

September 24, 2017 | Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Lawrence

CATHOLIC CHURCH

His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo — Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 7:15am, 9:00am, 11:00am,
12:45pm, 5:00pm

DAILY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
7:30am, 12:00pm

Wednesday 7:30am, 6:30pm

Friday 8:15am, 12:00pm

Saturday 8:30am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00pm–4:45pm

Wednesday 5:30pm–6:20pm

Monday–Thursday after
morning Mass

ROSARY

Friday 6:30am

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Oct 6 — *In the chapel*

7:00pm - Rosary & Confessions

7:30pm - Mass

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

Oct 7 — *In the Church*

7:45am - Meditation & Rosary


8:30am - Mass

MISA EN ESPAÑOL

Oct 14 — *En la Capilla*

Segundo y cuarto sábado de cada mes a las
7:00pm. Confesiones en Español antes de
la misa de 6:00 a 6:45 pm. Comunión a los
enfermos, Irma Martinez

Tel 281-313-2833



25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Mt 20:16

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281-980-9812

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OUR MISSION:

“ We the people of St. Laurence Catholic Church are centered in the love of Christ and live to glorify God in all we do. ”

PARISH OFFICE & COURTYARD

The parish office provides services including pastoral care, liturgical planning, business, communications, & administrative support, and social concerns & social justice support. The parish hall and meeting rooms are available through reservation by calling Nia Sepe at 281-980-9812. Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00am-9:00pm; Friday 8:00am-6:00pm; and Saturday 8:30am-12:00noon.

AVE MARIA PARISH LIFE CENTER

The Ave Maria Parish Life Center is located across the street from the church and is the site for all religious education classes, programs and offices. Inquiries and drop-ins are welcome during office hours: Monday thru Thursday 8:00am-9:00pm and Friday 8:00am-4:00pm. The Weekday Children's Program is offered for infants through pre-school aged children. During the school year, WCP hours Monday-Friday are 8:00am-3:00pm.

PARISH SCHOOL & CHAPEL

St. Laurence Catholic School provides strong academics in a Christian environment to 720 students enrolled in PreK4 through Grade 8. Office Hours: Monday-Friday are 8:00am-4:00pm.

Adjacent to the school is the Chapel of the Divine Mercy which offers Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and serves as the site for smaller liturgies.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Announcements must be submitted via email **at least 12 days before the Sunday of the publication.** Ron Martinez, Communications Coordinator
rmartinez@stlaurence.org

GOOD NEWS REFLECTION

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Loved fully, loved equally

God's not fair! How many times have we felt that way? And it's true, at least by our standards. The parable in this Sunday's Gospel reading is a fine example of this.

The landowner seems to be very unfair. We can begin to understand him, however, if we think of this parable in terms of parenthood. A loving father cares about each of his children equally. Although he gives more attention to the child who needs it more, he loves the others just as much.

God the Father is like a vineyard owner who gives equally to all. Since we cannot earn our way into heaven, equal benefits are not an injustice to those who labored longer. Rather, God gives complete and perfect love even to those who only discovered, at the last minute, the value of having a relationship with him. He can do no less.

The first reading reminds us that as high as the heavens are above the earth, God's ways are greater than our ways and his thoughts are higher than our thoughts. We think that justice (fairness) means equal treatment, but that harkens back to the Old Testament concept of justice: "an eye for an eye". Jesus raised justice to its highest level, which means being equally loving and kind to all, whether they deserve it or not.

We don't have to understand God's higher ways. We only have to be grateful that God loves us even when we are unloving. No matter how undeserving of his love we might be, he still gives us the same amount of love that he gives to the holiest of saints. He loves us as much as he loves Mary the Blessed Mother of Christ! "Am I not free to do as I wish with my own love?" he asks.

QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION:

When have you felt undeserving of God's goodness? What evidence proves that he never stopped loving you? What did he do for you? How has your own opinion of yourself interfered with feeling his love?

QUESTIONS FOR COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING:

Share the story of a time when you saw something good happen to a "bad" or undeserving person, or a time when you prayed for something that you didn't get while an unfaithful person received it without turning to God for help. Despite the unfairness of this, why are you glad that you have known God's love? Can you also be glad for the blessings that unbelievers receive from God?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SEPT/OCT

SUNDAY
24 (#1164 in your Gather book)
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading IS 55:6-9
Second Reading PHIL 1:20C-24, 27A
Gospel MT 20:1-16A

MONDAY
25
First Reading EZR 1:1-6
Gospel LK 8:16-18

TUESDAY
26
First Reading EZR 6:7-8, 12B, 14-20
Gospel LK 8:19-21

WEDNESDAY
27
First Reading EZR 9:5-9
Gospel LK 9:1-6

THURSDAY
28
First Reading HG 1:1-8
Gospel LK 9:7-9

FRIDAY
29
First Reading DN 7:9-10, 13-14
Gospel JN 1:47-51

SATURDAY
30
First Reading ZEC 2:5-9, 14-15A
Gospel LK 9:43B-45

SUNDAY
1 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading EZ 18:25-28
Second Reading PHIL 2:1-11
Gospel MT 21:28-32

PRAYING THE NEWS | SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

"Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts..."

Isaiah 55:7

Dear merciful Lord, evil forces itself on us, even when we try to focus on the good. Please save us from hardened hearts. We depend on your power and desire to bless all creation. May those who seek chaos and terror – in North Korea, London, the Middle East, anywhere – accept your constant invitation to choose another path, toward Love. Please grant us the grace to hope for their conversion and resist their tyranny.

Jesus, we trust in you. Amen. †

In Our Prayers...

