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Mass Times/Horario de Misas

Monday-Friday/Lunes-Viernes 12:05 PM Saturday/Sábado 5:00 PM English/Inglés Sunday/Domingo 8:00 AM Spanish/Español 10:00 AM English/Inglés 12:00 PM Spanish/Español 2:00 PM English/Inglés 5:00 PM Bilingual/Bilingüe

Confessions/Confesiónes Monday-Friday/Lunes-Viernes 10:00 AM to 11:45 AM Saturday/Sábado 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM Sunday/Domingo 11:15 AM to 1:00 PM

Baptisms

10AM the 1st Saturday of each month in English and the 2nd Saturday of each month in Spanish. Parents and godparents must attend a baptismal class. Godparents must be fully initiated practicing Catholics. Call Veronica Martinez for more information: 210-227-1297, ext. 133.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with a priest at least 6 months before the desired date. The couple is required to complete a preparatory program. Call Ruth Hernandez for more information: 210-227-1297, ext. 132.

San Fernando Cathedral Ministries

Knights of Columbus–2nd Sunday of the month at 3:30 PM. Contact Robert Reyes at (760) 535-1981.
Guadalupano Society-3rd Saturday of the month at 9:30 AM. Contact Maggie Marroquin at (210) 605-9124.
Grupo de Oración-Meets Tuesdays at 1 PM. Contact Rosa Escobedo at (210) 717-2612.
Choir-Every Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30PM in the cathedral or choir room.
Knots of Hope-Contact Cati Reyna at (210) 748-9958.

Saturday, December 3 5:00 PM Seraphic Sisters by Archbishop Gustavo †Francisca Antu by Angelita Flores

Sunday, December 4 10:00AM †Jaime Salenga by Christine Salenga †Lilia Garcia by Dr. Ray Lopez & Family

12:00 PM †Maria Louisa Martinez & Mary Lou Martinez Stevens by Jesús Martinez †Gloria Rodriguez by her Children

2:00 PM †Jane C. Aguilar by Rodolfo Sanchez Rosemary Appelt by Diane & Time Swientek

5:00 PM †Choco Gonzalez Meza by Daniel Meza & Family †Dolores Dominguez Cuellar by the Longoria Family

Monday, December 5 12:05 PM †Sylvia Ferguson by Consuelo Ferguson †Beatriz Pangasinan by Monica Brito

Tuesday, December 6 12:05 PM †Deborah "Debbie" Farias by Friends of Judge Mary Roman

Wednesday, December 7 12:05 PM Ronald Berg by Sandra & Ronald Berg

Thursday, December 8 12:05PM †Basilio & Francisca Antu by Grandaughters

Friday, December 9 12:05 PM The Seraphic Sisters by Archbishop Gustavo

PARK, PRAY & PARTICIPATE!

Free Parking at City Tower Garage located at 100 North Main on Sundays from 7AM to 7PM. Take a ticket as you enter the gate. Be sure to keep that ticket because you'll need it to open the exit gate. It really is that simple!

LOS PADRECITOS GIFT SHOP 210-357-5608

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Monday-Friday 10AM-4PM Saturday 10AM-5PM Sunday 9AM-3PM



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New Sidewalk Ministry Planned

A new ministry at San Fernando Cathedral will begin in 2023. This outreach ministry will take place once a month in Main Plaza. It will consist of simply passing out rosaries and some information on the area Catholic churches. If you are interested, please call Diana Reyes, 210-557-1581 or drj_76205@yahoo.com to sign up. We are looking for volunteers for a 1-2 hour availability for one Saturday per month between the hours of 10am-12 Noon.



The Flowers on the Altar this week are in Thanksgiving for the wedding of Ana Szinnyey and RJ Delgadillo sponsored by her parents. Congratulations!

Scripture Readings

Saturday December 3-Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8 Sunday December 4-Second Sunday of Advent Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12 **Monday December 5** Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26 Tuesday December 6-Memorial of Saint Nicholas, Bishop Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 & 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14 Wednesday December 7-Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10; Mt 11:28-30 **Thursday December 8-Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38 Friday December 9-Memorial of St. Juan Diego Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Mt 11:16-19

Get involved in your parish community! We welcome your gifts of time and talent to help make our parishes vibrant communities of faith. If you are interested in volunteering, you must take several steps required by the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Your first step is to

visit Virtusonline.org and register. If you have volunteered in the past, all you need is your username and password. If this is your first time to volunteer, you will need to setup an account and register. We look forward to having you volunteer with us!

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION TONIGHT Join us Saturday, **December 3** for First Saturday Devotion at San Fernando Cathedral. This devotion was requested by Our Lady of Fatima. After the 5PM Mass, we will pray and meditate on the Rosary and have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome!

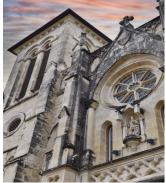
The Venues at San Fernando Cathedral-Historic Charm in the Heart of San Antonio Booking Now for 2022 and 2023 Contact Eloise Cortez-Lara for Availability 210-227-1297, ext. 126 ecortez-lara@sfcatehdral.org

EXPERIENCE THE CATHEDRAL

Founded in 1731, the historic cathedral continues to host thousands of visitors each year. San Fernando Cathedral is the oldest cathedral sanctuary in the United States and the mother church of San Antonio's archdiocese. It is the cultural and geographic center of San Antonio. Surrounded by its distinctive carvings, the nave is a beautiful and glorious space adorned by stained glass windows and Gothic style architecture.

EXPERIENCE THE VENUES

The San Fernando Ballroom and Cathedral Centre is a venue with a picturesque setting located in the heart of downtown San Antonio. Discover the venue and experience its colonial atmosphere surrounded by history to create a unique, fun and unforgettable event.





The San Fernando Cathedral Knights of Columbus Family of the Month is Pete and Sandra Gutierrez. Congratulations!

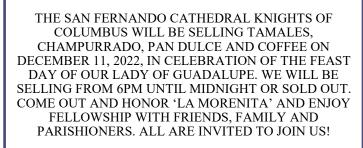
Knights Danny Valadez and Jose Perez alongside Mayor Ron Nirenberg serving the community at the annual Raul Jimenez Thanksgiving Dinner.



Gilbert Casillas is the San Fernando Knight of the Month for November. Gilbert has been a parishioner at San Fernando Cathedral for 16 years. He is a Mass Coordinator, a Proclaimer of the Word, a former Grand Knight and an emcee for Archbishop Gustavo. He is also a US Army veteran. Thank you, Gilbert, for your dedication and service to San Fernando Cathedral!



The Youth Fall Retreat was led by the Young Adults of San Fernando Cathedral in November. One of our youth, Daniel Ortiz, attended Encuentro High School Theology Institute, a summer program at Our Lady of the Lake University. He submitted a mini grant proposal to have a retreat at the cathedral for the youth of our parish. Thanks to this grant, our youth was able to attend this retreat. Thank you to all who participated! And thank you, Daniel, for applying for the grant!





San Fernando Cathedral Youth Retreat Team Leaders



San Fernando Cathedral Youth Fall Retreat Thirty-eight (38) young people from our parish attended this mini retreat. The Theme for this retreat was, "Who is your hero?" Thank you to all who made this retreat possible. All those who attended had a very positive experience! November 27-First Sunday of Advent Mass at 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm, 5pm

December 4-Second Sunday of Advent Mass at 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm, 5pm

> December 7-Vigit of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at 12.05pm, 6pm

December 8-Solemnity, of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at 12:05pm, 6pm December 11-Third Sunday of Advent & Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration Mass at 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm, 5pm Rosary at 11pm, Serenata and Mass at Midnight

> December 12-Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass at 7pm

December 18-Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass at 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm, 5pm

> December 24-Crristmas Eve Mass at 6pm, 8pm, Midnight Crristmas Carols at 11pm

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December 25-Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord Mass at 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm

December 26-Feast of the Holy Family Mass at 12.05

December 31-Vigil of Mary, the Holy Mather of God Mass at 5pm

January, 1-Solemnity, of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Mass at 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm, 5pm

January, 8-Solemnity, of the Epiphany, of the Lord Mass at 8am, 10am, 12pm, 2pm, 5pm



Father's Footnotes December 4, 2022 Second Sunday of Advent

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary-December 8

We honor Mary because God favored her with a special grace, and her decision to cooperate with it has blessed humankind. Are we aware of the graces showered on us in Christ? How are we saying yes to God's will for our lives?

