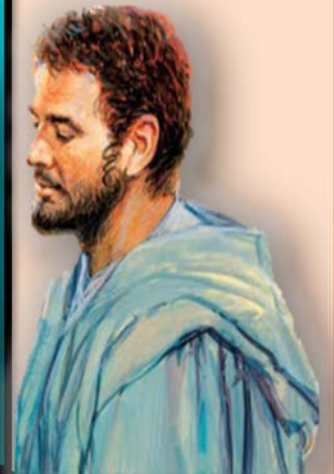
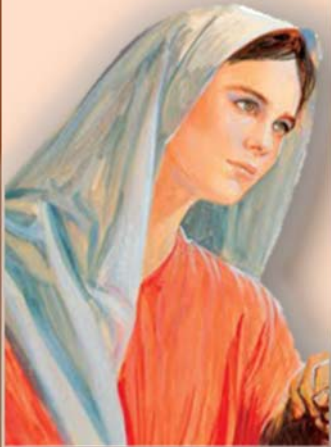


# ST. LAWRENCE *The* MARTYR CATHOLIC CHURCH



December 31, 2017

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

The child grew and became strong,  
filled with wisdom;  
and the favor of God was upon him.

Luke 2:40



Rev. José R. Pérez-Martínez, JCD, Pastor  
Rev. Donatus (Dons) Onyeke, In Residence

Deacon Charles Pope ——— Deacon Nestor Huizar

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Sunday Liturgy)..... 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 7:30 (EN), 10:30 (EN) & 12noon (EN)  
..... 9:00 (SP)  
Daily Mass..... 8:30 a.m.  
Mon & Wed & Fri (EN) and Tue & Thu (SP)

### CONFESSIONS

Monday thru Friday ..... by appointment  
Thursday ..... 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
Saturday ..... 5:00-5:50 p.m.

### WEEKLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday ..... 6:00-7:00 p.m.

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Office closed for lunch 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

### TELEPHONE NUMBERS

#### Parish Office

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Religious Education Office - 210.924.6470

Day Care Office - 210.924.4026

**Please pray for the sick and in need of healing**

**graces...** Ethan Martinez John DeLeon, Jeff Bova, Juan M Perez, Caleb Keller, Jose C Martinez, Adela Chapa, Lucille Laroque, Gerard Alaniz, Gabriela Garcia, Anita B Rodriguez, Santiago Gonzales, Armando Montez, Maria Moreno, Irma Garcia, Annabelle Gonzales, John De Leon, Julia Herrera, Gloria Izaguirre, Jeremy Perez, Ruben Cortez Sr, Maria Ramirez, Mary Alaniz, Antonio Aguilar, Tomas Morales, Juani Torres, Martin Garcia, Deacon Ernesto and Irma Leal, Julia Moreno, Jr, Angie Moreno, Max De La Cruz, Marcelle Winters, Ruben Ortiz, Frank Trevino, Michelle & Matthew Wright, Lupe Escobar, Elisa Garza, Delia Ruiz, Anastasia Hernandez, Lois Palacios, Denise Tejeda, Marisol Hernandez, Indalicio Uriegas, Dodie Martinez, Geraldine Kellner, Richard & Beatrice Treviño, Isabella Dromgoole, Irene Garcia, Irene Ortiz, Johnny R Cavazos, Adrianna Chavez, Nancy Arzola, Edmundo & Eloise Zaragoza, Theresa Garcia, Gilbert G Chavez, Margie & Gilbert Solis, JC McDaniel Jr, John Longoria, Elias Gonzales, Jean Blackwell, Jonathan Ramirez, Linda Vargas, Manuel Palacios, Mary Lou Gil, Johnny & Mary Guerrero, Debra Pope, Johnny Perez Jr, Roy C Ortiz, Roger Cumpian Sr, Kenneth Bostick, Olga Zamora, Andy Trevino, Jessica Roque, Elizabeth Roque, Cynthia Gonzales, Mary Jane Hart, Michelle Barrientes, Norma Jean Gonzales. Adam Gonzales, Isabella Guzman, Roy Trevino, Elvia Garza, Coedell A Page, Mary R Vasquez, Peggy Cerna, Danielle Guzman, Daylan Mayfield, Gary Gonzales, Ernest Crosby, Martin Beltran, Rochiel Andrews, Maria G. Pacheco.



