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CATHOLIC CHURCH

MISSION STATEMENT

*Proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ
to love and serve God and neighbor.*



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Office Hours | *Horario de la Oficina*: Monday-Friday | *Lunes-Viernes* 8:00 am-5:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE/HORARIO DE MISAS

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri./Lun., Mier., Juev., Vier. 8:00 am

Saturday Vigil/Sabado Vigilia 4:00 pm

Sunday /Domingo 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm (Español)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & DEVOTION

First Friday of the month 8:30 am-8:00 pm

All other Fridays of the month 8:30 am-5:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESIONES

Saturday/Sabado 2:30 pm-3:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Arrangements for celebrating baptism must be made with the clergy. Please call the Parish office to schedule an appointment to discuss arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

As you plan your marriage, we welcome you as Christ welcomes you, with understanding, love, and acceptance, to challenge you with the gospel message, and give you hope that a lifelong commitment is possible. Please call the parish office to set up wedding arrangements.

PARISH STAFF/PERSONAL PARROQUIAL

Pastor: Rev. Benjamin Hembrom, TOR

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Ignatius Hembrom, TOR

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday April 30, 2023 — Domingo 30, de Abril, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS | INTENCIONES

Monday/Lunes | 5/1/2023

Monday of the Fourth Sunday Week of Easter

[Acts 11:1-18 / Jn 10:11-18](#)

8:00 AM Mass ☩ Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday/Martes | 5/2/2023

Memorial of Saint Athanasios,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church

[Acts 11:19-26 / Jn 10:22-30](#)

Wednesday/Miércoles | 5/3/2023

Feast of Saints Philip and James Apostles

[1Cor 15:1-8 / Jn 14:6-14](#)

Thursday/Jueves | 5/4/2023

Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter

[Acts 13:13-25 / Jn 13:16-20](#)

Friday/Viernes | 5/5/2023

Friday of the Fourth Week of Easter

[Acts 13:26-33 / Jn 14:1-6](#)

☩ Fr. Nguyen H Chi

8:00 AM Mass ☩ Enriqueta Vasquez

☩ Marcial Gonzales

Saturday – Sunday | Sabado – Domingo

5/6/2023 – 5/7/2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

[Acts 6:1-7 / 1Pt 2:4-9 / Jn 14:1-12](#)

☩ Timothy Ruiz

4:00 PM Mass ☩ Fr. Eugenius Gallagher SHSP

☩ Freddie Clemons

8:00 AM Mass ☩ Tracy Horn

☩ Bernard Wahle Family

10:00 AM Mass ☩ Theresa Lavan

☩ Teofila Castaneda

12:00 PM Misa Luz Najera Kenny – Birthday

SANCTUARY CANDLE



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Special Intention: Spiritual Healing of
Marco Ramos

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for our
brothers and sisters
who have fallen ill.

Pat McWilliams
Stanley Krenek
Kathy Perry



Oremos por nuestros
hermanos y hermanas
que están enfermos.

Mary Ann Krivanek
Helen Sieja
Martha Castillo

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday, April 22, 4:00 PM	239
Sunday, April 23, 8:00 AM	210
Sunday, April 23, 10:00 AM	540
Sunday, April 23, 12:00 PM	460
Total for April 22-23	1,449

WEEKLY OFFERING

April 22 & 23, 2023

	Collections	Online Giving
All Masses	\$8,580	\$6,007
Holy Land	\$295	
Children's	\$346	
Maintenance	\$297	\$20
Other	\$184	\$70
Total	\$9,702	\$6,097
Give and Grow	\$116	

UPCOMING EVENTS

VBS VOLUNTEER MEETING—Sunday, May 7, 11:15 am in the education building. Call Shelly Hearne with questions: 817-205-2240.

REUNIÓN DE VOLUNTARIOS DE LA VBS: El domingo 7 de mayo, 11:15 am en el edificio de educación. Llame a Shelly Hearne si tiene alguna pregunta: 817-205-2240.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS—Thursday, May 11, 7:00 PM, Religious Ed Building, Class taught by Jim & Cindy Kryst.

CLASE de PREPARACIÓN de BAUTISMO—Jueves 11 de Mayo, 7:00 pm. Edificio de RE; Los maestros son Jim & Cindy Kryst

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE MEETINGS - Meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Religious Education building. **LA SOCIEDAD DE SAN VICENTE DE PAÚL**, Se reúnen el primer martes de cada mes a las 7 pm en el edificio de Educación Religiosa.

WINGS OF HOPE support group meets on the third Thursday of the month in room 101 in the religious education building from 5:30-6:30 pm.

EL GRUPO DE APOYO WINGS OF HOPE se reúne el tercer jueves del mes en el salón 101 del edificio de educación religiosa a las 5:30-6:30 pm.

REASON TO BELIEVE 2023 will meet on the 3rd Wednesday in the parish hall from 7-8:30 pm. Download the book, *Door to Heaven*, for free or order on the website www.youshallbelieve.com.

RAZON PARA CREER continuarán el 3er miércoles de 7:00 a 8:30 pm en el salón parroquial. Puede descargar su libro, *Door to Heaven*, de forma gratuita o pedir en la cede web www.youshallbelieve.com.

PRESBYTERIAN NIGHT SHELTER sandwich making ministry meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 11:00 am in the parish hall.

El ministerio de preparación de sándwiches PRESBYTERIAN NIGHT SHELTER se reúne el 4to martes de cada mes a las 11:00 am en el salón parroquial.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the parish hall.

La reunión mensual de la **ORGANIZACIÓN DE MUJERES** es el cuarto martes a las 6:30 pm en el salón parroquial.

Join us for **COFFEE AND DONUTS** after all Masses on Sunday in the parish hall.

Vengan a estar con nosotros para tomar **CAFÉ Y DONUTS** después de todas las misas del Domingo en el salón parroquial.

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND COMFORT

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, You are my shepherd, and I am your beloved sheep. You guide me through the ups and downs of life, and I trust in your loving care. You provide for me in every way. You quench my thirst with your living water, and you restore my soul when I am weary.

When I encounter problems in life, I do not fear, for you are with me. You provide comfort and protection, and your presence brings me peace. When I am facing difficulties, you provide solutions for me. You bless me and draw me closer to you. Thank you for your unfailing love and faithfulness. May I continue to follow you all the days of my life, and may your name be praised forevermore. Amen.

ORACION: Padre celestial, Tú eres mi pastor, y yo soy tu amada oveja. Me guías a través de los altibajos de la vida, y confío en tu cuidado amoroso. Tú me provees en todos los sentidos. Sacias mi sed con tu agua viva, y restauras mi alma cuando estoy cansado.

Cuando encuentro problemas en la vida, no temo, porque tú estás conmigo. Tú proporcionas consuelo y protección, y tu presencia me trae paz. Cuando me enfrento a dificultades, me das soluciones. Me bendices y me acercas a ti. Gracias por su amor y fidelidad infalibles. Que pueda seguir siguiéndote todos los días de mi vida, y que tu nombre sea alabado para siempre. Amén.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"And Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...'" ACTS 2:38

The word "repent" means to turn from sin - to change our thoughts, words, and actions. Change that is permanent comes from within - a transformation or conversion of the heart. This requires prayer, discipline, and perseverance. Change is hard. The first step is recognizing that we are broken and that we need God's help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.

"Y Pedro les dijo, 'Arrepiéntanse y sean bautizados cada uno de ustedes en el nombre de Jesucristo ...'" HECHOS 2:38

La Palabra "arrepentirse" significa alejarse del pecado - cambiar nuestros pensamientos, palabras y obras. Cuando el cambio es permanente viene desde adentro - es una transformación o conversión de corazón. Requiere oración, disciplina y perseverancia. Cambiar es difícil. El primer paso es reconocer que estamos destrozados y que necesitamos la ayuda de Dios. La buena noticia, es que no estamos solos en nuestro viaje. Pídele a Jesús todos los días que nos guíe y escuche pacientemente su respuesta.



GALA

The 2nd Annual Gala will be held on Saturday, May 6th from 6-9:30 pm at National Hall, 3316 Roberts Cut-Off. Dinner will be served from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Fellowship and Socializing will continue until 9:30pm. Tickets go on sale April 15th/16th and April 29th/30th in the Narthex. \$35 per person \$60 per couple.

La 2da Gala Anual se llevará a cabo el sábado el 6 de mayo de 6-9:30 pm en National Hall, 3316 Roberts Cut-Off. La cena se servirá de 6:30pm a 7:30pm. El compañerismo y la socialización continuarán hasta las 9:30 pm. Las entradas saldrán a la venta el 15 hasta el 16 de abril y del 29 al 30 de abril en el Narthex. \$35 por persona \$60 por pareja.



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Lord, we praise you and give you glory,
as you guide us to share your good news.
Thank you for your abundant blessings.

Help us to grow together in faith
and bind us as one family.

Make us a community of love and a home to all.
St. Thomas, as you overcame your doubts, guide us
to overcome our trials and lead us to our
Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.
Amen.



IGLESIA CATÓLICA SANTO TOMÁS APÓSTOL
Una campaña de la Fundación Advancement

Señor, te alabamos y te glorificamos, mientras nos
guías para compartir tu buena nueva.
Gracias por tus abundantes bendiciones.
Ayúdanos a crecer juntos en la fe y
únenos como una sola familia.
Haz de nosotros una comunidad
de amor y un hogar para todos.
Santo Tomás, al supercar tus dudas,
Guíanos para superar nuestras pruebas
y condúcenos a Jesús Resucitado.
Amen



SEMINARIAN NEWS

Please pray for the following deacons on their upcoming ordination to the priesthood: Deacon Brandon Edward LeClair, Deacon Austin Travis Hoodenpyle, and Deacon Randolph Edward Hopkins, Jr. Ordination will take place on Saturday, May 20th at 10:00 am at St. Patrick Cathedral, FW.

Por favor, recemos por los siguientes diáconos en su próxima ordenación al sacerdocio: Diácono Brandon Edward LeClair, Diácono Austin Travis Hoodenpyle y Diácono Randolph Edward Hopkins, Jr. La ordenación tendrá lugar el sábado 20 de mayo a las 10:00 am en la Catedral de San Patricio, FW.

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE ACTUALIZACION FINANCIERA DE LA PARROQUIA

3RD QUARTER FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE 3ER CUARTO FISCAL DEL AÑO A LA FECHA 7-1-22 TO/A 3-31-23

Revenue/Ingresos	\$869,728
Capital Campaign Revenue/ Ingresos de la Campaña Capital	\$186,200
Total Expenses/ Total de Gastos	(\$759,021)
NET INCOME/INGRESO NETO	\$296,907

MORTGAGE DEBT REPAYMENT/ REEMBOLSO DE PAGO

Mortgage Balance as of/Salado hasta las fechas	
6/30/2022	\$3,232,254
3/31/2023	\$2,840,186

*Congratulations to
Brianna Zamora
On Making Her
Quinceañera
April 22, 2023*



**FOURTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER**

We surely are fortunate to belong to the sheepfold of Christ – his Church. We surely are blessed to have the Son of God as our Shepherd, who came among us in order to lead us to heaven. Do we fully appreciate our privileged position? Do we always live up to our heavenly vocation? We know his voice, we know what he asks of us, but do we always listen to that voice, do we always do what he asks of us?

There are many among us today who foolishly think they need no shepherd. They think they know all the facts of life while they are in total ignorance of the most basic fact of all, namely, the very purpose of life. Not that the thought of it does not arise disturbingly before their minds time and time again. But they try to smother that thought and ease their consciences by immersing themselves deeper and deeper in the affairs and the passing pleasures of this temporary life. Alas for them, a day of reckoning lies ahead, a day that is much nearer than they would like to believe. What will be their fate when they meet Christ the Judge, whom they had refused to follow and acknowledge during their days on earth?

This is a misfortune that could happen to any one of us unless we think often of our purpose and our end in life. We have a few short years, but short though they be, we can earn for ourselves an eternity of happiness during this life. Let the straying sheep boast of their false freedom and of the passing joys they may get in this life – this freedom and these joys are mixed with much sorrow and will end very soon. We know that if we follow the shepherd of our souls, we are on the way to the true life, the perfect life, the unending life which will have no admixture of sorrow, regret, or pain. Where Christ is, there perfect happiness is, and there with God's grace we hope and trust to be.



**CUARTO DOMINGO
DE PASCUA**

Seguramente somos afortunados de pertenecer al rebaño de Cristo, su Iglesia. Ciertamente tenemos la bendición de tener al Hijo de Dios como nuestro Pastor, que vino entre nosotros para guiarnos al cielo. ¿Apreciamos plenamente nuestra posición privilegiada? ¿Vivimos siempre a la altura de nuestra vocación celestial? Conocemos su voz, sabemos lo que nos pide, pero ¿siempre escuchamos esa voz, siempre hacemos lo que nos pide?

Hay muchos entre nosotros hoy que tontamente piensan que no necesitan un pastor. Ellos piensan que conocen todos los hechos de la vida mientras están en total ignorancia del hecho más básico de todos, a saber, el propósito mismo de la vida. No es que el pensamiento de ello no surja perturbadamente ante sus mentes una y otra vez. Pero tratan de disminuir ese pensamiento y aliviar sus conciencias sumergiéndose más y más profundamente en los asuntos y los placeres pasajeros de esta vida temporal. Por desgracia para ellos, un día de ajuste de cuentas está por delante, un día que está mucho más cerca de lo que les gustaría creer. ¿Cuál será su destino cuando se encuentren con Cristo el Juez, a quien se habían negado a seguir y reconocerlo durante sus días en la tierra?

Esta es una desgracia que podría sucederle a cualquiera de nosotros, a menos que pensemos a menudo en nuestro propósito y nuestro final en la vida. Tenemos unos pocos cortos años, pero por cortos que sean, podemos ganar para nosotros mismos una eternidad de felicidad durante esta vida. Dejen que las ovejas extraviadas se enorgullecen de su falsa libertad y de las alegrías pasajeras que pueden obtener en esta vida; esta libertad y estas alegrías se mezclan con mucha tristeza, y terminarán muy pronto. Sabemos que si seguimos al pastor de nuestras almas, estamos en el camino hacia la vida verdadera, la vida perfecta, la vida interminable que no tendrá mezcla de tristeza, arrepentimiento o dolor. Donde está Cristo, allí está la felicidad perfecta, y allí con la gracia de Dios esperamos y confiamos en estar.

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