December 7, 2022 Vigil 6:00 PM-Cathedral December 8, 2022, 12:05 PM and 6:00 PM-Cathedral All are invited!

Serenata to Our Lady of Guadalupe-December 8

On Thursday, Dec 8, Univision will be at San Fernando Cathedral at 9PM taping the Serenata to Our Lady of Guadalupe that will be broadcast worldwide on December 11, 2022. Various artists will be signing to Our Lady. This is a long standing tradition at the Cathedral and we hope you can join us for the taping on Dec 8 and for the celebratin on Sunday, Dec 11. On Dec 11, we will pray the rosary throughout the evening in the Cathedral beginning at 7PM. The Matachines will perform at 10:30PM and Archbishop Gustavo will celebrate the Mañanitas a la Virgen de Guadalupe at midnight. All are welcome!

Monsignor Roberto Sipols to Visit San Fernando Cathedral Msgr. Sipols is from the diocese of Valencia in Venezuela and has a huge YouTube following. He will be at the Cathedral for the Serenata and Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 11/12. He will also celebrate the 8:00 AM Mass December 18. Please join us in welcoming him to San Antonio!

New Flower Stands at Cathedral

The new flower stands should be ready and in place for this weekend .There was an issue with the recent humidity and they were not completely finished by the First Sunday of Advent. If you would like to sponsor the Flowers on the Altar, please contact Sylvia Carreon at 227-1297 so that the altar is adorned with fresh flowers every week. This is an excellent way to remember a loved one or to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or other significant event. We encourage our wedding couples to sponsor the flowers and they can even color coordinate with their wedding colors.

2do Domingo de Adviento

"Por lo tanto, cada árbol que no de buenos frutos será cortado y tirado al fuego."Mateo 3:10

¿Da bueno frutos para Jesus? ¿Pasa tiempo en oración o pierde su tiempo con actividades sin sentido? ¿Utiliza sus talentos para ayudar a los demás o está demasiado ocupado? ¿Usa sus tesoros para apoyar a la Iglesia o para comprar más cosas que no utiliza? Nuestro tiempo y nuestro talento son dones de Dios. Lo que nosotros hacemos con estos dones es nuestro regalo de vuelta a Dios. ¿Qué regalos planificas darle al Señor durante esta próxima temporada navideña?

San Francesco di Paolo Church continues to pass out Advent activity ideas for all families throughout the weekends of Advent. Thank you for making this Advent special for all.

Have a blessed week and know that I am praying for you!

Peace, Fr. Carlos

PARISH INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS-San Francesco di Paola

Special Event – December 3, 2022 The San Francesco di Paola Altar & Rosary Society has invited the Very Reverend Krikor Chahin, Judicial Vicar of the Archdiocese of San Antonio, to present an Advent reflection - "During the four weeks of Advent, we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth through prayer and reflection. We contemplate the First Coming of Jesus as Savior, and anticipate his promised Second Coming. And amid the flurry of Christmas preparations, we look for practical ways to observe the holiness of the season in our everyday lives". The Advent reflection will begin at <u>4:00 p.m., followed by Father Krikor celebrating</u> Mass at approximately <u>5:00 p.m.</u> This is a special time for the Saturday Mass. We look forward to seeing you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 3, 2022-5:00PM †Horacio Soliz by the Soliz Family †Sunday, December 4, 2022-10:00AM †Henry Frank Garcia by Dcn. Richard & Janice Hobbs

†Joe Pantuso by Jo Ann Scrivano Sunday, December 4, 2022-1:30PM Para la Comunidad de San Francesco di Paola

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- Samuel Matthew Sgt. John Louis Harlan Imelda Deason Dolores Lopez Don Toscano Dawn Martinelli Patrick John Meyers Addie Toscano
- Sophia Von Stultz Sam Greco Tina Toscano Herrera Raul Medina, Jr. Annie Pantusa Gloria Feruzzi Alfredo Ayala

The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of December: Horacio Soliz by the Soliz Family

SICK AND HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Contact Jo Ann Scrivano at 210-422-0907 if you or someone you know would like to receive the Eucharist at home.

