



From the desk of our Parish Administrator

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

"Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you".

This brief paragraph at the beginning of the Gospel according to Luke, which today we proclaim at the mass, presents to us one of the most fundamental aspects of our faith. I am referring to our Tradition. An eyewitness of the events of Jesus, decided to hand on to the next generation, not only what he had seen, heard, and touched, but also his very own testimony of faith in the living and risen Jesus; This has been handed down from generation to generation, and giving us a better understanding of the mystery of Jesus Christ and of the mystery of God Himself. Somebody said that Tradition, is the life of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

Tradition, together with Holy Scripture, are the two columns by which we receive the revelation of God Himself. The term "deposit of faith" refers to the entire revelation of Jesus Christ, and is passed to successive generations in two different forms, sacred scripture (the bible) and sacred tradition. Hence, there is a close connection and communication between sacred Tradition and sacred Scripture. Both of them, flowing from the same divine wellspring, and in a certain way merging into a unified end of oneness.

I invite you as members of our Catholic Church not only to read sacred scripture, but also to read other Church documents, such as the catechism of the Catholic Church, the documents of the Second Vatican Council, to celebrate the mystery of Jesus by means of the liturgy and the sacraments, to communicate to the Lord by means of vocal

The Sanctuary Lamp is sponsored by John & Karen Foster In Memory of Claire Hessling (01/18-01/31).

The Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, St. Jerome & Our Lady of Guadalupe Statues are sponsored by Diane Davis - In Memory of Darrell Davis, Ruth, Anton, & Thomas Ibrom (01/25-01/31).

Sunday Collection January 18, 2015	
Sunday Offering	\$ 7,053.00
Building Fund	\$ 0

and mental prayer and live out the Gospel every day. All of this consists of our personal relationship with Jesus and living out the faith we believe in. Faith and church is not only for Sundays; we carry it, so as to speak, every day in our heart and make it come alive through what we do with our actions and works of mercy.

Every household should have a bible and the catechism of the Catholic Church, and set aside time to pray together and do works of charity as a family.

Blessing to you and to all the members of your family, from the Lord Jesus.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,
Fr. Rodolfo Caballero



Liturgical Ministry Leaders meeting on Monday, January 26th, at 7:00pm, in Meeting Room #3. All Liturgical Ministry leaders are asked to be present. Please confirm your ministries' representative by calling Diane at the parish at 210-648-2694.

February 1st at the 11:00am mass we will celebrate Scout Sunday and Scouting for food. The Scouts will hand out a grocery bag to each family. If you would like to participate in the food drive. Bring the bag back February 8th and the Scouts will take the collected food bags to the Food Bank for distribution for the needy.

Attention all children of St. Jerome! The Children's Choir will be singing at the 11:00am mass on February 1st. Your musical talent is needed. Practice will be held on Tuesday, January 27, at 7:00pm in the church.

There are new guidelines for upcoming marriages. If you are considering a wedding at St. Jerome, please contact Diane at the parish office for more details. The parish office number is 210-648-2694.



2nd Collection this weekend January 24th and 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.

Lord we pray, for the grace to turn from actions that are not life-giving: May we repent and embrace God's mercy and love and respect all life from conception to its natural end. We ask Jesus our Lord., Amen.

January 25, 2015-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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. Feel free to contact Roxy Pruski at (210) 218-6204 with any comments, questions, or concerns.



The Archdiocese of San Antonio Office of Youth Ministry presented a "Refresh My Soul" day long retreat at the San Antonio Missions on Wednesday, January 14, 2015. Although the weather was wet and cold, the day was enjoyed by all in attendance. Pictured in the photo are: Sandra Dorsey, DRE of St. Jerome, Barbara Convertino, Associate Director of the OYM and Joan Martinez, Director of the Office of Youth Ministry. The picture was taken in front of the church at Mission San Francisco de la Espada.

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 stjermomesatx.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.

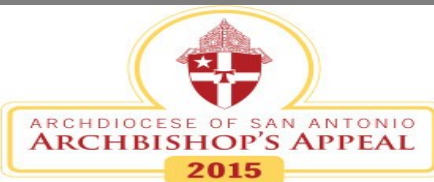
Altar Society News

The Altar Society will hold its monthly meeting this Wednesday, January 28th, at 7:00 pm in Meeting Room 3. All ladies are invited to attend and new members are always welcome.

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.

Cemetery News

Our parish community would like to *Thank* Marilyn Rivas for her service and dedication to the care of the St. Jerome Cemetery. If you are a registered parishioner and are interested in buying a cemetery plot, please contact Marilyn, the Cemetery Coordinator. Marilyn will be happy to explain the rules and regulations of the cemetery. Plots are available on the west side of the property with the cost per plot of \$525. Currently enhancements are being made to the entrances and road. There will be a Spring cleanup day announced in the weeks to come. All parishioners are welcome to help during cleanup days.



The 2015 Archbishop's Appeal pledge weekend, will take place the weekend of Feb. 21 - 22.

The campaign goal is \$4,500,000, and our parish goal is \$23,538.00. We can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our Archdiocese each year; education of our children and seminary students, care of the sick and needy are among them. Please respond generously when you are asked to make your pledge. For more information, visit the Appeal website at www.archsaappeal.org.

Battle of Flowers & Fiesta Flambeau Parade Tickets

The St. Jerome BSA Troop 315 are selling Battle of the Flowers and Fiesta Flambeau Parade seats. Tickets are \$12.00 each. For more information and to buy a ticket please contact Carolyn Moreno at 210-744-8526.

ST. JEROME MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

February 19th – 22nd 2015

“... the Kingdom of God is at hand...” Mark 1:15

You are invited to a weekend of Spiritual Renewal which will include Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. This weekend will be an opportunity to reconnect with God, the making of many new friends and rekindling old relationships. Your Transportation, housing and food will all be included.

The weekend begins on the evening of Thursday, February 19th with registration check in at the O'Brien Hall of St. Jerome and concludes on Sunday, February 22nd with the 11:00 mass at St Jerome.

The total cost of the weekend is \$160.00. To register, submit this form along with full payment or a non-refundable registration fee of \$60.00. The balance is due upon check-in for the retreat on Thursday, February 19th (if convenient, full payment is accepted at any time.) We will accept installment payments prior to the weekend to ease the burden of paying the entire balance at one time. Please make checks payable to:

St. Jerome's Acts
Mail C/O: John Horner
8515 Quail Ridge
San Antonio, Texas 78263

PLEASE!!! Do not let lack of funds keep you from attending this retreat. Please call to inquire about scholarships that may be available to help defray the cost. Contact John Horner @ 210- 414-7222 if you have financial concerns or if other financial arrangements are necessary.

You will be contacted by a team member concerning details of the weekend and a letter will be sent to you prior to the retreat with further details as to time of Check -In, What to bring, etc. If you have any questions you may contact John Horner at 210-414-7222.

Currently there is not adequate platelets being collected to meet the needs of our local patients.

The Platelet inventory level is low. Platelet donations have decreased. Platelet usage has increased. The need is now, make a Platelet donation today! Please help us provide patients with their needed blood products.

Visit www.donatingforlife.org or call 210-731-5590.

Anyone who is 16 years old, weighing 120 pounds, (with parental consent form) or at least 17 years old weighing 110 pounds and in good general health may donate blood. Donors must present photo ID, last four digits of their social security number and their birth date.



Free Valentines Dance

Sponsored by the
Knights of Columbus
Council 4315

February 14, 2015-5721 US HWY 87 East, San Antonio
Knights of Columbus Hall—From 7:30pm to 11:30pm

For youth grades 9th thru 12th
Concession Stand will be open

No Alcoholic Beverages Allowed

For More Information contact
Lloyd Sells at 210- 275-3647

*St. Jeromes
Marriage Covenant Ministry*

Stay Tuned for another New and Exciting
Date Night Program for Married Couples
coming in Spring 2015



*Making our Church Stronger
One Marriage At A Time*

CTSA Looking For Couples to Interview

As we prepare for the World Meeting of Families and Ordinary Synod on Marriage & Family this coming Fall, CTSA is looking for couples who can provide witness and testimony on how faith has either helped or transformed their marriage and/or family. CTSA will choose 15-20 testimonies in English, as well as 15-20 testimonies in Spanish. CTSA will pre-record these 12-minute interviews at our church, or at the homes of parishioners. All couples interested are invited. If you would like further information, please contact Mark Lyons by email or phone: (210) 734-1648, or mark.lyons@archsa.org.

Please Pray for the following:

Jessica Ahr, Johnny Ahr, Glenn Andrews, Terri Appelt, Carol Barnett, 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 Kvapil, Charles & June Lammons, David Lammons, Jennifer Laskowski, Rosalie Leal, Susan Lyssy, Doris Mergele, Maddie 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 Zigmond, Mary Zrenner

Please Pray for our Military:

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



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 27 8:00am

†Alouis & Ernestine Lejeske
Special Intention of a Parishioner
For the Healing of Lance Brown

Wednesday, January 28, 8:00am

†Henry Bronder, †Fred & Sonny Kotara,
Special Intention of RC

Thursday, January 29, 8:00am

†James Moczygamba
Special Intention of a Parishioner

Friday, January 30, 8:00am

†For the Healing of Carolyn Wollney

Saturday, January 31, 5:00pm

†Marjorie Hosek, †Alouis & Ernestine Lejeske
†Charlie, William, Dorothy Kalka &
†John B. Kalka, †Luis Garza

Sunday, February 1, 8:30am

†Clemons, Christa Christa, & Clemons Jr.,
†Wilbert Schick, †Larry Yanta
†Sylvester Klepac, †Frank Lazar,
†Joseph Cichersoki, †Claire Hessling,
For the Healing of Lance Brown

Sunday, February 1, 11:00am

†Debbie Kolodziej, †Carl Bellingier
For the Intention of Sheryl Maxwell
For the Healing of Lambert Gawlik
For a Special Healing Intention
For a Special Intention

Sunday, February 1, 5:00pm

For Our Sick Parishioners
For the Intentions of our Parishioners

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Rodolfo Caballero, Administrator
Email for Fr. Rodolfo—caballero.jrodolfo@gmail.com
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 Zigmond
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 Eitriem 627-3844

Cub Scouts

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

Girl Scouts

Richard Ruiz 636-8933
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

Life Teen

3rd Thursday 7:00pm

Marriage Ministry

Cynthia Farmer
685-1581

Lloyd Welty 389-7321