PRAYER CORNER

Faithful Father, speak restoration over our family & friends. Heal their body, soothe their mind, and mend every hidden wound. Reverse what sickness has taken and bring steady recovery. In Jesus name. Amen.

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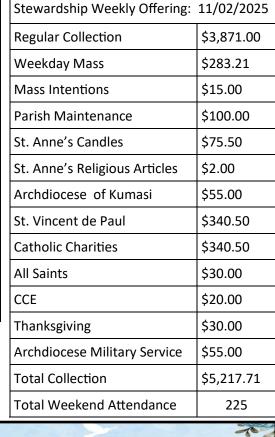
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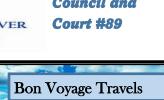
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Mass Times

Sunday: 10:00 am Vigil Mass Sat: 5:00 pm Mon thru Fri-7:00 am Saturday: 8:00 am

Adoration Times

Wednesday: 5pm-7pm Thursday: 7:30am-3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 3pm

Friday: 7:30am-noon Saturday: 4pm-4:50pm

Rosary

Sunday 9:00 am (1st Sunday Live-streamed) Monday-Friday 6:20 am

Confession

Mon-Fri: 6am—6:50 am 7:30am-7:55am Saturday 4pm-4:50pm By appointment during office hours



Sunday Nov. 9

Happy Belated Birthday Evadell Ware. For military veterans living and deceased

Monday Nov. 10

For OMM family & friends, physical & spiritual healing

Tuesday Nov. 11

For OMM family & friends, physical & spiritual healing

Wednesday Nov. 12

For OMM family & friends physical & spiritual healing

Thursday Nov. 13

For OMM family & friends, physical & spiritual healing

Friday Nov. 14

For OMM family & friends, physical & spiritual healing

Saturday Nov. 15

8am Mass—For OMM family & friends physical & spiritual healing

5pm Mass—For OMM family & friends, universal healing

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN

The Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica is an important moment for Catholics. This basilica, located in Rome, is the cathedral church of the Pope and is called the "mother of all churches." It reminds us that our faith is not only personal but shared by millions around the world. The Lateran Basilica stands as a sign of unity, showing that we are part of something much larger than ourselves.

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The feast also reminds us that, like the basilica. we are called to be temples of God's presence in the world. We may not be grand or famous like the Lateran Basilica, but we are still important in God's eyes. Every small act of love, every moment of kindness, helps build up the Church.

In short, the Lateran Basilica is a place of great meaning for Catholics. It connects the past, present, and future of the Church and reminds believers of the unity and history of their faith. Reflecting on its dedication encourages Catholics to keep living out the teachings of the Church in their own lives.

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Texas Catholic bishops respond to court's decision on status of DACA recipients in Texas

A federal court decision is imminently expected to change nearly 90,000 Texans' presence in our country from lawful to unlawful. This decision will impact virtually every community in Texas by removing the lawful presence for DACA recipients who live in Texas. We, the Catholic bishops of Texas, firmly resolve to respond with compassion and a call for justice for those who, through no fault of their own, are now being forced to abandon their homes, their livelihood and their communi-

This action further undermines each of these persons' basic human right to seek work and to support a family. It is contrary to the facts to claim that our state is harmed by DACA recipients lawfully working here. Instead, this kind of unprecedented and disruptive action by our government will harm our communities by fomenting fear, severing relationships, disrupting business and removing some of the most upstanding individuals from our community.

The present distress in our country regarding immigration is the result of decades of unwillingness on all sides to enact reasonable and meaningful immigration reform, reform which respects both national security needs and the human right of each person to work and raise a family in peace.

We will continue to work with people of goodwill to encourage compassionate outreach to those in dire predicaments and a humane reform of our terribly broken immigration system.

As we begin considering the anticipated implications of this ruling on our communities, including fear and familial estrangement, we respectfully remind federal and state authorities of the importance of proper training and supervision for ICE agents. No violent actions should ever be taken or justified to harm law enforcement officials or their families. The human dignity of law enforcement officers themselves is violated when they are expected to consider brutal and inhumane methods to enforce these decisions.

The unreasonableness and impending implementation of the Fifth Circuit's ruling, targeting law-abiding people working and living in Texas, places a terrible burden on our communities. We are pastors of ICE agents and DACA recipients, undocumented persons and families whose security is threatened. This decision will only exacerbate fear and distrust, pit community members against one another, and cause significant economic disruption for many communities.

We want to say unequivocably to all our immigrant sisters and brothers, and in a particular way to those who arrived as children: We have heard your cries. We are with you in these difficult days.

May God, who hears the cry of the poor, move all of us to bring his mercy and justice to our country.

Reflection for the 32nd Sunday

We are born in exile and die there too. As soon as we set sail on the great voyage of life, we begin our return. When we die, we do not so much go to God as return to him. Like homesick cranes that fly night and day back to their mountain nests, so let all our lives take their voyage to you, O Lord. For you have made us for yourself, and our hearts will never rest, until they rest in you. Only those who have flown home to You have flown at all.

