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

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

If you trust in God, you too shall live;
God has set before you fire and water;
to whichever you choose,
stretch forth your hand.

Sirach 15:15-16

FEBRUARY 16, 2020

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

Rector:
Very Rev. Victor Valdez

Parochial Vicar:
Rev. Alejandra Ortega

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Deacon Joe Marroquin
Deacon C. Roger Macias
Deacon Roger Morales
Deacon Jesse Nunez

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Lupita Mandujano

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Eloise Cortez-Lara - Director of Facilities & Special Events
Veronica Alvarez - Wedding Coordinator
Cielo Perez - Director of Internal Communications
Lupita Mandujano - Bookkeeper
Dora Ramos - Gift Shop Manager
Ruben Alvarado - Receptionist/Records
Elizabeth Nunez - Housekeeper

Soclistan:
Marta Figueroa

Director of Music Ministries:
Rick McLaughlin

Maintenance:
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Arturo Bustamante

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER VICTOR
UN MENSAJE DEPARTIL DE PADRE VICTOR

February 16, 2020
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Paul speaks of both the “wisdom of this age” and the “rulers of this age.” He refers specifically to the so-called wise people and institutions responsible for unjustly condemning Jesus to death. As we mourn the human sin that killed Jesus two thousand years ago, we also consider contemporary errors and evils that wound the Body of Christ in our own age. We easily recognize the crimes of our leaders. Religious, corporate, and government institutions have inflicted suffering on countless innocent souls. The depth of our modern-day failures threatens us with despair. But Jesus calls us to renewed faithfulness and hope. Jesus tells us to “surpass” our leaders in righteousness. He instructs us to simplify our own lives: “Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’ Anything more is from the evil one.” We are right to work against the sins of our leaders, but we must also scrutinize our own lives and make peace with our families, neighbors, and coworkers.

PASSING AWAY

There is some urgency in Christ’s call to holiness. Everything in this age is passing away. Jesus’ call is timely and radical, pleading with us to drop other business and make reconciliation a priority. The Lord actually says to “leave your gift at the altar” and return to worship after making peace with the adversaries in our lives. Jesus is deadly serious about the need for reconciliation and righteousness, insisting that nothing—not even our eyes and arms—are worth more than love. All of today’s readings reflect on the deep connection between God’s law and healthy, peaceful love. As Saint Paul says in Romans 13:10, “love is the fulfillment of the law.” Here in the twenty-first century, we modern disciples of Christ can cultivate that mystery deep in our hearts, nurturing the tremendous twin gifts of God’s love and God’s law, offered to us freely to help us sustain a healthy and holy Body of Christ.

San Fernando Cathedral

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Mass Collections for the week of February 8th & 9th - $10,802.34

Very Rev. Victor Valdez
Rector
**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, February 15, 2020**
- 8:00 a.m.  SFC Staff and their families
- 5:00 p.m.  Noah Mungia (Birthday)  Family

**Sunday, February 16, 2020**
- 6:00 a.m.  For the homebound
- 8:00 a.m.  Parish Community & Televised Viewers
- 10:00 a.m.  Choco Gonzalez Meza  Daniel Meza & Family
- 12:00 a.m.  Frank Talamonite  Rosie Nufiez
- 12:00 p.m.  Rosa Soto  Familia
- 2:00 p.m.  CM Sgt. Jose M.R. Avila USAF, Ret.  Mrs. Eloise Avila (Wife) & Children
- 5:00 p.m.  For the Sick

**Monday, February 17, 2020**
- 12:05 p.m.  For the Parish Community
- 5:30 p.m.  For the homebound

**Tuesday, February 18, 2020**
- 12:05 p.m.  For the sick
- 5:30 p.m.  Communion Service

**Wednesday, February 19, 2020**
- 12:05 a.m.  Evlira Gonzalez  Family
- 5:30 p.m.  For the elderly

**Thursday, February 20, 2020**
- 12:05 p.m.  SFC Staff and their families
- 5:30 p.m.  Communion Service

**Friday, February 21, 2020**
- 12:05 p.m.  For the Parish Community

**Saturday, February 22, 2020**
- 8:00 a.m.  Carmen Zendejas Barrera  Friends of Roy Barrera Sr. & Family

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**Readings of the Week**

**First Reading** — God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

**Psalm** — Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Psalm 119).

**Second Reading** — God’s wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

**Gospel** — Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]).

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**Lecturas de la Semana**

**Primera lectura** — Dios nos permite tomar decisiones, pero no debemos optar por la injusticia o el pecado (Siracides 15:16-21).

**Salmo** — Dichosos los que caminan en la voluntad del Señor (Salmos 119 [118]).

**Segunda lectura** — La sabiduría de Dios es misteriosa y escondida (1 Corintios 2:6-10).

**Evangelio** — Jesús no ha venido a abolir la ley ni los profetas, sino a darles plenitud (Mateo 5:17 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]).

