



CLERGY NEWS

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ILLNESSES

Please keep all our frail, elderly and infirm priests in your prayers.

2013 DATES FOR PRIESTS TO RESERVE

- The Lenten Day of Prayer for Priests will be on Wednesday afternoon, March 20, 2013, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at St. Mary Seminary.
- The Chrism Mass will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.

MINISTRY TO PRIESTS

Please place the following dates on your calendar.

Clergy Retreats for 2013:

January 7-11, 2013, Holy Name Retreat Center, Rev. Larry Christian

January 21-25, 2013, Christian Renewal Center, Most Rev. Mike Duca

February 4-8, 2013, Holy Name Retreat Center, Rev. Mel Blanchette, SS

Registration information has been mailed.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In case of emergency, Bishop Sheltz can be reached at the following numbers:

713-524-2876 (home) or 713-501-2166 (cell)

PRESBYTERAL RESULTS

COUNCIL

ELECTION

The results of the Presbyteral Council and Personnel Board elections held in November/December are as follows:

PRESBYTERAL COUNCIL Area Representatives

N/W/BB Deaneries:

Fr. Stephen B. Reynolds

GM/SO Deaneries:

Fr. Paul Felix

Special Ministry

Administration/Spiritual:

Fr. Brendan Cahill

PERSONNEL BOARD

At-Large Representative Msgr. Chester Borski

Thank you to all who participated in this process.

RETIRED PRIESTS

Please remember the retired priests who reside at the Pope John XXIII Priest Retirement Residence, Maloney Hall and the retirement houses of the religious order priests. These men would benefit greatly from the prayers and periodic visits of their brother priests.

CHANCERY HOLIDAYS

The Chancery will be closed Tuesday, January 2, for the New Year holiday, and on Monday, January 21, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday.

NECROLOGY

Please pray for the following priests whose anniversaries of death are during the month of February.

February 1, 1904 Rev. Vac Chlapik February 1, 1915 Rev. F.M. Huhn February 2, 1930 Rev. F. Nona February 2, 1995 Rev. Abraham Sy Thuyen Ho, OP February 2, 2004 Msgr. Jack B. Jones February 3, 1968 Rev. Joseph C. Morrell February 3, 1968 Rev. Thomas A. Rvan February 5, 1978 Rev. Joseph Coll February 6, 1955 Rev. N.T. Domanski February 7, 1935 Msgr. John Nicholson February 7, 1935 Rev. Christopher Preker February 8, 1995 Rev. A. Wayne Elkins February 9, 1996 Msgr. Cornelius P. Flynn February 10, 1936 Rev. John Baptist O'Leary February 10, 1991 Msgr. Frank D. Urbanosky February 10, 1997 Rev. John Prill February 11, 1957 Rev. Fabian Stindle February 11, 1957 Rev. Joseph Kloboulk February 11, 1978 Rev. John Zimmer, CSsR February 12, 1906 Rev. J.J. Costello, CSB February 12, 1923 Rev. Pete J. Clancy February 13, 1988 Rev. Richard Johnson, CSsR February 13, 2001 Rev. Charles Ferguson February 13, 2011 Msgr. Joseph H. Crosthwait February 14, 1916 Rev. D.F. Berberich February 14, 1951 Rev. Emil Landry February 14, 1978 Msgr. Jerome J. Tydlacka February 14, 1979 Rev. E.C. Fowler February 16, 1951 Rev. Walter Fraher, MS February 17, 1879 Rev. Theodore Greyenbuhl February 18, 1933 Rev. Otto Niekamp February 19, 1883 Rev. Joseph Moslewiez February 19, 1960 Msgr. George A. Wilhelm February 19, 1965 Rev. Henry V. Parmentier February 20, 1968 Rev. Florimond B. Vanholme, SSC February 20, 1984 Msgr, William D. Steele February 21, 1983 Rev. Leonard C. Quinlan, CSB February 21, 2006 Rev. Robert A. Bordenkircher, OP February 22, 1879 Rev. Martin Weinzaepflen February 22, 2001 Rev. Ed Baur, SVD February 24, 1974 Rev. Henry J. Saxon February 24, 2011 Rev. David H. Noble February 25, 1973 Rev. Vincent J. Guinan, CSB February 27, 1980 Rev. Alfred P. Caird, CSB February 28, 1913 Rev. Pierre C. Saint-Onge

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

The Bishop's Fund for Latin America Collection is scheduled for the weekend of January 26-27, 2013. Please make the necessary announcement.

