



# SAN FERNANDO *Cathedral*

*San Fernando Cathedral is devoted to being of service to the people of San Antonio and beyond. We strive to be the hands and feet of Christ in humble service to our brothers and sisters. San Fernando Cathedral truly is the heart of San Antonio.*

**Most Reverend**  
**Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S**  
Archbishop of San Antonio

**Very Reverend**  
**Carlos B. Velázquez**  
Rector of San Fernando Cathedral

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The Spirit drove  
Jesus out into  
the desert,  
and he remained  
in the desert for  
forty days,  
tempted by  
Satan.

*Mark 1:12,13*

En aquel tiempo,  
el Espíritu impulsó  
a Jesús a retirarse  
al desierto, donde  
permaneció  
cuarenta días y  
fue tentado por  
Satanás.

*Marcos 1, 12 y 13*

The Temptation of Christ by the Devil  
by Félix Joseph Barrias, 1860



1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF

**LENT**

**1º DOMINGO DE CUARESMA**

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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

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

*If you would like to sponsor the*

*Flowers on the Altar*

*in memory of a loved one or to  
celebrate a special milestone,  
please contact the office at  
210-227-1297.*



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, February 17

5:00PM  
†Severa (Paz) Berrones  
†Genaro Gonzalez

### Sunday, February 18

10:00AM  
†Dominga Ojeda-Lopez  
†Precilla Barrera-Reyna

12:00PM  
†Maria Luisa Martinez  
†Maria Luisa Stevens  
†Choco Gonzalez Meza

2:00PM  
†Genaro Gonzalez  
SSG Samuel Campos Cardenas  
(Birthday)

5:00PM  
†Zenaida (Sandy) Cyprian  
†Genaro Gonzalez

### Monday, February 19

12:05PM  
†Manuel D. Villa  
†Silvia Ferguson

### Tuesday, February 20

12:05PM  
†Genaro Gonzalez

### Wednesday, February 21

12:05PM  
†Genaro Gonzalez  
†Noah Makaio Mungia

### Thursday, February 22

12:05PM  
†Carmen Zendejas Barrera  
†Elias Lorenzana

### Friday, February 23

12:05PM  
†Souls of the Gonzalez Proa  
Family  
†Genaro Gonzalez



**LOS PADRECITOS GIFT SHOP**  
*Every purchase benefits the Cathedral!*

Monday-Wednesday 10am-4pm  
Thursday & Friday 9am-5pm  
Saturday 10am-5pm  
Sunday 9am-3:30pm

**Only Beeswax Candles in Church, Please**

Devotional candles are important in our faith. Candles are symbols of the presence of Christ, the light of the world (Jn 8:12) and of Baptism by which we share in his light (Col 1:12), and are also signs of reverence and festivity. To protect the historic San Fernando Cathedral, we ask that only pure beeswax candles be burned to avoid noxious soot that other candles emit and that may harm the interior of the church. The candles we sell are 100% beeswax and safe to burn inside the Cathedral. Thank you for understanding!

*Our Second Collection this weekend is for Catholic Missions among the Black and the Native Americans. 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

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**POPE FRANCIS INVITES US TO PRAY**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
WITH ARCHBISHOP GUSTAVO DURING**

**LENT**

**Every Friday: February 16–March 22, 2024**

**7:30 a.m. at San Fernando Cathedral**

115 Main Plaza, San Antonio TX 78205



**ESTACIONES DEL VIA CRUCIS  
CON EL ARZOBISPO GUSTAVO EN**

**CUARESMA**

**Todos los viernes: del 16 de febrero al 22 de marzo**

**7:30 a.m. en la Catedral de San Fernando**

115 Main Plaza, San Antonio TX 78205

<https://sfcathedral.org>

*"El que quiera servirme, que me siga, para que donde yo esté, también esté mi servidor. " Juan 12:26*

