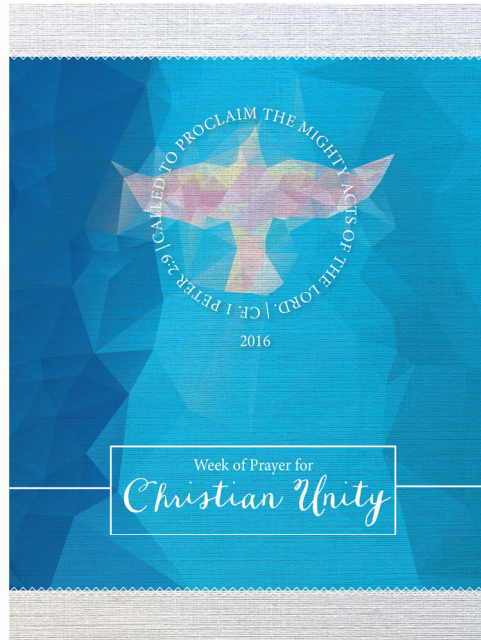


Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17, 2016

Holy Family Catholic Church

ESTABLISHED IN 1980 * 919 SPENCE RD., VAN ALSTYNE, TX. 75495



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Website: www.holyfamily-vanalstyne.org

Fr. Salvador Guzman, Pastor

Fr. James Yamauchi, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Patrick A. Hayes

Mass Schedule/Misa Dominical

Sunday: 9:00 am - English Mass

12:00 pm - Spanish Misa

Thursday: 9:00 am - Daily Mass

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

Mailing Address: 411 Paula Road

McKinney, Texas 75069

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St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

Weekend Masses

Vigil Mass Saturday - 5pm (English)

Sunday Masses / Misa Dominical

Sunday 8:00am & 11:30am)

Domingo 9:30am & 1:30pm

Weekday Masses

Mon., Wed, & Fri 8:00am

Tues. & Thurs. 5:30pm

Confessions Thursday

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Saturday 3:00 - 4:00pm

Blessed Sacrament

Thursday's at 6:00pm

Baptisms/Bautizos

Baptisms: 2nd Sunday of each month
 Bautizos: 1er Domingo del mes

Pre Baptismal Class Registration: Registration required by the Sunday before class begins. Classes are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. **Parents:** Bring copy of child's birth certificate. Both parents must attend class. **Godparents:** Must be practicing Catholics. Copy of marriage certificate through the Catholic church. Both godparents must attend class. **As a courtesy, please do not bring children to class.**

**First Communion/
 Primera Comunion**
 April 23, 2016 10:00 am
First Friday Adoration

**Confirmation/
 Confirmacion**
 March 12, 2016 10:00 am
6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Anointing of the Sick/Uncion de los Enfermos

Please call the Parish.

Confessions/Confesiones

Immediately following the 1st Mass-30 mins. Antes de la misa

Marriage/Matrimonio

Both must be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to planned Wedding date.

Holy Orders/Vocaciones

Talk to your Parish priest or call Father Edwin A Leonard, Vocations Director, at 214-379-2860.

Believe in the Power of Prayer

Eddie Pryor	Karen Conner	Anonymous
Arnie Clark	Elaine Clark	Karen Elliott
Angie Hermosillo	Jennifer Bryant	Mary Pereyra
Jose Garcia	M. McGuire	Reynaldo Chaviva
Addy Karl		

4th SPRING FESTIVAL

Date Set: May 1, 2016 Rain delay May 15, 2016

**Next Planning Meeting: Wednesday January 20th
 at 7:00pm**

Mercy Alive in Me! How to Put Mercy into Practice...an

interactive and engaging event where participants will consider:

- How is God's mercy present in my life?
- How do I deal with conflict and difficult people and really forgive?
- In this world of violence, can I be an instrument of peace and mercy?

This diocesan event will be held on Saturday, February 13 from 8:30 to 2:30 at St. Paul the Apostle Parish Center at 900 St. Paul Dr. in Richardson. The fee of \$20 includes lunch and all participant materials. For more information or to register, go to www.cathdal.org/mercyalive or contact

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Attendance:	January 10, 2016	595
Offerings:	January 10, 2016	\$ 2,468.75
Building Fund	January 10, 2016	\$ 1,192.21
No. TX. Tornado Victims	January 10, 2016	\$ 696.75

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 17

8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Mass
 10:15-11:15am Faith Formation PreK-4th
 12:00 pm Spanish Mass
 1:30-2:45 pm Faith Formation 5th-Confirmation

Monday, January 18

Tuesday, January 19

7:30 pm RCIA Class

Wednesday, January 20

7:00 pm Festival Meeting

7:30 pm Bible Class

Thursday, January 21

9:00 am Mass, Bible Class after Mass

7:00 pm Youth Choir Practice

Friday, January 22

Saturday, January 23

8:30 am- 6:00 pm Confirmation Retreat

7:00-10:pm MFC Meeting

A Great Family Idea for the Year of Mercy:

