

St. Justin Martyr Parish

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston



Mass Schedule

Sunday:
8:00 a.m. in English
10:00 a.m. in English
12:00 p.m. in Vietnamese
5:00 p.m. in Spanish

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday and Saturday**
9:00 a.m. (Church)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
Also by appointment.
Call the parish office.

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16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 18, 2021

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Fr. Paul Chovanec, Pastor Fr. Peter Thang Nguyen, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Corney Llorens Deacon Nhat Tran Deacon Sean Nguyen

ADULT BAPTISM AND ENTERING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process is ongoing. Contact one of the priests in the parish office.

ADULT CONFIRMATION FOR PRACTICING CATHOLICS

Please phone the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact Mary Elliott at 281-902-5711 or melliott@sjmtx.com 6 months to 2 years prior to desired date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN

Baptism for children through age six is held monthly except during the season of Lent. There are no private baptisms. There are required preparation sessions for the parents. At least one parent must be a registered member of the parish and a practicing Catholic. Expectant parents are asked to begin this process during the second trimester of pregnancy.

Please phone the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN SEVEN AND OLDER

Please contact the Religious Education office about the RCIA process, 281-902-5701.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please phone the parish office as soon as you or someone in your family schedules surgery/hospitalization or suffers an illness or injury. PLEASE DON'T DELAY in this prayer for Christian healing!

FIRST COMMUNION, FIRST PENANCE, CONFIRMATION AND QUINCEAÑERA CELEBRATIONS

Please contact the Religious Education office, 281-902-5701.

YOUTH MINISTRY AT ST. JUSTIN MARTYR

There are various activities for Middle and High School Youth throughout the year. Youth Nights take place every Wednesday 7-8:30 p.m. and are a time for youth to make friends, have fun and learn more about their faith.

For more information contact the Youth Ministry Office at 281-902-5710.

ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Wednesdays—9:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. for curb side food distribution. Other times, call 281-556-6882. Fax is 281-752-5985.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

10 days prior to date of publication. Bulletin email: dgroves@sjmtx.com

WELCOME TO ST. JUSTIN MARTYR

Please let us know you have arrived. We are anxious to meet you. Contact the parish office for a welcoming packet.

ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH BOUNDARIES

Beginning at a point on Barker Reservoir Dam at Briar Forest Street, East on Briar Forest to Dairy Ashford; thence South on Dairy Ashford to Westheimer Road; thence East on Westheimer Road to Old Westheimer Road; thence South on Old Westheimer Road, to Alief-Clodine; thence West on Alief-Clodine to Dairy Ashford; thence South on Dairy Ashford Bellaire Blvd; thence West on Bellaire Blvd. to Eldridge; thence South on to Beechnut; thence West on Beechnut to Addicks-Howell Road (Hwy 6); thence South on Addicks Howell Road to Keegans Bayou; thence West on Keegans Bayou to O'Brien Road; thence North on O'Brien Road to Barker Reservoir Dam; thence Northeast along the Dam to the point of beginning at Briar Forest.

Pastoral Staff

Vacant
Coordinator of Adult Ministry

Jackie Baca
Coordinator of Religious Education
& Youth Ministry

Karen Rachal
Parish Administrator

Sunday Reflection



THE DAYS ARE COMING

Separation, isolation, and hostility are terrible things. We are, sadly, too familiar with all of them in our modern life, whether we look at world events or events in our own neighborhoods and families. All three readings today refer to these same sad human conditions.

The prophet Jeremiah describes world conditions as if the people of his time were sheep who had been scattered by poor leadership and corrupt shepherds. But “the days are coming,” he assures us (Jeremiah 23:5), when a new shepherd, a just king, will come. We meet that king in the second reading and the Gospel. Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Ephesians that all divisions can now cease in Christ Jesus, who has brought us together through his blood.

In Mark’s Gospel we see Jesus himself, looking with pity on those searching for him as if they were sheep without a shepherd.

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Financial Stewardship

Weekend Collection

Collections

July 4th Collections 12:00 & 5:00	\$ 2,707
July 11th	\$ 10,806
On-line Giving	\$ 1,956
Received via mail	\$ 1,893
Total	\$ 13,164

Required Weekly Budget Amount	\$16,000
Building Improvements	\$ 112
Social Ministry	\$ 85
Registered Families	1989

Go to sjm@sjmtx.org for Online Giving.

