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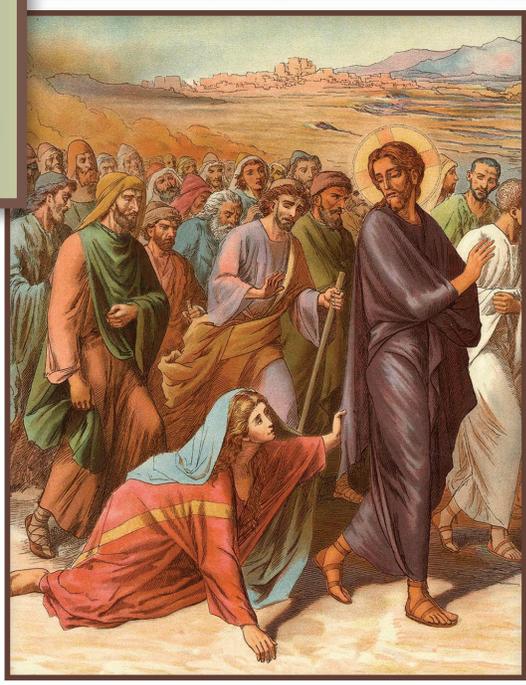
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## Parish Mission Statement

*Holy Family is a Catholic community that unites for prayer and communion so that we may grow in our Baptismal discipleship and share the good news of the Gospel*

Julio  
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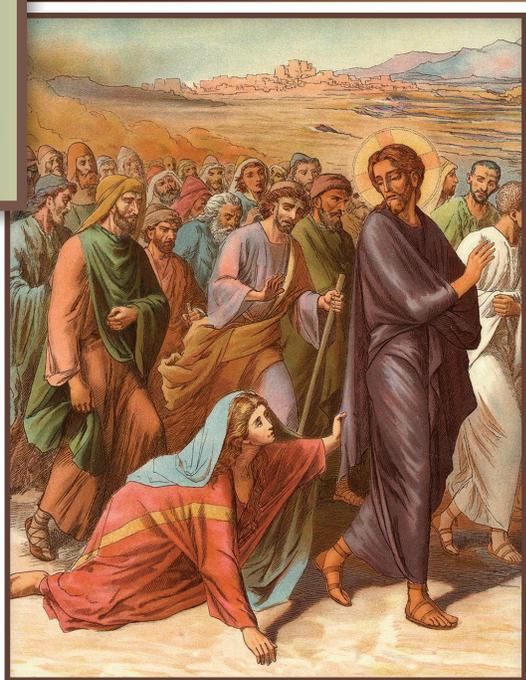
Jesús le dijo a la mujer: "Hija, tu fe te ha curado. Vete en paz y queda sana de tu enfermedad".

Marcos 5:34

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July  
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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to the woman, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."

Mark 5:34

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# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

## HOLY FAMILY

**Mailing Address:** P.O. Box 482, Van Alstyne

**Office:** 903-482-6322

**For a Priest:** 972-542-4667 ext102

**Emergency after hours:** 469-667-7324

**Web:** [www.holyfamily-vanalstyne.org](http://www.holyfamily-vanalstyne.org)

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**Fr Eugene Azorji, Pastoral Administrator**

**Fr Juan Carlos Marin, Parochial Vicar**

Deacon Pat Hayes

Mass Schedule/ Misa Dominical

Sunday: 9:00 am English, 12:00 pm Spanish

Thursday: 9:00 am Daily Mass

**NO 5:30 pm SPANISH MASS**

## SACRAMENTS

### Baptisms/ Bautizos

English: 2nd Sunday of each month

Bautizos: 1 er Domingo del mes

**Pre-Baptismal Class Registration:** Registrations required the Sunday before class begins.

Classes are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

**Parents:** bring copy of child's birth certificate. Both parents must attend class.

**Godparents:** Must be practicing Catholics. Copy of marriage certificate through the Catholic Church. Both Godparents must attend class.