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for these members of our parish family and all our loved ones listed in the Book of the Sick:

Elia Acuna, Stephanie Alford, Zade Ambeaux, John Argue, Linda Babin, Eden Bantigue, Wallace Barbay, Deborah Beck, Deacon Al Bothe, Eduardo, Caballero, Jun Castro, Bobby Castillo, Joe Celestain, Michelle Collins, Jim Cronin, John Cummings, Lupita de la Rosa, Brittany Dodson, Julie Donati, Terri Donovan, Judith Dupre, Evelyn Dyogi, Agnes Fagnant, Amelia Flores, Enrique Flores, Maggie Flores, Marina Flores, Robb Flynn, Connie Forbes, Cynthia Forgas, Lupe Fraga, Jerry Gabino, Alicia Garcia, Patricia Garmon, Delia Genova, Beth Gloff, Kathy Gonzalez, Martha Harbin, Angelina Hernandez, Ramon Hernandez, Anne Higgins Rose Holbrooke, James Hrebenar, Shanthi Jayaprakash, Jeff Johnson, Regina Johnson, Paul Joseph, Brian Judice, John Judice, Sylvia Kauffman, Christine Kingerski, Cindy Kral, Charles Kramer, Chris Larkins, Lisa Lauve, Mike Lojo, Beverly Marcellus, Russ Marcellus, Anna Mathew, Lavonne McFarland, Barbara McNees, Victor Mendiola, Marina Monroy, Jim Murray, Patrick Navidad, Paul Vung Nguyen, Fr. Roy Oggero, Sandra Ortiz, Meena Outlaw, Catalina Padora, Fay Parker, Charles Pierson, Lauren Popeney, Angela Rankin, Frances Revelt, Melanie Robb, Rodolfo Rodriguez, Ivonne Ruiz, Provi Sabido, Gil Saenz, Ed Sabrsula, Kathleen Schroeder, Scotty Scott, Joan Sherman, June Sherman, Irma Soza, Steve Spaulding, Justin Stout, Lawrence Staszak, Adrienne Sturgis, Jackie Tanner, Brian Teykl, Eugene Theobald, Todd Triggs, JD Tyler, Amy Visser, Doris Wagoner, Kylie Ward, John White, Monica Williams

PRAY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THOSE IN PRISON

Following are the prayer intentions of people visited by our Correctional Ministry. Please pray for...

Scott Askew & Family, Moreno Family, Pedro Arguelles, Riviera Family, Tommy, Ryan, Rachel Rodriguez & Family, Nora & Frank Serrano Family, Portillo Family, San Miguel Family, Simonson Family, Mosqueda Family, Sanchez Family, Guerra Family, Riojas Family, Cantu Family, Christopher James, Linda Cameron & Family, Dianna Ceker & Family, Daniel Lee, Keith Cameron, Laura Nelson & Family, Jamie Pruitt & Family, Isabella Flores, Adrian Zaldivar, Jessica Ayala, Sonia Aguilar, Elizabeth Rojas, Lizette Trevino, Johnny A Sanchez, Teresa G. Ruiz, Eva G. Molina, Robert Lee Martinez, Miko K. Cerrone, Ronald Bussey & Family, Kolbe A.C.T.S. Volunteers & Families, Chaplain Tom Lowe & Family, Al Bothe, the Society of St. John de Matha, the men in the Terrell Prison RCIA program and all the people of Jester 3. (9/11/17)

PRAY FOR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

CW2 Brett Aderhold, *US Army, AV*
SPC David Ambrocik, *US Army*
PVT Michael Baird, *US Army*
SA Matthew Baird, *US Navy*
P.O. 5 Debra Barnette, *US Navy*
LCpl Trevor Bello, *USMC*
PFC John Blair, *US Army*
LCpl Gordon Briggs, *USMC*
SPC Jordan Briggs, *US Army*
Maj. Michael Carroll, *USMC*
Staff Sgt. Jason Chacon, *USMC*
Lt Matthew Chesney, *US Navy*
Maj. Christopher Coffman, *US Air Force*
Capt. Patrick Coffman, *USMC*
LT Colin Day, *US Navy*
1LT Andrew DeSplinter, *US Army*
SGT Nicholas Dockum, *US Army*
Capt. Brandon Driscoll, *USMC*
Maj. James Dunphy, *USMC*
1LT Michael Eberhardt, *US Army*
CPT Stacey Eberhardt, *US Army Reserve*
Derek Farias, *US Navy*
Capt. Matthew Fenelon, *USMC*
PFC Aaron Fox, *USMC*
PVT Jahneil Xavier George, *US Army*
SSG Philip Graham, *US Army*
1LT Spencer Henry, *US Army*
PVT Liam Hill, *US Army*
Daniel Hines, *US Navy*
SSG Matthew Hollobaugh, *US Army Reserve*
1LT Michelle Font, *US Army*
SPC Joshua Keenan, *US Army*
Joseph Kingerski, *US Navy*
EM4 James Locus, *US Navy*
PFC Philip Loera, *US Army*
PFC John Lundgren, *US Army*
Amn Joseph Marcellus, *USAF*
SGT William Marcellus, *USMC*
TSgt David March, *Texas Air National Guard*
Capt. Brendan McPartland, *USMC*
CPT Alexander Morningstar, *US Army*
CB, Richard Pinard, *US Navy*
QMSN Bryce Prochazka, *US Navy*
LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, *USMC*
SGT Santiago Ramirez, *US Army*
1LT Taylor Rammrath, *US Army*
Sgt. Barbara L. Rangel, *USMC*
SSgt Jonathan Slusser, *US Air Force*
LTJG Kevin Stransky, *US Navy*
CTM3 Nicholas Stuhlman, *US Navy*
Maj. Michael Thesing, *USMC*
1LT Kevin Wheeler, *US Army*
SGT Bryce Whitley, *US Army*
AM Troy Yelverton, *US Navy*

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Collin Brown, Chad Henry, Bryan Williams,
Sister M. Philomena (Krystle Cagandahan), Sister Daniela (Megan Bennett), Sister Rachel Marie of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus & Mary (Rachel Gosda), Christopher Meyer, Tom Ruck, Margaret Uche

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPT 23

5:00pm — Kevin McGinnis (D)

SUNDAY, SEPT 24

7:15am — Joseph Stefans (D)

9:00am — Jim & RoseAnn Squires (I)

11:00am — Giovanni Rosa (D)

12:45pm — Richard Gillette (D)

5:00pm — St. Laurence Parishioners

MONDAY, SEPT 25

7:30am — Joseph Schlosser (D)

12:00pm — Maria & Carlos Cid (D)

TUESDAY, SEPT 26

7:30am — Alfred Guillory (D)

