

### Readings For The Week October 2025

**Gather #1181** 

#### Sunday, 26 | 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 Reading II 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Gospel Lk 18:9-14

Monday, 27 |

Rom 8:12-17 Reading I Gospel Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday, 28 | Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph 2:19-22 Reading I Gospel Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday, 29 |

Reading I Rom 8:26-30 Gospel Lk 13:22-30

Thursday, 30 |

Reading I Rom 8:31b-39 Gospel Lk 13:31-35

#### Friday, 31 | All Hallow's Eve

Reading I Rom 9:1-5 Gospel Lk 14:1-6

#### Saturday, 1 | All Saints

Reading I Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 Gospel Mt 5:1-12a

Sunday, 2 | Commemoration of All the Faithful **Departed (All Souls Day | Dia Del La Muertos)** 

Wis 3:1-9 Reading I Reading II Rom 6:3-9 Gospel Jn 6:37-40

### **Pastoral Letters**

On July 1, 2025, we began a new fiscal year at St. Laurence, as did all the parishes in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. One of the chief responsibilities of a pastor is sound management of the Church's temporal goods and prudent and balanced management of all financial responsibilities.

I can report that St. Laurence's financial health is good. The Church bills are being paid; we are in good standing with all of our Archdiocesan obligations. However, St. Laurence's finances going forward in 2025 and 2026 will be challenged by the increase in the cost of ministry obligations and the rising cost of maintaining the infrastructure of the main Church, the Parish Life Center, as well as parish facilities.

I want to reemphasize that our Church bills are being paid; we are in good standing with all of our Archdiocesan obligations. The people of St. Laurence are primarily responsible for that being the case. You continue to be generous stewards of God's gifts to you, and in turn, we do our best to be good stewards of the gifts you share with the Church. I thank each of you for your continued sacrifice, week in and week out, to support the ministries and operations of our parish. Only with your support are we able to do the work of the

Gospel. Thank you very much!

We watch the budget very carefully, just as you do your family budget. Just as cost of living expenses hit us at home, so too do they impact our parish family. The staff does a great job throughout the year of being prudent with spending. Like you, they want to be good stewards.

Everyone's gift of a weekly tithe in the offertory is a great act of Stewardship. And remember, you can do it in two ways, through your parish envelopes that are mailed to you or electronically through https://stlaurence. org/contribute-to-our-parish It's fast, easy, and, yes, very secure, and a great way to support the work of your parish.

I want to share my sincere thanks to all of you for your generous financial stewardship toward St. Laurence. Thanks as well to our dedicated Finance Council for their wise counsel and planning. I am especially grateful to Mrs. Suzanne Byrne, our Parish Business Administrator, for her detailed work in keeping St. Laurence on the continued track of serving God and His people.

God Bless. Fr. Reginald Samuels Pastor | St. Laurence Catholic Church

### **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

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

### Parish Life

# **Adoration In The Chapel**

# The Chapel of Divine Mercy – A Place of Peace and Prayer

The Chapel of Divine Mercy is a sacred place where hearts are stilled and souls are renewed in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The chapel is open to all parishioners and community members daily from 8:00am to 8:00pm, with after-hours access for committed adorers from 8:00pm to 8:00am.

To keep Perpetual Adoration alive in our parish, we rely on parishioners who commit to spending one holy hour each week with the Lord. It's a quiet, grace-filled opportunity to pray, listen, and simply rest in His presence. Many adorers describe this hour as the most peaceful—and transformative—part of their week.

If you feel the Lord calling you to spend time with Him in this beautiful way, please visit stlaurence.org/adoration or text Sandi Brunello at 832-483-8809 to learn more or sign up.

#### **Wedding Preparation**

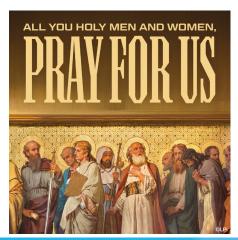
The next online session is November 17, 2025 at 7:00pm via Zoom. Deadline to sign up is November 12th.

Please email Betty Holub, 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.

#### **Baptism Preparation**

Next Class: December 6, 2025

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.



