

September Meeting Calendar of Events

- 2 R.E. Teacher Inservice/Supper 6:30 Heritage
- 3 Turkey Dinner Planning Mtg. 6:30 Heritage
- 8 R.C.I.A. Inquiry Session 7 Conference Rm
- 8 Catholic Daughters Mtg. 7 Heritage Room
- 15 Pot Luck Supper/50th Ann.Begins 6:30 Hall
- 17 Knights of Columbus Mtg 7 Heritage Room
- 19 **Baptismal Class** 10-12 Heritage Rm
*To baptize, you must live within the parish boundary and should be attending Mass. If from another parish (immediate family [i.e., parents or grandparents] are active parishioners) you must provide a letter from your pastor stating you are active and you must attend your parish's baptismal class. Baptisms are held the first Sunday of each month except during the seasons of Advent and Lent.
Birth certificate of child is required before baptism.*
- 26 Turkey Dinner Preparation
- 27 Parish Turkey Dinner

Saint of the Week
Saint Gregory the Great



Born c. 540 in Rome, Italy. Son of Gordianus, a Roman *regionarius*, and Saint Silvia of Rome. Nephew of Saint Emiliania and Saint Tarsilla. Great-grandson of Pope Saint Felix III. Educated by the finest teachers in Rome, Italy. Prefect of Rome for a year, then he sold his possessions, turned his home into a Benedictine monastery, and used his money to build six monasteries in Sicily and one in Rome. Benedictine monk. Upon seeing English children being sold in the Roman Forum, he became a missionary to England. Elected 64th Pope by unanimous acclamation on 3 September 590, the first monk to be chosen. Sent Saint Augustine of Canterbury and a company of monks to evangelize England, and other missionaries to France, Spain, and Africa. Collected the melodies and plain chant so associated with him that they are now known as *Gregorian Chants*. One of the four great Doctors of the Latin Church. Wrote seminal works on the Mass and Divine Office, several of them dictated to his secretary, Saint Peter the Deacon. Died March 12, 604 in Rome of natural causes. He is the patron saint of choir singers, educators, masons, students, and against gout.

St. Gregory, pray for us.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

20 minutes prior to each daily Mass
Saturday: 5:15 - 5:30 P.M. and by *Private Appointment*

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to register for the preparation class. Godparents should be practicing, churchgoing Catholics, who have celebrated their Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to marry should contact the parish at least six months prior to their desired time of marriage.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This healing sacrament is available when one is preparing for medical procedures or is seriously ill.

New Parishioners

Welcome. Please stop by the parish office to register.

The bulletin is provided for the explicit purpose of communicating information weekly to the people of God in Bloomington, Texas concerning the pastoral mission of the parish. For more information or to have something included, please call the pastor.

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Quinceañeras/Quinceañeros

Young ladies/men approaching their fifteenth birthday, who are of the parish, are attending religious education classes, and have been enrolled for three years, may contact the pastor six months in advance to arrange the celebration.

A reflection from the Pastor

"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile," Jesus in today's gospel. This saying is important, because Jesus shows us what it means to have free will, the capacity to choose how we respond to that which seeks to defile us from within. So often, we want to blame our sins on the T.V. or on the internet or on what someone told us to do, and yet in each act, we have the power to choose Christ or to choose deceit or evil. Try this week to find yourself making good choices from within, not blaming the outside world; in doing so you will be able to discern more clearly the Father's will.

The year celebrating the 50th anniversary of St. Patrick's begins on September 15th, the day St. Patrick's was founded here in Bloomington. In honor of this event, we will have a pot luck supper that Tuesday evening; please bring enough to feed your family/guests to share with others. In order to celebrate our 50th, I ask that each person attending bring two or more canned foods. This food drive will be our work of charity in gratitude for God's generous blessings on the parish. All food will be donated to V.C.A.M. in Victoria.

Thank you to all who assisted in making the raffle tickets for the Turkey Dinner. The twelve of us, like the apostles, worked diligently and accomplished our goal in two hours. I ask that each of our families please sell the tickets. If each family buys/sells their four books the parish would profit \$6600. Just think if we did one extra book each.

Thank you to all who came and had your picture made for the parish pictorial directory. I will keep you informed as to the return of the book, once all necessary information has been submitted. Thank you to Mrs. Ramona S. Torres who coordinated the calling and appointment scheduling. Please note the time for group pictures for next Saturday.

May you have a blessed week. Fr. Ty

MEAT DONATIONS

There will be three second collections to make meat donations for the Turkey Dinner. These will be made after communion in church, or you may drop your donation in the basket using one of the pre-marked envelopes at the entrance. Please consider giving to purchase the meat and other ingredients for our festival.

The remaining dates for these collections are:
Today August 30, and September 20

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Priest's Intentions

The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated twenty minutes prior to each daily Mass.

Wednesday, 2nd 8:00 a.m. – *Anne Mundine +
by Therese Hernandez*

Thursday, 3rd 8:00 a.m. – *Mildred Mikulenka +
S. Gregory the Great by Gary and Christy
Parenica*

Friday, 4th 8:00 a.m. - *Tomasa Espinosa +
by Mary Raby*

Saturday, 5th 5:15 -5:45 p.m. Penance
5:40 p.m. Rosary – *leader: Carol Sutton*
6:00 p.m. Mass – *Maria Ortiz +
by Tony and Mary Julia*

Flores

Sunday, 6th 7:30 a.m. Santissima Rosario
23rd Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass – *The Parish Family*
Ordinary Time 10:00 a.m. Mass – *Joe Manuel Estrada Jr.*
+
2nd Collection: *by Richard & Frances
Mendez
Retired Priests*

Readings for Sunday September 6th

First: Isaiah 35:4-7a
Second: James 2:1-5

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Saturday 5th 6 p.m.

Lector Lisa Canales
Cup Ministers Carol Sutton, Jeanette West
Altar Servers Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Ushers J. Lange, J. Canales Sr., R. Brandl, P. Brandl

Sunday 6th, 8 a.m.

Lector Martina Aguayo
Cup Ministers Deacon Fred and Patty Soto
Altar Servers Mauricio Ledezma, Evan Andrade, April Chapa
Ushers H. DeLuna, T. Cabral, E. Ledezma, A. Escalante

Sunday 6th, 10 a.m.

Lector Ismael Perez
Cup Ministers Mary Helen Garcia, Margaret Escalante
Altar Servers Katie Williams, Derek Folmar, Albert Adkins
Ushers J. Sanchez, D. & K. Escalante, J. Canales Jr.

Religious Education - Youth - News

Registration resumes today:

Sun. Aug. 30 after 8 & 10 Masses Heritage Rm

Fee is \$15 per child. Assistance is available for those needing it.

Teacher In-service: September 2, 2009

6:30 p.m. Heritage Rm.
Supper will be served

Teachers/Aides still needed:

9th, 10th, 11th/12th.

Please inquire with Mrs. Ramona Torres if you are interested in this essential ministry to building the faith.

First Class: September 9, 2009

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 1,769.31

2nd Col: Meat Donations: \$290.82

Thank you

**50th Anniversary Year Event
Potluck Supper – Canned Food Drive
September 15th**

As you know, the fiftieth anniversary of St. Patrick's begins September 15, 2009. To kick off the year, we will have a potluck supper in the parish memorial hall that evening at 6:30 p.m. Those attending should bring enough food to feed their family, sharing with others. Also each person should bring at least two canned foods/non-perishable food items. Canned foods may also be dropped off in the church at the designated baskets beginning next week during the month of September. The collected food will go to the Victoria Christian Assistance Ministry.

