



SAN FERNANDO

Cathedral

The Heart of San Antonio

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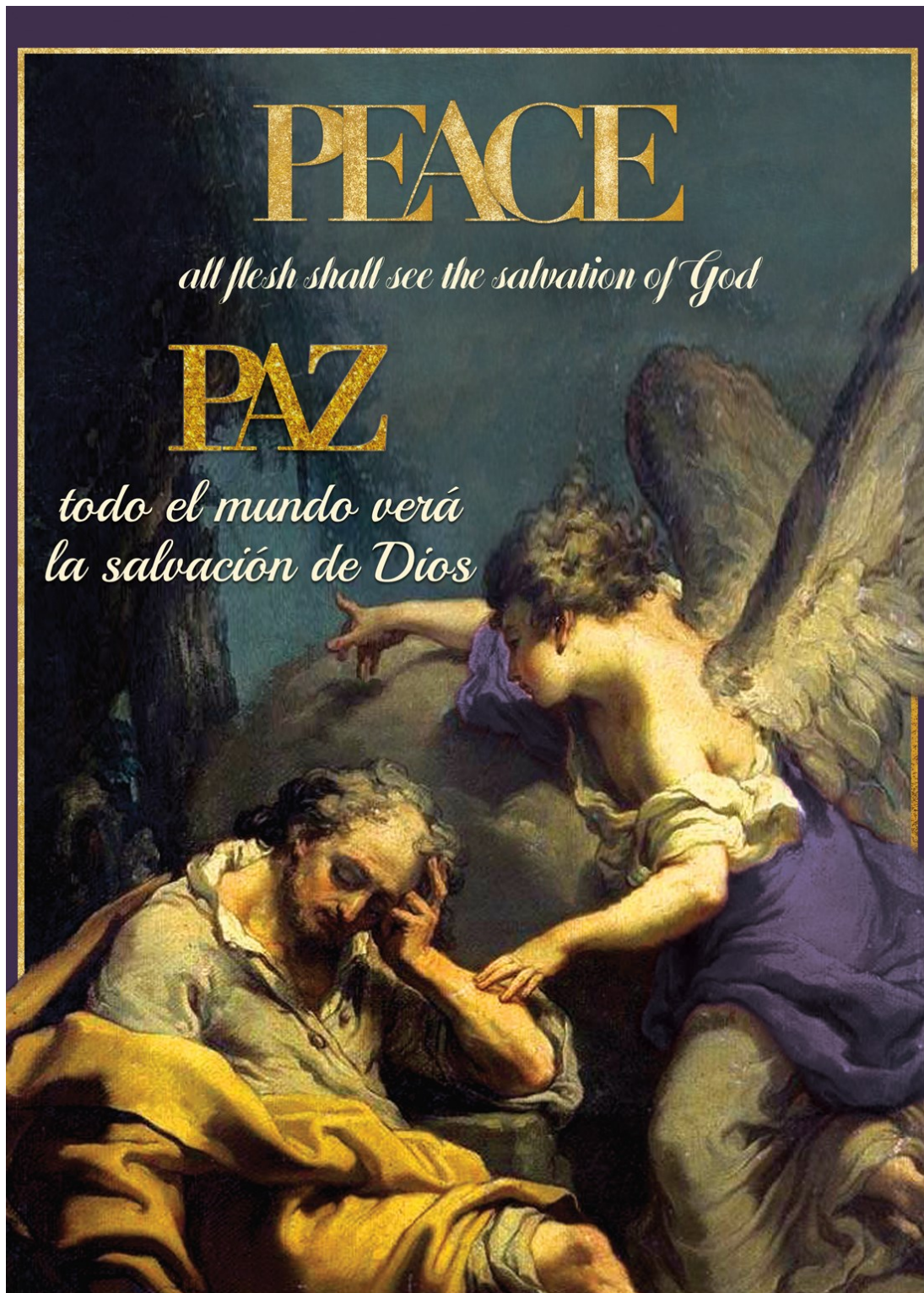
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INFORMATION

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/Confesiones

**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 Joey Gutierrez at 210-227-1297, ext. 133 for more information.

Marriage

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

Funerals

To schedule a Funeral Mass or Memorial Mass, call Marcela Szinnyey at 210-227-1297, ext. 129.

