

St. Lawrence
CATHOLIC CHURCH

His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo — Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

YOU ARE MY shepherd.

PSALM 23

DAILY MASSES IN THE CHURCH

Monday*, Tuesday, Thursday 7:30am, 12:00pm
Wednesday 7:30am, 6:30pm
Friday 8:15am, 12:00pm
Saturday 8:00am

**Monday, 7:30am, Mass in the Chapel of Divine Mercy*

*Reconciliation following 7:30am Masses, Wednesday 5:30-6:20pm
& Saturday, 4:00-4:45pm*

Healing Mass: 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm

SUNDAY MASSES IN THE CHURCH

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 7:00am, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 11:00am,
Sunday 1:00pm, Sunday 5:00pm

*A recording of the Sunday Mass is available
ONLINE, Saturdays, 7:00pm at stlaurence.org*

MISA EN ESPAÑOL, Segundo y cuarto sábado de cada
mes a las 7:00pm. Confesiones en Español antes
de la misa de 6:00 a 6:45pm. En la Capilla

ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON - HOUSTON

WEEKEND MASSES: SATURDAY 5:00 PM SUNDAY 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM

PARISH OFFICE

3100 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479
281-980-9812

Pastor: Fr. Drew Wood

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jaison Thomas, MSFS, jaisonthomas@stlaurence.org

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281-980-0500

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Registrar: Suzanne Byrne, sbyrne@stlaurence.org

WEEKDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

3103 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479
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PARISH LEADERSHIP COUNCILS

281-980-9812

Pastoral Council: Nick Noe, nick.noe@outlook.com

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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.

Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm
Closed on Saturday and Sunday.

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 through Friday 8am-Noon

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

JULY

Pray: Thank you Lord, because when my strength declines, You call me to rest, strengthen me in my weakness and walk ahead of me, working Your plan of salvation. **Amen.**

FINDING ENERGY TO DO WHAT WE'RE CALLED TO DO

Everyone in ministry feels overwhelmed by their calling from time to time. Whether it's the ministry of raising children, or caring for an elderly spouse or parent, or working a job in a way that reveals Christ, or volunteering at a church or pastoring a parish, it's necessary to take time out for ourselves — a vacation, a holiday — for nourishment and rest and recuperation. Jesus says so in this Sunday's Gospel reading.

If we don't obey this commandment, we become cranky. We make selfish or poor decisions. We become like the evil shepherds of the first reading, who misled and scattered those whom they were called to serve. Why? Because we become vulnerable to temptations when we try to give what we do not have.

It takes energy to reveal God's love. It takes energy to remain enthusiastic in serving others. But how can we get recharged with new energy if we don't take time to sit still, rest, and pray? How can we care about others when we don't take good care of ourselves? Jesus lives within us, but before we can give him to others, we must first let him give himself to us.

Daily we encounter people who are like sheep without a shepherd; they are seeking Jesus whether they realize it or not. They want the unconditional love that he has to give. They want the healing and peace that he offers. He wants to help them, but if we who are his hands and feet and voice are too weak and worn out from our hardships, what then?

We need to go to a deserted place with Jesus and rest awhile in his nourishing love. If we go away on a retreat or vacation and come back to our work and ministries still cranky (i.e., if the people we shepherd wish we'd go take a longer trip), we haven't rested enough. We've cut short the restoration process. Never-mind the pile-up of work. Jesus is inviting us to "Come away by yourself and rest awhile longer with Me until you become more like Me."

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What work of the Lord has become unhappy for you? What stole your joy? How can you get it back? (You might need a spiritual director to help you figure this out.) What needs of yours must be met before you can feel enthusiastic about ministry? What will you do this week to let Jesus meet these needs?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

Why do people neglect to give themselves enough time for rest and restoration? What do you do to nourish (develop, strengthen, get more in touch with) the gifts, talents, healing, and insights that God gives you so that you can minister to others? What's been most helpful in restoring your Christian enthusiasm?