MASS STIPENDS

The Chancery receives numerous requests for Mass intentions. If any parish has more Mass intentions than can be said in a reasonable period of time, please forward them to the chancery. These stipends help priests in parishes with few stipends and priests in the Missions.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Reminder: Some parishes have taken the certificates for First practice of giving Reconciliation as well as creating a register. The confidentiality of the Sacrament of Penance should always be kept in mind when Reconciliation. lt recordina First recommended that a parish may record that the requirements for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation have been met. If a parish decides to keep a record of those who have completed these requirements, do not send notification to the places of baptism for recording in the sacramental books.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated during the week of January 18-25, 2013. The theme for this celebration will be taken from Micah 6:6-8.

The closing celebration of the *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* which will be held at St. Mary's Seminary on Friday, January 25, 2013, at 7:00 PM. All priests are invited and encouraged to attend.

A letter with more information will be forthcoming from the Archdiocesan Ecumenical/Interfaith Officer, Fr. Reginald Samuels.

LOG MILEAGE

2013 Mileage Logs have been mailed to all archdiocesan and extern priests to track their professional miles driven. Please remember to log the automobile odometer reading on January 1, 2013 and then log all professional miles driven throughout the year. Record the odometer reading on December 31, 2013, thus providing the total miles driven for the year. By adding the total number of professional miles driven a ratio of professional versus personal can be determined (e.g. professional, 40% personal). The total amount of car expenses for the year is determined (e.g. depreciation allowance, insurance, gas, repairs, etc.). The percentage of the total expenses that is equal to the percentage of the professional use of the car (60%) is exempt from taxation. The percentage of the car expense equal to the percentage of the personal use of the car (40%) is added to the priest's taxable income.

2012 Mileage Logs must be given to the parish bookkeeper in early January so that the priest's taxable income can be computed. IRS regulations required that the parish keep the log in case of an IRS audit. Failure to provide the bookkeeper with a completed log of business related mileage will result in ALL car expenses being considered personal and the priest will pay tax on the total amount of yearly car expenses, over \$7,000 in additional income. The log is the only proof that the priest has used his car for professional purposes, hence if no log is maintained the IRS does not allow exemption of a portion of car expenses from taxable income.

IRS MILEAGE RATE

Beginning January 1, 2013, the IRS standard mileage rate for 2013 reimbursement for miles driven for professional purposes is 56.5 cents/mile.

VICTIMS ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

In a continuing effort to provide pastoral care to victims of sexual abuse by clergy or Church personnel, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo would like to remind the faithful of the Archdiocese of the availability of the Victims Assistance Coordinator. Please place a periodic notice in your parish bulletins as follows: "Anyone who has been the victim of sexual abuse by clergy or Church personnel is encouraged to call Sr. Maureen O'Connell, OP at 281-445-9696." Please keep in your daily prayers the healing of victims of abuse and all who suffer in any way.

CLERGY PASTORAL OUTREACH

The Clergy Pastoral Outreach Ministry staff cordially invites both active and retired priests to their monthly social events which are generally held at the Pope John XXIII Priest Residence at St. Dominic Village unless otherwise noted. We hope you can join us for some fun, Call Gina Bibb for more information at 713-440-3436.

Tuesday, January 8

SHOWTIME The Way, 1:30 PM - Refreshments served

Thursday, January 10

Rosary with Mary Mother Guardian of the Faith Community, 11:00 AM, Station 3 Lobby-Maloney Hall

Thursday, January 17

Sacred Heart Society Italian Lunch, 816 East Whitney Street, Houston, TX 77022 (free lunch for priests; arrive by 11:00 AM)

Tuesday, January 22

January Birthday Gathering, 1:30 PM Cake, ice cream and BINGO!!!!

Thursday, January 24

Rosary with Mary Mother Guardian of the Faith Community, 11:00 AM, Station 3 Lobby-Maloney Hall

LAST WILLS

Every archdiocesan priest (incardinated and extern) ministering in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston is to have on file in the chancery either a sealed copy of his last will and testament or a note stating where a copy of the will is to be found. Our records indicate that a number of priests do not have this information in their files.

A nightmare of work falls to family members or priest friends if a priest dies without having executed a will and a list of his personal property or if his will cannot be located. Not only is there difficulty in trying to determine the intent of the priest in the disbursing of his personal belongings, but much of his financial holdings can be taken by the state.

Please forward to the Chancellor's office either a copy of your last will and testament in a sealed envelope with your name on it and state that it is your will, or send a note for your file which states where a copy of your will can be found. It is also most helpful to provide a copy of your funeral arrangements, a directive to physician for health care decisions and a durable power of attorney for health care purposes. Having these on file expedites health care decision making if a priest becomes seriously ill or is approaching imminent death.

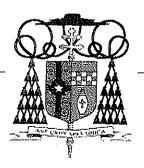
Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. For more information and/or sample documents to aid in the preparing of the above please contact the Legal Department, 713-652-4425, and an electronic file can be sent to you.

83RD SESSION OF TEXAS LEGISLATURE – ADVOCACY ARCHANGELS

January 8, 2013, will mark the beginning of the 83rd Session of the Texas Legislature. The Texas Bishops have worked in collaboration with the staff of the Texas Catholic Conference to formulate the Bishops' 2013 legislative priorities for the upcoming session. While the priorities are extensive and encompass a broad range of important issues, especially pro-life concerns, there are three key areas in which the TCC will focus significant resources: payday lending, advance directives and school choice.

The TCC has requested that each diocese identify Advocacy "Archangels" at the parish level to assist in coordinating a grass roots response throughout the legislative session to engage our parishioners in continuing their roles as faithful citizens. Pastors of the previously received Archdiocese Cardinal DiNardo correspondence from requesting the identification of one to two individuals to serve as Advocacy Archangels for their local parishes.

We held an initial training session for the Advocacy Archangels on December 4, 2012. For those parishes not yet identifying an Archangel, there is a form enclosed with this edition of the Clergy News for your use. We ask that you please return it as quickly as possible. For those who are new or were unable to attend the initial training, we have scheduled another training/orientation session on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the Nold Building at St. Mary Seminary. If you have questions, please contact Christina Deajon at 713-659-5461 or cdeajon@archgh.org.



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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January 3, 2013

To:

All Pastors

My brother priest:

The national Collection for the Church in Latin America is scheduled for the weekend of January 26-27, 2013. This collection supports pastoral projects that enrich the lives of believers throughout Latin America and the Carribbean.

The Church in Latin America and the Caribbean is vibrant, with a rich history of faith. It is constantly challenged, however, by unique factors such as high emigration rates, a great need for vocations to the priesthood, and the alarming pace at which parishioners are leaving the faith.

Generous gifts to the Collection for the Church in Latin America last year made it possible to fund 423 programs that support evangelization, formation and catechesis projects in the region.

As young people around the world prepare to make pilgrimages to Brazil for World Youth Day, the young faithful of Brazil face the hardships of poverty and violence and a lack of priests and trained lay leaders to help them live the faith. The support you give today will provide opportunities for years to come.

Please encourage your parishioners to give generously so that together, we can keep faith with the Church in Latin America. For more information on the Church in Latin America and the projects funded by the collection, please visit www.usceb.org/nationalcaollections. Thank you for your generous response.