*As a courtesy, please do not bring children to class.*

### Anointing of the Sick/ Uncion de los Enfermos

Please call the parish

### Confessions/Confesiones

Immediately following the 1st Mass - 30 minutes, Antes de la misa.

### Marriage/Matrimonio

Both must be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to planned wedding date.

### Holy Orders/ Vocaciones

Talk to your parish priest or call Fr Edwin Leonard, Vocations Director, 214-379-2860.

## St Michael the Archangel

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: Vigil Mass 5:00 pm English

Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:30 am English

Sunday: 9:30 am & 2:00 pm Spanish

**NO 7:00 pm SPANISH MASS**

### Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:00 am

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:30 pm

**Confessions:** Thursday: 6:00-7:00 pm  
Saturdays: 3:30 pm-4:30 pm

**Adoration:** Thursday 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

**First Friday** 8:30 am - 10:00 am  
Spanish Mass at 7:00 pm

**After Hours:** Sick Call or Funeral  
Requests: 469-667-7324

**Funerals:** Contact Valerie Stagaman  
972-542-4667 ext 114.

**Weddings:** Contact Brenda Rivera  
972-542-4667 ext: 102.

Six months prior to wedding date.



## JANIS HICKS

It is with deepest sadness we let you know of the passing of Ms Janis Hicks. She left this world on June 25th to reunite with her Savior Jesus Christ. May

she Rest In Peace.

Janis served the Lord and the people of Holy Family as the parish business manager and more since the earliest days of Holy Family Catholic Church. Her faith, love and dedication were evident to all who met her.

We ask for your prayers for her husband and family and that at this time of sorrow God may grant them peace.

Mass of the Resurrection was Saturday, June 30 at 2:00 pm in Holy Family, presided by Fr Arthur.

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — God did not make death, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living (Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24).

**Psalm** — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

**Second Reading** — Your abundance should supply the needs of the others (2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15).

**Gospel** — Your faith has saved you (Mark 5:21-43 [21-24, 35b-43]).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23;  
Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 10:24-29

Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7-13, 16bc-17;  
Mt 8:28-34 or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891

Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10;  
Mk 6:1-6a

## BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF PRAYER

*Please stop by and add names to be prayed for:*

Gary Don Moore, Barbara Heath, Andria Thomas, Joan Polus, Tom Owen, Ann Thomas, Chris Hayes, Anonymous, Randol Tylor, Jim Rountree, Eric Gonzales Family, Beverly Dyrack, Ted Cole.

Need your Holy Family parish event or announcement printed in the bulletin or placed on the parish website? Contact Nancy Watson at [webmaster@holyfamily-vanalstyne.org](mailto:webmaster@holyfamily-vanalstyne.org) or at 407-797-4801. Information for the bulletin should be submitted by the Friday one week before the publication date.

## LAW and GRACE

The relationship between law and grace is a central issue for almost anyone involved in religion. Basically, it is the creative tension between religion as requirements and religion as transformation. Is God's favor based on a performance principle (Law)? Or does religion work within an entirely different economy and equation? This is a necessary boxing match, but a match in which grace must win. When it doesn't, religion becomes moralistic, which is merely the ego's need for order and control. I am sorry to say, but this is most garden-variety religion. We must recover grace-oriented spirituality if we are to rebuild Christianity from the bottom up.

In Romans and Galatians, Paul gives us sophisticated studies of the meaning, purpose, and limitations of law. He says its function is just to get us started, but legalism too often takes over. Yet Paul's brilliant analysis has had little effect on the continued Christian idealization of law, even though he makes it very clear: Laws can only give us information; they cannot give us transformation (Romans 3:20; 7:7-13). Laws can give us very good boundaries, but boundary-keeping of itself is a long way from love.

