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July 26, 2015

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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ST. ANN MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30p

Sunday 9:00a

Weekdays

Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 6:00p

Wednesday 9:00a

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday – 4:00p to 5:00p or by Appointment

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament

Friday – 7:00a to 5:30p

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BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 11:30a

Weekday

Wednesday 5:00p

Sacrament of Reconciliation after Mass

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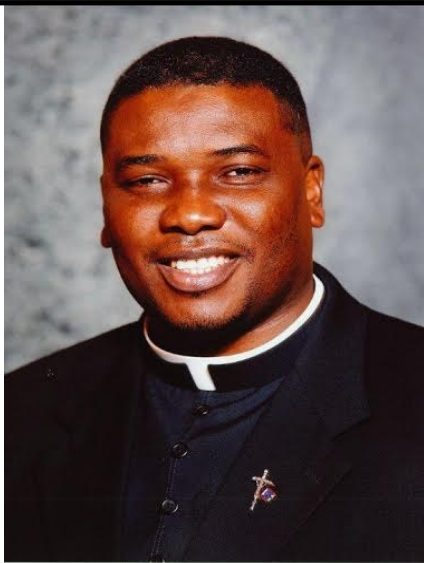
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Father Uche Obikwelu
Parish Administrator

Do we need a miracle to recognize God's love for us? Must we first receive what we ask from God before we could totally give ourselves to Him? How often have we chosen to direct our life's activities without trusting that God in his infinite Mercy had already loved us first before we even know it? These questions are addressed in the first reading, the responsorial psalm, and in the Gospel this Sunday.

In the first reading taken from the second Kings, God shows us that it is not by our demand that he grants us His grace and care, but out of His abundant Love and Mercy for us. The encounter between Elijah and his servant explained this better when Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat." "For thus says the LORD, "They shall eat and there shall be some left over." And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said. Like the servant, sometimes, we are consumed by fear and anxiety of life. But God always calls us to trust in Him, because "we shall eat and there shall be some left over." This is faith at work!

In the same context, the responsorial psalm says, the hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs. All that God seeks from you and me is "Faith in Him", especially during this period of uncertainty in our society and in our world - when all seems to be collapsing on us. Such time means that we need to remember that God answers our needs.

The Gospel of John summarizes the amazing kindness of God, when John tells us that, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." ...about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. The Gospel of John did not only show the power of God to provide our needs, but this biblical account prefigures the Eucharist, which Our Lord Jesus Christ gives us at the Eucharistic banquet at every time and everywhere it is celebrated. My brothers and sisters, we do not need a miracle to recognize God's love for us; we do not need to receive our requests first before we could empty ourselves to God's Will. Hence, we cannot choose to direct our life's activities without

trusting in God's infinite Love and Mercy. This is what Saint Paul calls "Faith", Amen!
God Bless You.

Next Week's Ministers

	Sat—Aug. 1 5:30p	Sun—Aug. 2 9:00a
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion	Sr. John Mary Moreno	Rosie Guerra Maggie Orozco
Greeters/Ushers	Leo Schubert David Jimenez	James Bacak Buddy Walters
Lectors	Fran Thomas	Christina Hernandez
Altar Servers	Richard Sifuentes	Benjamin Zapalac

Finances—St. Ann

7/19/2015 Sunday Collection \$ 1,604.10

Apostolate

	Wed-July 29	Wed-Aug 5
Collection Counting	Fran Thomas Tom Hodges	Fran Thomas Tom Hodges

Mass Intentions: July 18-26

Sat. July 25	5:30p	For the People
Sun. July 26	9:00a	Erma Vittonel
Tues. July 28	6:00p	Communion Service by Deacon
Wed. July 29	9:00a	Communion Service by Deacon
Thurs. July 30	6:00p	Communion Service by Deacon
Fri. July 31	6:00p	Communion Service by Deacon
Sat. Aug. 1	5:30p	†Patricia Thomas †Carmen Negrete
Sun. Aug. 2	9:00a	For the People

Introducing Father Nduka Uzor, MSP

Father Nduka Uzor is the priest who will be celebrating and preaching this weekend at all the masses. He is from the 2015 Mission Cooperative Plan appeal assigned to our parish/mission. Father Nduka was ordained a priest of the Missionary Society of St. Paul on June 21, 2008 in Abuja, Nigeria. His first assignment after ordination was Sokoto (2008-2009). From 2010-2012 he was assigned to the Archdiocese of Nassau in the Bahamas and has been on studies since 2012.

Praha Picnic

When: Sat., Aug. 15, 2015

Where: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

What: Holy Mass 10:00 a.m., dinner served from 11a-2p; band begins to play at 11 a.m.; country store, games, auction; food available throughout the afternoon and evening

CHURCH LIFE...one body-many members.

Bishop Vásquez' Prayer Intention for this Week

For those in our diocese who go without food daily and may we work to alleviate their suffering....

The sanctuary lamp is given for the honor and glory of God



Please pray for the needs of our parishioners & friends

Theresa Sweed	Dena Janish	Arthur Mendizabal
Amanda Walhoviak	Maxine Sweed	Annie L. Henderson
Glady's Hines	Truman Sweed Sr.	Johnnie Sweed Jr.
Jim Turner	Elizabeth Milsaps	Michael Sees
Larry Sweed	Margaret Thomas	Sally Sees
David Earl Sweed Sr.	Patricia Sweed	Jacqueline Mouton
Ken Wernecke	Mark Pollard	Lynda Mendizabal
Zayden Arnold	Natalie Lewis	Andy Manchack
Melinda Scott	Richard Lockett	Isidro Donate
Dorothy Woods	Allen Labay	Mario Munoz
Carol Winkler	Marilyn Smith	Lucy Jimenez
Pete Zedlitz	David Jimenez	Elvira Jones



John Brown	Tommy Polansky
Kevin Davis	Joseph Ramirez
David Dominguez	Matthew Reynolds
Neil Frerick	Charlie Richardson
Robin Frerick	Cesar Rodriguez
Jason Grace	Michael R. Rodriguez
Jerry Gutierrez	Stephen Ruth
Christina Marie Hahne	Justo Suarez
Paul Jimenez	Brandon Thomas
Dane Kidd	1LT Christopher M. Torres
Matthew Lee	Alan Turner
Annalisa Lujan	Jennifer Hlavaty
John Maldonado	Jarrett Hlavaty
Jacob McDonald	Stephen Mendizabal
Brandon Osburn	

Incoming Catholic Freshmen to Texas A & M

Attention incoming Aggie Catholic freshmen! St. Mary's Catholic Center in College Station invites you to attend CONNECT, a retreat for new students of Texas A&M and Blinn. Come and meet other Catholic students and see how you can grow closer to Jesus Christ while you are in college. We are offering two opportunities to attend CONNECT the week before school starts: August 24-25 and August 28-29. To register and get more information, please visit our website: www.aggieatholic.org/connect. Gig'em and God Bless!

Parish Garage Sale-Sept.12, 2015,8a-2p

It's time to inventory your drawers, closets, and garage and donate your unwanted items. If you are able to volunteer, we appreciate whatever you can do. For more information, call Fran Pack(979)820-7137 or email Francespack@gmail.com.



BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH LIFE... consider yourself at home!

MASS SCHEDULE

Wed. July 29 6:00p Communion Service

Sun. Aug. 1 11:30a For the People

Altar Servers—Delvin Taylor
Lector—Ocia Sweed

Ministers need to be at church at least 15 minutes before Mass.

Wed. July 29 4:00p to 4:45p **Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament**



Happy Birthday & God Bless You!

The following Blessed Virgin Mary Parishioners will celebrate a birthday in *July*

Racheal Sweed	Thomas Sweed
Carla Sweed	Robert Lee Washington
Agnes Freeman	Jaedon Rylander

If your name is not on this list, please call the office and let us know. (979-596-1966)

Finances — BVM

7/19/2015 Sunday Collection \$ 193.35

BVM BAZAAR 2015

Printing Tickets	-267.30	DJ	-150.00
Meat	-322.19	Gifts	-300.00
Kitchen	619.30	Supplies	-622.29
Ticket Sales	2,154.00		
Country Store	204.05		
Silent Auction	88.00	Total Inflows:	
Kids Spin	239.00		4,985.80
Chef Hats	5,511.45		
The Q Wagon	100.00	Total Outflows:	
Ice Cream	30.00		-1,861.78
Water Slide	40.00		
Water Slide	-200.00	Net Total:	
			3,124.02

EIM Basic and Refresher Workshops

EIM workshops are scheduled by the EIM Office. If you need to sign up for a workshop go to www.austindioocese.org, click on Quick Links, then click on EIM workshops. Follow the directions on the screen. Here are some upcoming dates:

Refresher: Aug. 6, 7:00-8:15pm, St. Thomas Aquinas, CST
Refresher: Aug. 13, 10:30am-11:45am, St. Joseph, Bryan
Basic: Aug. 14, 9:00am-12:00pm, St. Joseph, Bryan
Refresher: Aug. 22, 6:30pm-7:45pm, St. Mary's, Brenham
Basic: Aug. 29, 9:00am-12:00pm, St. Thomas Aquinas, CST
Basic: Sept. 10, 6:00pm-9:00pm, St. Mary's, Brenham

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(Prayer)

St. Michael the Archangel
St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle. Be
our defense against the
wickedness and snares of
the Devil. May God rebuke
him, we humbly pray, and
do thou, O Prince of the
heavenly hosts, by the
power of God, thrust into
hell Satan, and all the
evil spirits, who prowl
about the world seeking
the ruin of souls.
Amen.

In memory of

†Milady Kristof

For her generosity to St. Ann

*“May perpetual light shine
upon her!”*

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Special Events at St. Ann

August 6: KC Meeting 7 pm, Family Center
August 13: Festival Meeting, 7pm, Family Center
August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
August 20: Rural Life Mass, Parish Hall
Sept. 3: KC Meeting 7pm, Family Center
Sept. 5: KC Cookoff, Parish Hall
Sept. 12: Parish Garage Sale
Sept. 13: Diocesan Day of Prayer
Oct. 1: KC Meeting 7pm, Family Center
Oct 23-25: Aggie Awakening
Oct. 27: ECCW Meeting, SACCW to host

***Adopt a Seminarian
Project***

....**July 26....Sr. John**
....**Aug. 2....Del & Maggie Orozco**
....**Aug. 9....Mike Discher**
....**Aug. 16...Jim & Dee Turner**

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