12:00pm — Christopher Anthaume (D)

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 27

7:30am — The Joseph Family (I)

6:30pm — Carol Martin (D)

THURSDAY, SEPT 28

7:30am — Valerie E. Zimmerman (I)

12:00pm — Nonie Hackett (D)

FRIDAY, SEPT 29

8:15am — Lorenzo H. Lopez (D)

12:00pm — Eugene Pascual (I)

SATURDAY, SEPT 30

8:30am — Juliana Guerrero (D)

5:00pm — Edel Guerrero (D)

SUNDAY, OCT 1

7:15am — Salvador Rosario (D)

9:00am — Paul Kontrimas (D)

11:00am — Wilmo Hinguillo (I)

12:45pm — George Valverde (D)

5:00pm — St. Laurence Parishioners

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE MASS CELEBRATION

The 2017 Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass honoring couples celebrating their Golden (50th) Anniversary of marriage in The Catholic Church will be held on Sunday, October 15, at The Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 3 pm. Whether or not a couple attends the ceremony, they are eligible to receive a special recognition. **Registration for this celebration will close on September 25, at midnight.** Reserved seating will be limited for couples celebrating their anniversary, so please register soon to be able to reserve your space and also to make sure you will receive your acknowledgment on that day. Couples that register after September 25 will not receive prepared WAJ packet, or a signed recognition. For details and to register online <http://www.familylifeministryhouston.org>

PARENTING HELP?

The office of Family Life Ministry have trained eight professionals around the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston to provide services to parents who are willing and need help raising their children. The program is designed to offer advice, support and formation to parents with common developmental and behavioral problems in children. To obtain more information please contact us at 713-741-8739 or 713-741-8711.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

"Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near." Encourage those moments by enjoying a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend with your spouse (Oct. 13-15 or Nov. 10-12). Contact Brian & Tina Little at 281-773-4014 for more information. Or go on-line to www.houstonme.org.

OCT 15: MILITIA IMMACULATA CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AND CONSECRATION CEREMONY

Come to a special day of celebration and learning on the vigil of the 100th Anniversary of St. Maximilian Kolbe's Militia of the Immaculata with national speaker Rich May at Our Lady of Czestochowa Catholic Church (Blalock Rd, Houston). A presentation "Foundations of Marian Consecration in the teachings of St. Maximilian Kolbe" begins at 2:35 pm. Confessions will be heard at 3:30 pm. Holy Mass celebrated by Father Alvaro Interiano at 4 pm, a Consecration Ceremony will follow the sermon. Free-Will Offerings towards the MI accepted. For more info and to RSVP: 281-793-3394 or <http://midomusmariae.wordpress.com/current-events>

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION — WEEKLY OFFERTORY

September 17 Collection.....	\$61,399
Registered Households.....	7,471
Envelopes Used	757
Loose Checks	222

AUTOMATED GIVING

Monthly Offertory	\$193,782
Participants	982

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

2017 Parish Goal.....	\$495,000
Amount Paid	\$390,352
Amount Pledged.....	\$428,903
Participants	912

KINGDOM CARE*

Childcare is provided through Kingdom Care, a loving, Christian, and safe environment for young children while their parents attend Mass and other parish programs. Register in advance at the parish office with Christy Delamora at 281-980-9812.

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WEDDING PREPARATION

Next class: OCT 9 & DEC 11

The standard preparation time for weddings is 9-12 months in advance of the desired date. All engaged couples must attend an information session, usually offered every other month. Register with Rosemary Mascarenhas at 281-980-9812.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Next classes: OCT 7

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays each month. To schedule a baptism call Rose Davis at 281-980-9812. The parent prep class is offered monthly.

PARISH CELEBRATIONS

WEDDINGS

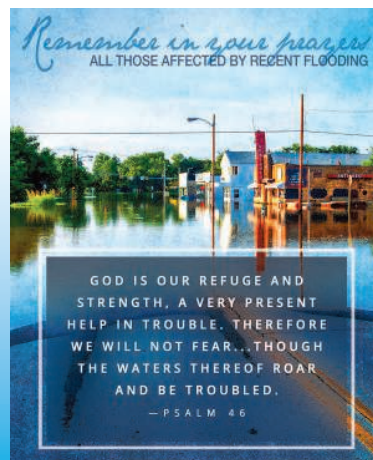
Lauren Cruz & Justin Montez

FUNERALS

Richard Conroy, father of Tim Conroy & Sue Benoy

E-GIVING: FAITH DIRECT

Consider supporting St. Laurence Catholic Church with electronic donations through Faith Direct by visiting www.faithdirect.net using our church code: **TX460**. Thank you



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Family, Children & Youth Ministry

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

SEPT 24: PRESCHOOL CCE (3's & 4's) through Kindergarten (Sunday option) **begins TODAY** in the Ave Maria Center for all registered and placed children.

SEPT 26 & 27: ELEMENTARY CCE THIS WEEK

The Bible: The Word of God

We are off to a great start with our Catechist Meet & Greet this past week. It was great to meet all of the parents and to see the children back. Welcome as well to our new families! We pray that you find this year a beautiful journey for your families as we partner together in the formation of your children. This coming week, we will learn about how God reveals Himself to us through his Word, the Bible, which inspired by the Holy Spirit was written by God's people. This is one way in which God speaks to us. Be sure to get out your family Bible this week. Open it together and as a family read a favorite Scripture passage together. Discuss why the passage has special meaning for your family.

Attention All CCE Home Study Families: Program materials for this year are now available for pick-up in the AMC. Please mark your calendars for our first mandatory Parent Enrichment and Homework Checkpoint Meeting on Monday, October 23, from 7-8pm in the AMC Marian Hall.



ST. LAURENCE
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!
SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR SPIRIT NIGHTS!

September 29 — Los Tios / Skeeters

October 5 — Urban Air - 6:00 -8:00 p.m.

November 9 — Chick-Fil-A — All Day

November 15 — El Pollo Loco — 4:00-8:00 p.m

WE LOVE OUR GRANDPARENTS!

St. Laurence Catholic School is celebrating Grandparents' Day on **September 29**. We would love to share what our kids are doing with their grandparents or special friends!

