

Mission San José y San Miguel de Aguayo

701 E. Pyron Ave. San Antonio, Tx 78214

A Franciscan Mission Founded February 20, 1720 * Established

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 20, 2025

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Ps 15:2-3,3-4,5



Picture taken by: Javier Montanez

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8am—4:30pm
(CLOSED for lunch 12pm—1pm)

210-922-0543

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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

La Tiendita (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, July 19

5:00 pm †Helen & Edward Chemell,
†Martin “Sonny” Cortez, healing for Jean
Pacheco, Ester Perry

Sunday, July 20

9:00 am †Deacon Francisco Suniga, †Alex
Johnson Knox, for the safety & well being of
Maximus Garcia, Mackenzie Hires, & Em-
ma Hires, for the Altar Society members
past & present, homebound & caregivers,
prayers of healing for Kerr County,
+Laverne Kusenberger

12:00 pm †Nicolas Casas, †Elvira Casas,

Monday, July 21

9:00 am

Wednesday, July 23

9:00 am

Friday, July 25

9:00 am

Administration

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Fr. Dennis Schafer, ofm

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Calendar of Events

Saturday, July 19

3:30pm-4:30pm Confessions (CH)

5:00pm Mass (MSJ)

Sunday, July 20

9:00am Mass—English (MSJ)

11:00am Youth Ministry meeting (PL)

12:00pm Mass—Spanish (MSJ)

12:00pm-5:00pm

Secular Franciscans meeting (SFC)

2:45-5:30pm Young Adults (CH)

3:00pm—5:00pm ACTS Directors (SCB)

Monday, July 21

9:00am Daily Mass (CH)

12:00pm WOW leaders meeting (OF)

6:00pm—9:00pm ACTS Men (SFC)

Tuesday, July 22

6:00pm-9:00pm Mariachi Choir (SFC)

Wednesday, July 23

9:00am Daily Mass (CH)

6:30pm Building Committee (OF)

Thursday, July 24

No Activities

Friday, July 25

9:00am Daily Mass (CH)

Saturday, July 26

3:30pm—4:30pm Confession (CH)

5:00pm Mass—Eng. (MSJ)

Please Pray for :

Dorthy Narendorf, Susie Huizar, Aurora Castro, Noelia &
Deacon Santiago Rodriguez, Mattie Winn, Carmen
Martinez, Kerwin McClain, Ronald Sova, Emma Ortiz,
Freddie Ortiz, Carmen Classy, Willie Acuna, Jefferey
Payne, Alicia C. Marty, Yolanda Montoya, Roberto &
Herlinda Sifuentes, Michael Doughty, Gloria Herrera,
Bro. Manuel Mendoza, ofm, Fr. Paul Gallagher, ofm,
Maggie Petrie, Jean Pacheco, Victor Ortiz, Rudy Alvarez
Jr, Janie Galindo, Loretta Leija, Cheryl Winn, Alice
Aguilar, Clarence Lewis Jr. , Ester Perry, John Reyes,
Anita Botello, Bea Saavedra, Ava Campos, Danielle
Galindo, Francisca Tijerina, Thomas E. Gomez, Ms
Beverly, Juan Guajardo, Vicky Guajardo, Rosa Rodriguez,
Fr. Herb Jones, ofm, Gloria Vargas, Niko Melendez



THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

1st Collection: \$ 4,712.00

2nd Collection: \$ 861.00 Kerr County victims

This weekend 2nd Collection is: **Parish Grounds**

Next week 2nd Collection is: **Parish Grounds**

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!



St. Francis Community Center SFC

St. Clare Building—(Side building by
parish hall)

San Juan Diego Chapel CH

Mission San Jose Church MSJ

Parish Office OF

Friary FR

Parish Parking Lot PL

Doing for Others

Today's readings give us wonderful examples of hospitality. The first is from the story of Abraham in the book of Genesis. He and Sarah are in the midst of the desert, living in a tent near a large tree called a terebinth, which is the tree from which turpentine is made. This kind of tree is important in the Bible as a location where encounters with God can happen. Along come three strangers and Abraham takes generous care of feeding them and giving them a place to rest. In the desert, hospitality is quite important as places to find water are few and far between and one must rely on strangers in such a cruel environment. After the lavish meal prepared by Sarah, the three men reveal that they are messengers of God. They provide more proof of God's fulfilling his promise of a son when they inform Moses that they will return the following year, and Sarah will have given birth to a son. We are reminded of the following quote from the letter to the Hebrews in chapter 13:

Do not neglect hospitality,
for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.

The second example of hospitality, of giving of oneself for the sake of others, is quite different. St. Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, tells the community that he rejoices in his suffering for the sake of the faithful in Colossus. This isn't the banquet that Abraham prepares in the first reading, but is it not also an example of caring for others? Paul has embraced suffering in his life that he might share the Gospel with others, and in this he brings them spiritual nourishment. Are we willing to be selfless, like Paul, so that others may come to know life? Sometimes it means going out of the way or being inconvenienced in order to help someone else. And sometimes it means embracing our own pain and suffering to join Christ's saving Passion.

Finally, the Gospel tells us that we need balance in our lives, as well. Sisters Mary and Martha have welcomed Jesus into their house. Martha is in the kitchen preparing a meal in hospitality, while Mary is sitting at the feet of Jesus listening to his teaching. Frustrated and perhaps jealous Martha tries to pull Jesus into her anger with her sister, that she should help with the preparations. Jesus very simply responds that Mary's choice is the better one. Being present to Jesus and receiving him in our lives is the part that nourishes us spiritually in order to be hospitable.

I struggle with keeping a healthy balance in my life between action and contemplation. May we all have the necessary time in the presence of Jesus that enables us to be hospitable to others.

Fr. Dennis



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Safe Environment Training through Virtus

Per the Code of Conduct, the Archdiocese of San Antonio requires 3 trainings:

- ♦ **Sexual Harassment Training:** Sexual harassment training is required for clergy, candidates for ordination, employees, and adult volunteers. This training must be renewed every three years.
- ♦ **Protecting God's Children:** Protecting God's Children is required for clergy, candidates for ordination, employees, and adult volunteers who minister to children/youth. This training must be renewed every three years.
- ♦ **Vulnerable Adults Training:** Vulnerable adults training is required for clergy, candidates for ordination, employees, and adult volunteers who minister to adult vulnerable populations. This training must be renewed every three years.



OCIA

Want to become Catholic?

The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) might be the place for you.

What is OCIA?

The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process that engages prospective converts to Catholicism who are beyond the age of reason (older than seven years, but often older than 18). It is designed specifically for those who are unbaptized, but often and legitimately used for those who are baptized (Catholic or non-Catholic), but un-catechized.

For example, some OCIA candidates were baptized Catholic, but were never raised in the Faith. Other candidates may be baptized non-Catholic Christian and never catechized as a Catholic. For those who have been baptized Catholic and raised in the Faith at home, through religious education, or Catholic schooling, a Confirmation program may be a more fitting program.

What does the process look like?

The OCIA program is organized and run by lay members of our parish and overseen by our pastor. The OCIA team members (those who run the program) and candidates (those wishing to become Catholic and/or fully initiated) typically meet on the parish grounds.

Weekly meetings will begin early September, and conclude shortly after Easter Sunday. Each meeting will involve a different lesson about the Catholic Faith.

During the Season of Lent, in the few weeks before the Easter Vigil Mass, candidates undergo what are called "scrutinies." It's a scary word, but it simply involves the candidate making a progressively deeper commitment to the Faith that they are about to profess.

It does not involve any type of speech, but simply standing before the congregation at a Sunday Mass for a brief moment as the priest recites a few prayers on your behalf and asks you to affirm your decision with very simple responses.

How do I join?

If a person who wishes to become Catholic, or fully initiated (i.e., Confirmed), the first thing they should do is to

call Cecilia Winkler (210) 859-3927

or the parish office (210) 922-0543

We look forward to hearing from you!





Protect all who are in any form of danger; provide practical help to those in need; strengthen the weary, console the grieving, heal the suffering; and bless those engaged in disaster relief efforts with safety and courage. Help all people of good will respond with compassion and generous hearts.

Amen

Pope Leo XIV's prayer for discernment

Holy Spirit, you, light of our understanding, gentle breath that guides our decisions, grant me the grace to listen attentively to your voice and to discern the hidden paths of my heart, so that I may grasp what truly matters to you, and free my heart from its troubles.

I ask you for the grace to learn how to pause, to become aware of the way I act, of the feelings that dwell within me, and of the thoughts that overwhelm me which, so often, I fail to notice.

I long for my choices to lead me to the joy of the Gospel. Even if I must go through moments of doubt and fatigue, even if I must struggle, reflect, search, and begin again... Because, at the end of the journey, your consolation is the fruit of the right decision.

Grant me a deeper understanding of what moves me, so that I may reject what draws me away from Christ, and love him and serve him more fully.

Amen.



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We Are Here To Help

If you or someone you know has been affected by the floods and needs assistance, please contact Catholic Charities at (210) 718-5837.

We are here to help with:



- Emergency Financial Assistance
- Funeral Expenses
- Counseling Assistance
- Legal Services
- Other Immediate Needs



Scan to make a donation to help us help those affected by the recent flooding in our neighboring areas.



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Alive, Living with Cancer

Is a support and prayer group for everyone whose life is affected by cancer. Those living with cancer, those in remission and family. Life can be a challenge for all of us.

As a support group we provide a place for everyone to express what they personally are going through each week. We make no judgment and offer no advice. We listen to each person.

As a prayer group we take the time to pray for each person recommended to us. Presently we are actively praying for ?? people. Please call the office to have yourself or another added to our list.

Alive, Living with Cancer meets every

Wednesday Night at 6:30pm

in the parish chapel. We invite you to join us as we support and pray for those affected by cancer.



Join the MSJ Youth y familia Ministry

- Spiritual Enhancement
- Community & Service hours
- Educational endeavors

Meeting July 20, 2025 11am

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

Arts and Environment

Volunteers Needed

We in need of volunteers and someone to help lead A&E with decorating the Church on Holy Days and Feast Days.

Please, if you can help, join this much needed ministry at Mission San Jose. Please contact Ester Perry 210-922-0543

Thank You!!



Registration for the 2025-26 classes will begin on Aug. 04, 2025 in the parish office. Classes will start on Sun, September 14, 2025

I look forward to seeing each of you at Mass on Sundays!

Mrs. Angela Garcia



MISSION SAN JOSE MENS 2025 ACTS RETREAT SEPTEMBER 11-14, 2025

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
John 3:16



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.
Amen

Franciscus

"Let us set out to the bright future, full of Hope."

Archbishop Gustavo
García-Siller, MSPS

**We are called to be
Pilgrims of Hope!**



Learn More:
ArchSA.org/
Jubilee2025



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**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.



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 at Camino@archsa.org or 210-275-4548.



Books are available for purchase in the Parish office or in the Gift Shop cost is \$40 each.

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Sacred Space Virtual Tour

Explore the Missions like never before.



The new Sacred Space Virtual Tour from [El Camino de San Antonio Missions](http://ElCamino.deSanAntonioMissions.org) is narrated by KENS 5 anchor and reporter Alicia Neaves. The Tour pairs engaging commentary with on-screen images accessible via QR code on the pilgrim-passport stamp stand inside (or just outside) each church. Often called the "Queen of the Missions," Mission San José offers ornate stonework and a beautiful sacristy. Discover the legendary Rose Window — it is widely considered one of the finest examples of baroque architecture in North America. The sacristy features an ornately carved lavabo, where water flowed from a cherub's mouth into a bowl with a carved shell feature.