



Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 11, 2018

"The Shrine"

St. Odilo Parish

National Shrine of the Poor Souls

St. Odilo Church is the only parish in the United States dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory. It was founded and sanctioned as the Shrine of the Poor Souls by His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, in 1928, with a special indulgence of 200 days granted upon each visit to the shrine.

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Rev. Msgr. Richard Saudis
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Mrs. Ruby Martinez

Mass Schedule:

Monday thru Friday: 6:30 and 8AM

Saturday: 8:00AM, 4PM

Sunday: 7AM (Sp.), 8:00 (Eng.), 9:30 (Latin) & 11AM (Eng.) & 12:30PM (Sp.)

Holy Days: 6:30PM (Eng.) the previous evening; 6:30, 8:10AM, 12:00 Noon and 6:30PM (Sp.)

Church is open: Weekdays from 6AM - 6PM

Confessions: Saturday 11AM - 12Noon & by appointment.

Rectory Office hours: Monday thru Friday: 9AM -9PM

Saturday 9AM-7PM Sunday 9AM-7PM

Adoration: Thursday until 6AM - 6PM

All Sacraments and ceremonies are available in Italian, Latin, Spanish & of course English.

Baptisms: Every Saturday at 10:30AM & Sunday at 1:30PM. Parents are required to register for baptism with a priest. Parents should be registered parishioners. Please call to make an appointment.

Marriages: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance with a parish priest. Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

Visits to the Sick: Please inform the rectory for hospital or homebound visits.

Quinceaneras: Cotillion Masses are available for our girls who have been confirmed-please call.

Ramblings - Fr. Brankin

Lately I have been thinking about the reality of hell. Maybe it is because I am getting older—who knows, but I have begun to think that hell is really something I need to be more clear and insistent about—for myself and for my people.

How few times in my forty three years as a priest have I preached about hell—what it is and how we might end up there. And that's not right—and that's not helpful—to any of us.

I guess that we moderns somehow developed a distaste for such reminders of God's justice—being content only to hear about His mercy. In fact there are some clerics—some Bishops—who even deny the existence of hell. One of them says that if we are bad when we die, we simply evaporate—we are annihilated. But that is heresy. That has been condemned by the Church a long time ago.

How many times in the Gospels do we hear about people being saved? Jesus was even asked once: Will only a few people be saved? And he says without hesitation that those who reject Him will *not* be saved.

The important word here is “saved”. But from what does He save us? He is Our Redeemer, but from what does He redeem us?

He died on a cross—but for what reason? To save us from our sins? But—again, we must ask: save us exactly from what?

From Hell of course: The eternal punishment God has prepared for those who hate Him and who die unrepentant of their evil.

If there is no punishment for our evil, if there is no hell—who cares if we commit sins? If we are all going to heaven we don't need Jesus—we don't need the Incarnation, we don't need the cross—we don't need the resurrection—we don't need prayer or sacraments—or even the sacrifice of the Mass. If there is no hell, Jesus could have saved Himself the trip.

How difficult it is to get our minds and hearts around the notion of hell—a place of eternal punishment! A place of unremitting suffering for our sins that will exist—with us in it—for all time.

So Hell exists, and Jesus says so. And He says we risk being damned to hell forever if we sin against God.

Personally speaking I am afraid of hell. I do not want to go to hell. I do not want to do anything in my life here that will put me in danger of going there when I die.

I want to see my mother and my father—see my brother, Phil, and my sister, Mary, again. I want to meet my grandparents whom I barely knew and all my ancestors whom I never knew.

I want to see the Saints—and the Angels and of course, Jesus and His Virgin Mother.

I do not want to go to hell.

And so I go to confession and confess my sins. Because if I die without my sins being forgiven, I will go to hell. It's that simple.

I certainly don't want to foolishly hope that once my soul has left my body and I am before the Throne of God, and Jesus looks at my soul and my life and sees serious unforgiven mortal sins. I cannot hope that He will say to me—OK. I will give you one last chance?”

He does not do that. Once we die—the test is over. “Put down your pencils. Time is up.”

I do not want to go to hell.

And while the fear of hell is not enough to get me into heaven by itself—the fear of going to hell is a good start.

