Guardian Angel Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: January 16

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mass: 6:30 pm
Sunday Masses: 9:30 am
11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday Mass: 1st & 3rd 9:00 am
2nd & 4th 11:00 am
Friday Mass: 9:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration: Following Friday 9:00 am Mass until 10:30 am

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION:

Baptism: Please pick up guidelines & form in the Parish Office.

Marriage: Contact pastor at least six months prior to the wedding.

Confession: Friday 9:30 am during Eucharistic Holy Hour.
Saturday 6:15 pm or by Appointment

Weekly Mass Schedule

Sat,, Jan 15	6:30 pm	Bohumil & Anastasia Barta; Dempsey Brast+ (Family)
Sun, Jan 16	9:30 am	Parish Family
	11:00 am	Larry Witte+ (Patty Witte)
Mon., Jan. 17 & Tues, Jan. 18 - No Mass		
Wed, Jan. 19	9:00 am	Charlie & Louise Prokop; Maggie Lowman+ (Family)
Thurs, Jan. 20 - No Mass		
Fri., Jan. 21	9:00 am	Hattie Marie Stepczyk+ (Charlene Marek)
Sat,, Jan 22	6:30 pm	Albert Zajicek+ (James & Lisa Nicholson)
Sun, Jan 23	9:30 am	Joe Dusek+ (Jo Ann Demny)
	11:00 am	Parish Family

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Please Pray for the Soul & Family of ALVIN J. MAREK
Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

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THOSE at HOME, in SENIOR SERVICES, NURSING HOMES & ASSISTED LIVING

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To make arrangements for a blanket, contact: Tommy Hammermiller 979-478-6307

"When they reach their destination, the Maji kneel down and worship the Baby. The journey of faith finds renewed strength only when it is made in God's presence. Let's not forget to spend time in adoration of the Eucharist, and allow ourselves to be transformed by Jesus.."
~ Pope Francis

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: January 16

That we open our hearts and allow the Holy Spirit to work through us the way God intended.

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."
1 Corinthians 12:7

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

GUARDIAN ANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH
Pre-Baptismal Classes---For Infants
SUNDAYS: January 23, 2022; April 24, 2022; July 24, 2022
Classes will begin at 2:00 pm at the White House located at 5627 Demel Street.
CALL 979-478-6532 for REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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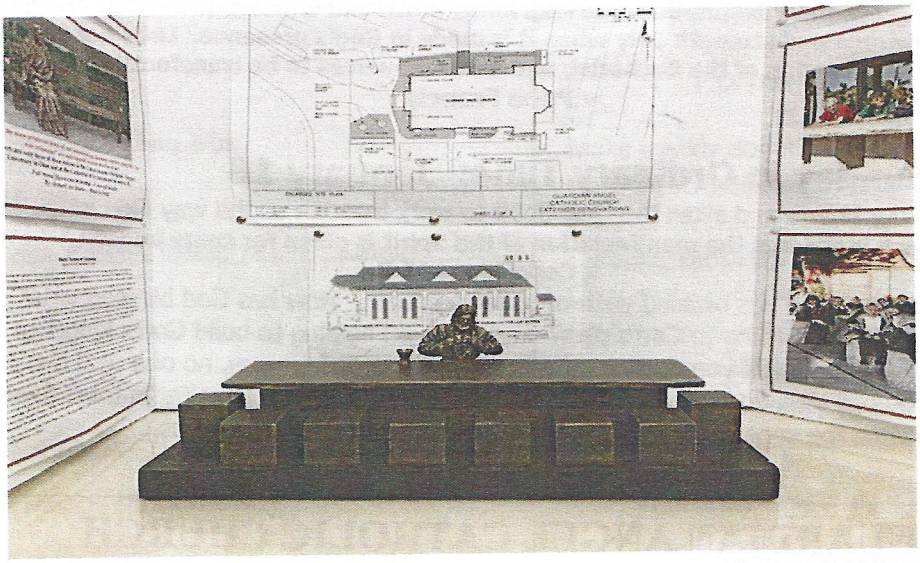
State Memorial Scholarship Application 2022

Those eligible to apply are graduating seniors in accredited high schools who are related to living CDA members in good standing and/or who are members of JCDA.

Students may get an application from their school counselor at Brazos High and Foster High; Churchill Fulshear High; Guardian Angel Parish Office, texascda.org or contact Dorothy Bodle, 832-259-1917; addabodle@att.net
ALL APPLICATIONS AND ESSAYS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 31, 2022.
ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SIGNED BY: Regent Candy Russell

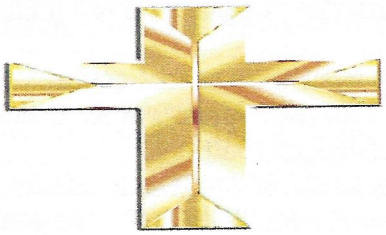
CONFIRMATION CLASSES
(Spring Semester)
1/19, 2/2, 2/16, 3/2, 3/23, 4/6, 4/20

LIFE TEEN CLASSES
(Spring Semester)
1/26, 2/9, 2/23, 3/9, 3/30, 4/13



UNDER CONSTRUCTION!

The construction for the prayer garden and on the church grounds have begun. The work will be in phases over a six-to-eight-week period (weather permitting). We are sorry for any inconvenience!



Jesus showed us the dignity of labor. He was known as the carpenter's son, and he willingly worked with the tools of his trade. Through the labor of our hands, we bring God's blessing upon ourselves and others. Let us pray for all who will work here and for those who share the fruit of their labor.

CFF Corner

Sunday, January 9, 2022

Pre-Kindergarten	**Jesus is Baptized**
Kindergarten	**God chooses Mary; Reviewed prayers**
First Grade	**Jesus Grew Up in a Family**
Second Grade	**Bingo "Important Terms"**
Third Grade	**The Parish is our Home**
Fourth Grade	**The Fourth Commandment**
Fifth Grade	**We Turn to God**

Wednesday; January 12, 2022

Sixth Grade	**Chapter 15 – A Divided Kingdom; Reviewed prayers**
Seventh Grade	**Seven Sacraments; Mysteries of the Rosary; Ten Commandments and how they all relate**
Eighth Grade	**Chapter 13 – Keeping Faith in a Changing World; Reviewed prayers**

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January & February 2022 CFF Class Schedule

Sunday Classes – January 16, 23, 30 February 6, 13, 20, 27
Wednesday Classes – January 19, 26 February 2, 9, 16, 23

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Thank you!

A special thank you to the Life Teen students, Parents, and Ladies of Guardian Angel that volunteered their time taking down the Christmas decorations from the church. Your help was sincerely appreciated!

Guardian Angel Catholic Church
OUT-OF-SEQUENCE CLASS CALENDAR DATES
6:45 pm - 8:00 pm TUESDAY EVENINGS
5th Grade Room - #3
January 18, 25, 2022
February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2022
March 1, 8, 22, 29, 2022
April 7, 12, 19, 26, 2022
May 3, 10, 2022

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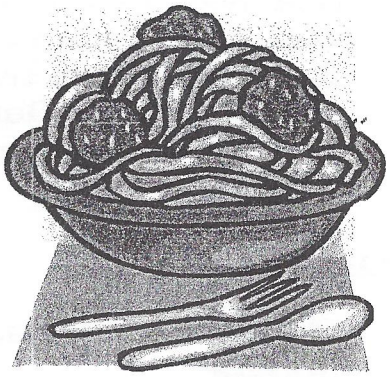

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2022

10:30 am to 1:00 pm

DRIVE THRU OR DINE-IN

PARISH HALL

GUARDIAN ANGEL CHURCH

5610 DEMEL STREET

WALLIS, TEXAS 77485

$10.00 plate includes: spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, green beans, garlic bread

Ben's Chuck Wagon

Presale Tickets Available-----Call 832-259-1917

CHEESE ROLLS $15.00 will also be available to order

RAFFLE DRAWING 1:00 PM

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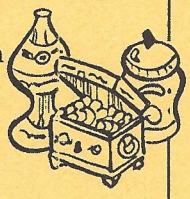
January 2022

Guardian Angel Church

Fr. Thuy Quang Nguyen

One Minute Meditations

Laying our gifts at the feet of the King



The three Wise Men gave Jesus gifts worthy of a king. We can also present Him with our own royal gifts. While ours may not be actual gold, frankincense, and myrrh, we can still give to Him the best we have. Give God the first and the best of what you have and He will give you more than you can imagine in return.

