

FATHER TONY'S CORNER

Hello Friends! ... One of the important upcoming events in our community in the month of November is the celebration of First Reconciliation for our children and youth being prepared for their First Communion this coming spring of 2009.

The catechist plays a very important role in the preparation of the children to receive this sacrament because he or she is the teacher and guide in the classroom. The parents, however, also play an incredibly important role because, as their children's principal catechists, they are responsible for giving their children a sense of security and confidence as they begin the regular practice of this central sacrament of our faith. It is only through their example and reassurance that the children will approach the priest to confess their sins without fear.

The priests that will be hearing the confessions try to help the children to feel calm and secure so that the celebration of their First Reconciliation would be an experience of the love that our Father has for all of us.

We await you in the presence of the Lord in the celebration of First Reconciliation on the 17th, 18th and 19th of November at 7:00p.m.!

Fr. Tony Ortiz

RINCÓN DEL PADRE ANTONIO

¡Hola amigos Uno de los acontecimientos importantes de nuestra comunidad durante este mes de Noviembre es la celebración de la **Primera Reconciliación** de nuestros niños que se están preparando a recibir su Primera Comunión en la primavera del 2009.

El catequista tiene un papel muy importante en la preparación de este momento porque es el instructor y el guía principal del niño que se va a acercar al Sacramento de la Reconciliación. Pero también los padres de los niños son importantes porque ellos son quienes les van a dar la seguridad para vivir ese momento con mucha fe y que no tengan miedo de acercarse al sacerdote a confesar sus pecados.

Los sacerdotes que estaremos confesando procuraremos infundir confianza y tranquilidad en esos niños para que la celebración de este sacramento – la Primera Reconciliación - sea una experiencia del amor que nuestro Padre Dios tiene para todos.

¡Nos veremos en la presencia de Dios el 17, 18 y 19 a las 7.00 pm.!

P. Toño Ortiz.

FROM THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Construction Update: On Thursday night, Parish Council and Building Committee leaders informed the community in an announced meeting that the new church building is being redesigned. The Diocese has asked we reconsider our 25 percent construction plans to enable a less expensive and simpler church design. The new design will still seat 1500 persons and while evoking the noble simplicity called for by Vatican II and expressed in the spirituality of St. Francis. Once the Diocese, our pastor, and the Building Committee narrow down several designs for consideration, the parish will be surveyed to obtain a community consensus on design alternatives. Based upon the new construction guidelines we have been given, we estimate a significant cost savings to the project that are particularly important given the current difficult economic climate in our country. Once the new pastor is on board, the Building Committee will meet with him and the Diocese to chart a timeline for construction and develop the design alternatives. We ask for your continued patience as we work through these project challenges. If you have questions, please call the Development Office at 972-712-2645, Ext 351.

Capital Campaign: We are 24 months into the 3-year campaign and \$500,000 short of our \$15 million campaign goal. So far, the Building Fund has received over **\$7.4 million** in one-time cash gifts and pledge contributions. The Building Fund covers all expenses for constructing the new church, art and stained glass, the parking lot and associated site work, architect and professional fees, and debt on the current building. **We encourage all of our parish family to participate** in the campaign to build the church—**currently, 70 percent of those attending Saturday & Sunday Mass have given to the Capital Campaign.** Whether or not you are new to the community, **if you have not yet pledged to this vitally important effort, please prayerfully consider a pledge or gift to our Building Fund.** In the meantime, we thank everyone for their generous gifts and for keeping the pledged contributions coming as scheduled.

Contribution Info: Campaign gift envelopes are in the envelope package mailed each month to registered parishioners and are also available in the Narthex at the campaign table—gift envelopes can be placed in the collection baskets at Mass. Also, for those donating by credit card, please let us know if your account expired or when you get a new number. Please call the Development Office at 972-712-2645, ext 351, if you have questions about the campaign, the new church or the processes for stock, bank draft or credit card donations. The Campaign Committee thanks you for supporting our new church. Mark Smith, Director of Development.

Información Actualizada de la Construcción: En la noche del jueves pasado. El Consejo Parroquial y el Comité de Líderes para la Construcción informaron a la comunidad que el edificio de la nueva iglesia esta siendo rediseñado. La Diócesis nos ha pedido reconsiderar el plan de la Construcción y hacerlo de menor costo y simplificar el diseño. El nuevo diseño continuará teniendo 1500 asientos y evocará la simplicidad pedida por el Concilio Vaticano II y expresada en la espiritualidad de San Francisco.

