

# Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

Austin, TX.

January 17th, 2010.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Michael Bourgeois  
 Mary R Guerra  
 Edna and David Smith  
 Linda Martinez  
 Adele Camacho  
 Maria Martinez  
 Vicente Sandoval Sr.  
 Roland Vela  
 Catherine H Sanchez  
 Narciso Saucedo  
 James Crum  
 Louise Kuhn  
 Mary Hernandez  
 Julian Hernandez  
 Frank Hernandez  
 Alice Chambers  
 Anna T Vasquez  
 Tara Penton  
 Gregorio Villalobos  
 Mary Vera  
 Julian Castro  
 Amanda Barrientez  
 David Rodriguez



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY

6:00PM

La Virgen de Guadalupe  
(En Agradecimiento)

### SUNDAY

7:45AM

Sociedad Vela Perpetua

9:45AM

†Benjamin Trujillo, Sr.

11:30AM

†Angelita Esparza

6:00PM

†Pedro Delgadillo



## From the Pastor

### To go or not go to Sunday Mass

To go to Mass for Holy days or for especial celebrations makes sense; but every Sunday, why? This question, made in different ways, always arises in our minds in one way or another. Who better to answer this question than the Pope? According to Pope Benedict XVI says:

“It center life. We live amid so many things. And the people, who do not go to church, do not know that it is precisely Jesus they lack. They feel that something is missing in their lives. I God is absent from life, if Jesus is absent from my life, a guide, a essential friend is missing, even an important joy for life, the strength to grow as a person, to overcome my vices and mature as a human being.

Therefore, we cannot immediately see the effects of being with Jesus and going to communion. But with the passing of the weeks and years, we feel more and more keenly the absence of God, the absence of Jesus. It is a fundamental and destructive incompleteness. I could easily speak of countries where atheism has prevailed for years: How souls are destroyed, but also the earth. In this way we can see that it is important. And I would say fundamental, to be nourished by Jesus in Communion. It is he who gives us enlightenment, offers us guidance for our lives, a guidance that we need”.

~ Friar Francisco Munoz Villegas

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

### A Stewardship Note:

At the wedding in Cana, Jesus turned what would have been an embarrassing situation for the bride and groom into a glorious event. The servants trusted Jesus and did as He told them. Through our Lord, a miracle took place – transforming the ordinary into the extraordinary! Good stewards know that when they trust in God and step out of their comfort zones, their ordinary gifts can be transformed for extraordinary purposes.

Sunday Collection: \$ 9,364.01  
 Sunday Kitchen \$ 1,166.05



### Attention, Men of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church!! Announcing the next Men's ACTS Retreat Scheduled for March 18-21, 2010.

ACTS was introduced in our parish in 2003. Since then, the lives of countless parishioners (men, women and youth) have been touched in a profound way by the ACTS retreat experience.

ACTS stands for Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. These themes serve as the basis for an awesome, weekend-long presentation of Gods love for us. In turn, retreatants return with a deeper love for God and each other, as well a desire to become more involved in the parish community. Space is limited, so please act quickly to register for this important weekend event. For more information, please contact: Mauro (Mo) Renteria, Director, ph. 775-8642, Joe Lopez, Co-Director, ph.785-1468 or Steve Ramirez, Co-Director, ph. 627-7284



## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Our military personnel who are serving our Country, especially those in Iraq or overseas:**

Sgt. Paul McLean  
 SFC Michael E. Serna ,  
 Master Srgt. Janie Jimenez,  
 LTC Michael Goains;  
 SSgt. Paul Nanez;  
 Staff Sgt; Melissa de la Torre, Jeff Cox



## READINGS

**For the Week of  
January 17, 2010**

### Sunday:

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 62:1-5; Ps 96;  
 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

### Monday:

1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50;  
 Mk 2:18-22

### Tuesday:

1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89;  
 Mk 2:23-28

### Wednesday:

**Saints Fabian, pope, martyr; Sebastian, martyr**  
 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51;  
 Ps 144; Mk 3:1-6

### Thursday:

**Saint Agnes, virgin, martyr**  
 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56;  
 Mk 3:7-12

### Friday:

**Saint Vincent, deacon, martyr**  
 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57;  
 Mk 3:13-19

### Saturday:

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80; Mk 3:20-21

# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS

### **Date change: Salsa Aerobics class starting on February 2nd !!!**

*It's a new year and the health ministry team wants to help you succeed! We would love for you to join us as we get in shape. Please join us for Salsa Aerobics!! Due to our teacher, Monique, finishing and releasing her exercise video, classes will start on February 2nd instead of this week and will be held every Tuesday and Thursday in the hall at 6:45pm for 10 weeks.*

