Twenty-Ninth Annual
**Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

**Citywide Interfaith Worship Service**

17 JANUARY 2016 4:00 P.M.

**ORGAN PRELUDE**……………………..…….……….…..…Loyd LeBlanc

 *Organist,St. Gerard*

**FAITH BANNER PROCESSIONAL**  Faith Groups
 *Psalm 150*

**HOST CONGREGATION WELCOME**………..…Father James E. Shea  **AND CALL TO WORSHIP** *Pastor, St. Gerard Church*

 **OPENING HYMN**……………….………San Antonio Archdiocesan Choir  *Rick McLaughlin, Director*  **LITANY OF CELEBRATION**……………..………Dominique Preyor-Johnson, Mt. Zion 1st Baptist

**(Please stand)**

*L: Today, we come to remember a great humanitarian and man of faith — the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

**All: It is good to remember and celebrate the legacy of his love. May our faith lead us to always practice love and respect for all humanity and seek the higher ground of compassion and reconciliation.**

*L: The Dream is alive for those who pursue peace and selflessness for the sake of human dignity and spiritual well being.*

**All: We remember the power of faith today and the power that faith can bring to those who seek Truth, Justice, and Righteousness in their daily lives. Faith is always above fear, and we shall pursue that Faith within us to ensure we are no longer hostages of darkness and ignorance. We endeavor to keep the Dream alive. This is our commitment so others may yet be free in Faith, Hope, and Love. Amen!**

**INVOCATION**......................................Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller

 *Archdiocese of San Antonio*

**PRAISE DANCE**…………………………………….…Childress Memorial
 *Dawn Sance, Director*

**BLOWING OF THE SHOFAR (RAM’S HORN)**……………..Daniel Klein
 *Ba’al Tekiah, Temple Beth-El*

**A PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING**………….……...Imam Omar Shakir
 *Imam, Masjid Balal*

**MLK COMMISSION GREETINGS**…………………………Dr. John Abdo

 *MLK Interfaith Worship Service Committee Chairman*

 Brandon A. Logan
 MLK Commission Chair

**Buddhist Chant**………………….…………………….. Minako Shibazaki

 *SGI USA***PRAYER FOR OUR NATION**………..………….…..…Rev. Leslie Hollon
*Pastor, Trinity Baptist Church***Sikh Chant**………………………………………….. Hardeep Singh Raina
 *Sikh Dharamsal*

**INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER**……….…Rev.James Amerson  Pastor, St. Paul UMC Church

 **GUEST SPEAKER**…………………….……….. ….Judge Jason Pulliam

 Justice, Fourth Court of Appeals

 **REFLECTION**…………………………………………….……Allee Wallace
 *Second Baptist Church*

**THE OFFERING**………………………………….Rev. Dr. Dick Cheatham
 University United Methodist Church

**THE OFFERTORY**…………... ....… San Antonio Archdiocesan Choir  **Rick McLaughlin, Director
 *(Proceeds to benefit the MLK Scholarship Fund)***

**REFLECTION**………………………………Arathi School of Indian Dance

**A PRAYER FOR PEACE**…………………..….Rabbi David Komerofsky

 *Rabbi, Temple Chai*

**CLOSING SONG**…………………………………………….…………….All

 *“We Shall Overcome”* **BENEDICTION**………………...………………...…Rev. Robert Jemerson  *Pastor, Second Baptist Church*

**RECESSIONAL …..**…………………….………………Cantor Julie Berlin
*Oseh Shalom Temple Beth-El*

 **RECEPTION IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA…..**…..………………….All



“Darkness cannot drive out darkness;
only light can do that.

 Hate cannot drive out hate;

only love can do that.”
 -Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**We Shall Overcome**

**We shall overcome; we shall overcome, We shall overcome some day**

**Oh, deep in my heart I do believe, We shall overcome some day**

**We’ll walk hand in hand; we’ll walk hand in hand,**

**We’ll walk hand in hand some day**

**Oh, deep in my heart I do believe, We’ll walk hand in hand some day**

**We shall live in peace; we shall live in peace,**

**We shall live in peace some day**

**Oh, deep in my heart I do believe, We shall live in peace some day**

**The Lord will see us through; the Lord will see us through**

**The Lord will see us through some day,**

**Oh, deep in my heart I do believe**

**The Lord will see us through some day.**

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**WORDS OF HOPE**

“But let Justice run down like a river

and Righteousness like a mighty Stream.”

 **(Amos 5:24)[NKJV]**

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**In Recognition of San Antonio Interfaith Groups:**Community of Churches for Social Action – Gayle Johnson and Rev. Herman Price
Interreligious Council of San Antonio – Dr. Peggy StarkeypeaceCENTER San Antonio – Rev. Ann Helmke
Race Unity Day – Wini Barnum Newman

San Antonio Community of Congregations – Jeanne GoodlinTri-faith Dialogue – Barbie Gorelick Callanan
United Communities of San Antonio – Maudie Muraida and Megan Fisher Kluger
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**Hosted by**

**MLK Commission of San Antonio**

**at the**

**St. Gerard Catholic Church**

**1523 Iowa Street**

**San Antonio, TX 78203**

***Sunday, 17 January 2016, 4:00 P.M.***

Attend The March:

**Monday, 10:00 A.M., 18 January 2016**

**From MLK Freedom Bridge on Martin Luther King Street to Pittman-Sullivan Park (1101 Iowa Street)**