# **Shop Til You Drop!**



# November 20 | Shop Annual Holiday Market At St. Laurence!

St. Laurence is the place to be on Thursday, November 20, to get a head start on your holiday shopping. Visit the annual Shop Til U Drop Charity Holiday Market, 1:00-7:00 p.m., in the Ave Maria Parish Life Center located on the campus of St. Laurence Catholic Church, 3103 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, Texas, 77479. Over 60 vendors will offer a wide variety of seasonal gifts, home décor, toys, jewelry, food items, and more. Plus, there's a silent auction, door prizes and plenty of food, drinks and desserts for purchase. Admission is free, so come get in the spirit! Hosted by the St. Laurence Ladies Guild, last year's market raised \$12,000, and 100% of these proceeds were donated to local charitable groups including Angela House, Catholic Charities, Sole Loved, Habitat for Humanity, various St. Laurence Parish ministries and more. For more information, please visit:

**stlaurence.org/shop-til-u-drop** or facebook.com/groups/ladiesguildshoptiludrop



Saturday, November 1st, All Saints Day will not be a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

Normal Saturday Mass schedule: 8am & 5pm

# **Pilgram Statue Visitation**

Sign ups are now available for the pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima to come to your home. As you welcome her, prayerfully invite her into your everyday life. The Legion of Mary delivers the statue on Saturday mornings & returns two weeks later to share her with another family. Go to: stlaurence.org. Type in Search Bar: Pilgrim Statue. CLICK. Next, click on Pilgrim Statue. Scroll to bottom of page & click on: Register for the Pilgrim Statue Visiitation. Sign up for the date not taken. Click on "Sign Up". Thank you!

Contact Information: (681) 302-8519 Text messages received only please!

# **Cancer Support Group Meeting**

The St. Laurence Cancer Support Group welcomes all whose lives have been affected by cancer—patients, survivors, caregivers, family, and friends.

Join us for our next meeting on Thursday, November 6, from

10:00–11:30am in the St. Clare Room of the Ave Maria Center. Our guest speaker from MD Anderson will give a special presentation on Men's Health.

Come for information, encouragement, and faith-filled support. All are welcome.

# **Coping with the Holidays**

Thursday, November 6, 2025 | 6:30 PM | Ave Maria Center

This Surviving the Holidays seminar offers help and hope for those who are separated or divorced as they navigate the Thanksgiving and Christmas season. Learn practical tips for handling emotions, managing social events, supporting your children, and finding renewed hope for the future. Register at divorcecare.org/events/274277.

For more information, contact Marita Odneal at Maritaq21@aol.com or 832-472-7919.

# **Friday Morning Rosary**

Pray the rosary every Friday morning with fellow parishioners in the church. You'll be done by seven and on your way to school and/or work with plenty of time! NOTE: The church is closed immediately following the rosary to prepare for Friday morning Mass.

#### **Media Volunteers Needed!**

Do you enjoy capturing special moments or want to learn how? The St. Laurence Communications Department is looking for volunteers to help photograph and film parish events and assist in creating engaging social media content that shares the life and faith of our parish community.

No experience is necessary—just a willingness to learn and serve the Church! Training and equipment will be provided.

If you're interested in joining the team, please contact Jason Garcia at jgarcia@stlaurence.org







Habitat for Humanity is one of 100 ministries here at St. Laurence. We are part of Social Concerns, and our mission is helping one family at a time to improve their lot in life. When our work is finished, the new homeowner can stop worrying about their housing situation and focus on learning and growing together as a family. We are ready to start the home-building program for the next family, which is scheduled to begin the first quarter of 2026.

St Laurence's Habitat for Humanity ministry operates under the auspices of the Fort Bend Habitat for Humanity chapter. Our ministry's role is to raise funds to pay for the building of the home and to supply volunteers to perform the actual build. Today, we begin the fundraising part of our ministry.

Last July, our ministry dedicated our latest house located in Richmond. The homeowners were on hand to watch their new five-bedroom home being built, which is now housing five adult brothers, their sister and their mother. To reach this point, the homeowners needed to put in 300 hours of sweat equity! It was a joy to watch them help build their own house each Saturday, whether it was pounding nails during framing day, hanging Siding as we closed in the building, or painting the bedroom. Now, they have a no-interest mortgage through Habitat for Humanity and are homeowners!

During the building process for this house, we had a chance to work beside many St. Laurence parishioners and volunteers who were out there doing God's work. Other parishioners and ministries came out each day at noon to provide our volunteers with some very delicious lunches.