*The Goal of the class is to burn calories, tone-up muscles, increase energy level and have fun!! This motivational and fun aerobics class will help you burn calories (especially around your waist line) and get toned-up as you learn the basic steps for these two rhythms. You have to register and pay a one-time \$60 fee to take the class!!!*

*To sign up please contact Claire at the parish office.*

### **What a response!!**

*In honor of national migration week last week, members of the social justice committee were out side all of the morning masses to talk to people about immigration reform. We mailed over 200 postcards to our representatives and senators. The United States Bishops are encouraging all of us as Catholics to contact our US representatives and senators and express our concern that the US immigration system is broken and in need of repair. They have asked us help them to make 2010 the year the year that we have immigration reform legislation that keeps immigrant families together, adopts smart and humane enforcement policies, and ensure that immigrants without legal status can begin a path toward citizenships. They would like all of us to remind our government that we are one family Under God. If you are interested in expressing your concern as well you can do so by going to their website at [www.justiceforimmigrants.org](http://www.justiceforimmigrants.org).*

### **Calling all seniors!!**

*Starting this month we will be changing our once a month senior luncheon to a twice a month senior coffee hour and Bible study. We will get together twice a month on Thursdays at 11 to have coffee, chat and have a Bible study. Please join us Thursday, January 28th at 11 o'clock in room 1. Call Claire at the parish office for more information.*

### **In his World Day of Peace Message Pope Benedict XVI focuses on climate change**

*"In his homily during the first Papal mass of the New Year, Pope Benedict reflected on the revelation of God through the human face. He said that there is a reciprocal influence between the face of the person and the face of the environment. 'When human ecology is respected in society, environmental ecology will also draw out benefits.' He renewed his call to 'invest in education, establishing the objective -- beyond the necessary transmission of technical-scientific notions -- of a broader and deeper 'ecological responsibility,' based in respect for the person and his fundamental rights and duties.' 'Only in this way can a commitment to the environment truly become education in peace and the construction of peace," he contended. The Holy Father expanded on his World Day of Peace Message during his Angelus address on January 3: 'I want to underline the importance that the choices of individuals, families and local administrations have in protecting the environment.'" To read more about Pope Benedict's New Year messages, go to [www.catholicnews.com](http://www.catholicnews.com)" (from Catholic Climate Covenant)*

### **Climate change: What can I do?**

*Let us all be inspired by the actions of the Pope and make changes in our own lives.*

*Here are 6 simple things you can do to help reduce your impact on the planet:*

- 1) Change 5 lights. Change a light, and you help change the world. Replace the conventional bulbs in your 5 most frequently used lights fixtures with bulbs that have the ENERGY STAR and you will help the environment while saving money on energy bills. If every household in the U.S. took this one simple action we would prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emissions from nearly 10 million cars.*
- 2) Look for ENERGY STAR qualified products. When buying new products, such as appliances for your home, get the features and performance you want AND help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution. Look for ENERGY STAR qualified products in more than 50 product categories, including lighting, home electronics, heating and cooling equipment and appliances.*
- 3) Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. If there is a recycling program in your community, recycle your newspapers, beverage containers, paper and other goods. Use products in containers that can be recycled and items that can be repaired or reused. In addition, support recycling markets by buying products made from recycled materials. Reducing, reusing and recycling in your home helps conserve energy and reduces pollution and greenhouse gases from resource extraction, manufacturing, and disposal.*
- 5) Use water efficiently. Saving water around the home is simple. Municipal water systems require a lot of energy to purify and distribute water to households, and saving water, especially hot water, can lower greenhouse gas emissions. Look for products with EPA's Water Sense label; these products save water and perform as well or better than their less efficient counterparts. There are also simple actions you can take to save water: Be smart when irrigating your lawn or landscape; only water when needed and do it during the coolest part of the day, early morning is best. Turn the water off while shaving or brushing teeth. Do not use your toilet as a waste basket - water is wasted with each flush. And did you know a leaky toilet can waste 200 gallons of water per day? Repair all toilet and faucet leaks right away. See EPA's Water Sense site for more water saving tips.*
- 6) Spread the Word. Tell family and friends that energy efficiency is good for their homes and good for the environment because it lowers greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution. Tell 5 people and together we can help our homes help us all.*

**ACTS Core Team Commissioning.** Please join the community of OLG in welcoming several new members to the 2010 ACTS Core Team. You are invited to witness the commissioning of these new members at a prayer service on Thursday, January 21 at 8:00 p.m. in the church. As we embark on the 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ACTS at our parish, we want to thank those outgoing Core Team members for their invaluable time and service for continuing to live out the mission of ACTS in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ by promoting, consulting in, facilitating and sponsoring ACTS retreats at Guadalupe. Contact Sylvia de la Rosa @ 736-1757 or [sadelarosa@austin.rr.com](mailto:sadelarosa@austin.rr.com) for additional information or questions.