My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We welcome you to Our Lady of the Pillar and to the celebration of the Holy Eucharist at our Lord Jesus Christ’s Table. This week, Jesus tells us that we all need to repent. The word “repent” calls us to turn away from our sinful ways and to follow Jesus’ example. This is a time to look at how we live and act day-to-day, how we treat others, and how we serve. Then we have to strive to walk on Jesus’ path. I encourage you to pray to Him; ask Him to point the way for you.

Nuestra Señora del Pilar les da la bienvenida a todos para celebrar la Santa Eucaristía en el altar de Nuestro Señor. Hoy, Jesús nos pide arrepentirnos. La expresión “arrepientanse” nos llama a enmendarnos de nuestros pecados y seguir el ejemplo de Jesús. Hoy es tiempo para mirar cómo vivimos y cómo actuamos. Cómo tratamos a otros y cómo les servimos. Después, tenemos que luchar para seguir las huellas de Jesús. Les animo a orar y pedirle que nos muestre el camino.

May God Bless you all,
Fr. Juan Manuel

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As a Catholic community, we strive to grow in faith together through the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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THIS SUNDAY | OLP Children Honor All Saints’ Day
At the 10 am Mass, the K-6th Grade children will dress as their favorite saint in honor of All Saints Day.

NOTE CHANGE as of November 2nd
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament As mentioned during mass, beginning Friday, November 2nd, this devotion will be celebrated on the First Friday monthly following the 8:00 am Mass. It will conclude beginning at 6:30 pm with the Anointing of the Sick, followed by the Benediction. This will allow more of our Parish Family to participate. There will no longer be Benediction at 12:00 Noon.

You’re INVITED join us November 17
OLP’s Wine Tasting Fall Fundraiser
Proceeds benefit OLP’s TABLE of PLENTY: An OLP Weekly Supper for the Homeless to support the needs of our parish family and neighbors in the HMB community. See flyer in this bulletin. Learn more and BUY Your Ticket(s) on sale after mass. and/or online at the url: http://winetasting4olp.eventbrite.com/

We welcome NEW MEMBERS to Our Parish…
John William Moore will be baptized this weekend. We warmly welcome you, John!

Quinceañera | Congratulations to Gabbie Camarera as she celebrates her special day this weekend.

Parish Photo Gallery | Great Moments in October
More photos of from Parish Life at Our Lady of the Pillar. www.ourladyofthepillar.org/parish-photo-gallery

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Reflecting on the Meaning of this First Friday Devotion
Beginning the First Friday in November, we will be celebrating the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament monthly. As a parish, this change gives us the opportunity to open up our doors throughout the day to people who work or others who haven’t previously been able to share in this devotion. The celebration will begin following the 8:00 am Mass; then at 6:30 pm, it concludes with the Anointing of the Sick, with the Benediction following.

Change is always good, because it offers each of us a chance to refresh— and reflect on the meaning of our own devotion. Here are a few thoughts that came to me...

- As Catholics, we believe that Jesus is present in the Holy Eucharist – the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. So we take good care of it, because it is our most prized possession.
- St. Ambrose describes the Church as a beehive. The bees are the workers of the church. The honey that we create and protect is the Blessed Sacrament. So the song tells us: Taste and see, taste and see — the goodness of the Lord; taste and see — the sweetness of the Lord.
- When I was a kid, there was a priest that told a story that stayed with me. The priest watched one particular man who came to the Adoration of the Holy Sacrament on First Fridays. One day, he asked him, “What do you do during this hour of prayer? It seems to open you.” The man replied. “I look at Jesus — and He looks at me.” That’s it! They call this the Holy Gaze, where Christ is looking out from the Blessed Sacrament upon us in love.

The Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has a common theme for anyone who preaches, “Will you not watch with me one brief hour?” That’s what Jesus said to the Apostles in the Garden of Gethsemane. “Don’t fall asleep. Stay up with me. I need encouragement.” Instead, they fell asleep.

During the new First Friday hours for this devotion, we need to have at least one or two people there worshiping throughout the day. You’ll find a sign-up sheet in the back of the church to sign-up for 30-minute intervals. How will you respond to Jesus’ question...

“Will you not watch with me...?”

Peace,
Fr. Charlie

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Parish Organizations and Services

We have a wide array of organizations, committees, faith formation groups, and service organizations that serve our parish community. For a complete list and meeting times, go to parish website: www.ourladyofthepillar.org/groups or see the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church.

Pray for Our Parish Family Who are Sick

Pray that God’s healing power will fill them with strength and hope. To add a name, please call the Parish Office at 726-4674. Each name is put on the parish prayer list for three weeks; to extend the listing beyond the initial three weeks, please call the parish office.

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