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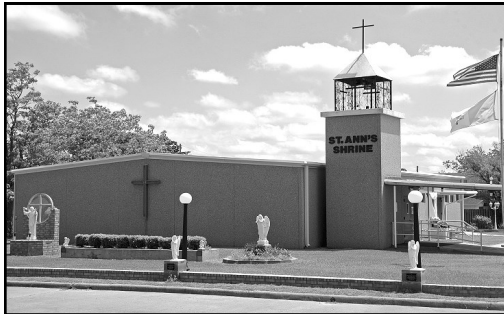
July 6, 2014



Pope Francis
Rome, Italy

Joe S. Vasquez, Bishop
Diocese of Austin

14th 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 6:30a

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament

Friday – 7:00a to 5:30p

Finance Council Chairperson

Fran Thomas

Pastoral Council Chairperson

Lynda Mendizabal

Director of Religious Education

Sr. John 979-596-1494

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 11:30a

Weekday

Wednesday 5:00p

Sacrament of Reconciliation after Mass

Deacon: Limas Sweed, Sr

Finance Council Chairperson

Limas Sweed, Sr

Pastoral Council Chairperson

Mary McCorvey

Director of Religious Education

Limas Sweed, Sr

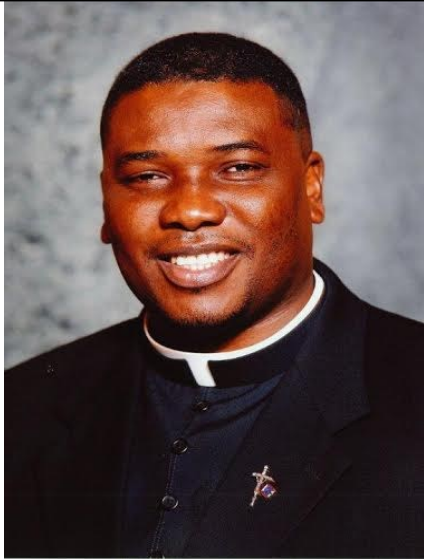
Director of Youth Ministry

Margaret Thomas

Business Manager

Limas Sweed, Sr

Pastor's Corner



Meet Our New Parish Administrator
Reverend Father Uche Evaristus Obikwelu

Fr. Uche is a native of Agulu, in the South East part of Nigeria. He grew up in Nigeria, had his Elementary and High School education in Nigeria. He also obtained his philosophical degree from the Seat Of Wisdom Seminary in Nigeria. His father, Pius Ifem Obikwelu, died on the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord 2014. His mother, Georgiana Udenwa Obikwelu and siblings live in Nigeria. He has three brothers: Ilo Fr. Chuks, Ndu; and three sisters: Nne, Ify, and Ngoo. One of his brothers is also a priest—Fr. Chuks. Fr. Uche is the last of the seven children. He has many nephews and nieces. Fr. Uche developed a deep interest and admiration for the priesthood at an early age, while serving as an altar server. He is a cradle Catholic, who came from a strong family Catholic tradition. It was said that his mother took him to daily Mass and always encouraged him to participate actively in prayers, both at home and in the Church. These prayerful environments helped Fr. Uche immensely to discern in becoming a Catholic priest. In 2002, he left Nigeria on what would become his journey to the priesthood. He moved to the United States in 2004 to join the Diocese of Austin as a seminarian. After he was accepted by the former Bishop of the diocese, Bishop Gregory Aymond, he was sent to St. Mary's Seminary, Houston, Texas. He graduated from the University of St. Thomas Aquinas with a Bachelors' degree in Theology (STB); Master of Arts (MA) and Master of Divinity (M.Div); all in May, 2009. Fr. Uche's Home Parish in the United States is St. Albert the Great Parish, Austin, Texas. As part of his seminary formation, he was sent to Cuernavaca, Mexico in the summer of 2005 to learn the Spanish language; did his Pastoral Year at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Wimberley, Texas, in 2006; in the summer of 2006, he did his Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) at Hillcrest Hospital, Waco. He went to the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPGF) in Omaha, Nebraska, for the summer of 2007; was ordained to the Order of transitional diaconate on May 17, 2008; and to the Order of priesthood on June 6, 2009.

His first official assignment was the parochial Vicar of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Austin, Texas, where he served from 2009-2011. At the completion of his second anniversary, he was

Assigned as the Parochial Vicar of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, College Station, Texas. On July 2, 2012, Fr. Uche was assigned the Parochial Vicar of the Sacred Heart Parish, Austin. On July 1, 2014, Fr. Uche was appointed Administrator by Bishop Joe Vasquez to shepherd the St. Ann Catholic Church in Somerville, Texas and Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church in Old Washington on the Brazos, Texas. When Fr. Uche was asked about what he thinks regarding being a priest, he captured it in one phrase: "I am Joyful to be a Catholic Priest!" And to whom would he dedicate his Vocation? His response was: "To Our Blessed Mother, Virgin Mary". He is very happy and excited to be in Somerville and Old Washington, and he looks forward with joy and enthusiasm to knowing every parishioner.

Gospel Meditation

Meditate on today's parable. What kind of soil are you? What kind of soil would you like to be? How can you make this change?

PRAY

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the heat of the summer on this holiday weekend it is good to hear these words of Jesus. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." We can rest in the assurance that God loves us and has saved us and the world. However, that rest does not mean that we stop giving witness to God's love and salvation in the world. Our Sunday worship is the time God feeds and nourishes us with God's presence, in Word, in the Eucharist, in the presider and in the community. We rest in that love, but we bring the gift we have been given to others through the week to come. Who is it that you know that needs God's Love, peace and salvation? How will you share the gift you have been given with that person?