Early dismissal at 12:00pm. Invite your grandparents to lunch to Los Tios or Skeeters for our Spirit Day!

ATTEND OUR SPICE LUNCHEON!

You are invited to attend our Annual Special People in Catholic Education (SPICE) Luncheon on October 13, at 11:30am in the Ave Maria Center. We are honored to welcome Sister Lisa Valentini, MSC. This unforgettable event will focus on our call to serve all God's children. For more information, contact the Advancement Office at 281-980-0500.

THIS WEEK: FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Please pray for: Matthew Vinh Quang Nguyen and all children making their First Communion this year!



EVENTS

SEPT 29: Fort Bend County Fair Day Holiday



WCP Bridge Class collected Harvey Donations.

QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FROM CRIB THROUGH 5 YEARS

Learn more and find the **WCP Calendar** at:
www.stlaurence.org/weekday-childrens-program





Life Teen is for any teen currently in high school. This ministry is St. Laurence's main outreach to 9-12th graders. Through teaching and social events we hope to build up the kingdom of God one teen at a time. For info and to help, please **Contact Eric Painter at epainter@stlaurence.org**

9/24 - Life Teen Kick-Off: Color War!

Join us tonight for our Life Teen Kick Off Color War! We'll eat, pray, meet with your small groups for the year, and get colorful. You may want to bring a white t-shirt to wear!

9/26 - D-Groups: 6-7:30pm in the Youth Hall

All high school youth are invited to join us every Tuesday for Discipleship Groups (D-Groups). D-Groups is a community faith group and Bible Study. Dinner is provided.

9/26 - Legacy: 8-9pm in the Youth Hall

All Juniors & Seniors are invited to join us every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month for our leadership development program called Legacy.

9/27 - Open Youth Hall: 3-5pm in the Youth Hall

Stop by anytime from 3-5pm to hang out, play games, work on homework, build community, and more..



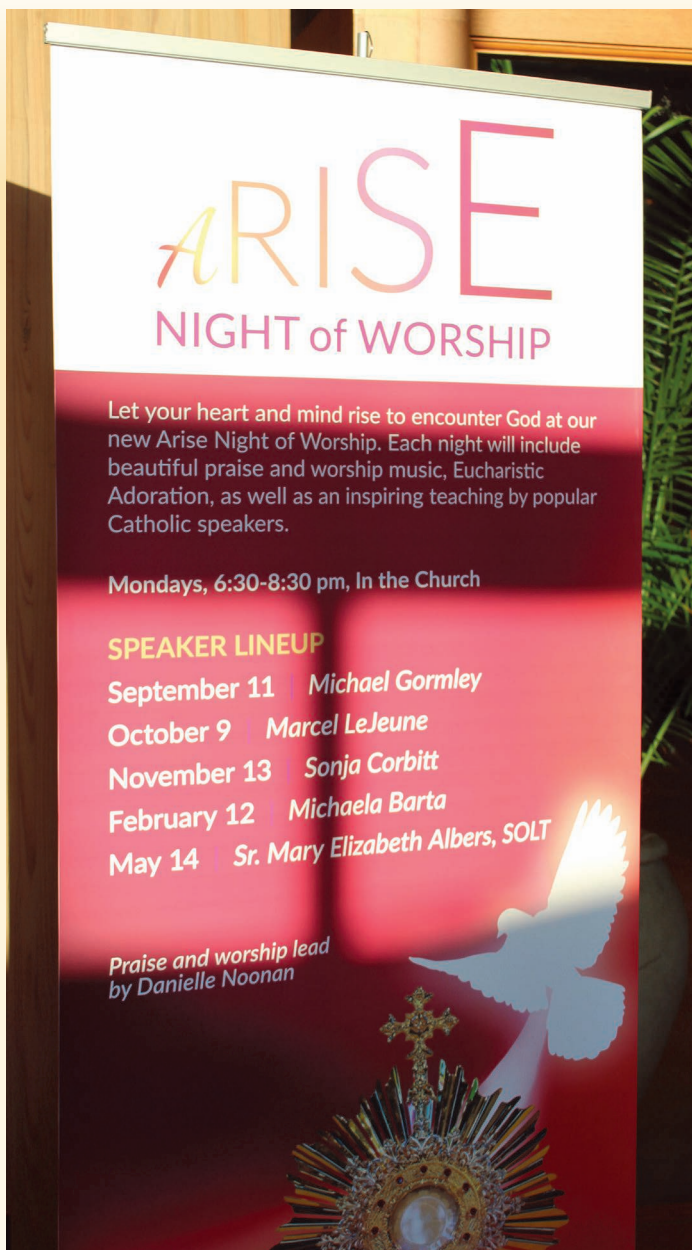
EDGE is way more than effective catechesis. It's Catholic Middle School Youth Ministry that helps young people with life's most challenging years. Edge Nights take place Wednesday evenings, September through April at the Ave Maria Center. All 6th-8th graders are invited and encouraged to attend. Interested in helping out? **Contact Maureen Bass at mbass@stlaurence.org**.

CONFIRMATION



Confirmation at St. Laurence is part of Youth Ministry and Religious Education. We bring teens closer to Christ through this Sacrament of the Church. Contact Sara Sahlezghi at ssahlezghi@stlaurence.org. Confirmation is open to sophomores and juniors in high school. Teens who do not attend Catholic School should attend Life Nights (HS religious education) for at least a year prior to beginning preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, to ensure they have been catechized and are prepared for the journey to Confirmation.