Well what can we say about hell? First of all, like heaven—hell is an actual place—it is not just a state of mind—People like to dismiss the concept of hell by saying such things as “Hell is right here on earth” and by this they mean that all the bad things that happen to us constitute some sort of hell on earth.

No. Not even close. Hell is a place. Hell exists somewhere. And how do I know that hell is a place? Because at the end of the world, all the souls—the just and the damned—will be reunited with their bodies to be brought to heaven or to hell.

Now, by definition a body occupies a space—and must be in a space—in a place. Therefore at the end of the world our bodies will be somewhere—with our souls in heaven or in hell.

Secondly we can say that hell is a place of pain—both physical—and spiritual.

The physical pain of hell we have always taken to be fire—hardly a worse pain can we imagine: The suffering of being burned without end—forever and ever! The Fathers of the Church do not hesitate to preach the reality of hellfire.

But couple the pain of the body with the pain of remorse, and you have hell all the way.

And what is the remorse of hell? The regretful remembrance of every sin, of every hurt we have ever caused, the reliving of every evil we have ever done—every darkness we have ever covered ourselves with. Hell is not only our damnation, but the thought of the damnation that we have brought to others—especially those we loved—whom we may have led into sin and thus to hell.

My God how awful.

But that’s still not all—consider finally that in all of this pain and remorse and suffering we realize that we are apart from God, separated from Him—and there is no hope of it ending. This darkness and panic and separation from God will go on and on and on.

You can just barely get through a migraine headache because you know it will not last forever. I used to get them all the time. I know. But I always knew that by seven in the evening it would leave me. That’s not hell. The pain never leaves.

You can cry your eyes out at the death of a loved one—but you hope to at least see them again in heaven. Your tears are not forever. But not hell—the tears are forever. No relief—no moment of rest.

What desolation to know that you have separated yourself from God and your family—for all eternity— and you were the one who asked for it.

So then someone asks: well why does a loving God send people to hell? Isn’t God supposed to be merciful? Does he delight in casting people into the depths of hell?

Of course not.

If our Church teaches us anything it teaches us that God does not want us to languish forever in Hell. That is not why He made us. He desires us to live and to live with Him happily in heaven. That is why He sent His Son to save us—to save us from hell.

But He will not force us to love Him. He gives us the choice. Oh he gives us grace to help us choose—but the final choice—heaven or hell—is ours.

And God will not go against our will.

Yes our Faith is beautiful and it tells us of a life untold—it speaks of unspeakable beauties and reveals the mysteries of heaven—to which Our Lord invites us. But it also tells us that heaven is not automatic. We may reject it.

And the alternative to heaven? We call it Hell.

Ironically, though, the fear of hell is the first step to heaven.

Lets start walking.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - CARDINAL COUNCIL 1691

FOOD DRIVE

THIS WEEKEND



NOVEMBER 10TH AND 11TH

BEFORE AND AFTER ALL THE MASSES

**WE WILL ACCEPT CANNED FOODS AND DRY
FOODS PLEASE NO FRESH FOOD OR
DAIRY PRODUCTS**

**ALL FOOD WILL BE DONATED
TO A LOCAL FOOD PANTRY**

VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Since Fr. Brankin will be retiring next year we begin:



THE PROCESS OF SELECTING A NEW PASTOR FOR ST. ODILO PARISH

The process of determining where a priest will serve as a pastor in the Archdiocese of Chicago is prayerfully and carefully facilitated by the Cardinal, the Vicar Bishops of each Vicariate, the Deans, a priest who coordinates priest placement activities full-time and the Priests' Placement Board which consists of eight Archdiocesan priests. Members of the Priests' Placement Board meet weekly from September through June to assess the needs of parishes in light of placing pastors and associate pastors at parishes. Careful attention is given to determine how the Holy Spirit is calling particular priests to serve the needs of specific parishes in the Archdiocese. The process is focused on assessing each prospective pastor's talents and skills and matching them with the needs of specific parishes. The input of the staff, lay leadership and parishioners of each parish is extremely valuable to the process.

The process is outlined in brief below:

A Parish Consultation has been scheduled at St. Odilo Parish for **Thursday, November 15, 2018**. Two members of the Priests Placement Board, the Bishop, and the Dean will have three separate meetings with the following groups in your parish to gather input about the qualities needed in your new pastor:

4pm – meeting with the Parish Staff, Permanent Deacons, and School Principal. Teachers are invited to attend the Town Hall meeting only.

6pm – meeting with parish leadership (members of Parish Council, Finance Committee, etc.)

7pm – meeting with all interested parishioners in a Town Hall format to discuss the strengths and challenges of the parish and the qualities needed in their next pastor. Input from parishioners is very important in the process. The present pastor and current staff members are asked not to attend this session so as to allow people to express their opinions openly.

A Parish Profile is compiled from information received at these parish meetings along with information regarding the parish's mission statement, ministries, finances and other facts about the parish. Prospective pastors who are interested in the parish get a copy of this parish profile to help them in their discernment.

Priests who are pursuing a pastorate complete a profile outlining their specific talents and skills and how the Holy Spirit is calling them to serve at their next assignment. Members of the Priests Placement Board will interview specific prospective pastors to determine their eligibility for being pastor of St. Odilo Parish.

After sessions of formal prayer and several weeks of discernment the Priest Placement Board will make a recommendation to Bishop Manz and Cardinal Cupich on which priest they recommend to become the next pastor of St. Odilo Parish. In a consultative manner, Cardinal Cupich will make the final decision about who he will appoint as the next pastor of St. Odilo Parish. This will happen in the Spring.

If you have any further questions regarding the priest placement process please contact the Priests' Placement Office at 312-534-5270. Please pray for the continued guidance of the Holy Spirit in the process of selecting a new pastor for your parish. Please know that your input is profoundly needed and will be taken very seriously!

TOWN HALL MEETING AT ST. ODILO PARISH

Location: Church

Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 7:00pm

Officials of the Archdiocese will be at St. Odilo Parish to seek input from parishioners on the qualities needed in your next pastor. Please come to this meeting and provide information which will be used to select the next pastor of your parish.

Ya que el Padre Brankin se estará retirando comenzamos:



EL PROCESO PARA SELECCIONAR A UN NUEVO PÁRROCO PARA LA PARROQUIA ST. ODILO

El proceso de determinar donde un sacerdote servirá como párroco en la Arquidiócesis de Chicago se facilita cuidadosamente y en oración por el arzobispo, los Obispos Vicarios de cada Vicariato, los Decanos, un sacerdote que coordina actividades de colocación de sacerdote a tiempo completo y la Junta de Colocación de Sacerdotes que es conformado por ocho sacerdotes Arquidiocesanos. Miembros de la Junta de Colocación de Sacerdotes se reúnen semanalmente desde Septiembre a Junio para evaluar las necesidades de las parroquias en vista a la colocación de pastores en las parroquias. Atención cuidadosa es prestada para determinar cómo el Espíritu Santo les hace un llamado a sacerdotes particulares para servir las necesidades de específicas en la Arquidiócesis. El proceso se centra en evaluar cada talento y habilidades del futuro párroco y en las necesidades particulares de cada parroquia. La opinión del personal, liderazgo laico y feligreses de cada parroquia es extremadamente valiosa para el proceso.

El Proceso de Consulta Parroquial es el siguiente:

Una Consulta Parroquial se ha programado en St. Odilo el **jueves, 15 de noviembre, 2018**. Dos miembros de la Junta de Colocación de Sacerdotes, el Obispo y el Decano tendrán tres reuniones separadas con los siguientes grupos de su parroquia para recaudar informes acerca de las cualidades necesarias en su nuevo párroco:

- 4:00 – Reunión con el Personal de la Parroquia, Diáconos permanentes y el Director Escolar
- 6:00 – Reunión con el liderazgo de la parroquia (miembros de Consejo parroquial, Comité de finanzas, etc.)
- 7:00 – reunión con feligreses interesados en un formato de Reunión Abierta para discutir las fortalezas y desafíos de la parroquia y las cualidades necesarias en su próximo párroco. Es muy importante en el proceso de entrada de los fieles. El pastor actual y actuales funcionarios piden no asistir a esta sesión con el fin de permitir a la gente a expresar sus opiniones abiertamente.

