



# 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

## 29° DOMINGO EN EL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



### THE PARABLE OF THE PERSISTENT WIDOW

*"Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"*

Luke 18:7-8

### LA PARÁBOLA DE LA VIUDA PERSISTENTE

*"¿Acaso Dios no hará justicia a sus elegidos si claman a él día y noche, mientras él deja que esperen? Yo les aseguro que les hará justicia, y lo hará pronto. Pero cuando venga el Hijo del Hombre, ¿encontrará fe sobre la tierra?"*

Lucas 18:7-8

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Mon 10/17 8:15 A.M.** Luis Enrique Martinez = SI  
**Tues 10/18 8:15 A.M.** † Claudia Montoya  
**Wed 10/19 8:15 A.M.** Mario/Petra Matias (25A)  
**Thurs 10/20 8:15 A.M.** † Edna Marie Sommars  
**Fri 10/21 8:15 A.M.** Veronica Campos = SI  
**Sat 10/22 5:30 P.M.** † Barbara Ann Tyler  
**Sun 10/23 7:30 A.M.** † Jesus Jose Gonzalez  
† Mary Jane Garcia  
**9:00 A.M.** † Florencio Castilleja  
† Johnny Campos  
**11:00 A.M.** St. Monica Parishioners = SI  
**1:00 P.M.** † Carlos Montes  
† Marta Elena Villa  
**5:00 P.M.** Andrea Bottiglieri (B)  
**7:00 P.M.** † Lorenza Gutierrez  
Ludy Kent (B)

† = Deceased A = Anniv B = Birthday

SI = Special Intention L & D = Living and Deceased

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### SANCTUARY CANDLE

This week's Sanctuary Candle will burn  
for the special intentions of our  
parishioners.

### HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO DUNK A PRIEST!

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (IH35N at Evans Road in Selma) is having their Fall Festival this Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. There will be live music by Patsy Torres and Blue Haven, a Live and Silent Auction, Arts & Crafts vendors, great food from turkey legs to hamburgers and carnival rides and games for the kids. Buy your raffle ticket for a chance to win \$15,000.00. But the highlight of the event, come watch Fr. Eric Ritter and Fr. Thumma get dunked in the dunk tank!

### TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR HEALTHCARE!

Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> in the parish hall from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., we will be offering 8 ultrasound screenings for an affordable price. You may call (281) 616-9192 to schedule with Rightway Imaging.



Help a worthy church ministry like The Guadalupanas while satisfying your craving for sweets! They will have a variety of baked goods and treats for sale after every Mass this weekend. There is bound to be something scrumptious even for the most sophisticated of tastes!



### PUMPKIN PATCH



Bring the whole family for this parish fundraising event! The parish will have a pumpkin patch from October 15<sup>th</sup> thru October 31<sup>st</sup>. Last year we raised \$4,700 for the parish building fund! You may sign up to volunteer by going to parish website: [www.saintmonicaconverse.net](http://www.saintmonicaconverse.net). Thank you for contributing to the parish building fund!



refreshments. So come out for some shopping and fun with the family ☺ Held in the school cafeteria!

The Catholic Daughters of America are having their annual Arts and Crafts Fair Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be indoor and outdoor booths filled with everything imaginable especially for Christmas gifts! There will be fun activities for the kids, a Pumpkin Patch, food and



### LIVING OUTDOOR ROSARY

*"There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the holy Rosary", Sr. Lucy of Fatima.*

Come celebrate the month of Our Lady of the Rosary with a bilingual outdoor Rosary sponsored by our youth, Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> after the 5 p.m. Mass.

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>rd</sup>

Next Sunday, the second collection will be for the Propagation of the Faith which supports the work of the Mission Church with the poor especially in the Americas, Europe, Asia and Africa.





### FAITHFUL DEPARTED REMEMBERED

For All Souls Day, the Mass (bilingual) with the candles for the faithful departed will be Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m. If you would like to have the names of your loved ones memorialized at the altar, please complete the envelopes located under the bulletin board in back of church and place them in the collection basket.

### PARTY LIKE A SAINT!

Come Celebrate with the Saints on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 - 8:00 p.m.! The Family of Families, Faith Formation program is sponsoring an afternoon and evening of fun for all ages! Dress up like your favorite Saint; play games for prizes with St. Peter and St. Cecelia; get creative with St. Isadore and St. Monica, even try your hand at Bingo/Loteria with a whole crowd of Saints. Bring a donation for St. Vincent de Paul for a free ticket! All proceeds will go towards the parish renovation.

### Bible Study



#### THE BOOK OF SAMUEL 2

The Adult Bible Study Class will resume on Monday, November 14, 2016 at 7 p.m. Classes will be held each Monday from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Goertz room. During the coming

session we will be studying the Book of 2 Samuel. A 3-ring binder containing a copy of the Book of 2 Samuel in enlarged print will be provided. There is a \$10 pass-through charge for this binder. We will proceed with a careful reading of and commentary on the text at the rate of approximately one chapter each hour. This will be our ninth class since beginning in the spring of 2013. Classes are designed to allow students to determine their own level of participation. Among other things, this means that you will be asked no questions yet enjoy the freedom to ask as many questions as you wish. Please address any inquiries to the class teacher, Chuck Hall, at 210-410-7674.

### THIS SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION

This Sunday, the second collection will be for Hope for the Future. The money collected goes directly to supporting tuition assistance scholarships to families who cannot fully afford the cost of a Catholic school education. Thank you for your donation.



### SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>: \$ 10,512.50

### From Padre Alejandro's Desk

Jesus tells a story that is all too true. A defenseless widow is taken advantaged of and refused her rights. Through sheer persistence she wears down an unscrupulous judge until he gives her justice. Persistence pays off, and that's especially true for those who trust in God. Jesus illustrates how God as our Judge and Vindicator is much quicker to come to our defense and to bring us his justice, blessing, and help when we need it. But we can easily lose heart and forget to ask our heavenly Father for his grace and help.

Jesus told the parable of the persistent widow and the unjust judge to give his disciples fresh hope and confidence in God's unfailing care and favor towards us (grace). In this present life we can expect trials and adversity, but we are not without hope in God. The Day of the Last Judgment will reveal that God's justice triumphs over all the injustices perpetrated by a fallen world of sinful people and that God's love is stronger than death. Those who put their faith in God and entrust their lives to him can look forward with hope and confident assurance. They will receive their reward, if not fully in this present life then surely and completely in the age to come in God's kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy.

Jesus ends his parable with a probing question for us. Will you and I have faith, the kind of faith that doesn't give up or lose hope in God but perseveres to the end of our lives, and to the end of this present age when the Lord Jesus will return in glory as Ruler and Judge of All? Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to us. We could not believe, trust, and persevere with hope if God did not first draw us to himself and reveal to us his merciful love and care. If we want to grow and persevere in faith until the end of our days, then we must nourish our faith with the word of God and ask the Lord to increase it. When trials and setbacks disappoint you, where do you place your hope and confidence? Do you pray with expectant faith and confident hope in God's merciful care and provision for you?





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