



# ST. ANGELA MERICI

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 4, 2024 | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven.” - Jn 6:32

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# Welcome to St. Angela Merici

“St. Angela Merici Catholic Church in Missouri City, TX is a diverse community, united in the Mission of Christ through the Eucharist, proclamation of the Gospel, and service to the people of God.”

## OUR PEOPLE

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## BULLETIN SUBMISSION

Bulletin announcements must be print ready and submitted to Tressy Garcia, our bulletin editor at [communications@stamericigh.com](mailto:communications@stamericigh.com) no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday (9 days) before the Sunday of intended publication.

# Weekly Prayer and Readings

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading

"I will now rain down bread from heaven for you. Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion." (Ex 16:4)

### Psalm

The Lord gave them bread from heaven. (Ps 78)

### Second Reading

Be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth. (Eph 4:23-24)

### Gospel

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." (Jn 6:35)

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 4, 2024

**Sunday** | 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday** | The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

**Tuesday** | The Transfiguration of the Lord

**Wednesday** | St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

**Thursday** | St. Dominic, Priest

**Friday** | St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

**Saturday** | St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

**Next Sunday** | 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 4, 2024

**Sunday** | Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/ Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

**Monday** | Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday** | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10

**Wednesday** | Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday** | Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23

**Friday** | Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday** | 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

**Next Sunday** | 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/ Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Martin de Porres (December 9, 1579- November 3, 1639) came from the humblest of beginnings. Born in Peru, the illegitimate son of a Spanish knight and a previously enslaved African woman, he was subjected to bigotry his entire life. His early life was spent in deep poverty, after his father abandoned the family. At the age of 12 he was apprenticed to a barber-surgeon, where he would learn the medical skills which would gain him renown.

When he was 15, St. Martin wanted to join the Dominicans, however, the law in Peru prevented those of mixed-race from being members of religious orders. Undeterred, St. Martin volunteered to do menial work for the monastery and was allowed to live with the community. He worked in the laundry and kitchens, but soon was given the job of distributing money and food to the poor. In 1601, St. Martin was allowed to take his vows as a lay brother, despite the law. He was put in charge of the infirmary, the post he held until his death.

St. Martin was known for his great love of the Eucharist, and his intense prayer. Contemporary reports tell of levitation and light filling the room while he prayed, even bilocation where St. Martin was seen in distant countries despite never leaving Peru. St. Martin frequently went into the city to care for the poor and sick, especially the Africans who had been brought to Peru as enslaved people. He also founded an orphanage and school. He cared equally for all regardless of race or status. His kindness even extended to animals, caring for the dogs, cats and even mice and rats at the monastery.

St. Martin was beatified by Pope Gregory XVI on October 29, 1837, and canonized by Pope John XXIII on May 6, 1962, the first Black saint of the Americas. St. Martin de Porres, pray for us!

## Let us Pray

### JOIN US

#### In Spreading the Good News

#### Weekday Mass

Mon-Wed 9:00 a.m.  
 Thurs 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.  
 Fri-Sat 9:00 a.m.

#### Rosary

Fri Following 9:00 a.m. Mass  
 Sat Before 9:00 a.m. Mass

#### Weekend Mass

Sat 5:00 p.m.  
 Sun 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m.

#### Reconciliation

Thurs 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.  
 Fri 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
 Sat 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.  
 Other By Appointment

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thurs 9:45 a.m. - Friday 9:00 a.m.  
 (Except during Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mass)

#### Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Fri 8:45 a.m.

#### In Remembrance/Prayers

Please stop by the Parish Office to schedule a Mass for a loved one or those dearly departed. You are also able to honor someone by funding the Flowers in the Sanctuary. The cost of each arrangement is \$115, please visit the office to reserve a weekend.

### MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

#### Prayers for the Faithful: August 3 - August 11

† Deceased

<b>Saturday August 3</b> 09:00 a.m. Neycheril Family 05:00 p.m. † Ruth Ann Boyd
<b>Sunday August 4</b> 08:00 a.m. † Antoinette Rereira 10:00 a.m. † Richard Holliday 12:00 p.m. † Robabe Butorabi Irantalabtehrani 05:00 p.m. People of the Parish
<b>Monday August 5</b> 09:00 a.m. † Chandi Chem
<b>Tuesday August 6</b> 09:00 a.m. Rylan Philipose
<b>Wednesday August 7</b> 09:00 a.m. † Jude & † Theresa Leung
<b>Thursday August 8</b> 09:00 a.m. † Aleyamma Abraham 07:00 p.m. † Fr. Gan Nguyen, C.S.R.
<b>Friday August 9</b> 09:00 a.m. † Charles Court
<b>Saturday August 10</b> 09:00 a.m. Shana Abraham 05:00 p.m. † Joe & † Esperanza Zamora
<b>Sunday August 11</b> 08:00 a.m. † Mohammad Bagher Irantalabtehrani 10:00 a.m. † Hilma Krombein 12:00 p.m. Clara & Alphonsa Joseph 05:00 p.m. People of the Parish

## Please Pray for Them

#### OUR SICK

Joey Myers	Mary Maurico
Marc Carter	Rodney Cook
Veronika de la Mata	Isabela Corridore
Earl Florentino Sr.	Letta Sim
Yellis Ortega	Sonny Acevedo
Joe Mims	Mary Meta
Rick Gaillardetz	Mary Monsanto
Zelie Murray	Carter Vann
Elvira Sta. Ana	Cindy Corbett
Kristian Lewis-Fernando	Anne Higgins
Renee Robbins	Monica Ruiz
Gary Bentz	Renee Lyons
Kit Messa	Glenn Peter Wiltz
Ernestina T. Elizondo	Rolando Ocampo
Ruby Goff	Dave Weber
Toni Weber	Rose Foucher
Veva Harrison	Dorothy Petru

#### OUR MILITARY

PFC Jonathon Rivas, US Army	Lt. Hailey Kryszewski, US Navy
Major Jose Carrejo, Army Reserve	Melina Thompson, US Coast Guard
Spec. Nicholas Watts	GSM2 Surface Warfare DePlata
USN Air Corps Robert Mangan	Lt. Tyson Stickler, US Navy
Col. James Romero, US Army	Juan P. Muniz II, US Navy
Col. Jonathan Esparza, US Air Force	SGT Nathan J. Hoelker, US Army
BU3 Matthew Roche	Capt. Samantha L. Guerrero,
Sailor Denzel Buzon, US Navy	USMC Artillery Division
PVT Jonathan Villasenor, US Army	CPL Andrew Molina, US Army

#### OUR DECEASED

Gerry Mata	Louisa Bent
Victor Rodrigues	Maria Marrero
Kathryn Mault	Leo Corey III
Maria Mata	Margaret Fiore
Tommy Boney	Josefina Serrano
Perla Boyoneta Cuaycony	Ikechukwu Obiekwe Nwana
Zenaida Lim Pruna	Benjamin Castro Guzman

## Happening this week

### EVENTS SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, August 4

- 11:00 a.m. First Sunday Event
- 01:00 p.m. JR Legion of Mary Meeting
- 01:00 p.m. Becoming Catholic Session

#### Monday, August 5

- 05:00 p.m. Legion of Mary Meeting
- 06:00 p.m. ACTS Men's Retreat Meeting
- 07:00 p.m. Lectio Divina via Zoom

#### Tuesday, August 6

- 07:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 07:00 p.m. Education Council Meeting

#### Wednesday, August 7

- 10:00 a.m. Quilt Plus Ministry Meeting
- 06:30 p.m. KC Business Meeting

#### Thursday, August 8

- 05:30 p.m. MDO Meet the Teacher

#### Friday, August 9

- 06:00 a.m. Men's Scripture Reflection
- 07:00 p.m. Talleres de Oracion y Vida

#### Next Saturday, August 10

- 09:00 a.m. Anointing of the Sick Mass
- 10:00 a.m. New Altar Server Training

### PRACTICING CATHOLIC

It's so easy to do the right thing because we want to tick all the right boxes. We want to live by the law. We want to accomplish the work of God. Or, at least, we say that we do.

