

San Fernando Cathedral

*Give Thanks to the Lord, Who is Good Whose Love Endures Forever.
1 Chronicles 16:34*



NO DUTY IS
More Urgent
THAN THAT OF
Returning Thanks
Saint Ambrose

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Mass Times

Mass Schedule

Sunday

8:00 AM Spanish

10:00 AM English

12:00 PM Spanish

2:00 PM English

5:00 PM Bilingual

Monday-Friday

12:05 PM

Saturday

5:00 PM English

Reconciliation

Monday-Friday

10:00 AM-11:45 AM

Saturday & Sunday

1:00 PM-3:00 PM

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Monday -Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, closed for
lunch 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Los Padrecitos Gift Shop

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Baptisms

San Fernando Cathedral offers the Sacrament of Baptism every month at 10:00 AM. Baptisms are held in English on the first Saturday of every month and in Spanish on the second Saturday of every month. A baptism preparation class is required for parents and godparents and is typically offered the Thursday before the scheduled baptisms.

Contact Cati Reyna for more information.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with the priest six months before the wedding date and a preparation program is required. Contact Ruth Hernandez for more information.

Funeral and Memorial Masses

It is our pleasure to assist you during your time of need. To plan a Funeral or Memorial Mass, contact Sandra A. Salinas for more information.

MINISTRIES

ACTS

Contact Vivian Cantu at 210-378-5678 or email at vcantu5678@att.net or Joe Esparza at 210-391-3844 or email at volaire@att.net

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Contact Schervy Ortiz at 210-387-2001.

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Contact Maria Alicia Lopez at 210-227-1297, ext. 131 or by email at mlopez@sfcathedral.org

Event Ministry

Assist with venue events. Call Christine Rocha at 210-227-1297, ext.101

Faith Formation Catechists

Contact April Sanchez at FaihtFormation@SFCathedral.org

Grupo de Oración

Meets Tuesdays at 1:00 PM. Contact Rosa Escobedo at 210-717-2612.

Guadalupano Society

Meets Quarterly. Contact Cati Reyna for time at 210-748-9958 or by email at creyna@sfcathedral.org

Jornadas-Grupo de Jóvenes Adultos

Reuniones se realizan el primer y tercer viernes del mes a las 6:30. Llama a Alejandra Dipp al 210-765-8277 o Alan Ramirez al 210-758-6555.

Knights of Columbus

Meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 3:30 PM. Contact Danny Valdez at 210-286-7756.

Los Caballeros de San Fernando

Meets the last Monday of each month. Contact Juan Carlos Bernal at 210-219-2288.

Los Jóvenes de San Fernando Youth Group

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

Men of Service

Meets the 4th Saturday of each month from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Contact Jose Rincones at 210-885-1511.

Mujeres Formandose en La Fe

Meets the 1st Saturday of each month from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Contact Julieta at 210-722-9335.

Waves of Mercy Young Adult Ministry

Contact Joshua Navaira at 210-712-6858.

Wedding Ministry

Assist couples during the wedding rehearsal and the wedding ceremony. Contact Ruth Hernandez at 210-227-1297, ext. 132.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 22

5:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Maria Del Carmen Guzman by Margaret Mireles

†Repose of the soul of Martye Weinstein Rubin by Julia Palacios & Sondra A. Klamm

Sunday, November 23

8:00 AM

The People of San Fernando

10:00 AM

†Repose of the soul of Robert Zepeda by Family

†Repose of the soul of Daniel Reyes by Blanca Ponce

12:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Choco Gonzalez Meza by Daniel Meza & Family

†Repose of the soul of Ricardo Elliott Longoria Wright by Longoria Wright Family

2:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Modesta Nieves by Rosario Y Raquel Spinoso & Grandchildren

†Repose of the soul of Christian Ramas by Parents & Sisters

5:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Victor F. Castaño by Familia Castaño

†Repose of the soul of Maria Del Carmen Villarreal by Familia

Monday, November 24

12:05 PM

Special Intentions for Marivic & John Kane

†Repose of the soul of Victor F. Castaño by Familia Castaño

Tuesday, November 25

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Victor F. Castaño by Familia Castaño