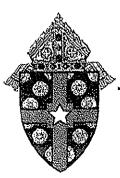
Fraternally in Christ,

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

Archbishop of Galveston-Houston

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Please return form to: Christina Deajon

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Post Office Box 907

Houston, Texas 77001-0907

Fax: 713-659-6814

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**Next training/orientation for new Advocacy Archangels will be held on January 8, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the Nold Building at St. Mary Seminary



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Dear Brother Priests,

You are cordially invited to a special private viewing of the exhibition *Portrait of Spain - Masterpieces from the Prado* as a guest of the Museum of Fine Arts Houston on Monday, January 7, 2013 (please see invitation below). If you are unable to attend on that date, please note that you may reserve a pass to attend at another time of your choosing by following the instructions provided on the bottom of the invitation. Please RSVP as indicated.

Gary Tinterow, director, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Invites you to a private viewing of the exhibition

PORTRAIT of SPAIN

MASTERPIECES FROM THE PRADO

Featuring more than 100 courtly and religious paintings from the Museo Nacional del Prado in Madrid, on exclusive U.S. loan to the MFAH.

Monday, January 7, 2013

11:30 am

The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston Audrey Jones Beck Building 5601 Main Street

To RSVP, or to reserve a pass for an individual visit at another time, please contact Valerie Higgins at vhiggins@mfah.org or 713-353-1590 by Friday, January 4.

Catholic University As of December 21, 2012

#	Parish	2012	tf	Parish	2012
7001	St John-Alvin	1,929.00	7370	St Albert	1,604 41
7007	SI Stanislaus-Anderson	160,83	7377	St Alphonsus	1,135.00
7013	Holy Trinity -Angleton	1,917,99	7384	St Ambrose	2,046.00
7025	St Martin-Barrett Station	271.90	7391	St Andrew Kim	200.00
7031	O L Guadajupe-Baytown	1.041.31	7398	St Anna	7,839 00
7033	St John-Baylown	1,465,00	7405	St Anne de Beaupre	211.00
7037	St Joseph-Baytown	586 00	7412	St Augustine	980.17
7043	St Wenceslaus-Beasley		7419	St Benedict	
7049	Sts Peter/Paul-Beliville	575 05	7426	St Bernadette	7,885,00
7055	St Joseph-Brazona	287 38	7433	St Catherine	2,273.00
7067	St Andrew-Channelview	3,011 63	7440	St Cecilia	4,580.21
7073	St Jerome-Clute	339 00	7447	St Charles	4,694 00
7079	Sacred Heart-Conroe	4,375.99	7454	St Christopher	567.00
7085	Sacred Head-Crosby	1,534.30	7461	SI Clare	2.412 61
7091	Sts Cyrll/Methodius-Darnon	177.00	7468	SI Cyril	2,722,00
7097	St Anthony-Danbury	824.00	7475	SI Dominic	1,346,89
7103	St Hyacinth-Deer Park	02.4.00	7482	St Elizabeth	6,271.00
7109	Shrine/True Cross-Dickinson		7489	SI Frances Cabrini	2,028 53
7125	St Mary Star/Sea-Freeport	1.247 87	7496	St Francis de Sales	3,100 10
7131	Mary, Queen-Friendswood	5,405.01	7503	St Francis Assisi	404.00
7137	St Mary-Frydel/Scaly		7510	St Francis Xavier	1,030 35
7143	O L Falmo-Galena Park	509.00	7510 7517	St Gregory	515.00
7149		1,183 51 3,557,45	7524	St Jerome	4,G21,00
7183	Hoty Family St. Katharine Drexel-Hempstead		7531	St John Neumann	4,021,00
		816 10 718.50	7537	St John Vianney	5,217.30
7193 7199	5t Jude-Highlands O L Lourdes-Hitchcock	1.657,00	7543	St Joseph	782.00
	All Saints		7549	St Justin	3,208,45
7201		1.862 46	7555	St Leo	3,200,40
7207	Annunciation	2,101.50	7561	St Luke	697 00
7213 7219	Ascension Chinese	780,00	7567	St Mark	2,587.25
	Assumption	2,786.83			772.00
7225	Blessed Sacrament	1,499.85	7573 7579	St Mary St Matthew	
7230	Christ/Incarnate Word	4 45 4 70			1,139 76
7231	Christ the King	1,451 00	7585	St Maximitian	1,004 44 8,281.61
7237	Christ the Redoemer	4,615.50	7591	St Michael	
7243	Corpus Christi	3,402 05	7597	St Monica	497,77
7249	Holy Ghost	3,593 81	7603	St Nicholas	102,00
7255	Holy Name	812 95	7609	St Fatrick	738.60
7261	Holy Rosary	4,300.51	7615	St Paul	1,040.50
7267	Imm. Conception	1,988.70	7621	St Poter Claver	309 60
7273	Imm. Heart of Mary	1,400.00	7627	St Poter Apostle	286 00
7285	Notre Damo	2,135.93	7634	St Philip Neri	342.00
7291	O L Czestochowa	326.00	7641	St Philip Jesus	2,194.00
7297	O L Guadalupe	747.43	7648	St Raphaet	1,219 14
7303	O L Lavang	1,059,00	7665	SI Rose of Lima	2.577 74
7306	O L Lourdes	2,052,00	7662	St Stephen	730 00
7309	O.L.Mt Carmet	2,144.50	7659	St Thereso	2,932.41
7315	O L Sorrows	374.00	7676	St Thomas More	5,019.35
7321	Oil, St John	905 40	7683	St Vincent de Paul	7,762.41
7327	O L Walsingham	305.00	7690	Vietnamese Martyrs	2,015.00
7333	O L Star of the Sea	121 00	7696	St Philip-Hullman	1,406.00
7339	O M of Mercy	1,065.00	7701	St Mary-Humble	
7345	Prince of Peace	4,519.00	7707	St Thomas-Huntaville	1,357 66
7351	Queen of Peace	2,191,00	7713	Imm. Conception-industry	
7357	Resurrection		7723	Epiphany of the Lord-Katy	15,394,06
7363	Sacred Heart Co-Cath	4,096,81	7727	St Bartholomew-Katy	15,393,10

