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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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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

Altar Heralds Men's Bible Study

Contact Schervy Ortiz at 210-387-2001.

Choirs

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 FaithFormation@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, December 6

5:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Cynthia Lengnick Hall by Patricia Martinez

Sunday, December 7

8:00 AM

The People of San Fernando

10:00 AM

†Repose of the soul of Ricardo Elliott Longoria Wright by Longoria Wright 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 Josie Acuna by Julia Palacios & Sondra A. Klamm

2:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Juana Maria Gonzalez by Henry Gonzalez

5:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Carl Meisterlin by Family

Monday, December 8

12:05 PM

Special Intentions for Marivic & John Kane
The People of San Fernando

6:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Juana Maria Gonzalez by Henry Gonzalez

Tuesday, December 9

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Juana Maria Gonzalez by Henry Gonzalez

Wednesday, December 10

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Daniel Reyes by Blanca Ponce

†Repose of the soul of Juana Maria Gonzalez by Henry Gonzalez

Birthday Blessings for Josie Marie Bonto by Marivic & John Kane

Thursday, December 11

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Juana Maria Gonzalez by Henry Gonzalez

Friday, December 12

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Fransisca Enriquez by Olga Enriquez

†Repose of the soul of Zita Carmen Padilla by Zita Carmen Navarrete

†Repose of the soul of Juana Maria Gonzalez by Henry Gonzalez

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Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary-Tomorrow, December 8th

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? We will have two special celebrations tomorrow, 12:05 PM and 6:00 PM. All are welcome as we celebrate this special Solemnity. This is the Patronal Feast day of the United States of America and therefore a Holyday of Obligation.

Serenata a la Virgen de Guadalupe

We will celebrate the Feast Day of our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, this coming Thursday and Friday. On Thursday, December 11, 2025 we will have our annual Serenata a la Virgen beginning at 10:00 PM. The hour long celebration will be televised live to all areas of the Spanish speaking world by Univision. We will have various devotionals and expressions of love and praise throughout the evening.

Matachines will be honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe throughout the evening. Beginning at 12 Midnight, Archbishop Gustavo will preside at our traditional midnight Mass honoring our Lady. On Friday, December 12, the celebrations continue with two Eucharistic Feasts. One beginning at 12:05 PM and the other at 6:00 PM! All are welcome!

**Time, Talent and Treasure Talk
2nd Sunday of Advent**

**“Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.”
MATTHEW 3:10**

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things that go unused. Our time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

Domingo 20 de Adviento

**“Por lo tanto, cada árbol que no da buenos frutos será cortado y arrojado al fuego.”
MATEO 3:10**

¿Da buenos frutos para Jesús? ¿Pasa tiempo en oración o lo despilfarra en actividades sin importancia? ¿Utiliza su talento para ayudar a otros o está demasiado ocupado? ¿Usa sus tesoros para apoyar a la Iglesia o compra demasiadas cosas que luego no usa? Nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoros son regalos de Dios. Lo que hacemos con estos dones es nuestro regalo para Él. ¿Qué regalo planifica darle al Señor durante esta verdadera temporada Navideña?

Next Weekend's Second Collection (December 13/14) is for the Retired Men and Women Religious. Thank you for your generosity!

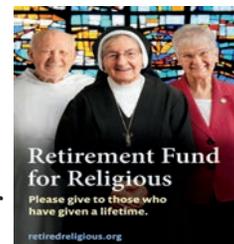
Archbishop's Appeal 20225 ends on December 31, 2025

Our Parish needs your help! Your gift to the Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries supports over thirty ministries in the Archdiocese of San Antonio! This includes San Antonio Vocations, Social Services, Pastoral Ministries, Catholic Communications, and Catholic Education! AND if we surpass our goal, our parish will start to receive some money back! Don't delay, join us on our Mission of Hope TODAY!

To give a donation please go to: https://archsa.org/aafm_giveasa. We here at San Fernando Cathedral are at 62% of our goal for this year. Our goal is 40,881.00 and have pledged 25, 281.00.

As we continue to our journey through this Advent season, how do we respond when we hear the words of John the Baptist? Do we take notice of the areas in our own lives where we might need conversion? Are we aware of the ways God calls us to grow and be transformed? The choice is ours as we prepare for the celebration of the Incarnation.

Peace,
Fr. Carlos



Are you looking for the perfect gift?

Consider purchasing Raffle tickets to make a difference!

Support the church while giving someone the chance to drive away in a 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.
- 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 at
San Fernando Cathedral



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!

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
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As the heart of San Antonio, San Fernando Cathedral serves as a beacon of faith, service, and community for the people of the city and beyond. Guided by its mission to be the hands and feet of Christ, the Cathedral remains steadfast in its commitment to serve others through worship, outreach, and cultural enrichment. The Endowment Fund represents a sacred trust—honoring the past, sustaining the present, and securing a legacy of service for generations to come.

GET IN TOUCH

Discover more about the San Fernando Cathedral Endowment Fund. Visit sfcathedral.org or ccfx.org to contribute and make a lasting difference.



San Fernando News Corner

We are thrilled to announce that The Mays Family Foundation has approved a one-time grant of \$25,000.00 to San Fernando.

San Fernando is incredibly grateful for this generous gift from the Mays Foundation and looks forward to partnering with them. This contribution will assist us in making the necessary renovations at the Cathedral.

On behalf of San Fernando, we extend our heartfelt thanks to The Mays Family Foundation!



Families Honored at San Fernando

These families have been true servants of the Lord, and we deeply appreciate their unwavering dedication. Among the many wonderful families in our community, these three families consistently rise to the occasion in helping San Fernando. A heartfelt thank you to the Dipp, Ramirez, and Lopez families for your remarkable commitment.

The San Fernando community is grateful for your service.



New Store Hours

Los Padrecitos Gift Shop and Museum
All purchases benefit
San Fernando Cathedral!

Mondays
12:30 PM to 5:00 PM

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Saturdays
10:00 am to 5:00 PM

Thursday & Friday
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sunday
9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

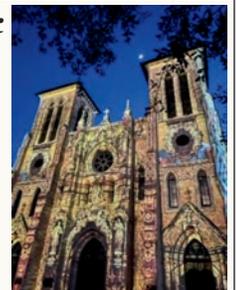
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Support a Living Landmark

For nearly 300 years, San Fernando Cathedral has stood as a beacon of faith, heritage, and community in the heart of San Antonio. It's sacred walls have witnessed generations of prayer, celebration, and resilience.

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.



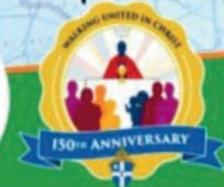
We invite you to join us in preserving this historic treasure.

Thank you for your support and generosity!



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Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, MSPS



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We are called to be
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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!



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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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