Like us on Facebook: Saint Justin Martyr Parish.

Diocesan Services Fund 2021

Parish Goal:	\$110,000
Parish Contributions:	\$ 52,611
Balance Due:	\$ 57,389

Number of Participants 219

Ignite Campaign

Parish Goal:	\$907,414
Parish Amount Pledged:	\$553,872
Parish Contributions	\$364,105
Balance Due:	\$543,309

Number of Participants 242

Upcoming Second Collections

Infirm Priests Collection	August 8
Catholic University of America/ University of St. Thomas	September 5



Prayer Needs

Mass Intentions July 18th– July 25th

Sun.	July 18th	8:00 a.m.	+ Juana Diate
Sun.	July 18th	10:00 a.m.	Rachel Anderson
Sun.	July 18th	12:00 p.m.	People of St. Justin
Sun.	July 18th	5:00 p.m.	+ Macario Diate
Mon.	July 19th	9:00 a.m.	+ Gabriela Agudelo
Tue.	July 20th	9:00 a.m.	+ Gonzalez-Quiros Blessings for our Family
Wed.	July 21st	9:00 a.m.	Accion de gracias a Dios Special Intentions
Thurs.	July 22nd	9:00 a.m.	+ Santan Erimino Fernandez
Fri.	July 23rd	9:00 a.m.	+ Phaolo Tran
Sat.	July 24th	9:00 a.m.	+ Anna Khi Le
Sun.	July 25th	8:00 a.m.	+ Leslie Paul
Sun.	July 25th	10:00 a.m.	Atuanya Family
Sun.	July 25th	12:00 p.m.	+ Phero Tran
Sun.	July 25th	5:00 p.m.	+ People of St. Justin

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow (Jeremiah 23:1-6).

Second Reading — You who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13-18).

Gospel — When Jesus saw the vast crowd, His heart was moved with pity for them, and He began to teach them many things (Mark 6:30-34).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: 2 Cor 5:14-17/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Mt 13:24-30

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Parish Events

Sunday,	July 18th
8:00 a.m.	English Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
10:00 a.m.	English Mass in the Church Livestream
12:00 p.m.	Vietnamese Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
5:00 p.m.	Spanish Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
Monday,	July 19th
9:00 a.m.	Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
Tuesday,	July 20th
9:00 a.m.	Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
Wednesday,	July 21st
9:00 a.m.	Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
9:30 a.m.	Adoration
6:00 p.m.	RCIA
Thursday,	July 22nd
9:00 a.m.	Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
Friday,	July 23rd
9:00 a.m.	Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
Saturday,	July 24th
9:00 a.m.	Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
4:00 p.m.	Penance Fr. Paul in the Chapel Fr. Peter in the Chapel
Sunday,	July 25th
8:00 a.m.	English Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
10:00 a.m.	English Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
12:00 p.m.	Vietnamese Mass in the Church Livestream Mass
5:00 p.m.	Spanish Mass in the Church

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	St. Apollinaris
Wednesday:	St. Lawrence of Brindisi
Thursday:	St. Mary Magdalene
Friday:	St. Bridget
Saturday:	St. Sharbel Makhlūf

Parish Life



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults RCIA

Curious about the Catholic faith? Are you unbaptized? Or were you baptized in another faith? RCIA is the program for you? Please call the Church office and leave your name and a contact phone number, and someone from the RCIA Team will call you to give you more information.



EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH

The ministry of the Evangelization Committee is (1) to cultivate the evangelical spirit of the parish community, (2) to devise ways of reaching out to lapsed Catholics, and (3) to invite non-Catholics to embrace Christ and the Catholic Faith.

Those who would like to become an Evangelization Committee Member, please contact Fr. Paul at 281-556-5116.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 12th in the Sunday Sacristy.

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Café Catholica

Courageous Love, Friends, Faith, Fellowship!

Café Catholica is back. The event started Monday, July 5th but continues through July 26th.

This series is opened to all young adults (ages 18-39) and features dynamic speakers, prayer, and socializing. This series continues on Mondays in July. Each Monday night includes Mass, at 6:00 p.m., with the talks starting at 7:15 p.m. and at 8:15 p.m. there will be confessions and a tailgate gathering. It will last until 9:15 p.m. Come for all or part of the evening! No registration is necessary. Donations will be accepted. The series takes place at the Catholic Charismatic Center, 1949 Cullen Blvd., Houston, TX 77033. This year's theme is Courageous Love, Friends-Faith-Fellowship.