During the next few weeks, the Habitat ministry is asking St. Laurence parishioners to prayerfully consider funding our next house, to be built starting fall of 2026. The cost to sponsor a build by the St. Laurence ministry is \$95,000. Our very generous parish has already sponsored 18 homes, so this fundraising effort is something that we have done before. All contributions are welcome and appreciated. In the past, parishioners have given \$5, \$10, \$100, \$1,000 or even more. This week (October 25-26), the black bag collection is designated for the Habitat for Humanity ministry. Please consider a donation. You can donate directly through Faith Direct, similar to what you may be doing with your weekly contribution. Your Faith Direct donation can be set up as a one-time donation or as a recurring donation. You can also drop a check in the collection basket in coming weeks or mail your check to the parish office. Checks should be made out to St. Laurence Parish, with Habitat for Humanity noted in the memo line.

If your company has a matching gift program, please contact Steve Pondell at 281-253-7088 for further directions.

Thank you, St. Laurence parishioners, on behalf of the eighteen families already making a better life for themselves in a new home.

#### Steve Pondell

Habitat Ministry Volunteer Coordinator

# Family Life I "The future of humanity passes by way of the family."

— St. John Paul II, Familiaris Consortio





### Parish Financial Information Weekly Offertory

#### **TOTAL REGISTERED PARISHIONERS | 7,500**

#### **Monthly Offertory September 2025**

\$238,457 **Participants** 1,588

#### **Sunday Collection**

October 19, 2025 \$33,971 Envelopes Used 416 Loose Checks 104

#### **Second Collection** \$10,057

Propagation of the Faith/World Misson Sunday

Envelopes Used Loose Checks

#### **Online Giving** September, 2025

\$241,173.55 Offertory

Number of Participants 1,606

#### **Diocesan Services Fund 2025**

2025 Parish Goal \$555,000 Total Amount Paid \$416,499.50 Number of Participants 705

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#### We've Upgraded Our Online Giving!

Our parish has officially migrated from Faith Direct to ParishSOFT Giving! Your recurring gifts and payment information have transferred automatically, so there's no action needed on your part.

You can now log in to ParishSOFT Giving using your same credentials to manage your donations. With this upgrade, you'll enjoy:

- -More flexible scheduling and payment options
- -Easy access to update your account anytime
- -Continued access to donor support

Thank you for your generosity and patience during this transition—we're excited to offer a smoother and more convenient giving experience!

# **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.

Andrew Sodek, Angela Rankin, Fr. Vince Dulock CSB, Beth Gloff, Levi and Maya Simpson, Dr. William Reading, Kathy Newby, Sheila Hinkle, Columbus Storey, Fran Magelssen, Maureen Saenz, Esta Brees

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

#### 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 Metzer, Br. Kriston Mary Gloria, Br. Peter Mary of the Cross (Colton Marks), Win Vahlkamp, John Knowles

"The Jubilee offers us the opportunity to appreciate anew, and with immense gratitude, the gift of the new life that we have received in Baptism, a life capable of transfiguring death's drama."

- Pope Francis, Spes Non Confundit, May, 9 2024

#### Service Men & Women

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

Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing.

Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen.



#### **Gregorian Chant, Explained!**

Gregorian chant is an ancient form of sacred music used in liturgical worship and prayer. Defined by a monophonic (meaning a single melody without harmony or chords), unaccompanied song, this type of chant focuses the singer's mind on the content of the prayer being sung, which makes it uniquely suited for use in the Mass.

Dating to the first millennium, it derives its name from Pope St. Gregory the Great, though scholarship is unclear on when exactly this type of chant originated. Prior to the Second Vatican Council, it was standard to use Gregorian chant in the Roman Rite Mass. Sacrosanctum Concilium, the Constitution on Divine Worship promulgated by Pope Paul VI in 1963, asserts that Gregorian chant is "specially suited to the Roman liturgy...(and) should be given pride of place in liturgical services."