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**Lecturas de la Semana**

- **Lunes:** Stgo 1:11; Sal 119 (118):1-6; 71-72, 75-76; Mx 8:11-13
- **Martes:** Stgo 1:12-18; Sal 94 (93):12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mx 8:14-21
- **Miércoles:** Stgo 1:19-27; Sal 15 (14):2-4ab, 5; Mx 8:22-26
- **Jueves:** Stgo 2:1-9; Sal 34 (33):2-7; Mc 8:27-33
- **Viernes:** Stgo 2:14-24, 26; Sal 112 (111):1-6; Mc 8:34 — 9:1
- **Sábado:** 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
- **Domingo:** Lc 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

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**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.

- **Monday:** 1 Pt 5:1-4
- **Tuesday:** Ps 94:12-13a
- **Wednesday:** Ps 15:2-4ab, 5
- **Thursday:** Ps 15:2-4ab
- **Friday:** Ps 112:1-6: Mt 8:34 — 9:1
- **Saturday:** 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48
- **Sunday:** Lc 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48
WOMEN’S ACTS

¡Lotería!
SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH, 2020
1:30PM | San Fernando Ballroom
Food, Beverages, Friends and Fun!!

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS ONLINE
SFCATHEDRAL.ORG/LOTERIA — $10.00

The Hijas de María

The Hijas de María will be having a trip to
The Basilica de San Juan de Valle
Progresso, Mex

Sunday, March 1, 2020
Fee: $50.00 per person (round trip)
Bus Departs from San Francesco di Paola
parking lot at 5am
Returning to the same location
between 10pm & 10:30pm

For more information please call:
Gloria Gonzalez at 210-533-7475 or
Gloria Torres at 210-223-2515

Please join the Hijas de María de San Fernando for a
fun filled trip with Mass at the Basilica and then lots of
shopping in Progresso, Mex. PASSPORT NEEDED

Parish Ministries | Meeting Times

CONFESSIONS | CONFESIONES
Everyday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

ADORATIONS
Wednesday from 6:30pm - 7:30pm

BAPTISM/BAUTISMoS | MARRIAGE/MATRIMONIO
Please contact the Parish Office
Favor de llamar a la oficina | 210.227.1297

Hijas de Maria
(Junta en Español/Spanish)
1st Sunday of the Month
11:00am - La Sala (Above Poblanos)
Contact: Gloria Gonzalez
210-533-7475

Guadalupana Society-(English)
3rd Saturday of the Month
6:30pm - Cathedral Choir Room
(Above Gift Shop)
Contact: Maggie Marroquin
214-605-9124

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

Chorale
Every Wednesday
7:00pm - 8:15pm
Cathedral Choir Room

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

Gift Shop Hours
Monday - Saturday | 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday | 8:30am - 3:30pm
Gift Shop:
(210) 357-5608
Fax: (210) 444-1854
Gift Shop Fax:
(210) 223-7854

Knights of Columbus -(English)
2nd Wednesday of the Month
6:30pm - San Juan Room
231 W Commerce
Contact: George Ramos
210-772-3417

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

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

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

Knots of Hope-(Prayer Quilt Group)
3rd Thursday of the Month
2:00pm - 4:30pm - Concepcion Rm
Contact: Cati Reyna
210-758-9948

PASSPORT NEEDED
2020 Archbishop’s Appeal Prayer

Accompany with Joy, Give with Grace

Lord God,

Who sent your Son as our way, our truth and our life, we thank you for your presence within us that challenges, loves, and leads us in service to your people.

With your grace, help us find courage to accompany our brothers and sisters in need, as we are the Body of Christ.

Inspire in us the desire to give of ourselves in order to manifest your presence to the world, especially through our gifts to the Archbishop’s Appeal.

Grateful for your many blessings, help us to share them generously for your glory.

Bless and multiply our gifts to the 2020 Archbishop’s Appeal, may we humbly follow the teachings of Your Son, Jesus Christ, to accompany others with love and kindness, live together in peace, and one day attain everlasting happiness in Heaven.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

WOMEN’S ACTS RETREAT

| 3.12 – 3.15 |

Now Accepting Applications!
REGISTER ONLINE
SFCAThEDRAL.ORG/ACTS

RETREATANT INFORMATION

Name:
Number:
E-mail:
Address:
City: STATE: ZIP:
DOB: RELIGION:
SAN FERNANDO PARISHONER (Y/N)
IF NO, WHAT PARISH:
SPONSOR:

To guarantee your reservation, please submit a complete registration form available online at sfcaThedral.org/ACTS along with a $50.00 deposit to San Fernando Cathedral. Full payment of $180.00 is due by February 29th, 2020. Only cash will be accepted beginning March 1, 2020. Cancellation will result in forfeiture of funds. Please note that priority is given to parishioners of San Fernando Cathedral.

