

In Loving Memory of
David S. Salinas
 1923-2008
Pray the Rosary to end abortion.

In Loving Memory of
Rudy & Virginia M. Camareno, Sr.

Fullness of Truth Conference Schedule
 Apr 28-29: Houston, TX: "Search and Rescue"
 Bring loved ones back to the Church"
 St. Anthony of Padua—The Woodlands

Our Lady of Fatima
 First Saturday Devotion
 1. Offer up every day the sacrifices demanded by my daily duty. 2. Pray five decades of the Rosary daily. 3. Wear the Scapular of Mount Carmel and live the consecration it signifies. 4. Practice the First Saturday devotion.

ORAN R. EVERETT
 1934-2021
Love You Forever Never Forgotten

SPACE AVAILABLE

Aug 18-20: San Antonio, TX
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Gone Never Forgotten
 Douglas Edwards 5/18/18
 † Vance Edwards 2/3/20

SPACE AVAILABLE

†Robert J. Hernandez
 May 13, 1997
 Oct. 29, 2021
 Our Lady of Guadalupe "Lupita"
 Pray for us.

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IN LOVING MEMORY
 Deceased Members of the Mendez Family

IN LOVING MEMORY
 Rev. Deacon Julio D. & Maria Luisa Hernandez
 Carlos and Jose Francisco Hernandez (Sons)
 SURVIVING CHILDREN
 Issac, Marie Isabelle, Roseanne, Carmen, and Daniel

IN LOVING MEMORY
 Deceased Members of the Diaz Family

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WEEKDAY MASSES
 Monday, Wed., & Friday
 6:00 am Bilingual
 Tuesday & Thursday
 6:00 pm English

WEEKEND MASSES
 Saturday 8:00 am English
 Pro Life Mass Every 3rd Saturday
 Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm Eng
 Sunday 8:00 am (Spanish)
 10:00am Eng; 12:00 pm Bil.

CONFESSION
 Saturdays
 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
 (or by appointment)



NEW OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday to Friday 9am – 2pm
 Closed Saturday, Sunday & Monday
STAFF Secretary—Debra A. Martinez;
 Office Asst—Pam L. Hernandez;
 Bookkeeper—Maria Wesbrooks;
 Grounds & Maintenance: Juan Flores & Alonzo Rodriguez

ANNEX GATHERINGS
 Prayer Group Thursdays 7pm Annex

MARRIAGE PREPARATION
 6 Months Minimum. Call the parish office for detailed information.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS
 Monthly-3rd Wednesday 6:30pm
 Pre-registration required. Cost \$25.

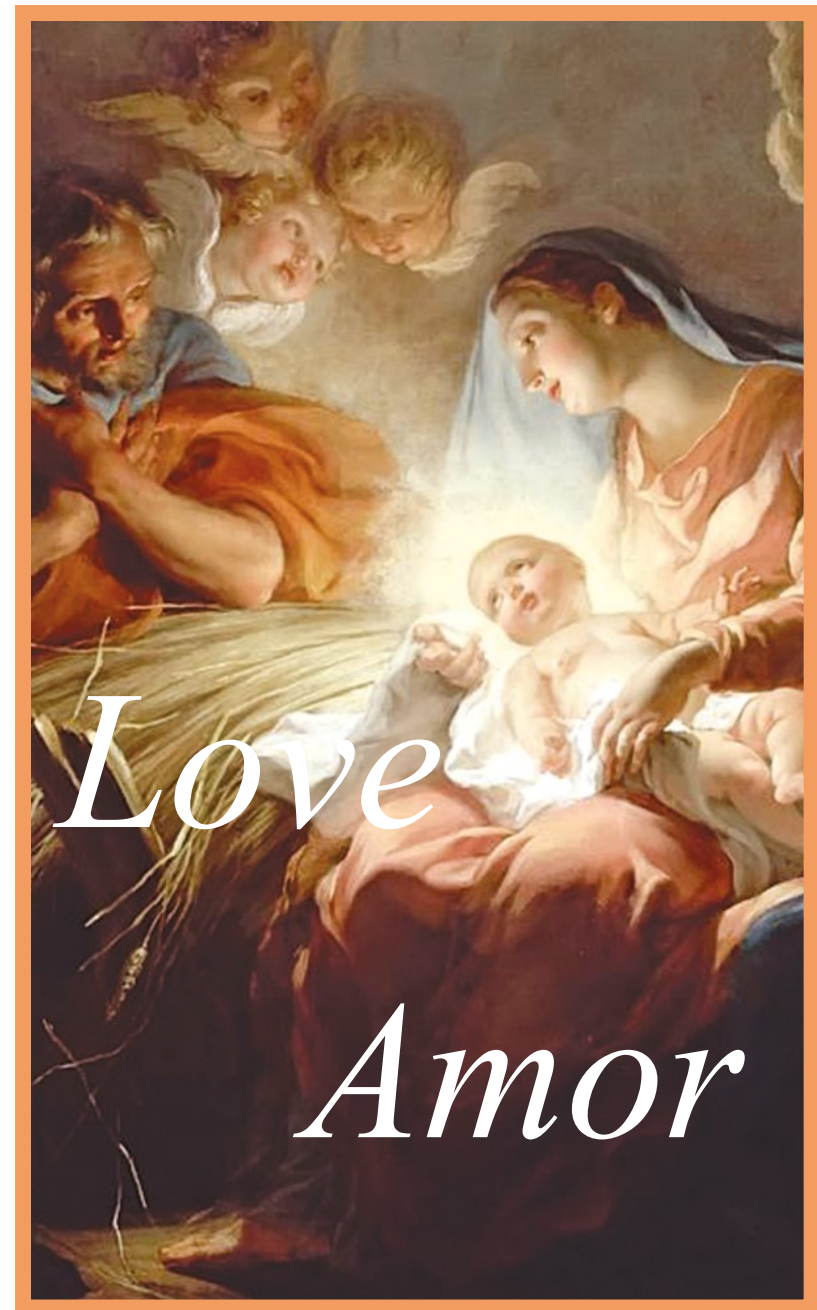
YOUTH GROUP
 #BUILDTHECHURCH
 Wednesdays—Gym 6:30 pm-8:00 pm

