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Sixth 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

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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

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Mary McCorvey

Director of Religious Education

Limas Sweed, Sr

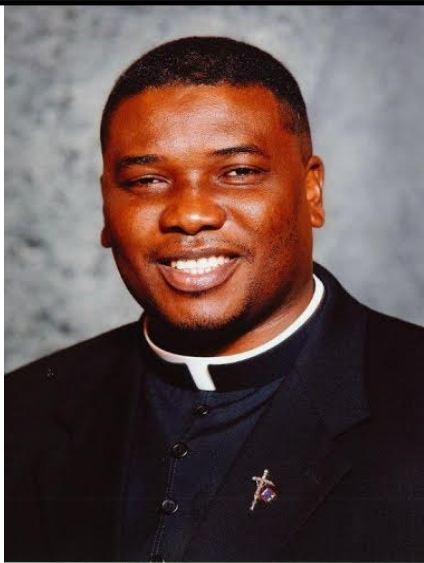
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Pastor's Corner



Father Uche Obikwelu
Parish Administrator

“Remember, you are dust and to dust you will return.” “Repent and believe the Gospel.” It is either of these phrases, my brothers and sisters, in three days’ time, that is, the Wednesday of this Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, that the priest, deacon or the members of the extraordinary ministry of the Holy Communion who may assist the priest to impose the ashes on the foreheads of the members of the congregation will use. Ash Wednesday begins the Forty days of the Lenten Season. The Forty Days is taken from the Old Testament when God promised to take His people, the Israelites from Egypt to the Promised Land for Forty Days, but in their stubbornness and ingratitude, God changed the Forty Days to Forty Years. Likewise in the New Testament, our Lord Jesus before he began His ministry went to the desert to pray and fast for Forty Days to commune with His Father and prepare Himself for the agony and passion He would undergo for the sake of our salvation. Hence, that is what we emulate when Lent is configured in line to that Forty Days.

Ash Wednesday is a time for prayer, fasting and alms giving. This is tailored according to our Lord’s example. This humbled season calls for a subdued time in our liturgical year. The singing should not be elaborate; the decoration of the altar should not be flamboyant and too opulent, but moderately noble. Gloria and Alleluia are suspended from Ash Wednesday until the Glorious Easter Night, when Our Lord defeated death and triumphantly rose from the dead.

Our color for this Lenten season is violet, which could be lighter, but not darker. However, it doesn’t make much difference anyway. The color reminds us that we need to look inward and see where our lives needed some changes for good. We have to encourage our family prayer together; we need to come to daily Mass; we need to sustain what we have learned and acquired during Advent before Christmas.

My dear people of God, I would invite you to take time to make these Forty Days of the Lenten season a serious, but fruitful one. May God help us to honor what we have decided to change for good! I welcome you all to this Lenten Season 2015. God bless you.

Festival News

**Next Festival Meeting, Monday, March 9th, 7pm,
Family Center**

A variety of food is planned for the festival including hot dogs, hamburgers, and sausage-on-a stick. There will be a silent auction, live auction, gun raffle, and raffle. More plans will be included in future bulletins so Parishioners should read the bulletin every week to see what else is planned or needed to help make this 2015 Parish Festival a huge success. Do you want to hear more, are you eager to volunteer, or do you have an idea that the committee has not thought of? Come on Monday. All Parishioners are welcome. If you have any questions, you can always contact our Festival Chairmen. Soon, we will be putting out sign-up sheets for volunteering to help at the Festival and all parishioners will be getting raffle tickets to sell.

Sodas: We are starting to ask for donations of 12pks of sodas and cases of water. Below is a list of drinks we need. (No store or off brands please.) You all have done a great job in the past helping us meet our goals for the festival and we know you will do it again this year. Thank you.

Coke	Diet Coke	Sprite
Dr. Pepper	Diet Dr. Pepper	7-Up
Pepsi	Ozarka Water	

Questions-Please contact our 2015 Festival Chairmen, Frank Maldonado at Frank@acegathering.com (979-820-5275) or Charles Camarillo at 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. 21 5:30p	Sun—Feb 22 9:00a
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion	Sr. John Alice Perez Peachie Burlin	Sr. Rocio Sr. John Larry Valigura
Greeters/Ushers	Leo Schubert David Jimenez	Frank Vega Miguel Bonilla
Lectors	Dee Turner	Christine Hernandez
Altar Servers	Richard Sifuentes	Briana Hernandez Benjamin Zapalac

Finances—St. Ann

2/8/2015 Sunday Collection	\$ 1,197.00
2/8/2015 Catholic Higher Education	\$ 250.00

CHURCH LIFE...one body-many members.

Bishop Vásquez' Prayer Intention for this Week

For vocations to consecrated life....

The sanctuary lamp is given for the honor and glory of God and in memory of Milady Kristof.....



Please pray for the needs of our parishioners & friends

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



SCHEDULE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

- 12:05 p:** Extraordinary Ministers: Sr. Rocio, Maggie Orozco, Dee Turner
 Altar Server: Richard Sifuentes
 Greeters: Frank Vega/Miguel Bonilla
 Lector: Maggie Orozco
- 7:15 p:** Extraordinary Ministers: Sr. John, Jo Thomas, Peachie Burlin
 Altar Servers: Benjamin Zapalac, Briana Hernandez
 Greeters: James Bacak, Buddy Walters

Other Ministries

	Wed-Feb. 18	Wed-Feb 25
Church Housekeeping Duties	<i>Team 4</i> Linda & Bob Hays	<i>Team 5</i> Carol & Sammy Brinkman
Collection Counting	Kathy Walters Dee Turner Sr. Rocio	Debra Guerra Peggy Jablonski Sr. Rocio

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

Adopt a Seminarian Project

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

See new sign up Sheet in the back

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Wed. Feb. 18 5:00p Ruth Banks & Family

Sun. Feb. 22 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. 18 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


2/08/2015 Sunday Collection \$

Special Events

- Wed., Feb. 18 Ash Wednesday
 Thurs., Feb. 19 Pastoral Council Mtg., 7p, Family Center
 Thurs., Feb. 19 SACCW Trip to Co-Cathedral
 Thurs., Feb. 26 Finance Council Mtg., 10a, Family Center
 Thurs., Mar. 5 KC Mtg., 7p, Family Center
 Mon., Mar. 9 Festival Meeting, 7p, Family Center
 Thurs., Mar. 12 SACCW Mtg., 10a, Family Center

Mass Intentions: Feb. 14-22

Sat. Feb. 14	5:30p	For Fr. Uche's Safe Return
Sun. Feb. 15	9:00a	For the People
Tues. Feb. 17	6:00p	Communion Service
Wed. Feb 18	12:05p 7:15p	For the People For the People
Thurs. Feb 19	6:00p	Fr. David Duborstjog
Fri. Feb. 20	6:00p	†Milady Kristof
Sat. Feb. 21	5:30p	For the People
Sun. Feb. 22	9:00a	John Polanco

<p><i>Prayer</i> <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> <i>HEALING</i></p>	 <p>Slovacek Sausage 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>Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth</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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