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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 15, 2023



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Fridays
9 am - Noon

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Sunday Readings

First Reading Isaiah 49:3,5-6
God's servant, Israel, will be made a light to the nations.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 40:2,4,7-10
Here I am, Lord; I come to do Your will.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:1-3
Paul greets the Church in Corinth.

Gospel Reading John 1:29-34
John testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today, we hear John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus as found in John's Gospel. John's Gospel differs from the other Gospels because John does not describe Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. Instead, John the Baptist announces that he knows that Jesus is the Son of God.

In today's reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is. In John's testimony he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him.

John the Baptist uses two titles for Jesus that are familiar to us. John calls Jesus the "Lamb of God" and the "Son of God." By using these titles, John the Baptist identifies Jesus' ultimate purpose: to redeem sinful humanity.

John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus clearly distinguishes John's baptism from the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John baptizes with water; Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John also puts his practice of baptism in the context of Jesus' ministry. The purpose of John's baptism was to make Jesus known to Israel.

John the Baptist's sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John's witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives.



**YOUTH MINISTRY
ANNUAL FUNDRAISER
February 26, 2023**

**Auction Items Needed
by
February 1!**

***ON- LINE AUCTION— Donations needed by February 1—**

Drop off your items at the parish office or call 979-885-3868!

***DRIVE-THRU DINNER—**Chicken Fried Chicken

***RAFFLE—**Tickets available at the parish office

The funds raised are used to support our EDGE and LIFETEEN Programs.

Mass Intentions—January 16—22, 2023

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday (<i>Spanish</i>)	6:00 pm	† Frances T. Alaniz
Wednesday	6:00 pm	† Frank Lemanski Birthday of Roger Mickan Birthday of Bernard Gonzal
Thursday	10:00 am	† Emil Dubec
Friday	10:00 am	† Berk Ehret † Nora Alvarez † Penny Bollinger Valkner
Saturday	5:00 pm	† Danny Nichols
	9:00 am	Parish Family
	(<i>Spanish</i>) 12:00 pm	† Ramon & Maria Elena Navarro

Sunday Mass Livestream—9:00 am @icc-sealy.org

Reconciliation Schedule

Tuesdays	Confessions 5:00—5:45 pm
Wednesdays	Confessions 5:00—5:45 pm
Saturdays	Confessions 4:00—4:45 pm

January Rosary Intention

January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus. Let us pray for our nation: that the Lord may guide the minds of those who govern in order to promote the common good and assure justice for all. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.



Altar Flowers

The additional altar flowers this weekend are in loving memory of Arnulfo Martinez and Camerian Eudade by Armando & Reyna Martinez.

Grupo de Oración Carismático

CPG comenzará a reunirse de Enero a las 7 pm todos los Martes por la noche en la iglesia.

Todos estan invitados.

Sunday Morning Hospitality

You are invited to enjoy a cup of coffee with a light breakfast snack during this time of fellowship every Sunday after the 9 am Mass in the ICC Center.



Would you like to help in this ministry one Sunday each month? Call Amy Cryan at 281-924-1086!

GIVING is Easy to ICC!

Use this QR Code to be directed to our parish's online giving site—a secure and safe way to schedule donations throughout the year. Forms of payment are either by credit card or checking account.



Let us pray for our sick, homebound and those with special needs:

(Newly added names are in bold text and marked with an asterisk.)

Alma Avalos	*Laurence Heimann	Tom Nichols
*Donna Billnoske	Lauren Kainer	Joe Pistone
Georgia Cerny	Raymond Kasmiersky	Larry Rapsilver
David Cryan	Adolph Kovasovic, Jr.	Janet Rapsilver
Martha Delmas	Bobby Koym	Monica Reznicek
Luwayne Dzierzanowski	Don Koym	Florianna Stolarski
Tambra Gomez	Andy Krampitz	Jo Ann Zaruba
Katherine Jones	Daniel Kulow	
Mary Jones	Vernel Kutra	

Let us Pray for our Military

PVT Kristian Tanksley	Luke Griffin, SFC
MMFN John Spillars, Jr.	Corporal Dawson Fogle
PVC Harrison Brooks Whitzel	SSG Kyle M. Kiker
PFC Nathan Weber	PFC Kent Raulston
SP4 Brandon Cerny	2nd LT Daniel Jernigan
SP4 Blake Strieder	Clay Casassa, Medicalman 3
LCPL Jared F. Delattre	SGT Tyler S Snyder
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Joshua Janicek, Airman	PFC Meghan Raulston
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1st LT Austin Anker	USMC Sgt Tony Naranjo
Daniel Diestel	USMC Cpl Daniel Naranjo
Melinda Griffin, 1st SGT	MAJ Anthony Minderman-Nanez

Let us Pray for our Colonial Living Center Residents

Lidge Eder	Emily Holub	Pedro Perez
Dolores Banegas	Charles Holub	Pastor Rosas
Cecil Oswell	Alphonse Mlcak	Beatrice Surovcak
Maria Delgado	Theresa Nowak	Marie Stastny
Lottie Hluchan	Ludmila Palmer	

Veranda House Residents

Susan Brooks Edward Janda

Mass Intention Guidelines

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. One Mass intention per Mass will be accepted with the exception of the Sunday, 9am Mass. This Mass will always be designated for the people of the parish. In special circumstances, collective Mass intentions will be accepted for the Wednesday evening Mass and the Friday morning Mass. (Collective Mass intentions may include intentions from several families). Fr. Jonathan remembers each intention in his private priestly prayers before each Mass. Call the office for more information @ 979-885-3868.

Pautas de Intención de Masas

La práctica de solicitar una Misa para los seres queridos, vivos o fallecidos, es una parte hermosa y maravillosa de nuestra tradición Católica. Solo se aceptará 1 intención de Misa por Misa con la excepción de la Misa del Domingo a las 9 a.m. Esta Misa siempre será designada para la gente de la parroquia. En circunstancias especiales, se aceptarán intenciones colectivas para la Misa del miércoles por la tarde y la Misa del viernes por la mañana. (Las intenciones masivas de la colección pueden incluir intenciones de varias familias). El p. Jonathan recuerda cada intención en sus oraciones sacerdotales privadas antes de cada Misa. Llame a la oficina para más información @ 979-885-3868.

DCCW Meeting in Industry on January 17th

The Bluebonnet Deanery Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will meet on Tuesday, January 17th at Immaculate Conception Church in Industry. Registration (\$3.00) begins at 9:30 am followed by the meeting at 10:00. A delicious lunch will be served. The Service Project for January is the Fabric Collection. Patterns will be available for those who would like to sew the Wheelchair Bags, Bibs and Lap Blankets that will be donated to the Veterans Hospital and local Nursing Homes. For questions or more information, call Gayle Mlcak at 979-885-3126.

Bulletin Advertising

Run a business card size ad:

•\$5/week with a 3 month minimum

Contact Marianne Fiedler:

•979-885-3868

•mfiedler@icc-sealy.org

SAFE HAVEN / SAFE ENVIRONMENT

TRAINING FOR ADULTS

All adult (ages 18+) volunteers in ministries and members of parish organizations are required to be Safe Haven trained. Before you start or continue participating in any volunteer position you **MUST** complete or renew your Safe Haven training. If you have any questions, contact the office - 979-885-0018. **This training is done online at your own convenience.**

Todos los voluntarios adultos (mayores de 18 años) deben estar capacitados en Safe Haven. Antes de comenzar o continuar participando en cualquier puesto de voluntario, DEBE haber completado o renovado su capacitación de Safe Haven. Esta capacitación se realiza en línea en su propio tiempo. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con la oficina - 979-885-0018.

