

CLERGY NEWS

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ILLNESSES

Please keep all our frail, elderly and infirm priests in your prayers.

2011 DATES FOR PRIESTS TO RESERVE

The **Priests' Christmas Party for 2011** is scheduled for Thursday, December 15. Vespers begin at 5:15 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart followed by a reception and dinner at Cathedral Centre. At the dinner we will honor Bishop Rizzotto on the celebration of his eightieth birthday. Please place this date on your calendar and make every effort to attend. Please do not schedule any penance services for that night.

RETIRED PRIESTS

Please remember the retired priests who reside at the Pope John XXIII Priest Retirement Residence, Maloney Hall and the retirement houses of the religious order priests. These men would benefit greatly from the prayers and periodic visits of their brother priests.

REMINDER – ANNUAL GATHERING FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

This is a reminder that on Wednesday, November 2, 2011, there will be a gathering for retired priests of the Archdiocese at St. Dominic Center. The day begins at 9:30 a.m. with Mass in Warren Chapel with Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, followed by a meeting in the St. Dominic Center Auditorium and lunch. For additional information, please contact Deacon Ken Martin, Clergy Pastoral Outreach Coordinator, at 832-364-5474.

110TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - ST. MARY SEMINARY

St. Mary's Seminary celebrates its 110th Anniversary on Friday, November 4, 2011, at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church, 816 Park Drive, La Porte, Texas with the celebration of the Eucharist at 11:30 am followed by a reception. All alumni of the seminary are invited to attend this festive occasion. If attending, please notify Ms. Cathy Irontalab by Wednesday afternoon, November 2nd at 713-686-4345, ext 225.

MINISTRY TO PRIESTS

Please, mark your calendars with the dates of the 2012 priests' retreats:

January 9-13, 2012
Holy Name Retreat Center
Retreat Master: The Most Rev. David Ricken, Bishop of Green Bay, WI
Theme: "*Priesthood and Interior Life*"

January 23-27, 2012
Holy Name Retreat Center
Retreat Master: The Most Rev. Joe Vasquez, Bishop of Austin, TX
Theme: "*Priest as Servant*"

Registration forms have been mailed.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In case of emergency, Msgr. Sheltz can be reached at the following numbers:
713-524-2876 (home) or
713-501-2166 (cell)

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NECROLOGY

Please pray for the following priests whose anniversaries of death are during the month of December.

December 1, 1940	Rev. Paul F. Nemeč
December 1, 1973	Rev. William Duggan, CSB
December 1, 1987	Msgr. Thomas F. O'Sullivan
December 1, 1989	Msgr. Christopher J. Martin
December 1, 2002	Rev. G. Patrick Dougherty
December 1, 2007	Rev. Albert Walsh
December 2, 1997	Rev. Bernard Doyon, OMI
December 2, 2000	Rev. Doug Smith
December 2, 2005	Rev. John C. Wick, CSB
December 3, 1900	Rev. Peter Berthet
December 3, 1911	Rev. A. Badelon
December 3, 1947	Rev. Douglas A. Moore
December 3, 1962	Rev. George T. Koen
December 3, 1963	Rev. Charles V. Palazzo
December 3, 1987	Rev. John F. McMahon
December 3, 1995	Msgr. Andrew Deslatte
December 5, 1981	Rev. Gilbert Kroger, CP
December 5, 1998	Rev. Francis X. Chang-Lei, SJ
December 6, 1988	Rev. James A. Matzinger
December 6, 2001	Rev. Mark Horacek
December 7, 1880	Rev. Louis Chambodut
December 7, 1995	Rev. William Bosworth
December 8, 1986	Msgr. James F. Welsch
December 9, 1943	Rev. Michael Munar, TOR
December 10, 1915	Rev. John M. Haughran
December 10, 1969	Rev. John W. Meyer, CSB
December 11, 1909	Rev. Joseph Legardeur
December 11, 1914	Rev. Goerge Montreuil
December 11, 1940	Msgr. Joseph Pelnar
December 12, 1927	Rev. Peter Litwora
December 12, 1989	Rev. Benigno Gonzalez-Diez
December 12, 2010	Msgr. Francis G. Wearden
December 13, 2002	Rev. Philip R. Elmer, SCJ
December 19, 1909	Rev. R. Drohan, CSB
December 19, 2009	Rev. John F. Robbins, CSB
December 20, 1940	Rev. Theodore Drees
December 21, 1992	Msgr. Marcel Notzon
December 23, 1871	Rev. Peter Lacour
December 24, 2010	Msgr. Ralph C. Salazar
December 25, 1918	Rev. J.C. Magnan, OMI
December 26, 1998	Msgr. Thomas A. Wendland
December 27, 1942	Rev. Kaspar Kaler
December 28, 1953	Rev. John P. Campbell
December 28, 1991	Rev. Emil Furlong
December 29, 1994	Msgr. Bernard J. Roemer
December 30, 1924	Rev. M.J. O'Callahan
December 30, 1934	Rev. Thomas C. Healy
December 30, 1942	Rev. John Leahy
December 30, 1952	Rev. Paul Michalka
December 31, 1870	Rev. Andres Farges
December 31, 1926	Rev. Franci Pridal