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, October 25

8:00am – Jacob & Bobbie George (I) 5:00pm – Varughese & Leelamma Koreth (A)

#### Sunday, October 26

7:00am – Sam & Laura Carso (D)

9:00am - Apollo Refugio Sr. (D)

11:00am - John Ku (D)

1:00pm - Alex Herrera (D)

5:00pm – Parishioners of St. Laurence

#### Monday, October 27

7:30am – Cecil Cisneros (D) 12:00pm Vivian Sepe (D

#### **Tuesday, October 28**

7:30am – Michael Fotso (I) 12:00pm – Mariam & Kurian Vandans. (D)

#### Wednesday, October 29

7:30am – Mario Dena (D) 6:30pm – Leslie Dixon (I)

#### **Thursday, October 30**

7:30am – Atmo Hariram (D) 12:00pm Robert Visser, Sr. (D

#### Friday, October 31

8:15am – Elienne Kouamou (D) 12:00pm –Fr. Paul Tharaniyil (D)

#### Saturday, November 1

8:00am – Joshi Cyriac (D) 5:00pm – Benigno Marinas (D)

#### **Sunday, November 2**

7:00am – Viola Muniz (D)
9:00am – Fadera Family. (D)
11:00am Diane Barry Gerwin (D)
1:00pm – Departed Legion of Mary Souls (D)
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** 

#### **Dear St. Laurence Parish Community:**

The St. Laurence Parish Finance Council is responsible for overseeing the parish's fiscal matters, including establishing an annual budget and advising the pastor on financial matters. Set forth here is a financial report for the parish reflecting sources and uses of funds for fiscal year 2025 (ending 6/30/2025) and the 2026 budget. The first column shows the actual fiscal year 2025 results.

The second column is our fiscal year 2026 budget. Please note that this financial report does not include the parish school, although the Finance Council does monitor and approve the school's budget. The school is in good financial shape with no debt and has reserves for capital improvements and contingencies. When the parish debt was paid off a number of years ago, some of the funds that were previously dedicated for debt service became available for other purposes, and Fr. Drew and the Pastoral Council determined that the parish should use some of these funds to help the wider community in four areas: education, social concerns, adopt a parish, and crisis needs. The St. Laurence Outreach Advisory Group was established within the parish to work with the pastor and Social Concerns to determine how to support the needs of our greater Sugar Land/Ft. Bend community in these areas. Beneficiaries of this generosity over the past year have been:

Catholic Charities: <u>Hurricane Helene Relief, Brookwood Community Day Program, Fort Bend Care Center,</u>
<u>Fort Bend Ramps, and Fort Bend Habitat for Humanity, Aging in Place</u>

The line item for Parish Initiatives - Outreach Advisory Committee reflects the 2026 budget for this program.

Thanks to your generosity and the stewardship of our great parish staff over the monies provided, the financial condition of St. Laurence Parish is excellent. We have no debt, and we have sufficient funds to meet all of the current needs (staff salaries and benefits, physical plant operation and maintenance, and the many ongoing programs and ministries), and we have established substantial reserves for future capital repairs and replacements. It should be noted, however, that the expenses of operating the parish (staff salaries and benefits, insurance, utilities, and maintenance) have all substantially increased over the last few years, and we must continue to watch our expenses and stay within our means. Thank you for your generous support of our great parish.



# ST. LAURENCE PARISH ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 2025 FISCAL YEAR ACTIVITY 2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Activity Fiscal \*Budget Fiscal
Year 2025 Year 2026

### **Source Of Funds**

Offertory/Gifts	\$6,005,182	\$6,055,0
Religious Education Tuitions	\$144,144	\$123,555
Special Collections and Mission Appeals	\$4 98,173	
Bazaar, Interest Income, Facility Rental, DSF Rebate	\$144,096	\$112,0
Ignite Rebates - Archdiocese Capital Campaign	\$15,777	·
Weekday Children's Program - Revenue	\$1,799,284	\$1,735,257
Social Concerns Ministry - Donations	\$6 37,052	\$5 90,000
Funds Held on Behalf of Ministries	\$9,378	-

TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS	\$9,253,086	\$ 8,615,812
Use Of Funds		
Pastoral & Religious Education	\$2,121,627	\$2,336,482
Parish Administration	\$1,592,997	\$1,731,286
Facility Operations	\$1,758,219	\$1,525,307
Charitable Donations & Special Collections	\$591,996	\$73,700
Outreach Advisory Contributions	\$1 02,500	\$250,000
Weekday Children's Program - Expenses	\$1,467,784	\$1,518,007
Social Concerns Ministry - Payments	\$6 22,370	\$590,0
St. Laurence Catholic School Subsidy	\$160,000	\$160,0
Parish Obligations to Archdiocese	\$532,526	\$529,113
Current Year Change in Cash Balance	\$141,135	(\$370,683)
Capitalized Property Improvements	\$161,932	\$272,600
TOTAL USE OF FUNDS	\$9.253.086	\$8.615.812

<sup>\*</sup> Note, Budget does not include: Ministry Donations, Special Collections and Mission Appeals, Pandemics or Natural Disasters.



