

Third Sunday of Easter

April 10 2016

# Holy Family Catholic Church

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

## Parish Mission Statement

*Holy Family is a Catholic community that unites for prayer and communion so that we may grow in our baptismal discipleship and share the good news of the Gospel.*



Mailing Address: P O Box 482  
 Van Alstyne TX, 75495  
 Parish Office: 903-482-6322  
 For a Priest: 972-542-4667  
 Website: [www.holyfamily-vanalstyne.org](http://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  
 General Email: [stmichael@stmichaelmckinney.org](mailto:stmichael@stmichaelmckinney.org)  
 Fr. Father Sal: [frguzman@stmichaelmckinney.org](mailto:frguzman@stmichaelmckinney.org)  
 Main Phone: 972.542.4667  
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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**  
 TBA for 2017  
 6:00—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*

Shirley Adams	Karen Conner	Anonymous
Arnie Clark	Karen Elliott	Bud Rietman
Angie Hermsillo	Jennifer Bryant	Mary Pereyra
Jose Garcia	M. McGuire	Reynaldo Chaviva
Andy Karl	Richard Lynch	Bill Powell
Juan Enhorabuen	Theresa Powell	Dennis Pereyra
Armandina Alvarez	Catherine Casterline	Fr. Don Zeiller
M. A. Hicks		

**Weekly Calendar**

**Sunday, April 10**

8:30 am Rosary "Festival Meeting" **TODAY**  
 9:00 am Mass  
 10:15-11:15am Faith Formation PreK-4th  
 12:00 pm Spanish Mass

**Monday, April 11**

**Tuesday, April 12**

**Wednesday April 13**

7:30 pm Bible Class

**Thursday April 14**

9:00 am Mass Bible Class Immediately Following Mass  
 7:00 pm Youth Choir Practice

**Friday April 15**

**Saturday, April 16**

**NOTE**

**The UDMC Name of the Conference has been changed to Dallas Ministry Conference**

**Dallas Ministry Conference**

**The University of Dallas and the Catholic Diocese of Dallas, co-sponsors of the University of Dallas Ministry Conference, announced that to better reflect their partnership, the conference will henceforth be known as the: Dallas Ministry Conference.**

**The 10th annual conference will be held Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2016, at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas. Registration will open in early April. More information is available at**

**www.udallas.edu/dmc.**

**Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for April**

**Universal:** Small Farmers That small farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labor.

**Evangelization:** African Christians That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political-religious conflicts.

**Weekly Attendance/Offerings**

Attendance:	April 3, 2016	529
Offerings:	April 3, 2016	\$ 2,704.00
Building Fund:	April 3, 2016	\$ 1,115.76

**Bodas Comunitarias**

Si esta usted viviendo en unió n libre o casado por el civil solamente y quisiera regularizar su matrimonio por la iglesia, lo invitamos a que se comuniqu e con el Padre Salvador al 972.542.4667 x 1 para obtener una cita y recibir mas informaci3n de la preparaci3n para las Bodas Comunitarias.

*Un matrimonio feliz y duradero siempre es de tres: Dios; Tu Pareja y T ú.*

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# 4th Festival News / Welcome To Holy Family / (St. Bernard) Necessary



## MAY 1, 2016

**Festival Success Depends on All of Us!!!!!!**

Please take at least 10 to 20 books sell them to relatives and friends. The prizes are really good, 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each. Stop after Mass and take some today.

### Volunteer to help on May 1st.

Games-- Food Booths-Setup-- Take down Manpower in an important need to it's success.

SELL the Raffle tickets!! **Bring** non perishable food items for the grocery game. Gift Cards, value \$5 to \$100.Come to the meeting April 10th at 2:00 pm.

### Welcome to Holy Family

To all visitors, to New and Old Registered members: We need your input on ideas to improve the programs you would like to see developed. YOU must be our Guide. Take a little time to let us know what's missing:

#### Drop in Collection Basket Next Week:

Program:\_\_\_\_\_

Time Best to meet\_\_\_\_\_

Would you be available to head it up?\_\_\_\_\_

Can we count on you to attend?\_\_\_\_\_

Do you enjoy our Sunday Social?\_\_\_\_\_

WELCOME:

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #\_\_\_\_\_

Holy Family Quasi Parish 903-482-6322

**Next Parish Wide Scheduled Festival meeting will be: Sunday April 10th @ 2:00pm. Please Come!!!! TODAY**

**Por favor llévese unos 10-20 libros de boletos para vender a sus amigos y familiares. Los precios son muy bueno 6 por \$5.00 o cada boleto 1.00.Levante sus boletos hoy después de misa.**

**Sea voluntario para ayudar este primero de Mayo.**

Juegos-- puestos de comida-- montar y desmontar los puestos. La fuerza de los voluntarios es necesaria para el éxito del festival. Venda los boletos para la rifa!!!! Traiga artículos enlatados y empaquetados para el juego de la despensa. Tarjetas de regalo de valores \$5 a \$100. Venga a la junta April 10 a las 2:00pm.

