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SATURDAY / SÁBADO, 4 DE FEBRERO

7:30 A.M. SABATINA

4:00 P.M. MASS (ENGL)

+Don Cheval (7th Anniv)- Wife

+Pablo Elizondo- Esposa e Hijos

+Rip Halverson- Renie

+Ernesto Torres- Fam. Flores

+Leo Luera- Fam. Flores

+Pedro Marroquin- Esposa & Fam.

+Ralph Obenauf- Francis & Mary Vanhecke

+Robert Joseph Meylor- Alice Zimmer

+Candida Rodriguez (15th Anniv)- Cathy Palacios

A/G 15th Birthday blessing of Cynthia Gonzalez

A/G to the Infant- Yolanda Sanchez

5:30 P.M. MASS (ENGL)

+Ramona Vela Segundo (3rd Anniv)- Fam. Vela

+Ralph Obenauf- Mary Obenauf

+Andrea Treviño (24th Anniv)- Elvira Caballero

+Edi Guadalupe Juarez- Agilera- Elma Treviño

+Jose Angel Cavazos (B-day)- Treviño & Cavazos Fam.

7:00 P.M. MASS (SPAN)

+Angelina Cortes (1st Anniv)- Sister Lupita

+Elva Yzaguirre Martinez- Fam.

+Guadalupe Almaraz Lopez- Fam. Fraire

+Aniceto Lara Villarreal- Fam. Palacios

+Jose C. Angel Lara- Fam. Palacios

+Jose Juan de Dios Lara Lopez- Fam. Palacios

+Jose Guadalupe Aniceto Lara Lopez- Fam. Palacios

+Ignacio Salazar (B-day)- Hijos

+Ignacio Montelongo (Anniv)- Fam. Montelongo

SUNDAY / DOMINGO, 5 DE FEBRERO

7:30 A.M. MASS (SPAN)

+Maria Rosa Moreno & Maria Rodriguez- Jose G. Moreno

+Leonardo Limas (11th Anniv)- Family

+Maria Vita Rios- Familia

+Leticia Fonseca- Gloria Arrezola

+Simon de la Cruz, Jr. (12th Anniv)- Fam

A/G 92nd Birthday of Felipa Lopez

9:00 A.M. MASS (ENGL)

+Betty Bellert- Husband, Richard Bellert

+Heracio & Petra R. Olivarez- Fam.

+Ronald Boerger- Wife, Shirley

+Arnulfo Canales- Esposa e Hijos

+Mark Davidson- Friends

+Maria B. Castillo (B-day)- Frank & Grace Castillo & Fam.

+Jose Longoria- Gloria & Tila Escobar

+Claire Nitelet- Fam.

+Helen Sitter- Bill & Jeanette Martiv

A/G 80th Birthday of Andrea Saenz- Fam.

Ignatius Onyeukwu & Fam.- Sr. Madonna

Health of John Ingram- Wife, Marcia Ingram

10:30 A.M. MASS (ENGL)

FOR THE PEOPLE/ POR EL PUEBLO

12:30 NOON MASS (TEX-MEX)

+Acisla Rodriguez- Esposo e Hijos

+Blanca Brown (B-day)- Fam. Delgado & Treviño

+Jose Longoria- Sayavedra Fam.

+Elsa C. Garcia- Femat Fam.

+Leopoldo Barrera (10th Anniv)- Barrera Fam.

+Ramon Rodriguez- Esposa & Familia

+Tomas Flores (B-day)- Flores Fam.

+Leonel Barrera, Sr. (19th Anniv)- Fam.

+Eva G. Barrera (27th Anniv)- Fam.

5:30 P.M. MASS (TEX-MEX)

+Guadalupe Benavides- Hijos

+Ricardo Obregon (17th Anniv)- Fam.

+Esperanza Tamez (B-day)- Family

+Ricardo Treviño- Fam. Treviño



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IN THE HOLY, HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT OF THE FAMILY OF MARY AND JOSEPH AND THE COMMUNITY OF THE FAITH: "THE CHILD GREW IN SIZE AND STRENGTH, FILLED WITH WISDOM, AND THE GRACE OF GOD WAS UPON HIM." LORD, GIVE US THE LIGHT AND STRENGTH TO FORM THAT HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE CAN BECOME AND ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER TO BECOME THE WORKS OF ART YOU CREATED US TO BE!

The Presentation of the Lord

Thithing played an important role in establishing today's feast. According to the law in the Old Testament, people gave one-tenth of their products or animals to God. The reasoning was that since everything we have comes from God, God deserves to receive the best portion back.

For this reason, a farmer gave the first of his crop to the Lord. He gave the first of his animals born to his flock to the Lord. And parents were to bring their first-born baby sons to the priests.

