October 20, 2019 • Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?

~ Luke 18:8

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER VICTOR
UN MENSAJE DEPARTE DEL PADRE VICTOR

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Today we have two examples that can help us reflect on what it means to “pray always.” The first is Moses, holding his arms up so that the Hebrews will have the better of the battle. This is a common posture for prayer in the ancient world, and the Bible is full of references to one’s lifting up hands (and arms) in prayer. The second example is from the parable Jesus uses to demonstrate the principle of praying always; the widow who persistently pestered a judge from whom she demanded justice. Moses’s prayer is a continuous movement extended over a period of time; the widow’s petition is repeated at frequent intervals over time. The Church’s rich tradition of prayer sets before us examples of both types of prayer.

IT IS POSSIBLE “PRAY ALWAYS”

Early monks who lived as hermits in the deserts of Egypt and Syria took the command to “pray always” so seriously that everything in their life was arranged to maximize the time for continuous prayer. The monks’ disciplines to that end were likened to those of athletes; the practice of all-night prayer was one that was especially admired.

The Church’s primary model for persistent, repeated prayer is the Liturgy of the Hours, which flows from the principle that daily prayer at given times consecrates all of time as well as the work done the rest of the day. Each gathering time is known as an Hour. The most significant Hours are Morning and Evening Prayer (known also as Lauds and Vespers). The prominence of the Liturgy of the Hours in the Church’s tradition is why so many other Catholic prayers and devotions are similarly anchored in time: the Angelus (morning, noon, evening), daily rosary, or prayers arranged for morning and evening found in almost all Catholic prayer books.

Regardless of how we pray, our call as disciples is to become persons of prayer with hearts more and more open to the voice of God in prayer. In the end, this is what it means to “pray always.”

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
OCTOBER 20, 2019

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

San Fernando Cathedral

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CONNECT WORSHIP GROW

SATURDAY / SABADO
8:00 a.m. Sabatina (Español)
5:00 p.m. (English)

SUNDAY / DOMINGO
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

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20th of October 2019 • Vigésimo
Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Hoy tenemos dos ejemplos que pueden ayudarnos a reflexionar en lo que significa “rezar siempre”. El primer es Moisés, sosteniendo sus brazos en lo alto para que los israelitas tuvieran la mejor batalla. Esta es una postura común de orar en el mundo antiguo, y la Biblia tiene muchas referencias a quien en oración eleva las manos (y los brazos). El segundo ejemplo es de la parábola que Jesús cuenta para demostrar el principio de rezar siempre: la viuda que persistentemente molestaba al juez de quien buscaba justicia. La oración de Moisés es un movimiento extendido por un periodo de tiempo; la petición de la viuda se repite en intervalos frecuentes en el tiempo. La nca tradición de la Iglesia de rezar pone ante nosotros ejemplos de ambos tipos de oraciones.

ES POSIBLE “REZAR SIEMPRE”

Los primeros monjes que vivieron como ermitaños en los desiertos de Egipto y Siria tomaron seriamente el mandamiento de “rezar siempre” y todo aquello en sus vidas estaba acordeado para maximizar el tiempo para la oración continua. Las disciplinas de esos monjes con ese fin se comparon con los atletas; la práctica de rezar durante toda la noche fue una especialmente admirada.

El primer modelo de la Iglesia para la oración continua y repetida es la Liturgia de las Horas, el cual fluye del principio de que la oración diaria en ciertos momentos consagra todo el tiempo también como el trabajo que se realiza el resto del tiempo. A cada tiempo de reunión se le conoce como una Hora. Las Horas más significantes son la Oración de la Mañana y la Oración de la Noche (conocidas como Laudes y Vísperas). La prominencia de la Liturgia de las Horas en la tradición de la Iglesia es la razón por la cual muchas otras oraciones y devociones católicas están ancladas igualmente en el tiempo: el Ángelus (mañana, medio día, noche), el rezo diario del rosario u oraciones arregladas para la mañana y noche que están en casi todos los libros de oraciones católicas.

Independientemente de la forma en cómo recemos, nuestra llamada como discípulos es llegar a ser personas de oración con corazones más y más abiertos a la voz de Dios en la oración. Al final, esto es lo que significa “rezar siempre”.