**Los boletos para la rifa del cuarto festival de la Primavera ya están aquí listos para ser comprados y vendidos:**

**6 por \$5.00 o cada uno a \$1.00**

**1er premio: tarjeta de regalo Visa de \$1,000**

**2do premio: televisor de 55 pulgadas**

**3er premio: tarjeta de regalo visa \$500**

**4to premio: mezcladora Kitchen Aid**

**5to premio: Mesa y sillas estilo Adirondack**

**6to premio: 4 noches en Branson (no incluye transporte)**

**7mo premio: 4 noches en Branson**

**8vo premio: Audifonos Beats**

**9no premio: 2 plantas tropicales Hibisco**

**10mo premio: 2 plantas tropicales Mandevilla**

**11vo: premio: Bumper del Carro del piloto de NASCAR Jamie McMurray #1**

**12vo premio: tableta Kindle**

**El éxito del festival depende en todos nosotros!!!**

### LO NECESARIO

La gracia es necesaria para la salvación, e igualmente el libre albedrío; pero la gracia da la salvación, y el libre albedrío la recibe.

—San Bernardo

### NECESSARY

Grace is necessary to salvation, free will is equally so; but grace in order to give salvation, free will in order to receive it.

—St. Bernard

23rd Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner, April 16 at the Irving Convention Center at Las Colinas: This spectacular event benefiting the Catholic Pro-Life Committee will feature internationally acclaimed actor and producer Eduardo Verástegui. The evening will include a wine pull, silent auction and private reception at 5 p.m., followed by a seated banquet, live auction and program at 6:30 p.m. This event raises critical funds to save babies, support families, provide education and facilitate healing. Reservations are \$100 for an individual seat, \$1,000 for a table of ten, \$50 for student volunteers. Premium tables with priority seating start at \$2,500. Raffle tickets for a chance to win \$15,000 in MasterCard® gift cards are available now for \$20 each, 4 for \$60 and 8 for \$100. Dinner reservations are requested by April 4, 2016, after which the price increases to \$125. Seating is limited. Reservations may be made at [prolifedallas.org/dinner](http://prolifedallas.org/dinner) or call 972-267-LIFE (5433).

23ª Cena Anual Pro-Vida del Obispo, 16 de abril en el Centro de Convenciones de Irving en Las Colinas: Este evento espectacular, a beneficio del Comité Católico Pro-Vida, contará con la presencia del actor y productor de cine aclamado internacionalmente, Eduardo Verástegui. La velada incluye un sorteo de vino, una subasta silenciosa y una recepción privada a las 5:00 p.m., seguida de banquete, subasta de vivo y programa a las 6:30 p.m. Este evento recauda fondos esenciales para salvar la vida de bebés, apoyar familias, proveer educación y facilitar sanación post-aborto. El costo de las reservaciones es de \$100 por un asiento individual, \$1,000 por una mesa de diez y \$50 para estudiantes voluntarios. Las mesas preferenciales están disponibles desde \$2,500. Los boletos de la rifa, que le darán la oportunidad de ganar \$15,000 en tarjetas de regalo MasterCard® ya se encuentran disponibles a \$20 cada uno, 4 por \$60 y 8 por \$100. Las reservaciones a la cena deben hacerse antes del 4 de abril de 2016, después de esta fecha el precio aumenta a \$125. El cupo es limitado. Puede hacer sus reservaciones visitando [prolifedallas.org/dinner](http://prolifedallas.org/dinner) o llamando al 972-267-LIFE(5433).

## Pope Francis:

### Be missionaries of God's love

Pope Francis has put a video on his Instagram account (@franciscus). It went up on Divine Mercy Sunday. It was a short clip taken from his video-message to the Cuban people ahead of his visit in September 2015.

"I want to be among you as a missionary of the mercy and tenderness of God." – Pope Francis said – "But allow me to encourage you, too, to be missionaries of this infinite love of God. May no one be without the witness of our faith, of our love. May everyone know that God always forgives, that God is always at our side, that God loves us."

The Instagram account of Pope Francis was launched on 19 March, 2016, and currently has over 2 million followers. The account reached 1 million followers faster than any other account in history.

