatAtonement@gmail.com

Fr. Paul of Graymoor Knights of Columbus Council #16730 Grand Knight Phil Tait, (210) 382-7842

> **Fulton Sheen Catechism** Thomas Dum, (361) 571-5541

God's Comfort in Loss (after miscarriage) Marcela Elsner, Renee Keller, & Claire Jenkins Send email to godscomfortinloss@ourladyoftheatonement.org

Nonnatus New Moms Ministry Rebecca Gisla - nonnatusmeals@gmail.com, (210) 278-4242

Rosary Guild Catherine School - schoolcat@att.net, (210) 275-5104 Grace Howard, (210) 887-8562

Sacraments for the Homebound Please call & leave a message, (210) 695-2944 ext. 126

St. Cuthbert Home Visitation Ministry Dr. Jesus Garcia Gallegos - jgarcia.gallegos@gmail.com, (210) 993-2127

> **St. Joseph the Worker Prayer Group** Bill Vogt, (913) 961-2981

St. Stephen's Guild for Altar Servers, Ushers, & Greeters John Weems - altar_servers@ourladyoftheatonement.org

St. Vincent de Paul Society (210) 695-2944 ext.160

The Altar Guild Jessica Coleman, (210) 479-5863

The Troops of St. George Robert Wallace - tsg815.org

Women of Grace Diana Marie Salsman, (210) 865-5627

Volunteers needed. Contact the ministry or organization directly.

MEET OUR STAFF

<u>Parish Office Hours are</u> <u>Monday through Friday</u> <u>from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.</u>

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FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We continue to be grateful to those of you who contribute so generously to our Parish. **But we** still need your stewardship. Without your healthy support of the parish, we struggle to fully embrace God's plan to spread the Gospel during these difficult and uncertain times.

Have you considered simplifying your giving through our online giving portal? You can automatically send your tithe from your checking account or debit/credit card – just as you may do now with your bills. You can enroll by going to the offertory link on our website at ourladyoftheatonement.org. You can continue to support us in the following ways:

Online Giving-At website and click on the "Offertory" link, select "Offertory Collections" in the fund box, and then fill in the amount of your tithe. Please consider making your tithe recurring. <u>At Mass</u>-Bring your tithe to Mass <u>OR</u> <u>Mail Your Check</u>-Attn: Business Office, Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church, 15415 Red Robin Rd, San Antonio, TX 78255.



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