What's your Catholic IQ -Faith Quiz

Answer from last week:

The scholarly saint who lead a wild life but later became bishop and Doctor of the church is

c. St. Augustine

This week's question:

At what age is a bishop required to submit his letter of resignation to the pope for retirement?

a. 65 b. 75 c. 85 d. 100

Answer coming next week

Congratulations

to **Allisson Marely Vargas** who was baptized on August 2. She is the daughter of Alfred and Maria Vargas.

to **Scarlett Grace Lange** who was baptized on Sunday, August 9. She is the daughter of Marshall and Mimi Lange.

Around the Diocese . . .

Sept. 6 St. Mary's Nada Festival
BBQ & Sausage \$7.50 a plate

Sept. 6 Sacred Heart Hallettsville Picnic
Fried Chicken/Stew/Dressing \$7 a plate

Sept. 6 St. John Bosco, Vanderbilt Picnic
BBQ Brisket & Sausage \$7.50 a plate

Sept. 6 Shiner Picnic
Stew/Fried Chicken \$7.50 a plate

Sept. 13 St. Joseph – Inez Picnic
Fried Chicken/Brisket/Sausage \$7/plate

Sept. 20 O.L.G. Bay City Festival
Brisket Plates - \$6
This is Fr. Gerry Cernoch's parish

Sept. 27 **St. Patrick's Turkey Dinner –
Bloomington – Turkey & Trimmings \$7**

Oct. 4 – Our Lady of Guadalupe – Tivoli Festival

**St. Patrick's Parish Turkey Dinner –
Sunday, September 27th**

Please think about ways you might be able to help:

- Volunteer to serve inside/outside/cook/setup
- Turkey prep and cooking help is needed
- Donate Auction prizes
- Donate to the purchase of turkeys/trimmings
- Make items (crafts/baked goods) for country store
- Make cakes for the cake walk
- Work at a booth

There will be a planning meeting for the Turkey Dinner on Thursday, September 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room. Those helping with various parts of the dinner should be present. All are invited to attend.

50th Anniversary T-Shirt/Collared Shirt Sale

T-Shirts and Collared Shirt orders are being taken. The order form is inserted in this week's bulletin. Proceeds will benefit the parish and religious education purchase of books and audio-visual equipment to keep teaching the faith. The cost of each T-shirt is \$8, and each collared shirt is \$15 (2X and u p are \$1 extra). Payment may be made at order or at pickup. You may return order forms in the collection or at the marked baskets in church.

**XXII Annual Conference
for Catechesis and Ministry
Saturday, September 26, 2009
At Holy Family Church in Victoria**

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the faith by hearing key speakers and small group presentations on a wide range of topics concerning catechesis. **To learn more visit www.victoriadiocese.org or call 573-0828.** Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. that day with a keynote by Fr. Stan DeBoe at 9:30 a.m. Exhibits open at 10:30 a.m. with workshops in the morning at 11:00 a.m. and in the afternoon at 1:30 p.m. Sunday Mass will conclude the day with Bishop Fellhauer presiding at Holy Family Church at 4:15 p.m.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about the faith? Do you are someone you know need to complete their initiation sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, or the Holy Eucharist?

Then the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for you. Commonly referred to as R.C.I.A., the process involves learning and being initiated into the faith.

The first phase of the process is the inquiry phase which begins in September. The first inquiry night will be Tuesday September 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish conference room.

For more information please call Father Ty at 897-1155.

**GROUP PICTURES
PICTORIAL DIRECTORY
Saturday, September 5th – 9:00 a.m.**

Group pictures to be included in the directory will be taken **next Saturday beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Church,** groups should gather at 9:00 a.m. so that pictures may follow one another. Groups include:

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors, Altar Servers, Ushers, Money Counters, Choirs, Guadalupanas, Catholic Daughters, Knights of Columbus.

RETRouvaille- MARRIAGE PROGRAM

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry in your marriage? Or have you just stopped talking to each other? This program has helped couples experiencing marital difficulty. For more information and to register for the September 18-20 program, please call 979-543-3493 or email lbconner@sbcglobal.net or visit the website at www.retrouvaille.org.