Our Lady of the Atonement
Catholic Church
A Parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter
15415 Red Robin Road · San Antonio, Texas 78255
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE – 21 NOVEMBER 2021

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Daniel 7:13-14 / Revelation 1:5-8 / John 18:33b-37
DWSM: Propers: p. 1073, Readings: p. 918,
Order of the Mass: pp. 663-706
5 p.m. Mark Moore, Departed
7 a.m. Frank & Cecile Verkaik, Departed
9 a.m. Sean Markey, Departed
11 a.m. Intention for the People of the Parish
5 p.m. Intention for Joanne & Scott Herschell

Sun, Nov 21

Mon, Nov 22

St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20 / Luke 21:1-4
7 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

Tue, Nov 23

Bl Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest & Martyr
7 a.m. Intention for Bishop Lopes

Wed, Nov 24

St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
7 a.m. Intention for Laramore Family

Thu, Nov 25

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr
7 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

Fri, Nov 26

Weekday Before Advent
Daniel 7:2-14 / Luke 21:20-33
7 a.m. Brian Michael O’Connell, Departed

Sat, Nov 27

Weekday Before Advent
7 a.m. Stephanie Ann Whitehead, Departed

Vigil Mass · First Sunday of Advent
5 p.m. Robert Edward Brown, Departed

Emergency Pastoral Care Hot Line: Please call (210) 370-7838. Emergency calls only including last rites, anointing, and imminent death. For anything else please call the number below.

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

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.

Want something published in the bulletin? Send it via email to elizama@ourladyoftheatonement.org, no later than the Sunday prior to requested publication date.
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)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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.

Financial Support

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.

**At Mass**—Bring your tithe to Mass

**OR**

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

Please prayfully consider committing to an hour (or more) each Thursday. Adoration will begin at 7:45 a.m. and continue through our normal Sunday, 6:15 a.m. ending time. Please contact Bill or Cory Culhane at (210) 529-2588 for more information.

We will have a signup table after each Mass on Saturday, November 20 and Sunday, November 21, as well as Saturday December 4 and Sunday, December 5, 2021

Do you have your own business? **Become a sponsor and help the parish.** To place an ad in the next parish bulletin, contact Tina Watson at (800) 950-9952, x 5850 or send email to twatson@4lpi.com
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We often come to life expecting all of the pieces of the puzzle to nicely fit together. We want and expect harmony, order, and fairness, the achievement of rewards for good behavior, good health, and happiness. We can more easily accept death when it comes naturally after a good long life, but have a real difficulty comprehending the meaning of it all when it is cut short. Willing to put in a good measure of effort, we desire positive results. When things go wrong and life gets hurtful, unjust, and downright ugly, we become unsettled and can quickly fall into despair. This is especially true if we are people of faith who believe in a God who sees things on our terms and works in favor of our life agenda. What happens to our faith when we find ourselves sitting in a mess?

Does it help to know that God understands and that hardship, failure, disappointment, injustice, confusion, and all of life’s ugliness do not make faith irrelevant or irrational? God is wonderfully and surprisingly creative! He turns the tables on not only our understanding of life, but of what it means to be a king. God sends us a king who is not exempt from life’s ills but embraces them. The king that God gives to us knows what it means to be poor, suffer insults, be ridiculed, face rejection, endure suffering, be betrayed, and face a most unjust and horrific death. This is our king. Jesus is not a king of prestige or grandeur but a king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. Christ dances before us pleading with us to hold on, cling to love, avoid being negative, stop feeling cheated, and be strong in faith! There may be hardship and disappointment now but there are more surprises to come.

Once we understand this truth, we will also understand that we are on a most incredible and awesome universal journey to Christ and becoming one in Christ. We all carry within us the image of God, the image of our suffering king. The One who lives in us also lives in all of our brothers and sisters. Failing to see this universal Divine Presence in all is one of the greatest mistakes we can make, for we also fail to see God, our king, as well. There are many things that can bring hardship to life. If we keep our head about us and do not lose hope, we can persevere and strive for the greatest degree of justice possible. Even though there are ample things that can challenge our faith, we also know that our deepest joy comes from union with God and our brothers and sisters. One day, the fullness of that joy will be ours to have when we are all eternally one with Christ our King forever.