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS
 Joe Flores, Mary Jane Ronje, Angie Herrera, Odilia Flores, Joseph Whitfield, PPA, LLC

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
 Angel Emrich, Anthony Favata, Edward Avila, Indiana Favata, Maria Wesbrooks, Martina Otero, Robert Mirabal, Sandra Gutierrez, Steven Bernal
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS
 Rev. Rogel B. Rosalinas, SOLT-Pastor; Dcn JC Ayala, Dcn Rey Rojas



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 24, 2023

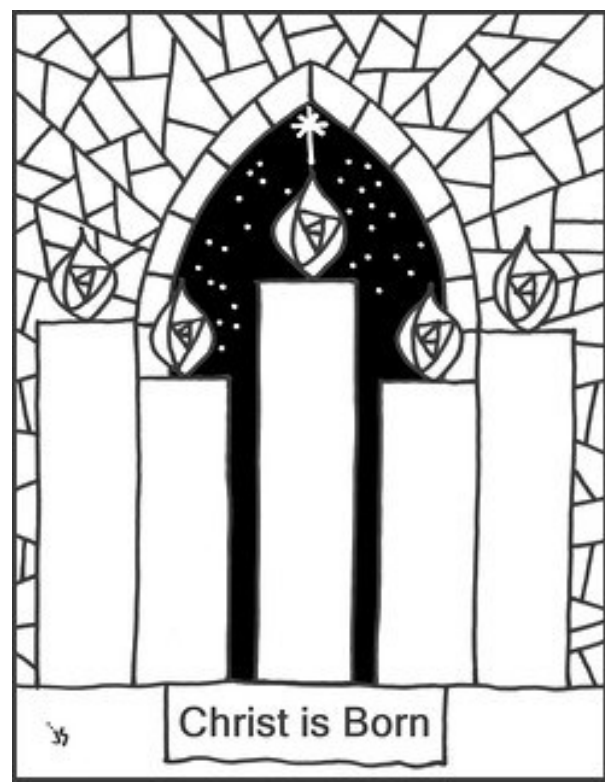


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Serving the Corpus Christi Community Since 1908...
 The Way We Are Expected To

Today's Mass is really a celebration of the Advent Ember Days

for those people who were unable to come to church during the preceding week.

Formerly the Saturday Ember Day Mass was actually celebrated early Sunday morning, and the Mass of this Sunday is now a composite of the Masses of the Ember Days. With the lighting of the fourth and last candle on the Advent wreath, the children are made to realize that the Saviour is almost at the gate of their souls. Jerusalem awaits the great King and Saviour in silent and awed expectancy. With the singing of the Magnificat and the "O antiphon" of the day, a little pageant could be organized to suggest the Mass of this Sunday. The first figure (Introit) represents the first two weeks of Advent, the long and ardent awaiting of the ancient world. The second figure represent St. John the Baptist, who sounds the joyous trumpet announcing the arrival of "Him who is to follow", it is he who leads the Groom (Christ) to the Spouse (the Church), as we read in the Gospel. The third and final figure is our Blessed Lady. The Hail Mary of the Offertory tells us that the period of preparation is drawing to a close. During all the Mass of the Faithful, it is Mary who is our shepherd and guide. On Sunday evening, Marian Advent hymns and carols remind home and neighborhood that our hearts must be made ready for the coming of Christ. The valleys must be filled and the hills leveled. What an apostolic reminder of the need for a good confession before Christmas! That is why the stational church of this Sunday is the Basilica of Reconciliation. By means of the divinely instituted powers given to the shepherds of the flock, the sacrament of Penance makes us ready for the coming of the Redeemer. The purity and simplicity of the children may remind their elders that in order to enter heaven they must become as little children.

Prayer Source: True Christmas Spirit by Rev. Edward J. Sutfin, Grail Publications, St. Meinrad, Indiana, 1955

ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL TRADITION CONTINUES!

St. Joseph's Annual Posadas Navideñas begin on **8th Posada** - Friday December 23rd

Courtesy of the Altar Servers! 7:15 pm Meet in the Annex

The Last and Final Posada takes place on Christmas Eve at the 6:00 pm Mass. Those present at the Mass will participate as the homes visited and those who are (inside-adentro) and those who are (outside-afuera). Don't miss it!



CHRISTMAS MORNING PRAYER

Children love to pray when they realize that they are saying the same prayers as Catholics all over the world. At Christmas it is easy to introduce such prayers as a family custom. These morning prayers, with variations on special feast days, are said from Christmas eve until Candlemas. They may be used whole or in part depending on the ages of the children in one's family.

Prayers in our house are said at the crib during Christmas. It might be well for parents to meditate on the words of Abbot Marmion:

When we would penetrate into the sanctuaries of God's secrets, He says to us; "This is my beloved Son, hear ye Him." This is the solution of all: Jesus stretching out His little arms to us in the crib is God. As we gaze on Jesus, we have no difficulty in understanding that God is love.

Prayer:

Mother: Christ is born to us!

All: Come, let us adore Him.

Father: To the King of the Ages, who is immortal, invisible, the one only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

All: Thanks be to God.

Father: Arise, O Christ, and help us.

All: And deliver us for Your Name's sake. Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

Father: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation.

All: But deliver us from evil.

Father: O Lord, hear my prayer.

All: And let my cry come to You.

Father: Let us pray. O Lord God Almighty, who hast brought us to the beginning of this day, preserve us in the same by Thy power that during this day we may not fall into any sin, but that all our words, thoughts and work may be directed to doing Thy holy will. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Alleluia.

Mother: This day Christ is born, this day the Savior has appeared. This day Angels are singing on earth, Archangels are rejoicing. This day the just are glad and say:

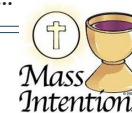
All: Glory to God in the highest, alleluia.

When children in our family are late or fussy, we sing the morning offering learned during babyhood:

Good morning, dear God, we offer to You our thoughts, words and actions and all that we do.

This is followed by the Lord's Prayer, a Hail Mary, and an appropriate ejaculation.

Prayer Source: Christmas to Candlemas in a Catholic Home by Helen McLoughlin, The Liturgical Press, Collegeville, Minnesota



Saturday December 23, 2023

8:00 am Raul M. Treviño 40th Anniversary by Ram T
6:00 pm Vigil †Jesse Villanueva Anniversary by Family
†Sylvia Mondragon Martinez by Sylvia & Albert Mondragon
†Maria D. Garza by Esmeralda Peña, daughter

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 24, 2023

8:00 am †Cruz H. Alaniz by Family
†Amado Martinez by Family
10:00 am †Gerard Muñoz by Benita, his wife
†Jose Alvarado, dearly missed by wife and all his children
†Raul Martinez by wife, Delma & Family
12:00 pm †Enriquez-Rodriguez Fam. by Roberto Enriquez & Eloisa Ortega

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS (Sunday Evening)

6:00 pm †Robert Jesse Hernandez by Family
11:00 pm †Maria A. Martinez by Family
†Maria Berta Alaniz by Family
†Abilio Quiroga by Frank Martinez & Family
†Carlitos Castellano by Frank Martinez & Family
In thanksgiving for David Emrich

NATIVITY OF THE LORD - CHRISTMAS DAY MASS Monday December 25

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention - Bilingual

Tuesday December 26

6:00 pm †Florinda Hernandez by Sandra & David Hernandez
†Alexis Stevenson by Sandra & David Hernandez
†Jaime Alberto Solis by Sandra & David Hernandez
†Henry Thiagaraj
†Conrado Contreras, Sr. by Family
†Ricky Contreras by Family