"Giving to the Lord" meant sacrificing it: burning crops on the altar, slaughtering the animals and burning their bodies. But the first-born son could not be slaughtered. In order to "buy back" the first-born son, an ox or sheep or, for the poor, pigeons had to be sacrificed.

Today on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, we recall the event in which Joseph and Mary brought their newborn Son to the Temple in Jerusalem. Here is the irony. The one whose life they were now "buying back" with the sacrifice of two pigeons, would himself sacrifice his life to buy us back for God.

Why do we need to be "bought back", redeemed? In many cases we have sold ourselves out. Sin trades our freedom for slavery to Satan. It sacrifices our dignity for the unworthiness of a traitor.

Jesus pays the price for our foolishness. He dies on the cross. As Saint Paul says, "It was he who sacrificed himself for us, to redeem us from all unrighteousness and to cleanse for himself a people of his own, eager to do what is right" (1 Ti 2:14).



La Presentación del Señor

El dar el diezmo fue un factor muy importante en el establecer la fiesta que celebramos hoy. De acuerdo a la ley en el Antiguo Testamento, la gente le daba a Dios una décima parte de todos sus productos agrícolas o de sus animales. Hacían esto porque pensaban que debido a que todo viene de Dios, Dios se merece lo mejor.

Por esta razón un agricultor ofrecía lo primero que cosechaba al Señor. Él le ofrecía al Señor los primeros animales que nacían en el rebaño. Y se suponía que los padres le llevaran el primer bebé varón a los sacerdotes.

"Darle al Señor" significaba sacrificar lo que se ofrecía: se quemaba la ofrenda de la cosecha en el altar, se mataban los animales y se quemaban. Pero el primer bebé no se podía matar. Para poder "comprar" el bebé, había que sacrificar un buey o una oveja, y los pobres tenían que sacrificar palomas.

Hoy celebramos la fiesta de la Presentación del Señor y recordamos cuando José y María trajeron a su Hijo al Templo en Jerusalén. Esto es la ironía. Aquel cuya vida "compraban" con el sacrificio de dos palomas, un día sacrificaría su vida para comprarnos para Dios.

¿Por qué necesitamos ser "comprados", redimidos? En muchos casos, nosotros mismos nos hemos vendido. El pecado cambia nuestra libertad por la esclavitud a Satanás. Sacrifica nuestra dignidad por la indignidad de un traidor.

Jesús paga el precio de nuestros errores. El muere en la cruz. Como dice San Pablo, "El se sacrificó por nosotros, para liberarnos de todos los lazos del pecado, y así purificar un pueblo que fuera suyo, dedicado a toda obra buena" (1 Ti 2:14).

WELCOME, FR. CHARLIE BANKS, OMI & BRO. DAWID KARCHUT, OMI!

This is the 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time, not so ordinary. It is the 3rd Sunday since the mysterious Kings have come and gone, the 1st Sunday after the great Citrus Fiesta Parade, and Super Sunday! We also celebrate the beautiful Feast of the Candelaria- Candlemas, the presentation of the Christ child in the Temple by Mary and Joseph, where Simeon and Anna recognize Him as the **LIGHT OF THE WORLD**. We bless our candles today and we conclude with the sweet prayer and custom of the day of St. Blase, blessing our throats as we pray for robust good health in our bodies, minds, souls, and hearts as we move into 2012. Feb. 2nd is Candlemas, and Feb. 3rd is St. Blase, but we bumped them into the weekend so we could savor the celebration together and pass it on to our kids and grandkids! We welcome Fr. Banks, OMI down for a visit to preach on vocations accompanied by one of our fine seminarians, Dawid Karchut, from Toronto, Canada. WELCOME DOWN HOME TO OLG! All pretty EXTRA-ORDINARY!

MOVIN' ON!

THE DECORATIONS
AND LIGHTS
FADE OUT...



...BUT ALL
THE MEMORIES
REMAIN!

VALE LA PENA!

By now, everybody has probably heard about, and seen, our beautiful 1ST PLACE FLOAT in the Citrus Fiesta Parade. What a beautiful work of art and celebration of the Spirit of our old parish by lots of beautiful people. Everybody worked generously and creatively and sure done us proud! Thanks so much to Mr. Ben Lopez, our director and to all his fine assistants, the McKenna clan, David Moreno, Ben & Oscar Cavazos, father & son, Rene Villarreal, Rick Alanis, Joe Hoffman, and lots of Winter Texans and teenagers from our fine youth groups. What a team! What a great day in the neighborhood! A real healthy experience and celebration of our hearty, happy Parish family!



IT'S ALSO "SUPER SUNDAY," KIND OF A FUN FAMILY FEAST. EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT TOO FIRES UP ABOUT THE FAME, IT'S STILL FUN TO GET TOGETHER AND EAT, DRINK, AND CELEBRATE LIFE! HAVE A GOOD ONE!



WHAT'S
THE BIG
DEAL?

...IT'S STILL
A LOT OF
FUN, AIN'T IT?



We conclude Catholic School's week this Super Sunday! Thanks to all who helped us celebrate in so many ways and CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS. SCHELSTRATE, the recipient of the Spirit Award for 2012.

Maybe you remember, but you could put it on the icebox or calendar if you're interested: Saturday, January 7, 2012, we started with a 5:30 P.M. mass. If it is well attended, as it always is, we'll keep it through March 31st, the eve of Palm Sunday.

You can pick up your Sunday envelopes at the back of the church. Please write your correct address and phone number on your envelopes so we can check and update our computer list. If you haven't used envelopes and would like to, that would tickle us plumb to death! You can get a box and register at the parish office, open seven days a week: Monday-Friday, 9:30 A.M.-6 P.M., Saturday, 9:00 A.M.-7 P.M. & Sun 8:30 A.M.-2 P.M. The coffee is always on!

O.L.G Boy Scout Troop 80 FIRST ANNUAL PANCAKE & DONUTS SALE, Sunday, February 5 7 A.M.- Noon! Y'all come!

We're on the pull tab drive again. Bring `em in anytime! Thanks!

Fr. Phil is looking for a good deal on a used washing machine.

How 'bout this? Our good neighbors at La Parilla Restaurant, right across Magna Street from our Conway parking lot on the South side, offer delicious, nutritious meals, and on Sunday will donate to us 20% of the income from people who dine there from O.L.G.. So, you could go have a fine dining experience at La Parilla and be making a donation to our sweet, old Parish at the same time! How 'bout that?

As we savor the celebration of the presentation of the Christ child in the temple, we appreciate all the ways we have been "introduced" to God and enlightened and admired by so many instruments of His life giving love for us. We're awed and inspired by the presence of God, actually not only on this Baby and the Holy Family, but also in all the characters of this scene, the young couple, Mary and Joseph and los viejitos, Simeon and Ana. The walls come down and we look with a fresh vision and see something special, tender and beautiful not only in them, but in all the characters who surround us. We are "sowing love" as we share, celebrate, nourish and invigorate our lives together. As we celebrate the "Sacred Mysteries" here, we plug into that energy at work all along the trail of our lives. We pray and focus our hearts, "We believe in love, we believe in babies, we believe in mom and dad, we believe in You!

This might go good up on the ice box!
"Something about the boundaries imposed by my parents and my religion saved me. Many of my more secular childhood friends are dead or emotionally destroyed. Most working-class neighborhoods have a high failure rate. With my genes, had I not been born a Catholic, my life would have been much tougher. My religion, not any specific priest or nun, looked out for me because I took what was good and positive about it and used it as a shield. And I still do to this day." (From Bill O'Reilly's book, "Who's Looking Out for You?")

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: \$14,190.30

We will tenderly and lovingly remember all our sick friends and parishioners at all our masses this weekend. Also please remember in your prayers, +Maria Dolores Moreno (Funeral Monday, 10 A.M.) who died last week, and their families in their great sorrow. Que brille para ellos la luz perpetua.

Paul Overstreet sings a sweet song about what was going on there with Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Simeon, and Anna, and what's going on in the story of OUR lives, families, children, and Parish. We're "sowin' love"! You might think of it as messy, but it is sure a magnificent, marvelous, mysterious movement of the SPIRIT of His love at work!

I used to love to walk behind my daddy
As he plowed our garden every spring
My little bare feet in the dirt would
make me happy
As we talked about what harvest time
would bring
He'd say son this whole world is like a
garden
And what you sow you're surely gonna
reap
Where bitter seeds are planted hearts
will harden
But a caring hand will make the harvest
sweet

And he was sowin' love for the family
He was sowin' love he took a little extra
time
Looking forward to a bountiful harvest
Like a good father does he was sowin'
love

How I used to love to sit and watch my
mama
Working with her needle and her thread
So patiently she'd listen to our problems
And we knew she heard every word we
said
She'd say children this old world is full
of scratches

And in your life you're bound to have a
few
I guess that's why the good Lord gave
us patches
So we could start each day out feeling
new

And she was sowin' love for the family
She was sowin' love she took a little
extra time
Looking forward to a bountiful harvest
Like a good mama does she was sowin'
love

Yeah they were sowin' love for their

family
They were sowin' love they took a little
extra time
Looking forward to a bountiful harvest
They could take good care of us they
were so in love
They did it all for us they were sowin'
love