Paul describes Israel as looking for a righteousness derived from the law and yet failing to achieve the purposes of the law. Why did they fail? Because they relied on being privately good instead of trusting in God for their goodness! In other words, they stumbled over the stumbling stone (see Romans 9:31-32). Law is a necessary stage, but if we stay there, Paul believes, it actually becomes a major obstacle to transformation into love and mercy. Law often frustrates the process of transformation by becoming an end in itself. It inoculates us from the real thing, which is always relationship. Paul says that God gave us the law to show us that we can't obey the law! (See Romans 7:7-13 if you don't believe me.) Paul even says that the written law brings death, and only the Spirit can bring life (Romans 7:5-6; 2 Corinthians 3:6). This man is truly radical, but it did not take churches long to domesticate him. We've treated Paul as if he were a moralist instead of the first-rate mystic and teacher that he is.

Ironically, until people have had some level of inner God experience, there is no point in asking them to follow Jesus' ethical ideals. It is largely a waste of time. Indeed, they will not be able to even understand the law's meaning and purpose. Religious requirements only become the source of deeper anxiety. Humans quite simply don't have the power to obey any spiritual law, especially issues like forgiveness of enemies, nonviolence, self-emptying, humble use of power, true justice toward the outsider, and so on, except in and through union with God. Or as Jesus put it, "the branch cut off from the vine is useless" (John 15:5).

Fr Richard Rohr, *Center for Action and Contemplation*

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During the American Revolution, the legal separation of the Thirteen Colonies from Great Britain in 1776 actually occurred on July 2, when the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution

of independence that had been proposed in June by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia declaring the United States independent from Great Britain rule. After voting for independence, Congress turned its attention to the Declaration of Independence, a statement explaining this decision, which had been prepared by a Committee of Five, with Thomas Jefferson as its principal author. Congress debated and revised the wording of the Declaration, finally approving it two days later on July 4. A day earlier, John Adams had written to his wife Abigail:

The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.

Adams's prediction was off by two days. From the outset, Americans celebrated independence on July 4, the date shown on the much-publicized Declaration of Independence, rather than on July 2, the date the resolution of independence was approved in a closed session of Congress.

Historians have long disputed whether members of Congress signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, even though Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin all later wrote that they had signed it on that day. Most historians have concluded that the Declaration was signed nearly a month after its adoption, on August 2, 1776, and not on July 4 as is commonly believed.

Coincidentally, both John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, the only signers of the Declaration of Independence later to serve as Presidents of the United States, **died on the same day: July 4, 1826**, which was the 50th anniversary of the Declaration. Although not a signer of the Declaration of Independence, James Monroe, another Founding Father who was elected as President, also died on July 4, 1831. He was the third President who died on the anniversary of independence. Calvin Coolidge, the 30th President, was born on July 4, 1872; so far he is the only U.S. President to have been born on Independence Day.

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Esta semana conmemoramos al apóstol santo Tomás, el cual es normalmente recordado por haber dudado de la resurrección de Jesucristo. La incredulidad de este santo es explicada en el Evangelio según san Juan (20:19-31) con la famosa frase: "Si no veo en sus manos la señal de los clavos y no meto mi dedo en el agujero de los clavos y no meto mi mano en su costado, no creeré."

Los latinos somos de culturas religiosas que consideran la incredulidad como algo pecaminoso y camino al ateísmo. Hay que aceptar que la duda es algo normal en el ser humano. Dudo que exista alguien que nunca haya dudado de su fe. Sólo al aceptar esta duda estaremos abiertos a la invitación de Jesús: "Acerca aquí tu dedo y mira mis manos; trae tu mano y métela en mi costado, y no seas incrédulo sino creyente." Santo Tomás aceptó esta invitación y llegó a su gran proclamación de fe: "Señor mío, y Dios mío". La duda no es mala, para muchos es el camino a una fe más profunda y a un compromiso mayor.

