San Fernando Cathedral

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Location– 115 W. Main Plaza
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San Francisco di Paola Catholic Church

Location - 205 Piazza Italia
Parish Office Mailing Address - P. O. Box 7783
San Antonio, TX 78207

Jesus said to the Pharisees,

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.”

Matthew 22:21

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
** MASS SCHEDULE **

- **Saturday/Sábado** - 8:00 a.m. (Sabatina Español) & 5:00 p.m. (English)
- **Sunday/Domingo** - 6:00 a.m. (Español), 8:00 a.m. (Español/Televised), 10:00 a.m. (English), 12:00 p.m. (Español), 2:00 p.m. (English), 5:00 p.m. (Bilingual)
- **Monday/Lunes - Thursday/Jueves** - 12:05 p.m. (Bilingual) & 5:30 p.m. (Bilingual)

** Confessions/Confesiones **
Everyday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

** Adoration **
Every Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

** Baptism/Bautismos/Marriage/Matrimonio **
Please contact the Parish Office /Favor de llamar a la Oficina.

** Office Hours **

- **Monday - Friday** 9:00am - 5:00pm

** Gift Shop Hours **

- **Monday - Friday** 9:00am - 5:00pm (Lunch 1pm - 2pm)
- **Saturday** 9:00am - 5:00pm (Lunch 1pm - 2pm)
- **Sunday** 8:30am - 3:30pm

** Parish Organizations Meeting Date **

- **Hijas de Maria**
  - 1st Sunday of the Month
  - 11:00am - La Sala

- **Columbian Squires**
  - 3rd Sunday of the Month
  - 3:30pm - San Jose Room

- **Prayer Group**
  - Every Tuesday
  - 7:00pm - Concepcion Room

- **Guadalupano Society**
  - 3rd Saturday of the Month
  - 9:30am - Cathedral Choir Room

- **Youth Group - Young Covenant Warriors**
  - Every Tuesday
  - 6:30pm - San Juan Room

**Please pray for those who are sick and in need of healing graces...**

- John A. Cavazos
- Eva M. Mc Knight
- Elsa Munoz
- Michael J. Espinoza Jr.
- Carmen Natal
- Raymond Comer
- Dianna Hernandez
- Roberto G. Zapata
- Gilbert Perez
- Laura Martinez
- Gilbert Rodriguez
- Kimberly Marie Gutierrez
- Michael Chapa Jr.
- Gloria Gonzalez
- Sofie Rodriguez
- Anthony Arevalo
- Nancy Gonzalez
- Luis Hernandez
- Anastacio Saucedo
- William Poineto Sr
- Alexander Arteaga
- Joel Rivera
- Kristin Ott
- Mary Lopez
- Feide Santos
- Roger Valverde
- Miguel Arevalo
- Raul Rene Ramos Jr.
- Josie Castillo
- Lorraine Cantu
- Ramona Bell
- Bea Cepero
- Lydia Natal
- Ophelia Rios
- Ray Hernandez
- John Cano
- Mrs. Eleanor Quintanilla
- Manuel Castillo Jr.
- Robert Hadley
- Connie Concepcion Winters
- Crystal Huerta
- Norma Silvas
- Charis Mendez
- Irene Slocum
- Melissa R. Gutierrez
- Blair Crowther
- Maria Reyna
- Dennis Wright
- Maria Gonzalez
- Martin Pena
- Blair Crowther
- Maria Bowen
- Rosemary Guyer
- Nancy Gonzalez
- Carolina Cadena
- Elizabeth Foster
- Roy Ramos

- Mallory Rayne Salazar
- Carlos E. Alvarado
- Judy Cooper
- Marivic A. Bonto-Kane
- Josefina Maciel
- Ghesa Garay
- Angelita Najara
- Philip Guerra
- Irene Gutierrez
- Amy Webber
- Armando Diaz
- Ynes Sandoval Trevino Jr.
- Christen Emery Huerta
- Laura Lopez
- Jacob Gonzales
- Carolyn Resendez
- Daniel Winters
- Andrew Kauffnan
- Manuel G. Maldonado
- Jacob Cortez
- Peter Sevrens
- Miguel Bowen
- Leticia Wong
- Ben De Leon
- Troy Sansom
- Tomasa & Jose Lira
- Amrulfo & Gloria Garcia

- Leo Castillo
- Yvette Alizadeh
- Maria Y. Torres
- John J. Kane
- Gloria Menchaca
- Robert Anthony Rios
- Manolo Lago
- Joe Lopez
- Armando Solis
- Ella Mae Treat
- Rodolfo M. Delgado
- Lewis Gutierrez Sr.
- Samantha Martinez
- Rodrigo Pepi
- Cruz R. Soto
- Denise Salcedo
- Letty Morelli
- Rose Mary Vargas
- Enrique Quiroga
- Rosie Heredia
- Glenn Sharpfett
- Sandy Cole
- Sr. Jo Michelle Sierra
- Madelyn R. Salazar
- Arnulfo Valencia
- Olga Medina
- Gloria A. Bonto
- Frank De Leon
- Dolores Moreno
- Louis Martin Gutierrez Jr.
- Emiliano Aparicio
- Fidel & Grace Herrera
- Ty Cline
- Mario Alberto Casarez
- Robert & Josefine Martinez
- Jeannette Garcia
- Marlen Long
- Amber Jane Soffeaa
- Daniel Olivarez
- Noah Buble
- Tina Marie Donias
- Michael Lasaoya
- Anelicia Maciel
- Regina Shifflett
- Norma Moreno
- Maria Velasquez
- Yolanda Mendez
- Denise Saucedo
- Donato Mejia
- Jesus Quevedo
- Irene Shifflett
- Richard Schmerber
- Paolo Acevedo Jr.
- Stella Martinez
- Richard Schmerber
- Denise Saucedo
- Margaruite Baldara
- Guadalupe Hernandez
- M. Alrameura
- Carlos Lopez

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** Gift Shop Fax:** (210) 223-7854
** Development Office:** (210) 576-1365
** Development Fax:** (210) 223-7854
** Parish Organizational Meetings **

- Hijas de Maria & Knights of Columbus
  - 1st Sunday of the Month
  - 2nd Sunday of the Month
  - 3:30pm - San Juan Room

- Columbian Squires & Finance Council
  - 3rd Sunday of the Month
  - Last Monday of the Month
  - 6:00pm - Concepcion Room

- Prayer Group & Pastoral Council
  - Every Tuesday
  - 2nd Monday of the Month
  - 6:30pm - San Juan Room

- Guadalupano Society & ACTS Core
  - 3rd Saturday of the Month
  - 1st Monday of the Month
  - 6:30pm - Concepcion Room

- Youth Group - Young Covenant Warriors
  - Every Tuesday
  - 6:30pm - San Juan Room

**If you would like a name to be put on the prayer list or to remain on the prayer list please call the parish office at 210-227-1297 ext. 131 or you may email valvarez@sfcathedral.org Thank you!**
October 22, 2017 • Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God creates all that is. Each of us is a marvelous creation of God. All that we have is created through the grace of God and the ways in which we humans use the gifts that have been given to use by God. Thinking about Jesus’ question from this perspective leads us to ask ourselves what belongs to God. As the Lord tells Cyrus in today’s first reading, each of us is called by name. We belong to God. If we are truly honest in our reflection, the conclusion we will reach is that everything is God’s. We are to be good stewards of it all. Jesus’ instruction to give “to God what belongs to God” calls us to take seriously the realization that all we are, have, and will be is a gift from God, given to us in trust, that we might use it to further God’s kingdom on earth.

THERE IS NO GOD BESIDES ME

Most of us can admit that we do not readily think of our lives and possessions as belonging to God. Doing so calls us to think much more deeply about how we use our time, material goods, talents, and gifts in our daily lives. When we take to heart that everything that we are and have belongs to God, we learn to put God first. No longer can materialism or worldly success be our god, nor the unbounded activity that fills much of our lives. Each of us has been “loved and chosen” by God to bring Christ’s presence to the world, through the power and inspiration of the Holy Spirit (see 1 Thessalonians 1:4). We do this by giving what belongs to God back to God through the proper use of our lives, gifts, and resources.

Matthew 22:21

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God.”

— Matthew 22:21

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GUIDE TO HOLY ROSARY

In the name of the Father +
Believe in God...
Our Father
Hail Mary (3x)
Glory Be.

JOYFUL MYSTERIES
(Monday & Saturday)
1. Annunciation
2. Visitation
3. Nativity of Our Lord
4. Presentation of the Child Jesus at the Temple
5. Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple

SORROWFUL MYSTERIES
(Tuesday & Friday)
1. Agony in the Garden
2. Scourging of Jesus at Pillar
3. Crowning with Thorns
4. Carrying the Cross
5. Crucifixion

GLORIOUS MYSTERIES
(Thursday and Sunday)
1. Resurrection of Jesus
2. Ascension of Jesus
3. Descent of Holy Spirit
4. Assumption of Our Lady
5. Coronation of Our Lady

LUMINOUS MYSTERIES
(First Saturday)
1. Baptism of Jesus
2. Miracles of Jesus
3. Proclamation of the Kingdom of God
4. Transfiguration
5. Institution of the Eucharist
6. Mystical Rose
7. Tower of David
8. Tower of Ivory
9. House of Gold
10. Ark of the Covenant
11. Gate of Heaven
12. Morning Star
13. Health of the sick
14. Refreshment of the afflicted
15. Help of Christians
16. Queen of Angels
17. Queen of Martyrs
18. Queen of Conception
19. Queen of Virgins
20. Queen of all Saints

LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Lord have mercy 2x
Christ have mercy 2x
Christ our Lord have mercy 2x

Message from our San Fernando Gift Shop

Beginning November 1st the Gift Shop will now be open from 9:00am - 5:00pm and will No longer be closed during the lunch hour.

Candles now on Pre-Sale - $3.00 each for the Altarcito for All Saints Day, Nov. 1st & All Souls Day, Nov. 2nd

Come get yours today!
Catholic Social Teaching & the Death Penalty: Life and Dignity of the Human Person

Our faith and Catholic teaching offer a moral framework for choices about the use of the death penalty. A principled Catholic response to crime and punishment is rooted in our convictions about good and evil, sin and redemption, justice and mercy. It is also shaped by our commitment to the life and dignity of every human person, and the common good. The opening chapters of the Book of Genesis teach that every life is a precious gift from God (see Genesis 2:7, 21-23). This gift must be respected and protected.

USCCB, *A Culture of Life and the Penalty of Death*

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, “I am the LORD, there is no other” (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

**Psalm** — Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).

**Second Reading** — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).

**Gospel** — Give to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s (Matthew 22:15-21).

**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — Sólo a Dios debemos adorar; al Dios que nos llama por nuestro nombre (Isaías 45:1, 4-6).

**Salmo** — Da al Señor gloria y honor (Salmo 96 [95]).

**Segunda lectura** — Hemos recibido el Evangelio no sólo de palabras sino por el poder del Espíritu Santo (1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-5b).

**Evangelio** — Devuelve al César lo que es del César y a Dios lo que es de Dios (Mateo 22:15-21).

**Message for World Mission Day 2017**

Once again this year, World Mission Day gathers us around the person of Jesus, “the very first and greatest evangelizer” (Paul IV, Evangelii Nuntiandi, 7) who continually sends us fourth to proclaim the Gospel of the love of God the Father in the power of the Holy Spirit. This Day invites us to reflect anew on the mission at the heart of the Christian faith. The Church is missionary by nature; otherwise, she would no longer be the Church of Christ, but one group among many others that soon end up serving their purpose and passing away. So it is important to ask ourselves certain questions about our Christian identity and our responsibility as believers in a world marked by confusion, disappointment and frustration, and torn by numerous fratricidal wars that unjustly target the innocent. What is the basis of our mission? What is the heart of our mission? What are the essential approaches we need to take in carrying out our mission?

Pope Francis

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:** Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:** Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

**Sunday:** Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

**Lunes:** Rom 4:20-25; Lc 1:69-75; Lc 12:13-21

**Martes:** Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Sal 40 (39):7-10, 17; Lc 12:35-38

**Miércoles:** Rom 6:12-18; Sal 124 (123):1b-8; Lc 12:39-48

**Jueves:** Rom 6:19-23; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 12:49-53

**Viernes:** Rom 7:18-25a; Sal 119 (118):66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lc 12:54-59

**Sábado:** Ef 2:19-22; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Lc 6:12-16

**Domingo:** Ex 22:20-26; Sal 18 (17):2-4, 47, 51; 1 Tes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40
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| 9:00am - 2pm Religious E D  
(San Jose, San Juan, 
Concepcion, Espada 
Rms & Hall)  
7:00pm Musical Bridges  
(Church) | 6:30pm-8:00pm Youth Mtgs  
(San Juan Room)  
7:00pm - 9:00pm Prayer Group  
(San Jose Room)  
ACTS Core Mtg  
(Conception Rm)  
RCIA  
(Café, Brides Rm & Choir Room) | 6pm-9pm Classic Choir  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour  
6:30pm - 8:30pm  
(Church)  
KDC Officers Mtg  
(San Juan Room) | 6:30pm-9pm Coro Popular  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
Mariachi Choir  
(San Jose Rm) | 8:00am - 1pm  
HEALTH FAIR  
Grounds of San Fernando Cathedral |
| 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  |
| 9:00am - 2pm Religious E D  
(San Jose, San Juan, 
Concepcion, Espada 
Rms & Hall)  
3:30pm - 6:00pm 
Knights of Columbus Council Mtg  
(San Juan Rm) | 6:30pm-8:00pm Youth Mtgs  
(San Juan Room)  
7:00pm - 9:00pm Prayer Group  
(San Jose Room)  
RCIA  
(Café, Brides Rm & Choir Room) | 6pm-9pm Classic Choir  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour  
(Church) | 6:00pm  
Red Mass  
(Church)  
6:30pm-9pm Coro Popular  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
Mariachi Choir  
(San Jose Rm) | 4:15pm - 5:15pm 
SFDP Altar Rosary  
Society Presentation  
Theme: Mary the Undoer of Knots followed by Mass at 5:30pm  
(San Francesco Di Paola Church) |
| 15  | 16  | 17  | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  |
| 9:00am - 2pm Religious E D  
(San Jose, San Juan, 
Concepcion, Espada 
Rms & Hall)  
7:00pm  
RCIA  
(Café, Brides Rm & Choir Room) | 6:30pm - 9:00pm Youth Mtgs  
(San Juan Room)  
7:00pm - 9:00pm Prayer Group  
(San Jose Room)  
RCIA  
(Café, Brides Rm & Choir Room) | 6pm-9pm Classic Choir  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
Tejanos for Christ  
(Hall)  
6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour  
(Church) | 6:00pm - 8:00pm  
Fiesta Committee Mtg  
(San Juan Room)  
6:30pm-9pm Coro Popular  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
Mariachi Choir  
(San Jose Rm)  
English Baptisms  
(Church) | 9:30am - 12noon  
Guanajuateno's Mtg  
(Cathedral Choir Rm)  
10:00am - 12noon  
English Baptisms  
(Church) |
| 22  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28  |
| 9:00am - 2pm Religious E D  
(San Jose, San Juan, 
Concepcion, Espada 
Rms & Hall)  
7:00pm  
RCIA  
(Café, Brides Rm & Choir Room) | 6:30pm - 9:00pm Youth Mtgs  
(San Juan Room)  
7:00pm - 9:00pm Prayer Group  
(San Jose Room)  
RCIA  
(Café, Brides Rm & Choir Room) | 6pm-9pm Classic Choir  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour  
(Church) | 6:30pm-9pm Coro Popular  
(Cath. Choir Rm)  
Mariachi Choir  
(San Jose Rm)  
Spanish Bapt. Class  
(Church) | 10:00am - 12:00pm  
Spanish Baptisms  
(Church) |
**Mass Intentions**

**SUNDAY - OCTOBER 22, 2017**

6:00 a.m.  For the Elderly
8:00 a.m.  Parish Community & Televised Viewers
10:00 a.m.  †George Escobedo - Wife, Nelda Escobedo
12:00 p.m.  †Choco Gonzalez Meza - Family, Daniel Meza Carlos & Margaret Ramirez - Family
2:00 p.m.  †Dr. R. H. ‘Corky’ Camahan, Jr. - Rosemary Kowalski
5:00 p.m.  For those sick in the Parish Community

**MONDAY – OCTOBER 23, 2017**

12:05 p.m.  †Mary Catherine Farias - Olga Enriquez
5:30 p.m.  For the Homeless

**TUESDAY - OCTOBER 24, 2017**

12:05 p.m.  †Roberto y Tomas Gonzalez y Familia - Alfonso Gonzalez †Maria Elena Zepeda de Ayala - Sonia Mireles
5:30 p.m.  For the Homebound

**WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 25, 2017**

12:05 p.m.  For the Parish Community
5:30 p.m.  For all Men & Women in the Military & their families

**THURSDAY - OCTOBER 26, 2017**

12:05 p.m.  †Julia, Alfonso, Ignacio & Jesus Cazares - Family
5:30 p.m.  For those sick in the parish community

**FRIDAY - OCTOBER 27, 2017**

12:05 p.m.  For all those who are sick and their families

**SATURDAY - OCTOBER 28, 2017**

8:00 a.m.  For the Parish Community
5:00 p.m.  †Arthur C. Reyna - Reyna Family San Judas Tadeo - Edelmira Mejia

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**San Fernando Cathedral Knights of Columbus Council #9463 recruiting New Members**

The San Fernando Cathedral Knight of Columbus #9463 is actively recruiting. If you are a Catholic man 18 years of age or older and are interested in joining the Knights, please call or email our Membership Director Justin Marmolejo at (830) 660-2829 or contact by email at koc9463@gmail.com or click the “WANT TO JOIN OR GET INFO?” button on our website at [www.kofc9463.org](http://www.kofc9463.org).

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**GOD’S WORD FOR CHILDREN!**

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Pharisees tried to trick Jesus when asking if the people should pay a tax to Caesar since God is the one true King. Jesus said, “Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.”

Is 45:1, 4-6  Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7, 10  1 Thes 1:1-5  Mt 22:15-21

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar"  Matthew 22:21

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Lay Ministry
Barbara Bertani

Liturgy Committee
Jo Ann Scrivano

Sick Ministry
Rose Marie Pagonis

Altar and Rosary Society
Deborah P. Walton

San Francescani Society
Ron Bucchi

Mass Schedule:
Saturday 5:30pm (English)
Sunday 11:00am (English)
Domingo 1:30pm (Español)

Baptisms/Bautismos - Baptism Classes and required documents are needed please contact Ruben Alvarado at 210-227-1297 ext. 128 for more information and dates.

Marriage/Matrimonios & Quinceañera’s - Must be scheduled at least 6 months prior to the wedding or quinceañera date upon availability of the Parish. Paperwork, documents, and requirements must be met before marriage or quinceañera’s are celebrated. Please contact Veronica Alvarez at 210-227-1297 ext. 131

Funerals - Contact the Parish Office

Mass Intentions/Names for Prayer of the Sick - can be made at parish during the weekend mass with the envelopes provided or you may contact the parish office. Mass Intentions should be made at least three weeks in advance if the intentions are to be put into the bulletin.

Please pray for those who are sick and in need of healing graces/ Por favor oren por los enfermos
Angelina & Ivan Hinojosa, Christopher Jackson Bordano, Luke Bordano, Josephine Garza, Alexis Kimberly Garcia, Mariah Chanel Torres, Ralph B. Torres, Leonard & Regina Lee, Loretta Gutierrez, Jorge Faria VanDune, Mariana Gaspar, John Tia, Dolores Pantusa, Tamara Lee Young, Joseph Roberto Moreno, M. del Carmen Sanchez, Mike Casanovar, Guido Bordano IV, Mario Reyes, Cynthia Martinez, Kathy Greco, Janie Miller, Frances Ponzo, Dolores Lopez, Annie Pantusa, Mr. Joe Garza, Rivera Noah Martinez, Merrie Monaco, Frank Granata & Patrick John Meyers

The Sanctuary Lamp for October will shine for:
†Yolanda Granata
by: Rosemarie Granata

Flowers for Oct. 21st & 22nd are in loving memory of: †Mr. Albert Vizza
By: Dottie & Family

To increase our participation of the Lay Ministry we encourage you to join these ministries as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of Hospitality, Sacristan (Altar set-up person) & Altar Servers. For more information please contact Barbara Bertani at (210) 493-6921.

San Francisco Di Paola       San Antonio, TX                              OCTOBER 22, 2017

Anyone wanting to donate $40 towards 2 flower arrangements in honor of a loved one to help decorate our beautiful church. Please make checks payable to: Flowers by Grace and contact Rose Marie Pagonis at 210-289-9887 and place check in collection basket marked to Rose Marie Pagonis for the flowers. Thank you!
**The Caritas Corner**

We want to provide an update on our previous assistance to a family of seven including five children ages 5 to 17 who were burned out of their modest home earlier in the year and had insufficient insurance to cover their belongings and reconstruction. In May, we contributed $2,000 to help ease the family’s burden, help replace their personal necessities and assist in the rebuilding effort. Efforts by us to secure them a larger mobile home failed and they were unable to purchase one either. Thus, the family is still living in a very small second-hand RV on the property. Our contribution helped them pour a new slab and the husband began framing the walls of a new home. Unfortunately, it is very difficult for them to earn enough money to pay the bills, rebuild their home and purchase clothing and school supplies for the kids.

In order to continue to ease their burden, the Caritas Fund has contributed an additional $2,000 to help the family with the cost of framing a roof on their small home and/or a gift card for much needed school clothes and supplies. On receipt of this additional donation the family was “extremely grateful and expressed their feelings of being so blessed with the caring and heartfelt generosity” of our parish. Fr. Victor personally presented the distribution and was very pleased with the efforts of our community.

This Caritas – or “Charity” -- Fund is administered by the San Francescani Society and funded through the second collection normally on the third Sunday of each month. Its purpose is to assist recipients – who through no fault of their own have fallen on hard times and have recognizable needs to help get back on their feet.

In addition to the once a month second collection, the Caritas Fund accepts individual as well as business donations. Donations can be mailed to: Henry Garcia, Treasurer, San Francescani Society, P.O. Box 782474, San Antonio, TX 78278-2474.

We are continually looking for additional brothers and sisters in need. Referrals can be made to Ron Bucchi, Society President, by leaving a message at the SFdP office at 210-227-0548.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

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**FREE BASIC ITALIAN CLASSES**

Sept 5th through Oct 24th;
Tues 7 pm to 8:30 pm for eight weeks
Instructor: Dr. Tanja Stampfl
Beginner Italian Language Classes are FREE;
Call CCIS at 210.223.8284 to reserve your spot and leave a message.

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**All Saints Day Mass**

On
Wednesday, November 1st at 7pm
At San Francesco di Paola

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**VETERANS DAY REMEMBRANCE**

Sunday, November 12, 2016
11:00 A.M. Mass

San Francesco di Paola Catholic Church
(205 Piazza Italia, San Antonio, Texas 78207)

Please take this wonderful opportunity to experience the reverence of a Flag and Wreath Ceremony; listen and sing to patriotic music and remember your own service or the service of a relative to our great country.

Also, please plan on signing the Parish Deceased Veterans Remembrance Register.

Share with your children and grandchildren stories of your own military service and the memory of your parents’ and/or grandparents’ service in the Armed Forces of our country.

This year we will pay special tribute to all those Vietnam Veterans in honor of their patriotism, bravery and sacrifices.