**LITURGY OF THE DAY**

The feast of the Holy Family was introduced into the liturgical calendar in 1921, promoted as a way to honor the Christian family. So today not only do we honor the Holy Family, we also focus on our own families and consider how we can be like the Holy Family. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, in their devoted love and care for each other and in the way Mary and Joseph raised and cared for Jesus, can be a model for our own families.

**LITURGIA DEL DÍA**

La fiesta de la Sagrada Familia se estableció en el calendario litúrgico en 1921, cuya promoción fue para honrar a la familia cristiana. Por tanto, hoy no sólo honramos a la Sagrada Familia, sino que también nos concentramos en nuestras propias familias y reflexionamos en cuanto a cómo podemos parecerlos a la Sagrada Familia. Jesús, María y José pueden ser un modelo para nuestra propia familia por su fidelidad en el amor y la atención que tenían los unos por los otros, y por la manera en que María y José criaron y cuidaron de Jesús.

**\*\* Pray for all the men and women in the armed forces; may Our Lord protect them and all of us!**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**



For the Eternal Rest of  
**+All Souls in Purgatory**  
Sunday, December 31, 2017 to  
Saturday, January 6, 2018

**Question of the Week**

Do I display the attributes described in today's readings when relating to my own family?

**Pregunta de la Semana**

¿Demuestro los atributos que se describen en las lecturas de hoy en el trato con mi propia familia?

Our **official parish website** is NOW AVAILABLE! Visit us at [www.stlawrences.org](http://www.stlawrences.org) and check out our upcoming content and parish information.



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**New Year's Schedule**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE: Sunday, December 31**  
**Morning Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm**  
**6:00 PM: Bilingual Mass**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY: Monday, January 1, 2018**  
**10:00 AM: Bilingual Mass**  
[The Parish Office will be **CLOSED** on Jan. 1st, 2018]



**Horario para el Año Nuevo**

**VISPERA DE AÑO NUEVO: Domingo, Diciembre 31**  
**Misas por la Mañana: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm**  
**6:00 PM: Misa Bilingüe**

**AÑO NUEVO: Lunes, 1 de Enero, 2018**  
**10:00 AM: Misa Bilingüe**  
[La Oficina Parroquial estará **CERRADA** el 1 de Enero del 2018]

*Mass Intentions for the Weekend*

Saturday, December 30, 2017

6:00 pm

Juan Ramos†	Olivia G Martinez†
Naun Delgado†	Elisa Ortiz†
Irma Guerra†	Guadalupe Larios†
Julie Rodriguez†	Tony Gonzalez†
Candi & Emilio Ortiz†	

Sunday, December 31, 2017

7:30am

Dora Sepulveda†	Felix Salas†
Rudy Gaeta†	Maria Vidaurri†
Raul De La Garza†	Mary Pais†
Lee Pais†	Leon Korzekwa†
Maria E. Alvarado†	Ernie Pena— Health

9:00am

Soledad Zavala†	Leonel Rodriguez†
Isaac Rodriguez†	

10:30am

Julian Gonzalez†	Bianca Herrera-Spl Intention
Carrie Villarreal-Health	Darren Dominguez †
Otilia Czaja†	Peter Czaja†
Melvin & Sylvia Boysen†	Dan Moczygemba†
Boysen Family—In Thanksgiving	For World Peace
Jill Wright & Andrew S.—	For Marriage Blessings

12:00pm

Fabian Zaiontz†



**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

is prayed in the parish office chapel at 3:00 pm

Every **THURSDAY**/ Todos los **Jueves**,  
Everyone is invited / Todos están invitados

**Jesus, I Trust in You!!! / ¡Jesús, En Ti Confío!**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every Thursday from 6 to 7pm we will have Adoration in the church . During this same hour Fr. José will be hearing confession.



Cada jueves tendremos **La Adoración Eucarística** en la Iglesia de 6 a 7 pm. Durante esta misma hora, el Padre José estará escuchando confesiones.

