

APRIL 13, 2025 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



# ST. LAURENCE

## Catholic Church

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# ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON - HOUSTON

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**[stlaurence.org/bulletin-submission](http://stlaurence.org/bulletin-submission)**

Or email [communications@stlaurence.org](mailto:communications@stlaurence.org)



## 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.”



**NEW TO PARISH?**  
**REGISTER TODAY**

## 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 facilities are available through reservation by contacting Nia Sepe, Facilities Scheduler, at [nsepe@stlaurence.org](mailto:nsepe@stlaurence.org) or 281-980-9812.

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm; Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm; Closed on Saturday and Sunday.

**Do you have a change of address?** Please email Ida Buckle, [ibuckle@stlaurence.org](mailto:ibuckle@stlaurence.org)

## 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.

**Office hours:**

8:00 am - 9:00 pm, Monday-Thursday

8 am - Noon, Friday

Closed Saturday and Sunday.

The Weekday Children's Program is offered for infants through pre-school aged children. During the school year, **WCP office hours:** Monday through Friday, 8:00am - 3:00pm.

## PARISH SCHOOL & CHAPEL

St. Laurence Catholic School provides strong academics in a Christian environment to 685 students enrolled in PreK4 through Grade 8. **Office Hours:** Monday through Friday, 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.



# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

**Jesus proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem. (Luke 19:28)**

Today we begin the holiest week of our Church year. We join the crowds and shout, "Hosanna!" as Jesus enters Jerusalem. We listen to him teach, even while people plot to kill him. We see him wash his disciples' feet and offer them his Body and Blood, despite knowing that one will betray him and the rest will abandon him. We watch as he is rejected by his people and handed over to death on a cross.



It's easy to see Jesus just as an unfortunate, tragic victim of hatred and violence—and he was. But he was more than that. He freely chose to embrace his passion and death. He freely chose to offer himself as a sacrifice for our salvation. He offered no resistance to his captors, like the Suffering Servant who "gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard" (Isaiah 50:6).

This week, we have the chance to accompany Jesus as he makes his way to the cross. He invites us to give him thanks and praise for his mighty deeds. He invites us to receive his Body and Blood that he freely poured out for us. And he invites us to stay awake with him, to "get up and pray that you may not undergo the test" (Luke 22:46).

Like the disciples, we may not do this perfectly. But just as Jesus freely chose to offer himself for us, we can freely choose to stay close to him. We can read his word and recall all he did for us. We can sit before the Lord in prayer and participate in the liturgies of the Triduum. We can try our best to love the people around us as Jesus loved us. And if we fail, we can receive the mercy he offers from the cross: "Father, forgive them" (Luke 23:34).

**"Thank you, Lord, for suffering for me. Help me to remain close to you this week."**

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### APRIL

#### SUNDAY

13

GATHER BOOK #1031  
**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**  
At the procession with palms - Gospel Luke 19:28-40  
Reading I Isaiah 50:4-7  
Reading II Philippians 2:6-11  
Gospel Luke 22:14—23:56

#### MONDAY

14

Reading I Isaiah 42:1-7  
Gospel John 12:1-11

#### TUESDAY

15

Reading I Isaiah 49:1-6  
Gospel John 13:21-33, 36-38

#### WEDNESDAY

16

Reading I Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Gospel Matthew 26:14-25

#### THURSDAY

17

Reading I Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14  
Reading II 1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
Gospel John 13:1-15

#### FRIDAY

18

**Good Friday of the Lord's Passion**  
Reading I Isaiah 52:13—53:12  
Reading II Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
Gospel John 18:1—19:42

#### SATURDAY

19

**Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil**  
Reading I Genesis 1:1-2:2  
Reading II Genesis 22:1-18  
Reading III Exodus 14:15-15:1  
Reading IV Is 54:5-14  
Reading V Isaiah 55:1-11  
Reading VI Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4  
Reading VII Ex 36:16-28  
Epistle: Romans 6:3-11  
Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

### 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

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

**Healing Mass:** First Wednesday of the Month, 6:30pm

**First Friday Mass:** 1st Friday of the month, 7:00pm, in Chapel of Divine Mercy

**St. Anthony of Padua Mass:** 7:00pm 1st Tuesdays (Church)  
and other Tuesdays (Chapel)

### 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](http://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

## 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.*

Levi and Maya Simpson, Jillian Counts, Andrew Sodek, Alfredo Perez, Tony Miscio, Ted Siwierka, Celina Alfonso, Michael Klotz, Angela Rankin, Fr. Vince Dulock CSB


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.

## PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Marek Lawera, William Dodd, Sebastian Delgado, Keenan Annicchiarico, Brother Collin Mary Brown, frater Dominic (Adrian Annicchiarico), Beau Guedry (SJ) Br. Levi Mary Pro (Cameron Cashiola), Basil Housewright, Luke Metzger, Br. Kriston Mary Gloria, Br. Peter Mary of the Cross (Colton Marks), Win Vahlkamp, John Knowles



**jubilaeum2025.va**

*A pilgrimage on foot is a great aid for rediscovering the value of silence, effort and simplicity of life. In the coming year, pilgrims of hope will surely travel the ancient and more modern routes in order to experience the Jubilee to the full.*

*Pope Francis, Spes Non Confundit, 5/9/24*

## SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

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

SPC, Jacob Castro, *US Army*  
 CPT Kari Patrick, *USMC*  
 SGT Jonathan R Partida, *US Army*  
 SPC Joshua T. Cabrera, *US Army*  
 CW3 Brett Aderhold, *US Army, AV*  
 SGT 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*  
 Lt Matthew Chesney, *US Navy*  
 LTC Christopher Coffman, *US Air Force*  
 LtCol Patrick Coffman, *USMC*  
 CPT Andrew DeSplinter, *US Army*  
 SGT Nicholas Dockum, *US Army*  
 Maj. Brandon Driscoll, *USMC*  
 Derek Farias, *US Navy*  
 Destini Gaytan, *USMC*  
 SPEC Nathan J. Hoelker, *US Army*  
 Maj. Matthew Fenelon, *USMC*  
 SGT Aaron Fox, *USMC*  
 PVT Jahneil Xavier George, *US Army*  
 MSG Philip Graham, *US Army*  
 LCpl Eric Gurnell, *USMC*  
 CPT Spencer Henry, *US Army*  
 PVT Liam Hill, *US Army*  
 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*  
 Major Alexander Morningstar, *US Army*  
 SPC Michael Nester, *US Army*  
 CPT Anthony Patrick, *USMC*  
 CB, Richard Pinard, *US Navy*  
 LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, *USMC*  
 SGT Santiago Ramirez, *US Army*  
 CPT Taylor Rammrath, *US Army*  
 GySgt. Barbara L. Rangel, *USMC*  
 LCPL Ty Ripoll, *USMC*  
 CTM3 Nicholas Stuhlman, *US Navy*  
 LC Michael Thesing, *USMC, Reserve*  
 1LT Kevin Wheeler, *US Navy*  
 SGT Bryce Whitley, *US Navy*  
 2LT Copeland Zaunbrecher, *US Army*  
 CPT Kazimira Karwowski., *US Army*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, APR 12

8:00am – Angel & Nora Fadera (D)  
 5:00pm – Diana Ploch (D)

### SUNDAY, APR 13

7:00am – Veronica & Lawrence Revelt (D)  
 9:00am – Milt Neumann (D)  
 11:00am – Ronald Vecinal (D)  
 1:00pm – Revilak Family (I)  
 5:00pm – Parishioners of St. Laurence

### MONDAY, APR 14

7:30am – Mr. & Mrs. Hien Tran (D)  
 12:00pm – Cathy Gerik (I)

### TUESDAY, APR 15

7:30am – Mr. & Mrs. Toai Nguyen (D)  
 12:00pm – George N. Sepe (D)

### WEDNESDAY, APR 16

7:30am – Alex Cyriac (D)  
 6:30pm – Jaime Evangelio, Sr. (D)

### THURSDAY, APR 17

7:00pm – Kyle Robichau (I)

### FRIDAY, APR 18

No Masses

### SATURDAY, APR 19

8:30pm – Alex Herrera (D)

### SUNDAY, APR 20

7:00am – Helen Gross (D)  
 9:00am – Eugene & Becky Pascual (A)  
 9:15am – Hercules Larrieu (D)  
 11:00am – Felix Thomas (D)  
 11:15am – Helen Kaiser (D)  
 1:00pm – Shawn & Justina Abraham (I)  
 5:00pm – Parishioners of St. Laurence

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

## LISTENING ASSISTANCE

Listening Assist equipment is available in

the sanctuary courtesy our Knights of Columbus Reverend John T. Weyer Council 11343. See an usher for assistance or visit [stlaurence.org/listen](http://stlaurence.org/listen)





OUR NEWEST CATHOLICS

# WELCOME

## PALM SUNDAY

**The following people received their First Eucharist and Confirmation at the 1:00 PM Palm Sunday Mass:**

Caitlin Brookins, TJ Brookins, Peggy Brock, Kyle Franks, Erick Funes, Michael Glaze, Katie Hamilton, Garret Hanson, Caroline Harriss, Chandler Heikkila, Jeremiah Mauricio, Markel Mickens, Adam Pond, Frederic Rebolledo, Matthew Riley, Hawa Samson-Metzger, Steve Yoshikawa, Warren Young





# 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

[stlaurence.org/family](http://stlaurence.org/family)

## FAMILY FAITH

### FAMILY-STYLE FAITH FORMATION

Meet once/month September-May  
Registering new families May 1  
[stlaurence.org/family-faith](http://stlaurence.org/family-faith)

## CATHOLIC AUTHORS

### MEET THE AUTHOR NIGHT

Weds, June 4, 6:30-8:30pm  
Meet & greet & book sales  
Susan Mulé, 281-265-5774

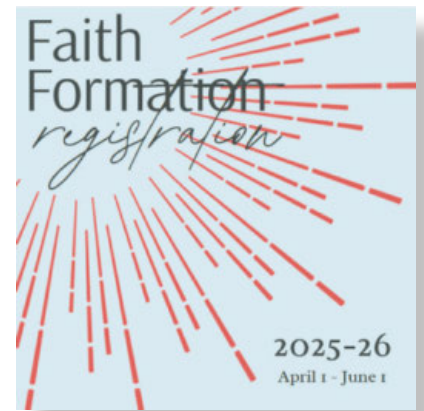
## STEUBENVILLE

**JUNE 20-22, 2025**

For high school teens  
Register by May 15  
[stlaurence.org/lifeteen](http://stlaurence.org/lifeteen)

## FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUR FAMILY

Here at St. Laurence, we believe that faith formation is a lifelong journey to understand God and to grow more aware of God's presence and action in our lives. Therefore, our programming is designed to accompany you and your family at every age and stage of your lives. Together, we can help your family grow in knowledge & understanding of our Catholic Faith, enjoy a rich Sacramental life, learn ways to pray, grow in virtue, cultivate healthy relationships and serve others.



### REGISTER NOW

[stlaurence.org/registration](http://stlaurence.org/registration)

Registration is open now for the 2025-2026 (SEPT-MAY) formation year for children ages 3 through high school. Here at St. Laurence, we offer a period of 2 months to register – April and May. This allows you to register your children early, before the distraction of summer activities and family vacations. Additionally, an Advance Pricing incentive is being offered for families who register in April. On May 1, registration fees go up \$20 during the Regular Pricing period, which ends June 1. This includes programs for PreK and Elementary CCE, Edge, Life Teen, Family Faith and Sacrament Preparation.

### SACRAMENTS

[stlaurence.org/registration](http://stlaurence.org/registration)

Preparation for Reconciliation/First Eucharist and Confirmation is a 2-year process. YEAR 1: Enroll your child in CCE (or Catholic school) in 1st grade so that he/she may receive First Sacraments in 2nd grade. YEAR 2: Enroll your child in CCE (or Catholic school) in 2nd grade AND enroll your child in First Sacraments. For 9th graders, the process is similar, with a first year of Life Teen and a second year of Life Teen AND Confirmation.

### HELP OUT

[stlaurence.org/serve](http://stlaurence.org/serve)

In total, over 1,500 children are formed in our Faith by adults from our parish – just like YOU! When you register your own kids, consider helping out as a Catechist, small group leader or assistant. This is also a great way for grandparents, empty nesters and young adults to serve. Shape young lives and discover your own faith growing in ways you didn't expect. No experience is necessary, training & materials are provided. We're so grateful for your help!





# Faith Formation

## 2025-26 registration

*Get the deets!*

Clubhouse 10:14

AGES  
3-5

\$50

Parent-Involved  
Monthly

CCE

GRADES  
K-5

\$80

Catechist-led  
Weekly

EDGE

GRADES  
6-8

\$80

Small Groups  
Weekly

LIFE TEEN

GRADES  
9-12

\$80

Small Groups  
Weekly

HOME STUDY

GRADES  
PreK-12

\$80

Parent-Led  
At Home

FAMILY FAITH

Families

\$160

Whole Family  
Monthly

FIRST  
SACRAMENTS

2nd Grade+

\$60

Parent-led

CONFIRMATION

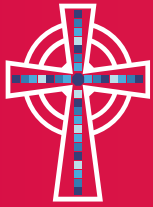
10th Grade+

\$60(+\$80)

Includes  
Life Teen



*Advance Pricing through May 1  
Regular pricing (+\$20) through June 1  
[stlaurence.org/registration](https://stlaurence.org/registration)*



# PARISH LIFE

## ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL

*"God dwells in our midst, in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar."*

– Saint Maximilian Kolbe

The Divine Mercy Chapel is open to the parish and community for adoration. Jesus awaits you every day from 5:00am to 9:00pm. The chapel is open only to scheduled adorers during the night.

**We need committed adorers for eleven hours.** Please check online: [stlaurence.org/adoration](http://stlaurence.org/adoration). Contact Fran Magelssen at [adoration@stlaurence.org](mailto:adoration@stlaurence.org) or 281 224-6122 to sign up.

## Easter Flowers

Make a donation in honor or memory of a loved one.  
Names are listed all Easter Season  
**[stlaurence.org/easter-flowers](http://stlaurence.org/easter-flowers)**

## BAPTISM PREPARATION

**Next Class: May 3, 2025**

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

## WEDDING PREPARATION

**The next online session is May 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, May 14.**

Please email Betty Holub, [bholub@stlaurence.org](mailto:bholub@stlaurence.org) for registration information. The standard preparation time for weddings is 6-9 months in advance of the desired date. All engaged couples must attend an information session.

## PARISH CELEBRATIONS

### IN REQUIEM:

Mary Lou Prieto, mother of Danni Prado

## 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.



## DIVINE MERCY NOVENA & FEAST DAY

[stlaurence.org/divine-mercy](http://stlaurence.org/divine-mercy)

The 2nd Sunday of Easter, April 27, is Divine Mercy Sunday. In preparation, come to the church at noon on Good Friday for the Divine Mercy Stations of the Cross. Then join the Divine Mercy Novena 7-8pm, in the chapel beginning Easter Sunday. (Tuesday and Saturday are 6-7pm.) Attend the Feast Day Celebration in the church on Sunday, April 27, at 2:30pm, with Fr. Christopher Plant. Jesus, I trust in You.



## NOW HIRING: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

[stlaurence.org/parish-job-opts](http://stlaurence.org/parish-job-opts)

St. Laurence is now hiring a Director of Communication to manage church-wide communications and media for all digital, print and campus platforms. Qualified candidates should be self-starters, deadline-driven, with excellent writing skills and experience in media, website and graphic design. Creativity, collaboration, flexibility and a love for our Catholic faith are necessary. Interested? Please send your resume to Suzanne Byrne, Parish Administrator, [sbyrne@stlaurence.org](mailto:sbyrne@stlaurence.org).

