Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

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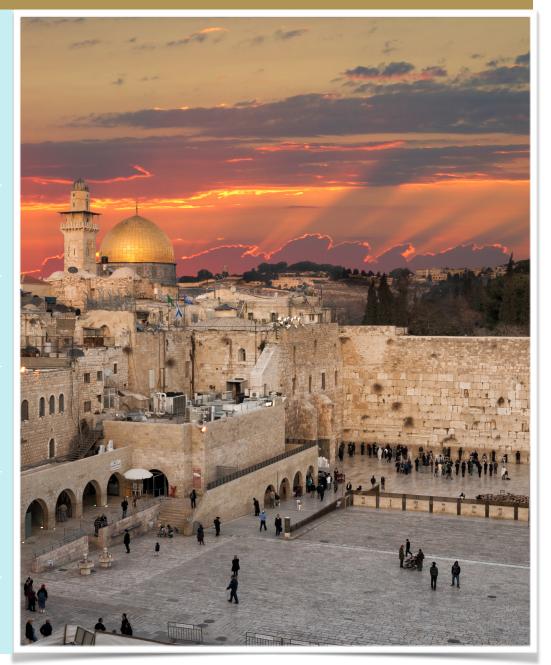
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ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Message from Fr. Niall

Dear Friends,

This weekend, February 1 & 2, is the kickoff of our annual archDiocesan Service Fund (DSF). Those of you who have contributed in the past have already received your pledge cards in the mail, so this is really addressed to those of you who have not contributed or who have, for one reason or another, had to hold off for a while. If you are able to contribute this year, you will find the pledge cards/ envelopes beside the bulletins in the narthex. In the words of Cardinal DiNardo, "DSF continues to be the largest service umbrella within the Archdiocese that binds us together in serving others and sharing our greatest gifts to bring greater common good." These services/ministries to the poor, sick, imprisoned and elderly have no parish support, and therefore depend on the generosity of the archdiocese at-large. The DSF also funds the education of our seminarians (Office of Vocations), the education of deacons and lay catechists and the ongoing development of other ministries of hospitality and outreach. As always, please give it your prayerful consideration, and know that no matter how small or large your donation, it is very much appreciated and valued.

If you read the bulletin last weekend, you already know that this weekend we have our Saturday Mingle and Sunday Breakfast which are occasions

to mingle and get to know each other and especially welcome the "stranger among us." This will probably not surprise you, but we still attract sheep and goats from the neighboring pastures. Please come and join us, if even for a little while, as we continue to deepen our community bonds and strengthen our openness to one and all.

I smiled last weekend when a young person, in response to my usual, "If you read the bulletin, you would know the answer to your question," told me s/he already had enough to recycle without adding the bulletin to same! Well, I was delighted to hear we have "recycle-minded people" among us, but to help all who do not want to add any more waste to the environment, the bulletin is on the parish webpage, along with our calendar and other important information.

Have a great week and continue saving Mother Earth from even more pollution and waste.

God bless,

Ja. Wall

We extend our heartfelt prayers and condolences to the family of Jacob Emilio Gonzales who died recently.



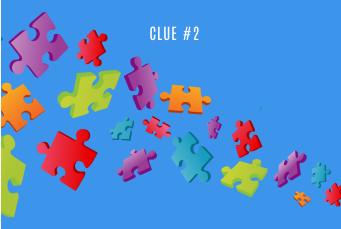
"Come, you who are blessed by my Father, says the Lord, Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Matthew 25:34

Women's Group

The St. Catherine Women's Group will have our monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 12 from 7-8:30 PM in the first classroom on the east side. This month Irene Infante will speak to us about her experiences with Houston veterans. Please come and hear all of the different ways she is helping these veterans. Please bring a dish or drink to share and email any questions to Joikingsley@gmail.com

Dinner Groups

Email John Fairchild at john@aestimo.com to find out more or to RSVP to the Happy Hour Social on February 8th.



PARISH PUZZLER

DUBLIN IRELAND WAS THE PLACE, 40 YEARS AGO, THE TIME. ADD HOLY ORDERS TO THE CASE, AND YOU HAVE THE SETTING FOR NEXT WEEK'S RHYME.

All will be revealed next week - same time, same space.

Club 55+ Meeting & Trips

February Meeting: Our next luncheon meeting will be on Sunday, February 9, after the 11:15 Mass. Our guest speaker will be Christine Goodwin, a representative from Guidance in Giving, Inc., the organization that has been engaged to administer the Ignite campaign for the archdiocese. She will outline the whole program and answer any questions. Plan to be there for this informative presentation.

Bus Trip: On Monday, February 10th, we will visit the Holocaust Museum Houston including a docent-led tour and time to tour on your own. We will then have an early dinner at Carrabba's - The Original on Voss. The trip starts at 12 pm and should be back by 6:30 pm. The cost is \$10 not including dinner. To reserve a spot, mail your check payable to Henry Goyette, 5607 Summer Snow Drive, Houston, TX 77041.

Save the date for future trips: March 25, April 21, May 13, June 23. As always, the bus trips are open to everyone age 50 and over.

Parish Calendar

For full calendar, visit stcatherine-houston.org

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SAT 1	10:00 AM Funeral Mass †Jacob Emilio Gonzalez 5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass 6:00 PM Parish Mingle DSF Sunday Mission of Yahweh Food Drive
SUN 2	8:30 AM Sunday Mass 9:30 AM Parish Breakfast 9:30 - 10:30 AM CCE Class 11:15 AM Sunday Mass DSF Sunday Mission of Yahweh Food Drive
MON 3	OFFICE CLOSED No Daily Mass
TUE 4	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 12:15 PM Daily Mass 6:00 - 8:00 PM 1st Eucharist Meeting
WED 5	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 12:15 PM Daily Mass 7:00 - 8:30 PM Bible Study
THU 6	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Bible Study 12:15 PM Daily Mass
FRI 7	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 12:15 PM Daily Mass
Next Week	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
SAT 8	5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass
SUN 9	8:30 AM Sunday Mass 9:30 - 10:30 AM CCE Class 11:15 AM Sunday Mass 12:30 PM Club 55+ Luncheon 4:00 - 6:00 PM Confirmation Meeting

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