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Mass Collections for the week of October 5th & 6th.
$13,951.74
Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 19, 2019
8:00 a.m. SFC Staff and their families
5:00 p.m. +Joe Adame Louis Sanchez
+John L. Bossi, Jr. Louis Sanchez

Sunday, October 20, 2019
6:00 a.m. +Guillermo Ospina Family
8:00 a.m. Parish Community & Televized Viewers
10:00 a.m. +Manuel Pedro Perez Norma Bouillerce
+Albert Jimenez Louis Sanchez
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+Andrew Zintel JoAnn Zintel
2:00 p.m. +Clarence W. Platt Platt Family
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+Christopher Holzbach Louis Sanchez

Tuesday, October 22, 2019
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+Joe Lara III Lara Family
5:30 p.m. +Jesse Ruiz Louis Sanchez
+Rev. Louis J. Bossi CMF Louis Sanchez

Wednesday, October 23, 2019
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+Consuelo Jimenez Louis Sanchez
5:30 p.m. +Celine Kostelknic Louis Sanchez
+Lorraine Pozzi Louis Sanchez

Thursday, October 24, 2019
12:05 p.m. +Roberto y Tomasa Gonzalez - Alfonso y Antonia Gonzalez
+Maria Elena Zepeda de Ayala Sonia Mireles
5:30 p.m. For the sick in the Parish Community

Friday, October 25, 2019
12:05 p.m. +Jose Elias Rivera Tony Morales
+Angelita Barbossa Dolores Barbossa

Saturday, October 26, 2019
8:00 a.m. For All Parish Organizations

Prayer for the Sick

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.

Lecturas de la Semana

First Reading — As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight (Exodus 17:8-13).
Psalm — Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121).
Second Reading — Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed (2 Timothy 3:14 — 4:2).
Gospel — Will not God secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? (Luke 18:1-8).

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SAN FERNANDO CATHEDRAL
BLOOD DRIVE
Sunday, October 27th, 2019
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
In the bloodmobile

In honor of Deacon and former District 6 Councilman Enrique M. Barrera

For further information, please contact Louis Sanchez at 210.227.1297
RELIC OF SAN JOSELITO

Wednesday, October 30th, 2019
5:30pm

Adoration Following right after Mass

A Mission of Faith
A family of Ministries

Just one person at a time.

You have the opportunity to be that one person to someone who needs what you have to offer. And what you have to offer is never small and insignificant.

Be part of our Faith Community! For more information on any of our ministries, contact us at 210.227.1297
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 | QUINCEÀÑERAS

BOOKING NOW FRIDAY CEREMONIES AT 2PM, BEGINNING IN MAY 2020!

2020 Available Saturday Dates!

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

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.

CONNECT WITH US! ❄️️

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As these couples began their new journey as husband and wife this weekend on Saturday, October 6 2019 we 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!!!

Stephen Reilly & Savannah Slush
Leonard Garza & Nicole Contreras

"If you’re interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith or obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Council #9463 will be conducting a membership drive after each Mass on October 19th - 20th.

Please consider joining our council.
For more information, please visit kofc.org, or contact Joše Rincones at jrincoes15@gmail.com or at 210-885-1511."
Are you someone or do you know someone who…

RCIA

- 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).

¿Es usted alguien o conoce a alguien que…

RCIA

- 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 Inglés. 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).

There are 2 parking options for mass:
- First Option—Surface lot on Dolorosa before Flores St. (approx. 70 spaces). There is no fee.
- Second Option—Bexar County Parking Garage on Flores St.

For this garage, you must present your ticket per instructions below to receive complimentary pass:
- Available for pick up at the Gift Shop on Sundays after Mass Times: 8am, 10am, 12noon, and 2pm.
- 5PM Mass Times for Saturdays and Sundays.
- Tickets available from Mass Coordinators only.

Garage ticket must be presented prior to receiving a complimentary ticket.
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, Deacon Jesse Nuñez (210) 705-3029.
The Sanctuary Lamp for **OCTOBER** will shine for:

+ Rick Capelli

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2019**

5:30p.m.  For the San Francesco Community

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019**

11:00a.m.  + Sammy Scrivano - Ralph and Mary Paglia
           Deceased members of Altar Rosary Society

1:30p.m.  Para La Comunidad de San Francesco

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019**

5:30p.m.  For the San Francesco Community
           + Ann La Machia - Anthony Martino

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**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

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**WEEKLY MASS COLLECTIONS**

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**2019 Collections to Date**

$18,393.00

**2019 Collections Budget**

$100,000

**NOTE:** Fiscal Year (FY) is from July 1, 2019—June 30th, 2020.

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**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.

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**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**