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SUNDAY

18

Gather Book #1138

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Jer 23:1-6
Reading II Eph 2:13-18
Gospel Mk 6:30-34

MONDAY

19

Reading I Ex 14:5-18
Gospel Mt 12:38-42

TUESDAY

20

Reading I Ex 14:21—15:1
Gospel Mt 12:46-50

WEDNESDAY

21

Reading I Ex 16:1-5, 9-15
Gospel Mt 13:1-9

THURSDAY

22

Reading I Sgs 3:1-4b
Gospel Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

FRIDAY

23

Reading I Ex 20:1-17
Gospel Mt 13:18-23

SATURDAY

24

Reading I Ex 24:3-8
Gospel Mt 13:24-30

SUNDAY

25

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I 2 Kgs 4:42-44
Reading II Eph 4:1-6
Gospel Jn 6:1-15

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.

Michael Hrebenar, Roberto Vicerra, Doug Coats

This column in the Sunday bulletin is a place that parishioners may ask for intercessory prayer in their time of sickness. To add your name, please call the parish office during business hours (281-980-9812). The sick person must be a parishioner of St. Laurence and the request must come directly from the person (or a close family member, such as spouse or parent). Your name will appear on the list for 4 weeks. If struggling with a longer term illness, please call back and your name will be added for another 4 week period.

Not a parishioner?

Ask for the name to be added to the Book of the Sick. Anyone in need of prayers for healing may have their name written in the Book of the Sick.

PRAYING THE NEWS JULY 18, 2021

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."

MARK 6:31

Dear Lord, as we pray the news, help us also to occasionally step away from the news. May we follow your example to find time for solitude and rest. Please grant that whatever time we offer you will allow us to recognize where you have blessed us and been an ever-present source of good in the world. May we thank you and, in so doing, find our souls refreshed!

Jesus, we trust in you. Amen. ✠

SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

Please pray for our Troops and especially for the following parishioners currently serving in the military:

CW3 Brett Aderhold, *US Army, AV*
SPC Nicholas Ambrocik, *US Army*
PVT Michael Baird, *US Army*
SA Matthew Baird, *US Navy*
P.O. 5 Debra Barnette, *US Navy*
CPL Trevor Bello, *USMC*
Lt Aaron Blades, *US Navy*
PFC John Blair, *US Army*
LCpl Gordon Briggs, *USMC*
SPC Jordan Briggs, *US Army*
Maj. Michael Carroll, *USMC*
LTC. Jason Chacon, *USMC*
Lt Matthew Chesney, *US Navy*
Maj. Christopher Coffman, *US Air Force*
Maj. Patrick Coffman, *USMC*
CPT Andrew DeSplinter, *US Army*
SGT Nicholas Dockum, *US Army*
Maj. Brandon Driscoll, *USMC*
Maj. James Dunphy, *USMC*
CPT Michael Eberhardt, *US Army*
CPT Stacey Eberhardt, *US Army Reserve*
Derek Farias, *US Navy*
Destini Gaytan, *USMC*
SPEC Nathan J. Hoelker, *US Army*
CPT Matthew Fenelon, *USMC*
CPT Michelle Thibeau, *US Army*
CPT Will Thibeau, *US Army*
LCpl Aaron Fox, *USMC*
PVT Jahneil Xavier George, *US Army*
SFC Philip Graham, *US Army*
LCpl Eric Gurnell, *USMC*
CPT Spencer Henry, *US Army*
PVT Liam Hill, *US Army*
Daniel Hines, *US Navy*
EM4 James Locus, *US Navy*
SSG Philip Loera, *US Army*
PFC John Lundgren, *US Army*
CPT Anthony Marich, *US Army*
Amn Joseph Marcellus, *USAF*
TSGT David March, *Texas Air National Guard*
CPT. Brendan McPartland, *USMC*
Major Alexander Morningstar, *US Army*
SPC Michael Nester, *US Army*
1LT Anthony Patrick, *USMC*
CB, Richard Pinard, *US Navy*
LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, *USMC*
SGT Santiago Ramirez, *US Army*
CPT Taylor Rammrath, *US Army*
Sgt. Barbara L. Rangel, *USMC*
LCPL Ty Ripoll, *USMC*
CTM3 Nicholas Stuhlman, *US Navy*
Maj. Michael Thesing, *USMC*
1LT Kevin Wheeler, *US Navy*
SGT Bryce Whitley, *US Navy*
PO3 Troy Yelverton, *US Navy*
2LT Copeland Zaunbrecher, *US Army*
2LT Kazia Zaunbrecher, *US Army*