TURN BACK MY SOUL TO YOUR REST



Arise Night of Worship Returns

Monday, Oct 9, 6:30-8:30, in the Church
Marcel LeJeune

"Calling Upon The Name Of The Lord"

Learn the true nature of what it means to follow Jesus and what we can expect when we have a relationship with him, forged in prayer. Practical, inspiring, and aiming to help you gain a new perspective for the Kingdom of God, we will explore intimacy with God as we call upon the name of the Lord. **For more info: stlaurence.org/arise**

For Adults



THIS WEEK IN ADULT FAITH FORMATION

MONDAY

Men's Bible Study

7:30-9:00pm, St Francis Room

Contact: Steve Ewbank | 281-703-3873 | ewbanksix@gmail.com

Lay Apostle Prayer Group (1st Monday, Oct 2)

10:30am-12:00pm OR 7:00-8:30pm, St. Anne Room

Contact: Kay Quenan | 281-265-3238 | kquenan@icloud.com

TUESDAY

Men's Bible Study

6:15-7:15am, St Francis Room

Contact: Steve Ewbank | 281-703-3873 | ewbanksix@gmail.com

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

9:00-11:45am, Marian Hall, Contact: Joe Kanusky | 281-265-4084

Sept 26: Early World Part 2

WEDNESDAY

Contemplative Prayer

9:30am-12:00 pm Corpus Christi Room

Contact: Elaine Smith | 281-499-6660 | emchabert@comcast.net

Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy

(1st and 3rd Wednesdays)

7:30-9:00pm, Corpus Christi Room

Contact: Suzan Bryan | 713-816-5859 | suzan.bryan@comcast.net

THURSDAY

Catholic Men Called to be Saints

5:30-7:30am, Guardian Angel Hall

Contact: Jim Kij | 281-253-4800 | jimkij@comcast.net

Christian Meditation Prayer Group

6:30-7:30pm, St Anne Room

Contact: Patrick King | 713-444-6014 | patrickking50@gmail.com

Divine Mercy Cenacle

9:00am-12:00pm, St Francis Room

Contact: Sally Flowers | sallyjoflowers@comcast.net

Thursday Bible Study

1:00-2:00pm, St Anne Room or 7:15-8:30pm AMC Room 205

Contact: Julie Evett | jevett@comcast.net

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facebook.com/groups/stlaurenceadultfaith



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CATHOLIC MEN CALLED TO BE SAINTS

Thursday, Sept 28-Dec 21, 5:30 am-7:30 am

Guardian Angel Hall

Join **Catholic Men Called to be Saints** as they learn how men can build themselves up by building each other up, in **22:32 Men**, a video series by Fr. Larry Richards. Men need a "foundation" to build upon. Men need someone to count on. Men need each other. Because men are constantly being attacked in an increasingly secular society, 22:32 MEN has a mission to bring all men to Jesus Christ and to show how God wants to be that foundation that men need in their lives. For more info: Jim at jimkij@comcast.net.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Mondays PM, Sept 25-June 25, 2018, 7:30-9:00 pm

Tuesdays AM, Sept 26-June 26m 2018 6:15-7:15 am

Ave Maria Center, St Francis Room

Join this group as they study "**The Letters of St Paul to the Thessalonians, Timothy, and Titus**" by Ignatius Catholic Study Guide. Scott Hahn and Curtis Mitch present insights and inspiring commentary on Thessalonians, Timothy and Titus. It contains Bible study helps and tools, in addition to the Hahn-Mitch notes, it includes insights from the Church Fathers, topical essays, word studies and charts, study questions, maps, and a cross-reference section.

The **Tuesday Bible Study** reflects on **Sunday's Readings**, introducing men to the Scripture passages used in the upcoming Sunday's Mass. Men are able to engage in stimulating discussion in understanding God's plan for them. For more information on either group, contact Steve Ewbank at ewbanksix@gmail.com.

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE

Thursdays, Sept 28-Dec 14, 9:00 -10:15

Ave Maria Center, St Francis Room



Come study the teachings our Lord gave to St. Maria Faustina in the *Diary of St. Faustina*, the Scriptures and the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. "Jesus said... one thing alone is necessary: that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in

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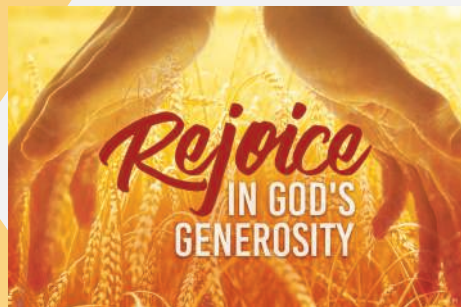
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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



From an early age, we tend to distort the concept of “fairness”: “I am good. I deserve good things. I am not receiving good things. Something must be wrong. Who’s going to fix it?” We also know the age-old expression: “Who ever said life was fair?” Jesus knew this expression when he offered his parable in today’s Gospel reading. Christian stewards acknowledge, with humility, that they receive good things from the Lord in abundance; even if these gifts are not the ones they think they need when they need them. Consider which servants you identify with most in the Gospel reading, the ones who demand “fairness”, or that final servant who, seemingly, deserves the least.

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STEWARDS AMONG US

TEDDY & FE BENTULAN



Joining a ministry that fits your interests, talents or cultural background is a good way to make this large parish feel smaller. That’s what Teddy & Fe Bentulan did when they

joined the parish 18 years ago. They got involved in the Filipino Community of St. Laurence and today Teddy serves as its Vice Chairman. Through the FCSL, they both enjoy serving at the Filipino food booth at the Bazaar and working on teams to put on annual events, such as the Holy Spirit Workshop and Simbang Gabi Mass & reception. This involvement opened the door to other parish activities, including Eucharistic Adoration. “We always bring our joys, sufferings, and failures during that hour, including those of the parish community... and Sunday Mass rejuvenates and recharges us in anticipation of life’s challenges for the coming week. St. Laurence is a vibrant community with a lot of opportunities to grow our faith. Pick one and it will surely lead you to ways that will always surprise you. And when you do, it will be like what the Apostle Matthew wrote: ‘Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you’ (Mt 7:7).”

In all we do ...



In the Cross our hope
is reborn. Hope born
of the Cross is different
from that of the world,
because it is born of the
love of Jesus.

— Pope Francis

SEPTEMBER 14, 2017

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Ask Paula

Q.
**How can I
volunteer for
the Bazaar?**



A.
You guys are in luck! This week out on the plaza you can sign up to volunteer. Work a shift or two. So, you can either sign up today OR you can go on SignUpGenius (on our website). The great thing is, you don’t have to have any past bazaar experience, everyone can work it! If you’ve never volunteered at St. Laurence, this is a great way to get involved and meet people. You can also pick up your raffle tickets today. I know the car this year is a Honda CRV. I could really use it, *just sayin’*. Pretty sure I’m gonna win something. All the proceeds from this bazaar are going towards the Harvey Relief Fund. So, let’s make it a good one! Everybody come out and participate!

Paula Savo has been our Parish Receptionist for 20 years and knows the practical answers to (practically) everything. Call 281-980-9812 or email her at psavo@stlaurence.org.

COROMOTO MASS 2017

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MASS FOR VENEZUELA Friday, September 29th, 7:00 pm



BILINGUAL EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Presider: Daniel Cardenal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston
Concelebrants: Monsignor Ubaldo Santana Sequera, Archbishop of Maracaibo
Rev. Rafael Dávila Useche, MM and Rev. Drew Wood, Pastor of St. Laurence

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will interpret parts of the "Misa Venezolana" by Prof. Jesús Albert Hernández
and of the "Misa Zuliana" by Prof. Renato Aguirre

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MISA POR VENEZUELA
viernes 29 de septiembre a las 7:00 pm



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OCT 1: FLU SHOT CLINIC

Support the Medical Mission and get your family's flu shots! The clinic will be held in the parish hall from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Flu shots will be given by volunteer pharmacists, doctors and nurses at a cost of \$30. (Regular flu shots only.) All proceeds support MMDM. Questions, Contact Maria Jacobson at mjacobson1984@yahoo.com. OR stlaurence.org/medical-missionaries.

MMDM is collecting donations of wheelchairs, walkers, canes, or crutches that may be given to patients during the mission in Laredo. For more info: stlaurence.org/medical-missionaries.

GET YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SILENT NIGHT

The weekend of October 7 & 8, St. Laurence Catholic Daughters will sponsor the sale of raffle tickets for a beautiful quilt, "Silent Night". This work of art was designed by Diane Peters of One Country Lane Quilt Designs and appliqued and pieced by St. Laurence Women of the Cloth members. Tickets are \$2 each or \$10 for a book of 6 tickets. Proceeds will be donated to St. Laurence Social Concerns for hurricane relief.



OCT 6: IN THE HEART OF THE HOME



Are you a Catholic mom who home schools your children? Please join other Catholic moms who home school for an evening of visiting and sharing. Bring a favorite fall dessert to share. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided.

**Friday, October 6, Ave Maria Center,
6:00-7:30 pm**

RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4
to Melissa Calcote, at mcalcote@stlaurence.org

JOB POSTING: BABYSITTING COORDINATOR

St. Laurence is now hiring a part-time Babysitting Coordinator. This position is responsible for providing babysitting for young children in order to allow their parents to attend Mass as well as participate in religious education and other parish events. This position will be responsible for registration, recruitment of babysitting staff and planning of weekly faith elements during babysitting along with other essential functions. Preferred work experience: 2-3 years of experience working with children either within an education, catechesis or child care setting. All interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Laura Stephens, Director of Religious Education, at lstephens@stlaurence.org.

PARISH BAZAAR

ON THE PLAZA THIS WEEKEND

Sign-up to work a shift and plug-in to the parish bazaar.

PICK UP YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS TODAY!



**THIS WEEKEND
COFFEE &
DONUTS**

**AFTER ALL
MORNING MASSES**

IN THE PARISH HALL

Hosted by St. Laurence Ladies Guild



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NOV 4-11

for more info:

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**FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
HOLY MASS &
NOVENA TO
ST. ANTHONY
OF PADUA**

OCTOBER 3 — IN THE CHURCH

6:30pm - Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00pm - Mass (followed by Novena to St. Anthony of Padua)

HEARTFELT THANK YOU FOR HARVEY RELIEF

THERE ARE NO WORDS TO EXPRESS HOW THANKFUL WE ARE TO YOU, OUR PARISHIONERS FOR YOUR OVERWHELMING SUPPORT AND GENEROUS RESPONSE TO THE NEEDS OF THOSE AFFECTED BY HARVEY. IN ADDITION TO THE INDIVIDUALS WE THANKED LAST WEEK, WE WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO VOLUNTEERED EACH DAY AT OUR DISTRIBUTION CENTER AT THE AVE MARIA CENTER DURING THE SECOND WEEK:

Kathy Eyring, Susan Choate, Catherine Yepsen, Linda Tollerud, Kaitlyn Krump, Marina Mendonca, Tori Hernandez, Carla Silva, Rose Mary Resuriz, Sam Zezatti, Julie Mueller, Vicki Hu, Erika Vudoyra, and the over 340 volunteers who joyfully served our brothers and sisters in Christ.

And, the following St. Laurence Ministries, faith communities, and local companies who provided supplies or lunch for our volunteers:

The Church, Sugar Land Chick-fil-A, Red Lobster, Missouri City Raising Cane, Sugar Land Panera Bread, Mrs. Baird's Bread, The Joy Club, Quan & Angela Vu, Crystal Nguyen, Joey Pham and Linda Cuac.

During the second week of operations, the supplies and donations were still coming in strong (As of 9-15-17)



- received over \$61,415 in gift card and monetary donations
- received donations of 20,000+ items
- unloaded 150+ cars
- unloaded 8 pallets of supplies
- contributed over 1,700 volunteer hours (more than 340 volunteers) served in the Ave Maria Center
- assisted 1,100 people (approx. 220 families) with emergency supplies & goods in the Ave Maria Center
- distributed more than \$4,800 in store gift cards
- distributed more than \$1,000 in fast food gift cards
- delivered more than 12 SUV/truckloads of supplies to families in Wharton, Clute, Rosharon, Richmond, Port Arthur, Kingwood
- loaded 3 box trucks filled with remaining supplies which were distributed to Catholic Charities (downtown), Catholic Charities (Mamie George), Helping Hands (Richmond)

Final numbers will be updated in next week's bulletin.



Dear Lord,
please help the people in Houston who were
in the hurricane. Help them to stay safe
and calm. Please clear the flooding. Amen

Pennie, Melanie & Monica
The Social Concerns Ministry Team

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION: Because of the arrival of Harvey, few people attended Mass on Aug 27, and the Spiritual Adoption prayer cards were not put out. They are out this weekend.

One month! Your spiritually adopted baby has implanted itself in mother's womb and has grown to 10,000 times its original size! The foundations of the brain, spinal cord, and nervous system are forming, and the heart is beating regularly. The baby has his or her own circulatory system and may have a different blood type than mom. During the next month, your baby is most vulnerable to being aborted. Pray that the Lord of Life might move the heart of the mother to give her child the most precious gift of life.

OCT 29: LIFE CHAIN NEW DATE

This year's event is later in October. Hopefully the weather will be cooler for our 90 minutes outside! Life Chain is the event when we stand along Hwy 6 from 2:00 to 3:30 pm to remind our community that "Abortion Kills Children", "Abortion Hurts Women", "Jesus Forgives and Heals" and other messages. **Sign-ups will be held Oct 15th and 22nd.**

OCT 7: PRAYER AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD

First Saturday Christian Voices for Life sponsors prayer at Planned Parenthood at 4600 Gulf Freeway, from 10 am to 12 noon each first Saturday of each month. Women already vulnerable to abortion will be even more tempted to abort if they were impacted by Harvey. Please join us in prayer on Oct 7, for any portion of the 2 hour span. stlaurence.org/respect-life

BLACK BAG OFFERTORY

BLACK BAG DONATION TODAY!

This Sunday's black bag collection will be used for our People in Crisis fund which is currently averaging more than \$10,000 a month in financial assistance to individuals who come to Social Concerns for help or are referred to us by our community partners!



FAITH IN ACTION



A very special thank you to St. Laurence Boy Scout Troop 828, led by Adan Deroche for an outstanding job as they loaded up all the supplies at the last hour on the final day and delivered to the Mamie George Community Center in Richmond.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

WEEKLY

MONDAYS: Our Daily Bread 9:30am, SCM Workroom

WEDNESDAYS: Coupons for a Cause 1:00pm, SCM Workroom

OTHER GREAT OPPORTUNITIES

Bingo: Call weekend Bingo games for nursing home residents at Sugar Land Health Care Center

Birthday Celebrations: Organize bi-monthly birthday/holiday celebrations at Sugar Land Health Care Center

Child Advocates Snack Bags: Monthly assembly of 100+ snack bags for children

Fresh Food Delivery: Twice a month, purchase and deliver fresh food St. John Fisher food pantry

Learn English Ministry: Teach English to non-English-speaking adults; no teaching or foreign language experience necessary

Lunches of Love: Decorate lunch bags; over 2,200 brown bag meals provided each week to children in Richmond-Rosenberg

Village Program: Matches parish families with families that struggle each month to make ends meet

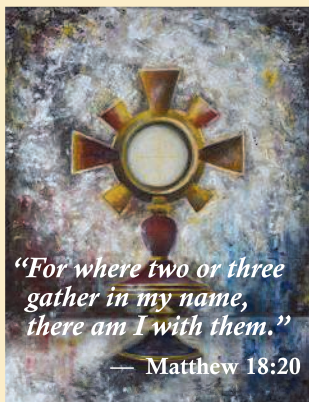
FOR MORE INFO ABOUT THESE AND OTHER GREAT WAYS TO SERVE OTHERS, GO TO www.stlaurence.org/social-concerns

WHAT WE NEED

You can help with these simple donations. Look around the house and see what you have to share and drop off at the parish office or in the SCM Donation bin in the church.

- men's clothing for residents of **ROSARY HOUSE**, a halfway house for ex-prisoners: new underwear and gently used and new long & short sleeve shirts, pants, socks, shoes, jackets.
- mini/trial sizes shampoo, men's deodorant, soap, lotion, toothpaste & toothbrush for **MILITARY, HOMELESS, REFUGEES**
- new white crew socks, new white t-shirts (size large), pop-top tuna/meat, individual peanut butters, granola bars for the **HOMELESS**
- birthday party gifts of new/unused toys, \$10-\$20 gift cards (fast food, Wal-Mart, Target), new/gently used children's books & small fleece blankets for **CHILDREN IN SHELTERS**
- Sunday Coupon inserts for **COUPONS FOR A CAUSE** program; drop off in parish office or the Hospitality Desk in the church
- Paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, disinfectant spray cleaners for **PEOPLE IN CRISIS**.

ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL



The first commandment is to love God. What better way to love God than to spend time with Him in the chapel? ***The Archdiocese guidelines for Eucharistic Exposition require that 2 or 3 persons be present at all times.*** We are adding a second adorer whenever only one is currently in place. ***Are you that second person?***

**URGENT NEED: Thursdays, 2am-3am
(every or alternating months).**

Please check online:

stlaurence.org/adoration or pick up a card at the back of the church for a list of days and times available and prayerfully consider the hours listed where we need committed adorers. Contact us via email: **adoration@stlaurence.org -or- 281-224-6122 (Fran Magelssen) 281-235-8008 (Denise MacDougall)**

JOY CLUB FOR SENIORS

The J.O.Y. Club (Just Older Youth) is a parish group for people 55-and-up. The group meets on the first Monday of each month, from 11:00am-1:00pm, for a social activity or program at the Ave Maria Center. To learn more about the J.O.Y. Club, contact Anne Higgins at nannyhiggs@gmail.com or 832-755-5597.

MON 10/2 11am to 1pm, Ave Maria Center, brown bag lunch. Methodist Speaker's Bureau will discuss the topic "Exercise at our age".

THUR 10/19 Visit to the NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE in Dickinson, more details to follow

OCT 13: TEACHINGS ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

Deacon Rey will continue teachings on the Holy Spirit and his gifts every 2nd & 3rd Friday's of each month except when announced otherwise. Meetings in the Chapel of the Divine Mercy starts at 7:00pm.



Remaining meetings for this year: OCT 13, 20, & NOV 10. For questions call Deacon Rey at 713-854-8804 or Margie Calo at 281-980-4711.

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY

No One Should Grieve Alone

Our program uses the foremost authorities in the field of grief and loss. They share their wit and wisdom as well as compassion, knowledge and understanding, which comes from personal experiences, formal education and practice. Our videos inform, inspire and offer important tools to help you navigate your grief journey. With our facilitators, who are certified educators/teachers, our participants get the best of both types of programs... information from the leading minds in the field and an opportunity for discussion with the compassionate members of this group who will walk the journey with you! We have also experienced the death of someone that we deeply love!