Una vez que la Diócesis, nuestro Párroco, y el Comité de la Construcción tengan varios diseños en consideración, la parroquia será encuestada, para tener el consenso de la comunidad sobre las alternativas de los diseños. Basados sobre los nuevos lineamientos para la Construcción que nos han dado, es que se estima un ahorro significativo, de particular importancia en este momento dada la situación económica del país. Una vez que tengamos nuevo Párroco, el Comité de la Construcción se reunirá con el y la Diócesis para planear una nueva fecha de construcción y desarrollo alternativo del diseño. Les pedimos que mantengan la paciencia, mientras seguimos trabajando en este desafiante proyecto. Si tiene preguntas, por favor comuníquese con la oficina de Desarrollo al (972) 712-2645 ext. 351

Dinero recaudado: Estamos a poco menos de 24 meses de los 3 años de campaña y a poco menos de \$500,000 de nuestra meta de los \$15 millones. Hemos superado los **\$7.4 millones** en efectivo y promesas de contribuciones para el Fondo de la Construcción esta es una muestra del logro. Otra estadística para considerar es que el 70% de las familias que asisten a Misa cada semana han colaborado generosamente con el Fondo para la Construcción, pero **necesitamos a Toda nuestra Familia participando** para que la campaña sea finalizada exitosamente. Tanto los que son nuevos miembros como los que ya son, **si aún no han hecho una promesa para este vital e importante esfuerzo, por favor les rogamos que consideren en hacerla para el Fondo de Construcción de la nueva Iglesia.** Mientras tanto agradecemos a todos por mantener las fechas establecidas para realizar las próximas contribuciones.

Información sobre Contribuciones: Los sobres para hacer su donación están dentro del sobre que enviamos todos los meses por correo a su casa a todos los parroquianos inscriptos y también están disponibles en el Narthex en la Mesa para la Campaña para la construcción- los sobres pueden ser colocados en las canastas en la recolección de las Misas. Por donaciones con Tarjeta de Crédito, por favor háganos saber si su tarjeta de crédito esta por vencer y si tendrá una nueva. Por favor llame al Departamento de Desarrollo si tiene consultas al (972) 712- 2645 ext. 351 El comité de la Campaña de Construcción les agradece por todo el soporte que brindad para la nueva Iglesia. Mark Smith, Director de Desarrollo.

MASS AND ACTIVITIES

Saturday, November 8th**5:00 pm, Mass**7:00 pm, *Reunión Encuentro Matrimonial, Salón C***Sunday, November 9th****8:30 am, Mass**

8:30 am, RCIA Breaking Open the Word, Rooms C&D
 8:30 am, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8
 9:30 am, Donut Sunday, Rooms A&B
 9:30 am, Pre-K Faith Formation, Msgr. Duesman Room
 10:00 am, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8
 10:00 am, Bible Study, Office Reception Area

10:00 am, Mass**11:30 am, Mass**

11:30 am, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8
 11:30 am, *Práctica Coro Hispano, San Damiano*

1:00 pm, Misa en Español2:00 pm, *Bautismos – Great Hall*2:00 pm, *Grupo de Jovenes, Salones C & D*