# Visit **stlaurence.org/social-concerns** to learn more about the Social Concerns Ministry and to sign-up for our weekly newsletter.



#### Let's All Get Together To

Every year, we come together to make Thanksgiving a special occasion for families in need. Share God's Bounty is our annual Thanksgiving meal drive, providing meals and pantry items to over 500 families in Fort Bend County, including our sister parish, Queen of Peace. To participate, pick up a meal tag on the plaza after Mass during the weekends of November 1/2 and 8/9. This meal tag represents the essential items needed for a complete Thanksgiving meal. Would you like to join our dedicated team of volunteers to distribute these meals on Saturday, November 22? Sign up now on our Sign-Up Genius page. Volunteer spots fill up quickly, so register early. If you have questions, contact Pennie DeGroot in the Social Concerns Ministry office at 281-980-9812. We also welcome monetary donations, which can be made on our website or at www.stlaurence.org/share-gods-bounty. Your support will make a meaningful difference in the lives of those less fortunate during this holiday season. Thank you for your generosity.



#### **Seafarer's Donations Are Due Today!**

A big thank you to everyone who has already donated items for the Seafarers! Just a reminder – today is the last day to donate items for the gift boxes that will be delivered to seafarers visiting the Port of Houston this December. Thank you for your generosity and for helping us share the spirit of Christmas with others!

#### **Blessing Of The Animals**

Pet owners and their beloved animal companions gathered with joy at the yearly Blessing of the Animals. Thank you to all who participated! Fr. Reginald began the service with a reading of the scriptures, followed by prayers and the blessing of individual pets. Thanks to your generous donations, we provided two carts filled with food for Sugar Land Animal Services. Special thanks to the Hanks family for the bandanas, St. Francis medals, and treats, and to our wonderful volunteers, Alvin, Renee, Cliff, Cory, Bea, and JD.





#### **Halloween Candy Drop-Off**

It's that time of year again, and Social Concerns will be collecting leftover Halloween candy for various projects, including Share God's Bounty. Just place your sweet donations in the "Halloween Candy Depository" in the Social Concerns office or the SCM collection bin in the church narthex. Thank you for your kindness!

#### Respect Life Life Chain

The Life Chain will be held TODAY, Sunday, October 26 from 2-3:30 pm. Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing in remembrance of at least 65 million lives lost to abortion, praying for our nation, for people in crisis situations and for a permanent end to abortion. Signs are available for pick up in the Corpus Christi room after Mass. Please consider joining members of our parish and other local parishes to promote a culture of life in our community.

#### Rachel's Vineyard

A weekend retreat for women and men suffering after abortion, will be held October 31-November 2. This scripture - based retreat combines prayer, reflection, counseling and sacramental Reconciliation. For more information and to register, call or email: Julie - 713-741-8728, jdumalet@archgh.org or Cindy - 713-825-0649, cindy@rvhouston.org

### **PARISH LIFE DIRECTORY**

#### SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Baptism
Confirmation (Teens)
Confirmation (Adults)
First Holy Communion
First Reconciliation
Marriage Preparation
Marriage Sponsor Couples
OCIA (Becoming Catholic)

Barb Roy I 281-265-5774
Rachel Alcocer I 281-265-5774
Mary Visser I 281-265-5774
Christine Hernandez I 281-265-5774
Christine Hernandez I 281-265-5774
Betty Holub I 281-980-9812
Betty Holub I 281-265-5774
Justin Frato I 281-265-5774

#### **FAITH FORMATION & EDUCATION**

Adult Faith Formation Catholic Men CTB Saints Director of Faith Formation EDGE (Middle School) Elementary Faith Formation Family Faith Financial Peace University Life Teen (High School) Men's Bible Studies Natural Family Planning Parish Library St. Laurence Catholic School Principal Advisory Council PTO President PTO President Preschool Faith Formation Spanish Bible Study