MINISTRIES

Knights of Columbus

Meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 3:30 PM. Contact Jose Rincones at (210) 885-1511.

Guadalupano Society

Meets the 3rd Saturday of each 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

Meets Wednesdays 5:30 to 6:30PM. Contact Maria Alicia Lopez at 210-227-1297, ext. 131.

Men of Service

Meets the 4th Saturday of every month, from 9:00AM-12:00PM. Contact Jose Rincones at 210-885-1511.

Los Jóvenes de San Fernando Youth Group

Meets the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month. Contact Adriana Holguin at 210-544-7173.

Waves of Mercy Young Adult Ministry

Contact Julie Segovia at 210-683-4474 for more information.

Los Caballeros de San Fernando

Contact Juan Carlos Bernal at 210-219-2288 for more information.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Please call Sylvia Carreon if you would like to sponsor the Flowers on the Altar. The flowers may be in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event. Call Sylvia at 210-227-1297



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9

5:00PM
†Rene Rodriguez
†Juana Maria Gonzalez

Sunday, December 10

10:00AM
†Choco Gonzalez Meza
Josie Marie Bento (Birthday)

12:00 PM
†Maria Luisa Martinez
†Maria Luisa Stevens

2:00PM
†Dorothy Pitts Harle
†Silvia Ferguson

5:00PM
†Juana Maria Gonzalez
†Fr. Thomas Lynam Maitland

Monday, December 11

12:05 PM
Vivian Martinez (Birthday)
Our Lady of Guadalupe (Thanksgiving)

12:00 AM
For the San Fernando Community

Tuesday, December 12

12:05 PM
†Francisca Enriquez
†Juana Maria Gonzalez

6:00 PM
For the San Fernando Community

Wednesday, December 13

12:05 PM
San Lorenzo (Thanksgiving)
†Juana Maria Gonzalez

Thursday, December 14

12:05PM
Madisyn De La Rosa (Birthday)
†Juana Maria Gonzalez

Friday, December 15

12:05PM
Juan De La Rosa (Birthday)
†Juana Maria Gonzalez
†Albert N. Villarreal



LOS PADRECITOS GIFT SHOP

We are temporarily closed. Candles are being sold on Sundays in Plaza de la Cruz.
Thank you for your continued support and patience.

The San Fernando Cathedral Knights of Columbus, Council 9463, is recruiting new members. Come be a part of this exciting ministry. The Knights of Columbus empowers Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community. Please call Jose Rincones, Grand Knight, at 210-885-1511 if you would like more information.

Our Second Collection this weekend is for the Retired Men and Women Religious. Please use the envelopes found in the pew. Thank you for your generosity!

PARK, PRAY AND PARTICIPATE!

***Remember that you can park for free on Sundays!
Are you taking advantage of this great opportunity?***

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.

We appreciate your support!
Text SANFERNANDO to 45777, scan the QR code, or donate online at sfcathedral.org/donate.
Thank you for your generosity!



IS JESUS CHRIST CALLING ME TO BECOME A PRIEST?



Melchizedek Project

Monthly gatherings for those who are considering a call to the priesthood. Ages 18 and over

**FIRST THURSDAY
OF THE MONTH**

September 2023—May 2024
6:00 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.



Vocation Office—Archdiocese of San Antonio

vocations@archsa.org • 210-735-0553 • www.archsa.org/vocations



The young people of San Fernando Cathedral continue to do great things! Whether it's helping out with chores around the church or feeding our homeless brothers and sisters, Los Jóvenes de San Fernando are an inspiration and true examples of humble service. ¡Gracias, Jovenes, por su ministerio!