July 19: Anxiety, Fear, Depression? Come to His Divine Mercy! Colin Nykaza.

July 26: Living The Gospel with Courage. Daniel Cardinal DiNardo.

For more information go to www.archgh.org/cafecatholica.

Café Catholica 2021
Save the Dates!

July 5, 2021:
Mark & Katie Hartfiel

July 12, 2021:
Chika Anyanwu

July 19, 2021:
Colin Nykaza

July 26, 2021:
Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

Topics and Location Coming Soon!
www.archgh.org/cafecatholica

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Parish Life

***“Our Lord Jesus Christ, suffering in the persons of a multitude of sick and infirm of every kind, seeks relief at your hands.”
Bishop Claude Marie Dubuis, 1866***

On **July 25th** the Sister of Charity of the Incarnate Word will be speaking at the all the Masses. It is for the annual appeal for donations for the purpose to carry on with their special works and services throughout the world.

Founded in 1866, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Houston, Texas’s mission is to embody the love of the Incarnate Word and as an international congregation we share our gifts in ministries of education, healthcare, social concerns and spirituality here in the U.S. and in Kenya, Ireland, Guatemala, El Salvador and Mexico. We avail ourselves to listen to people who come to us with different needs and to assist them in any way possible.

Praise be the Incarnate Word, Forever!

Regina Caeli Academy
www.rcahybrid.org

**Accepting Applications for the Houston Center
in 2021!**

Regina Caeli is a private, independent, *University-Style Hybrid*® operating in the Catholic tradition. Preschool - 12th grade students attend classical academic and extracurricular classes two days a week, and homeschool the remaining days following the plans provided by RCA. To learn more, contact our admissions office at admissions@rcahybrid.org or 470.239.0259

Regina Caeli Academy is HIRING part time tutors for the 2021-22 academic year! Please email vragusa@rcahybrid.org for more information or visit www.rcahybrid.org

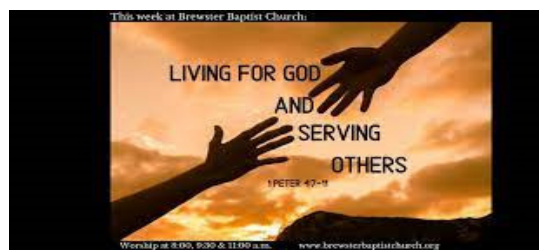
Social Ministry News

The summer months are flying by fast. What can you do?

Corporal Works of Mercy:

- Feed the hungry,
- Clothe the naked,
- Shelter the homeless,
- Bury the dead,
- Visit the sick and imprisoned

Bring Christ’s love to the Poor: Visit a nursing home or those who are shut in. Smile and say hello to a neighbor. Contact a lost friend. Pray: Your prayers count! God hears His children when they call and He answers the prayers.



May God bless you and keep you safe!

Our Current Mass Schedule & Prayer Time

Sunday Masses: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (English), 12:00 PM (Vietnamese) and 5:00 PM (Spanish).

We continue to have daily Masses at 9:00 a.m. Monday thru Saturday. The Chapel will be open before the daily Mass and after - until 12:00 PM. The church is sanitized after each Mass. We have quite a few seats to fill. We look forward to seeing our pews full (with current restrictions) and for you to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

Parish Life

Diocesan Service Fund 2021

Parish Goal: \$110,000

This Year's Theme:

“Walk in the Light of Christ”

We are asked to make a commitment to support the work of our programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue God's work of spirituality, formation and education by contributing to DSF. To donate pick up an envelope from the Narthex or go online at www.archgh.org/dsf.

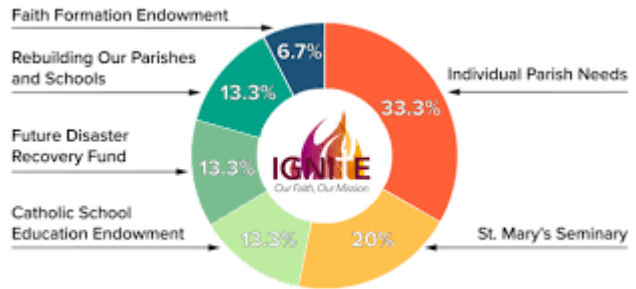
Mass Intention Requests

Intentions are available on a first come, first served basis. An offering of \$5 is requested for the priest celebrating the Mass. Intentions are most often for the deceased but can also be for the living, e.g. birthday blessings, anniversaries, or in thanksgiving. Please allow at least 4 weeks or more for days or times. Sorry, no intentions can be accepted over the phone.