May God, who kindled in your hearts the hope of eternal life, guard this hope with his grace, and bring it to fulfilment in the kingdom of heaven.

May almighty God bless you

Daily Readings for the Week

Nov. 9—Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Nov. 10—Wis 1:1-7

Lk 17: 1-6 Nov. 11—Wis 2:23—3:9

Lk 17: 7-10

Veterans' Day

Nov. 12-Wis 6: 1-11

Lk 17: 11-19

Nov. 13—Wis 7: 22b—8:1

Lk 17: 20-25

Nov 14—Wis 13: 1-9

Lk 17: 26-37

Nov. 15—Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9

Lk 18:1-8

November Live Stream Schedule

Nov. 9—Howard Rattliff

Nov. 16—Jennifer Rattliff Nov. 23—

November Lector Schedule

Nov. 8—Natasha Cha

Yusuf

Nov. 9—Lydia Salas, Stephanie Rodriguez

Nov. 15—Lanette Martinez Vidaurri

Nov. 16—Amanda Flood Carolyn

********** **November Special Collections**

Nov. 9—Parish Maintenance

Nov. 16—Archdiocese for Military Service

Nov. 23—Archdiocese of Kumasi

Nov. 27—Thanksgiving

Our Mother of Mercy **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Prayer for Deceased Family

On November 12, 6:30 pm, OMM will Are you or someone you know strughave a mass to pray for and recognize gling after an abortion? Rachel Minisdeceased family members. At the back of church, there are cards to put spiritual and emotional healing after family members names (please limit to 10 names of those who have past within the last 3 years). Submit card by noon, Nov. 7. At mass your family member's name will be recited. Families are asked to provide a candle.



The Knights of St. Peter Claver are having their annual Thanksgiving Can Food Drive. Please bring can food items to the back of the church for this event.



Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited every Sunday after 10 am mass by the Ladies & Knight of St. Peter Claver, for the month of November. You are invited to join them.

Safe Environment Certification

A new renewal class for Safe Environment; Boundaries for Lay Adults will be offered on Nov. 13 at 5:30 pm. For those who never taken Protecting God's children for adults a class will be offered on Nov.22 at 9:00am. Please register at the website: Virtusonline.org .

Missionary Childhood Association National Christmas Artwork Contest 2025-2026

Announcing the 2025-2026 Missionary Childhood Association (MCA) National Christmas Artwork Contest! Entries are received until January 31, 2026. For Contest guidelines and the entry form, please visit:

EN: https://fwdioc.org/mca-national -christmas-artwork-contest ES: https://fwdioc.org/concursonacional-de-arte-navideno-de-mca

Rachel Ministries Retreat

tries is offering a weekend retreat for abortion on Friday, November 14 to Sunday, November 16, 2025. This retreat helps those who struggle with grief, guilt, and pain after abortion to find healing and hope. Come and experience the mercy, and healing love of God with others who understand what you're going through. For more information or to register,

please call 817-923-4757.

Confidentiality is strictly observed. The retreat location is not advertised to protect anonymity of participants. Participants need to call the number for more information.

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The Xavier Society for the Blind provides free offerings in large print to people living with low vision. For more information call 800-637-9193 or 212-473-7800, or email: info@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org



St. Anne's Altar Society Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser and Bake Sale is back!! Join us on November 23 after Sunday mass. This delicious meal of spaghetti/meat sauce, green salad, garlic bread available for a donation of \$12. Also, don't forget to pick up your Thanksgiving desserts, sold separately. Text 682-365-6375 to preor-

Prayer Candles

St. Anne's Altar Society provides candles for prayers. Donation for the candles is on an honor system. Large candles are \$3 and the small candles

are .50 cents. ***********

The Harvest of Hope: Grounded in the Six, Reaching for the First

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You are invited to 3 Days of Worship, Revival Nov. 9-11, 2025 at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 5004 Bonnie View, Dallas, TX 75241

Day 1 4pm - The Season of Advent & search for Biblical Freedom Day 2—6:30pm, The joy of Freedom

in Christ Day 3—6:30pm, Living & Bearing Witness to Freedom

Nationally known Revivalist, Reverend Deacon, Arthur Miller of St. Mary Church, Simsbury, CT will be speaking.

Phil the Box

Phil is still with us at OMM. Bring your gently used clothing in plastic bags and put in Phil the Box. He has been a good fundraiser to OMM. Thank you for your support.



Safe Environment Certification

To volunteer in any capacity for the Parish you will need to complete a Safe Environment class. The initial class is **Protecting** God's Children and is good for 2 years. The renewal class is A Plan to Protect. Renewals must be completed every 2 years. To renew/or start log in to www.virtus.org: For assistance, call Lydia Salas/church office.