Parish

#	Parish	
		2012
7729	St Edith Stein-Katy	1,830.00
7733	St Martha-Kingwood	3,792.50
7739	Queen of Peace-La Marque	890,83
7745	St Mary-La Porte	1,673.00
7751	St Michael-Lake Jackson	881,00
7757	St Mary-League City	4,887 86
7769	St Matthias-Magnolia	1,984.89
7775	Sacred Heart/Jesus-Manvel	2,433,09
7781	Holy Family-Mc Nair	219.00
7787	Holy Family-Missouri City	384.00
7789	St Angela Merici	2,501 51
7793	Christ Our Light-Navasota	583 Q0
7805	St Michael-Needville	838 60
7811	St John-New Caney	
7817	St.loseph-New Waverly	950 50
7823	St. Juan Diego-Pasadena	1,147.00
7829	St Pius V-Pasadena	2,579,00
7831	Sacred Heart-Patrison	356.69
7835	St Holen-Pearland	5,144.50
7841	SI Mary-Plantersville	1,276.90
7847	St Stephen-Point Blank	169.00
7865	Sacred Heart-Richmond	4,461 00
7869	St John-Richmond	880 97
7873	Holy Rosary-Rosenberg	2,240 34
7079	O L Guadalupe-Rosenberg	1,546.79
7885	Imm Conception-Sealy	769 30
7891	Oll, Grace-South Houston	524 00
7901	Chr/Good Shepherd-Spring	3,589,00
7906	St Edward-Spring	3,761,58
7911	St Ignative-Spring	4,623.09
7916	St James-Spring	1,213 80
7925	St Joseph-Stoneham	143.00
7931	St Laurence-Sugarland	11,839,18
7937	St Theresa-Sugarland	
7946	St Thomas-Sugarland	2,141 17
7961	O L Perpetual Help-Sweeny	329.00
7957	St Mary-Texas City	1,303.00
7963	St Anne-Tomball	2,111 51
7969	Guardian Angel-Wallis	838 11
7975	St John the Apostle-W Columbia	204 05
7979	St Anthony-The Woodlands	15,007.86
7981	Sts Simon/Jude-The Woodlands	2,654 00
	Other	3,459.58
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