

1. We have learned that the Cardinal has chosen the name for our new parish. We will be Holy Family Parish. It is a fitting name because we are being challenged to form a new family of Catholic people and, of course, we are challenged all of our lives to become holy. Very soon the former parishes in Galveston and Bolivar will go out of existence according to canon (the Church's) law. Holy Family Parish will be canonically established. The church buildings that are part of the new parish will retain their names: Holy Rosary Church, Mary Star of the Sea Mission Church, Sacred Heart Church, and St. Patrick Church.
2. An interim cover for the parish bulletin has been developed. It incorporates the name of our new parish, Holy Family Parish, the Mass schedule, and has a background of the Gulf and beach to represent our island and peninsula.
3. The Archdiocese has announced that it has hired architects and a general contractor to begin work on developing plans to construct a new building at Crystal Beach that will be used for worship and other gatherings. The new Holy Family Parish will be involved in the decision making for this new building and it will become part of Holy Family. The new structure will replace the former Our Mother of Mercy Church.
4. At its meeting on July 6, the Parish Pastoral Council spent the bulk of its time on discussing ways to ritualize the closing of each of our former parishes and the formation of Holy Family Parish. We agreed to form an executive committee that would report back to the council by July 27 with different ideas. The committee will be Deacon Sam Dell'Olio (Chair), Bob Fullen, Michael Doherty, Roy Altamirano, Lois Howard, Steven Marsh, Barbara Ryder and Maryanne Rogers. Each committee person will work with some members of his/her former parish to surface ideas of what we might do. The whole executive committee will meet prior to July 27 to prepare its report to the Parish Pastoral Council.
5. The council also briefly discussed the need to create a logo for Holy Family Parish. This need will be discussed more at its next meeting.
6. Roy Altamirano will replace Antero Aguilar on the Parish Pastoral Council. We thank Antero for his service during the past month.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 13

7am †Veneranda Del Papa / †Theresa Gainer
9am Doris Kostelecky (Improved Health)

Tuesday, July 14

7:00 am †Mary Lou Johnston-Hines
†Anton & Lydia Janka
9:00 am †Rena Broussard

Wednesday, July 15

7:00 am †Holy Souls in Purgatory
9:00 am †Jackie Dreyfus

Thursday, July 16

7:00 am †Mary Jo Leonard
9:00 am †Frank Fertitta

Friday, July 17

7:00 am †Maria CamaZo Tommie Mallini
(For Improved Health)
9:00 am †Mr. & Mrs. James Bennett

Saturday, July 18

St. Patrick

5:00 pm Mario Ayala / Gabi Ayala
(In Honor of Birthdays)
Jose Garcia (Anniversary of Death)
Ben Garcia (In Memory of Birthday)

Sunday, July 19

Sacred Heart

7:30am †Emily Lopez (Memory of Birthday)
† Jackie Dreyfus / †Catherine Deltz
†Soledad Mendoza (Anniversary of Death)
†Joseph Muscat / †Elnora L. Peters

St. Patrick

10:30 am †E.C. Ruiz / †Kevin De Mary
†Paul Ramirez (Anniversary of Death)
†Theresa Gainer
Tommie Mallini (For Improved Health)

Sacred Heart

11:00 am † Joseph John Fichera
† Tina Fichera

St. Patrick

12:00 pm †Manuel Castro / †Danny Smith

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, July 12

10:15 am Damas Meeting
2:00 pm Damas Card Party
11:00 am Baptism Class I

Monday, July 13

1:30 pm Staff Meeting
7:00 pm Youth Group Night

Thursday, July 16

6:45 pm Spanish Choir Practice

THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BLACK BAG COLLECTION

Next weekend, July 18-19, is the annual Black Bag Collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Through your donation, you are performing a good work far greater than you think. You can show your love for our Lord by helping your neighbor who is hungry, hopeless, alone and frightened. Last year the St. Vincent de Paul Society in our Archdiocese assisted over 300,000 individuals. One hundred percent of your donation goes directly to the Society to help people in need. To give thanks for all that God has given to you, please help and donate what you can.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The 2009 Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass honoring couples celebrating Golden (50th) and Silver (25th) Anniversaries of marriage in the Catholic Church in 1959 or 1984 will be held on Sunday, September 20, at 3:00 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will be the presider. Whether or not a couple attends the ceremony, they are eligible to receive a special certificate signed by the Cardinal.