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes:** Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Sal 50 (49):16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22

**Martes:** Ef 2:19-22; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Jn 10:24-29

**Miércoles:** Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Sal 50 (49):7-13; Mt 8:28-34 o para el Día de la Independencia se pueden tomar las lecturas de las Misas para varias necesidades y ocasiones: Por la nación o por la paz y justicia

**Jueves:** Am 7:10-17; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Mt 9:1-8

**Viernes:** Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Sal 119 (118):2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13

**Sábado:** Am 9:11-15; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

**Domingo:** Ez 2:2-5; Sal 123 (122); 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mc 6:1-6a

## HUMOR

A father came home from a very bad day at work and said to his wife, "I've had a bad day. If you have any bad news keep it to yourself." She replied, "Fine, no bad news. Now for the good news: Three of our four children didn't break an arm today."

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As Independence Day draws near, we think of the men and women of the military who serve with courage and competence, some far from home. How does the Church accompany them? In 1939, Pope Pius XII created an independent jurisdiction of the Catholic Church called the "Military Vicariate." In 1985 Pope John Paul II created the "Archdiocese for Military Services, USA." Spanning the globe and serving nearly one and a half million Roman Catholics, more than one thousand priests minister in hospitals, on military bases of all the armed forces, on ships at sea, and on the battlefield. The AMS does not ordain priests, but accepts priests on loan from religious orders and dioceses.

In 1824 a Jesuit priest named Adam Marshall enlisted in the Navy and died at sea in 1825. He was assigned as a "schoolmaster," but he sought out and ministered to Catholic sailors. Twenty years later, President Polk was worried that the war with Mexico was seen as anti-Catholic, so he recruited two Jesuit priests to serve in the army as chaplains. At the time of the Civil War, only about ten percent of Americans were Catholic. Military policies forced Catholic soldiers to attend Protestant services. The Church protested this rule, and many priests volunteered to become chaplains. Their witness and the courage of the "Nuns of the Battlefield" (several orders of sisters who assisted Civil War victims) helped temper prejudice against Catholics and pave the way for the life and ministry of this vigorous and unique archdiocese.



**Today's readings talk about the hardness of heart of God's people and their lack of faith. What is the soil of our heart like? Open your heart to God and allow him to transform your life and your marriage. Sign up today to attend the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.**

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is August 10-12 (Lewisville) or July 21-22 in Lindsay TX (Couples must find overnight accommodations)

To apply for a weekend, go to: <http://www.dfwme.org/apply>.  
For questions please email [apply@dfwme.org](mailto:apply@dfwme.org) or call 469-444-0904.  
Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [emmdfw@gmail.com](mailto:emmdfw@gmail.com) o visite <http://www.emmseccion21.org/>



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## FE ES CREER

Poner nuestra fe y confianza en Dios, a quien no podemos ver, no siempre es fácil. Nos preguntamos por qué el sufrimiento existe y preguntamos cuál es el sentido de la vida y nuestro propósito en el mundo. Nos preguntamos si Dios está realmente presente durante las circunstancias más desafiantes de nuestra vida; algunas veces experimentamos un desierto espiritual, en el que Dios parece estar distante o ausente. Otras veces, nos podemos sentir fuertes en la fe, hasta que una situación en la casa o el trabajo requiere de nosotros actuar como una persona de fe, y de repente la fe ya no es algo fácil, conveniente o cómoda. Estos momentos son tan comunes que hablamos de hacer "un salto de fe", cuando lo que hacemos lo hacemos por fe, aun cuando el resultado de hacerlo es incierto. Ese salto a menudo es un punto de inflexión a nuestras vidas, pues encontramos fortaleza, sanación y paz al poner nuestras cargas y ansiedades con confianza en Dios. San Agustín dijo "la fe es creer aquello que no ves. El resultado de esta fe es ver aquello que crees".

## HUMOR

*Ever since my brother was very young, Mother has tried to get him to clean his room or at least make the bed - usually to no avail. When he was preparing for college, he knew his departure was upsetting her, so he took the time to tidy up the bed. To his surprise, Mom became even more emotional, "Look," she said tearfully, he's just like a stranger already."*