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February 8, 2015

*Fifth 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 Chair

Fran Thomas

#### Pastoral Council Chair

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 Chair

Limas Sweed, Sr

Pastoral Council Chair

Mary McCorvey

Director of Religious Education

Limas Sweed, Sr

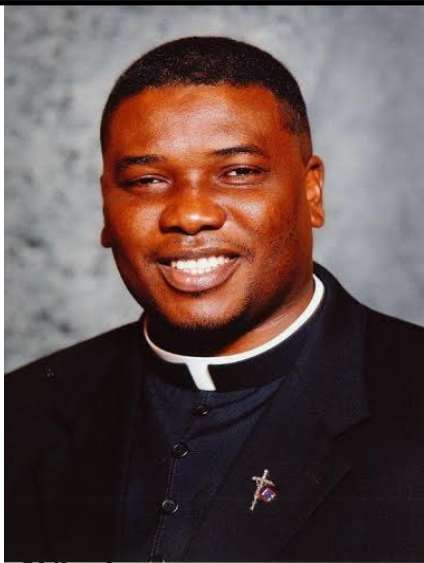
Director of Youth Ministry

Margaret Thomas

Business Manager

Limas Sweed, Sr

**Pastor's Corner**



**Father Uche Obikwelu**  
**Parish Administrator**

The modern time does not encourage the use of the farm produce for the offertory, hence the use of the monetary gifts. But just like the argument on the farm produce stated that it was brought from the sweat of their labor, likewise when we work either on the farm or factory or company, our salaries are from the efforts (sweat) we put to our jobs. So when we give gifts of money from our salaries, the Church uses the money to purchase the host (Bread) and wine, which are brought to the priest in front of the altar as the oblation for him to offer to God through Our Lord Jesus Christ on behalf of the congregation—the God's people.

Since we have established that what we give to God at the offertory is from the sweat of our labor, it is important, therefore, for us to be conscious that the envelope we put in the basket is not just a routine that has no transcendent (Patterning to God) reality or connection, rather, before we even receive our salaries we need to reflect the love God has given us through that labor, consider other blessings, hence we say to God this envelope is not just an ordinary ritual, rather I give you myself in this treasure which I have labored for. We ought to also be open to ask God to accept our problems and solve them for us because we believe in Him and we trust in Him, which is why we come to Church to worship and honor Him.

After the ushers have received the offertory collections, they will assemble all together at the back of the Church, where the bread and wine are already prepared to be presented to the priest, who at this time is waiting for them with the altar servers in front of the altar. The reason why the ushers ask some people from among the congregation to bring the offertory is to show that the elements of the offertory came from the sweat of the labor of the people.

God bless you!

**Pastoral Reminder:** Please if you are sick, charity calls us to refrain from the chalice and receive only the Body of Christ.

Baptisms will be done the second Saturday of the Month at 10am. Contact the Office to make arrangements 979-596-1966.

# Festival News

The date for the Parish Festival has been set. The Festival this year will be on **Saturday, May 16th**. As plans evolve, Parishioners should be checking the bulletin every week to see what will be needed to help make this 2015 Parish Festival a huge success. Frank and Charles have some exciting plans for this year's Festival and are looking forward to having all Parishioners contribute (either monetarily or by helping out) to making this Festival a success. The next planning meeting for the Festival will be on **Monday, February 9th, at 7:00 pm in the Family Center**. Do you want to hear more or are you eager to volunteer? Come on Monday. All Parishioners are welcome. See you on Monday!

Questions—Please contact our 2015 Festival Chairmen, Frank Maldonado at [Frank@acegathering.com](mailto:Frank@acegathering.com) (979-820-5275) or Charles Camarillo at [ccamarillo@somervilleisd.org](mailto:ccamarillo@somervilleisd.org).

**Country Store**

It is not too soon to start making items for the Country Store. The festival will be here before you know it. Hoping all of you are busy making items for the Country Store. It was successful last year but we can do even better this year for the church. Everyone can donate something homemade: jewelry, sewed items, crochet and knitting, etc. Food items, such as salsa, jams and jellies, and pickles are very popular. Plants are good items, too. You men can make birdhouses or any wood project will be appreciated. Art projects of all kinds are good, too. Remember, anything homemade. If you have any questions, call Peggy @979-450-2480.

