Mission San José y San Miguel de Aguayo

701 E. Pyron Ave. San Antonio, Tx 78214

A Franciscan Mission Founded February 20, 1720 * Established

First Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 09, 2025

"Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble."

Ps 91:1-2,10-11,12-13,14-15



Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8am—4:30pm

(CLOSED for lunch 12pm-1pm)

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am & 12pm (Spanish)

Daily Mass

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9am in the San Juan Diego Chapel

Confessions

Saturday 3:30pm—4:30pm In the San Juan Diego Chapel

Gift Shop

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
10am-3pm
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
9:30am-3:30pm
CLOSED on Tuesday

Mission Statement

Mission San Jose Catholic Church was founded and established to proclaim the Gospel mission of Jesus for our time and place by becoming a faith community of God's people. Through a commitment to prayer, study, fellowship and ministry, we strive to become a community of hope to all around us and a living mission to the many who choose to come to Mission San Jose.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 08

5:00 pm †Vincent & Annie Brysch, †Mary V. Cortez, healing for Jean Pacheco

Sunday, March 09

9:00 am †Deacon Francisco Suniga, †Eusebia R. Saavedra, †Thomas Rodriguez, for the safety & well being of Maximus Garcia, Mackenzie Hires, and Emma Hires, healing for Carol Killin & John Reyes

12:00 pm †Heriberto Garcia Tamez, †Robert Antonio Soto, †Nicolas Casas, †Elvira Casas, †Jesus Diaz, †Raquel Diaz, †Gloria Maravilla

Monday, March 10 9:00 am †Maxine

Wednesday, March 12 9:00 am

Friday, March 14 9:00 am

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

1st Collection: \$

2nd Collection: \$ parish Grounds \$ Br. Kevin Grounds Fund

This weekend 2nd Collection is: Br. Kevin Grounds FundNext week 2nd Collection is: Br. Kevin Grounds Fund Here are three (3) other ways to donate:

- 1.) MSJ website (Missionsanjosechurch.org): Click on donate button, and use your bank card. The name on your card will identify you;
- 2.) "Bill Pay" option through your bank to schedule payments to Mission San Jose; or
- 3.) Use the QR code below If you have any questions, please contact the office. Thank you for supporting Mission San Jose Church!



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Please Pray for:

Jean Pacheco

Dorthy Narendorf

Dorthy Narendorf	Jean Pacheco
Susie Huizar	Jesse Pacheco
Aurora Castro	Haydee Robles
Noelia & Deacon Santiago Rodriguez	Rudy Alvarez
Mattie Winn	Ruby Silva
Carmen Martinez	Janie Penalver
Kerwin McClain	Arthur Picky Mata
Evelyn Meyer	Rudy Alvarado Jr.
Ronald Sova	Zany Perez
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Yolanda Montoya	Alice Aguilar
Roberto & Herlinda Sifuentes	Frank Castro
Michael Doughty	Paul Schafer
Joslyn Miranda	Clarence Lewis Jr.
Loraine Castro	Ludivina Tamez
Guadalupe Cisnero	Debbie Morantez
Gloria Herrera	Danny Cruz
Bro. Manuel Mendoza,ofm	Josephine Crader
Fr. Paul Gallagher, ofm	Tammy Johnson
Maggie Petrie	Carol Killin
	John Reyes

Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 08

12:00pm-7:00pm Hall rental (SFC) 3:30pm-4:30pm Confession (CH) 5:00pm Mass—Eng.

Sunday, March 09

9:00am Mass -English 8:00am Breakfast Sale (Menudo) (FR) 12:00pm Mass -Spanish 4:00pm-6:30pm Young Adults ACTS(SFC)

Monday, March 10 9:00am Daily Mass (CH)

Tuesday, March 11

11:30am Altar Society meeting (SFC) 6:30pm Parish Council (OF) 6:00pm-9:00pm

Mariachi practice (SFC)

Wednesday, March 12

9:00am Mass—English 5:30pm-9:00pm

ACTS Women meeting (SFC) 6:30pm Tailgate Rosary (PL)

Thursday, March 13

4:00pm-6:00pm ACTS send-off (SFC) **6:30pm** Parish Movie Lent retreat (SFC) 6:00pm Parish Council (OF)

Friday, March 14

9:00am Daily Mass (CH) 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (MSJ)

Saturday, March 15 12:00pm-4:00pm Hall Rental 3:30pm-4:30pm Confession (CH) 5:00pm Mass—Eng.

St. Francis Community Center	SFC
St. Clare Building—(Side building by parish hall)	SCB
San Juan Diego Chapel	СН
Mission San Jose Church	MSJ
Parish Office	OF
Friary	FR
Parish Parking Lot	PL

Fruit for the Lord

The readings last week and this both make reference to fruit. Last week Jesus drew a comparison between the good or bad fruit produced by good or bad trees as an allegory of the fruit of our own lives. This week Moses talks about offering first fruits to God in thankful response for his saving acts.

When I was a child, we had a stand of blackberry bushes in our backyard. I love blackberries and I would wait with great anticipation for the ripening of the fruit. I would then stand in the back yard and voraciously eat the berries right off the bushes — no washing, and berry-stained hands. Fortunately, enough berries actually made it to our kitchen so that I didn't get in trouble with my family. My natural appetites took precedence, and I thought of others second.

In the first reading today, Moses recalls what God has done for the people. Moses' father traveled from Aramea to Egypt and there his family prospered and grew by God's grace. Then, when the Egyptians maltreated the nation God led them out with great signs and wonders – remember the parting of the Red Sea! God shepherded them through forty years in the desert, forging them into a people intimately connected to and relying upon God, even with all their faults. Finally, God brought them into a new land, flowing with milk and honey. In remembrance of all this, Moses had the people present as an offering to God the first fruits of their harvest. They didn't give leftovers, unlike a hungry young boy at the blackberry bush. Their gift proclaimed the importance of God and their relationship with God. They delayed their satisfaction because God was so important to them.

Our season of Lent calls us to the practices of prayer, almsgiving, and fasting. It is an encouragement to re-order our lives when necessary, putting God first. Fasting puts our appetites on hold so that we can focus on God. We are called to step back from the proclamations of advertising that "things" will make us happy, when manufacturers have often created a market for things that are superfluous. (How many brands of toothpaste do we actually need, and is one much better than the other? And will a bright shining smile be the only thing that attracts a mate to us?)

Almsgiving turns us toward others, especially to help others who are needy. But can we go beyond the mere sharing of money to actually encounter the person with whom we are sharing our bounty? All too often I feel I have done my duty by clicking on a website button. Yet, almsgiving invites us to build community, in the realization that we are codependent on one another as a community and a church.

Prayer invites us to that deeply human and divine practice of communication. Not only do we bring our own needs before God with the desire that he hear and answer us, but in good prayer we also seek to listen to what God has to say to us. This requires patience, time and silence. God wants to be our best friend, our lover; our relationship with God requires attention and time.

So, we once again enter Lent, not so much as a season but as a journey, a journey of faith. The Jewish people traveled forty years in the desert to cement their relationship with God. These forty days are for us a short, but vital part of our personal and communal journey of faith. May God bless us with attentiveness and intentionality. Peace and all good!

Fr. Dennis

Coffee With The Saints

All women of our Parish & Community are invited to our next Coffee with the Saints Pot Luck Breakfast on Saturday, Mar. 22 from 9:00am —11:30am.

Please bring your rosary and join us for prayer, fellowship and our Saint discussion in the Parish Center. We will be collecting food and clothing donations for the St. Stephen's Care Center. Food Pantry suggestions: cereals. flour, cooking oil, peanut butter, jelly, rice, beans, pastas, canned goods, etc.

Clothing donations should be clean and in wearable condition. Your donations can be dropped off in the Church office or at our gathering. Thank you for your support and donations. We look forward to seeing you.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation." Psalms 27:1



Mission San Jose Women's ACTS is holding a retreat
March 13-16 at Cordi Marian.
The cost is \$200.
There is a \$75 deposit fee.



Contact
Scan to pre-register

Vanessa Garcia (210) 544-0208 Raquel Falcon (210) 643-3528



Donations Needed It's time for Spring Cleaning and we are happy to accept your donations of clean reusable items for the

"Trinkets & Treasures" Booth for our upcoming MissionFest in May.

We are collecting the following New or Used items: Accessories - Jewelry, purses, hats, scarves ... Household - Kitchen items, lamps, clocks, mirrors, Art/frames, etc... Religious - Crosses, Scripture Plaques, Angel items ... Garden items, Toys. Tools and other misc items Handcrafted items are also accepted. NO Clothing, Shoes, Furniture or Textbooks please. Your paper/recycled handled shopping/gift bags are also needed. All proceeds benefit our Church. For more information contact Toni Sanchez (210)857-7536 or Rosemary Jimenez (210)912-4152 Thank you for your donations and support!

VIVA FIESTA!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A LITURGICAL MINISTER?

Training for Liturgical Ministers will be opened to parishioners who have both an interest and are willing to dedicate the time needed to serve the parish at the mass you attend. It takes a group of volunteers to create a worship space for all.

If interested in becoming a Lector, or an Extra-Ordinary Minister of Communion the requirements are that you have all Sacraments and if married, married by the Catholic Church. These ministers proclaim the Word of God and serve the Body of Christ to others. So according to the Archbishop they should be in good standing with the church and must be at least 17 years old

Other Liturgical ministers needed during mass are Ushers and choir members. We also need volunteers to help in decorating the church throughout the Liturgical seasons. This ministry is called Arts and Environment

For more information leave a message for

Ester Perry at the office 210-922-0543.

"to equip the holy ones for the work of ministry,* for building up the body of Christ, " Ephesians 4:12





For additional Information, contact: Javier Montanez, Youth Minister at (210) 317-3971 or havier@stic.net

Or

Mrs. Rosalinda Trevino-Montiel, Asst. Youth Minister at (210) 328-2085 or rosemontiel@outlook.com



Come join us for a rosary followed by praise and worship.

Meet us at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, Mar. 12, 2025
in the parking lot outside the church office.

Bring your families, rosaries, and lawn chairs.
(If we have bad weather, we will meet in the Chapel)
For information call Gilbert Jimenez at (210) 414-8245

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving

♦ Every Friday of Lent "Stations of the Cross" at 7:00pm (MSJ)

Followed by a presentation in the Parish Hall and serving of meatless soup, bread and water (by ministry hosting that Fridays Stations of the Cross).

♦ Lenten Parish Community Movie Retreat (every Thursday at 7pm)

w/Fr. Dennis Schafer, ofm every Thursday during lent at 7pm in the parish hall.

♦ Reconciliation Service March 26, 2025 at 6pm-7pm

In the San Juan Diego Chapel (by the office)

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday Weekend April 12/13, 2025

- Saturday, 5pm Mass (English) Indoor
- Sunday, 9am Mass (English) Outdoor bring your lawn chair
- Sunday, 12pm Mass (Spanish) Outdoor bring your lawn chair

The Triduum

♦ Holy Thursday Bilingual Mass, April 17, 2025 at 7:00pm Holy water removed, presentation of holy oils, washing of feet, stripping of altar, Adoration at the Altar of Repose in the San Juan Diego Chapel

- ♦ Good Friday, April 18, 2025
- 12pm Passion Play
- 3pm Seven Last Words of Christ with the Women of the Cross
- 7pm Good Friday Service with Adoration of the Holy Cross
- ♦ Holy Saturday, The Easter Vigil, April 19, 2025 at 8pm
 The Easter fire, darken church, new Paschal candle, new waters of baptism, retablo unveiled, alleluia is heard again, and the bells of the church
- ♦ Easter Sunday Masses, April 20, 2025
- 9am Mass –English
- * 12pm Mass –Spanish



The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Franciscus

Heavenly Father, we come before you today humbly asking for your guidance to foster unity within our community. Help us to set aside our differences and embrace the diversity around us, seeing each other as your beloved children. May we listen to one another with open hearts, build bridges of understanding, and work together to create a space where everyone feels valued and supported. Fill our hearts with compassion, forgiveness, and the desire to serve one another. Guide our leaders to make decisions that benefit the common good, and may our community be a beacon of peace and harmony. In Jesus' name, Amen.





Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, MSpS

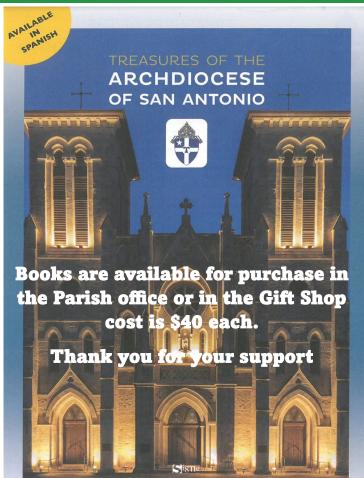
We are called to be Pilgrims of Hope!





Learn More: ArchSA.org/ Jubilee 2025





Volunteers Needed!

Do you love art and history? Are you interested in the history of Mission San Jose Church and the other Mission churches? If you answered "YES" to these questions, then El Camino de San Antonio wants YOU for its new Docent Program. We are currently seeking volunteer docents that are enthusiastic and flexible to greet visitors



and assist them in discovering the sacred space of the Missions. Training sessions to learn about the art, architecture and faith of the missions will be available. If you are interested in becoming a docent for El Camino de San Antonio please contact Nicky Mata SAN ANTONIO at Camino@archsa.org or 210-275-4548.

Weekly **Bulletin**

Any group or ministry wishing to place an article in our parish bulletin please submit it by Tuesday. Any article received after Tuesday will be placed in next week's bulletin.