ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (OT 20) – 15 AUGUST 2021

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Sacraments for the Homebound: Please call and leave message at 210-695-2944 ext 126.

Sun, Aug 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (OT 20)
5 p.m. Intention for Britny & Patrick Griffin
7 a.m. Intention for Fr. Mark & Vickey Lewis
9 a.m. Brian Michael O’Connell, Departed
11 a.m. Intention for the People of the Parish
5 p.m. Elizabeth Rios, Departed

Mon, Aug 16 St Stephen of Hungary
Deuteronomy 6:3-9 / Matthew 25:14-23
7 a.m. Intention for Kenneth Lewis

Tue, Aug 17 Feria
Judges 6:11-24 a / Matthew 19:23-30
7 a.m. Intention for The Alexander House & Bishop Lopes

Wed, Aug 18 Feria
Judges 9:6-15 / Matthew 20:1-16a
7 a.m. Sean Markey, Departed

Thu, Aug 19 St John Eudes, Priest
Ephesians 3:14-19 / Matthew 11:25-30
7 a.m. Intention for Armando D. Garza

Fri, Aug 20 St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church
Sirach 15:1-6 / John 17:20-26
7 a.m. Brian Michael O’Connell, Departed

Sat, Aug 21 St Pius X, Pope
1 Thessalonians 2:2b-8 / John 21:15-17
7 a.m. Sean Markey, Departed

Vigil Mass Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (OT21)
5 p.m. Intention for Erica Lizama
**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Brothers & Sisters,**

*We ask that you keep the following members in your prayers.*

- Peggy Whiteside
- The Vale family
- The Garza-Cedillo Family
- Elizabeth J. Garza
- Teachers, staff and students of the Atonement Catholic Academy

**If you would like to add someone to this list, please send an email, with that person’s full name, to joliveros@atonementonline.com.**

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**Parish Devotions**

**PLEASE JOIN US!**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Sacred Heart Chapel—Friday 7:45 a.m. to Sunday 7:15 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

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**We continue to be grateful to those of you who have so generously contributed to our Parish. Your sacrifice and support have enabled us to remain financially sound during these difficult & 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 www.ourladyoftheatonement.org. You can continue to support us in the following ways:

**Online Giving**—Go to our 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.

**At Mass**—Bring your tithe to Mass.

**Mail Your Check**—Attn: Business Office, Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church, 15415 Red Robin Rd, San Antonio, TX 78255.

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**Women of Grace Retreat**

Made for Joy: The Call and Gift of the Catholic Woman.

Join us, September 16—18, 2021, here at Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church, for praise and worship music, prayer, adoration, healing service, and dynamic presentations.

Come together again with sisters in Christ, while learning about your true call and gift as a Catholic woman in the world today! We will explore the pathways to joy provided to us by God through the gift of womanhood, prayer, Our Blessed Mother and her spouse, the Holy Spirit, and the examples of great Saints!

Speakers include Johnnette B. Williams, Fr. Matthias of the Immaculate Heart, O.C.D., Melissa Maleski, and more.

The weekend begins with a Benedicta Enrichment Seminar, Thursday and Friday, September 16—17, 2021, followed by the retreat on Saturday, September 18, 2021. Visit www.womenofgrace.com for specific dates and times, and to register.

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**Inquiry Classes To Begin Soon**

**A new series of Inquiry Class sessions will begin on August 22, 2021.**

These classes help those considering entering full communion with the Catholic Church (or returning to it) to understand what the Catholic Church teaches and why. We also invite practicing Catholics already in full communion as a way to brush up on their faith. The goal is to guide each interested person to better understand and embrace the Catholic Way, the Fullness of the Truth, and the Sacramental Life of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

Classes meet on Sundays from 10:30 a.m. until 12 noon in the Common Room (#201). If you or someone you know would benefit from these classes, please plan to attend, and encourage others to attend also.

Please visit our Inquiry Page on the parish website @ www.ourladyoftheatonement.org/learn/adult-inquiry

Point of contact is Alan Becker at 210-273-9426 or at email at alanmbecker@gmail.com.

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**On August 21st & 22nd**, at the beautiful & family-friendly Hyatt Hill Country Resort & Spa in San Antonio, TX, and in harmony with the Universal Church’s celebration of the “Year of St. Joseph,” **Fullness of Truth** presents its 15th Annual Conference themed, “Need “Divine” Renovation?: Call the Catholic ‘Fixer-Upper!’”

Join the engaging, missionary preacher Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, the powerfully practical evangelist Chris Stefanick, the dynamic, Catholic-convert apologist & Holy Land pilgrimage expert Steve Ray, the inspiring heart & soul of Mary Bielski, and marriage & family experts Mary Rose & Ryan Verret as they unpack the spiritual role of the Head of The Holy Family, and his role in our lives……and it gets even better! This awesome weekend event kicks off right with a Friday evening concert featuring the incomparable Matt Maher!

**To register & more information, visit:**
FullnessOfTruth.org or call: 877.21.TRUTH.

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**Called to Priesthood**

A message from our seminarian. “Hi, I’m Patrick Wallace, and I’m a seminarian for the Ordinariate. I’m excited to have said yes to God’s call and want to share my journey with you! You can follow me at CatholicPatrick.com.”

Patrick will need prayer and financial assistance to help with his side of seminary cost. Please visit CatholicPatrick.com for your donations.
**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
15 August 2021

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That’s what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal awaits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God’s love and promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.

**CALLING ALL GIRLS**

**AGES 5-18!**

Join our troop in this Christ-centered character and leadership development program.

First meeting on August 19, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Atonement Catholic Academy library.

Please email us at ahgtroop0814@gmail.com or call 210-695-2240 x 109 to let us know you are coming.

Regular meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the library.

Our parish Adult Choir is now welcoming any adult who would like to join us and augment the liturgy through music. While there is no audition, prior choral experience and the ability to read music are helpful. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Director of Music, Mr. Alejandro Oliveros, at aoliveros@atonementonline.com