

# PRESENTATION *of the LORD*



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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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210-239-1322

#### 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.



#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- 6:00 pm - Encounter
- School of Ministry

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- 6:15 am - TMIY
- 6:30 pm - Adult Confirmation Class
- 6:30 pm - Parish Guild Cookie Exchange

328 W Mistletoe

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- 9:30 am - Bible Timeline Bible Study
- 7:00 pm - RCIA
- 7:00 pm SHE Women's Group Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Practice

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 7:00 pm - Young Adult Group Meeting

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

#### 1ST FRIDAY

- 5:30 pm - Mass
- 6:30 pm - First Friday Potluck Dinner

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 6:00 pm - Women's ACTS Planning Meeting

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

Susan Auquet, Neomi Balderas, Marie Black, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Melinda C., Annabel Castaneda, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Theresa Connolly, Esther Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein, Theresa Ellie, Vangie Gallardo, Juan Garza, Danny Gusme, Eric Hawbecker, Josephine Janczar, Mary Margaret Janosek, Steve Janosek, Helga Mayo, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, Joseph McKinley, Al Medina, Gracie Miller, Jim O'Brien, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Mary Lou Prieto, Jose Sanchez, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Laurie Seligman, Carolyn Smith, Dora Urrutia, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick, Cheryl Wolf.

Online Offertory and Parishioner Registration



Our Lady of Grace  
Catholic Church



### Eucharistic Adorers Needed

If you have been thinking about committing to a Holy Hour of Adoration please consider committing to one of the hours below.

These hours are vacant at this time.

Tuesday evenings, 10 PM – 11 PM

Thursday mornings, 12 MIDNIGHT – 1 AM

Friday mornings, 4 AM – 5 AM

Interested in signing up for another time?  
...another day?

Contact Becky Prieto at 210-725-2383

He waits for you.



Holy Hour For Priests  
Monthly - Every Second Tuesday  
7 PM- 8 PM  
Rosary & Prayers

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.



All men are invited to join the TMIY group,  
**Tuesday mornings ~ 6:15am-7:30am**  
in the Madonna Room.

**The Bible Timeline**  
*The Story of Salvation*

Part II of last year's bible study  
begins on Wednesday,  
January 29th at 9:30am  
Guadalupe Room  
Study Leader: Shelley Clary 903-714-3889

### MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, February 3

7:00 AM Fr. Abe

Bob Antolin (d) - Joann Gonzales

Tuesday, February 4

4:45 PM *Confessions* - Fr. Jorge

5:30 PM *Mass* - Fr. Jorge

Jimmy McMurray - Ken & Rita Bragg

Wednesday, February 5

7:00AM Fr. Abe

Autumn Campbell - Joann Gonzales

Thursday, February 6

4:45 PM *Confessions* - Fr. Jorge

5:30 PM *Mass* - Fr. Jorge

Jimmy McMurray - Ken & Rita Bragg

Friday, February 7 - First Friday

7:00 AM Fr. Abe

Norman Benson - Pierrel Family

5:30 PM Fr. Frank

Saturday, February 8

4:30PM *Confessions* - Fr. Jorge

5:30 PM Fr. Jorge

Ramon Escobedo (d)

-Verónica & Ruben Escobedo

Sunday, February 9

8:30 AM *Confessions* - Fr. Frank

8:30 AM Fr. Jorge

Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

10:30 AM Fr. Jorge

In Thanksgiving - Dora Urrutia

12:00 PM Fr. Abe

Guillermo Cervantes - Parish

### This weekend's second collection for the Parish Outreach

Masses as Gifts: Having a Mass offered on a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion, is a most prayerful way to commemorate the special event. Mass cards are available to acknowledge your loved one's special remembrance.



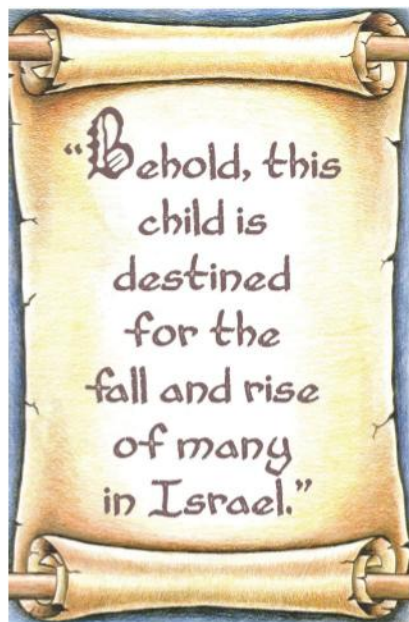
### Our Lady of Grace Choir needs You!

Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Church. The Choir sings regularly at the 10:30 Mass and for High Feasts of the Church such as Christmas and Holy Week. You needn't have prior experience, we welcome all voices!

Interested? Want to know more? Want to sign up?

Contact 'Mr. Rick' McLaughlin, Director of Music  
210-887-7425(call or text) ~ RICKMCL100@gmail.com

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OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES**



### Our Response to Jesus' Unexpected Ways

I cannot imagine what the wait for Jesus must have been like for the Israelites. A redeemer who was going to change everything for them: set them free from oppression, cast down the mighty and fill up the hungry. But we know the rest of the story, and how what people imagined was very different from how Jesus carried these things out.

In the Gospel, Simeon reveals: "Behold this child is destined for the rise and fall of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (and you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." (Luke 2:34-35)

Simeon's words tell us how God shows up in your life might look very different than how you imagined. The question is, when life looks different than we imagined or is not what we felt we've been promised, are we going to grip so tightly to our own vision of life that we lose sight of God and His perfect plan?

The Jewish people imagined being set free from Roman oppression, but Jesus came to set them free from the oppression of sin and the devil and to lead them into a life rooted in love of God and one another. Some people listened to Jesus and changed their ways, but others felt what He preached was too much, too hard and walked away.

Our hearts are revealed in how we respond to what God offers in our life, whether it looks the same or very different from what we had planned. We can choose to rise or fall in faith. Do we turn toward God and follow Him or do we turn away from Him?

The outcome is based on if we limit ourselves to see things the way we want to see them. We need to let go of long-held habits that give us a false sense of control if the Lord is calling us to change. The infinite and all-powerful God is always trying to draw something deeper out of us than we could ever imagine with our limited minds. He asks us to trust in Him.

Simeon trusted, waited and was rewarded. We don't learn whether Simeon is surprised to meet the Messiah as a baby. We only hear how he believes that he is holding the Messiah in his arms and he is thanking God for the opportunity. We see in him and in Anna hearts totally open, ready to receive whatever answer God was going to provide to their prayers.

The more we resist and say this could not possibly be how Jesus is showing up in my life, the more we will miss the opportunity to engage, learn and become more like Him. When we challenge Him on what He is or is not providing in response to our prayers, we must not refuse to listen to His response, but instead be ready to receive Him in the most unexpected ways.

By Nicole Berlucchi



The women's *SHE Shall Be Called Woman* program meets weekly on Wednesday nights at 7pm in the St. Joseph Room (aka the lower level of the Madonna Room). This is a special time for fellowship and self-exploration of what it means to be a Catholic woman in modern times. All women are welcome.

For more information, please contact Amanda Claiborne at 210-365-4952.



Join us February 13th & 27th - 6:30 to 8:00 pm  
in the Guadalupe Room.

This event is open to anyone at any stage of their grief journey, whether you are dealing with a recent loss or reflecting on past experiences. We aim to create an environment where mutual support helps us heal together.

We look forward to walking alongside you  
on this path toward healing.

# Welcome Back, OLG Bible Studies & Ministries!



- **Tuesdays**- The TMIY! Men's Group meets at 6:15am.
- **Wednesdays** - The Timeline Bible Study Group resumes on January 29th at 9:30am.
- **Wednesdays** - The SHE Women's Ministry Group resumes on January 29th at 7:00pm.
- **Wednesdays** - *Stay tuned for a New Men's Evening Bible Study!*
- **Thursdays** - The Luke Bible Study will begin meeting on March 6th at 6:30pm.
- **Thursdays** - The Grief Ministry Group meets twice a month. (Call the Office or check the bulletin for dates.)
- **Thursdays** - Theology on Tap Men's Group meets every 4th Thursday at the Wild Barley Kitchen & Brewery at 6:30pm.
- **Saturdays** - The Women's Spirituality Book Club meets twice a month. (Call the Office or check the bulletin for book titles & dates.)

**\*Adult Confirmation Classes begin Tuesday, Feb. 4th**



The OLG Parish Guild invites everyone to join together for the  
*First Friday Mass & Devotion  
to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

February 7th at 5:30pm



After Mass, everyone from toddlers to Seniors are welcome to join our

*First Friday Potluck  
in the Madonna Room*

A main course of Chicken Pot Pie will be served; just bring a side dish, dessert or salad to share.

Let's break bread together!

**Faith | Food | Fellowship**

# ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

**BEGIN SOON!**

If you are an adult aged 18 or older, have received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion and are ready to take the next step in your Faith Journey, you are invited to attend these classes.

The eight class series will begin on  
**Tuesday, February 4, 2025 from 6:30pm- 8:00pm**  
in the OLG Guadalupe Room  
223 East Summit San Antonio, Tx 78212

*You will be asked to provide your Baptism & 1st Communion certificates.*

Contact Deacon George Wunderlich at 240-707-0724  
for more information about the program.

**SIGN UP NOW!!**  
JUNIORS AND SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL ARE INVITED TO JOIN US DURING SPRING BREAK FOR A NEW RETREAT CALLED

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**Blessed is she who Believed.**  
*Luke 1:45*

**WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT**  
FEBRUARY 20-23, 2025



**A** DORATION and daily prayer;  
**C**OMMUNITY as a member of the Body of Christ;  
**T**HEOLOGY through the study of Holy Scriptures and the teachings of the Catholic Church; and  
**S**ERVICE with emphasis on the virtue of service to our Lord, to our Church, and to one another.

### Weekend Details:

An ACTS Women's retreat is a four-day retreat beginning on Thursday evening and ending on Sunday after the 12 pm Mass at Our Lady of Grace. This retreat is designed to strengthen your Catholic faith and community by spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This weekend retreat gives you the chance to spend time with God, focus on your faith, and cultivate friendships. The retreat is staffed and run with love by your fellow parishioner women. Please prayerfully consider deepening your faith by attending this retreat.

The ACTS Team is proud to provide a retreat designed to give women an opportunity to enter into a deeper relationship with our Lord and our community. It is open to all women 21 and over.

### SPACE AVAILABLE - REGISTER NOW

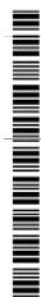
#### Cost:

The cost is \$225, which includes a \$75 registration deposit fee. The balance is due upon arrival Thursday evening at OLG before departure. This will cover all meals, lodging, t-shirt, and transportation between the retreat center and OLG.

#### DO NOT LET THE COST OF THE RETREAT KEEP YOU FROM PARTICIPATING!

If the fee makes attending prohibitive, please contact the ACTS Director to discuss available financial assistance.

**For more information call:**  
**Alma Garza at 210-744-4983**



**Our Lady of Grace**  
Walking with Moms in Need

Come Join Us For  
*Wine and Onesies*  
**Open House**

Enjoy a glass of wine and help us shower  
**Veronica's Boutique** (Catholic Charities).

**Thursday, February 13th**  
6-9 pm

321 Paseo Encinal Street  
Olmos Park

**RSVP Sarah Barlow**  
**Text: 318-455-5458**

Ladies & Gentlemen Welcome!

# Save the date...

**Items Needed**

- Diapers (size 3-5)
- Wipes
- Diaper rash cream
- Baby wash
- Baby shampoo
- Baby lotion
- Wash cloths
- Infant and Toddler socks
- Bibs and burp cloths
- New baby clothes
- New toddler clothes (Greatly Appreciated)

**Veronica's Boutique**  
Provides free baby-related material assistance and parenting resources for pregnant or parenting mothers of children younger than three years old.



Scan QR code to Veronica's Boutique Wish List



The Parish Guild is hosting a  
*Valentines Cookie Exchange*

Tuesday, February 4th  
6:30 PM  
328 W Mistletoe Ave 78212

RSVP via text to:  
Mardi Christensen ~ 210.818.9352  
Rachel Pedraza ~ 210.373.7247

Sign up for Guild Membership today or  
you can sign up at the event!  
\$25/Single or \$35/Couple

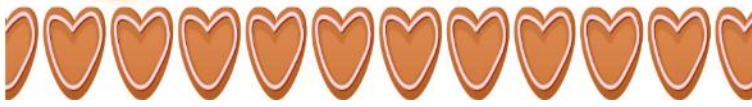


**Sunday, February 9th**  
The Youth of the Parish will be at all the entrances of the Church with their "soup pots" for "Souper Bowl of Caring."

*This activity helps our teens develop a stronger connection to our community.*

**Parish Bulletin Deadline**  
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