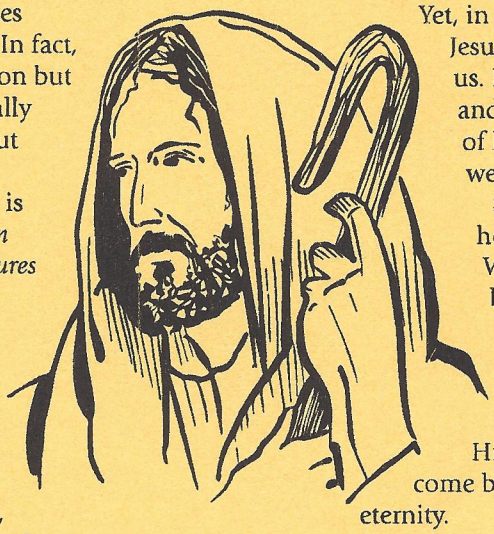
Fall in love with God

From the moment God created you, he has been deeply in love with you. He made you deliberately so he could love you. *"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you"* (Jeremiah 1:5). He waits for you like a parent anticipates the return of a beloved child. Don't let Him wait long.

"But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ" (Ephesians 2:4-5).

Who needs Jesus?

Many today say that they don't have a need for Jesus. They go to work, have homes, put food on their tables, raise families without His help. In fact, daily activities go on but the world can't really make sense without Him.



Truth. The truth is in Christ, *"in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge"* (Colossians 2:3). We cannot understand the truth without Him. To make sense of the world, we need Jesus to lead us.

Life. The life we have will eventually end. To keep living, we need Jesus. *"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me"* (John 14:6). Eternal life comes through Him.

Death. None of us escapes death. Yet, in the Resurrection, Jesus defeated death for us. It didn't hold Him and He offers the gift of life to each of us if we live in Him.

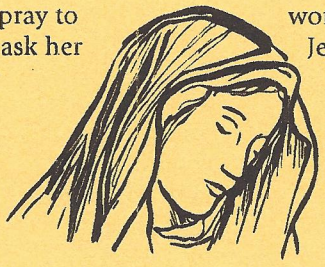
Sin. Even the holiest of us sins. Without Jesus, what becomes of us? He *"gave himself as a ransom for all"* (1 Timothy 2:6). If we don't accept His price, our sins come back to us for eternity.

Suffering. Modern science can alleviate but not eliminate some of the world's suffering. Jesus provides comfort and healing to those who trust Him and surrender to Him.

Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics pray to Mary?

Catholics don't pray to Mary, but instead ask her to pray for us. For example, the Hail Mary prayer asks the Mother of God to stay close to us in prayer.



While we don't worship Mary, we honor her as Jesus' mother. On the Cross, Jesus gave her to us as our own mother (John 19:27). We can approach her with our needs and concerns and ask her to present them to Her Son. Mary always leads us to Him.

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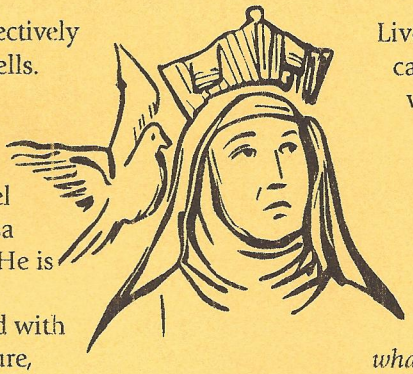
Three tips to boost your prayer



Prayer fuels our spiritual life, but praying effectively can be challenging. Even the saints had dry spells. Among these was the mystic and Carmelite reformer, **St. Teresa of Avila.** Try these suggestions from her to enliven your prayer:

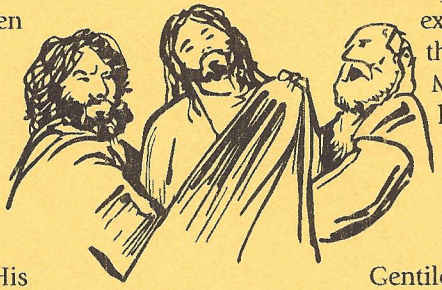
Become aware of God's presence. It may feel as if God is distant, but He is so close. St. Teresa began by enjoying God's nearness. Know that He is with you and wants your company.