Un perfil de la parroquia es compilado de información recibida durante las reuniones de la parroquia junto con la información con respecto a la declaración de la misión de la parroquia, Ministerio, finanzas y otros datos sobre la parroquia. Posibles párrocos que están interesados en la parroquia obtienen una copia de este perfil parroquial para ayudarles en su discernimiento.

3. Los sacerdotes que están contemplando un pastorado completan un perfil sobre sus habilidades y talentos específicos y cómo el Espíritu Santo está llamándole a servir en su próxima misión. Miembros de la Junta de Colocación de Sacerdotes entrevistan a cada sacerdote prospecto para profundizar sobre sus talentos y habilidades y para determinar su elegibilidad para ser párroco de St. Odilo.

Después de varias semanas de discernimiento la Junta de Colocación Sacerdotes hará una recomendación al Obispo Manz y al Cardenal Cupich en cuanto se refiere a que sacerdote recomiendan como próximo párroco de St. Odilo. De una manera consultiva, el Arzobispo Cupich toma la decisión final sobre quien nombrara como próximo párroco de St. Odilo. Esto suele suceder en la primavera.

Si tiene alguna otra pregunta en cuanto al proceso de colocación de sacerdotes por favor póngase en contacto con la Oficina de Colocaciones de los Sacerdotes al 312-534-5270. Por favor rece por la orientación continúa del Espíritu Santo en el proceso de seleccionar a un nuevo párroco para su parroquia. ¡Por favor sepa que su opinión es profundamente necesaria y será tomada muy seriamente!

REUNIÓN ABIERTA EN LA PARROQUIA ST. ODILO

Lugar: La Iglesia

jueves, 15 de noviembre de 2018 a la(s) 7:00pm

Funcionarios de la Arquidiócesis estarán aquí en St. Odilo para recaudar la opinion de los fieles sobre las cualidades necesarias en su próximo párroco. Por favor venga a esta reunión y proporcione información que se utilizará para seleccionar al próximo párroco de su parroquia.

LIVE JAZZ!

Terry Sullivan Trio
Sunday, November 18
3:00 pm in the Parish Hall at St. Odilo



Terry Sullivan, vocals
Zvonimir Tot, guitar
Rich Armandi, bass

Free will offering



Turkey Shoot

The Mater Christie Holy Name Society will host its annual Turkey Shoot on Sunday, November 18th from 10:30 am to 5pm at the school in Menarik Hall 2400 S. 10th Ave. North Riverside

Turkeys will be raffled off every 5 minutes. Ham, prasky, salami, bread, houska, pumpkin pie, kolacky and other grocery items are available to win. Split the pot and pull tabs with cash prizes will be available.

Hot dogs, chips, pumpkin pie, ice cream, beer, wine, soda, and coffee from the kitchen for refreshments. Several TV's will be tuned to NFL action. For more information call 708-442-5611.

Bring in this bulletin for a chance to win a turkey or a bag of groceries in a special raffle.

Veteran's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,
Today we honor our veterans,
worthy men and women
who gave their best
when they were called upon
to serve and protect their country.