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUL 17

8:00am – Kenneth Parisi (D)
5:00pm – Helen Marie & Clara Pearl Nowak (D)

SUNDAY, JUL 18

7:00am – Marcus Jolibois (D)
9:00am – Helen Marie & Clara Pearl Nowak (D)
11:00am – Michael Hai Nguyen (D)
1:00pm – Manuel Calderon (D)
5:00pm – Parishioners of St. Laurence

MONDAY, JUL 19

7:30am – Jesus Guerra (I)
12:00pm – William Paul Lehrer (D)

TUESDAY, JUL 20

7:30am – James Shields & Family (I)
12:00pm – Louis Yelich (D)

WEDNESDAY, JUL 21

7:30am – Mr. & Mrs. Gary Moats & Family (I)
6:30pm – Jerome & Cecelia Sehlke (D)

THURSDAY, JUL 22

7:30am – Marciana Peneyra (D)
12:00pm – Thomas Kutty Joseph (D)

FRIDAY, JUL 23

8:15am – Juana Estante (D)
12:00pm – Jean Snyder Martin (D)

SATURDAY, JUL 24

8:00am – Benito Siong Bio Chua (D)
5:00pm – Clara Pearl & Richard Dullea (D)

SUNDAY, JUL 25

7:00am – Dr. Jon Justafson (D)
9:00am – Joe Sanchez (D)
11:00am – Savio Kevin Le (D)
1:00pm – John Zamazal (D)
5:00pm – Parishioners of St. Laurence

(D) Death, (I) Intention, (A) Anniversary

Pray for our parishioners in Religious Formation

Shawn Kelly, Keenan Annicchiarico, Roger Boneno, Dcn. Christopher Meyer, Brother Collin Mary Brown, Frater Giovanni (Billy Dodd), Adrian Annicchiarico, Sister M. Philomena (Krystle Cagandahan), Sr. Maria Christi of the Holy Spirit (Leah Burrhus), Sr. Margaret Uche, Patrick Kinnick, Brandon Bain, Beau Guedry, Cameron Cashiola



Young Adult Couples

Date Night

Friday, July 23
6:30-9:00 pm

Ave Maria Parish Life Center, Marian Hall A & B
\$30.00 per couple

Join other young adult engaged and recently married couples for a fun opportunity to build relationships! Enjoy burgers, fries and ice cream sundaes followed by competing with other couples in various games to win prizes.

Register and pay online at stlaurence.org/datenight by July 21.

Sorry, no childcare available



FAMILY LIFE

It is incumbent upon husbands and wives, mothers and dads, and single parents to spend time in prayer, discernment, and dialogue about the kind of family they will be. Family and home does not automatically happen.

Fr. Drew Wood

FAITH & FAMILY FOCUS

Raising children calls for an orderly process of handing on the faith.

– Pope Francis
(*Amoris Laetitia* #287)

JUST FOR TEENS

Fun & meaningful activities at
St. Laurence

MIDDLE SCHOOL (EDGE)
stlaurence.org/edge

HIGH SCHOOL (LIFE TEEN)
stlaurence.org/lifeteen

PARISH SCHOOL OPENINGS

Educating mind, heart & spirit
Limited openings in Grades 1, 3, 5
Contact Suzanne Byrne, Admissions
sbyrne@stlaurence.org, 281-980-0500

FRIDAY FAMILY ROSARY

Each Friday at 8pm
Gather with other families via Zoom
Contact Mark Coppedge at
mcoppedge@chevron.com

FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

Be a part of the exciting work in returning to in-person ministry! Next September, we will need lots of adult help to offer CCE, Edge and Life Teen on-site. Serve as an elementary catechist, be a faith-sharer on our Youth Ministry Core Team, or volunteer in a support role. Together, we can help to pass on our Faith to the next generation of Catholics. Registration is open now for all faith formation classes at stlaurence.org/registration. Please call the Ave Maria Parish Life Center to offer your help at 281-265-5774.