That Man Is You

Vacation Bible School

Vocations Committee

Justin Frato | 281-265-5774 Jim Kij | 281-253-4800 Christine Hernandez | 281-265-5774 Caitlyn White | 281-265-5774 Joan Hastreiter | 281-265-5774 Naomi Henry | 281-265-5774 Sunny Tom | 832-620-7417 Mike Cleary | 281-265-5774 Steve Ewbank | 281-703-3873 Jacob & Jillian Counts | 281-300-3704 Susan Mulé | 281-265-5774

Suzanne Barto I 281-980-0500 Silas Girgis I 281-980-0500 Mary Wade I 281-980-0500 Katherine Hovde I 281-980-0500 Susan Mulé I 281-265-5774 Talina Rodriguez I 630-600-8035 Chris Salinas I 757-275-6249 Kay Quenan I 713-826-4939 Joan Hastreiter I 281-265-5774 Nia Sepe I 281-980-9812 Ban Haller I 281-313-0329

#### **EVANGELIZATION, STEWARDSHIP & LEADERSHIP**

Discipleship Council
Finance Council
New Evangelization Ministry
Pastoral Council
Re-Membering Church
Welcoming Ministry

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Weekday Children's Program

Edward Young | 832-310-4190 Bob Ladd | 281-703-1747 Marta Alves | 713-569-3679 Jennifer Dye | 832-264-6128 Dcn. Tom Ruck | 713-855-2399 Glen & Steph Guidry | 832-465-7437

#### **COMMUNITY & PARISH LIFE**

African Catholic Community Bazaar BSA Troop 828B BSA Troop 818G Catholic Daughters Challenge Club for Girls Connect Groups Council of Catholic Women Cub Scout Pack 1828 Family Ministry Filipino Community Hispanic Ministry Indian Subcontinent Ministry J.O.Y. Club (Senior Ministry) Knights of Columbus Ladies Guild Moms & Tots St. Laurence Singles Vietnamese Community Women of the Cloth Young Adults

Stellagreg Obi Uche I 713-412-1835 Sandy Basler I 713-252-4594 Jacob Counts I 832-541-2789 Zach Weimer I 832-655-9001 Pam White I 713-557-6274 Linda Lo I 832-877-5867 Mary Visser I 281-265-5774 Ginny Kazmierczak I 713-305-9845 Sean Buchanan I 832-302-8809 Christine Hernandez I 281-265-5774 Wally Arias I 281-202-9370 Heidy Delgado I 713-298-5586 Sajimone Joseph I 832-490-9297 Becky Wilkinson I 281-797-1092 Rich Kleczynski I 832-498-1151 Josie Vranish I 813-230-1641 Lauren Schmidt I 281-770-8068 Marita Odneal I 832-472-7917 Phung Ngo-Burns I 832-563-4184 Sharon Hresko I 713-376-3952 Chris Nabzdyk I 832-423-5584

#### PRAYER, RETREATS & PRAYER GROUPS

A.C.T.S. Retreat
Adoration
Christian Meditation
Contemplative Prayer
Contemplative Prayer (Spanish)
Divine Mercy (Morning)
Divine Mercy (Spanish)
Hearts of Jesus & Mary

Legion of Mary (Afternoon) Legion of Mary (Evening) Marian Consecration St. Anthony of Padua St. Laurence Women Retreat Raise A Hallelujah

Travis Nutzman | 507-382-7090 Sandi Brunello I 832-483-8809 Patrick King I 713-444-6014 Elaine Smith I 281-499-6660 Alicia Verduzco I 281-961-8985 Sally Flowers I 281-265-8360 Rebecca Yanes I 605-660-7611 Nora Lozoya I 956-343-1335 Roberto Arenas I 281-253-4797 Veronique Hariram I 713-817-9981 Mary Dorta I 713-882-5704 Anne Marie Daniel I 281-265-5774 Joseph Ellankil I 832-282-3032 Anne Marie Daniel I 281-265-5774 Roxie Casal I 931-349-8301 Sonya Purdy I 985-705-8095

#### **CARE & SUPPORT**

Annulments
Bereavement Ministries:
Grieving Families

H.O.P.E. Class Cancer Support Group Caregivers Support Group

DivorceCare Funeral Planning Funeral Reception Ministry Loving Seniors

Meals That Heal NAMI Pastoral Care to Sick/Hmbd

Spiritual Direction Sunday Priest Meals Unbound Prayer Anne Marie Daniel I 281-265-5774

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



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# **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 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

#### 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.