

**SCHEDULED NEXT**

**WEEKEND:**

**Saturday, Dec. 31, 2011**

**6:00 pm Mass (English)**

Rosary: Yolanda Ramirez  
 Commentator: Yolanda Ramirez  
 Lector 1: Yolanda Ramirez  
 Lector 2: Yolanda Ramirez  
 Captain/MESC: Christine Villanueva

**Sunday, January 1, 2011**

**7:45am Mass (Spanish)**

See Liturgical Ministers Board

**9:45am Mass (English)**

Rosary: Milissa Cuellar  
 Commentator: Gloria Ramirez  
 Lector #1: Julian Vasquez  
 Lector#2: Julian Vasquez  
 EMHC/Captain: Milissa Cuellar  
 EMHC: Charles Arevalo, Cynthia Arevalo, Florence Briceno, Mary Louise Tovar, Gloria Ramirez, Anita Cordova  
 Altar Servers: Brandon Villareal, Luke Ocasio

**11:30am Mass (English)**

Rosary: Sylvia De La Rosa & Frank Martinez  
 Commentator: Sam Romo  
 Lector #1: Cynthia Ornelas  
 Lector#2: Cynthia Ornelas  
 EMHC/Captain: Elisa Gonzales  
 EMHC: Alicia Gonzales, Sylvia de la Rosa, Frank Martinez, Margaret Amezquita, Amanda Amezquita-Pineda, Don Martinez  
 Altar Servers: Laura Candelas & Nicholas Villareal

**6:00pm Mass (Spanish)**

See Liturgical Ministers Board

**Altar Flower Ministry:**

December 31, 2011- Team 3

**Upcoming Special Collections**

**December 31 & January 1**

Family and Pro-life Activities

**January 14 & 15th**

Catholic School Support

**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM BISHOP JOE VASQUEZ**

As shepherd of the Diocese of Austin, I wish all the people of the diocese a blessed and holy Christmas as we celebrate the incarnation of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, who through his birth united heaven to earth and brought us salvation and hope. Blessings upon you and your loved ones, especially in the new year.

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD MEDITATION-FROM BISHOP JOE VASQUEZ**

Take a few moments to imagine what it would be like to rock the Baby Jesus in your arms. Let your heart speak to him in that moment.

**POPE BENEDICT XVI'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER:**

- That all peoples may grow in harmony and peace through mutual understanding and respect ...
- That children and young people may be messengers of the Gospel and that they may be respected and preserved from all violence and exploitation.

**BISHOP VASQUEZ'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD:**

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

The feast of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, will be observed on Sunday, Jan. 1.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Please keep all of our military personnel who are serving our Country, especially those in Iraq or Afghanistan in your prayers. **James Gomez, A1C Jessica Camacho, Stephanie Camacho, SFC Michael E. Serna, E3 Thomas Gomes**

Also, please keep in prayer all of those who are sick, in the hospital, homebound or coping with poor health.

**Carmen Rodriguez, Arturo Martinez, Mari Lopez, Jennifer Diaz, Narcissa (Chita) Trujillo, Mary Luna, Pat Messer, Diana Fernandez, Carolina Rivera, Gregoria Lopez, Pamela Affolter, John Cazares, Alicia Guerra, Janie Merion, Sarah Mercado**

**FINANCIAL REPORT:  
Weekend of 12/17 & 12/18**

Sunday Collection: \$8,163.73

Sunday Kitchen: \$842.50

Feast of OLG: \$2,822.96

Religious Store week of 12/12: \$1,378.63

**MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS:**

**Saturday, December 24, 2011**

**Late Advent Weekday**

Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Lk 1:67-69

Vigil of Christmas

Vigil: IS 62: 1-5

Acts:13:16-17, 22-25

Mt 1:1-25 or 18-25

6:00pm †Guillermo Calderon, Jr. Las Animas

**Sunday, December 25, 2011**

**The Nativity of the Lord**

Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/

Ti 3:4-7

Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/

Heb 1:1-6

Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

12:00am **For All The People**

10:00am † Anastancia Rodriguez

† Janie Torres

12:00pm † Jose Teran

† Maria Martinez

† Geronima Saldana

† Juan Ramirez

Las Animas

**Monday, December 26, 2011**

**St. Stephen, The First Martyr**

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22

5:30pm No Mass Intention

**Tuesday, December 27, 2011**

**Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist**

1 Jn 1:1-4

Jn 20:1a, 2-8

5:30pm No Mass Intention

**Wednesday, December 28, 2011**

**The Holy Innocents, Martyrs**

1 Jn 1:5-2:2

Mt 2:13-18

12:00pm **No Mass Intention**

**Thursday, December 29, 2011**

**The Fifth Day within the Octave of**

**the Nativity of the Lord; Saint**

**Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr**

1 Jn 2:3-11/ Lk 2:22-35

5:30pm **No Mass Intention**

**Friday, December 30, 2011**

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary,**

**Joseph** Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14 or Gn

15:1-6, 21:1-3/Col 3:12-

21 or 3:12-17 or Heb

11:8, 11-12, 17-19/ Lk

2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Noon: **No Mass Intention**

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING CORNER – DEC. 25, 2011

Today we celebrate that God is redeeming us and the world through Christ's birth, life, death and resurrection. This day is the dawning of light, peace, justice, hope and joy. God "pitches his tent" in the midst of our chaotic world because he desires to free us from sin, fear and death. As we meditate with gratitude this great gift of love, our minds and hearts must remember our brothers and sisters whose need may overcome any sense of gratitude. This day pray for those who are alone and lonely, for families living in cars or on streets, for those who will starve this day. God is saving them, but are we being good neighbors to them?