Treat your loved ones and friends to an extraordinary event!
 St. Luke Productions Presents:

“Therese: The Story of a Soul”

Be inspired by this amazing live drama about one of the world's most beloved saints at the Eisemann Center in Richardson, Texas Saturday, March 5, 2016

A Fundraiser Benefiting Birth Choice Deepen your spirituality while supporting a Catholic pregnancy center that works to save babies from abortion

3 Options: 2:00pm Matinee, 5:30pm Dinner & Show, or 8:00pm Show Only

Purchase your tickets while they last at:

www.eisemanncenter.com

All Women of the Parish are invited to join our new Holy Family Women's Group. Our focus is on Fun, Service, Fellowship and Faith!

We have met three times and each time had more women join us. It is exciting to have women from both the English and Spanish speaking Communities at Holy Family!!! Two of our members brought their grandmother who only spoke Spanish....we had so much fun with this delightful lady, translating back and forth as we built bridges to one another.

We are still in the process of choosing a name however leaning toward the Acronym "SIS" - Sisters in Spirit. We gather under the guidance of our Lady; Mary, Our Mother who is Mother, wife, daughter, cousin and friend.

Our group is not a fund raising group. We are a faith and fellowship group focusing on outreach and service to our community and beyond; and having fun in the process.

Please join us on the Forth Friday of the month from 7:00-8:30 here at Holy Family. Our first Meeting of the new year is:

**Friday, January 22ND
from 7:00-8:30, here at Holy Family!**

Todas las mujeres de la Iglesia estan invitadas a acompañarnos a nuestro nuevo Grupo de Mujeres de la Sagrada Familia. Nuestro enfoque es Diversion, Servicio, Convivencia y Fe!

Nosotros nos hemos juntado ya tres veces y cada vez mas y mas mujeres estan acompañandonos. Es muy emocionante el tener mujeres de las dos Ingles y Español comunidades en la Sagrada Familia!! Dos de nuestros nuevos miembros trajieron a sus abuelas quienes solamente hablan español..... nosotros tuvimos mucha diversion con esta señora encantadora, que estuvo interpretando para los dos idiomas al nosotros construir puentes entre si. Nosotros todavia estamos en el proceso de escoger un nombre para el grupo aunque nos estamos inclinando hacia las siglas "SIS" -Hermanas en Espiritu...Nosotros nos juntamos bajo la direccion de Nuestra Señora; Maria, Nuestra Madre quien es Madre, esposa, hija, prima y amiga.

Nuestro grupo no es un grupo de recaudacion de fondos. Nosotros somos un grupo de Fe y Convivencia y alcanzar a dar servicio a nuestra comunidad y mas alla; y divertirnos en el proceso.

Por favor acompañanos en el cuarto viernes del mes de 7 a 8:30 p.m. aqui en la Sagrada Familia. Nuestra primer junta del año nuevo es:

Viernes, 22 de Enero

de 7:00 -8:30 P.M. aqui en la Sagrada Familia!

You are cordially invited to the 17th Annual Landregan Lecture.

A Daughter of Asceticism

Liturgical Glorification of God

With David Fagerberg, Ph.D. Professor of Liturgical Studies at the University of Notre Dame

Saturday, February 20, 2016 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.

Church of the Incarnation

Reception to Follow

RSVP online

For more information on this and previous Landregan Lectures, please visit our website.

Questions about the event? Contact **Lauren Masty at lmasty@udallas.edu**.

This inaugural Montserrat Mother-Daughter Retreat invites mothers (or grandmothers, stepmothers, aunts, or big sisters) and their daughters (13 and up) to a spiritual weekend of growth and reflection. Set on a beautiful and tranquil campus, the program seeks to foster a closer bond between mother and daughter's to encourage deeper spiritual connection, ongoing communication, and mutual appreciation.

† Take time for yourself and your daughter to share in a renewal of faith while drawing closer to God; come to a retreat at Montserrat Retreat House.

† A retreat at Montserrat is a time of quiet when you and your daughter can get away from the ordinary and busy demands of life.

† A retreat at Montserrat is a time of reconciliation and peace.

† A Montserrat retreat will ask you to look deeply at your relationships with God, with your spouses and families, with friends, with the Church, with your own self, and especially with your daughter. And you and your daughter will hear the personal invitation of Jesus Christ saying, "Do not be afraid."

HOW TO REGISTER

Register online at MontserratRetreat.org or call 940-321-6020.

Register early and reserve your place with a \$50.00 advance deposit. The total suggested retreat offering is \$360.00 (\$90/night per person), which includes private rooms and meals. Retreatants must be 13+ years old with parent/guardian.

Major credit cards/checks accepted.

Understanding Ordinary Time

Today we once again find ourselves in Ordinary Time—at least for a month or so until Lent begins on February 10. Ordinary Time gets a bad rap, as though it is time that is easily ignored because it is so "ordinary." First of all, we call it "ordinary" because it is "counted time," as in "ordinal" numbers. We count time to remind ourselves that all time belongs to God. Thus, while today is January 11 on our secular calendar, it is Monday of the first week of Ordinary Time according to "Kairos" or God's time.

Second, we need to dispel the notion that there's nothing special about ordinary time. Granted, this season does not have the same intensity as do the seasons of Advent, Lent, Christmas, and Easter. Thank goodness for that! We need some downtime from all that intensity. At the same time, what we celebrate during Ordinary Time is no less extraordinary. In fact, the truth is that every liturgical season celebrates the same thing: the Paschal Mystery of Christ. However, certain seasons zoom in, so to speak, on a specific aspect of the Paschal Mystery, albeit never in isolation from the entire Paschal Mystery. For example, we celebrate Christ's birth during the Christmas season but never separated from his Passion, Death, and Resurrection. We remember Jesus' suffering, Death, and Resurrection during Lent and Easter but never separated from the mystery of the Incarnation.

Think of it this way. When you visit the Grand Canyon, you can walk along the rim, taking in the immensity of this great wonder. Occasionally, you pause at a lookout point where you get a special view of one particular aspect of the Grand Canyon. Those lookout points can be compared to the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter, as well as feast days and solemnities. Walking along the rim and taking in the vast expanse of the entire canyon can be compared to Ordinary Time. Because the Paschal Mystery is so immense, we take a very long time to take it all in—over 30 weeks when we combine winter Ordinary Time with summer/autumn Ordinary Time. Whether you are walking the rim or stopping at a lookout point, you are looking at the same vast wonder of the world—the Grand Canyon—but from different perspectives and with different emphases.

So, during this stretch of Ordinary Time, allow the liturgical calendar to remind you that all time belongs to God and that the Paschal Mystery of Christ—his Incarnation, life, teaching, suffering, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension—is such an extraordinary reality that we need weeks to take it all in. And then, soak it in!

By Catechist Journey

Overcome indifference and win peace by Bishop Kevin J Farrell

Marking the World Day of Peace on January 1, Pope Francis calls on individuals and nations to win peace by overcoming indifference. "Indifference," the Holy Father explains, "leads to self-absorption and a lack of commitment. It thus contributes to the absence of peace with God, with our neighbor and with the environment."

In the spirit of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, of which peace is the sign, the Pope challenged each of us to recognize how overcoming indifference in our own lives can work to improve the world around us, in our families, in our communities, our places of employment and our environment.

Indifference takes many forms, the Pontiff observed, beginning with indifference to God which leads us to believe that we are the source and creator of ourselves, our lives and our society. Feeling self-sufficient we do not seek a substitute for God but are satisfied to do completely without him, owing nothing to anyone but ourselves and being only interested in our own rights and self-gratification. Indifference to God leads to indifference to our neighbor and to the environment.

Indifference to our neighbor can be the result of our living mechanically and without engagement, despite being well informed on current events through newspapers and television news; we focus completely on our work or profession, even our family to the extent that we numb ourselves to the needs of others. In the words of Pope Francis, "Sadly, it must be said that today's information explosion does not of itself lead to an increased concern for other people's problems, which demands openness and a sense of solidarity. Indeed, the information glut can numb people's sensibilities and to some degree downplay the gravity of the problems [of others]."

I cannot think of a better example of indifference to our neighbor than the depersonalization of the thousands of refugees from the Middle East and Central America, who are seen by so many not as desperate human beings seeking refuge from war and terror but as a problem to be solved and dispensed with.

Indifference, the Pope added, "and lack of commitment constitute a grave dereliction of the duty whereby each of us must work in accordance with our abilities and our role in society for the promotion of the common good, and in particular for peace, which is one of mankind's most precious goods." Commitment to the common good seems lost in a society where independence rather than interdependence is the desired goal of so many.

Institutional indifference is driven by the pursuit of profits and hedonism that reduces people to commodities robbing them of their dignity, fundamental rights and even their freedom. Governmental indifference is the by-product of the voice of the marginalized being drowned out by the influence of powerful commercial interests and blind partisanship.

In his letter, the Holy Father calls upon civil society in the spirit of the Jubilee Year of Mercy to "make specific and courageous gestures of concern for their most vulnerable members such as prisoners, migrants, the unemployed and the infirm." Further he appeals "to national leaders for concrete gestures in favor of our brothers and sisters who suffer from the lack of labor, land and lodging," by creating dignified jobs to combat the social plague of unemployment which takes such a heavy toll on people's sense of dignity and hope.

In his message for peace Pope Francis reminds us that the opposite of mercy is indifference and that the globalization of indifference is as great a deterrent to peace as the piecemeal wars being fought.

**Blessed are the families in which mercy is abundant and forgiveness is given freely
so that God's mercy will be readily available to all.**

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Holy Family Quasi-Parish

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Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions