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#### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY  
9:00AM - 5:00PM

#### MASS SCHEDULE

MON, WED, FRI  
7:00AM

TUES & THUR  
5:30PM

SATURDAY  
5:30PM

*\*1st Saturdays - 8:00am*

SUNDAY  
8:30AM  
10:30AM  
12:00PM

#### CONFESSION/ RECONCILIATION

TUES, THURS, SAT  
4:45PM- 5:15PM

SUNDAY

*\*Please see weekly schedule*

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#### BAPTISMS

*Call the office six weeks  
in advance to prepare  
registration documents*

#### WEDDINGS

*Call the office at least six  
months in advance to reserve  
date and complete marriage  
preparation.*

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Eugenio B., Neomi Balderas, Marie Black, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Maria Chavez de Hernandez, Esther Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein, John Ferguson, Vangie Gallardo, Juan Garza, Danny Gusme, Erlinda Hamilton, Eric Hawbecker, Marialice Hayes, Josephine Janczar, Mary Margaret Janosek, Steve Janosek, Markus Klink, Joe Mangione, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, Joseph McKinley, Gracie Miller, Amanda Murray, John David Navejar, Jim O'Brien, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Rey Ramos, Jose Sanchez, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Jacob Sciantarelli, Jim Sciantarelli, Laurie Seligman, Carolyn Smith, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick.



#### MONDAY, 13TH

- Youth Night - 7pm

#### TUESDAY, 14TH

- TMIY: My Father's Father - 6:30am
- Holy Hour - 7pm
- Knights Meeting- 7pm

#### WEDNESDAY, 15TH

- 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory Bible Study - 9:30am
- Pastoral Council Meeting - 6:15pm
- Choir Practice - 7pm

#### THURSDAY, 16TH

- First Corinthians Bible Study - 6:30pm

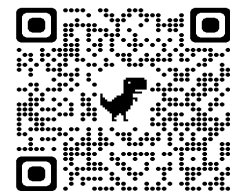
#### SATURDAY, 18TH

- Men's Fellowship Group 8:30am

#### SUNDAY, 19TH

- Teen ACTS Planning Meeting - 1pm

**New to the Parish?**  
**We welcome you to join  
our faith family!**





## MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

### Monday, May 13

7:00AM **Fr. Jorge**

Lawrence Hamilton (d) - Parish

### Tuesday, May 14

4:45 PM **Confessions - Fr. Jorge**

5:30 PM **Mass - Fr. Jorge**

Dcn. Frank Gallardo (d) - Susan Dehan

### Wednesday, May 15

7:00AM **Fr. Abe**

Noah Pierrel (d) - Pierrel Family

All three readings talk about Jesus being taken up into heaven or in a cloud or on high. Remember that in the Old Testament, a cloud was a sign of God's presence. So these descriptions of the ascension actually tell us that Jesus is reunited with his Father and exalted in glory with the Father. Jesus not only has a new life that cannot be ended by death, he also is no longer limited by time or space as he was before he died. So what does that mean for us?

Because he is not limited, he can be with us everywhere. So everything we do for him (being patient with a child or elderly person, caring for the poor or the sick, forgiving someone who hurt us) is done with Jesus. Through his Spirit, he gives us the power and the courage to act as Jesus and the vision of faith to see Jesus in others.

Seeing Jesus in others takes some practice. Think of it as a learning process. One way we learn is through the lives of the saints. They start out as ordinary people who give their lives to Jesus. As we read or hear about them, we see how God works through them to do great things. We learn that they become more and more like Jesus, in how they treat others with love and respect.

But if the saints seem too distant, we can look at someone we love. Whether it is a parent, spouse, brother, sister or friend, the good that they do and the love they show is from God. So we can learn about God's love for us by letting ourselves be loved by another. Take time to thank God for those who love you and ask him to open your eyes to see Jesus in them.

The other side of the coin is seeing Jesus in ourselves. We may have to forgive ourselves for the bad choices we have made in the past, or the bad habits we still have. We also have to accept that God really does love us as his children. And we have to accept that sometimes, even when we do our best, we still seem to fail. Remember, to the world of Jesus' time, he looked like a failure: He was executed as a criminal, his few followers all went into hiding, and the one he picked as his successor (Peter) denied even knowing him. But the God who brings life out of death also brings success out of failure. So trust his promise that we have Jesus in us. Then do your best to follow Jesus and you may lead someone else to him.

Tom Schmidt

### Thursday, May 16

4:45 PM **Confessions - Fr. Jorge**

5:30 PM **Fr. Jorge**

Mrs. Elvira Garza Leal (d)

- David, Adrian & Daniel Leal

### Friday, May 17

7:00 AM **Fr. Abe**

Lorraine Michelle Laurel (d)

- Lulu & Marcos Zertuche

### Saturday, May 18

4:30 PM **Confessions - Fr. Ab**

5:30 PM **Mass - Fr. Abe**

Rafael A. Mendible-Diaz - Mendible Family

### Sunday, May 19 - Pentecost

8:30 AM **Fr. Abe**

Dr. Deborah Mueller (d)

10:30 AM **Fr. Abe**

Vivienne Rettinger - Grandparents

12:00PM **Fr. Jorge**

Our Lady of Grace Parishioners



Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
†Jerry Sesco  
who died April 13, 2024  
May he rest in peace.

### Holy Hour For Priests



**Tuesday,  
May 14, 2024 7 PM- 8 PM  
Rosary, Prayers and Benediction**

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group  
Every third **Tuesday of the Month**.  
Please join us from **6:30-8:00 pm** in the  
Madonna Room. For more information,  
contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.





CANVA STO

# Happy 9th ORDINATION Anniversary

Father Jorge,  
Thank you for your  
faithful service to God,  
to the Church, and to  
Our Lady of Grace Parish.  
May God continue to bless you  
in your priestly ministry!

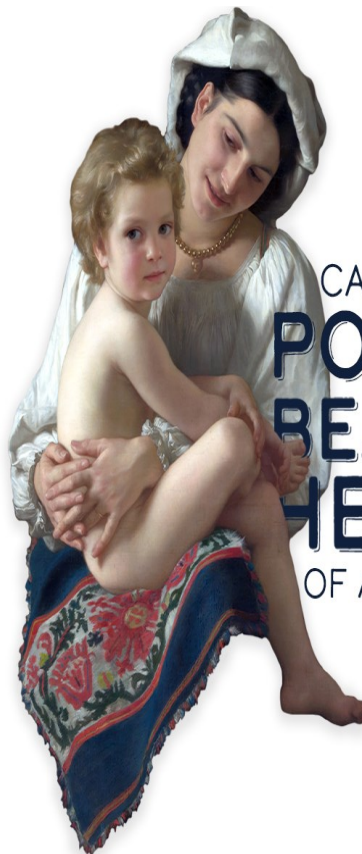
*May 16, 2015 - 2024*



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## Happy Mother's Day

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen



NO LANGUAGE  
CAN EXPRESS THE  
**POWER &  
BEAUTY &  
HEROISM**  
OF A MOTHER'S LOVE

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## May 13: Our Lady of Fátima

Three Portuguese shepherd children named Lúcia (age nine), Francesco (age eight), and Jacinta (age six), received three apparitions from the Guardian Angel of Portugal in 1916 and six apparitions from Our Lady of the Rosary in 1917. Lúcia later became a religious sister and received several more apparitions from Our Lady and Jesus Himself. These apparitions and their messages are among the most inspiring spiritual events to occur in modern times.