Desejo estar entre vós como missionário da misericórdia, da ternura de Deus, mas permiti que vos possa encorajar a ser também vós missionários deste amor infinito de Deus. Que a ninguém falte o testemunho da nossa fé, do nosso amor. Que todos saibam que Deus perdoa sempre, que Deus está sempre ao nosso lado, que Deus nos ama. Desidero essere tra di voi come missionario della misericordia, della tenerezza di Dio. Ma permettetemi anche di incoraggiarvi ad essere voi stessi testimoni di questo amore infinito di Dio. Che non manchi a nessuno la testimonianza della nostra fede, del nostro amore; che tutti sappiano che Dio perdona sempre, che Dio è sempre accanto a noi, che Dio ci ama. Je désire être parmi vous comme missionnaire de la miséricorde, de la tendresse de Dieu, mais permettez-moi de vous encourager à ce que vous soyez également des missionnaires de cet amour infini de Dieu. Que ne manque à personne le témoignage de notre foi, de notre amour. Que tous sachent que Dieu pardonne toujours, que Dieu est toujours à nos côtés, que Dieu nous aime. Ich möchte unter euch weilen als Missionar der Barmherzigkeit, der Zärtlichkeit Gottes. Aber lasst mich euch auch dazu ermutigen, selbst Zeugen dieser unendlichen Liebe Gottes zu sein. Möge es niemandem an diesem Zeugnis unseres Glaubens, unserer Liebe, fehlen; mögen alle wissen, dass Gott immer verzeiht, dass Gott uns immer zur Seite steht, dass Gott uns liebt!

#Tenerezza, #Ternura, #Zärtlichkeit, #Tendresse, #Tenderness, #Misericordia, #Misericórdia, #Barmherzigkeit, #Miséricorde, #Mercy, #Cattolico, #Católico, #Katholik, #Catholique, #catholic

# The Power of Prayer and Ritual inside our Helplessness

In the movie based upon Jane Austen's classic novel, *Sense and Sensibility*, there's a very poignant scene where one of her young heroines, suffering from acute pneumonia, is lying in bed hovering between life and death. A young man, very much in love with her, is pacing back and forth, highly agitated, frustrated by his helplessness to do anything of use, and literally jumping out of his skin. Unable to contain his agitation any longer, he goes to the girl's mother and asks what he might do to be helpful. She replies that there's nothing he can do, the situation is beyond them. Unable to live with that response she says to her: "Give me some task to do, or I shall go mad!"

We've all had the feeling at times when in the face of a dire situation we need to do something, but there's nothing we can do, no magic wand we can wave to make things better.

But there is something we can do.

I recall an event in my own life several years ago: I was teaching summer school in Belgium when, late one evening, just as I was getting ready for bed, I received an email that a two friends of mine, a man and a woman recently engaged, had been involved that day in a fatal car accident. He was killed instantly and she was in serious condition in hospital. I was living by myself in a university dorm, thousands of miles from where this all happened, and thousands of miles from anyone with whom I could share this sorrow. Alone, agitated, panicked, and desperately needing to do something but being absolutely helpless to do anything, I was literally driven to my knees. Not being able to do anything else, I picked up the prayer-book that contains the Office of the Church and prayed, by myself, the Vespers prayer for the dead. When I'd finished, my sorrow hadn't gone away, my friend was still dead, but my panic had subsided, as had my desperate need to do something (when there was nothing I could do).

My prayer that night gave me some sense that the young man who'd died that day was alright, safe somewhere in a place

beyond us, and it also relieved me of the agitation and panicked pressure of needing to do something in the face of agitated helplessness. I'd done the only thing I could do, the thing that's been done in the face of helplessness and death since the beginning of time; I'd given myself over to prayer and to the rituals of the community and the faith of the community.

It's these, prayer and ritual, which we have at our disposal at those times when, like the man in *Sense and Sensibility*, we need to do something or we will go mad. That's not only true for heavy, sorrowful times when loved ones are sick or dying or killed in accidents and we need to do something but there's nothing we can do. We also need ritual to help us celebrate happy times properly. What should we do when our own children are getting married? Among other things, we need to celebrate the ritual of marriage because no wedding planner in the world can do for us what the ritual, especially the church-ritual, of marriage can do. Weddings, just like funerals, are a prime example of where we need ritual to do for us what we cannot do for ourselves.

Sadly, today, we are a culture that for the most part is ritually tone-deaf. We don't understand ritual and therefore mostly don't know what to do when we need to be doing something but we don't know what to do. That's a fault, a painful poverty, in our understanding.

The Trappist monks who were martyred in Algeria in 1996 were first visited by the Islamic extremists who would later kidnap and kill them, on Christmas Eve, just as they were preparing to celebrate Christmas mass. After some initial threats, their eventual murderers left. The monks were badly shaken. They huddled together as a group for a time to digest what had just happened. Then, not knowing what else to do in the face of this threat and their fear, they sang the Christmas mass. In the words of their Abbott: "It's what we had to do. It's all we could do! It was the right thing." He shared too, as did a number of the other monks (in their diaries) that they found this, celebrating the ritual of mass in the face of their fear and panic, something that calmed their fear and brought some steadiness and regularity back into their lives.

There's a lesson to be learned here, one that can bring steadiness and calm into our lives at those times when we desperately need to do something, but there's nothing to do.

Ritual: It's what we have to do. It's all we can do! It's the right thing.

by Ron Rolheiser, OMI

Information Page

Holy Family Quasi-Parish

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Date: Sept 18, 2011

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Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions