



From the desk of our Parish Administrator

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. There is an intrinsic connection between the Epiphany and the Baptism of the Lord. Both of them are revelations of the person of Jesus. Each one of them take a different perspective. At the Epiphany, the eternal Son and Word of God, is manifested to all the nations in the human flesh. At the Baptism, Jesus of Nazareth, is solemnly proclaimed by God the Father as his Eternal Son. The former, manifests that the divinity has been made flesh in the person of Jesus and the latter, that Jesus, in his human flesh is the Son of God. The former is a descending manifestation of God and the latter an ascending manifestation of God.

From the very beginning of the Catholic Church, the Christian communities of old, have always believed that this is an essential part of our faith. That in the divine person of Jesus Christ, there are two natures, namely, the divine nature and the human nature. Jesus Christ is the second person of the Blessed Trinity, both the divine and the human natures, stand separate without mix or confusion. This fact is stated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

"We believe and confess that Jesus of Nazareth was born from Jewish decent and was born to a daughter of Israel, in Bethlehem, at the time of King Herod the Great and the Emperor Caesar Augustus. He was a carpenter by trade, who by His crucifixion in Jerusalem under the procurator Pontius Pilate during the reign of the Emperor Tiberius, is the eternal Son of God made man. He 'came from God', 'descended from heaven', and 'came in the flesh'. For 'the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, the glory of the only Son from the Father and from his fullness have we all received, grace upon grace.'

Moved by the grace of the Holy Spirit and drawn by the Father, we believe in Jesus and confess: 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' On the rock of this faith confessed by St. Peter, Christ built his Church. (CCC n. 423-424).

When we speak of evangelization and catechesis, we mean that we make others encounter a Person, the Person of Jesus of Nazareth, the only Son of the Father, "the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus". This also includes experiencing the love God for each one personally, which is manifested in the forgiveness of the sins.

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And forgiveness was brought about by the merits of Jesus Christ who suffered and died for us and who now, after rising, is living with us forever.

In Jesus Christ every human being finds meaning to his life, because all men were meant to live eternally and that can only be achieved through the person of the Lord Jesus.

May we recognize and thank the Lord for his mercy and his love for us. Saint John Marie Vianney would say that if we only knew how much God loves us, we would die. Blessings to you and your family today and throughout this new year.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Rodolfo Caballero

The Sanctuary Lamp is sponsored by David & Cathy Schick for a Special Intention (01/4/-01/17).

The Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, St. Jerome & Our Lady of Guadalupe Statues are sponsored by Anton & Mary Ann Hajek - In Memory of Deceased Family Members (01/4-01/17).



Altar Server Training - Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 7:00pm in the church. Training is open to all children who have made their First Communion and grades higher who are interested in being a part of the Altar Ministry . All current and new altar servers must attend training. There will be a brief parent meeting following training. If you have any questions you may contact Roxanne Zigmund at 210-415-7821.

The New Blessed Sacrament Adoration hours on Wednesdays after the 8:00am mass until 7:00pm.

Fr. Rodolfo has new guidelines for upcoming marriages. If you are considering a wedding in the future at St. Jerome, you must complete the necessary requirements before setting the church wedding date. Please contact Diane at the parish office for more details. The office number is 210-648-2694.



There will be a 2nd Collection on January 25th for the Church in Latin America.

Karen Bagwell is offering her counseling services free of charge until the first of February. You may contact Karen at 210-264-2565. After January 31st Karen will charge on a sliding scale basis.

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15th Annual Golf Tournament Saturday March 21, 2015

8:00 a.m. Tee Time
Silver Horn Golf Course
1100 West Bitters Road,
San Antonio, TX 78216

Please email this form to Rick McManigle
rmanigle@ost.edu or Kathryn Kashiwabara
kkashiwabara@ost.edu. Sponsor payment must arrive by
March 6 to guarantee placement in program for the
Tournament and on Tee Signs. Checks payable to ACTS
Missions Golf Tournament and mail with this form to ACTS
Missions – 285 Oblate Drive – San Antonio -78216 .



A Fall trip is being organized to participate in the Pilgrimage of the World Meeting of Families

Pope Francis will Visit as well
as celebrate Mass in
Philadelphia, PA - September 22-27, 2015. Two travel
options will be available; the entire week or the weekend. In
order to make arrangements and begin planning we would
like to know who might be interested in attending this
pilgrimage in the upcoming weeks. We will have more
information available in the Gathering Area of our church
this weekend. Feel free to contact Roxy Pruski at (210) 218-
6204 with any comments, questions, or concerns.

The New Online Giving Program Has Begun

We have previously announced that we are offering the
Online Giving program. If you manage your bills online,
why not try giving to St. Jerome online? It is safe and
secure, and you decide exactly when your donation is made
and where it goes. When you participate, your donation will
transfer directly into the parish bank account.