## APR 18: GOOD FRIDAY AT ST. LAURENCE

On Good Friday, we read, hear and pray the Passion of Our Lord. Our tradition at St. Laurence is to **WEAR RED** to the Solemn Good Friday Liturgies at 3pm and 7pm. At noon, a Divine Mercy Devotion is offered, followed by Stations of the Cross. Please observe the rules for fasting and abstinence on Good Friday: fast (people age 18-60) and abstain from meat (age 14+). Finally, from Good Friday to Easter Sunday, please be unwilling to participate in tournaments or competitions during these holiest days of the year.

## APR 17/18: BILINGUAL VIGIL IN THE CHAPEL

"Remain here and keep watch with me" (Mt 26:38). Accompany Jesus and Our Blessed Mother during their time of sorrow and suffering in a bilingual prayer vigil (English & Spanish) in the Chapel of Divine Mercy late Holy Thursday into the morning hours of Good Friday. The prayer vigil follows the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper and procession/prayer in the parish hall, beginning at midnight in the chapel through 6am Good Friday. All are welcome to participate.

## MAY 31: GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKSHOP

[stlaurence.org/holy-spirit-workshop](http://stlaurence.org/holy-spirit-workshop)

Join us at the Gifts of the Holy Spirit Workshop on Saturday, May 31, 8am-4pm, in celebration of the coming of Pentecost. Experience the power and charismatic gifts of the Holy Spirit and discover and receive the gift of tongues, interpretation of tongues, prophecy, word of knowledge, word of wisdom, discernment, faith, healing and miracles (1 Cor 12:7-11), culminating in a powerful healing service. We welcome guest speaker Fr. Cedric Pisegna, CP. The cost to attend is \$15 (includes box lunch). Online registration now open, limited to 250 participants. Sorry, no walk-ins.

## COME BACK

### RE-MEMBERING CHURCH

*God is seeking you!*

For inactive Catholics

Starts 4/28, 6-weeks, 7-9pm

[stlaurence.org/remembering](http://stlaurence.org/remembering)

## BE A SAINT

### ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1st & 2nd Grade Openings

Contact: Christina Stanton

[stlaurenceschool.org/admissions](http://stlaurenceschool.org/admissions)



## HOLY WEEK

### PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, April 12, 5pm

With Procession of Palms

Sunday, April 13

7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm, 5pm

RCIA Candidates confirmed at 1pm Mass

### HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 17

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

### GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 18

Divine Mercy Stations of the Cross  
12pm noon

Solemn Good Friday Liturgies

3pm (wear RED)

7pm (wear RED)

### EASTER VIGIL

Saturday, April 19

Easter Vigil Mass 8:30pm

### EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 20

7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm, 5pm (in church)  
9:15am & 11:15am (at Ave Maria Center)

## PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION – WEEKLY OFFERTORY

TOTAL REGISTERED PARISHIONERS – 7,300

### ONLINE GIVING

Monthly Offertory March 2025..... **\$265,878**  
Participants..... 1,523

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

**APR 6 COLLECTION** Fifth Sunday of Lent..... **\$44,063**  
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### SPRING FORMATION TOWARD CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

[archgh.org/offices-ministries/pastoral-educational-ministries](https://archgh.org/offices-ministries/pastoral-educational-ministries)

The Formation Toward Christian Ministry (FTCM) program offers basic theology and spiritual development to Catholic adults who want to deepen their commitment to Jesus and more fully answer their baptismal call to service as a mature disciple. Courses are offered virtually on Thursday evenings (and some Saturdays). Topics include scripture, Christology, Catholic beliefs, moral teachings of the Church, and Church History.

### MAY 3: ANDREW DINNER FOR YOUNG MEN

[archgh.swoogo.com/Andrew](https://archgh.swoogo.com/Andrew)

An Andrew Dinner is for young men ages 14-18, interested in learning more about the priesthood. It's a relaxed evening of prayer, group sharing, and dinner with priests from our archdiocese. Parents may attend, if they wish. Register in advance for these dinners, offered frequently throughout the archdiocese. One is scheduled at St. Laurence on Saturday, May 3.