No Cost - No Prerequisites - No Requirements. All are welcome! Everyone grieves in their own way and in their own time. Whether your loss is recent or in the past we encourage you to come! We meet every week at The Ave Maria Center!

Tuesday 6:30pm OR Wednesday 10:00am

Contact: Sandy 832-451-9117 or help2grieve@hotmail.com

SEVEN DEADLY SINS-SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S DVD SERIES

Mondays 6:30-8:00pm (Ave Maria Center Room 201)
10/2-11/27

Thursdays 10:00-11:30am (Corpus Christi Rm.)
9/28-12/7

Pride, envy, anger, sloth, greed, gluttony and lust: these "seven deadly sins" are patterns of dysfunction that keep us separated from God and ultimately lead to unhappiness. Join us as we embark on Fr. Robert Barron's DVD program exploring these seven sinful patterns and learn how to practice countervailing virtues that can break the cycle of sin.

On September 28, we will begin the Seven Deadly Sins and Seven Lively Virtues program. Sessions will run for 9 weeks on Mondays at 6:30-8:00 PM (Ave Maria Center Rm 201) or Thursdays 10:00-11:30 AM (Corpus Christi Rm.)

The Thursday morning sessions will be facilitated by Bernadette Peters

For more information, contact Anne Marie Daniel at adaniel@stlaurence.org

VOCATIONS AWARENESS

DISCOVER THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED is a monthly gathering for young adult men ages 18 and up who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood and/or religious life. The program focuses on a different topic each month, and is usually held at St. Mary's Seminary on the second Thursday of every month. Join diocesan and religious priests and other young adults for an evening of food, prayer, music, talks, and fellowship. Oct. 12, Nov. 9, & Dec. 14, 6:30pm - 9:30pm. Questions: houstonvocations.com/discover Or Office of Vocations, 713-652-8239

WOMEN SEEKING Gathering for women ages 18 and up who are interested in learning more about religious life. Sisters from different religious communities will be present. 6:30pm to 9:00pm. Gatherings will be at different convents around the archdiocese. Video, photos, registration and details at www.houstonvocations.com/women-seeking for more information contact Sr. Anita Brenek, CDP at 713-652-8239 or abrennek@archgh.org. **Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14**

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

ENCOUNTER 2017

We have SIX spots left for our Steubenville Young Adult Encounter Conference! Wanna come?! Email me! It's Sept 29-Oct 1 at the Marriott Marquis Downtown, with a Texas shaped lazy river on the roof. St. Laurence is bringing a group of 25 people & the group rate is \$199 per person. Includes: 2 nights of lodging, hotel amenities, conference fee, and Friday night meal (the other meals are on your own). Fantastic speaker line-up plus Eucharistic adoration! Contact Micheala Barta, Young Adult Minister, 281-265-5774, Or mbarta@stlaurence.org to register.

BIBLE TIMELINE: STORY OF SALVATION HISTORY

2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month for 8 WEEKS! 7:15-9pm (join us for 6:30 mass beforehand if you can!) Ave Maria Center, St. Clare Room. **Sept 13, Sept 27, Oct 11, Oct 25, Nov 8, Nov 29, Dec 6, Dec 13**

BLESSED IS SHE WOMEN'S GROUP

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month. Any young adult woman in their 20s or 30s (single, dating, engaged, married), 10am-12pm potluck brunch. Email Michaela Barta for meeting address. What do I need to bring? A side to share and \$10 as we jump into a St. Therese retreat-style book "I Believe In Love" (book & workbook included). We'll go over chapters 1&2!

PRAY WITH THE LEGION OF MARY



FATIMA ROSARY & PROCESSION

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

7:00-8:00PM

IN FRONT OF AVE MARIA CENTER

Join the Legion of Mary in singing and praying the rosary on the 100th anniversary of the apparitions at Fatima.

For more information contact: Maria Argao, at rmargao1954@gmail.com

The Legion of Mary is the largest Apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church, whose purpose is to give glory to God through the sanctification of its members. There are Active members and Auxiliary members. Working together for spreading the Gospel, auxiliary members pray for the work done weekly by the active members. See <http://www.stlaurence.org/legion-of-mary>. We meet every Tuesday at 7pm in the Corpus Christi room. President is Maria Argao, 281-221-8228

YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES GROUP EVENT

The St. Laurence Young Married Couples Group is for any young adult couple (ages 18-35) that have been married 5 years or less. We will be coming together for fellowship and prayer as we share the joys and challenges of our vocation. Join us for our kickoff event at the McBride house on October 14 from 12-2pm. And of course, children are welcome! RSVP by October 10 to Alex McBride at alexandriapanel5@gmail.com.

OCT 5: CANCER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The Cancer Support group will host Dr. Janet Tu, MD Anderson in Sugar Land, who will answer the group's questions and discuss the targeted immunotherapy approach to cancer care. Dr Tu has been a special guest to the cancer group and a companion on the journey. All are invited on Thursday, October 5, to meet her and share with the group her expertise. **BRING A FRIEND, ALL ARE WELCOME.** They meet at 10:00am-11:30am in the St. Clare room in the Ave Maria Center

Any questions call Angela Rankin 832-945-2245.

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2017-2018

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Jesus is... Fr. Michael Schmitz
Lectio Divina Dr. Tim Gray
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Relativism Chris Stefanick
The Second Greatest Story Ever Told Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC
Trust in the Lord Msgr. Thomas Richter
What's So Great About Being Catholic? Jason Evert
Who Do You Say That I Am? Bishop Robert Barron
Why a Protestant Pastor Became Catholic Dr. Scott Hahn
Why Be Catholic? Patrick Madrid

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Contemplative Prayer	Elaine Smith 281-499-6660
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Lay Apostle Prayer	Kay Quenan 281-265-3238
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St. Anthony of Padua	Joseph Ellankil 832-282-3032
	Sunny Tom 832-620-7417
Small Christian Comm	Genoveva Duque 281-980-1014
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