Wednesday December 27 6:00 am

Powell Family (living & deceased) by +John Powell

Thursday December 28 6:00 pm

†Vincent Favata by Family
†Gerard Munoz by Benita Munoz
†Ray Ramos, we pray for your souls

In thanksgiving for Successful Procedure, Sr. Leticia L'Re

Friday December 29 6:00 am

Powell Family (living & deceased) by +John Powell

Saturday December 30, 2023

8:00 am Powell Family (living & deceased) by +John Powell
6:00 pm Vigil †Steven Reyes 13th Anniv. by Mom & Dad
†David Del LLano by his wife, Margaret.....†Rene Ramos, we pray for your souls
†Luis Alvarado, we pray for your souls..... In thanksgiving by Sr.Emiliana

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

Sunday December 31, 2023

8:00 am Powell Family by †John Powell
10:00 am †Gerard Muñoz by Benita, his wife
†Jose Alvarado, dearly missed by wife and all his children
†Jason Hernandez 6th Anniv. by Mom & Family
†Raul Martinez by Delma Martinez and family
12:00 pm †Enriquez-Rodriguez Fam. by Roberto Enriquez & Eloisa Ortega

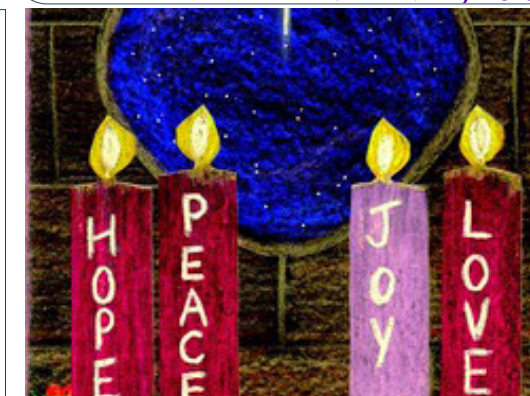
SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (Sunday Evening)

6:00 pm Celebrant's Intention
--ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT-- 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

11:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (Monday Morning)

Monday January 1, 2024.....One Mass Only at 9:00 am
9:00 am Celebrant's Intention



You are invited to the

25th Anniversary Celebration

of

The Helpers of

God's Precious Infants, Inc.

on

December 30, 2023

We will start with Holy Mass at 8:00 am followed by Rosary, Brunch and a

Special Talk by

SR. MARIA ISABELLA

on

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PRAYERS NEEDED FOR THE ILL
NAMES ARE REMOVED IF NO UPDATE

FR. OGIE, Rosemary Diaz, Rebecca Gonzalez, Sagrado Corazon Perez, Esteban Gonzales, Veronica Lozano, Corinna Balle, Laurie Pinnada, Banda-DelosSantos Family, Carlos R. Garcia, Rosie Garcia, Maria L. Perales, Mark Wemer, Irma & Juan Solis, Veronica Mungia, Bentley Cobb, Jonathan Vargas, Family of Tony Fay, John Hopwood, Dolores Medina, Paulo Martinez, Katie & Gerald Haley, Isaiah Esparza & Fam. Jovita Abel, Aaron Martinez, Veronica Lozano, Elida Ayala, Gloria Villarreal, Deacon Rey Rojas, Alice Olvera & Family, Letty Iracheta, Joe Merino, George Garcia, III, Brynlee Garza, Christina Salazar, Rosa Solis, Rebecca Sheldon, Irene Armendarez, Tommy Herrera, AlmaLisa Fuentes, Sandra Gutierrez, Ricardo Cruz, Isaac Rodriguez, Steve MacDonald, Belinda L. Rodriguez, Norma Ray Born, Steve Reyes, Mary Del Chavez, Pita Ramos, Ester Mendoza, Oscar & Gloria Strickland, Dora S., Roland Vasquez, Laura Salas, Fred Perez, Jr. Gianna Leslie G Sanborn, Amelia H Nauperi, Nicolasa Cardona, Enrique Mendez, Irma V., Tommy Douglas, Grant Garza, Erica Scholz, Diana Gonzalez, Linda Frias, Angie Herrera, Juan Gomez, Jr., Diana Reyes, Delia Gomez, Paulo & Diana Martinez Fam., Eira Herrera, Eddie Alaniz, Dahlia Gonzalez, Juan & Maria Martinez Fam., Seth Eli Carter, Lilia Segovia, Armando Plata, Ramon Charo, Margarito-Elisa Gonzalez Fam., Carlos & Lupita Martinez, David Villarreal, Lucy Cruz, Monica's Clair, Monica Oliver, and Ate Cris.

There is much love to give & to receive. ¡Hay mucho amor para dar y recibir!