But Jesus tells us that in order to accomplish the work of God, we have to believe in the one he sent. And to believe in Christ is to be filled with the spirit of truth — to do what is right because it is right, not because we want to be filled with good feelings.

What is the difference between doing what is right because you want to be a good Christian, and doing what is right because you believe in Christ?

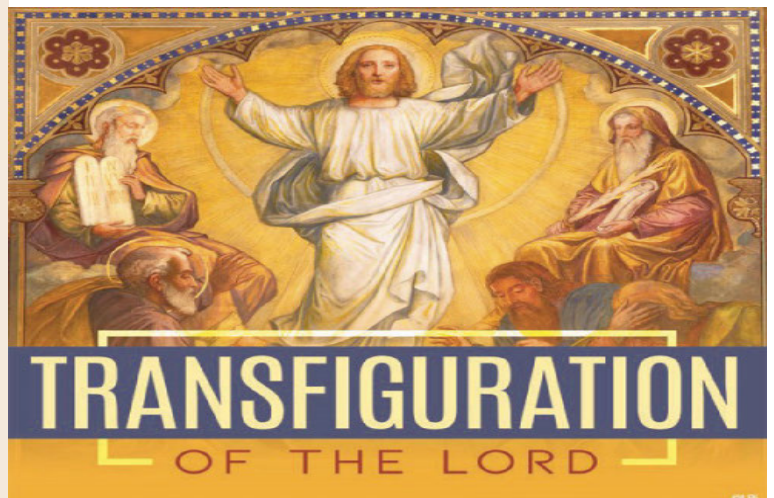
It's the difference between eating manna and the Eucharist. One fills your stomach and keeps you alive, and nothing more. The other satisfies a hunger you might not have even known you had, or if you did know, you called it by another name — sadness, unfulfillment, fear. One achieves a corporeal goal, and that's the end of it. The other accomplishes something invisibly, secretly, silently, and though there is physical evidence of its work all around us, you have to be shrewd to recognize it.

It's the difference between making a social media post condemning sin and enveloping a sinner (the one at our dinner table, the one on the street, the one staring back at us in the mirror) with love and concern. It's the difference between simply going to Mass and living the Gospel. It's the difference between speaking to God and saying a prayer. It's the difference between telling someone they're wrong and telling them about the truth.

There's nothing wrong doing what is right because we long for heaven, and there's nothing wrong with eating manna if you're starving. But that alone isn't enough. We must also long for the bread of heaven, the bread that gives life to the world.

*Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.'*  
— John 6:35

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



# Spiritual Journey



## SACRAMENT INFORMATION

### Baptism

To baptize your child at our parish, you must be a registered parishioner or live within our boundaries. For children older than age seven or Adults seeking Baptism, please contact the Parish office for information about the RCIA process.

### Holy Matrimony

Engaged couples should contact the Parish office nine to twelve months prior to the anticipated wedding date to begin the marriage preparation process at St. Angela Merici. One member of the engaged couple needs to be a Baptized Catholic.

### Anointing of the Sick/Homebound

Any parishioner who is scheduled for surgery is encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, prior to hospitalization. We will hold an anointing of the sick every other month on the second Saturday during the 9AM mass. Parishioners who are seriously ill, and the elderly may also be anointed. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

### First Communion/First Reconciliation

Students preparing for their First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, at a minimum, must have regularly attended Catholic Faith Formation classes the year prior to their sacrament year (this could be through a parish Faith Formation program or Catholic school) and be at least seven years of age.