### OLG ACTS RETREAT

Join us for the next Spanish Women's ACTS retreat from January 19, 2012 through January 22, 2012 in Burnet, Texas. Applications are available in the parish office of at the church entrance after the Spanish masses.

### OLG ANGEL TREE

Thank you to everyone who sponsored the Angel Tree! The Gabriel Project, the Religious Education Program and the Food Pantry volunteers THANK YOU!!!!

### FEAST OF THE VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE

Thank you to all of the faithful who celebrated the Feast of the Virgen de Guadalupe with us! Especially thank you to the many ministry groups and ministry members who worked diligently to make this special day a success! Thank you to Bishop Joe Vasquez, to Friar Florencio Rodriguez, TOR, to Friar Guillermo Alamilla Aguilar, to La Sociedad Guadalupana, the friends of the Guadalupanas, to all who contributed donations to the event, to the Liturgy Committee, the Choirs, the OLG Matachines, to the Gonzales family, Victoria Ruiz and the procession of Matachines, the OLG Jovenes and to the Aguallo family for donating the roses on the Altar in loving memory of Manuel Aguallo.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND ON JAN. 1, 2012

Each year, the annual special collection on the Feast of the Holy Family supports various family services in the Diocese of Austin. This year, the collection will be taken up the weekend of Jan. 1. Funds from this collection will support the life-affirming programs of Annunciation Maternity Home in Georgetown, Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter in Temple and Marywood Children and Family Services in Austin. These Central Texas agencies help expectant mothers, children in need and entire families. They provide much-needed assistance and promote our Catholic values of respecting all human life. Your support is much appreciated.

### FOOD PANTRY OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

The OLG food pantry is open on Tuesdays from 1pm to 3:30pm and on Saturdays from 10:30am to 12pm. The food pantry will be closed on Saturday, December 24 for Christmas Eve, on Tuesday, December 27th and on Saturday, December 31, 2011 for New Year's Eve.

### SUNDAY KITCHEN SCHEDULE:

12/25- Christmas Day & 1/1- New Year's Day- Kitchen Closed

If you are interested in hosting a kitchen call Leticia in the parish office to book a date on the calendar.

### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

For bulletin entries email natalie@olgaustin.org by Sunday at noon (Next deadline: Sunday, December 18, 2011 for the December 25, 2011 bulletin).

### PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE.

Schedule for the Office and Grounds over the Holiday:

**Monday, December 19 through Thursday, December 22**– Open

**Friday, December 23, 2011**– Closed

**Monday, December 26, 2011**– Closed

**Tuesday, December 27, 2011 through Thursday, December 29**– Open

**Friday, December 30, 2011**– Closed

**Monday, January 2, 2012**– Closed

**Tuesday, January 3, 2012**– Open

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Monday, December 26, 2011

Office and Grounds closed except for Mass  
5:30pm Daily Mass, Chapel

### Tuesday, December 27, 2011

1-3:30 Food Pantry, Pantry

5:30 Daily Mass, Chapel

6:00 Divine Mercy Cenacle Rm 4

6:00 Legion of Mary, Cry Room

6:30 9:45 Choir Rehearsal Rm 1

6:30 NA Meetings Rm 2

7:00 6pm Saturday Choir Practice Meditation Rm

7:00 Men's Ministry Meeting, Rm 8

### Wednesday, December 28, 2011

12:00 Daily Mass, Chapel

6:30 7:45am Choir Rehearsal Rm 1

7:00 Saturday Choir Practice, Meditation Rm

### Thursday, December 29, 2011

5:30 Daily Mass, Chapel

6:45 Coro de Eventos Especiales Rm 1

6:45 Comunidad de Ma. Magdalena Rm 3

7:00pm Practica de Coro, Rm 2

### Friday, December 30, 2011

12:00 Noon Mass, Chapel

7:30 Jovenes Mass

7:30 NA Meetings Rm 1

### Saturday, December 31, 2011

5:30 Confessions in the Church before Mass

### Sunday, January 1, 2012

No Sunday Kitchen– Kitchen Closed

9:00am– 1130 Choir Practice, Rm 1

No Religious Education Class



### FRIENDLY REMINDER:

### CHRISTMAS EVE– DECEMBER 24, 2011

6pm Mass celebrated in English

11:30pm- Christmas Carols begin followed by a bilingual Midnight Mass.

### CHRISTMAS DAY– DECEMBER 25, 2011

12am Midnight Mass– (Bilingual Celebration) 10am Mass (Celebrated in English)

12pm Mass (Celebrated in Spanish)

### THE 2011 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS

### PAGEANT

Thank you to Sally and Ramon Gomez for coordinating this year's Christmas Pageant. Join us for the pageant on Saturday, December 24th at the 6pm Mass.

### NEW YEARS EVE– DECEMBER 31, 2011-

6pm Mass (Celebrated in Spanish)

### NEW YEAR– JANUARY 1, 2012-

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule