

# 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

## September 7, 2008

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Sunday	Sept 07	8:30 AM	For the Parish	
		10:30 AM	For all Souls in Purgatory	
		12:30 PM	Fern Abts	†
Monday	Sept 08			
Tuesday	Sept 09	8:30 AM	Louise Curry	†
Wednesday	Sept 10	7:00 PM	For the Parish	
Thursday	Sept 11	8:30 AM	For the Parish	
Friday	Sept 12	8:30 AM	Maria & Juanie Villarreal	
Saturday	Sept 13	5:30 PM	Jerry Medina	†
			Rogelio Salinas	†
Sunday	Sept 14	8:30 AM	For the Parish	
		10:30 AM	Arturo Montemayor	†
		12:30 PM	Oralia Lozano	†

### PRAY FOR THE SICK ORACION PARA LOS ENFERMOS



Adame, Andrew	Furstenberg, Clare	Meyer, Anne
Arnold, Burtno	Garcia, Vicky & Cesar	Monteith, Ella (Winnie)
Benitez, Martha	Geiger, Adriana	Murria, Sonya
Blanco, Adrian	Gomez, Jr., Tomas	Nava, Joaquin
Bretos, Lee	Gomez, Mario	Nelly, Clifford
Burda, Kay	Gonzalez, Yadira	Padilla, Sara
Cantu, Johnny	Grim, Audrey & Michael	Percira, Crmen & Edilio
Cardenas, Alfonso	Guerra, Benita	Rena, Adele
Cerda, Lily	Gutierrez, Maria	Reyes, Jorge
Coronado, Vickie	Hall, Allie	Roberts, Thelma
DeLaCerde, Gloria	Hand, Mary	Rodriguez, Sofia
Elizondo, Carrie ann	Hernandez, Miguel	Sanchez, Andres & Terry
Estrada, Manuelita	Herrera, Carolina	Scherer, Emma
Fairly, Jim & Jeanne	Hinson, Esther	Schumann, Mr.
Falcon, Joanna	Kasmiersky, Dorothy	Smith, Robert & Family
Fernandez, Carmelina	Lara, Dora	Stinebower, Ann
Flores, Rodolfo	Longoria, Carlos	Tristan, Rogelio
Fojt, Wes	Lozano, Herminia	Villatoro, Family
Fraire, Mary	Maynard, Uta	William, Danny

Please call the office with the names of those you know who need our prayers, and let us know when we can remove your/their name off the list

<b>Last Sunday Offertory Collection.....</b>	<b>\$ 6,621.64</b>
Families Donated.....	\$ 5,768.25
Loose Donations.....	\$ 853.39
Youth Donation.....	\$ 23.91
School Donation.....	\$ 160.50

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### *"God Provides" - "Dios Provee"* **BAZAAR 2008 NEWS**

Countdown time...5 weeks to go before bazaar, Sunday, October 5th!!  
Donations are very much needed, soft drinks, garage sale items, toys for kids' booths, and groceries for our Country Store.

- Weekly grocery items for **COUNTRY STORE**  
**Week of September 6 & 7 bring:**  
Macaroni & Cheese, Rice, Baged Pinto Beans  
*La semana del 6 & 7 de Septiembre traer:*  
*Macarrón y Queso, Arroz, Bolsas de Frijoles Pintos*
- Don't forget to pick up your raffle tickets or stop by the parish office. Remember you can be someone's answer to their prayer especially if they win the \$5,000 gift card with the ticket number you sold them.

#### **St. Frances Cabrini's Fall Concert**

St Frances Music Ministry is having their fall concert featuring the The Gulf Coast Concert Band on Sunday, Sept. 14th from 3:00p.m. to 5:00p.m. at the Francesca Hall. Tickets are \$7 per person or \$10 per couple. Contact St. Frances Cabrini (713.946.5768) for tickets.

#### **Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month 2008**

In 1968, Congress authorized President Lyndon B Johnson to proclaim a week in September as National Hispanic Heritage week. The observance was expanded in 1988 to a month long celebration. During this month, America celebrates the culture and traditions of U.S. residents who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central America, South America and the Caribbean. Sept. 15 was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.



### **MEETINGS THIS WEEK** **JUNTAS ESTA SEMANA**

#### **Sunday, September 7, 2008**

9:30 AM L.F.F. Registration PARISH OFFICE

#### **Monday, September 8, 2008**

7:00 PM Youth Group PARISH HALL  
7:00 PM RCIA ROOM 205  
7:00 PM Baptism Class (Spanish) ROOM 303  
7:00 PM Rosario CHAPEL

#### **Tuesday, September 9, 2008**

7:00 PM Boy Scouts GYM  
7:00 PM Parents Eucharistic Orientation CHURCH  
(Spanish)

#### **Wednesday, September 10, 2008**

5:30 PM Confessions CHURCH  
7:00 PM Core Team PARISH CONF  
7:00 PM English Choir MONICA HALL

#### **Thursday, September 11, 2008**

7:00 PM Coro MONICA HALL

#### **Friday, September 12, 2008**

\*\*\*\*\*NO EVENTS\*\*\*\*\*

#### **Saturday, September 13, 2008**

9:00 AM Confessions CHURCH  
9:00 AM Catechist Modules V & VI ROOM 303  
(English)

#### **Tamales! Tamales! Tamales!**

Volunteers are needed to prepare tamales in the Parish Hall on Saturday, the 20th of September from 7:00 - 1:30 p.m. Contributions/Donations will go toward this year's bazaar. Anyone wanting to buy tamales, contact Hilda Alvarado at (713) 641-0054.

