

### FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (OT 5) ~ 6 FEBRUARY 2022

### **OUR CLERGY**



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## 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 (Read Mass)

Sunday 7 a.m. (Read Mass) 9 a.m. (Solemn Mass) 11 a.m. (Solemn Mass) 5 p.m. (Read Mass)

Monday through Saturday 7 a.m. (Read 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.

For appointment contact the parish office at (210) 695-2944

### READINGS & INTENTIONS

Sun, Feb 6, Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany (OT 5) Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8 / Psalms 138:1-5, 7-8 / 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 / Luke 5:1-11 DWSM: Propers & Readings: p. 226, Order of the Mass: pp. 663-706
5 p.m. Intention for Fr. Christopher C. Stainbrook
7 a.m. Frank & Cecile Verkaik, Departed
9 a.m. Intention for the Delaney Family
11 a.m. Intention for the People of the Parish
5 p.m. Intention for Ryan & Laura Johnson

*Mon, Feb 7, Feria* **1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13** /Mark 6:53-56 7 a.m. All Souls In Purgatory

*Tue, Feb 8, St. Jerome Emiliani, Priest* 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30 / Mark 7:1-13 7 a.m. James & Melva Gates, Departed

*Wed, Feb 9, Feria* **1 Kings 10:1-10** / Mark 7:14-23 7 a.m. Michael J. Dominguez, Departed

*Thu, Feb 10, St. Scholastica, Virgin* **1 Kings 11:4-13** / Mark 7:24-30 7 a.m. Intention for Catherine School

*Fri, Feb 11, Our Lady of Lourdes* **1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19 / Mark 7:31-37** 7 a.m. Ron Himes, Departed

*Sat, Feb 12, Mass of St. Mary* **1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34 / Mark 8:1-10** 7 a.m. Joyce Weiss, Departed

Vigil Mass - Septuagesima—Third Sunday Before Lent (OT 6) 5 p.m. Wilbur Becker, Departed



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#### Gospel Meditation5th Sunday in Ordinary Time6 February 2022

"Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man," these words, uttered by Simon Peter, can be found on any one of our lips. What real significance do I have in the big picture of God's Divine plan? Even though we try our best to hide it, we all suffer from a lack of faith. We get tired, confused, and often lack any sincere desire to put anything into our relationship with God. It's easier to simply reap whatever benefits the world has to offer and call it a day. Floating along on the superficial currents of life doesn't require much effort and seems to get us through the day. Confronting our own infidelity, apathy, weakness of spirit, and doubt in God's providence, how can we even remotely be considered a worthy vessel of God's presence or credible voice for His message?

This is the irony of faith. God doesn't seek the perfect vessels. He likes the broken ones. There is something to be said about living honestly and sincerely, and wrestling with sin, imperfection, and weakness rather than skipping through the peripheries of life with pretention, arrogance, and mendacity. If we believe ourselves to be our own "god" and serve only ourselves, we close the door to ever being used by the real and only True God. But, if we at least acknowledge that there is One greater than ourselves, then even in our deepest poverty and lowliness, God can enter.

Lessons are best learned from those who suffer. Only someone who has been lonely and lost can attest to the beauty of both Divine and human friendship. Only those who have really lost their way know what happens when they are found. Only those who are afraid know what it is to be calmed by God. The Gospel is messy because life is messy. There are no black and white solutions to problems and challenges that are hazy and gray. When our hesitancy to encounter God gets replaced by friendship with God, we become more aware of our dignity and the fact that we are loved just as we are. We cannot be afraid to share our struggles, reservations, fears, and sinfulness with others. Our genuineness and sincerity will speak of the God who blesses us in our weakness.



In our Old Testament reading this week we read of Isaiah's vision of the Lord sitting upon His throne There, Seraphim cried out, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts." Isaiah's vision provides us with a glimpse of what awaits the followers of Christ in the kingdom of God.

We get a foretaste of what awaits us at every Mass, particularly those where music enriches our worship. All liturgy is designed to worship God, and each liturgical form expresses a truth about God. Therefore, it is fitting to say, "Liturgy expresses theology." Thus, we must ask, "What theology does the Ordinariate liturgy express?

Our liturgy tends to capture the "Holy Otherness of God." Like all liturgy, it is intended to lift us up into the presence of God. Yet, liturgy is not so much concerned with our feelings, as it is with transporting our whole being unto God's throne. There in His presence, we worship with all the angels and communion of saints, and we hear the cry, Holy, holy, holy, LORD of hosts.

And indeed, as our voice joins those of the angels, archangels, and saints, Jesus, Himself appears as He descends into the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar. There heaven and earth are joined, just as on the night of His Incarnation. It is here where our minds and hearts can be transformed, and made like unto His.

I want to invite you to arrive at Mass a bit early, focus on the miracle that is about to take place, and pray for the liturgy to transport you to the very throne of God. Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory! May we leave each Mass transformed a bit more into the image and likeness of Him whom we love, adore, and worship.



### UPCOMING EVENTS



**<u>Registrations for CYO Baseball and Softball are now open.</u>** Teams will begin to form soon, so please register now. Registration closes on Sunday, February 20, 2022 and practices will start on February 21st with the first regular season games on March 25th. Players must register online by visiting our webpage or scan this QR code to go directly to Sports Pilot, the official registration site for the CYO. If you have any questions, or wish to volunteer (coaches, assistant coaches, team ministers, site coordinators, and others are always needed), you may contact us at cyopresident@atonementonline.com or cyoregistrar@atonementonline.com.





This weekend we will be collecting the baby bottles that were given out last weekend. If you forgot, you can still bring it back next week, or you can drop it by the parish office during regular business hours. If you still have bottles from last year's campaign, please return them as well. The bottles cost about \$2 a piece so we need all the bottles returned. All funds collected will go to the San Antonio Coalition for Life's Sidewalk Intern Program which works to save babies from abortion. Questions? Please contact us at <u>pddelaney@icloud.com</u> or <u>Cathy@sacfl.org</u> or call us at (210) 861-3888.

Bioethics For Everyone **Bioethics for Everyone** is an adult education series exploring principles of bioethics and their application to common situations. This will be a seven-week series held on Sunday mornings in St. Anthony's Hall, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., starting **February 13, 2022**, and will follow the children's religious education schedule. This series is free and registration is not required. For more information please contact David Hegedusich at david.hegedusich@gmail.com



God's Comfort in Loss Miscarriage Ministry invites mothers or fathers who have experienced a miscarriage to attend a monthly support group meeting, via Zoom, on <u>Sunday, February 13, 2022</u> from <u>3:30 to 4:30 p.m</u>. To join the meeting just scan the QR code with your smart phone or other electronic device and use following meeting ID and passcode: <u>Meeting ID: 884 0934 6516 Passcode: 856297</u>. If you have any questions please contact us at <u>godscomfortinloss@ourladyoftheatonement.org</u>. You may also use this link to connect to the meeting via Zoom: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88409346516?pwd=NIR5cmltNE9IeHZHdkpFQiR4SEtEZz09</u>





Join us on **Sunday, February 20th, 2022, at 4 p.m.** for Solemn Evensong, the sung order of Evening Prayer. All our parish choirs, as well as the Chamber Choir from the Atonement Catholic Academy, will rotate through providing music for Evensong. The choir this day will be the Parish St. Cecilia Choir. Our next scheduled Solemn Choral Evensong will be on Sunday, March 6th, 2022, featuring the Atonement Catholic Academy Chamber Choir If you would like to join one of our choirs, please send an email to the Director of Music at music@ourladyoftheatonement.org.



**Catholic Men's Conference is coming to San Antonio on Saturday, February 26, 2022,** at St. Matthew's Athletic Center, 10703 Wurzback Rd., San Antonio, TX 78230. Guest speakers will be The Most Reverend Gary Janak, Auxiliary Bishop, San Antonio; John Sablan, Co-founder and President of World Ablaze; and Mark Houck, Founder and President of The King's Men. You are invited to attend morning Mass at 8:15 a.m. at St. Matthew's Church before beginning your Catholic Men's Conference experience. For more information visit pilgrimcenterofhope.org.

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 - First Mass to be held on Friday, February 18 at 7 p.m.



<u>The Altar Guild</u> 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.



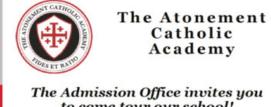
STUDENT ENROLLMENT

The Atonement Catholic Academy is accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year!



#### Enrollment priority offered to parishioners through January 30, 2022.

If you would like to schedule a tour or would like more information, please contact Mrs. Yolanda Joiner, Admissions Director, via email at vjoiner@atonementonline.com.



to come tour our school! Please contact Mrs. Yolanda Joiner yjoiner@atonementonline.com to schedule a tour

Reverend Mark W. Lewis, Pastor

Mr. Matthew D. Watson, Head of School

#### The Atonement Catholic Academy

strives for excellence in the physical, the intellectual, and the spiritual virtues through a challenging course of classical and Catholic education.

It provides an accredited classical education and unparalleled Catholic culture to boys and girls in an environment that inspires development of both faith and reason.

Contact us at (210) 695-2240, stop by, or send email to yjoiner@atonementonline.com.

#### **URGENT NEED FOR WEEKEND ADORATION**



COVID continues to impact the ranks of our weekend adorers, either by direct illness or precaution against getting ill. Please prayerfully consider committing to a regular weekly hour. Each time slot below is down to only **one** adorer. We need a minimum of **two** for each hour. Please send text to (210) 275-5104, or email to schoolcat@att.net.

> Friday 1 to 2 p.m., 4 to 5 p.m., 7 to 8 p.m., and midnight to Saturday 1 a.m., and Saturday 7 to 8 p.m.

Matthew 26: 40-41 "And he came to the disciples and found them sleeping and he said to Peter, "So, could you not watch with me one hour?



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

> Pope Francis > All Altar Severs, Ushers, & Greeters > Our Armed Forces around the world

> For the Leaders of the World > For the Unborn

> For Peace among Nations

If you would like to add someone to this list, please send an email, to joliveros@atonementonline.com.



Knights of the Knights of Columbus are always looking for men of faith. Must be at least 18 years old and in full communion with the Catholic Church.

Dues will be waived for anyone joining via KofC.org/join through the end of June 2022. For more information please call (210) 382-7842.



Support your local Catholic Radio and win a 2022 Mercedes -Benz GLA 250.



Raffle tickets will be sold after every Mass this weekend, \$25.00 each OR 5 tickets for \$100.00. Raffle sale ends on Monday, February 21st and drawing to be held on Friday, February 25th.



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@gmail.com

**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 - jweems@atonementonline.com

**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., (210) 695-2944</u>

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#### **Pastoral Council**

Terri Garza, Ray Slush, Thomas Dum, Joseph McDonough, John Weems, Ademola Elliotte, & Clare McDonough Email: parishcouncil@atonementonline.com



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 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.

<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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