San Fernando Cathedral
THE OLDEST CATHEDRAL SANCTUARY IN THE UNITED STATES
FOUNDED IN 1731

You cannot serve both God and mammon.

Luke 16:13

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Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S
Archbishop of San Antonio

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6:00 a.m. (Español)
8:00 a.m. (Español Televised)
10:00 a.m. (English)
12:00 p.m. (Español)
2:00 p.m. (English)
5:00 p.m. (Bilingual)

MONDAY / LUNES | THURSDAY / JUEVES
12:05 p.m. (Bilingual)
5:30 p.m. (Bilingual)

FRIDAY / VIERNES
12:05 p.m. (Bilingual)
Every First Friday of the Month
Mass/Benediction

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER VICTOR
UN MENSAJE DEPARTE DEL PADRE VICTOR

September 22, 2019 • Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We make decisions every day. Some are substantial, many seem inconsequential. The truth is, all of our choices add up and paint a picture of who we are and what matters most to us. Whether we rise at the first sound of the alarm or hit snooze three times before getting up does not seem important in the moment, and yet that choice can be a sign of how we value and use the time God has given to us. When we put God first, all of the decisions we make in the course of our days are reflections of our relationship with God and others. People sometimes say that the priest talks about money too much. A few priests might do that, but most are simply reflecting on the Gospels, which often include Jesus’ teaching about the proper use of money. Jesus knew that money is one of the things that can come between us and God. And that is why Gospel passages like the one we heard today are so important. Jesus understood the temptations of this world—to live for wealth, to be dishonest, to get our priorities out of order—and so, his teaching is as timely now as it was two thousand years ago.

STEWARDS OF GOD’S GOODNESS

Jesus tells us that we must be trustworthy with what belongs to another. All we are and all we have is God’s. Our lives, faith, talents, relationships, material and financial wealth—all are gifts from God, entrusted to us. We are called to steward them well, to be trustworthy with our many blessings, in order to bring Christ’s love and presence into the world. The way we live our lives, the choices we make, the way we respond to the needs of others—all of this is a stewardship, a way of serving God, not mammon.

Today’s Readings: Amos 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:10-13

Mass Collections for the week of September 14th & 15th.
$11,292.20

22 de septiembre de 2019 • Vigésimo Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Tomamos decisiones todos los días. Algunas son importantes, y otras no tienen importancia. La verdad es, todas nuestras elecciones se acumulan y van formando una imagen de quienes somos y de lo que más nos importa. Ya sea que nos levantemos inmediatamente después de que suena la alarma o que la apaguemos tres veces antes de levantarnos, no parece importante al momento; sin embargo, esa elección puede ser un signo de cómo valoramos y usamos el tiempo que Dios nos dio. Cuando podemos todo en las manos de Dios, todas las decisiones que hacemos en el transcurso de nuestros días son un reflejo de nuestra relación con Dios y con los demás. Las personas algunas veces dicen que el sacerdote habla demasiado acerca de dinero. No porque sea nobrero, pero muchos están simplemente reflexionando en los evangelios, de lo cual frecuentemente incluye las enseñanzas de Jesús sobre el correcto uso del dinero. Jesús sabía que el dinero es una de las cosas que pueden alejarse entre nosotros y Dios. Es por eso que los pasajes del Evangelio, como el que escuchamos hoy, son importantes. Jesús entendió las tentaciones de este mundo, vivir por la riqueza, ser deshonrado, poner en orden nuestras prioridades, y por lo tanto, su enseñanza está tan fresca y a tiempo ahora como lo estuvo hace dos mil años.

CORRESPONSABLES DE LA BONDAD DE DIOS

Jesús nos dice que debemos ser personas de confianza con las pertenencias de los demás. Todo lo que somos y tenemos es de Dios. Nuestras vidas, la fe, los talentos, las relaciones, la riqueza material y financiera, todo son dones de Dios que se nos fueron confiados. Estamos llamados a administrarlos bien, a ser dignos de confianza con nuestras muchas bendiciones, para poder llevar el amor y la presencia de Cristo al mundo. La forma como vivimos nuestras vidas, las decisiones que tomamos, la forma en como respondemos a las necesidades de los demás, todo esto es corresponsable, una forma de servir a Dios, y no al dinero.
Almighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Guadalupe G. Rodriguez
Maria Y. Torres
Carlos Francisco Alvarez Uribe

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

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Amy Webber
Ty Cline
Margo Lago
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Beatrice Ramirez
Sylvia Trujillo
Gloria Munoz
Dolores Villareal
Javier Villareal
Maria Carmen Villareal
Tim Settles Martinez
Rosa Settles Martinez
Maria Del Refugio Hincjosa
Roberta Garza
Theresa Tovar
Stephanie Luna
Hijas de María  
(Junta en Español/Spanish)  
2nd Wednesday of the Month  
6:30pm - San Juan Room  
11:00am - La Sala (Above Poblanos)  
Contact: Gloria Gonzalez  
210-533-7475

Knights of Columbus - (English)  
2nd Wednesday of the Month  
6:30pm - San Juan Room  
231 W Commerce  
Contact: George Ramos  
210-315-7378

Guadalupano Society - (English)  
3rd Saturday of the Month  
9:30am - Cathedral Choir Room  
(Above Gift Shop)  
Contact: Maggie Marroquin  
214-605-9124

Teen Ministry  
1st Sunday after 2pm Mass  
3:15pm - La Sala  
Ages: 13-18  
Contact: Fr. Tom  
210-227-1297 ext. 124

Grupo de Oracion  
Every Tuesday (Junta en Español)  
7:00pm - Concepcion Room  
Contact: Rosa Escobedo  
210-717-2612

Holy Hour  
Every Wednesday  
6:30pm - 7:30pm - Cathedral

Classic Choir  
Every Wednesday  
6:00pm - 9pm - Cathedral Choir Rm

Mariachi Choir  
Every Thursday  
6:30pm - 9pm - San Jose Rm

Coro Popular  
Every Thursday  
6:30pm - 9pm - Cathedral Choir Rm

Knots of Hope— (Prayer Quilt Group)  
3rd Thursday of the Month  
2:00pm - 4:30pm - Concepcion Rm  
Contact: Cati Reyna  
210-748-9948

Wedding Rehearsals  
Every Friday  
5:00pm & 6:00pm - Cathedral

Office Hours  
Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 5:00pm  
Closed for Lunch  
12:30pm - 1:30pm

Gift Shop Hours  
Monday - Saturday  
9:00am - 5:00pm  
Sunday  
8:30am - 3:30pm

Parish office:  
(210) 227-1297  
Gift Shop:  
(210) 357-5608  
Fax: (210) 444-1854

Gift Shop Fax:  
(210) 223-7854  
Development office:  
(210) 576-1365
"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10).

A Steward's Way

The life of a Christian steward models the life of Jesus. It is challenging and even difficult, in many respects, yet intense joy comes to those who take the risk to live as Christian stewards. Women and men who seek to live as stewards learn that "all things work for good for those who love God" (Rom 8:28).

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. As the Mother of Christ, she lived her ministry in a spirit of fidelity and service; she responded generously to the call. We must ask ourselves: Do we also wish to be disciples of Jesus Christ and Christian stewards of our world and our Church? Central to our human and Christian vocations, as well as to the unique vocation each one of us receives from God, is that we be good stewards of the gifts we possess. God gives us this divine-human workshop, this world and Church of ours.

The Spirit shows us the way.

Stewardship is a part of that journey.

Stewards of the Church

Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church—collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission. This mission—proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying—is our task. It is the personal responsibility of each one of us as stewards of the Church. All members of the Church have their own roles to play in carrying out its mission:

- Parents, who nurture their children in the light of faith;
- Parishioners, who work in concrete ways to make their parishes true communities of faith and vibrant sources of service to the larger community;
- All Catholics, who give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church.
HISTORIC CHARM IN THE HEART OF SAN ANTONIO
SAN FERNANDO CATHEDRAL
WEDDINGS | BAPTISMS | QUINCEÑERAS

EXPERIENCE THE CATHEDRAL

Founded in 1731, the historic Cathedral continues to host thousands of visitors each year. The oldest cathedral sanctuary in the United States, the mother church of San Antonio’s Archdiocese, also the cultural and geographic center of San Antonio. Surrounded by its distinctive carvings, the nave is a beautiful and glorious space adorned by stained glass windows and Gothic style architecture.

THE VENUES AT SAN FERNANDO
SAN ANTONIO’S DESTINATION FOR YOUR NEXT EVENT!
WEDDINGS | CORPORATE | REHEARSAL DINNERS | QUINCEÑERAS

SAN FERNANDO HALL AND CENTRE CAFE

A venue with a picturesque setting located in the heart of Downtown San Antonio.

Discover the venue by experiencing its Colonial atmosphere surrounded by history to create a unique, fun, and unforgettable event.

2020 Available Dates!
March 7th - 12noon
March 14th - 7pm
March 28th - 2pm & 7pm
April 4th - 12noon
April 18th - 12noon & 7pm
May 2nd - 7pm
May 9th - 7pm
May 23rd - 12noon
May 30th - 12noon & 7pm

CONNECT WITH US!  
@VENUESATSANFERNANDO  •  WWW.SFCATHEDRAL.ORG/VENUES
CONGRATULATIONS!

As this couple began their new journey as husband and wife this weekend on Saturday, September 21, 2019, ask the Parish Community to please keep them in prayer as they continue to walk with each other with our Lord Jesus Christ as their spiritual guide. On this new journey of marriage may they always cherish and love one another and to always remember that love is patient, love is kind, it is not jealous, nor pompous. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things and endures all things. Love never fails. (1 Corinthians 12) May God bless you all always!!!

Ruben Cuero and Diana C. Reyes

Parish Registration/Forma de Registración

Date/Fecha: ____________________________
Name | Nombre: ___________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Address/Domicilio: __________________ City/Ciudad__________________________ State/Estado____________ Zip Code/Código Postal____________
Telephone Number/Número de teléfono: ___________________ Cell/Cellular: _____________________ Email: _______________________________________

Language preference/Preferencia de Idioma: ________English/Ingles _____________Spanish/Español

If you are not receiving envelopes from San Fernando, you are not registered as a parish member. There will be a two month process before receiving envelopes. Please fill out the above form and return it to the Parish Office or Gift Shop to become an official parishioner. Si no esta recibiendo sobres de la Catedral de San Fernando, no esta registrado como miembro’s de la Parroquia. Habrá un periodo de dos meses antes de que reciba sus sobres. Por favor llene la forma y entregue a la Tienda de Regalos o a la oficina de la Parroquia. Please allow 90 days to receive the envelopes.

The Hijas de Maria
A trip to The Basilica de San Juan de Valle
Progresso, Mexico

Sunday, October 6, 2019
Fee: $50.00 per person (Round trip)
Bus Departs from San Fernando at 5am/Returning to San Fernando between 10pm & 10:30pm
For more information please call:
Gloria Gonzalez at 210-533-7475
Gloria Torres at 210-223-2515
Please join the Hijas de Maria de San Fernando for a fun-filled trip with Mass at the Basilica and then lots of shopping in Progresso, Mex.
PASSPORT NEEDED!!!
ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO…

- Has never been baptized?
- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

In our Cathedral, we have a program or process to prepare the people to receive the sacraments of initiation and to become full members of our Catholic Church. This process is called Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth.

This journey will begin Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at 7:00 pm in the Cafe. If you are interested or know of someone who may be interested, please contact the parish office and ask for Lupita Mandujano (210-227-1297) or Dr. Ramon Figueroa (210-872-3518).

Catholic Social Teaching & the Death Penalty: Preferential Option for the Poor and Vulnerable II

The right to a fair trial is one of the foundations of our justice system, and is often meaningless to the poor and vulnerable in our midst. Almost all death row inmates were unable to afford their own attorney at trial. Court-appointed attorneys often lack the experience necessary for capital trials, are overworked, and underpaid. This often results in poorly handled cases where mitigating factors and tools such as DNA evidence, severe mental illness, or Intellectual Disability may not be brought up. Those living in poverty can also have an Intellectual disability or severe mental illness that goes undiagnosed and untreated.

Those with Intellectual Disability and severe mental illness are some of the most affected by the death penalty. Not only must these individuals overcome societal barriers to daily living but are also much more likely to become victims of crime and at special risk for wrongful conviction. In 2016 alone at least 12 of the 20 people executed and 11 of those who received death sentences showed significant evidence of intellectual disability, mental illness, or brain impairment. The death penalty denies our responsibility to care for this often poor and vulnerable population.

¿ES USTED ALGUIEN OR CONOCE A ALGUIEN QUE …

- Nunca ha sido bautizado?
- Ha expresado interés en ser miembro activo de la Iglesia Católica?
- Tiene un niño(a) de más de 7 años de edad y nunca ha sido bautizado?
- Fue bautizado de niño(a) y nunca recibió los sacramentos de Confirmación y Primera Comunión?

Si este es su caso, los invitamos a que participen en el proceso que se llama Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos o RCIA por sus siglas en Ingles. Este programa o proceso preparará a estas personas que necesitan recibir los sacramentos de iniciación para que puedan convertirse en miembros activos de nuestra comunidad de fe. Durante el proceso, ofrecemos la oportunidad de aprender más sobre nuestra fe. Las sesiones se concentran en las enseñanzas y prácticas de nuestra iglesia Católica. El RCIA los preparará para celebrar los sacramentos del Bautismo, Confirmación y Primera Comunión durante la Pascua. Tenemos sesiones separadas para niños, adolescentes y adultos. Las sesiones se ofrecen en inglés y en español.

Esta jornada va comenzar el Martes 10 de septiembre a las 7:00 pm en el Café. Si necesita más información, pueden comunicarse a la oficina parroquial y preguntar por la Sra. Lupita Mandujano (210-227-1297) o con el Dr. Ramón Figueroa (210-872-3518).