A couple wishing to participate is asked to please call the parish at 762-9646 and register their name, address, daytime telephone number, wedding date and the name and location of the Catholic Church where they were married with the parish secretary. Deadline for registration is August 21. Soon after receiving the couples' names, the archdiocesan Office of the Family Life Ministry will send registered couples a letter with detailed information about the Mass. They then will have the opportunity to R.S.V.P.

GALVESTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL (GCS) REGISTRATION

Registration is now in progress at GCS for all grades Pre K through 8. Tuition assistance is available, based on need. Please call our school office (409-765-6607) for more information. Summer hours are Monday to Thursday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT GCS

1. Full-time certified English teacher for grades 5 through 8 who can also teach Spanish.
2. Part-time art teacher.

Please contact Madeleine Nix, Principal, at 409-765-6607 for more information.

ALTAR SOCIETY CARD PARTY

The Ladies Altar Society will hold its annual Games and Card Party on Saturday, July 18, starting at 11:00 a.m. in the auditorium. Games of your choice may be played. Lunch and many door prizes are included at \$10.00 per person. For reservations, call Pat Loesch (409-744-6262) or Corrine Broom (409-935-7183).

NEED HELP WITH REPAIRS?

We have a group of 150 youth from the Shine Work Program who will be here next week to assist persons who need help with house repairs, yard work, painting, etc. If you are in need of such work, please call Deacon Standridge (762-9646). The group will remain here for three weeks and will reside in our school building.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to request a Mass Intention in memory of someone or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the parish secretary (762-9646) and schedule a date. The usual stipend for a Mass is \$5.00.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We will resume Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, July 22, at 12 noon ending with Benediction at 5:30 p.m. It will be followed by a 6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass in the OLG Chapel. As Mass renews our covenant and union with Christ, our prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament strengthens our resolve to share this heavenly food in multiple ways; doing good works to serve God and one another.

Please call Gerry H. at 762-9646 if you would like to commit to a particular time from 12 noon until 5:30 p.m.

ATTENTION TEXAS A&M INCOMING STUDENTS

St. Mary's Catholic Center at Texas A & M in College Station invites incoming freshman and transfer students to the 2009 Welcome Weekend Retreat, Friday, August 28, through Sunday, August 30. Welcome Weekend is a great way to start college life, learn about the dynamic Catholic presence at TAMU and make new friends. For more information or to register, call 979-846-5717 or visit www.aggiecatholic.org.

COLLECTION - July 4/5, 2009

Loose.....	\$2,419.43
Envelopes/Checks (251).....	\$10,491.51
Total.....	\$12,910.94

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HURRICANE IKE HOUSING RECOVERY PROGRAM

Was your home damaged by Hurricane Ike? Do you need assistance making repairs? If the answer to either question is yes, you may be eligible for assistance to complete housing repairs, reconstruct or elevate your home, and purchase a new home. The City anticipates funds will be available in August 2009. All applicants must complete a registration and verification process in order to qualify for assistance. For more information, call the City's Grants and Housing Department (409-797-3820) or stop by their office at 905 -

25th Street, Galveston.

**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO BECOME A
CATHOLIC?**

Do you know someone who wants to become a Catholic? Please invite them to explore the Catholic faith through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The RCIA team provides a solid foundation in the Catholic faith and introduces participants to a loving community in which to form that faith. Persons who are not baptized or baptized in another Christian community are especially invited to participate. Look for classes to begin in August. Feel free to contact Deacon Robert Standridge (e-mail rstandridge@saintpatrickgalveston.org) (409-762-9646) or Ray Hertel (e-mail rayhertel@yahoo.com) (281-703-1231).