3:15 pm, Baptisms, Great Hall

3:30 pm, Special Sacraments Workshop, Youth Room

5:00 pm, Youth Choir Practice, Great Hall

6:00 pm, Mass

7:00 pm, Middle School Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

7:00 pm, High School Faith Formation, Great Hall

Monday, Sunday, November 10th**8:30 am, Mass – Chris McCaul**

9:00 am, KDO, Classrooms

5:00 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

6:15 pm, Youth Bible Study, Youth Room

6:30 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

7:00 pm, Boy Scouts, Rooms A&B

7:00 pm, Bible Study, Office Reception Area

7:00 pm, Adult Faith Formation, Great Hall

7:00 pm, Ministry of Mothers Sharing, San Damiano Room

7:30 pm, Just Me & the Kids, Classrooms

Tuesday, Sunday, November 11th**8:30 am, Mass – Jim McCaul**

9:00 am, KDO, Classrooms

9:30 am, ESL Classes, Rooms C&D

9:30 am, Art and Environment Meeting, San Damiano Room

5:00 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

6:30 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

7:00 pm, RCIA, Great Hall

Wednesday, Sunday, November 12th**8:30 am, Mass – Special Intention**

9:00 am, KDO, Classrooms

9:15 am, Bible Study, Rooms C&D

11:00 am, KDO Teacher Lunch, Rooms A&B

3:30 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

5:00 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

6:20 pm, High School Faith Formation, Youth Room

6:20 pm, Middle School Faith Formation, Education Wing

6:30 pm, Adult Choir Practice, Great Hall

7:00 pm, Guadalupanos, Chapel

7:00 pm, Parish Council Meeting, San Damiano Room

7:00 pm, RCIA Team, Room B

7:00 pm, Safe Environment Training, Room C

8:15 pm, Schola Practice, Great Hall

Thursday, November 13th**8:30 am, Mass – † Harry Abraham**

9:00 am, KDO, Classrooms

9:30 am, ESL Classes, Rooms C&D

9:30 am, Ministry of Mothers Sharing, San Damiano Room

3:30 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

5:00 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

5:00 pm, *RICA, Salón D*

6:00 pm, Reconciliation, Chapel

6:00 pm, KDO Staff Training, Msgr. Duesman Room

6:30 pm, Contemporary Choir Practice, Great Hall

6:30 pm, Children's Faith Formation, Classrooms 1-8

7:30 pm, Knights of Columbus, Rooms A&B

8:15 pm, *Práctica Coro Hispano, San Damiano***Friday, November 14th****8:30 am, Mass – Mike Griesser**

9:00 am, KDO, Classrooms

7:00 pm, *La Danza Guadalupana, Práctica, Courtyard*7:00 pm, *Grupo de Oración, San Damiano***Saturday, November 15th****8:30 am, Mass**

9:00 am, Cantor / Schola Practice, Msgr. Duesman Room

9:00 am, *Formación de Fe Adultos, Salons AyB*9:30 am, *Formación de Fe, Duesman*12:30 pm, *Reunión Encuentro Matrimonial, Salón C*

3:30 pm, Reconciliation, Chapel

4:00 pm, Choir Practice, Great Hall

5:00 pm, Vigil Mass

5:30 pm, HS Movie Night, Youth Room

6:00 pm, Dementia Support, San Damiano Room

7:00 pm, *Mov. Familiar Crisitano, Salón Duesman*7:00 pm, *Reunión Encuentro Matrimonial, Salón C***Sunday, November 16th****8:30 am, Mass****10:00 am, Mass****11:30 am, Mass****1:00 pm, Misa en Español****6:00 pm, Mass****REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish: Jodi Novak, Karen Hecht, Hilario Negron, and Norberto Rubaldo.

Please pray for the recently deceased: Christopher Seibert, Enedina Fraire, Fidelia Robles Lopez, Jose Briceno, Toni Renard, Reynalda Martinez, and Daniel Osorio.

Please call the office to add or remove someone from this list. Names will be listed for four weeks and then will be transferred to our Book of Intentions.

Contributions for November 1/2 will be published in next week's bulletin.

Our Parish Staff

David Utsler, Director of Faith Formation, Ext. 247
 Tracy Brown, Business Manager, Ext. 226
 Mark Smith, Director of Development, Ext. 351
 Nathan Byers, Associate Development Dir., Ext. 352
 Anneliese Rivera, Liturgy Director, Ext. 237
 Kevin Shelley, Music Director, Ext. 313
 Nicole Ruiz, Director of Hispanic Ministry, Ext. 241
 Vicky Cardoney, Hispanic Ministry Asst., Ext. 227
 Diana Elwell, Children's Ministry, Ext. 229
 Tammy Weber, Youth Ministry Coordinator, Ext. 358
 Kathy Deschaw, YM Administrative Assistant Ext. 232
 Jeannette Manning, CM Administrator, Ext. 234
 Lauren Harbour, KDO Director, Ext. 235
 Noel Johnston, Facilities Director, Ext. 231
 Ginny Milich, Safe Environment Coordinator, Ext. 228
 Kyle Cupp, Executive Administrator, Ext. 225
 Buddy Rives, Hispanic Ministry/Reception, Ext. 360
 Alma Geller, Reception, Ext. 221

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION**Urgent Help Needed!**

Children's Ministry Faith Formation is in need of parents willing to be called upon as substitutes for the following sessions:

Monday 5:00 and 6:30

Tuesday 5:00 and 6:30

Thursday 5:00 and 6:30

If we do not have substitutes and catechists are sick, etc., we could potentially have to cancel class. Please contact the Children's Ministry office to volunteer as a sub.

The week of November 16 will kick off Children's Ministry's Christmas card sale. The images on these cards are from the artwork of the children of our parish from last year's Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. The Christmas card sale is an outreach project that will benefit the Notre Dame School of Dallas. This diocesan school serves students with developmental disabilities, ages 6 through 21, providing academic education, independent living and job skills, and religious education. Please visit the table in the Narthex the weekend of November 16 to purchase or order Christmas cards. There will also be ideas available at the table to help families experience a more meaningful Advent season.

A Reconciliation Workshop will be held on Nov. 9th from 3:30 – 5:30 PM in the Duesman Room #10 and the Youth Room #9 for Middle School and High School Youth registered for Special Sacraments. If you have any questions, please contact the Youth Ministry Office.

Home School Families: If you have registered your child to be home schooled for kindergarten through 5th grade and have not yet picked up your teaching materials, please contact the Children's Ministry office to make arrangements to pick up those materials.

Faith Formation Registration is open. Please visit the Children's Ministry web page to access the registration form.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

I wanted to take a moment to remind everyone about the importance of Adequate Supervision of our children **during all activities** at St. Francis. All children under the age of 18 must be supervised at all times at all events here at St. Francis. Children should never be unsupervised at St. Francis. Many family events (e.g. Cultural Day and High School Movie Night) are scheduled in the next month where Safe Environment Cleared Adults will not be provided. If Safe Environment cleared adults are not

provided for an event, it is the responsibility of each parent to supervise their children at all times. This supervision includes escorting children (10 years and under) to and from the bathroom during Mass. An incident at another parish within the Dallas Diocese underscores the importance of this policy. It reminds us to be vigilant. We must do everything we can to prevent similar situations at St. Francis by never leaving our children unattended. At Mass, it is impossible for an Usher to know if someone is "loitering" around the bathrooms with our current overcrowding situation, so this responsibility must fall on the parents (with help from the Ushers) to make sure our facility is safe. I have placed my business cards with our "Bathroom" policy printed on the back on the Usher table. Ushers have been instructed to return any child who appears under the age of 10 to the Worship Space with one of these cards.

Every person in our Community must do their part to keep our children safe. Adequate Supervision of children will make our events a safe and secure environment for all who attend.

New Volunteer Training Classes have been scheduled on the following dates: Wed 11/12 at 7 pm. The New Volunteer Safe Environment requirements can also be completed online by following the directions in the "**New Volunteers**" section of the Safe Environment page of our Website (www.stfoafrisco.org). The interview can be completed by contacting Ginny Milich at 972712-2645 ext.228 or gmilich@stfoafrisco.org after the rest of the New Volunteer requirements are completed.

LITURGY COMMISSION

Music Ministry: Anyone interested in joining one of our choirs, either with voices or instruments, contact Kevin Shelley for information 972-712-2645 Ext. 313 or email krshelley@stfoafrisco.org

MINISTERIOS DE LA COMISIÓN HISPANA

ESL: las clases finalizan el 13 de Noviembre. Ese día tendremos la entrega de diplomas y compartiremos un almuerzo a modo de despedida hasta el comienzo del nuevo ciclo que será en el mes de Enero de 2009, como siempre les avisaremos con tiempo acerca de las nuevas inscripciones para el próximo año.

APOYO PARA PERSONAS EN DUELO: la iglesia Católica de San Marcos el Evangelista ofrece un programa llamado EL DIA NUEVO que proporciona apoyo para aquellas personas que están en duelo después de la pérdida de un ser querido. El grupo se reunirá los Martes

desde el 28 de octubre hasta el 16 de diciembre de 2008 en la biblioteca del Centro Pastoral Salón #105 de San Marcos, 1100 W. 15th Street, Plano, TX 75075 de 7:00pm a 9:00pm. Para mayor información llamar a Sylvia García al (972)424-5794

ENCUENTRO MATRIMONIAL: "El Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial, invita a un Fin de Semana a todos los matrimonios que deseen mejorar su relación, tal vez la rutina a hecho que estén aburridos, cansados, agobiados por los problemas que se presentan, no dejen pasar esta oportunidad de revitalizar su matrimonio y devolverle la Paz, Alegría y Amor a su hogar" **PROXIMO FIN DE SEMANA 21, 22 y 23 de NOVIEMBRE de 2008** para mayor información contactar a Carlos y Alciony González (469) 682-9631