### Confirmation

Confirmation at St. Angela Merici must have at least one year prior preparation in Life Teen, Faith Formation or Catholic school and then complete a year of immediate preparation before receiving the sacrament and be at least in tenth grade.

To learn more about any of the Sacraments at St. Angela Merici please visit our website or call the Parish Office at 281-778-0400

## SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

St. Angela Merici has experienced Spiritual Directors to accompany you (in English and in Spanish) as you more deeply explore your questions about a relationship with God and others. Here are some gifts of spiritual direction:

- Notice and savor your experiences of God.
- Grow in relationship with God, self, others, and creation.
- Deepen your freedom to live a more authentic life.
- Integrate spirituality into your daily life.
- Find understanding, encouragement, and affirmation.
- Celebrate joys and share losses.

To meet with a spiritual director or to obtain more information contact **Kathleen Messina** at [kathleenmessina@stamericigh.com](mailto:kathleenmessina@stamericigh.com) or 281-778-9178.

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

Since my college days I've loved a song called "Dance with You" by the rock band Live. It touches on the deep mystical hunger of our heart: "I've tasted all the wines/ a half a billion times/ came sickened to your shore/ you showed me what this life is for." These lines resonate with anyone who has feasted on the good things of this world only to be left spiritually hungover and unsatisfied.

We see a similar dynamic evoked by Jesus' words after he feeds the crowd with bread and fish. To teach them to hunger for God, he recalls God's gift of manna-bread for the hungry ancient Israelites. Those folks had grown spiritually sick from the idolatrous food of Egypt yet still longed for more worthless pagan food. So, God sent heavenly bread to nourish their bodies, but also to heal their distrustful hearts. His people — like us — must learn to hunger and thirst for God alone. Before we can receive that which will not disappoint, we first must cease expecting that earthly goods will satisfy us.

We will get to the Lord's teaching on the Eucharist in the next two weeks. But first, he asks us: do you trust me to take care of you? Do you trust me to give you what you need for each day, and to not worry about the next day? Do you see that when you hungrily stuff yourself with the things of this world you become sick and lose your taste for the bread of life? So, our hungry hearts cry out: Lord, help us to trust that you'll provide for our every need. Help us to use only what we truly need. Help us hunger for the goodness of your Son, who is the true bread from heaven. That is what this life is for.

— *Father John Muir*

## Elementary Faith Formation

### Faith Formation Registration closing August 12 for 2024-25!

Registration is open for children entering K thru 5th grade. Find details concerning Elementary Faith Formation and First Sacrament Preparation as well as the registration link on the parish website or scan the QR code. Just a reminder that “In Person” classes begin September 9 and 10. Parents will join us for the first day of “In Person” classes for our Mandatory Parent meeting. Our Mandatory Home Study meetings will be held on September 4 and 5.



### Catechists and CLOW Volunteers needed for 2024-2025!

We will be in the narthex after all the Masses on August 10 and 11 to answer any questions about volunteering for Faith Formation Catechist positions as well as volunteer positions for Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) for the 2024-2025 year. If you have any questions about what it means to be a catechist or how to begin, feel free to call the office at 281/778-0400 or email [elemfaith@stamericigh.com](mailto:elemfaith@stamericigh.com). This week please prayerful consider joining Elementary or Youth Faith Formation.

Help Me Learn To Read My Heart  
Almighty God, author of my life,  
help me learn to read what you have written on my heart.  
Give me discerning eyes and an untiring spirit to look within me  
in order to understand how to reach outside of me.  
And once I have begun to act on your call,  
give me the generosity to help others to listen for you,  
to sound you out one letter, one word at a time.  
- Author Unknown



## Youth Ministry

### EDGE/LIFETEEN

Are you looking to get involved this year? We need you! We are looking for Core Team members for the 2024-2025 EDGE/LifeTeen year. We will have a table in the Narthex after all masses August 10 and 11 to answer any questions you might have and/or to sign you up to be a part of the team! Registration is drawing to a close! Please note...registration for the 2024-2025 EDGE/Life Teen year will be closing Monday, August 12. Please don’t wait to register!!