MAVERICKS ACTIVITES

July 19 – Monday – Tomorrow we're taking a bus trip to Galveston to take a tour of the historic harbor & see dolphins aboard the Seagull II, a sightseeing vessel. Cost \$12. Lunch at Shrimp & Stuff. Entrees \$11 - \$15. Sandwiches \$8 - \$11. Bus leaves at 9:00 a.m. from the church's East parking lot. There may be some seats left. Call Marge at 832-239-8579 for an update and reservations.

August 8 – Sunday – A bus trip to Rosenberg is still being planned. We will see Cast Theatrical Company's annual production of a melodrama. Cost is \$17. Bus leaves at 1:00 p.m. from church's East parking lot. Reservations to Marge at 832-239-8579 by July 25.



God our Father, you are the source of all goodness and of every blessing under heaven.

We give you praise and thanks for the gift of our Catholic faith and for more than 170 years of living and witnessing to that faith in Texas.

We ask for your blessings upon our effort to help secure the future of the Church in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.

May your people respond with hope and generosity to our capital campaign, *IGNITE: Our Faith, Our Mission*.

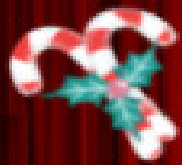
May the sacrifices we make together today bear fruit in lives of faith for generations to come.

Amen

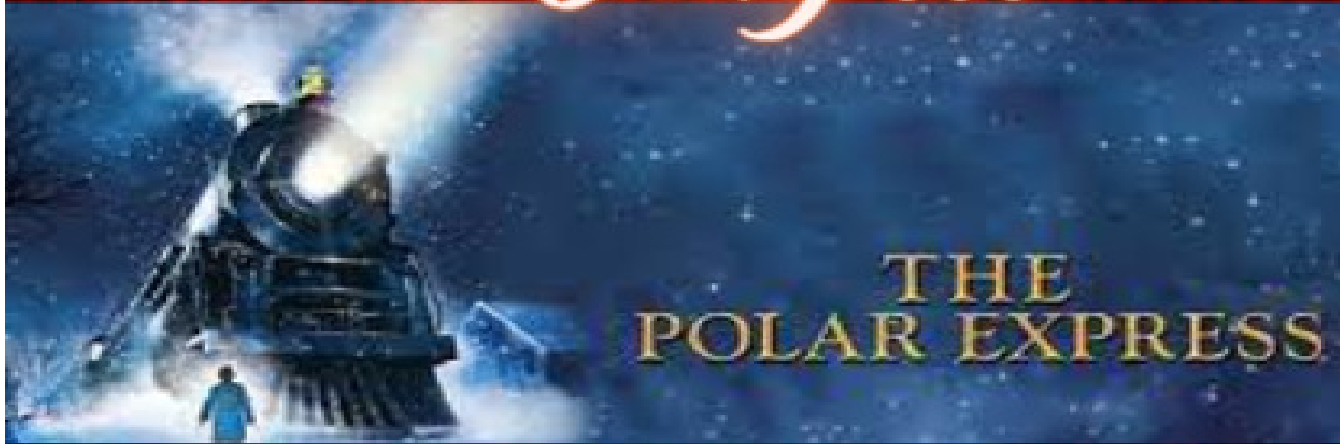
Victims Assistance Coordinator



In a continuing effort to provide pastoral care to victims of sexual abuse by clergy or Church personnel, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo would like to remind the faithful of the availability of the Victims Assistance Coordinator. “anyone who has been the victim of sexual abuse by clergy or church personnel is encouraged to call Ms. Diane Vines at 713-654-5799.” Please keep in your daily prayers the healing of victims of abuse and all who suffer in any way.



Christmas in July !!!



Please join CCE Ministries for Movie Night
Thursday, July 22nd @ 6:30 to watch

The Polar Express

Please wear your
pajamas and be ready to have some fun as we bring the
★ atmosphere of Christmas to St. Justin!



Admission (donation).
Toothpaste and bar soap
for Social Ministries.

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