**Retiro de ACTS Para Hombres - Catedral de San Fernando**  
**14 al 17 de marzo de 2024**

Nombre: _____	Dirección: _____
Teléfono de la casa: _____	Ciudad: _____
Teléfono celular: _____	Estado: _____
Teléfono del trabajo: _____	Parroquia: _____
Correo electrónico: _____	Contacto de emergencia: _____
Fecha de nacimiento: _____	_____
Casado / Soltero / Viudo	Relación: _____
Cualquier necesidad dietética: _____	2º Contacto de Emergencia: _____
Alergias: _____	_____
Cualquier necesidad especial: _____	Relación: _____
Monto pagado: Cheque / Efectivo	# de Cheque _____
\$ _____	Para San Fernando Cathedral ACTS Retiro Hombres

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Separe la parte anterior y devuélvala con la tarifa de registro.

El fin de semana de ACTS es presentado por laicos católicos con el apoyo del clero y un director espiritual. Los objetivos del retiro de fin de semana son fortalecer tu fe, renovarte espiritualmente, construir un propósito en tu vida de oración y construir amistades duraderas con la comunidad de tu iglesia. El retiro comienza el jueves 14 de marzo por la noche a las 6:30 p.m. con el registro en el Salón de San Fernando (231 W. Commerce St.) y termina el domingo 17 de marzo después de la Misa de las 12:00 p.m. en la Catedral de San Fernando. Se proporcionará transportación de ida y vuelta hacia y desde el centro de retiros para todos los participantes del retiro. El costo del fin de semana del retiro es de \$210.00. Se debe de dar un depósito no reembolsable de \$ 100.00 con este formulario de registro para reservar su lugar. Los \$110.00 restantes se pagarán antes o en el día de registro cuando estes presente el jueves 14 de marzo. Póngase en contacto con uno de los siguientes si tiene alguna pregunta sobre el retiro:

Roberto Briones  
Director (210) 660-2658

Schervy Ortiz  
Co-Director (210) 387-2001

Mario Huerta  
Tesorero (210) 438-7676

San Fernando Cathedral oficina administrativa - 231 W. Commerce St., San Antonio, TX 78205



# *San Fernando Cathedral and Ballroom*

## *San Antonio's Destination for an Unforgettable Event*

### *EXPERIENCE THE CATHEDRAL*

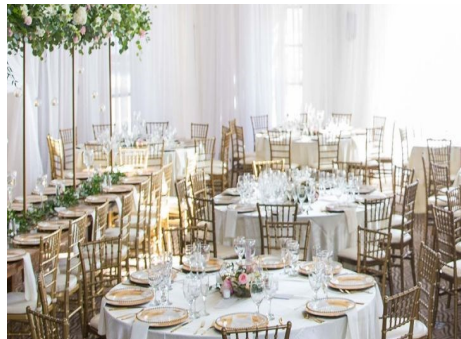
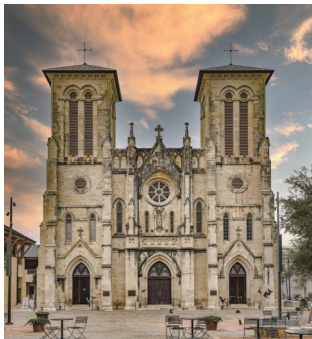
*Founded in 1731, the historic cathedral continues to host thousands of visitors each year. San Fernando Cathedral is the oldest cathedral sanctuary in the United States and the mother church of San Antonio's archdiocese. It is the cultural and geographic center of San Antonio. Surrounded by its distinctive 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 Ruth Hernandez or Christine Rocha for availability at [venues@sfcathedral.org](mailto:venues@sfcathedral.org) or call 210-227-1297, ext. 101.*





### Lent is Here

On this first Sunday of Lent, a time when most of us are inclined to reflect more deeply on how we live as Christians, we are reminded of God's everlasting love. Our first reading from Genesis follows the well-known story of the great flood. While the text states that God addressed Noah and his sons, it is important to note that the covenant God makes goes well beyond this remnant of humankind and their future descendants. This covenant is with all that God had created. Yes, that includes you!