### JUN 9-13: CATHOLIC SUMMER WRITING CAMPS

[catholicliteraryarts.org/2025-summer-writing-camps](https://catholicliteraryarts.org/2025-summer-writing-camps)

Registration is open now for the June 9-13 Catholic Literary Arts Summer Writing Camps at the University of St. Thomas. Students in 4th-12th grade will enjoy hands-on writing sessions to increase their creative writing skills, writing confidence, and learn how to write poetry, fictional stories, essays, and sacred stories. Registration usually closes early due to full enrollment, so enroll today!

### APR 26: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER FORMATION

[stlaurence.org/extraordinary-ministers](https://stlaurence.org/extraordinary-ministers)

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston is holding a formation class for people interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Classes will be offered on Saturday, April 26, in both English and Spanish. Sessions begin at 8:30am with morning prayer and concludes at 3:30pm. Lunch is provided. Please register online by April 6 for early registration pricing (\$30).



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### KINDERGARTEN SERVICE PROJECT

This Lent, the SLCS Kindergarteners brought joy through their special service projects. With love and care, they filled Easter eggs for Hope For Three, a nonprofit dedicated to supporting families with autistic children, ensuring that other children felt special this season. They also made Cheerio hearts for the birds, showing care for God's creation in a simple and thoughtful way. What a beautiful reminder that even the smallest hands can make a difference in the lives of others.



## LADIES GUILD



Ladies Guild recently gathered for a Lenten service project to bring joy to the children served by Our Lady of Guadalupe. They created cute bunny-themed lunch bags and filled them with special snacks, aiming to brighten each child's day. We sincerely thank these beautiful women for their kindness and generosity in supporting our community.

## LEARN SPANISH FOR YOUR MINISTRY WORK

Sign up for free (beginning, intermediate and advanced) Spanish classes this summer, offered through our Learn Spanish Ministry. Summer 2025 classes will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and are open to priests, deacons, religious, missionaries and those active in parish ministries. The program will be June 11-August 6 in the Ave Maria Center. For more info, to register or to volunteer as a teacher, please contact Adriana Gutierrez, Learn Spanish Ministry Coordinator at [LearnSpanishMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:LearnSpanishMinistry@gmail.com) or 713-269-2851.

## TEACH SPANISH THIS SUMMER

¡Clases de Español este verano! Necesitamos voluntarios que hablen español como lengua materna, para enseñar español este Verano 2025 para niveles principiante, intermedio y avanzado. Estas clases se ofrecen a voluntarios de diferentes ministerios de la iglesia, incluyendo sacerdotes, diáconos, ministros, religiosos y misioneros. Las clases serán de Junio 11 - Agosto 6, lunes y miercoles de 6:30-8:00 p.m. Para más información contactar a Adriana Gutierrez, Coordinadora de Learn Spanish Ministry, al 713-269-2851 o [LearnSpanishMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:LearnSpanishMinistry@gmail.com).

## BLACK BAG DONATION TODAY

This Sunday's black bag collection will go towards our People in Crisis fund, which has been providing more than \$15,000 in financial assistance to individuals seeking assistance from the Social Concerns Ministry. Thanks to your generous donations, in February and March, we provided vital assistance to 72 families in crisis with rent/mortgage payments, utilities, counseling, medical/ cancer costs, burial, clothing, food, and gas cards. We and those we serve are incredibly grateful for your support!

## RESPECT LIFE

**Rosary for the Preborn** – after the 11 am Mass. Please join us TODAY in praying a rosary for the Preborn. We will meet at the fountain in the church courtyard.

**Baby Bottle Fundraiser** for the Pregnancy Resource Medical Center Our annual Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser for the Pregnancy Resource Medical Center continues this week. Please make your check to PRMC. <https://stlaurence.org/activities> to donate online [or use the QR code here]. To donate in honor of your mother for Mother's Day, make your donation by May 1.



## SACRAMENT PREPARATION

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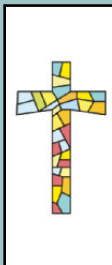


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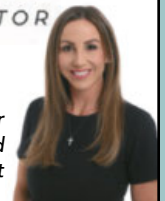
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