**Readings and Reflection for Advent**

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34  
 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42  
 Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]  
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**BEARERS OF THE WORD**

The Church has placed a number of notable feast days immediately after Christmas. What do these have to do with the feast of the Holy Family, which crowns the Octave of Christmas? These feasts remind us that suffering will occur in fulfilling the mission of Christ, and that we are all called to be bearers of this Word whose birth we celebrate. We also see this manifested in the lives of Joseph and Mary, both of whom took social and religious risks in obedience to the will of God, and both of whom were open to the word of God sent to them from on high. In these ways they prefigured the life of Jesus himself. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



**Lecturas y Reflexiones del Adviento**

Lunes: Nm 6:22-27; Sal 67 (66):2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lc 2:16-21  
 Martes: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
 Miércoles: 1 Jn 2:29 3:6; Sal 98 (97):1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34  
 Jueves: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Sal 98 (97):1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42  
 Viernes: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Sal 100 (99):1b-5; Lc 4:14-22a  
 Sábado: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147:12-15, 19-20; Mc 1:7-11 o Lc 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]  
 Domingo: Is 60:1-6; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Ef 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**PORTADORES DE LA PALABRA**

La Iglesia ha puesto unos cuantos días de fiesta notables enseguida después de la Navidad. ¿Qué relación tienen estas fiestas con la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia, que corona la Octava de la Navidad? Estas fiestas nos recuerdan que habrá sufrimiento al tratar de cumplir la misión de Cristo, y que estamos todos llamados a ser portadores de esta Palabra cuyo nacimiento celebramos. También vemos la manifestación de esta verdad en las vidas de José y María, quienes se exponen a riesgos sociales y religiosos para obedecer la voluntad de Dios, y estaban abiertos a la Palabra que Dios les enviaba del cielo. Así ambos fueron prefigurados de Jesús. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



**Weekend Collections for  
December 23-24, 2017**  
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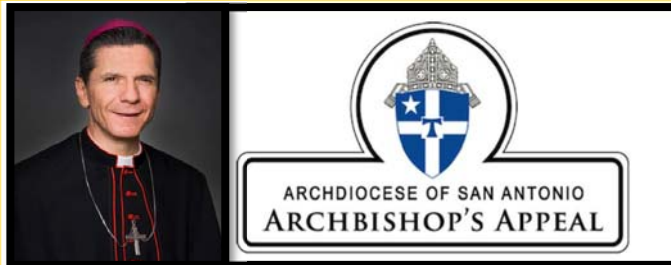
**Wedding and Debut Coordinators  
Needed**  
(English & Spanish)

The parish is in need of wedding and debut coordinators in English and Spanish. This requires for the coordinator to lead the rehearsal and be present at the celebration that is to held. For more information, please call the parish office.

**Coordinadores para Bodas y Quinceañeras  
Requeridos**

(Inglés y Español)

La parroquia necesita coordinadores para bodas y quinceañeras en Inglés y Español. Esto requiere que el coordinador conduzca el ensayo y esté presente en la ceremonia el día de la celebración. Para más información, favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial.



The 2018 Archbishop's Appeal has begun with a theme *In the Spirit of Love* and an overall Appeal goal of \$4.5 million. **Our 2018 Appeal parish goal is \$18,434.90**

The Archbishop's Appeal is the annual ongoing effort of the Catholic community, which supports more than 40 ministries that evangelize Christ's people locally in the faith and serves those in need. Pray on how you and your loved ones may consider renewing your gift or making a gift for the first time. Your support is essential to ensuring that we as the local church are able to continue providing the Catholic Appeal ministries that aid homeless women and children, care for our retired clergy, clothe and feed the poor, support the education and spiritual formation of men preparing to serve our parish communities as a priest or deacon, comfort the hospitalized, share our mission of faith with the incarcerated, provide Catholic tuition assistance to families in need and so much more! Please pray for the success of the Archbishop's Appeal and make your gift today by completing the Archbishop's Appeal pledge card sent to your home, here in the pew on the **weekend of January 20-21**, online at [www.archsa.org/archbishops-appeal](http://www.archsa.org/archbishops-appeal) or by calling the Office of Archbishop's Appeal at 210-734-1604. Thank you for your prayers and generosity. May God bless you!

**ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO**

MIDWINTER GATHERING  
**THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL:  
BLUEPRINT FOR AN  
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CATECHESIS**

**SATURDAY,  
JANUARY 27, 2018  
8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

**COST: \$15.00**  
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PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL**  
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**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

Bishop Michael Boulette  
Auxiliary Bishop  
Archdiocese of San Antonio

Julianna Stanz  
Director of New Evangelization  
Diocese of Green Bay

**FEATURED SPEAKERS**

Edgar Ramirez, M.Div.  
Catechist  
& Pastoral Ministry Trainer

Yvonne Dilling  
Maryknoll Lay Missionary  
& TV Host


Fr. Richard Samour  
Pastor St. Clare Parish  
COURAGE Chaplain

Rosa Béjar  
International Catechetical  
Missionary

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**FOR MORE INFO: KELLY VAZQUEZ 210-734-1679 OR [KELLYVAZQUEZ@ARCHSA.ORG](mailto:KELLYVAZQUEZ@ARCHSA.ORG)**

**2018 Envelopes Now Available**



The 2018 envelope boxes for the weekly collection are now available in the parish office. Please stop by during the week, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm to pick up your box or to request one. Thank You.