Se necesitan voluntarios para hacer tamales en nuestro Salon Parroquial el Sábado, 20 de Septiembre de las 7:00 - 1:30 p.m. Fondos recaudados serán para nuestra jamaica. Si gusta comprar tamales, llame a Hilda Alvarado al (713) 641-0054.

## READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

### First Reading **Ezekiel 33:7 - 9 (127A)**

God called the prophet as a watchman for the house of Israel. Unless those called by God try to turn the wicked away from evil, they will not be saved. When holy people speak up in God's behalf, they are saved.

### Second Reading: **Romans 13:8 - 10**

All commandments are summed up in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law."

### Gospel: **Matthew 18:15 - 20**

Jesus said, "If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Tuesday:	1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17



## STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE

Am I my brother's keeper? All three readings today suggest that for the Christian steward the answer is "Yes!"

### ADMINISTRACION CRISTIAN: MANERA DE VIVIR:

¿Soy yo el guardián de mi hermano? ¡Todas las tres lecturas de hoy sugieren que para el administrador Cristiano de los bienes de Dios la respuesta es "Si!"



### Urgent! Caring Host Families Needed Now!

Caring host families (with or without children) as well as single parents are urgently needed to provide food, a bed and a loving home for one or two semesters starting in late August. EMF students have medical insurance, spending money for their personal expenses and expect to share their host family's daily life including household responsibilities. They speak English, are well-screened and eager to experience life in America. Their stay here is sponsored and supervised by EMF (Educational Merit Foundation), a non-profit, educational exchange program. It is not too late to apply and interested host families are encouraged to call immediately. For more information on EMF students, please contact Marie-Claude Dijoud now at 1-800-467-8363 or visit our web site at [www.emfusa.org](http://www.emfusa.org)

**Adoration** - 12-Hour Eucharistic Adoration is the adoration of Jesus Christ present in the Holy Eucharist. Can we not give Jesus a few minutes of love and adoration? We are in need of adorers between the hours of 11:00 am. through 3:00 p.m. If interested please call the Parish office at (713) 946-8968



## ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Thank you to all who came to the school for Open House. During the meeting we mentioned that we are going to be putting a heavy focus on math this year. Our new math program "Every Day Counts" (K-8<sup>th</sup>) arrived this week and we are excited about implementation. The upper school math teacher Mrs. Lai has developed a new curriculum to assist our students with pre-algebra. The upper school students will also begin tutorials for the High School Entrance Exam. If we have any parishioners or parents who like math and would like to be more involved with the school, please consider being on the curriculum committee.

### REGISTRATION - LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION (LFF)

Final registrations for families who were not registered in L.F.F this past year in 2007/2008, will take place in the Parish office today, Sunday the 7th and, next Sunday the 14th after all morning masses. Classes begin September 28th.

### INSCRIPCIONES - FORMACION DE FE PARA TODA LA VIDA:

Inscripciones finales para familias que no estaban registradas en esta parroquia y sus niños no asistieron clases el año pasado, se llevar acabo en la oficina de la parroquia hoy, Domingo 7 de Septiembre y el próximo Domingos, el 14 de Septiembre después de cada misa. Las clases empiezan el 28 de Septiembre.

**Stress in Your Marriage?** - *There is less than a week left to signup for Retrouvaille.* Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the June program beginning with a weekend on Sept 12 - 14 in Victoria call 979-543-3493 or email: [lbconner@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lbconner@sbcglobal.net) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org)

### BBQ Plate Sale

Parishioners from our parish are selling tickets for their BBQ Plate Sale after every mass. BBQ Plates may be picked up Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 11:30 - 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Proceeds will go toward our parish capital campaign. Donations are very much welcomed!

### Venta de Platillos de BBQ

Feligreses de nuestra parroquia están vendiendo boletos para la Venta de Platillos de BBQ después de cada misa. Pueden recoger sus platillos de BBQ el Domingo, 21 de Septiembre de 11:30 - 3:00 p.m. en nuestra Salón Parroquial. Fondos recaudados serán para nuestra Campaña Capital de 2008. Donaciones son muy agradecidos!

### Word of Life

Some claim that scientists who kill embryos for their stem cells are not actually depriving anyone of life, because they are using "spare" or unwanted embryos who will die anyway. This argument is simply invalid. Ultimately each of us will die, but that gives no one a right to kill us. Our society does not permit lethal experiments on terminally ill patients or condemned prisoners on the pretext that they will soon die anyway.



### Palabra de Vida

Hay quienes sostienen que los científicos que matan embriones para obtener sus células madre no están privando a nadie de vida, porque usan embriones "sobrantes" o no deseados, que de todas maneras morirían. Este argumento es sencillamente invalido. En ultima instancia, cada uno de nosotros morirá, pero eso no le da a nadie el derecho de matarnos. Nuestra sociedad no permite los experimentos letales en pacientes terminales o prisioneros condenados con el pretexto de que de todas maneras morirán en poco tiempo.