2023 National CDA Education Contest January 8—February 1, 2023 (All entries due by this date.)

Themes (Choose one):

“We walk by faith, not by sight” (2 Corinthians 5:7) or
“When do I have to lean on my faith more than sight?”

Sealy 1st Place
\$30.00

Sealy 2nd Place
\$20.00

Sealy 3rd Place
\$10.00

Win in Sealy & be eligible for State & National Competition

Division 1 Grades 4 & 5

Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art

Division 2 Gr. 6-7-8

Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography

Division 3 Gr. 9-10-11-12

Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, Photography

Division 4 Adult CDA Members

Poetry, Art, Photography

Must have 2023 Education Contest Entry Form glued to back of entry.

All entries must be the original imagination & creation of the participant & must reflect one of the two themes. Do not fold or roll entry. You may enter more than one category & be eligible for prizes. See official rules for each category included with official entry form.

Students will be given entry forms at class or these are also available at the church office.

From the Hruzek Family

The family of Evelyn Ann Hruzek would like to offer a special thank you to Rev. Jonathan Moré for the beautiful funeral service for our mother; organist/cantor Chris Nava; Marcie and Bryant Chapman; and to the bereavement committee for providing and serving the wonderful lunch. Our family will always be grateful for everyone's prayers, love and support during our time of loss.

The Family of Evelyn Hruzek



Chapel is Open for Private Prayer

Individuals are asked to contact the parish office for their security code needed to access this area.

La Capilla está Abierta para la Oración Privada

Se les pide a las personas que se comuniquen con la oficina parroquial para obtener el código de seguridad necesario para acceder al área.

Church is Open—Tuesdays & Wednesdays

The church is open all day Tuesdays and Wednesdays for private prayer from 8 am—6 pm Mass.

La Iglesia está abierta : Martes y Miércoles

La iglesia volverá a estar abierta todo el día los Martes y Miércoles para oración privada de 8 am a 6 pm Misa.

Digital Copy of the Bulletin

•icc-sealy.org—bulletin tab

•email—mfiedler@icc-sealy.org to have one emailed to you

What should You do if You or a Loved One is

Homebound or in the Hospital and Needs to Receive Communion or an Anointing?

Suffering and illness affect us in body and spirit. If one member suffers in the Body of Christ, which is the Church, all the members suffer with that member. In times of frailty, sickness, and treatment, the parish family assures the infirmed of our care and support through our prayer, personal visits, and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Our intent is to make the Sacraments available to all Catholics who would like to receive, but are truly unable to attend Mass due to injury, illness, or advanced age.

The distribution of the Body of Christ to persons who are homebound, hospitalized, or in nursing homes/assisted living facilities is available for those who wish to receive it. Arrangements may also be made for the Sacraments of Anointing and Reconciliation.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is for all who face a serious illness or who are impaired by old age. It is distinct from, though it often accompanies, the "Last Rites," or Viaticum, in which the Church offers Holy Communion as food for the journey to life eternal.

One may celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick multiple times if needed for strength and healing in mind, body, and spirit. In this sacrament of anointing, Christ strengthens our faith and bestows God's grace in a time of anxiety and pain. It also brings forgiveness of sins for those who are contrite but unable to consciously confess due to their condition.

If you know you will be hospitalized for the treatment of your illness you should contact the parish before you enter the hospital to arrange a time to celebrate the sacrament. Often the Sacrament of Anointing can be celebrated after Mass. Call the Parish Office to make an arrangement for the Sacrament.

If someone is in the hospital, simply notify the hospital and the Catholic Chaplain, and they will make arrangements for an Anointing to be offered.

If someone is being put on hospice, please alert the parish as soon as the decision is made to allow for the complete celebration of Last Rites with Viaticum before the person is fully incapacitated.

If someone is actively dying and was known to have desired the sacraments, please call the office or, if after hours, make use of the emergency option when leaving a voice message on the parish phone—979-885-3868.

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