### Lenten Season Guide on Fasting & Abstinence

### Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima Thanks

We would like to thank Mr. Schervy Ortiz for organizing the visit of Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue at San Fernando Cathedral. He was able to coordinate her visit with us and other parishes in our area. The Virgin's presence among us was truly a blessing. Thank you Schervy!

### RCIA News

Our RCIA participants will be celebrating the Rite of Sending of the Catechumens for Election and will be attending the Rite of Election this weekend here at San Fernando Cathedral. They begin this important part of their faith formation process as they long for their initiation into the Catholic Church. Please remember them in your prayers throughout this Lenten Season. For the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent the 10:00 AM Mass will include the readings from Season A, while the rest of the Masses will continue with the readings from Season B. Please make this distinction in preparing yourselves for the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent.

### Stations of the Cross During Lent

Please join Archbishop Gustavo during the Fridays of Lent as he celebrates the Stations of the Cross at 7:30 AM. We will also have our parish organizations at San Fernando Cathedral lead us in the Stations of the Cross each Friday in Lent at 7:00 PM. Join us in this beautiful tradition.

Have a blessed first full week of Lent. May we continue our Lenten observances of prayer, fasting and almsgiving!

Peace, ~Fr. Carlos

### Charitas Fund

*Administered by the San Franciscani 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](http://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](mailto: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, February 17, 2024

4:00PM

†Sam & †Kathy Greco by Greco Family

Sunday, February 18, 2024

11:00AM

†Altar & Rosary Society for Living & Deceased Members

†Sam & †Kathy Greco by Greco Family

1:30PM

San Francesco di Paola Community

Saturday, February 24, 2024

4:00PM

†Aurora Steele by Debbie Walton

Sunday, February 25, 2024

11:00AM

†Sammy Scrivano by Jo Ann Scrivano

1:30PM

San Francesco di Paola Community

### Sick and Homebound Ministry

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

*Sanctuary Lamp for the Month of  
February  
†Roel and †Horacio Soliz  
By the Soliz Family*

### LENTEN SHOE DRIVE

The San Franciscani Society of San Francesco di Paola Catholic church is sponsoring a Lenten Shoe Drive again this year in association with the Christian Assistance Ministry (CAM), whose mission is, "To share the love of Christ by providing immediate assistance and encouragement to people in crisis."



Please consider donating a **NEW** or **GENTLY USED** pair of shoes for our unsheltered brothers and sisters.

A collection box can be found in the church foyer.

**All sizes, men's, women's, and children's shoes needed.**

Thank you!

### 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, Jacob & Avery Ford, Adelina Marie Calvillo, Juanita Sanchez, Frank Milton, Sylvia Rodriguez, Rose Marie Pagonis, Bob Fishback, Sandra Jimenez, Wayne Garcia, Henry Oliver Bordano, Lisa Sirianni Steer, Mary Wallace, Tony Thomson*

### THE BLESSING AND DEDICATION OF THE FRONT DOORS IS POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

#### ***Altar and Rosary Meeting***

*The next meeting of the Altar & Rosary Society is February 25. Please stop by the cake sale table on the lower level of the CCIS Hall on February 18 after you have enjoyed a traditional spaghetti dinner! Proceeds from the cake sale are shared by Altar & Rosary Society and CCIS. See you there!*

#### **Altar Flowers**

If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory of, or in honor of a loved one, please contact Rose Marie Pagonis at 210-289-9887.



# SAN FRANCESCO DI PAOLA

## *Catholic Church*



February 18, 2024  
First Sunday of Lent

**Pastor:**

Very Rev. Carlos B. Velázquez

**PARISH STAFF**

Mimi Soliz

**Pastoral Care of the Sick**

Jo Ann Scrivano

**Altar & Rosary Society**

Mary Kay Morin

**San Franciscani Society**

Richard Bellacosa

**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!*



Almsgiving 🍷 Praying 🌿 Fasting



Limosna 🍷 Rezando 🌿 Ayuno  
*Cuaresma*

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