TRY FAMILY FAITH

Family Faith is a monthly faith formation experience for the entire family, offered as an alternative to weekly CCE classes. Families meet the first Sunday of each month, September thru May, for family faith formation, which includes large group experiences, family Bible study/discussion and age level classes. Grow in your Catholic Faith and get to know other parish families. Registration is open now for the 2021-2022 school year. Only a few more spots remain! stlaurence.org/family-faith

CLUBHOUSE 10:14

Registration is open now for Clubhouse 10:14, a new faith formation program for preschoolers at St. Laurence. Inspired by Mark 10:14 (Let the little children come to me), Clubhouse 10:14 is for three- and four-year-olds and their parents. It is offered as a one hour class starting 10:14am, each 3rd Sunday, September-May at the Ave Maria Center. Designed for the preschooler along with one or both parents, Clubhouse 10:14 is a fun and age-appropriate introduction to the Catholic Faith, which provides parents ideas and activities for continuing the learning at home. Details at stlaurence.org/clubhouse-10-14 or contact Susan Mulé at smule@stlaurence.org, 281-265-5774.

SUMMER LIFE NIGHTS

July 18 | July 25

High school teens are invited to a special Summer Life Night Series, "Like Me." We all have a tendency to compare ourselves to others – grades, friends, clothes, dates, social media – it feels like one long list of what others have and we don't. In this series, we'll discover that comparison not only keeps us from liking others, it holds us back from liking ourselves. The more we move from comparison and to contentment, the more we love who we are. Just as God created us to be! Meet following the Sunday 5pm Life Teen Mass. Contact Mike Cleary, mcleary@stlaurence.org.

Bro's & Brisket 3



WE'RE ON A MISSION FROM GOD

*Featuring
Words of Wisdom with
DEACON DENNIS*

Enjoy a delicious BBQ meal prepared by the Knights of Columbus, fellowship with other men, and an inspirational talk from Dcn. Dennis Henderson.

JULY 29, 6:30-9PM
MARIAN HALL, AMC

Open to men ages 16 and up
\$15/person

For more info and to register go to
stlaurence.org/brosandbrisket



A NIGHT FOR MEN TO FEED BODY AND SOUL



PARISH LIFE

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH | DEC 8, 2020 – DEC 8, 2021



ITE AD JOSEPH means GO TO JOSEPH

Joseph, in obedience to the Holy Spirit, found in the Holy Spirit the source of love.

- St. John Paul II

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Next Class: Aug 14

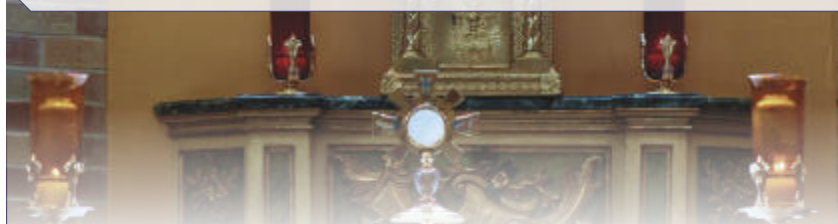
Preparation classes are offered 10 times a year. Class registration is available at stlaurence.org/baptism or contact Barb Roy at broy@stlaurence.org / 281-265-5774 x5371. Group Baptisms are celebrated at our parish three times each month.

WEDDING PREPARATION

Next Wedding Info Session: July 26

Please email Betty Holub, bholub@stlaurence.org for registration information. The standard preparation time for weddings is 9-12 months in advance of the desired date. All engaged couples must attend an information session.

ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL



The Divine Mercy Chapel is open to the parish and community for adoration. Jesus awaits you everyday from 5am to 9pm. The chapel is open to only scheduled adorers during the night.

We need a second adorer for 20 time slots. Please check online: stlaurence.org/adoration. Contact Fran Magelssen at adoration@stlaurence.org or 281-224-6122 to sign up.