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

The Retirement Fund for Religious Collection is scheduled for the weekend of December 10-11, 2011. Please promote this collection in your parish.

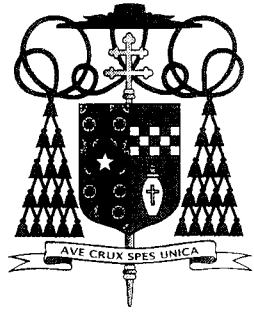
CHANCERY HOLIDAYS

The Chancery will be closed Thursday-Friday, November 24-25, for Thanksgiving holidays and Thursday, December 8, for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

REMINDER – ELECTION SEASON

In the document *Faithful Citizenship*, the US Bishops Conference has outlined the important principles to be considered in voting. They include Protecting Human Life, Promoting Family Life, Pursuing Social Justice and Practicing Global Solidarity. Teaching, from the pulpit or otherwise, which omits comprehensive reference to all these principles does a disservice to the Bishops' efforts to fully inform the consciences of the Faithful and may be viewed as selective and partisan. Homilists are encouraged to be mindful that the goal of the Church to encourage Catholics to vote, while not endorsing specific candidates or political parties, cannot be achieved by fragmenting the message of *Faithful Citizenship*.

Also, please remember that distribution of political literature (propaganda, endorsements of political party or candidate, etc.) on parish property is prohibited. These publications are not proper for distribution on parish property as they engage in partisan politics. Please do not allow political literature to be distributed by parishioners or anyone else in the Church or on parish property unless it is voter education material prepared by the USCCB or has the specific approval of the Archbishop's office.



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Office of the Cardinal

November 2, 2011

To: All Pastors

My brother priest:

In 2010, while visiting a senior-care facility, our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI noted, "Indeed, the provision of care for the elderly should be considered not so much an act of generosity as the repayment of a debt of gratitude." The annual Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken up on the weekend of December 10-11, 2011. This is an opportunity to honor and thank thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests for their faithful service.

Whether or not we realize it, we are all beneficiaries of the tremendous contributions these women and men have made to the Church in the United States. Through hard work, prayer and sacrifice they built Catholic schools and hospitals, initiated programs to promote social justice and ministered to the neediest among us. Today, many religious communities struggle to care for their elderly members. Sky-rocketing health-care costs and decreased income make it increasingly difficult to provide necessary medications, nursing care and basic services. Aging convents and other facilities pose additional challenges in terms of safety and handicap accessibility.

I encourage you to invite a religious or lay volunteer to speak about the appeal and to utilize the materials available online at www.retiredreligious.org. Most importantly, please be sure to announce the collection during Mass.

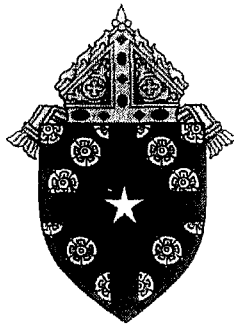
I recognize that this is but one of numerous worthy causes in need of support and that many in our own community face financial difficulties. I ask you to encourage your parishioners to simply give what they can. In thanksgiving for all that senior religious have done, please join me in supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious and in praying for God's continued blessing on our nation's elderly sisters, brothers and religious order priests.

Fraternally in Christ,

+Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston

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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Chancery Office

November 3, 2011

MEMO

FROM: Msgr. George A. Sheltz
Chancellor

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TO: All Chancery Employees

RE: 2012 Holidays

January 2, 2012	Monday	New Year's Day observed
January 16, 2012	Monday	Martin Luther King's Birthday observed
April 5, 2012	Thursday afternoon	Holy Thursday afternoon
April 6, 2012	Friday	Good Friday
April 9, 2012	Monday	Easter Monday
May 28, 2012	Monday	Memorial Day observed
July 4, 2012	Wednesday	Independence Day
August 15, 2012	Wednesday	Feast of the Assumption
September 3, 2012	Monday	Labor Day
November 1, 2012	Thursday	All Saints Day
November 22-23, 2012	Thursday and Friday	Thanksgiving holidays
December 24, 2012	Monday Afternoon	Christmas Eve afternoon observed
December 25-26, 2012	Tuesday-Wednesday	Christmas holidays

These are the ONLY holidays and holy days on the chancery calendar. Department heads are not to declare any other free days for departments or staff members.

Peter's Pence
As of October 24, 2011

#	Parish	2011	#	Parish	2011
7001	St John-Alvin	2,046.75	7370	St Albert	1,456.91
7007	St Stanislaus-Anderson	168.00	7377	St Alphonsus	918.00
7013	Holy Trinity -Angleton	2,087.89	7384	St Ambrose	2,542.25
7025	St Martin-Barrett Station	201.00	7391	St Andrew Kim	265.00
7031	O L Guadalupe-Baytown	736.00	7398	St Anne	5,333.00
7033	St John-Baytown	1,451.00	7405	St Anne de Beaupre	105.00
7037	St Joseph-Baytown	682.00	7412	St Augustine	1,194.24
7043	St Wenceslaus-Beasley	-	7419	St Benedict	1,182.50
7049	Sts Peter/Paul-Bellville	711.60	7426	St Bernadette	1,616.50
7055	St Joseph-Brazoria	289.18	7433	St Catherine	1,773.29
7067	St Andrew-Channelview	3,021.88	7440	St Cecilia	2,967.52
7073	St Jerome-Clute	567.00	7447	St Charles	3,251.30
7079	Sacred Heart-Conroe	7,009.39	7454	St Christopher	985.00
7085	Sacred Heart-Crosby	953.35	7461	St Clare	1,843.93
7091	Sts Cyril/Methodius-Damon	255.00	7468	St Cyril	2,664.00
7097	St Anthony-Danbury	863.00	7475	St Dominic	1,128.86
7103	St Hyacinth-Deer Park	1,758.00	7482	St Elizabeth	7,882.49
7109	Shrine/True Cross-Dickinson	3,143.73	7489	St Frances Cabrini	1,880.41
7125	St Mary Star/Sea-Freeport	-	7496	St Francis de Sales	4,065.83
7131	Mary, Queen-Friendswood	4,693.05	7503	St Francis Assisi	253.36
7137	St Mary-Frydek/Sealy	331.00	7510	St Francis Xavier	1,394.54
7143	O L Fatima-Galena Park	1,047.62	7517	St Gregory	409.00
7149	Holy Family	6,020.15	7524	St Jerome	4,311.50
7183	St. Katharine Drexel-Hempstead	952.00	7531	St John Neumann	98.00
7193	St Jude-Highlands	849.00	7537	St John Vianney	5,825.00
7199	O L Lourdes-Hitchcock	4,003.25	7543	St Joseph	838.00
7201	All Saints	532.00	7549	St Justin	2,764.20
7207	Annunciation	3,482.00	7555	St Leo	2,217.00
7213	Ascension Chinese	640.00	7561	St Luke	544.00
7219	Assumption	1,249.48	7567	St Mark	2,266.79
7225	Blessed Sacrament	787.00	7573	St Mary	551.00
7230	Christ/Incarnate Word	-	7579	St Matthew	1,451.07
7231	Christ the King	2,479.00	7585	St Maximilian	1,099.00
7237	Christ the Redeemer	5,171.06	7591	St Michael	12,159.16
7243	Corpus Christi	2,958.28	7597	St Monica	588.85
7249	Holy Ghost	2,974.76	7603	St Nicholas	100.00
7255	Holy Name	-	7609	St Patrick	-
7261	Holy Rosary	7,817.21	7615	St Paul	2,021.82
7267	Imm. Conception	974.00	7621	St Peter Claver	144.87
7273	Imm. Heart of Mary	1,200.00	7627	St Peter Apostle	489.00
7285	Notre Dame	1,828.40	7634	St Philip Neri	-
7291	O L Czestochowa	253.00	7641	St Philip Jesus	2,002.00
7297	O L Guadalupe	-	7648	St Raphael	684.99
7303	O L Lavang	1,164.00	7655	St Rose of Lima	1,387.00
7306	O L Lourdes	1,062.00	7662	St Stephen	335.00
7309	O L Mt Carmel	2,039.00	7669	St Theresa	2,976.58
7315	O L Sorrows	381.75	7676	St Thomas More	5,353.00
7321	O L St John	1,583.28	7683	St Vincent de Paul	5,974.09
7327	O L Walsingham	1,320.00	7690	Vietnamese Martyrs	3,217.50
7333	O L Star of the Sea	144.00	7696	St Philip-Huffman	1,264.50
7339	O M of Mercy	1,162.00	7701	St Mary-Humble	4,151.50
7345	Prince of Peace	4,152.25	7707	St Thomas-Huntsville	1,075.70
7351	Queen of Peace	1,862.25	7713	Imm. Conception-Industry	308.00
7357	Resurrection	742.00	7723	Epiphany of the Lord-Katy	8,475.92
7363	Sacred Heart Co-Cath	3,841.96	7727	St Bartholomew-Katy	5,394.16

#	Parish	2011
7729	St Edith Stein-Katy	1,586.00
7733	St Martha-Kingwood	5,964.00
7739	Queen of Peace-La Marque	801.37
7745	St Mary-La Porte	1,764.00
7751	St Michael-Lake Jackson	1,258.00
7757	St Mary-League City	5,142.01
7769	St Matthias-Magnolia	1,561.64
7775	Sacred Heart/Jesus-Manvel	1,958.80
7781	Holy Family-Mc Nair	415.00
7787	Holy Family-Missouri City	1,889.94
7789	St. Angela Merici	2,715.80
7793	Christ Our Light-Navasota	217.11
7805	St Michael-Needville	1,147.39
7811	St John-New Caney	427.00
7817	St Joseph-New Waverly	1,034.50
7823	St. Juan Diego-Pasadena	1,175.00
7829	St Pius V-Pasadena	-
7831	Sacred Heart-Pattison	496.90
7835	St Helen-Pearland	5,676.50
7841	St Mary-Plantersville	2,343.50
7847	St Stephen-Point Blank	419.50
7865	Sacred Heart-Richmond	6,132.00
7869	St John-Richmond	755.12
7873	Holy Rosary-Rosenberg	3,089.69
7879	O L Guadalupe-Rosenberg	1,849.84
7885	Imm Conception-Sealy	1,294.45
7891	O L Grace-South Houston	-
7901	Chr/Good Shepherd-Spring	3,632.00
7906	St Edward-Spring	4,317.50
7911	St Ignatius-Spring	5,972.00
7916	St James-Spring	1,027.00
7925	St Joseph-Stoneham	339.00
7931	St Laurence-Sugarland	10,665.14
7937	St Theresa-Sugarland	5,069.81
7946	St Thomas-Sugarland	2,864.92
7951	O L Perpetual Help-Sweeny	402.25
7957	St Mary-Texas City	1,595.00
7963	St Anne-Tomball	2,574.50
7969	Guardian Angel-Wallis	938.26
7975	St John the Apostle-W Columbia	236.84
7979	St Anthony-The Woodlands	5,422.66
7981	Sts Simon/Jude-The Woodlands	4,943.00
0000	Other	
	TOTAL	321,938.59