Bring a good book. St. Teresa, who struggled with dryness in prayer, kept a book with her. Scripture, Lives of the Saints, or a book about the Faith can help us focus and spark conversation with Him.

Be honest. It is said that St. Teresa once fell into the mud and told God bluntly, "If this is how you treat your friends, no wonder you have so few of them!" God wants to you to share all your experiences with Him – good and bad. Entrust your cares to Him and *"Do whatever he tells you"* (John 2:5).

from Scripture

Luke 4:21-30, God's will is unexpected



In this Gospel, Jesus returns to Nazareth after launching His public ministry. He announced He is the Messiah of Isaiah's prophecy. But then comes a twist: Jesus recounts a time when great prophets were sent to call Israel to repentance and were ignored and persecuted.

The response of faith God was looking for in His Chosen People was found elsewhere, in the Gentiles. Jesus' listeners doubted that He was really the Messiah and were deeply insulted at being reminded that "foreigners" had received God's favor instead of them. In anger, they threw Jesus out of the synagogue and tried to cast Him off a cliff. He passed unharmed through their midst.

God's will can surprise us. For example, He willed that the Messiah-King be a local carpenter. God's favor extended beyond the Chosen People to include Gentiles, who were considered outsiders. Sometimes, we assume we know how God works, and lose faith when He does something that seems illogical. We can pray for the faith to see Jesus as He really is and trust Him, even if He does the unexpected.

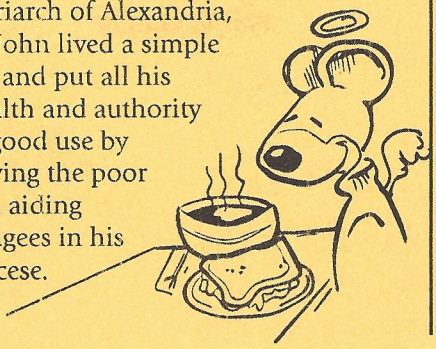
Feasts & Celebrations

Jan. 1 – Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. When we celebrate this feast, we honor Mary, and also Jesus, as true God and true Man.

Jan. 9 – Baptism of the Lord. Jesus began his public ministry by getting baptized by St. John the Baptist. The Heavens opened up and God the Father spoke, *"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased"* (Matthew 3:17).

Jan. 14 – St. Macrina the Elder (340). St. Macrina was related to St. Basil the Elder and St. Macrina the Younger. She and her husband were forced to flee during the Diocletian persecutions and endured many hardships. After her return, she helped raise her grandchildren Saints Gregory of Nyssa and Basil the Great.

Jan. 23 – St. John the Almsgiver (616). Despite being a noble and the Patriarch of Alexandria, St. John lived a simple life and put all his wealth and authority to good use by serving the poor and aiding refugees in his diocese.



Q & A Can you suggest a New Year's resolution to grow in Holiness?

All Christians are called to holiness. *"Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect"* (Matthew 5:48). There are three tools on which every Catholic can rely to attain greater holiness.

Daily prayer. God meets us in a very real and present way when we come to him in prayer. Start in the morning and pray throughout the day.

Weekly Mass. The Mass is a sacrifice and a meal. We receive Jesus' body and blood as real food for our souls. He said, *"For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him"* (John 6:55-56). That's why we call it, "Communion."

Monthly Confession. Jesus created the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation (Confession) because he knew we would stray. He also knew we would want to come back. Frequent participation in this Sacrament sharpens our sense of sin, holds us accountable for our errors, and gives us the grace to keep trying for holiness.

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 16, 2022
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Is 62:1–5
1 Cor 12:4–11
Jn 2:1–11

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What's New?

Few parties are more enjoyable than a wedding celebration. While the elegance of the flowers and the extravagance of the food and beverages captivate our senses, the real excitement is the love and promise of newness. New relationships are forged, a new family is created, and there's the possibility of new life. No wonder the relationship between God and the people is often described in marriage imagery, as we see in today's first reading.

This Old Testament passage is post-exilic. The alienation from God is over; the people and God are now reconciled. Much of the language suggests relationship: no longer *forsaken* or *desolate*, but now a *delight* and *espoused* (see Isaiah 62:4). Despite having been betrayed, God's mercy has transformed the nation back to its virginal state: "As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you" (62:5). This newness is something to celebrate.

The messianic character of the Cana story has long been recognized. All the newness I mentioned earlier is there, but newness now pertains to the entire community of believers and not simply to the marriage couple, who have no idea what is happening. An important detail of this story is the nature of the wine. What was originally water for ceremonial cleansing was transformed into wine, the quality of which was outstanding. This imagery tells us that there is a messianic banquet awaiting us, one that celebrates our intimate union with God. The joy we experience then will be intoxicating.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ***How might you describe your relationship with God?***
- ***Do you feel alienated from God? Remember, God's mercy can change that.***

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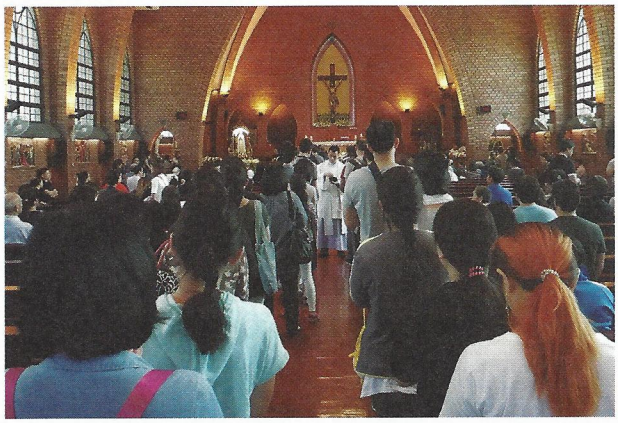
Dear Padre,

I work hard all week and look forward to sleeping in on Sundays. Why should I get out of bed and go to Mass?

I imagine that your parish provides suitable Mass times, even for late sleepers. But there are overpowering reasons for attending Mass. First, I'll discuss how the Mass is our present-day connection with the Last Supper, the Passover meal Jesus celebrated with his apostles. As observant Jews, they commemorated their ancestors' escape from slavery in Egypt. Jesus used his final Passover meal to teach us how to escape a bondage crueler than the Jews experienced in Egypt—the enslavement of sin.



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The next day, Good Friday, Jesus would die on the cross. Think of it: Jesus, the second person of the Trinity, became human to teach us about God's love for us. The people's reaction to this goodness was to kill Jesus in an inhuman way.

In response, God would have been justified in destroying the world, as he did in reaction to the people's depravities during Noah's time. Instead, God gave us further evidence of his patience and forgiveness. There is nothing our Father would not forgive, including the sin of killing Jesus. At the Last Supper, Jesus said: "This is my blood..., which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins" (Matthew 26:28).

Jesus' death, which we remember during the Mass, liberates us from sin. It also liberates us from death itself. Because Jesus in his mortal body was willing to die, he shows us the plan God the Father has for each of us—a resurrection like Jesus'. The Eucharist is our thanksgiving for these gifts from God.

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

We go to Mass because we are sinners and we want to receive God's pardon, to participate in the redemption of Jesus, in his forgiveness. The confession which we make at the beginning is not pro forma. It is a real act of repentance! I am a sinner and I confess it—this is how the Mass begins!

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

Calendar

Monday
JANUARY 17
St. Anthony, Abbot
1 Sm 15:16–23
Mk 2:18–22

Tuesday
JANUARY 18
Weekday
1 Sm 16:1–13
Mk 2:23–28

Wednesday
JANUARY 19
Weekday
1 Sm 17:32–33, 37, 40–51
Mk 3:1–6

Thursday
JANUARY 20
Weekday
1 Sm 18:6–9; 19:1–7
Mk 3:7–12

Friday
JANUARY 21
St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
1 Sm 24:3–21
Mk 3:13–19

Saturday
JANUARY 22
Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
2 Sm 1:1–4, 11–12, 19, 23–27
Mk 3:20–21

Sunday
JANUARY 23
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Neh 8:2–4a, 5–6, 8–10
1 Cor 12:12–30
or 12:12–14, 27
Lk 1:1–4; 4:14–21

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