PARISH CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISMS

Alexander Espinosa, Elowyn Green, Lawrence Hatchett, Grace Hoang, Mia Mouton, Luna Villanueva

WEDDINGS

Quyen Thi Le Pham & Bryan Ngoc Hoang

IN REQUIEM

Celina Rizo, grandmother of Alex Rys

WHO WE ARE



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

At St. Laurence Catholic Church, we respond to Jesus who calls us to love God and our neighbor. As a member of this faith community, I strive to:

LOVE by showing respect, mercy and compassion to all

CONNECT with others in a meaningful way

GROW closer to God through prayer, Sunday Mass and the Sacraments

LEARN about my Faith and share it with others

Filled with the Holy Spirit, I will be a grateful and supportive member of the Body of Christ.

JUL 29: BRO'S & BRISKET NIGHT

It's ba-a-a-ack! All men of the parish, age 16-and-up, are invited to Bro's & Brisket on Thursday, July 29, 6:30-9:00pm. Come to Marian Hall at the Ave Maria Parish Life Center for a delicious BBQ dinner and a few prime words of wisdom from Deacon Dennis Henderson. The night is mainly for reconnecting with other guys in the parish, following a long hiatus due to the pandemic, so register now at stlaurence.org/brosandbrisket. Just \$15/person. CONTACT: Justin Frato, jfrato@stlaurence.org, 281-265-5774

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

All Aboard! Everyone, from small children to adults, is invited to participate in the Summer Reading Program through our Parish Library. Earn prizes by 'filling your train cars' by reading books this summer, plus pick up a game sheet at the Parish Library and fill your train cars with short Scripture readings to reflect on each day. Current library hours are 8am-Noon, Monday-Friday. Learn more at stlaurence.org/summer-reading-program

NOW HIRING: EVENING CUSTODIAN

The parish is now interviewing for a part-time custodian/maintenance person to work Sunday-Thursday evenings, 4-9pm. Responsibilities include locking up the campus, setups/take-down of meeting rooms, and handling necessary facility issues, from cleanups to minor plumbing/HVAC emergencies, to maintain a safe and productive environment. General knowledge of building systems a plus. Please submit resume or contact Sheila Stulak, Facilities Director, at ssulak@stlaurence.org, 281-980-9812.

JUL 23: YOUNG ADULT DATE NIGHT

Engaged and recently married young adult couples are invited to a fun Date Night at St. Laurence on Friday, July 23, 6:30-9:00pm. This is a great chance to meet up and connect with other young couples in the parish. There will be burgers, fries and ice cream sundaes, plus competitive games, with prizes for the winning couples, all at the Ave Maria Parish Life Center. The cost is \$30/couple. Please register by July 21 at stlaurence.org/datenight. Got a question? Contact Justin Frato at jfrato@stlaurence.org, 281-265-5774.

AUG 5: MOMS G.I.F.T. GROUP GET-TOGETHER

Calling all moms ready to reconnect! It's time for GIFT — Growing In Faith Together. Join moms of all stages and ages on Thursday, August 5, 7:00-8:30pm, at the Ave Maria Center for a get-together. Everyone is welcome — GIFT alums, new GIFT moms, working moms and stay-at-home moms! Please invite a friend, neighbor or family member; Catholics and non-Catholics are welcome. Bring an already-read Christian book to give away and we'll have a book exchange. For those who are able, we'll continue the evening at a local restaurant. Sorry, babysitting is not yet available. INFO: Rachelle Dooley, 832-758-9595

CAFÉ CATHOLICA

Mass, Confession, Speaker, Tailgate

FREE! For Young Adults

July 19: Colin Nykaza

July 26: Cardinal DiNardo
archgh.org/cafecatholica

SHOE DRIVE

Today, July 18

Tag line on the plaza after Mass
Your donations of new shoes and school supplies will benefit children in need in Fort Bend County