Peter's Pence

Thank you for your generous support of our Holy Father's work in the Peter's Pence Collection. Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help the Holy Father provide essential relief to people in need. Your generosity is an act of solidarity with the universal Church, answering the call to become a witness of charity. May God bless you.

CHURCH LIFE...*one body-many members.*

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

Bishop Vásquez' Prayer Intention for this Week

For our nation and all of its elected and appointed officials....

The sanctuary lamp is given for the honor and glory of God and for the memory of Jesse Gutierrez.....



Please pray for the needs of our parishioners & friends

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| Pam Eldridge | Ernestina Reyes | Stephen Labay |
| Michael Jones | Alma Rodriguez | Carol Winklers |
| Larry Sweed | Patricia Sweed | Robert Waer |
| George Boswell | David Earl Sweed Sr. | Patricia Thomas |
| Leroy Rogers | Carlos Escobedo | Joe Turner |
| Alvin Washington | Jim Arredondo | Johnnie Sweed, Jr |
| Chris Jones | Rick Mantey Jr. | Cecilia Baca |
| Carmen Negrete | Jim Flinn | Lupe Arredondo |
| Allen Labay | Bernarda Escobedo | Frank Vega |

The above names will remain in the bulletin for 3 weeks unless requested. To add or withdraw names please call the office (979-596-1966).



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

We are in the process of updating our list of Active Military Personnel. To add or withdraw names please call 979-596-1966.

MASS SCHEDULE

Wed. July 9 5:00p Charles Sweed Jr. & Family

Sun. July 13 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 9 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**

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| Rachel Sweed | Carla Sweed |
| Thomas Sweed | Agnes Freeman |
| Robert Lee Washington | Jaedon Rylander |

(If you have a birthday in July and you are not mentioned, please call the office and let the secretary know.)

Finances — BVM

06/29/2014 Sunday Collection	\$292.39
06/29/2014 Peter's Pence	\$104.00

Flowers for St. Ann's Altar

Each week, the St. Ann Council of Catholic Women (SACCW) purchases flowers for our altar. We need your help to accomplish this. Flower donation envelopes are in the rear of church. You may donate in honor or memory of someone. If you request a certain week, we will try to honor that. Return envelopes to the gift shop, collection basket, or the office. If you have any questions, please ask Mary Ralya.

Shrine Dedication

This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the founding of Schoenstatt—a Jubilee Year, bringing many gifts and graces. One such gift is a new Marian shrine for the Diocese of Austin. The Schoenstatt Movement of Austin and the Schoenstatt Fathers invite you to the Shrine Dedication with Bishop Joe S. Vasquez: September 13, 2014; Pre-Program 2:30 pm; Mass 3:30 pm. Reception to follow.

ST ANN PARISH MINISTRIES...come and be with us.

Mass Intentions: July 5-13

Sat. July 5	5:30p	For the People
Sun. July 6	9:00a	†Mary Ann Giesenschlag
Tues, July 8	6:00p	†Patricia Micklus †Paula Bolletto
Wed, July 9	7:00a (Summer schedule)	†Msgr. Ben Mazurkiewicz
Thurs. July 10	6:00p	Living & deceased members of SACCW
Fri. July 11	6:00p	†Johnnie Fucik
Sat. July 12	5:30p	†Robert Lee Perez †Diane Burg
Sun. July 13	9:00a	For the People

Next Week's Ministers

	Sat—July 12 5:30p	Sun—July 13 9:00a
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion	Sr. John Peggy Jablonski Pauline Sifuentes	Sr. John Gloria Villarreal Alice Perez
Greeters/Ushers	Janet & Larry Valigura	Zapalac Family
Lectors	Nancy Pearson	Kimberly Camarillo
Altar Servers	Richard Sifuentes	Benjamin Zapalac

Other Ministries

	Sun-July 6	Sun-July 13
Bingo Kitchen	Lucy Orozco & Helpers	Leah Touchstone & Helpers
Concession Stand Workers	Efrain Guerra & Family	John Sanchez Sr. Rocio

Wed-July 9

Wed-July 16

Church Housekeeping Duties	<i>Team 6</i> Debra Guerra Ricky & Melissa Williams	<i>Team 1</i> Sr. John & Friends
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If you can help, please call Buddy or Kathy Walters 979 535-4530.

	Wed-July 9	Wed-July 16
Collection Counting	Peachie Burlin Lynda Mendizabal Sr. Rocio	Kathy Walters Dee Turner Sr. Rocio

Adopt a Seminarian Project

.....July 6.....Maggie & Del Orozco
.....July 13.....Frank Vega
.....July 20.....Sr. John
.....July 27.....ET & Mario Munoz

Diocese of Austin Pastoral Center
Vocations Office
Attn: Amado Ramos
6225 Highway 290 East

Special Events at St. Ann

Sunday, July 6 **Bingo**
6:00p

Wednesday, July 9 *Office Open from 11:00a to 4:00p*

Wednesday, July 9 at Blessed Virgin Mary
4:00p-4:45p **Adoration**
5:00p **Mass**

Thursday, July 10 **KC Meeting**
7:00p *Mass in Church*

Friday, July 11 *Office Open from 11:00a to 4:00p*
10:00-11:00a **Adoration after mass**

Sunday, July 13 **Somerville VFD BBQ**
11:00a *Parish Hall*

July 18-20 **Aggie Awakening**

Saturday, August 30 **Annual KC BBQ**

Finances — St. Ann

06/29/2014 Sunday Collection	\$ 1,398.25
06/29/2014 Building Fund	\$ 344.75