...Above all, the messages of Fátima reveal the ongoing need to make reparation for the sins and sacrileges committed against the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts of Jesus and Mary, and to pray for the conversion of poor sinners. Daily sacrifice and penance, offered with prayer and profound faith, do more good than we could ever imagine. As we honor these most glorious apparitions today, reflect upon your own willingness to make reparation for the sins of the world through your daily sacrifices. "Make of everything you can a sacrifice and offer it to God..." Doing so will not only appease the Justice of God, it will also bring about the salvation of many souls. '

**Prayer:** *Our Lady of the Rosary, you are the Immaculate Conception, the Queen of Heaven and Earth, and the Mother of God. Please pray for me, that I will heed the messages that you revealed at Fátima. Pray that I will live a life of continuous sacrifice of prayer, so as to make reparation for the sins and sacrileges committed against your most Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart of your divine Son. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.*



<https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/may-13---our-lady-of-fatima/>

2024  
*Spring Bible Study*  
Thursdays  
6:30 to 8:00 pm  
April 4 - June 13  
Guadalupe Room

### *First Corinthians*

We will read the first letter that Paul wrote to the church in Corinth. The conflicts of the early Christians in Corinth were in many ways similar to our struggles today as Christians. They, too, witnessed division, scandal, immorality, persecution and other trials. Paul's message to the Corinthians offers much needed wisdom for our own times. In this 11 week study, we will learn how Paul addresses divisions within the church, emphasizes the importance of unity among church members and introduces the Corinthians to God's greatest gift – the Eucharist.

*Enriched*  
in him in all speech and knowledge  
1 Corinthians 1-5

All are welcome to join these Free sessions. Bring your Bible and writing material. Study questions will be provided each week.

Linda Enriquez: 210.387.4804 - linda.lamar@yahoo.com


Join the Ladies Bible Study Group as we study

### 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory by Dynamic Catholic.

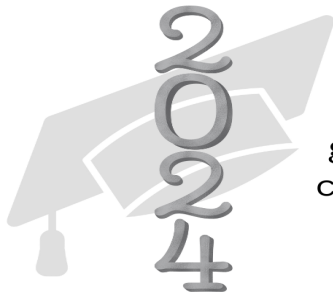
This book study will be held for 5 weeks, beginning on Wednesday, April 24 through Wednesday, May 29th in the Guadalupe Room at 9:30 am.

We plan to consecrate ourselves to the Most Blessed Sacrament at Mass on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Thursday, May 30.

Please call the office or Sarah Barlow (318-455-5458) to sign up or if you have any questions.



This isn't just another book. IT IS AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A SACRED JOURNEY—  
*a Spiritual Pilgrimage*



On Sunday, May 26th we will honor our high school graduating seniors at the 10:30 Mass. Please submit names of graduating seniors, the school that they are graduating from and their post graduation plans to the church office by Wednesday, May 15th to be recognized in our parish bulletin. Submit names via email to [office@olgsa.org](mailto:office@olgsa.org) or call the parish office at 210.734.7285.

# Youth and Young Adults Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
12	13 Youth night @OLG 7pm	14	15	16 Young Adult Single Group @ St. Peter 7 pm	17	18
19	20	21 Young Adult Worship on the River@ St. Joseph 7 pm	22	23 Young Adult Single Group @ St. Peter 7 pm	24	25
26	27 Youth night @OLG 7pm	28	29	30 Young Adult Single Group @ St. Peter 7 pm	31	

**Coming Soon**  
*Stay Tuned*

**New young adult program incoming**

**TEEN ACTS**  
**JULY 18-21, 2024**  
**SAVE THE DATE**



All men are invited to join the TMIY group for a weekly six part Spring program entitled "My father's Father" by Fr. Dave Pivonka.  
**Tuesday mornings**  
**6:30am-7:30am.**

**The Men's Fellowship Group**  
The Men's Fellowship Group meets on Saturday mornings from 8:30-9:30 am in the Madonna Lower Level. All men are invited to join us as we prepare for Sunday Mass with scripture, spiritual discussion and fellowship. Coffee is provided.



# VBS Registration is OPEN!

June 10th – 14th  
10 AM – 1 PM

\$50 per Child / \$100 per Family  
\*Volunteers \$15



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Registration forms and payment are to be turned  
in to the Parish Office

Registration deadline Sunday, June 2nd