**Next Week's Ministers**

	Sat—Feb. 14 5:30p	Sun—Feb 15 9:00a
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion</b>	Sr. John Sr. Rocio Peggy Jablonski	Sr. Rocio Angelita Munoz Melissa Williams
<b>Greeters/Ushers</b>	Bob & Linda Hays	Zapalac Family
<b>Lectors</b>	Maggie Orozco	Theresa Perez
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Richard Sifuentes	Hannah, Kailey, Riley Eldridge

**Other Ministries**

	Wed-Feb. 11	Wed-Feb 18
<b>Church Housekeeping Duties</b>	<i>Team 3</i> Kathy & Buddy Walters	<i>Team 4</i> Linda & Bob Hays
<b>Collection Counting</b>	Peachie Burlin Lynda Mendizabal Sr. Rocio	Kathy Walters Dee Turner Sr. Rocio

*If you can help, please call Buddy or Kathy Walters 979 535-4530.*

**Finances—St. Ann**

2/1/2015 Sunday Collection	\$ 1,462.00
2/1/2015 Building Fund	\$ 444.01

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

**Bishop Vásquez' Prayer Intention for this Week**

For all those who promote vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life through prayer, action and support....

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



**Please pray for the needs of our parishioners & friends**

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|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Johnnie Sweed Jr.    | Pete Zedlitz        | C. Sweed           |
| Lucy Jimenez         | Dena Janish         | S. Sweed           |
| Ronnie Sweed         | Patricia Sweed      | Allen Labay        |
| Jim Turner           | Truman Sweed Sr.    | Jim Arredondo      |
| Larry Sweed          | Elizabeth Milsaps   | Linda Oppermann    |
| David Earl Sweed Sr. | Mario Munoz         | Betty Bayless      |
| Lupe Arredondo       | Joanie Arias Torres | David Jimenez      |
| Elinor Simmons       | Margaret Thomas     | Ralph Winkler      |
| Bernarda Escobedo    | Leon Martin         | Arthur Mendizabal  |
| Leroy Stavinoha      | M. Smith            | Annie L. Henderson |
| Carol Winkler        | M. Sweed            | Linda Wernecke     |



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

**Mass Intentions: Feb. 7-15**

Sat. Feb. 7	5:30p	For the People
Sun. Feb. 8	9:00a	†Milady Kristof
Tues. Feb. 10	6:00p	Communion Service
Wed. Feb. 11	6:30a	Communion Service
Thurs. Feb. 12	6:00p	Communion Service
Fri. Feb. 13	6:00p	Communion Service
Sat. Feb. 14	5:30p	For Fr. Uche's Safe Return
Sun. Feb. 15	9:00a	For the People

\*\*Second Collection today for Catholic Higher Education

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

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Wed. Feb. 11** 6:00p Communion Service

**Sun. Feb. 15** 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. Feb. 11** 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 **February**

- Charles Sweed Jr.**  
**Brodrick Thomas**  
**Amari Mason**

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

**Finances — BVM**

2/1/2015 Sunday Collection \$ 199.05


**SACCW Gathering**

The SACCW is going to Houston on Thursday morning, February 19th to tour the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. We plan on driving in together in several cars to tour at 10:30 am. After we will go to the noon Mass, and then lunch, returning in the afternoon. All parishioners (male & female) are invited! If you would like to go with us, please let us know as soon as possible so we can figure out who needs to drive! Plus we need to let the Co-Cathedral know how many will be in the tour group. We would like RSVPs by the 10th of February. Please call Mary Ralya at 832-212-2829 or email her at ralya.mary@gmail.com.

**Adopt a Seminarian Project**

- .....Feb. 8.....John & Pauline Sanchez  
.....Feb. 15.....Del & Maggie Orozco  
.....Feb. 22.....Jim & Dee Turner  
.....Mar. 1.....Buddy & Kathy Walters  
Amado Ramos  
c/o Notre Dame Seminary  
2901 S. Carrollton Ave.  
New Orleans, LA 70118

See new sign up Sheet in the back

<p><b><i>Prayer</i></b> <i>Is getting us ready to do God's will.</i></p>	<p>Sample</p>	<p>“Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!” (Ps. 150:6)</p>
<p><i>Praise + Forgiveness =</i> <b><i>HEALING</i></b></p>	 <p><b>Slovacek Sausage</b> 2 locations to serve you 979-272-3333      254-826-4525 9423 Hwy 60 W      I-35-exit 353 Snook, Texas      West, Texas</p>	<p><b>Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth</b></p>
<p>Sample</p>	<p><i>In memory of</i> †Milady Kristof For her generosity to St. Ann <i>“May perpetual light shine upon her”</i></p>	<p>Sample</p>
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