

Happy New Year

Happy New Year! ¡Feliz Año Nuevo!

From Fr. Jesse and OLSS Staff!

Altar Flowers

We have the 2022 Altar Flowers calendar open. Anyone wishing to honor a deceased loved one, someone's birthday or anniversary with the altar flowers please come by the office. The cost for both arrangements is \$120.00.

Flores del Altar

Tenemos abierto el calendario de Flores del Altar 2022. Cualquiera que desee honrar a un ser querido fallecido, un cumpleaños o aniversario de alguien con las flores del altar, por favor venga a la oficina. El costo de ambos arreglos es de \$120.00.

Why Gold, Frankincense & Myrrh?

Gold, frankincense and myrrh were the gifts presented to Baby Jesus by the 3 kings, but why these gifts? These gifts symbolize Jesus as king, priest and man. Gold was the usual offering presented to kings by their subjects, or those wanting to pay respect. Frankincense is highly fragrant when burned, and was, therefore, used in worship, where it was burned as a pleasant offering to God. Myrrh was brought as a gift to acknowledge the human suffering that Jesus partook of when He came into our world. Frankincense and myrrh are fragrant gum resin obtained from oriental trees found only in Oman, Yemen, and East Africa. The resin exude as juices that harden to form teardrops when incisions are made in the trunk of the trees and resins are exposed to the air.



¿Porque Oro, Incienso y Mirra?

Oro, incienso y mirra fueron los regalos que los tres reyes magos presentaron al niño Jesús...pero que significan? Estos regalos presentaban a Jesús como rey, sacerdote y hombre. El oro era un metal precioso normalmente presentado a los reyes por sus seguidores o por alguien ofreciendo respeto. El incienso era usado para significar adoración y se quemaba como una ofrenda grata a Dios. La mirra, que era amarga, representaba el sufrimiento humano que Jesús padecería al estar en este mundo. El incienso y la mirra provienen de árboles orientales que se encuentran en Omán, Yemen y Este de África. El resino sale como un líquido que se endurece y forma gotas cuando se le hacen incisiones al tronco de un árbol y el resino es expuesto al aire.

We offer our condolences to the families of †Jose Santos Zamora and †Jose Sosa Garcia who recently passed away. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Our Lady Star of the Sea - Charity Fund Collection

This weekend we will be having a second collection for the Charity Fund. It will be used to help the people in our community that are in need of assistance. Please be generous with your donation. Thank you!

Nuestra Señora Estrella del Mar-Fondo de Caridad Colecta

Este fin de semana tendremos una segunda colecta para el Fondo de Caridad. Se utilizará para ayudar a la gente de nuestra comunidad que necesitan asistencia. Por favor sean generosos con su donación. ¡Gracias!

CHARITY ACCOUNT EXPENSES IN DECEMBER 2021

Family Personal Expenses (Lost job, illness, etc.)	\$300.00
Utility Bills (electric, water, gas)	\$1,346.57
Charitable Contributions	\$424.68
Total:	\$2,071.25

We would like to thank everyone for your generous donations.

The week of January 10-14, there will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Vespers, Benediction or Mass, as our priest will be attending the annual Diocesan Priest Retreat. Let us pray for our priests.



La semana del 10 al 14 de enero, no habrá Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento, Confesiones, Vísperas, Bendición o Misa, ya que nuestro sacerdote asistirá a su Retiro Anual de Sacerdotes Diocesanos. Recemos por nuestros sacerdotes.

Offertory Envelopes

Offering Envelopes

The offertory envelopes are in, located in the front of the church, please pick them up. If you need to update your information please come by the office to make your changes. New parishioners, please come by the office if you wish to register.



Sobres de Ofrenda

Los sobres de ofrenda ya llegaron, y los encontrara al frente de la iglesia, por favor recójalos. Si necesita actualizar su información, por favor vengan a la oficina para hacer los cambios. Cualquier nuevo parroquiano, por favor vengan por la oficina para registrarse.

Mass Schedule ~~ Horario de las Misas

Saturday—January 1, 2022

The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord;

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

11:00am †Rodolfo Carrillo, Jr. & †Sofia V. Carrillo

The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

5:00pm †Guadalupe & †Nicolas Cuellar

7:00pm Mass at Laguna Heights Mission

La Comunidad de Feligreses

Sunday—January 2

Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am †Jesusa de la Garza & †Manuela S. Vela

10:00am †Maria de Jesus Troncoso

12:00pm †Jesus R. Garza, Sr.

Monday—January 3

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

6:00pm **NO MASS**

Tuesday—January 4

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

6:00pm Maribel Bennett (Health)

Wednesday—January 5

Saint John Neumann, Bishop

6:00pm †Viola B. Guillot

Thursday—January 6

Saint André Bessette, Religious

6:00pm †Rev. Charles H. Downing

Friday—January 7

Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

7:30am †Ramon G. Camacho

Saturday—January 8

8:00am Misa de Vigilia de la Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor

5:00pm Vigil Mass of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

7:00pm Mass at Laguna Heights Mission

Misa de Vigilia de la Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor



The Epiphany of the Lord

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

— Isaiah 60:1

La Epifanía del Señor

Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén,
porque ha llegado tu luz
y la gloria del Señor alborea sobre ti.

— Isaías 60:1

JOURNEY TOWARD GOD

In our celebration of the Epiphany, two interwoven themes are present in the readings today. God is beginning something new, and God gathers all of humanity to participate. For Isaiah, God's bright light, manifested in the people of Israel, attracts and summons people from many nations to Jerusalem. In the letter to the Ephesians, God's grace makes the Gentiles co-heirs and co-partners in the gospel. Matthew tells the story of the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel through the birth of Jesus, and simultaneously leading foreigners to share in these same promises. With the birth of Jesus, God chose a particular people, in a particular time and place, to enter most directly into the human story. Today's readings teach that God did this in order to gather all people, all cultures, into unity with God. Like the magi, we are drawn into a journey toward God, becoming co-partners in God's work. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

CAMINO HACIA DIOS

En nuestra celebración de la Epifanía, dos temas entrelazados están presentes en las lecturas de hoy. Dios está comenzando algo nuevo, y Dios reúne a toda la humanidad a participar. Para Isaías, la luz brillante de Dios, manifestada en el pueblo de Israel, atrae y convoca a personas de muchas naciones a Jerusalén. En la carta a los efesios, la gracia de Dios hace a los gentiles coherederos y en el Evangelio de Mateo los hace coparticipes. Mateo cuenta la historia del cumplimiento de las promesas de Dios a Israel por medio del nacimiento de Jesús, y simultáneamente guiando a los extranjeros a compartir esas mismas promesas. Con el nacimiento de Jesús, Dios eligió a un pueblo determinado, en un tiempo y lugares específicos, para entrar directamente en la historia de la humanidad. Las lecturas de hoy enseñan que Dios lo hizo para reunir a todos los pueblos, a todas las culturas, en la unidad con Dios. Al igual que los magos, estamos siendo llevados a un viaje hacia Dios, convirtiéndonos en coparticipes de la obra de Dios. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Sal 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Martes: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4, 7-8; Mc 6:34-44

Miércoles: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 10, 12-13; Mc 6:45-52

Jueves: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lc 4:14-22a

Viernes: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147:12-15, 19-20; Lc 5:12-16

Sábado: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Domingo: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Sal 29 (28):1-4, 3, 9-10 o Sal 104 (103):1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Hch 10:34-38 o Tit 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lc 3:15-16, 21-22



THE LORD IS
My Shepherd
I SHALL NOT WANT

Stewardship Passage: "...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." (MATTHEW 2:11)

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.

For online giving options, please visit our website at:
www.olsstx.org.

5pm mass Christmas Eve	\$3,216.38
12am Midnight mass	\$511.00
10am mass Christmas Day	\$2,074.26
7pm mass L.H. Mission	\$106.75
5pm mass	\$897.00
8am mass	\$660.00
10am mass	\$4,177.10
12pm mass	\$662.06
Total	\$12,304.55
Cathedraticum	(\$1,415.02)
Final Collection	\$10,889.53
Faith Formation Collection	\$871.14

God bless you for your generosity!
¡Dios te bendiga por tu generosidad!



EVENTS & MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

EVENTOS Y REUNIONES DE LA SEMANA

Sunday (domingo)	January 2
No Scheduled Events	
Monday (lunes)	January 3
7:00pm Faith and Fellowship Talk Gathering	
Tuesday (martes)	January 4
6:00pm Adult Faith Sharing Gathering	
7:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting	
Wednesday (miércoles)	January 5
3:15pm CCE 3rd.—5th. Grade	
5:30pm CCE Jr. High (6th., 7th. & 8th. Grades)	
6:00pm CCE High School (9th., 10th, 11th. & 12th. Grades)	
Thursday (jueves)	January 6
8:00pm AA Meeting	
Friday (viernes)	January 7
No Scheduled Events	
Saturday (sábado)	January 8
No Scheduled Events	

Mass Schedule (Horario de Misas)

Weekday Masses (Misas entre semana)

Monday (lunes)	(S)	NO Mass
Tuesday (martes)	(E)	6:00 pm
Wednesday (miércoles)	(S)	6:00 pm
Thursday (jueves)	(E)	6:00 pm
Friday (viernes)	(E)	7:30 am

Weekend Masses (Misas en fin de semana)

Saturday (sábado)	(S) 8:00 am (E) 5:00 pm
	(S) 7:00 pm Laguna Heights
Sunday (domingo)	(S) 8:00 am (E) 10:00 am (B) 12:00 pm



24 Hour Prayer Line for the Sick:

24 hours, 24 people praying; List changes every other week.
Cadena de Oración para los enfermos:
24 horas, 24 personas rezando. Una vez por semana.
Call the church office (hable a la oficina) at 943-1297

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #2569

Anyone wishing to become a member, please contact.:
Mayra Trujillo Cruz at 956-459-5531

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas (JCDA) #2569

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas (JCDA) for girls ages 6-18.
For membership, call Alicia Baldovinos 956-433-1211.

Knight's of Columbus-Council 4779

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church

For membership information, please contact one of the council members:
Bennie Ochoa 956-943-2520 or Juan Rivera 956-943-4903

Alcoholics Anonymous

Open meeting on Thursday's from 8:00pm to 9:00pm.
At the Parish Hall. For more information call 1-888-880-9718.

Al-Anon Family Group

Port Isabel AFG (Group #13453) St. Andrews Church, N. Shore Drive
Meets every Tuesday at 8:00 pm. Phone: 956-943-1962

Friendship of Women, Inc.

Crisis Hotline: 956-544-7412 or www.fowinc.com

¡Clases de Ciudadania!

Clases en Proyecto Juan Diego

2216 Eduardo Ave., Brownsville, TX 78526
Inglés (Avanzados) Martes 1pm-2pm & (Nuevo Ingreso) 2:30pm-3:30pm
Español: (Avanzados) Miércoles 1pm-2pm & (Nuevo Ingreso)
2:30pm-3:30pm

Clases en Cunningham Manor Apartments (Oficina)

2835 Rockwell Dr., Brownsville, TX 78521
Inglés: Martes 7pm-8:30pm Español: Miércoles 7pm-8:30pm

Para mayor información comunicarse con **PROYECTO JUAN DIEGO**
a los teléfonos: 956-542-2488 o 956-542-2334

THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN SPONSOR:

The Dentist

Emma L. Gavito, D.D.S.