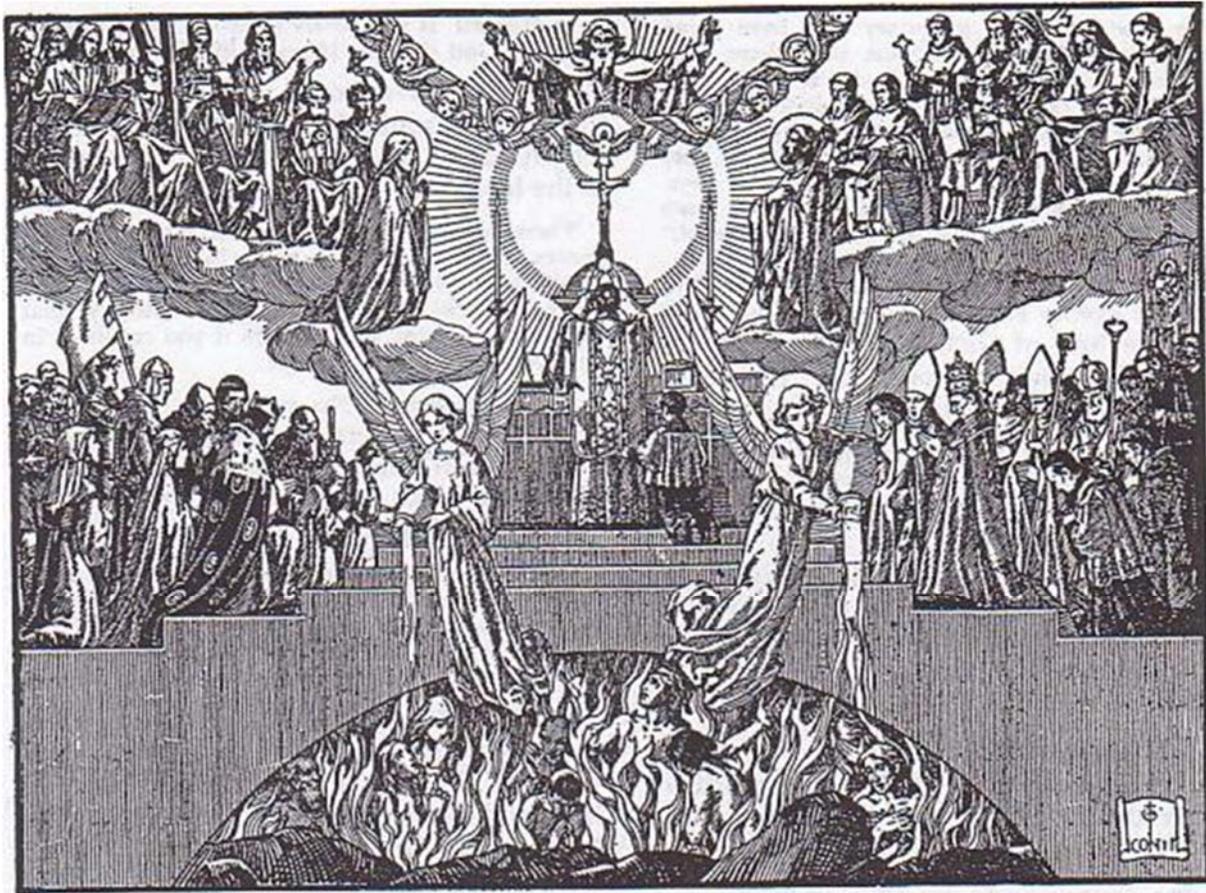
We pray that you will bless them, Lord,
for their unselfish service
in the continual struggle
to preserve our freedoms, our safety,
and our country's heritage, for all of us.

Bless them abundantly
for the hardships they faced,
for the sacrifices they made
for their many different contributions
to America's victories
over tyranny and oppression.

We respect them, we thank them,
we honor them, we are proud of them,
and we pray that you will watch over
these special people
and bless them with peace and happiness.
In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.



November is the Month of the Poor Souls in Purgatory



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

CCHD is working on the margins to...

- Encounter Christ in the poor
- Amplify voices with vision
- Challenge root causes of poverty and injustice
- Break down walls of indifference
- Transform hearts and communities

Your contribution on November 17 & 18 provides direct support to emerging leaders and low-income communities in Cook and Lake Counties.

To donate online or learn more about how to get involved, visit CCHDchicago.org or [Facebook.com/CCHDchicago](https://www.facebook.com/CCHDchicago).

SICK RELATIVES & FRIENDS

Please remember the sick - Regina Szatkowski, Josephine Sprovieri, Ernest Karamas, Charlie Turek, Alice Kowalski, Henry Kereluk, Sr. Johanna Trisolieri, Ramon Marentes, William Stepanek, Karen Lewis, Joseph Kirchoff, our Veterans, Rahman Ayi, George Fuoco, Peter Rybak, Timmy O'Connell, Paula Tammen, Carlos Zorrilla, Jeanette Sprovieri, Linda Lancaster, Theresa Risco, Antoinette Delterra, Al Trotta, Diana Ferrel, Geraldine Stack, Julie Kopacz, Kathy O'Toole, Maria Pena, Aurora S. De Asis, Bobby Harol, Don Looney, Dolly Kaminski, Patricia Stalzer, Sam Martyn, Leticia Held, Bozenka Karkowski, Max Moreno, Lorraine Pietryga, Donna Kadrowicz, Rudy Rau, Edward Mottier, Barbara Thill, Roger Kowalski, Richard Burns, Richard Kosenesky, Esperanza Rodriguez, Kathy Martinotti.