SACRAMENTOS PARA ADULTOS: RICA: LAS CLASES YA COMENZARON, PERO AÚN TE ESTAMOS ESPERANDO!!!! Se ofrecen pláticas para preparar a los adultos (18 años en adelante) de nuestra parroquia para recibir los sacramentos de BAUTISMO, COMUNIÓN, RECONCILIACIÓN O CONFIRMACION. También, cualquier adulto que quiere aprender más de su fe y su religión está invitado a las clases. Se realizarán los jueves a las 5:45pm. Para inscribirse, o para más información, favor de comunicarse con Nicole Ruiz en la oficina al (972) 712-2645 ext. 241

RICA: Como parte del programa de RICA, se invita a todos a asistir a las presentaciones con el **Sr. Luis Medina, Coordinador de Formación para Adultos, de la Diócesis de Dallas.** Los esperamos a todos, tanto a aquellos que están en nuestras clases de RICA como a todos los que desean aprender más acerca de Fe, **el jueves 13 de noviembre, salón C & D desde las 5:45pm hasta las 7:00pm** el tema será **LA HISTORIA DE LA IGLESIA.**

NEW FOR SPECIAL SACRAMENTS FOR MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL (11-02)

PARA LOS ESTUDIANTES QUE TOMAN CLASES LOS MIÉRCOLES O LOS DOMINGOS QUE ESTAN Y MIDDLE SCHOOL O HIGH SCHOOL Y TODAVÍA NO TIENEN SUS SACRAMENTOS DE LA PRIMERA COMUNION O LA PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN (CONFESION) (EN EL PROGRAMA PARA "SACRAMENTOS ESPECIALES"). CELEBRARÁN SU PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN EN UN SERVICIO BILINGÜE EL MIÉRCOLES 19 DE NOVIEMBRE A LAS 6:45PM LOS QUE NO PUEDEN HACERLO ESTE DÍA, TIENEN QUE AVISAR A LA OFICINA,

PARA APUNTARSE PARA EL 17 O EL 18 DE NOVIEMBRE.

FORMACION DE FE- PROGRAMA EN ESPAÑOL – Se les recuerda a las familias que todavía no han entregado su cuota, que por favor hagan lo posible para pagar al menos la mitad antes de finalizar el mes de noviembre. Además, los que no han entregado su fe de bautismo, favor de mandar a pedir las de sus países lo más pronto posible.

MARQUEN SUS CALENDARIOS PARA LA PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN EL 19 DE NOVIEMBRE A LAS 6:45 PM.

HABRÁ CONFESIONES ESTE DÍA EN ESPAÑOL Y EN INGLÉS.

FORMACION DE FE- PROGRAMA EN INGLÉS PARA JÓVENES DE GRADOS 6 AL 12: TODOS AQUELLOS JOVENES QUE NO ESTAN ASISTIENDO A UNA CLASE Y QUEDARON EN LISTA DE ESPERA, DEBERAN COMUNICARSE CON .la Sra. Nicole (Directora del Ministerio Hispano) o a la Sra. Vicky a la oficina para BRINDARLES LA INFORMACION ACERCA DE SU SITUACION. El teléfono al que pueden comunicarse es (972) 712-2645 ext. 241 para hablar con la Sra. Nicole y ext. 227 para hablar con la Sra. Vicky.

Guadalupanos: Ya se está acercando la fecha de su gran fiesta, y habrá mucha necesidad de ayuda. En particular, se necesita una camioneta alegórica de cada pueblo en nuestra parroquia, participantes en la obra, donantes de comida, y voluntarios para ayudar con la novena y la celebración. Si está interesado en formar parte en algún aspecto, favor de contactar a Rocendo Montes (469) 363-0157.

¿Amas a la Virgen María? ¿Te gusta actuar? Pues apúntate a ayudar en la Obra de la Virgen María el 12 de diciembre. Hay varios papeles de distintos niveles de dificultad, tales como Juan Diego, la Virgen, el Obispo, los ayudantes del obispo, el tío, y más. Para anotarse para uno de estos papeles, favor de comunicarse con Rocendo Montes al (469) 363-0157.

La Danza Guadalupana: Ya comenzamos a practicar La Danza, y esperamos que todos los que participaron el año pasado rindiéndole homenaje a la Virgen de Guadalupe lo hagan nuevamente y todos los que deseen hacerlo por primera vez están invitados todos los viernes a las 7:00pm. Los esperamos y para mayor información contactar a Rocendo Montes (469) 363-0157.