Wednesday, November 26

12:05 PM

Birthday Blessing for Chloe Morales by George & Linsey Morales

†Repose of the soul of Victor F. Castaño by Familia Castaño

Thursday, November 27

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Victor F. Castaño by Familia Castaño

Friday, November 28

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Congressman Henry B. Gonzalez by His Family

†Repose of the soul of Victor F. Castaño by Familia Castaño



Unity
By Christina Salenga
& Family

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Father's Footnotes November 23, 2025

*Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe*

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November 23, 2025
San Fernando Cathedral**

Feastday of St. Cecilia-November 22

Saint Cecilia is revered as the patron saint of music and musicians. According to tradition, she was a Roman virgin martyr who lived in the 3rd century. During her wedding, she is said to have sung in her heart to the Lord while musicians played, which is why she is associated with music. Her life and martyrdom have inspired many musical compositions and celebrations in her honor. In honor of St. Cecilia, we will have a special blessing for all our choirs and musicians this weekend at all masses. Sing Joyfully to the Lord!

Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service This Tuesday, November 25th

We will gather with ministers from various Religions and Denominations on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 for our annual service. The service begins at 7 PM at San Fernando Cathedral. All are welcome as we gather with people of other faiths and traditions to give thanks! Archbishop Gustavo will be hosting this time of prayer and fellowship! This year's theme is: Unity!

Thanksgiving Eve and Day Masses

Even though it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, why not come to Mass to give thanks? We will offer two special liturgies. Our first Mass is on Wednesday, November 26, 2025 at 6 PM. On Thanksgiving Day, November 27 we will have one Mass at 10:00 AM. For both Masses, we invite you to bring the bread that you will be using for your Thanksgiving Meal. The bread will be blessed so that you can then share with your family and friends at your Thanksgiving Day meal. The Cathedral will open at 9 AM and close at 12 Noon on Thanksgiving Day, November 27th.

Time, Talent and Treasure Talk

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"...giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light." COLOSSIANS 1:12

God wants us to be happy! Instead of looking at the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our own needs first or we spend most of our time trying to acquire more stuff. Instead, try putting God first in all things. We were made for God. Open your heart and let Him in!

Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

"...dar gracias al Padre que nos ha capacitado para compartir la herencia de los santos en la luz." COLOSENSES 1:12

¡Dios quiere que seamos felices! En lugar de mirar a los Diez Mandamientos como restricciones que nos dicen lo que no podemos hacer, mírelos más bien como una guía para vivir una vida llena de paz y alegría. La mayoría de nuestros problemas salen a la luz cuando ponemos nuestras necesidades en primer lugar o cuando pasamos la mayor parte de nuestro tiempo tratando de adquirir más cosas. En su lugar, trate de poner a Dios primero en todas las cosas. Fuimos hechos por Dios. ¡Abra su corazón y permítale a Él entrar!

Next Sunday we begin a new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent! Are you ready to celebrate this special time? We have printed some special Advent and Christmas Season pamphlets for you to take home with you next weekend so that you can begin to plan your Advent and Christmas Masses and events.

As we end this liturgical year and begin another one, let us be most compassionate and merciful towards all those whom we encounter. May prayer lead us to understanding, unity and love!

Peace,
Fr. Carlos

Don't forget to purchase your Raffle tickets.

Win a Chance to drive off in this 2026 Lexus NX 350

- All proceeds from ticket sales will support San Fernando Cathedral.
- Raffle tickets may be purchased at the Gift Shop, Parish office or from staff members. Tickets are also available with the Guadalupanos, or Las Mujeres Formandose en la Fe or you can stop by Café de la Cruz on Sundays after Mass, Support San Fernando and purchase your raffle tickets for a chance to win this beautiful Lexus vehicle.
- Tickets are \$50 each
- Ticket price includes all applicable tax, title, and licensing fees.
- Participants must be 18 years of age or older.