Question: What is unique or different about the way Catholics read and are exposed to the Bible?

Answer: Catholics are exposed to Scripture primarily through the Sunday readings from a book known as the Lectionary. The Lectionary is a book of selected passages from the Bible set in the context of a liturgical season, such as Advent, Lent, or ordinary time. There are four readings assigned to any Sunday: the first reading (usually from the Old Testament), the responsorial psalm, the second reading (usually from a New Testament letter), and the Gospel reading.

These readings together give them a new context. The selected readings relate to one another in a unique manner that is not present in the Bible text itself. In close proximity to each other, these readings now have the opportunity to converse with each other in a way that would have not been possible before. A homilist pays attention to all four readings, preparing a reflection that speaks of this conversation among the readings, enabling us to zero in on what this unique combination of God’s word has to say to us this particular Sunday.

Next time you attend Sunday liturgy, try reading the Scripture ahead of time and see how this new relationship among the readings addresses and challenges you to be a better Christian here and now.

WILL YOU HELP OUR ORDINARIATE PRIESTS?

Next weekend, Nov. 27 & 28, our parish will have the chance to join all the Parishes and Parochial Communities across the Ordinariate in supporting the Retirement Fund for Priests: a second collection for the pension of Ordinariate clergy. Donation cards and preaddressed envelopes will be provided. Checks should be made payable to “Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter.” You may place your donation card and gift with the second collection or you may mail your gift directly to the Chancery using the envelope provided. You may also give online at www.ordinariate.net/give-to-rfp.

Please prayerfully consider making a gift!
Please join us as we welcome Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology to Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church on Saturday, November 20, 2021, at 9 a.m. for a Study of Scripture from the Heart of the Church with one of today’s most respected scholars.
Go deeper into the riches of our Catholic faith.
Register now at https://stpaulcenter.com/sanantonio/

Come join us for our first Ministry Fair on Saturday, December 5, 2021, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
The fair will offer many opportunities for you to share your many gifts and talents. No amount of time is too small to give! Representatives from each ministry will be available to offer information for you to find where you talents can be used to serve others.
Together we are Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church community!

A new series of Inquiry Classes will begin on January 9, 2022. Classes meet on Sundays from 10:30 a.m. until 12 noon in the Academy Common Room (#201).
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 method 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 Truth and the Sacramental Life of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. If you or someone you know would benefit from these classes, please plan to attend, and encourage others to attend.
Please contact Alan Becker by email at alanmbecker@gmail.com or via call/text to (210) 273-9426. You may also visit our webpage at www.ourladyoftheatonement.org/learn/adult-inquiry.

Does your ministry or organization have an upcoming event? We can advertise for you. Submit the ad via email to elizama@atonementonline.com no later than Sunday, TWO weeks prior to requested publication date.

The end of 2021 is near!
If you have not completed your 2021 stewardship pledge and would like to, here are some ways you can make your year-end contribution: **Online giving**, or **mail a check** to Attn: Business Office, Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church, 15415 Red Robin Rd, San Antonio, TX 78255, or **stop by** the parish office for credit card donations.
If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Sandra Alejo at the Parish Business Office or send email to salejo@ourladyoftheatonement.org

Are you looking for extra cash?
Our Parish is in need of a weekend staff member to help with various janitorial duties (sweeping, mopping, etc.) after weekend events such as Masses, CYO games, etc.
If interested, please send email to Mrs. Erica Lizama at elizama@atonementonline.com.

Do you have an hour or two on Mondays?
The Parish Office needs help counting weekend Mass collections.
Please contact the Parish Office or send email to Mrs. Sandra Alejo at salejo@atonementonline.com
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Catherine School, Email: schoolcat@att.net or call (210) 275-5104

Adult Inquiry Class
Alan Becker-Email: alannmbecker@gmail.com, (210) 273-9426

American Heritage Girls
Veronica Tovar, AHG Coordinator, or Catherine Henriques, 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-Email: philseville@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-Email: 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 –Email: nonnatusmeals@gmail.com, (210) 278-4242

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

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St. Cuthbert Home Visitation Ministry
Dr. Jesus Garcia Gallegos-Email: jrgarcia.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-Email: 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-Email: tsgTroop815@gmail.com

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

Volunteers needed. Contact the ministry or organization directly.