Questions about the CTS Retreat? Please contact Amy Farmer at 210.392.8905 or Maggie Marroquin at 214.605.9124

LENTEN FAITH SHARING GATHERING

| 2.27.20 |

SIX WEEKS OF LENT

Lent is a special time. It’s six weeks in our church life that we’re given to spend with God and each other. It is a time to reflect on His goodness and His message in the Lenten Scriptures we’ll read. Let us come together in prayer as the faith family we are to share our faith journey reflecting on His teachings and see how these come alive within us. In this way we continue to build our spiritual life within our community during the Lenten season.

At San Fernando Cathedral we’ll first gather on Thursday after Ash Wednesday, Feb 27, 2020, in the Sala from 6:30 to 8:30 pm and continue to meet the following Thursdays.
Please take the elevator to 2nd floor, exit turning left to La Sala.

We hope to see you!

19TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON

| 3.24.20 |

CATHOLIC TELEVISION OF SAN ANTONIO 19TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON

SISTER SUSAN MIKA, OSA

LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNICATION AWARD

BISHOP EMERITUS JOHN W. YANGA

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

BISHOP MICHAEL J. BOUETTE, D.AVIN.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020 AT ST. PAUL COMMUNITY CENTER, 1201 DONALDSON
FOR TICKET INFO CALL TERRI PALOS (210) 734-1938 OR TERESA.PALOS@ARCHSA.ORG
As this couple began their new journey as husband and wife this weekend on Saturday, February 22, 2020 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!!!

Christopher Staton & Elaine M. Candelaria
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 DINNER | 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.
COMMUNITY

SAN FERNANDO CATHEDRAL
SAN ANTONIO, TX
FEBRUARY 16, 2020

**RCIA**
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).

- **RCIA**
¿ES USTED ALGUIEN O CONOCE A ALGUIEN QUE …

- Nunca ha sido bautizado?
- Ha expuesto 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).

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**San Fernando Cathedral Parking During Mass**

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.

**BEXAR COUNTY PARKING GARAGE**

Garage ticket must be presented prior to receiving a complimentary ticket.
**San Francesco di Paola Catholic Church**

**Mass Schedule:**
- Saturday: 5:30pm (English)
- Sunday: 11:00am (English)
- Domingo: 1:30pm (Español)

**Pastoral Care of the Sick**
Jo Ann Scrivano
Deacon Jesse Nuñez

**Altar and Rosary Society**
Deborah P. Walton

**San Francescani Society**
Henry F. Garcia

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**Baptisms/Bautismos** - Baptism Classes and required documents are needed. Please contact Mimi Solis at office 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.

**Amen I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law.**

*Matthew 5:18*

**February 16, 2020**

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San Francesco Di Paola Altar & Rosary Society

INVITES YOU TO A BUNCO PARTY!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020

12:30 PM | CCIS Hall (downstairs)
Cost: $12.00
Food Served

Please pray for those who are sick and in need of healing graces/Por favor oren por los enfermos

Angelina & Ivan Hinojosa
Josephine Garza,
Alexis Kimberly Garcia
Mariah Chanel Torres
Ralph B. Torres
Leonard & Regina Lee
Loretta Gutierrez
Jorge Faria VanDune
Mariana Gaspar
John Tia
Tamara Lee Young
Joseph Roberto Moreno
M. del Carmen Sanchez
Mike Casanovan
Mario Reyes
Cynthianna Martinez
Janie Miller
Frances Ponzio
Annie Pantusa
Rivera Noah Martinez
Patrick John Meyers
Mary Martinelli
Sharon Anderson
Sammy Greco
Kathy Greco
Joe Greco
Mariah Chanel Torres
Frank Pantuso
Roel R Soliz

San Francisco Di Paola Altar & Rosary Society

WEEKLY MASS COLLECTIONS

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2019 Collections to Date: $61,351.77  2019 Collections Budget: $100,000

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

Make check payable to SFDP Altar & Rosary Society
(Your check is your reservation)

Mail check by Wednesday, February 19 to: Rose Marie Pagonis
331 Craigmont Lane | San Antonio, TX 78213

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. See Rose Marie Pagonis for more details. You can give her the check or place in collection marked for flowers.

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

Door Prizes
CHARITAS CORNER UPDATE
“Helping those in need through God’s greatness and your generosity.”

The Charitas Fund recently helped two families during Christmas. First, it provided a financially strapped single mother of three with much needed support for food and gifts so her children could have a nourishing and joyous holiday. Second, a family of six having significant financial difficulties were living without beds. The four children were sleeping on the floor and the parents taking turns sleeping on the couch. Additionally, their stove leaked gas and the refrigerator needed repair. The Fund provided new mattresses, frames and bedding for the family and had the refrigerator repaired. A member of the Society bought the family a new stove. Through God’s grace we were able to restore some dignity to these families. Your continued support and generosity helped make these acts 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: Larry Chiaro, Treasurer, San Francescani Society, 1811 Dulles, San Antonio, TX 78251-2958.

Thank you.

San Francescani Society