### 2024/25 KICKOFF

Our Kick-off date for EDGE is Wednesday, September 11 and our Kick-off date for Life Teen is Sunday, September 8. The full schedules for EDGE and Life Teen can be found on our website, <https://www.stamericigh.com/youth-ministry> or by scanning the QR code here.



## Mother’s Day Out

### MDO This Week

MDO will resume classes Monday, August 12. Hope you all had a great summer!

### Now Hiring!

Mother’s Day Out is Hiring for the 2024/2025 school year. If you are interested in working with preschoolers, please email your resume to [stangelaangels@stamericigh.com](mailto:stangelaangels@stamericigh.com) Experience is preferred, but not required. Training is available upon hire.



## Parish and Community Life

### MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

Registration Now Open!



Men of St. Angela's, please consider attending our annual ACTS Retreat this September 26-29. ACTS is a spiritual journey lead by the laymen of our parish, guys like you and me. It is an incredible faith building experience for those of all faith levels. You are invited to spend this time away from the hustle and bustle of the world to recharge your spiritual batteries, and strengthen your relationship with Jesus, through prayer and fellowship. This is not a silent retreat. Jesus is inviting you to, "come and see." (John1:39).

The cost of the weekend is \$275 for single occupancy and \$250 for double occupancy. Please do not let the cost prohibit you from attending, anonymous scholarships are provided for those who may need financial assistance. The cost of the weekend includes room, meals and transportation to and from the retreat center (Mother of Perpetual Help in Houston). You must be 21 years or older to attend. Please email Paul Faraca pfaraca@aol.com with any questions and/or to apply for a financial scholarship.

You can register by scanning the QR code here. From past experience, this will fill up fast, we accept registrations on a first come-first serve basis, then to a wait list. Registration fee may not be refundable, if cancelled within two weeks prior to the event. If you are feeling called to this... answer the call. Come and see. Registration deadline is 9/20.



### FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

August 15

We are celebrating the Feast of the Assumption with 3 masses. We are holding a 7:00PM Vigil mass on Wednesday, August 14. We will also be celebrating this Feast on Thursday, August 15 at 9:00AM and 7:00PM. Due to this Feast Day, our Parish office will be closed on Thursday, August 15.



### CONGRATS TO OUR NEW ACOLYTE

Jose Jimenez

Jose Jimenez was instituted as an acolyte on Monday, July 22 by Bishop Italo at the Warren Chapel. Jose Luis Jimenez, a devout Catholic and first-generation American, has made his faith the cornerstone of his life in Houston, Texas. As a long-standing Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Jose actively serves his church community, embodying the principles of service and devotion. Since 2013, Jose and his family have been registered members of St Angela Merici parish, where they continue to nurture their spiritual journey.

Jose's commitment to service extends beyond his parish. A proud veteran of the United States Navy, he served for six years, balancing his duty to the country with his strong Christian values. His 32-year marriage to Monica and their raising of two adult children reflect the importance of family in Catholic teaching.

Jose's life story is a testament to the integration of faith, family, and community involvement, showcasing how Catholic values can shape and enrich the American dream.



### TRAVELING CHALICE

Pray for Vocations



Sign up to take the Traveling Chalice to your home for a week and pray for our priests and for our youth to open their mind and heart to answer generously to living according to God's will. Anyone can sign up to take the Traveling Chalice to your home and pray for vocations. If you know of families who have young children/youth, please invite them to sign up. This program provides a physical object on which to focus during prayer. To learn more and sign up to take the Traveling Chalice to your home, please scan the QR code here.