Drawing will take place on
April 25, 2026
San Fernando Fiesta 2026.



Congratulations

We are delighted to announce and congratulate Lupe Rodriguez on her new role as Manager of Los Padrecitos Gift Shop!

Lupe has been a dedicated member of our community for over four years and brings a passion for serving others to this position.

Please join us in wishing Lupe all the best in this new endeavor.

We invite you to stop by and visit the Los Padrecitos shop to congratulate Lupe as she embarks on this wonderful opportunity with San Fernando Cathedral.



Be a Blessing

Do you have a heart for hospitality and a gift for grace?

The Ceremony Hostess Ministry is a beautiful calling to represent Christ through warm welcomes, organized coordination, and elegant service during sacred celebrations including weddings, anniversaries, quinceañeras, and more.

If you feel led to serve or would like more information, please contact:

Ruthie Hernandez at (210)227-1297 ext. 132

or rhernandez@sfcathedral.org



Volunteering for the Cathedral?

We are seeking money counters to help on Mondays for 2 hours. Please reach out to Lupe Rodriguez at the Gift Shop for more details if you are interested. Blessings!



¿Quieres ser voluntario en la Catedral?

Estamos buscando contadores de dinero que ayuden los Lunes por 2 horas. Por favor de hablar con Lupe Rodriguez en la tienda de Los Padrecitos, si están interesados. Bendiciones!

Come Join the San Fernando Team!

San Fernando is now hiring for the following

Part-time positions:

- Gift Shop Cashier
- Venue & Ceremony Hostess

If you're passionate about hospitality, heritage, and serving our parish community, we'd love to hear from you!

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Los Padrecitos Gift Shop and Museum

All purchases benefit San Fernando Cathedral!

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12:30 PM to 5:00 PM

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9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

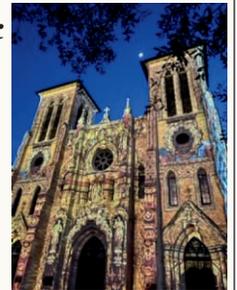
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Today, the Cathedral faces urgent needs from aging plumbing and cracked walls to leaky windows and structural wear. These repairs go far beyond what our regular Sunday collections can sustain.



We invite you to join us in preserving this historic treasure.

Thank you for your

"Let us set out to the bright future, full of Hope."

Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, MSPS



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We are called to be Pilgrims of Hope!

Don't let the hassle of searching for a parking spot keep you from attending Mass

PARK, PRAY AND PARTICIPATE!

Enjoy a stress-free parking experience every Sunday at City Tower Garage with free parking from 7am until midnight!

The garage is located at 60 N. Flores Street. Just take a ticket as you enter; when you're ready to leave, insert your ticket to exit the garage and that's it!



Bulletin submissions are due by 5pm two Fridays before Sunday publication date which is 9 days in advance. Send your submissions to bulletin@sfcathedral.org

Submissions may be edited for grammar, fonts, style, size, color, etc. Please note that bulletin deadlines may change due to holidays. Thank you~Editor

Commemorative Pavers in Plaza de la Cruz

San Fernando Cathedral is excited to offer our parishioners, ministry groups, and community partners the opportunity to purchase a commemorative paver.

What a great way to honor your family, memorialize a loved one, or pay tribute to a person or ministry. Supplies are limited, so order yours today.

Please contact the front office at 210-227-1297 for more information.



San Fernando Cathedral and Venues

Founded in 1731, the historic San Fernando Cathedral hosts thousands of visitors each year. San Fernando Cathedral is the oldest Cathedral sanctuary in the United States, the Mother church of the Archdiocese of San Antonio and the cultural and geographical center of San Antonio.

Surrounded by its distinctive carving, the nave is a beautiful and glorious space adorned by stained glass windows and Gothic style architecture.



We invite you to tour the Cathedral and Venues for your next event. Whether you are celebrating an Anniversary, Wedding, Quinceñera, Birthday Party, Shower or a Rehearsal Dinner, San Fernando Cathedral and Venues are the perfect choice. For more information on booking please contact:

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