St. Vincent de Paul
As of October 24, 2011

#	Parish	2011	#	Parish	2011
7001	St John-Alvin	2,180.00	7370	St Albert	1,391.99
7007	St Stanislaus-Anderson	138.61	7377	St Alphonsus	823.08
7013	Holy Trinity -Angleton	2,058.35	7384	St Ambrose	1,513.00
7025	St Martin-Barrett Station	614.56	7391	St Andrew Kim	314.00
7031	O L Guadalupe-Baytown	765.00	7398	St Anne	12,443.00
7033	St John-Baytown	1,821.00	7405	St Anne de Beaupre	272.00
7037	St Joseph-Baytown	809.00	7412	St Augustine	1,277.94
7043	St Wenceslaus-Beasley	-	7419	St Benedict	1,060.00
7049	Sts Peter/Paul-Bellville	670.35	7426	St Bernadette	1,500.00
7055	St Joseph-Brazoria	282.00	7433	St Catherine	2,769.00
7067	St Andrew-Channelview	2,992.65	7440	St Cecilia	13,861.08
7073	St Jerome-Clute	540.00	7447	St Charles	3,374.90
7079	Sacred Heart-Conroe	8,487.14	7454	St Christopher	1,640.50
7085	Sacred Heart-Crosby	1,780.24	7461	St Clare	1,974.25
7091	Sts Cyril/Methodius-Damon	374.55	7468	St Cyril	3,349.00
7097	St Anthony-Danbury	925.00	7475	St Dominic	1,019.79
7103	St Hyacinth-Deer Park	1,533.00	7482	St Elizabeth	6,789.52
7109	Shrine/True Cross-Dickinson	2,897.49	7489	St Frances Cabrini	2,407.21
7125	St Mary Star/Sea-Freeport	1,606.70	7496	St Francis de Sales	5,147.68
7131	Mary, Queen-Friendswood	3,000.00	7503	St Francis Assisi	639.49
7137	St Mary-Frydek/Sealy	391.00	7510	St Francis Xavier	1,922.43
7143	O L Fatima-Galena Park	1,598.44	7517	St Gregory	439.00
7149	Holy Family	5,936.39	7524	St Jerome	-
7183	St. Katharine Drexel-Hempstead	1,494.00	7531	St John Neumann	23.00
7193	St Jude-Highlands	943.00	7537	St John Vianney	7,555.00
7199	O L Lourdes-Hitchcock	3,840.00	7543	St Joseph	664.00
7201	All Saints	1,049.29	7549	St Justin	3,572.53
7207	Annunciation	2,652.11	7555	St Leo	-
7213	Ascension Chinese	675.00	7561	St Luke	2,252.00
7219	Assumption	2,564.87	7567	St Mark	2,113.70
7225	Blessed Sacrament	1,162.22	7573	St Mary	485.00
7230	Christ/Incarnate Word	-	7579	St Matthew	892.79
7231	Christ the King	1,409.50	7585	St Maximilian	1,802.00
7237	Christ the Redeemer	11,121.04	7591	St Michael	11,049.03
7243	Corpus Christi	4,017.44	7597	St Monica	882.99
7249	Holy Ghost	3,280.65	7603	St Nicholas	239.00
7255	Holy Name	-	7609	St Patrick	928.50
7261	Holy Rosary	8,225.55	7615	St Paul	5,465.77
7267	Imm. Conception	1,531.00	7621	St Peter Claver	161.65
7273	Imm. Heart of Mary	1,200.00	7627	St Peter Apostle	666.00
7285	Notre Dame	1,812.26	7634	St Philip Neri	438.05
7291	O L Czestochowa	215.00	7641	St Philip Jesus	1,964.00
7297	O L Guadalupe	-	7648	St Raphael	1,728.45
7303	O L Lavang	923.00	7655	St Rose of Lima	3,644.34
7306	O L Lourdes	1,100.00	7662	St Stephen	348.20
7309	O L Mt Carmel	2,050.00	7669	St Theresa	coll.was stolen
7315	O L Sorrows	383.00	7676	St Thomas More	6,702.00
7321	O L St John	997.20	7683	St Vincent de Paul	9,194.59
7327	O L Walsingham	1,487.00	7690	Vietnamese Martyrs	-
7333	O L Star of the Sea	292.05	7696	St Philip-Huffman	1,866.50
7339	O M of Mercy	1,431.00	7701	St Mary-Humble	3,499.00
7345	Prince of Peace	4,915.33	7707	St Thomas-Huntsville	1,153.56
7351	Queen of Peace	1,946.00	7713	Imm. Conception-Industry	283.00
7357	Resurrection	712.00	7723	Epiphany of the Lord-Katy	6,037.23
7363	Sacred Heart Co-Cath	5,014.78	7727	St Bartholomew-Katy	7,782.68

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7729	St Edith Stein-Katy	565.00
7733	St Martha-Kingwood	20,712.00
7739	Queen of Peace-La Marque	1,396.02
7745	St Mary-La Porte	1,792.00
7751	St Michael-Lake Jackson	2,170.50
7757	St Mary-League City	6,296.32
7769	St Matthias-Magnolia	1,649.60
7775	Sacred Heart/Jesus-Manvel	4,605.30
7781	Holy Family-Mc Nair	479.00
7787	Holy Family-Missouri City	834.00
7789	St. Angela Merici	3,064.40
7793	Christ Our Light-Navasota	399.05
7805	St Michael-Needville	1,759.35
7811	St John-New Caney	568.00
7817	St Joseph-New Waverly	1,078.50
7823	St. Juan Diego-Pasadena	1,036.00
7829	St Pius V-Pasadena	-
7831	Sacred Heart-Pattison	396.00
7835	St Helen-Pearland	6,859.00
7841	St Mary-Plantersville	5,181.71
7847	St Stephen-Point Blank	315.00
7865	Sacred Heart-Richmond	6,874.00
7869	St John-Richmond	983.07
7873	Holy Rosary-Rosenberg	3,375.11
7879	O L Guadalupe-Rosenberg	1,251.25
7885	Imm Conception-Sealy	992.54
7891	O L Grace-South Houston	-
7901	Chr/Good Shepherd-Spring	3,516.75
7906	St Edward-Spring	7,270.91
7911	St Ignatius-Spring	7,679.67
7916	St James-Spring	1,193.92
7925	St Joseph-Stoneham	475.00
7931	St Laurence-Sugarland	16,892.60
7937	St Theresa-Sugarland	7,667.89
7946	St Thomas-Sugarland	3,033.00
7951	O L Perpetual Help-Sweeny	332.00
7957	St Mary-Texas City	1,590.00
7963	St Anne-Tomball	1,907.75
7969	Guardian Angel-Wallis	1,432.31
7975	St John the Apostle-W Columbia	326.05
7979	St Anthony-The Woodlands	10,351.09
7981	Sts Simon/Jude-The Woodlands	6,387.32
0000	Other	
	TOTAL	403,858.16