San Fernando Cathedral Advent and Christmas Schedule

Second Sunday of Advent

December 10

Mass 8:00am Spanish

Mass 10:00am English

Mass 12:00pm Spanish

Mass 2:00pm English

Mass 5:00pm Bilingual

Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 11

Serenata & Rosary

6:00pm

Midnight Mass

December 12

Mass 12:05pm English

Mass 6:00pm Spanish

Third Sunday of Advent

December 17

Gaudete Sunday

Mass 8:00am Spanish

Mass 10:00am English

Mass 12:00pm Spanish

Mass 2:00pm English

Mass 5:00pm Bilingual

La Gran Posada in Milam Park

6:00pm

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24

Mass 8:00am Spanish

Mass 10:00am English

Mass 12:00pm Spanish

Christmas Eve

December 24

Mass 6:00pm English

Mass 8:00pm Bilingual

Service of the Carols

11:00pm

Midnight Mass

The Nativity of the Lord

December 25

Mass 10:00am English

12:00pm English

Join us—all are welcome!



San Fernando Cathedral and Ballroom San Antonio's Destination for an Unforgettable Event

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 VENUE

The San Fernando Ballroom 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.

BOOKING NOW FOR 2024 AND 2025

By appointment only. Contact Lupe Rodriguez for availability at lrodriguez@sfcathedral.org or call 210-227-1297, ext. 101.



*Buenos días paloma blanca, hoy te vengo a saludar,
saludando tu belleza en tu reino celestial. Eres madre
del creador, y a mi corazón encanta, gracias te doy con
amor. Buenos días paloma blanca.*

*Niña linda, niña santa, tu dulce nombre alabad, porque
sois tan sacrosanta hoy te vengo a saludar.
Reluciente como el alba, pura, sencilla y sin mancha,
De gusto recibe mi alma. Buenos días paloma blanca*

*Que linda está la mañana, el aroma de las flores
despiden suaves olores, antes de romper el alba.
Mi pecho con voz ufana, gracias te da madre mía,
en este dichoso día, antes de romper el alba.*

*Cielo azul yo te convido, en este dichoso día,
a que prestes tu hermosura, a las flores de
María. Madre mía de Guadalupe, danos ya tu
bendición. Recibe estas mañanitas,
de un humilde corazón.*





Father's Footnotes
Second Sunday of Advent-December 10, 2023

Serenata a La Virgen de Guadalupe

Join us on Monday, December 11 as we celebrate and honor Our Lady of Guadalupe. We will have many festivities beginning at 6 PM. We will also have Archbishop Gustavo here to preside at a special Midnight Mass honoring our Lady. This is a special time for us all. Please bring your families and friends to this special celebration. We will also have masses honoring our Lady on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 12:05 PM and at 6 PM. ¡Todos estan invitados!

La Gran Posada-Sunday, December 17, 2023 6 PM

Join us in this special San Antonio tradition as we walk the streets of San Antonio with Mary and Joseph as they seek shelter! The Gran Posada will begin at 6 PM at Milam Park and will conclude at San Fernando Cathedral. As part of this year's Posada, we will once again have piñatas and refreshments in Plaza de la Cruz! Join us as we journey with Mary and Joseph! All are welcome!

Pastoral Council News

Both San Fernando Cathedral and San Francisco di Paola are in need of new Pastoral Council members. If you are interested in serving please send Fr. Carlos an email so that he can include you in the selection process. This year, San Fernando Cathedral is selecting four (4) candidates and San Francisco di Paola is selecting two (2) candidates. If you are interested in serving, there will be a discernment meeting on Monday, December 18 at 6:00 PM in Fr. Carlos' office. This short meeting will include a brief history of pastoral councils as well as a list of responsibilities. Fr. Carlos will also provide a list of dates and times for meetings. If you are interested in serving but cannot attend the meeting that, too, is acceptable. Regardless, Fr. Carlos needs to know who is interested in order for your name to be included. Drawing for spaces will take place during Masses on Christmas Day.