Charitas Fund Administered by the San Francescani Society

The Charitas Fund assists recipients who, through no fault of their own, have fallen on hard times and have a documented, one-time need for assistance in getting back on their feet. For further information, visit sanfrancescodipaola.org.

In addition to the second collection, other donations/ contributions can be mailed to: Larry Chiaro, Treasurer, San Francescani Society, 1811 Dulles, San Antonio, TX 78251-2958. Thank you. Christmas Blessings The Altar and Rosary Society of

San Francesco di Paola

Catholic Church

Cordially invites you to join us for a day of festivities at our annual Christmas Party Luncheon with vendors, door prizes, and raffle.

> Saturday, December 10, 2022 11:30 am to 3:00 pm

> > \$35 per person

Christopher Columbus Hall 201 Piazza Italia San Antonio, TX 78207

Please mail your check made payable to San Francesco di Paola Altar & Rosary Society by Thursday, December 1, 2022 to:

> Jennelle Tallerico 223 Verbena Hill San Antonio, TX 78258

"Your check is your reservation"

May the Christmas Star, which led the Wise Men long ago, guide us to live in peace and joy this Christmas and throughout the new year.

The San Francesco Altar/Rosary Society is taking orders for flower memorials honoring loved ones and special intentions to help decorate our church altar on the weekend Masses. The cost each is \$30.00 for 2 small ones and \$60.00 for a larger one.

Please contact Rose Marie Pagonis for more details (210) 289-9887. Please make checks payable to San Francesco Altar/Rosary Society.

Christmas Poinsettias

The Altar / Rosary Society is taking orders for poinsettias to honor loved ones and help decorate our church at Christmas. The cost is \$15 per poinsettia. Checks should be made out to San Francesco Altar/Rosary Society. Also, there is a flower memorial envelope in your Sunday collection box.

Thank you for your support on this project and we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas from the Altar/Rosary society.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Pastor: Very Rev. Carlos B. Velázquez

PARISH STAFF Mimi Soliz

Pastoral Care of the Sick Jo Ann Scrivano

Altar & Rosary Society Patricia Archibald

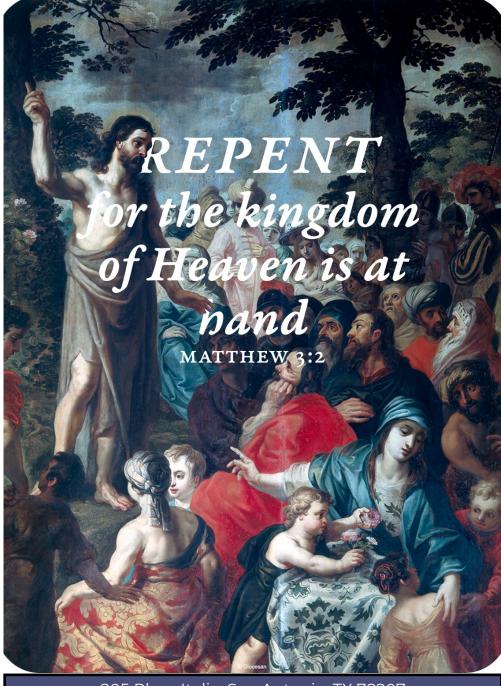
San Franciscani Society Rudy Martinez

Mass Schedule: Saturday/Sábado: 4:00 PM in English

Sunday/Domingo 11:00 AM in English 1:30 PM in Spanish

> We look forward to your visit!





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