Converging Roads Conference and White Mass for Healthcare Providers

Catholic Medicine in a Secular Society | Continuing Education Credits

Saturday, October 19, 2019 | 8:30AM to 7:30PM

Annual White Mass for Healthcare Providers celebrated by Archbishop García-Siller, M.Sp.S to conclude the conference

Speakers: Robin Pierucci, MD, MA; Paul Hruz, MD, PhD; Frances Broghammer, MD; Jeffrey Berger, MD, FASAM; Monica Ashour, MTS, MHum; and more
Cost ranges from $69-$159 based on CME/CNE inclusion.

Student scholarship rate is $15. To register or for more information, please visit convergingroads.com

Converging Roads is an initiative of the St. John Paul II Foundation, presented in collaboration with the Archdiocese of San Antonio and the Catholic Physicians Guild of San Antonio
Baptisms/Bautismos - Baptism Classes and required documents are needed please contact Ruben Alvarado at 210-227-1297 ext. 128 for more information and dates.

Marriage/Matrimonios & Quinceañera’s - Must be scheduled at least 6 months prior to the wedding or quinceañera date upon availability of the Parish. Paperwork, documents, and requirements must be met before marriage or quinceañera’s are celebrated. Please contact Veronica Alvarez at 210-227-1297 ext. 131

Funerals - Contact the Parish Office

Mass Intentions/Names for Prayer of the Sick - can be made at parish during the weekend mass with the envelopes provided or you may contact the parish office. Mass Intentions should be made at least three weeks in advance if the intentions are to be put into the bulletin.

Sick and Homebound - For any Parishioner, Family Members or Friends who are sick or homebound and are in need of the Eucharist please contact; Phil Grazier (210) 216-8160, Pat Watters (210) 288-8769 or Jo Ann Scrivano (210) 422-0907
The Sanctuary Lamp for JULY will shine for:
THE PARISH COMMUNITY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019
5:30p.m. For the San Francesco Community

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019
11:00a.m. +Sammy Scrivano – Anthony Forestello & girls
          +Julia Herrera – Espinoza Family
1:30p.m. Para La Comunidad de San Francesco

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019
5:30p.m. For the San Francesco Community

FATHER VICTOR VALDEZ, PASTOR, will be joined by
SPECIAL GUESTS:
AUXILIARY BISHOP MICHAEL BOULETTE
ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO
REV. FRANCESCO BRAMUGLIA
FROM CALABRIA ITALY “THE SINGING PRIEST”

SPAGHETTI DINNER TO FOLLOW
Father Francesco will entertain us during the dinner
Proceeds from the dinner will go to CCIS

Cake Sale Revenue will go to Altar and Rosary Society
MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THIS SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR A DAY OF FAITH, ENTERTAINMENT, GOOD FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP!

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR DINNER TICKETS CONTACT SAM GRECO @ 210-289-5800 or RALPH PAGLIA @ 210-744-1226

Memorial Bricks
If you would like to have your name engraved on a Memorial Brick in the foyer of the church, now is the time to purchase one. This project will run from June 29 thru September 29th. The cost of two lines is $250.00 and $300.00 for three lines. First come, first served when picking your spot.

If you are interested, please see Jo Ann Scrivano or you may call her at 210-422-0907.
For ordering of flowers in honor of a loved one to decorate our beautiful church the cost is $60 for one large or $60 for two small arrangements. Please make checks payable to: Flowers by Grace. Thank you for your generosity Sfdp Altar/Rosary Society.

Please contact Rose Marie Pagonis for any Memorial Flower Orders 210-289-9887.

CHARITAS CORNER UPDATE

“Helping those in need through God’s greatness and your generosity.”

The Charitas Fund recently helped a brother in need who lost his longtime job. He was unable to pay his auto insurance and needed the car to look for other employment opportunities plus support his family. We were able to help pay part of the insurance and refer him to a state agency that assists the unemployed. He is now getting back on his feet! Your continued support and generosity helped make this act of kindness happen.

The Charitas Fund is administered by the San Francescani Society and funded primarily through the second collection, usually on the third Sunday of each month. The purpose of this Fund is to assist recipients who, through no fault of their own, have fallen on hard times and have a documented need for assistance in getting back on their feet. The Fund is a source of a one-time donation to a recipient. Frequently, requests for assistance far exceed the monies available, and this prevents the Fund from helping all those in need. This is the reason why we ask for your continued support through your generous donations!

In addition to the second collection, the Charitas Fund accepts individual as well as business contributions. Donations/contributions can be mailed to: Ralph Paglia, Treasurer, San Francescani Society, P.O. Box 782474, San Antonio, TX 78278-2474.

Thank you.

San Francescani Society