Grupo de Oración: Te invitamos al *Grupo de Oración* de nuestra parroquia de San Francisco de Asís todos los *Viernes a las 7:00pm* en el salones C y

D. Aquí tendrás la oportunidad de encontrarte con Jesús a través de la oración, alabanza y lectura de la Palabra. ¡Ven y trae a tus seres queridos que no se arrepentirán! Para más información, favor de llamar a: Francisco Gómez (972) 347-5147 o Jesús López de Nava (972) 347-3925. ¡Te esperamos!

Comida Mexicana Mensual: Se avisa a la comunidad que por lo pronto, estará pospuesta la Comida Mexicana Mensual que se realizaba cada tercer domingo después de todas las misas.

Mexican Breakfast: Until further notice, the Mexican Breakfast has been postponed after all masses every third Sunday.

OUTREACH COMMISSION

Dementia Support Group: Our next meeting scheduled on Sunday, November 16 from 7-9 PM in the San Damiano Room.

Thanksgiving Baskets will be in full swing starting Oct26, Nov2, and Nov9. Please pick up a donation application at the Thanksgiving table during these days and help donate a full meal for the less fortunate. The item list will be at the table as well. No need to provide turkeys but you can donate Turkey Bucks or gift cards. The collection for the meal box will be the week of Nov15/16, no later than 11:30 mass on Sunday. Feel free to volunteer your time too!

COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Monte Carlo Night 2008 Financial Results:

The MCN Planning Committee wants to thank everyone who helped make Monte Carlo Night a success. I heard from many people about what a great time they had. This year's event did not take in quite as much money as in the past, but the main goal is community building with a secondary goal of raising money for the building fund.

This year's event raised **\$26,500** for the building fund.

Look for information on next year's event at the beginning of the year.

PRIME TIMERS: The Memorial Mass will be held November 13 at Mary Immaculate Church, 2800 Valwood Parkway, Dallas. The Mass will begin at 10:00 AM celebrated by Msgr. Leon Duesman. All Seniors who have died during the past year will be remembered. Following the Mass we will have a short quarterly meeting and covered dish luncheon with entertainment. Bring your favorite dish and join us. All Seniors are members of the Dallas Diocesan Seniors Council and encouraged to attend. Please call

Marilee Nordhaus at 972-712-4673 or Mary Reinis at 972-335-8858 if you would like to carpool to this event with us.

PRIME TIMERS THANKSGIVING DINNER MEETING: On November 16, 2008 the Prime Timers will meet at 4 PM at SPRING CREEK BARBEQUE, 3623 Preston Road, Frisco for our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Party. Rather than have you wonderful cooks make the food again this year, we decided ya'll needed a "break from cooking another Texas Thanksgiving Dinner in 2008." We will eat together in a separate room set aside for the Prime Timers. Just tell them when you order, pay for your own food and drink, that you are "sittin' with the Prime Timers." If you make your reservations with Marilee Nordhaus (972-712-4673) or Mary Reinis (972-335-8858,) they will have you sittin' with the rest of us Frisco Texans'. So, if you are 55+, single, married, widowed or divorced, please join us for an evening of great food, fun, laughs and fellowship. Dress is casual and any western wear, including cowboy hats you have would be wonderful to wear at this inside barbeque ya'll. We look forward to see ya'll. PS: Did you notice my Texas accent' in several of the above sentences? (Now practice up on your Texas talk ya'll until Sunday 11/16!)

LADIES AUXILIARY

PRE-ORDER TAMALES for Christmas! If you LOVE the tamales served at the Annual Mexican Dinner, you can pre-order frozen tamales made by the Balderas Family Tamales Factory. Email eacm-ccarthy@gmail.com for order form. Payment due at time of order. Orders due by November 14. The pickup for the frozen tamales will be at the Church on Saturday, December 6th. Orders that are not picked up will be donated to the AIDS Support Club.

You can also purchase fresh, hot Tamales at the Ladies Auxiliary booth at Merry Main Street, Saturday December 6. Merry Main Street will be held at Frisco Square from 5 pm to 9pm.

The next regular meeting for the Ladies Auxiliary is Wednesday December 3 at 6:30 PM for social and 7:00 PM meeting. Bring a Christmas Ornament for the annual ornament exchange!

