

San Fernando Cathedral

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward will be
great in heaven!*



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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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Office Hours

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

Los Padrecitos Gift Shop

210-357-5608

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 PM. 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

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Sunday at 6:30 PM. Contact Joshua Navaira at 210-712-6858 or Malerie Gonzales at 210-851-0685

Wedding Ministry

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 31

5:00 PM

1 year Anniversary Blessing for Frank & Marienlla Tafolla
Special Intentions for Job Safety for Cassandra Ruiz by Ponce Family

Sunday, February 1

8:00 AM

The People of San Fernando

10:00 AM

Special Intentions for Canary Islander Descendant Members
1st Birthday Blessings for Jorge Hadded Kullenberg

12:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of soul of Choco Gonzalez Meza by Daniel Meza & Family
Birthday Blessings for Mickey Reyna by Family

2:00 PM

†Repose of the soul of Ricardo Elliott Longoria Wright by Longoria Wright Family
†Repose of the soul of Christian John Ramas by Ramas

5:00 PM

Special Intentions to obtain Tenure for Maria Jose Parejo Guzman by De. Roberto Rosas & Family
Special Healing Intentions for Pedro Hernandez by Mary Esther Escobedo

Monday, February 2

12:05 PM

Special Intentions for Marivic & John Kane

Tuesday, February 3

12:05 PM

The People of San Fernando

Wednesday, February 4

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Daniel Reyes by Blanca Ponce

Thursday, February 5

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Victor Manuel Saucedo Herrera by Family

Friday, February 6

12:05 PM

†Repose of the soul of Estebania Ginorio by Marta



To sponsor Altar Flowers, please call the front office at 210-227-1297.



Father's Footnotes

February 1, 2026

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lumen Gentium Award Ceremony Tomorrow-February 2, 2026

The Annual Lumen Gentium Award Ceremony is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday, February 2, 2026 at St. Mark's Church beginning at 6 PM. We congratulate Dalila Ortega who is this year's recipient of the 2026 Lumen Gentium Award for San Fernando Cathedral. Felicidades!



Texas Education Freedom Account News

Families May Qualify to Receive \$10,000 Per Child, Per Year Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of San Antonio will be a proud participant in Texas's new Education Savings Account (ESA) program, launching Fall of 2026. Both new and current families may qualify to receive approximately \$10,000 per child, per year to cover tuition and education costs. Catholic education forms both hearts and minds, rooted in faith and academic excellence. With ESA support, this education is now more accessible than ever. Learn more here: archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa.

Las Familias Podrán Recibir \$10,000 Por Hijo, Por Año

Las Escuelas Católicas en la Arquidiócesis de San Antonio será parte del nuevo programa de Cuentas de Ahorro para la Educación (ESA) en Texas, que inicia en 2026. Las familias tanto nuevas como actuales podrán recibir aproximadamente \$10,000 por hijo, por año para cubrir colegiatura y gastos educativos. La educación católica forma corazones y mentes, con fe y excelencia académica. Con el apoyo de ESA, esta educación ahora está más accesible que nunca. Descúbrelo aquí: archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa.

**National Marriage Week
January 7-14, 2026**

Married couples are invited to thank God for the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage by receiving a special blessing during all Masses on the weekend of February 7-8, 2026.



Guadalupanos Select New Officers

On Saturday, January 17, 2026 members of our Guadalupanos met to select new Officers. May our Lady of Guadalupe guide and strengthen them to be true servants of the Lord through Our Lady! We will be blessing the new leadership in the weeks to come!

The newly appointed officers are as follows: President- Ruben Mirelez
Vice President - Esther Macias
Secretary- Reyna Mirelez
Vice Secretary - Maria Zapata
Treasurer - Jennifer Gonzalez
Vice Treasurer- Rocio Lopez

**Time, Talent and Treasure Talk
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” MATTHEW 5:3

The phrase “poor in spirit”, can be confusing. Think of it in this sense poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthy things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.

4o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

“Bendecidos los pobres de espíritu, porque de ellos es el reino del cielo” MATEO 5:3

La frase “pobres de espíritu”, puede confundirnos. Piense de ella en este sentido, pobres de espíritu significa depender de la providencia de Dios y no de nuestra propia autosuficiencia. Desprendernos de las cosas terrenales (poder, dinero, y comodidad) y apegarnos a las cosas celestiales (caridad, sacrificio y misericordia). Negarnos a nosotros mismos la satisfacción de nuestros deseos y ayudar a otros a cubrir sus necesidades básicas.

This coming Tuesday, February 3rd is the Memorial of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr and St. Ansgar. We will have the traditional Blessing of the Throats at the 12:05 PM Mass. All are welcome!

May this week be filled with blessings and peace as we enter more deeply into the Ordinary Time of the Church's liturgical year. May we find the extraordinary in the people we encounter!

Peace,
Fr. Carlos

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

If you or someone you may know have forgotten any belongings in the Cathedral or gift shop, please reach out to us, as we have several unclaimed items. Be sure to check with the gift shop or Admin offices to see if any of these items belong to you.

On February 10th, any remaining items will be donated or handed over to SAPD.

Thank you.



SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Clergy, candidates for Ordination, employees, and volunteers are required to undergo a criminal background check. Additionally, three training modules must be completed including *Sexual Harassment*, *Protecting God's Children*, and *Vulnerable Adults*. A signed Code of Conduct is required. These must be renewed every three years.

Please visit www.virtus.org to register or to access your existing account. If you have any questions or concerns call the Office of Victim Assistance & Safe Environment (OVASE) at 210-734-7786 or the San Fernando Cathedral Business Office at 210-227-1297, ext. 129.

There are no exceptions to these requirements.



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

10:00 am to 5:00 PM

Thursday & Friday

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Saturday

10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM to 6:00 PM



Visit us today!



You are cordially invited to join us for the next St. Monica LOVESTRONG Marriage Retreat!

St Monica Catholic Church
Converse, TX
Feb 13-15, 2026

The purpose of the LOVESTRONG Marriage Ministry is simple: to strengthen the Christ centered love and relationships between married men and women. Strong marriages make strong families and strong families are the cornerstones of a vibrant and dynamic Catholic community.

More information and registration forms can be obtained on the website: LOVESTRONGMarriage.com or you can email us at clhaaland@att.net or contact us at 210-379-2031.



Spring '26 Kick-off Rally!

Sat., Feb. 14 (Valentine's Day, How sweet is that?)

2-3 p.m. Doors open at 1:45 p.m.

St. Matthew Parish Hall, 10703 Wurzbach Rd, 78230

Music, heart-shaped goodies, door prizes and inspiration for our hearts and souls!

Opening prayer: Fr. John Sweeney, Christ the Servant Church
Closing prayer: Bishop Gary Janak of Archdiocese of San Antonio

Inspirational talk: Mr. Michael Reimherr

Info: Cindi Serna, cindi@sacfl.org or 210-410-9424, 40daysforlife.com/sanantonio



"Let all that you do be done in love," 1Corinthians 16:14

RAFFLE TO HELP SAN FERNANDO CATHEDRAL

HEART of the
ARCHDIOCESE of
SAN ANTONIO.

Enter to win a
New Lexus
2026 NX 350

\$50 dollars
per ticket



Raffle tickets are available in the San Fernando Cathedral gift shop, parish office, and after Masses.

- Winner can choose the color of the Lexus.
- All fees including tax, title, and license plates are covered.
- Raffle drawing will be held on April 26, 2026.

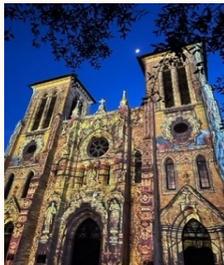
Support a Living Landmark

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!



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

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!



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



SECURE THE FUTURE OF

San Fernando Cathedral

The San Fernando Cathedral Endowment Fund is a permanent financial resource established to ensure the long-term preservation and vitality of one of the most treasured spiritual and historical landmarks in Texas. The earnings from this fund are dedicated to the preservation, restoration, improvement, maintenance, and enhancement of the cathedral church structure, associated parish buildings, and the programs and activities that extend the Cathedral's mission.

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 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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