

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is open to those who are interested in receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation or Holy Eucharist. It is also open to those wishing to convert to the Catholic Faith. **Sessions will begin on Monday, Sept. 9** and will be held: 6:30 pm-8:00 pm at the Promesa Building at 1314 Guadalupe Street. To learn more, or to register for RCIA, please contact Deacon Ray Jimenez @ DcnRjim@gmail.com or call 210-533-8955
- Faith Formation: St. Cecilia's parish has begun Faith Formation registration. Registration is in the church office Tuesday -Friday, 8:30AM to 2:00 PM. Parents should bring each child's baptismal certificate. The cost is \$35.00 for one child and \$50.00 for a family. For more information call 210-533-7109.
- Is your marriage struggling? There is hope. There is Help. Retrouvaille is a highly successful program to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. Since 1977, tens of thousands of couples in hopelessly cold, unloving relationships, or on the verge of divorce, have restored their love for one another by attending the program. The next course in San Antonio begins on **September 27th, 2019**. For more information, or to register, go to www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call (210)848-3278.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Jesse & Zoyla Sanchez, Mary Lou Salinas, Carmelo Jimenez, the Mothers at Seton Home, Armando Jude Morales, Mary Barrera, Bertha Jimenez, Louis A. Rodriguez, Manuel Garcia III, Justina Vasquez, Richard Landin, Gini Garcia, John Rodriguez, Romulo Rabago, Deacon Gilbert Hernandez, Hector Valadez, Susie Solis, Amy Mancillas, Teresa Hernandez, Sarah Hatter, Ray Quintana, Trinity Urbina, Catherine Mankins, and Rosie Gandara.

CONTACT US

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- ✿ For weddings/Quinceañeras call 210-533-8955. Email mass intentions by Monday each week to Candie.
- ✿ To donate altar or floral arrangements call **Belinda Barrera** 210-589-7216.

STEWARDSHIP

August 15, 2019

Mass Attendance: 138 Collection: 199.31

August 18, 2019

Mass Attendance: 386

Collection: \$1,985.03. Tourist Box: \$262.00

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Online donations may be given at any time from our secure website. Thank you for helping to support our church. Visit <https://www.missionconcepcion.org/donate>

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SOLAR ILLUMINATION

MISSION CONCEPCIÓN

NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA PURÍSIMA CONCEPCIÓN DE ACUÑA



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Sunday Schedule:

10:00 AM Bilingual Mass

12 Noon Mariachi Mass

807 Mission Rd. San Antonio, TX

Mailing Address:

125 W Whittier, San Antonio TX 78210

DEACON'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
As Catholics, we are part of a community with a rich heritage that helps us consider the challenges in public life and contribute to greater justice and peace for all people. Part of that heritage of faithful active citizenship is this teaching from the 2nd Vatican Council: Declaration on Religious Liberty (Dignitatis Humanae). It says that "society itself may enjoy the benefits of justice and peace, which result from [people's] faithfulness to God and his holy will" (no. 6). The work for justice requires that the mind and the heart of Catholics be educated and formed to know and practice the whole faith. The Catholic bishops of the United States offer to the faithful: Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship; a teaching document on the political responsibility of Catholics. This statement presents guidance for Catholics in the exercise of their rights and duties as participants in our democracy. Pastors, lay and religious faithful, and all people of good will are encouraged to use this statement to help form their consciences; to teach those entrusted to their care; to contribute to civil and respectful public dialogue; and to shape political choices in the coming election in light of Catholic teaching. This text lifts up our dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and American citizens with rights and duties as participants in the civil order. To order, go to uscbb.org.

Blessings, Deacon Ray

AUGUST 25, 2019 MASS INTENTIONS

10:00 AM MASS

Repose of the Soul: Ronan Ramirez, Donna Hanna, Mike A. Rodriguez, Margarita Trevino, Olga Gonzales

Birthdays: Susie Soils, Becky Minica, Frances Moncivais, Jose Martinez, Patrick Barrera

Anniversaries: Belinda and Joey Barrera

12:00 NOON MASS

Repose of the Soul: Mary Richter, Eusebio Ochoa, Rosa Castillo and Margarita Trevino

Last week our parish blessed all those involved in education for a Back to School blessing. Pictured below is a photo from the 10AM and Noon mass on 8/18/2019.



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Trials can be rich opportunities on our spiritual path if we see them as "discipline," that is, training in new ways of seeing and living. Can I name a recent trial that helped me be a better disciple?

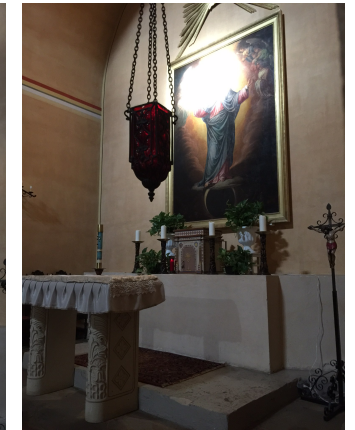
- Ego lowering is a big part of spiritual development. Do I take trials and disappointments as wounds to the ego that I defend against, or as ways to lessen my ego and rely more on God? How so?
- The narrow way that Jesus points us to demands awareness and choice. It also demands patience with myself and with God. What in my behavior right now indicates I'm choosing the narrow way?

THE SOLAR ILLUMINATION

To read an article published about our parish visit

<https://www.vofoundation.org/blog/the-sun-illuminates-nuestra-senora-de-la-purissima-concepcion/>.

Photos below are from the Solar Illumination on 8/15/2019.



10AM MASS MINISTERS

→ **Next Sunday 09/01/19**

First Reading: John Rodriguez

Segunda Lectura: Nellie Rodriguez

Eucharistic Ministers: Lori Valdez, Mary Lou Hidalgo, Jennifer Gutierrez

Collection Counters: Debbie Castillo, Cyndi Martinez, Rosa Ramirez, Bill Murray, Susie Solis

Hospitality: John Rodriguez, Victor Rabago, Joey Barrera, Andres Reyes, Benicio Martinez, and Frank Rubio.

Reposteria: Maribel Morin

12 NOON MINISTERS

→ **Next Sunday 09/01/19**

First Reading: Vanessa Flores

Segunda Lectura: Jennifer Marcos

Eucharistic Ministers: Adriana Frias, Rosa Rosas, & Mary Lou Macias

Collection Counters: Vanessa Flores, Adriana Frias, & Jennifer Marcos

Hospitality: Ben & Christina Resendez