NFP AWARENESS WEEK

To have, To hold, To honor

July 25 - 31

stlaurence.org/natural-family-planning

BROWN SCAPULAR INVESTITURE

6:30pm this Thursday, July 22

Chapel of Divine Mercy
stlaurence.org/investiture-scapular

SAVE THE DATE

**Heart of Worship
RESTORED!**

Saturday, Feb 12, 2022

Full day of great talks, praise & worship, Mass & Adoration

WORK FOR OUR SCHOOL

Middle School Art Teacher
Part-time Before and After Care
Substitute Teachers

Apply online at choosecatholicschools.org
SLCS Office: 281-980-0500

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION – WEEKLY OFFERTORY

JULY 4 COLLECTION	\$38,650
Envelopes Used	300
Loose Checks	112

ONLINE GIVING

Monthly Offertory June 2021	\$243,688
Participants	1,439

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

2021 Parish Goal	\$475,000
Parish Paid (Activity thru 7/6/2021)	\$303,376
Participants	675

Next Special Collection

July 25, 2021 — Social Concerns Ministry



SIGN-UP TODAY AT FAITH DIRECT

Simple & convenient online giving
faith.direct/TX460

FAITH DIRECT RESTORING PARISH LIFE

This time last year, the world was turned upside-down, due to COVID-19, but much of our parish work continued. Recurring gifts helped sustain our parish in this unprecedented time, and continue to be a vital source of support for our ministries. Now that life is returning to normal, there is a corresponding increase in costs for ministries, programs and community outreach. The more parishioners who use eGiving, the stronger financial foundation we have as a parish.

Please sign up today at faith.direct/TX460. It's simple to set up from your computer or tablet, for a recurring donation or one-time gift. In whichever way you contribute (cash, check, envelopes, eGiving), thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

Walk in the Light of Christ

Help us reach our parish goal of \$475,000, to assist the work of 60+ ministries across the Archdiocese. Thank you! archgh.org/dsf



KEEP INFORMED

Over 10,000 people are signed up to get St. Laurence Parish Flocknotes. It's the best way to stay up-to-the-minute on parish news. Sign up at stlaurence.org/parish-communications

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

JUL 19-23: REVIVE! SPIRITUAL SPA WEEK

The Emmaus Spirituality Center, located on Memorial Drive in Houston, will offer a Spiritual Spa Week July 19-23, to nurture and calm your spirit. Each day begins with coffee and breakfast bites, then gather in prayer before heading to class. After class, the group will gather again for a light lunch, drawing for a door prize and closing prayer. Register in advance for one day (\$50), a 3-day pass (15% discount) or all five days (20% discount). Find class details and register at emmausspiritualitycenter.com.

REGINA CAELI CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOLING

Regina Caeli is a private, independent, University-Style Hybrid® operating in the Catholic tradition, now accepting applications for the Houston Center in 2021. Preschool through 12th grade students attend classical academic and extracurricular classes two days a week and homeschool the remaining days. To learn more, visit rcahybrid.org or contact the admissions office at admissions@rcahybrid.org or call 470-239-0259.

JUL 23: MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Young adult men between the ages of 18-35 are invited to explore seminary life and a possible call to the priesthood. The Men's Discernment Retreat 2021 is held at St. Mary's Seminary and allows you to discover what the life of a seminarian and priest is really like. There's ample opportunity for prayer, community and honest conversations with priests and seminarians. The retreat begins Friday at 6:00pm and ends Sunday by 3:00pm. It's \$40 to register, scholarships are available. Register in advance at <https://cvent.me/0I7dQ1>

AUG 12: FR. JOE CREEDON STEWARDSHIP WORKSHOP



Nationally acclaimed Catholic speaker Fr. Joe Creedon returns to Houston to present a stewardship workshop on Thursday, August 12, 6-8pm, at Nold Auditorium at St. Mary's Seminary. Fr. Creedon will present "Stewardship: Open God's Gifts & Share More Generously,"

ideal for clergy, parish leaders and all interested in developing a deeper understanding of Catholic Christian Stewardship. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, the cost to attend is just \$10. Seating is limited. INFO/REGISTER: archgh.cventevents.com/ShareMore

SEP 25: TOGETHER IN HOLINESS CONFERENCE

The 7th annual Together in Holiness marriage conference will be held at St. Theresa in Sugar Land on Saturday, September 25, 10:30am-6:00pm. Presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation, this one-day conference includes dynamic presentations by such speakers as Steve & Becky Greene and Kendra Tierney, as well as Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and an opportunity to spend time with your spouse and build community with other couples. On-site childcare available. Registration is \$59/couple (early bird discount available until Aug 2). For details and to register, please visit togetherinholiness.org.



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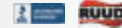
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