WOMEN OF ST. FRANCIS

Upcoming events:

- Altar Cleaning – **Friday, November 14th at 9:00am.** Contact Kim Guz at kandkguz@msn.com for details. All are welcome.
- General Meeting – **Thursday, November 20th at 7:00pm.** Babysitting available upon request. Contact Gerry Cervený at gcervený@tx.rr.com. This

month's event is a Pro-Life Baby Shower and speaker, Patricia Sherrod from [Project Gabriel](#). Please bring a baby item or a cash donation to benefit the White Rose Women's Center.

Hand-made Rosaries: The holidays are coming, get that special person in your life a gift they will treasure. We make custom Rosaries upon request. Contact Marla Johnston at 972-987-6180 or marlajane2@tx.rr.com for details. Order forms available in the church office or at our website - www.wosf.org.

Looking for a great way to get involved in the Church? There's something for everyone with the Women of Saint Francis! Learn more at www.wosf.org. For membership information, please contact Gerry Cerveny at 972-335-1607 or email at gcerveny@tx.rr.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



MARDI GRAS FRISCO: 2009 IS COMING!!! Mark your calendar for Friday, February 6, 2009 for another exciting night featuring Hunter Hayes. Watch the bulletin for further announcements and exciting changes to the Mardi Gras event this year.

ROSARY: Come pray the Rosary with the Knights of Columbus on the First Saturday of

each month immediately following the 8:30am Mass in the Chapel.

A VOCATION VIEW: We usually put a great amount of preparation into big events like weddings, anniversaries and parties of all kinds. We should prepare much more for the final banquet in the Kingdom of Heaven!

PASSBOOKS: Our Council is selling 2009 Entertainment Passbooks with lots of money saving coupons for only \$20!! Contact Roldan Diaz at 214-223-7274 or RoldanDiaz@hotmail.com

DUES: Members, you can pay your annual Council dues by cash, check (payable to "K. of C. #12480") or Paypal <<http://www.paypal.com/>> at <http://www.stfrancis-knights.org/committees/membership/dues/dues-payment.htm>. Payments can be mailed to P.O. Box 1920, Frisco, TX 75034 or 2327 Campfire Ln., Frisco, TX 75034. Questions about outstanding dues can be answered by George Vogt, III at 504-439-2221, 214-705-1016 or gvogt3@hotmail.com

MEETINGS: Members, the next General meeting is Thursday, November 13th; Officers meeting is Thursday, November 20th. All meetings begin at 7:30 pm in the Fr. McGivney room. If you are a Catholic man interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus, please contact John Pfister at jpfister@friscolawfirm.com

MISC. ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACTS Steward of the Week: Pedro García has been leading the Youth Group "Instrumento de tu Paz" the past years, here at St. Francis of Assisi. He also participates in the Choir; he organizes youth and adults retreats and always find the way to show us how living stewardship is possible. Pedro, thank you.

ACTS (Steward) de la semana: Pedro García, ha estado coordinando el Grupo de Jóvenes, Instrumento de tu Paz, aquí en nuestra parroquia durante los últimos años también participa del Coro, organiza Retiros para Jóvenes y Adultos y siempre esta dispuesto a mostrar que Amar a Cristo con Trabajo y Servicio es posible. Gracias Pedro.

(COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Commissioner – Elizabeth McCarthy (Lisseut@aol.com) 214-507-8413
 Boy Scouts – Bill Strait (469) 633-0420
 Catholic Singles Volunteering - Leader needed
 Cub Scouts – Veronica Hattar (972) 712-1183
 Empty Nesters I - Noel & Marla Johnston (214) 794-5621
 Empty Nesters II - Bob & Sue Hauk 214-803-6173
 Empty Nesters III - Tom & Sandra Clarke, (214) 705-0028
 Girl Scouts - Misty Drössler (972)-302-1362
 Grounds Crew – Kevin Guz (469) 633-0232
 Hospitality – Jackie & Tim Wood - utjackie@yahoo.com
 Knights of Columbus – Stan Zmorzynski - stan.zmorzynski@tx.rr.com
 Ladies Auxiliary – Elizabeth McCarthy 972-668-9110
 Marriage Ministry – Please contact parish office 972-712-2645
 Ministry of Mothers Sharing – Trisha Simpson ctaasimpson@att.net
 Monte Carlo Night – Marla Johnston (214) 794-5621
 Morning Rosary/Prayer Group - Sandy Shea - shea62SS@aol.com
 Group of Multicultural Dance - Patricia Cacaes (469) 358-7948
 Nursery During Mass – Ivy Scheere (214) 957-7637
 PrimeTimers – Marilee Nordhaus (972) 712-4673
 Softball Teams Men's & Co-Ed – Raul Perez (972) 542-9916
 Women of St. Francis – Pat Farinacci - jfarinacci@aol.com
 Young Adults – Travis and Melissa Hunt (972) 335-0502