REST IN PEACE

Please remember all those God has called to Himself from our parish family: Nick Buonicore

WEDDING BANNs

I-Sam Tomasello & Nicole Heinzl

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

November 4, 2018	\$9,350.96
Last Year	\$10,516.44

Thank you!
Fr. Brankin

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY...

4:00PM-CCD (SCH)
6:30PM-CCD (SCH)
6:30PM-Adult CCD (CH)
6:30PM-Legion of Mary (PR)

TUESDAY...

7PM-Knights of Columbus (PH)

WEDNESDAY...

6:00PM-ESL (PH)
6:30PM-Arts & Crafts (SR)

THURSDAY...

6:30PM-Spred (PrR)
6:45PM-Armory of Christ (CB)
7PM-Bible Study (PR)

FRIDAY...

9:00AM-Home School (CB)
4:00PM-Folkloric Dancing (CB)
6:00PM-Pequiño Rebaño (CB)
7:00PM-Faith Formation (PR)

SATURDAY...

10:00AM-Guitar and Mandolin Lessons (CB)
4:00PM-Folkloric Dancing (CB)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY...

Bake Sale after all Masses

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12-SAINT JOSAPHAT, BISHOP AND MARTYR

6:30AM-Leo & Mary Roszyk (Family)
8:10AM-John Swiciones (Family)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13-SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, VIRGIN

6:30AM-Intetions of Sr. Maria Paulina
8:10AM-John Dauksaus (Don Looney)
-Joseph Cardinal Bernardin (Santos Family)
-Samuel Canino (Pater Family)
-Richard Canapary (Len Tufo)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14-WEEKDAY

6:30AM-Angeline Podgorny
8:10AM-Birthday Blessings Gabrielle Thomas
(Ron & Roberta Lorenz)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15-SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

6:30AM-Emil Nicolette & Angeline Nicolette (Rose)
8:10AM-Florence Hlava (Family)
-Irene Borkowski (Klein Family)
-Boyd & Rosemary Flavin Hatzell (Friend)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16-SAINT MARGARET OF SCOTLAND; SAINT GERTRUDE, VIRGIN

6:30AM-Gerino Banda (Wife, Maria)
8:10AM-Anne Bogolin (Niece)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17-SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, RELIGIOUS

8AM-Jack & Nancy Venti (Family)
2PM-Sweet Sixteen Mass-Theresa Lim
4PM-Virginia Stuck & Florence Hlava

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18-THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7AM-Poor Souls
8AM-Ignatius & Catherine Kutz (Mary Helen)
9:30AM-Philip Brankin (Bernard & Judith Henry)
11AM-George Kasper (Mr. & Mrs. Robert Mygon)
12:30PM-Thanksgiving to the Most Holy and Sacred Heart
(Sergio Delgado)

Group Contact Information
Armory of Christ-708-680-6879
Guadalupanos-708-484-2161
Legion of Mary -708-623-9280
Knights of Columbus-708-204-3761
Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima -708-705-1608
Guitar & Mandolin - Cuerdas Clasicas - 773-387-6744
ESL-708-287-7347 Spred-708-287-7347

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

November 17 & 18	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Servers
4PM	A. Kowalski B. Ouska	C. Ocampo	M. Herrera, S. Herrera N. Blitts
7AM (Esp.)	T. Luna, M. Mejia E. Mendoza	A. Sambolin	A. Mendoza, A. Cruz Andre Brown, D. Guglielmo
8AM	D. Kaminski	D. Kosenesky	A. Duarte, E. Ramos J. Arreguin
9:30AM			W. Estrella, L. Estrella W. Morrall, S. Morrall
11AM	A. Canaveral, R. Lorenz, D. Oborski	G. Pater	A. Raygoza, N. Moran M. Sierra
12:30PM (Esp.)	M. Reyes, A. Hernandez V. Chavez, A. Mendez	M. Villarreal A. Lopez	A. Becerra, R. Flores C. Flores, A. Arredondo