# Parish and Community Life

## INVESTITURE OF THE BROWN SCAPULAR

July 20

The Legion of Mary held an Investiture of the Brown Scapular on Saturday, July 20. Many parishioners were invested during the 9AM mass. Thank you to Father Joy and to the Legion of Mary members for hosting this event for our Parish community.



## FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Register Today



You work way too hard to be this broke! Now is the time to take back control of your money, and that starts by taking *Financial Peace University*. You can register on the parish website or by the QR code here to join the class. The 9-week course starts Thursday, August 29. Start making your money work for you. Any questions please contact Teresa Blackstone at [tblackstone623@yahoo.com](mailto:tblackstone623@yahoo.com).



## PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS

Spanish Speakers



Transforming the Way We Think, Pray, and Live. 15 sessions offered in Spanish at St. Angela Merici each week. We will begin on July 26 and end on November 8. Pass on the message to Spanish speaking friends who may be interested in learning more. To learn more and register, please scan the QR code here. Talleres de Oración y Vida en español pronto estarán siendo impartidos en Santa Angela Merici. Presione aquí para saber más y registrarse para participar. <https://stamericigh.com/talleres-de-oracion-y-vida>.



*Get your table today for the grooviest event of the year!*

### **\$5,000 BRICK HOUSE**

- VIP table and transportation for 10 guests
- Curated swag bags for 10 guests
- Logo, name and donor level prominently displayed
- Name mentioned in all PR before and after the event

### **\$2,500 SOLID GOLD**

- Premier table and transportation for 10 guests
- Logo, name and donor level prominently displayed
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### **\$1,500 HOT STUFF**

- Table for 10 guests
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- Name mentioned in all PR before and after the event

# FOR TICKETS

All purchases made prior to **August 15th**  
will be entered into a drawing for  
**\$300, \$200, or \$100**  
generously donated by  
The Panaligan Family



## **SEPTEMBER 14, 2024**

**BENEFITING THE BUILT ON  
FAITH/IGNITE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

Safari Texas Ranch - 6:30 p.m.

# Parish and Community Life

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

August 10

We will have anointing of the sick on Saturday, August 10 during the 9AM mass. Any parishioner who is scheduled for surgery is encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, prior to hospitalization. Parishioners who are seriously ill, and the elderly may also be anointed. We invite all who are ill to come and allow us to pray over you! As a reminder, we hold a special anointing of the sick every other month on the second Saturday of the month.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Gospel tells us “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” By “listening” we are able to live the gospel. Gospel living is something so simple as taking the time to listen to those who need to spill out their hearts when seeking help. Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you enable the members of the Society to become a “listening heart” to the hungry, the homeless and the struggling poor.

Our upcoming meeting: **Wednesday, August 14** at 6:30PM in the SAM room. If you would like to learn more about volunteering, please contact

Maggie Woods:  
stamsvdp@gmail.com.

If you or someone you know is in need, please call the SAM SVDP Help Line: 281-710-2002



## FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Registration closes 8/12

Registration for our elementary faith formation, Home Study, EDGE, LifeTeen, and BEYOND programs is closing on August 12 for the 2024/2025 school year. For any questions regarding registration, please scan the QR code here to find the right contacts for your needs. Children do need to register for faith formation to take part of the sacraments such as First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation.

## ST. ANGELA MERICI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Faith Formation Registration Closes  
August 12 for the 2024-25 School Year



SCAN THE QR  
CODE FOR  
MORE INFO

**Elementary**  
Entering K-5  
Mon/Tues Evening  
\*Homestudy option

**EDGE**  
Middle School  
Wed Evening

**LIFETEEN**  
High School  
Sun Evening

**BEYOND**  
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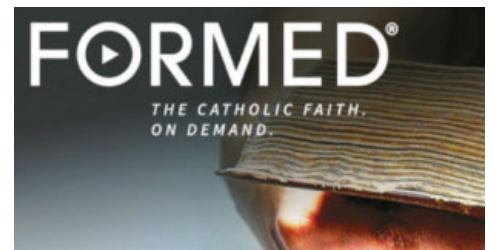


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## Parish and Community Life

### NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

St. Angela Merici is conducting an altar server training for new altar servers on Saturday August 10 from 10AM to 12PM in the SAM Room. One parent must attend this training along with their child. For any questions, please contact Pius Leung at [liturgy@stamericigh.com](mailto:liturgy@stamericigh.com).



### SACRAS

Saint Angela Merici College and Returning Altar Servers. Inviting all former altar servers of St. Angela Merici Parish who are currently studying in college or working to come, vest and altar serve with Fr. John at the first ever SACRAS mass of St. Angela Merici parish on Sunday, August 11 at 10am. For more details, please contact Bosco Fernandez at 713-478-3416.

### PARISH EMAIL SCAM

#### Please Report

Recently, there has been an increase in reports of fraudulent email solicitations for financial support and meeting requests. These scams are coming from email accounts or text messages identifying as Archdiocesan priests or Parish staff. As a reminder, priests/churches would never make such appeals to our parish community. We advise you to please notify the church office immediately if you receive **any** unfamiliar donation requests or emails. You can also report spam to the Federal Trade Commission by forwarding the spam email directly to [spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov).

### NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

Welcome to St. Angela Merici Catholic Church, located in Sienna in Missouri City. We were founded on October 1, 2007 and have since been ministering to the Catholic Community in the Missouri City area. St. Angela Merici is an active, welcoming parish with over 2100 households. Please visit our website [www.stamericigh.com](http://www.stamericigh.com) for Parish registration forms.

### BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the gift of our families. Thank you for the gift of love, of life, and of community. Lord, we trust you with everything in our lives and our most precious gift: children and family.

As we prepare for the school year ahead, we pray for our children as they prepare for another year of learning. We pray that in all that they do they will be guided by you and by your Holy Church. We pray for our schools, for school administrators, for all who work behind the scenes, and for the wonderful ways your work to bring everything together for another year of school.

We also lift prayers for all parents, educators, and home-schooling families. We pray that all parents become more aware and more involved in the lives of the children at school, at home, and in the community.

We lift prayers for safety for all children, especially those who are educated away from home. May they feel safe and secure and protected from all harm. We pray for decision makers within our communities, that they will always keep in mind the welfare of families and of children.

Lord, you love families more than we can imagine. You wish for our children to be blessed, protected, educated, and cared for. We pray that through the intercession of your Mother Mary that this upcoming school year is fruitful, productive, and most of all blessed by you and your teachings.

We ask this in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



### IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO

In light of the most recent sex abuse scandal, I would urge anyone who has experienced sexual assault or harassment by ANYONE in the church to come forward. Where the incident may rise to the level of a crime, please also contact local law enforcement. Contact information for the Archdiocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Diane Vines; [vac@archgh.org](mailto:vac@archgh.org) or 713-654-5799.

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# Donations

## CHARITY IS PRICELESS

### JULY 28TH PEW COLLECTIONS

17th Sunday Ordinary Time	\$10,493
Registered Households	2151

### MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

June Monthly Budget	\$134,816
June Offertory	\$32,955
June Online Giving	\$76,073
OVER/UNDER June	(\$25,788)
OVER/UNDER Fiscal YTD	(\$62,690)

### DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND (DSF)

2024 DSF GOAL	\$53,800
Amount Received	\$58,600
Participants	214

## WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE



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## Upcoming Second Collection Dates

Infirm Priests Collection - 8/11  
Built on Faith - 8/25



### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN : BUILT ON FAITH

Due to special circumstances, the Archdiocese financially supported our parish with a 100% loan to grow our parish campus. We prayerfully ask you to help us pay this debt by donating to our Capital Campaign.

Campaign Goal	\$3,700,000
Total Pledged	\$3,908,668
Remaining Goal	(\$208,668)
Loan Balance	\$5,654,328
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