**Sobres del 2018 Ya Disponibles**

Las cajas con los sobres para las colectas semanales del 2018 ya están disponibles en la oficina parroquial. Favor de pasar durante la semana, Lunes a Viernes de 8:00 am a 5:00 pm, para recoger su caja o para solicitar una. Muchas gracias.



**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
December 31, 2017**

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

—Luke 2:30-31



**ADULT FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

Registration is now open for classes for **adults (18 and older) who have not yet received First Communion and/or Confirmation.** Classes will be from January 30th to March 6th, 2018, once a week at 6:00 PM. Please call or visit the parish office to sign up. Registration is \$20 per person. More information will be coming soon.

**CLASES DE PRIMERA COMUNION Y CONFIRMACION PARA ADULTOS**

Ya están abiertas las inscripciones de las clases para los **adultos (mayores de 18 años) que aun no han recibido la Primera Comuni3n y/o Confirmaci3n.** Las clases ser3n del 30 de Enero al 6 de Marzo, 2018, una vez por semana a las 6:00 PM. Favor de ir o llamar a la oficina parroquial para registrarse. El registro es de \$20 por persona. Mas informaci3n pr3ximamente.



The official Facebook page for our parish is now available! Find us as "[St. Lawrence Catholic Church-San Antonio, Texas](#)" and hit the "Like" button to begin following us and receive our upcoming content. For more information, please email us at [stlawrcommunications@gmail.com](mailto:stlawrcommunications@gmail.com). Thank you.

¡La pagina oficial de Facebook de nuestra parroquia ya est3 disponible! Encu3ntranos como "[St. Lawrence Catholic Church-San Antonio, Texas](#)" y dale click en el bot3n de "Like" para comenzar a seguirmos y recibir todo el pr3ximo contenido. Para mas informaci3n, escribenos por email a [stlawrcommunications@gmail.com](mailto:stlawrcommunications@gmail.com). Gracias.



**Religious Education News**

**Post-Confirmation** classes for High School students are every Wednesday in the St. Lawrence classroom at 6:30 pm. We encourage **all high school students who have already**

**received Confirmation** to attend and continue learning about their Catholic faith. For more information call the Religious Education Office at (210) 924-6470.

**CCD Holiday Break:** We will not have Religious Education classes on **Sunday, December 31st** in observance of the New Year. Have a blessed Holiday break full of the peace of Christ!

**Nativity Pilgrimage**

**10 DAY Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**

*"Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus"*

**May 14 - 23, 2018**

More information available in the Parish Office

**Spiritual Director**  
**Fr. Jose R. Perez-Martinez**  
St. Lawrence Catholic Church  
San Antonio, TX

**Tour Coordinator: Emma Alvarado**  
(210) 663-2924

**\$3,200 PER PERSON** Round Trip from San Antonio, TX

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**TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE**

¡Año nuevo, vida nueva! El día primero de enero, mientras muchos celebran las cábalas y cabañuelas de un año nuevo, los cristianos conmemoramos a quien dio a luz al autor de la vida. María, bajo el título de Madre de Dios, es como nosotros deseamos celebrar la esperanza de un ¡año nuevo, vida nueva! El Concilio de Éfeso en el año 431 declaró a María como la *Theotokos*; la que "carga a Dios". Este dogma tiene que ver más con el Hijo que con la madre y fue proclamado para afirmar que Jesucristo "desde toda la eternidad fue Dios". Continúa la doctrina y afirma "Así como toda madre humana, no es solamente madre del cuerpo humano sino de la persona, así María dio a luz a una persona, Jesucristo, quien es Dios y hombre, entonces Ella es la Madre de Dios". ¡Ésta sí que es vida nueva! Dios nace como ser humano y el ser humano carga a Dios. Gracias a Dios, todo ser humano puede ser como María Theotokos y cargar a Dios en su corazón. ¡Feliz Año Nuevo! —Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.