So if you forget your offering envelope, or if you missed a
second collection you can go online and make a donation,
with no cost to you. For information on how to begin the
process, go to stjeromesatx.org and find the green online
giving button. When you participate, you can view your
giving history at any time. You may also find more
information about this new program in the Gathering Area of
our church or call the parish office.

St. Jerome Marriage Ministry Covenant of Love Program

Be watching for more details in the upcoming weeks for 6
more date nights starting in the Spring. All couples are wel-

Archdiocese of San Antonio Annual Anniversary Mass



Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller invites
all couples of the Archdiocese of San
Antonio to join him for the annual
celebration at the Church of the Holy
Spirit. Mass will include a renewal of marriage vows by
all participating anniversary couples. Family members and
friends of the participating couples are welcome to attend.
Only anniversary couples will need to register, family and
friends need not register. A reception at the Holy Spirit
Banquet Hall will follow immediately after mass.

This event will take place on
Friday, February 13, 2015
at 7:00pm in the evening
Church Of The Holy Spirit

8134 Blanco Rd. ~ San Antonio, Texas, 78216

For more information please contact the
San Antonio Archdiocese
Office of Marriage & Family Life at 210-734-1650.

Pavers For The Prayer Garden—Just a few spots left.
Forms are in the Gathering Area of the church. Contact
Frank Bennett for more information at 867-7281.



Khaki & Plaid Gala Homecoming 2015

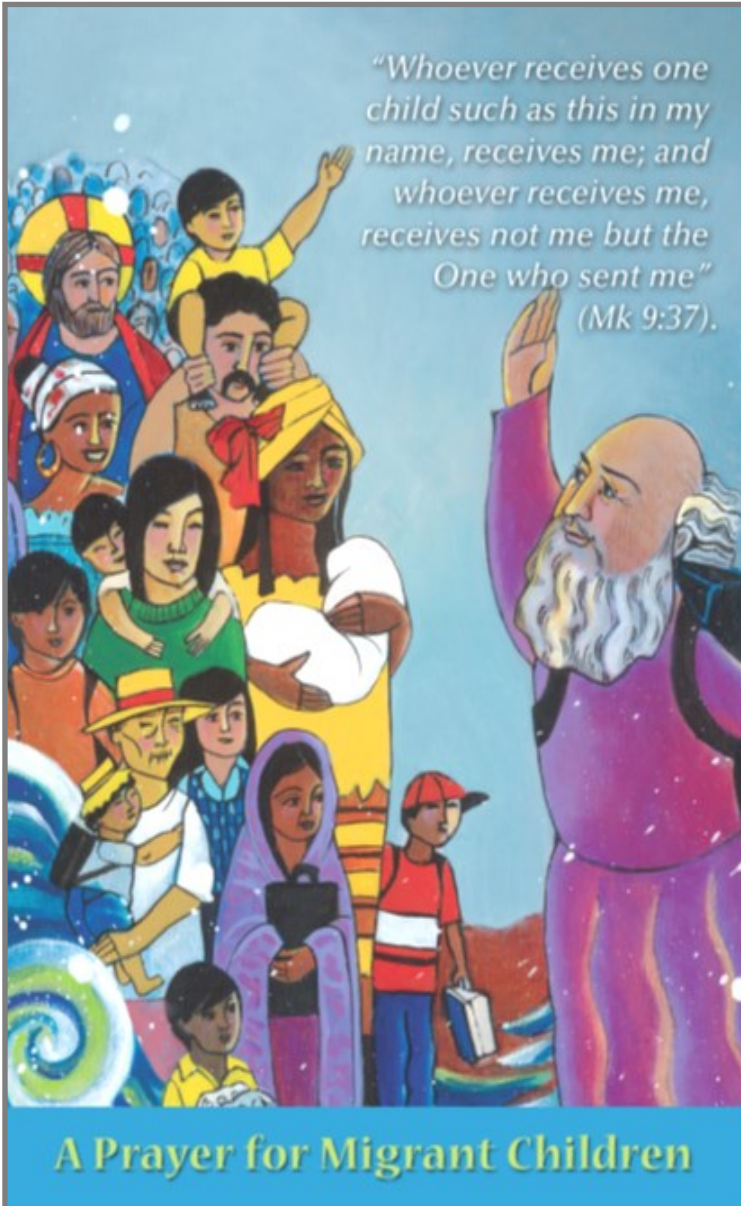
A celebration benefiting the children and
Catholic Schools of the Archdiocese of San
Antonio, Texas 2015 will take place on
Saturday, January 31, 2015 at 6:00pm, Henry B. Gonzalez
Convention Center, 200 East Market Street,
San Antonio, 78205.

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church presents Women of the Well Day Retreat

St. Margaret Mary will offer a retreat day on Saturday,
February 7th at 9:00am to 4:30pm. Admission is free but
donations are gladly accepted. The Theme will be the
Unnamed Women of the Bible. Breakfast tacos and a hot
lunch will be included. Registration will close by February
3rd. To register you may contact stmmw@yaho.com.

Location
St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church Activity Hall
1314 Fair Ave.
San Antonio, Texas 78223

Our Parish Community would like to give a special
Thank You to Leo Wiatrek and John Ahr for keeping our
parish grounds so beautifully manicured. God bless you.



“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me” (Mk 9:37).

A Prayer for Migrant Children

Loving Father,

in your infinite compassion, we seek your divine protection for refugee children who are often alone and afraid. Provide solace to those who have been witnesses to violence and destruction, who have lost parents, family, friends, home, and all they cherish due to war or persecution. Comfort them in their sorrow, and bring help in their time of need. Show mercy to unaccompanied migrant children, too, Lord. Reunite them with their families and loved ones. Guide those children who are strangers in a foreign land to a place of peace and safety.

Amen

The week of January 4th –10th has been designated

National Migration Week

Remember Catholic means universal and encompassing all.

Our prayers should also be for our brothers and sisters who are suffering around the world.

Especially for the children.

Archdiocese of San Antonio

Archbishop’s Appeal—2014 Annual Report Summary

Priestly Ministries	\$ 985,000
Catholic Charities	\$ 237,000
Capitol Commitments	\$ 250,000
Social Services	\$ 760,000
Evangelization & Outreach	\$ 507,950
Pastoral Formation	\$ 514,700
Education	\$ 390,000
Growth & Development	\$ 592,350
Parish Rebates	\$ 462,428
Total	\$4,699,428

A letter from the Most Reverend Gustavo Garcia Siller

The 2014 Archbishop’s Appeal campaign has been the most successful to date, and I want to express my sincere gratitude for your faithful support. I wish, also to share my excitement in anticipation of what your generous and sacrificial giving will make possible in 2015.

During 2014, we have been planning, developing and implementing the initiatives that are helping us to meet the goals of the Pastoral Priorities as set forth by our Mutually shared Vision. Through these efforts, many be able to Walk in Newness of Life as they encounter Christ through the ministries funded by the Appeal.

Your gift allows us to address the needs of the poor, the abandoned, the suffering, and those who find themselves in desperate situations. Your contributions also support the work of our parishes in providing spiritual guidance through evangelization, religious education and sacramental preparation programs necessary to draw souls to Christ and his Church.

This Annual Report shows you how your contributions to the 2014 Archbishop’s Appeal will be allocated and lists the ministries that will be supported. Thank you for your commitment to this very important work that we have begun together and that we will see to completion. As we continue on the path of our 5-year plan for our Mutually Shared Vision, we will, with your help, bring about a transformation in the New Evangelization across the Archdiocese of San Antonio.

Please know that you remain in my prayers. May God continue to pour out his blessings upon you and your loved ones.

Sincerely you in Christ,
Most Reverend Gustavo Garcia-Siller
Archbishop of San Antonio

Have a safe and blessed week!

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Please Pray for the following:

Jessica Ahr, Johnny Ahr, Glenn Andrews, Terri Appelt, Cooper Barnett, Ronnie Barnett, Marcy Berden, Terry Botkin, Courtney Burton, Charlie Chavez, Clarkson Family, Nancy Corando, Sandra Dorsey, Dora Esqueda, Judy Evans, Enrique Flores, Elaine Forrest, Shirley Friesenhahn, Stacy Hamilton Garcia, James Gawlik, Amanda Gawlik, Lambert Gawlik, Ramon Gaytan, Irene Gerlich, Mellisa Gonzales, Lucy Golla, Gina Guerra, Byrl Hester III, Bill Hosek, Jr., Susan Hosek, Larry Ibrom, Maggie Ibrom, Kenneth Jarzombek, Charles Kalka Jr., Gilbert Kiolbassa, Margie Kiolbassa, Tillie Kosub, Jennifer Kotrola, Robert Kurtz, Connie Kuykendall, David Kvpil, Charles & June Lammons, David Lammons, Jennifer Laskowski, Rosalie Leal, Susan Lyssy, Maddie, Doris Mergele, McClain, Margorite McMann, Theo Mihalski, Lenior Moy, Patricia Moy, Arnold Lyro, Karen Jo Marshal, Jacob Martin, Ronald Miller, Yolanda Moreno, Cindy Murray, Alice Pollok, Annie Pruski, Olga Quiroz, Deanna Real, Rita Real, Joseph Reese, Janet Rangel, Randall Reese, Catherine Richter, Terri Royce, Philip Scheel, Christine Scott, Jacob Scott, Raymond Skloss, Gene Snoga, Anton Strzelczyk, Jo Sturbe, Helen Syamken, Rose Tabbert, Kathy Tausch, Tara Thurman & Baby Madison, John Thornton, Sylvia Trujillo, C. Barry Turk, Colby Turk, Thomas Turk, Louis Vontur, Elenor Vrsalik, Latham Walleck, Daniel Warzecka, Clara Wiatrek, Barbara Wiatrek, Kyle Wiatrek, Nicole Winston, Barbara Witherspoon, Carolyn Wollney, Devon Zigmund, Mary Zrenner

Please Pray for our Military:

Caleb Brooks, Derek Christa, Ryan Deuval, Wayne Hosek, Michael Weston, Eric McDonald, Eric Williamson, Omero Lopez, Ryan Clemons, Kevin Kotrola, Matt Kuwamoto, Sicily Rios, Elizabeth Ferris, Suzanne Lonsberry



SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Engaged couples should make arrangements with Pastor at least six months in advance. Sponsor couple or engaged encounter weekend required before a wedding can be scheduled.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptismal Instruction for parents and sponsors is held the third Thursday of each month from 7:00pm-8:00pm. Participants MUST register prior to the class by contacting the Parish Office. A birth certificate must be brought to the class. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 p.m.-4:50 p.m. or by appointment.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please notify the church office of a parishioner who is homebound or ill at home or in the hospital.

FUNERALS

If a member of the immediate family dies in the Lord, please notify the parish office before making arrangements with the funeral home.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 13 8:00am

†For the Deceased Members of the Dugie & Jurgajtis Families,
Birthday—Shirley Gorley
For a Special Healing Intention
For the Health of Louis & Christine Parma
For the Healing of Lance Brown

Wednesday, January 14, 8:00am

†Henry Bronder, †Fred & Sonny Kotara,
†Victor & Adrian Ibrom
For the Healing of Carolyn Wollney

Thursday, January 15, 8:00am

Rain

Friday, January 16, 8:00am

†Keith Coble
For a Special Intention

Saturday, January 17, 5:00pm

†Marjorie Hosek †Anthony Real,
†Luis Garza

Sunday, January 18, 8:30am

†Larry Yanta, †William Schick,
†Frank Lazar, †Leroy Lutz,
For the Healing of Lance Brown

Sunday, January 18, 11:00am

†Anthony Real
For the Healing of Lambert Gawlik
For a Special Healing Intention

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Rodolfo Caballero, *Administrator*
Fr. Emmanuel Ebuta, *Associate Pastor*
Edward Jimenez, *Deacon*
Charles Lammons, *Deacon*
Diane Davis, *Parish Secretary*
Patricia Flores, *Part-Time Secretary*
Sandra Dorsey, *DRE Contact 260-3489*
Tom Hatzenbuehler, *General Manager*

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meets 1st Wed. of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Steve Cartwright, *President*

Larry Keller, *Vice President*

Kellie Wiatrek, *Secretary*

Members

Cynthia Farmer, Joe Jaksik, Lloyd Welty, Bill Thoms, Frances Zunker, Catherine Richter

FINANCE COUNCIL

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4:00pm

Members

Jerry Pruski, George Kiolbassa, Burnell Gates, Pelagius Moczygamba, Wayne Pape, Mark Blandford, Anthony Mihalski

PARISH LIFE

Eucharistic Ministers Beth Pape 254-7819

Altar Servers Roxanne Zigmund
415-7821

Altar Society Last Wed. 7:00 p.m.

Darlene LaVelle,

274-2555

Senior Gathering 2nd Thurs. 11:00 a.m.

Joyce Royce 649-1210

A.C.T.S. Daryl Wagoner 316-2160

Men's Club 2nd Monday 7:00 p.m.

Mike Kallies 649-3606

C.Y.O. 3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

Jessica Ahr 218-0862

Boy Scouts Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Jason Eittriem 627-3844

Cub Scouts Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

Richard Ruiz 636-8933

Girl Scouts Debbie Balderas 648-6107

Music Ministry Frances Zunker 380-3295

Youth Ministry Daniel Rocha 286-1944

Little Rock Scripture Louis Rios 648-1900

R.C.I.A. Every Monday 7:00 p.m.

Edward Jimenez 649-2070

Hall Rentals Diane Swientek 219-6646

St. Jerome Cemetery Marilyn Rivas 846-5038

Ushers Wayne Pape 336-5854

Companions for the Journey 3rd Tuesday 10:00 a.m.

Alice Rutkowski 296-1380

Baptismal Class Conrad Urteaga 838-4186

3rd Thursday 7:00pm

Life Teen Cynthia Farmer

685-1581

Marriage Ministry Lloyd Welty 389-7321