This is a beautiful time of the liturgical year! Let us pray for each other!

Christmas is a wonderful time for us. In addition to the very special meaning of the liturgical celebration, we are always happy to see so many parishioners whose schedules may not allow them to attend Mass at our Cathedral on a regular basis. If you are one of those who cannot visit our parish as much as you like, you might want to check out our website at www.sfcathedral.org. There you will find our weekly bulletins and information on our services and events. You will also find an Online Giving link. Our online giving program allows parishioners to continue to support the parish even when they are out of town, too busy to remember an envelope, working week-ends, or attending Mass at another parish. If you would like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please contact Mr. Steve Borrego at (210) 227-1297 ext. 130 or follow the simple instructions found on the website.

Let us continue to pray for each other as we journey through Advent.
Fr. Carlos

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: Jay Pantusa, 4322 Apple Tree Woods, San Antonio, TX 78249. Jay's contact info is: jaypantusa@gmail.com, 210-473-4771

The Memorial Brick Project is now open. If you would like to purchase a Memorial Brick, for yourself or a loved one, in the foyer of the church now is the time to purchase one. The cost for two lines is \$250 and \$300 for three lines. First come, first served when picking your place on the wall. If you are interested, please see Jo Ann Scrivano or you may call her at 210-422-0907.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9, 2023

4:00PM

†Annie Pantusa by Nick & Beverly Pantuso
†Johnny Granieri by Coleman & Villegas Family

Sunday, December 10, 2023

11:00AM

†Giancarlo Robert Ferruzzi by Gloria Ferruzzi
†Annie Pantusa by Anthony Martino

1:30PM

Para la Comunidad de San Francesco di Paola

Saturday, December 16, 2023

4:00PM

†Kathy & Sam Greco by Greco Family
†Ruby Lopez by Elena Lopez Family

Sunday, December 17, 2023

11:00AM

Altar & Rosary Society-Living & Deceased Members
†Bruce Cecil by Debbie Walton

1:30PM

Para la Comunidad de San Francesco di Paola

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Samuel Matthew
Sophia Von Stultz
Sgt. John Louis Harlan
Imelda Deason
Tina Toscano Herrera
Dolores Lopez
Raul Medina, Jr.
Don Toscano
Jackson Bordano
Dawn Martinelli
Gloria Feruzzi
Patrick John Meyers
Rosanna Lara
Addie Toscano
Vincy Ruffo Dunn
Mary Lou Olivo
Claudia Gomez
Abby Sparks
James Ford
Jacob Ford
Avery Ford
Juanita Sanchez
Frank Milton
Sylvia Rodriguez
Rose Marie Pagonis
Bob Fishback
Sandra Jimenez
Wayne Garcia
Henry Oliver Bordano
Lisa Sirianni Steer

Altar and Rosary Meeting

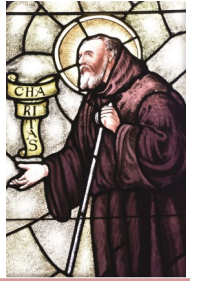
The Altar and Rosary Society is once again sponsoring the donation of poinsettias to decorate our beautiful church during the holiday season. The cost of a poinsettia is \$20. Parishioners may donate plants in honor of/or in memory of loved ones. Envelopes are available in your envelope box or at the church entrance. Please contact Rose Marie Pagonis at 210-289-9887, if you have any questions.

*Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of
December*

*†Giancarlo Robert Ferruzzi
By Gloria Ferruzzi Family*

SAN FRANCESCO DI PAOLA

Catholic Church



December 10, 2023
Second Sunday of Advent

Pastor:

Very Rev. Carlos B. Velázquez

PARISH STAFF

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday/Sábado:

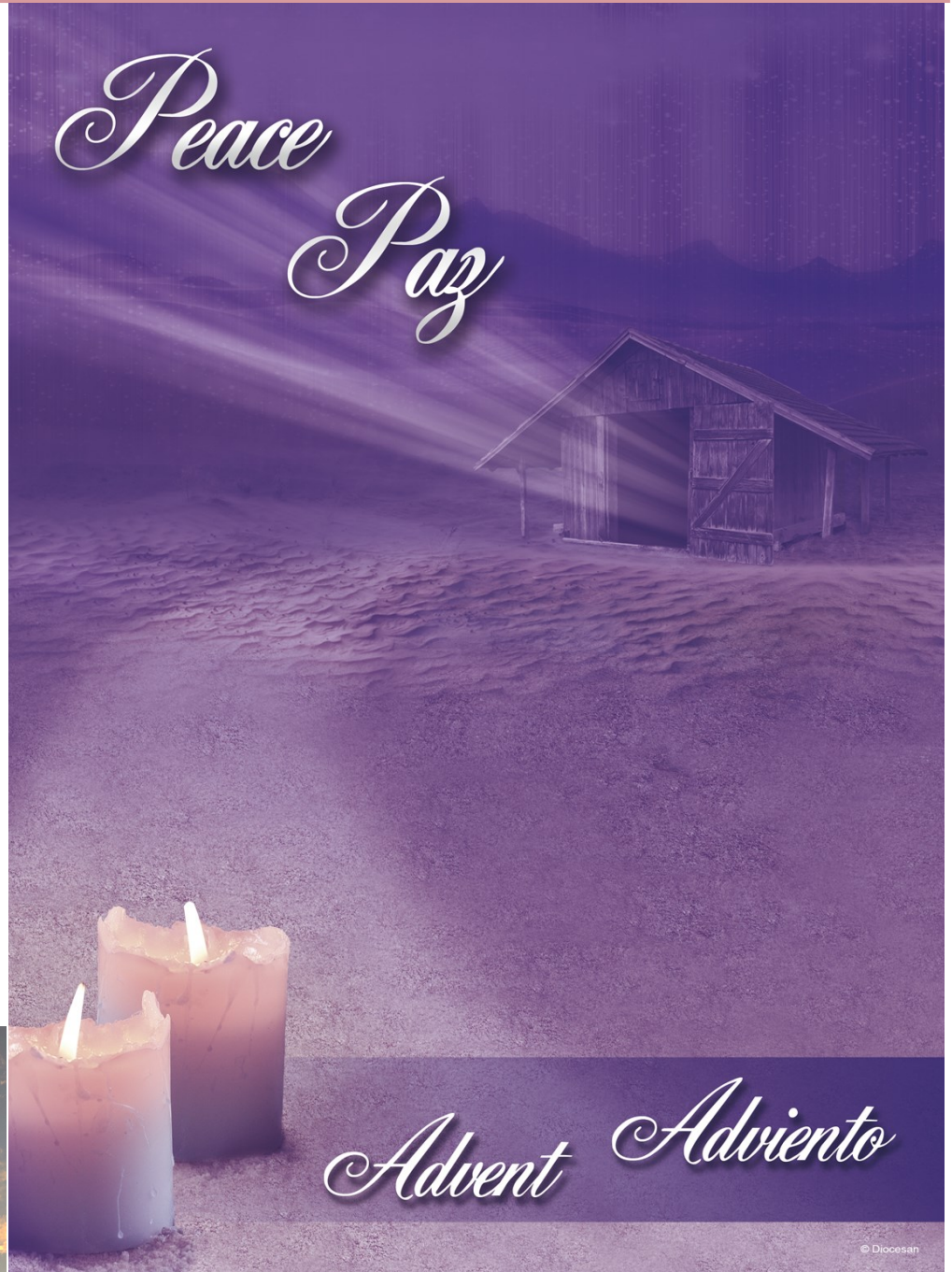
4:00 PM in English

Sunday/Domingo

11:00 AM in English

1:30 PM in Spanish

*We look forward to
your visit!*



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