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION

Commissioner – George Vogt, IV (214) 618-1017
 Bible Study – Ron Holleman (972) 978-7551
 Children's Faith Formation – Diana Elwell (972) 712-2645 (ext. 229)
 Pre School Faith Formation – Kim Mundorff (972) 377-7761
 MS/HS Youth Ministry – Tammy Weber (972) 712-2645
 Kids Day Out – Lauren Harbour (972) 712-1657

OUTREACH COMMISSION

Commissioner – GERALYN Kaminsky (972) 335-4186
 AIDS Supper Club – Jennifer Greenlee (972) 294-1814
 Angel Tree – Patricia Orta (972) 672-9543 or Sara Hood (214) 714-1489
 Blood Drives – Patricia Orta (972) 672-9543
 Brown Bag Sunday – Tim Filesi (214) 387-0667
 Catholic Addiction Ministry – Vincent Webb (972) 804-2812
 Clothe a Child – John and Betty Hamilton (972) 712-4747
 Dementia Support Group – Marianne Miles Leal (817) 915-5171
 Family Divorce Support – Anna Tillerson (972) 741-1635
 Funeral Meals – Daphne Caravella (972) 731-9212
 Grief Ministry – Leader needed
 Hospital Ministry – Jim Smiley (972) 978-9133
 Handyman Program – Brian Heath ibheath@pacbell.net
 Illness/New Baby Meals – Melanie Duhaime (214) 387- 8044
 Nursing Home/Homebound Ministry – Evelyn Grimes (214) 705-0009

Parents Raising Children Alone – Hilda Liando (972) 900-1055
 Prayer Chain – Anneliese Rivera (972) 712-2645 (ext. 237)
 Respect Life – Rachel Lam (214) 478-5710
 Thanksgiving Baskets – Tim Filesi (214) 387-0667

LITURGY COMMISSION

Commissioner – Melissa Silvestro (972) 335-6966 msilves@grandecom.net
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 Art & Environment – Shelley Dunton - shelley_dunton@tx.rr.com
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 Music Ministry – Kevin Shelley (972) 712-2645
 Sacristan – Shirley Forster – (972) 335-4297
 Ushers – Tony Silvestro (972) 335-6966 tsilves@grandecom.net

HISPANIC COMMISSION / COMISIÓN HISPANA

Comisionado, Adriana Merigliano (214) 395-2502
 Lectores, Eduardo Ortiz (972) 347-2968
 Ministros Extraord. Comunión, Jose Bautista (972) 604-5802
 Coro Hispano, Celene Reyes (469) 471-1089
 Sacristanes, Bertha Gallegos (972) 347-2578
 Ujieres, Salvador Casillas (972) 382-3425
 Quinceañeras, Gladys Garcia (972) 712-2926
 Visitar los Enfermos, Luis Garzón (214) 387-9238
 Guardería, Beatriz Roca (972) 712-9454
 Ambiente Seguro, Buddy Rives (972) 712-2645 x360
 Formación de Fe, Cecilia Méndez (214) 632-3419
 Grupo de Jóvenes, Pedro García (214) 536-4039
 Guadalupanos, Rocendo Montes (469) 363-0157
 Grupo de Oración, Francisco Gómez (972) 347-5147
 Encuentro Matrimonial, Sr. y Sra. González (972) 334-0814
 Movimiento Familiar Cristiano, Pedro y Nelva Gonzalez (972) 294-8203
 Justicia Social, Anita Campos (972) 347-5654
 Clases de Inglés, Maricela Contreras (469) 439-2386
 Comida Mexicana Anual, Bárbara Gallegos (972) 668-2102
 Salsa Social, Mayra Diaz (972) 335-9706

ALL CALLED TO SHARE (ACTS) COMMITTEE

Committee Chair – Kay Heller (972) 294-1872 - acts4sf@earthlink.net
 Welcoming Committee – Sandy Cimo (972) 712-7750

PARISH DEVELOPMENT

Building Committee – Steve Hulsey (972) 335-1616
 Finance Council – Jim Barton (972) 712 8320
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