Fr. Hai’s Corner

The Gospel of Mark is proclaimed on most Sundays this year. However, between now to August 23, the Gospel will be from the Sixth Chapter of John’s, which presents Jesus as the Bread of Life. In today’s opening section, Jesus feeds the five thousand.

Have you heard of mindful eating? In 1992, I went to a retreat in Grand Coteau, Louisiana. There, I learned about St. Ignatius’ “3 Rules for Eating”.

Each person
1. Must take personal responsibilities for his / her nourishments;
2. Must keep in mind those in the world who may just barely have staples to eat, are able to survive;
3. And, in gratitude, focus on God who gives us the gift of food.

“So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” (1 Corinthians 10:31)

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COMMUNITY CORNER


Young Disciples meeting after the Youth Mass this evening in the gym.

Please check out our wonderful and informative website at: www.stmhouston.org

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults RCIA– is a program that helps prepare adults of 18 years and up to receive their sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation. Also is for people that want to strengthen their faith. It’s a process of community where all are gathered to grown as a candidate or catechumen. If you would like more information or would like to register please call the CCE (Religious Education) office at 713-729-3435

Eucharistic Adoration Needs:

Sunday, 6-7 a.m.
Wed., 12-1 p.m.,
Thursday, 12 noon-1 p.m., 2-3 p.m., 3-4 p.m.

Call Main Office for information 713-729-0221

The Henry family would like to convey their thanks to the STM Parishioners that were instrumental in the excellent home going celebration for our loved one, Bruce Henry. Special Thanks to Fr. Hai, Deacon Johnson, Girl Scout Troop # 21236, and Mrs. Charlene James. Mrs. Margaux Blackwell and STM Good Samaritans are to be commended for the excellent reception after the funeral service. We would also like to thank Mary Endres, Rosemary Henderson, and Jian Guang Shi for providing the music.

Del Padre Hai

El Evangelio de Marcos es proclamado en la mayoría de los domingos de este año. Sin embargo, de aquí al 23 de agosto, el Evangelio será del Sexto capítulo del Evangelio de Juan, que presenta a Jesús como el Pan de Vida. En la sección de apertura de hoy, Jesús alimenta a los cinco mil.

¿Usted ha oído hablar sobre comer conscientemente? En 1992, fui a un retiro en Grand Coteau, Louisiana. Allí me enteré de San Ignacio sobre las "3 Reglas para comer".

Cada persona
1. debe asumir la responsabilidad personal para su alimentación;
2. debe tener en cuenta que en el mundo hay personas que apenas tienen grapas para comer, puedan sobrevivir;
3. y, en agradecimiento, centrarse en Dios, que nos da el don de la comida.

"Por lo tanto, ya coman o beban, o hágan lo que sea, háganlo todo para la gloria de Dios." (1 Corintios 10:31)

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Esquina de la comunidad.

Ultimo domingo de registraciones de CCE. Continuarán las registraciones para clases de educación religiosa (CCE) (RE) en la oficina de educación religiosa de Lunes a Viernes.

Los Jóvenes Discípulos se reunirán en la noche después de la Misa de la Juventud. Por favor revisen nuestra maravillosa e informativa página web en www.stmhouston.org

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Rito de Iniciación Cristiano para adultos RICA– es un programa que ayuda a preparar personas mayores de 18 años para que reciban sus sacramentos Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación. También es para personas que buscan fortalecer su fe. Es un proceso de comunidad, donde todas las personas forman parte del crecimiento de los candidatos o catecúmenos. Si quiere mas información y para inscribirse Favor de llamar a la oficina de Educación Religiosa al 713-729-3435

Horas para cubrir en nuestra Adoración Eucarística:

Domingo, 6-7 a.m.
Miércoles, 12-1 p.m.
Jueves, 12-1 p.m., 2-3 p.m., 3-4 p.m.

Llame a la oficina para mas información 713-729-0221

La familia Henry quiere dar su agradecimiento a los Parroquianos de STM que fueron instrumentos en la excelente celebración de Despedida de nuestro querido, Bruce Henry. Agradecimiento especial al Padre Hai, Diacono Johnson, Girls Scouts Tropa # 21236, y La Sra Charlene James. La sra Margaux Blackwell y el grupo del Buen Samaritano de STM por la excelente recepción después del funeral. También agradecemos a Mary Endres, Rosemary Henderson, y Jian Guang Shi por la música.
**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK / ORACION POR LOS ENFERMOS**


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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 26...**

**INTENCIONES DE LA MISA PARA LA SEMANA DE JULIO 26**

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**PRAY FOR ALL SERVING IN THE MILITARY, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN OUR PARISH FAMILY / ORACION POR LOS QUE ESTAN SIRVIENDO EN LAS FUERAS ARMADAS EN ESPECIAL POR LOS DE NUESTRA FAMILIA PARROQUIAL.**


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**This week around STM....**

**Esta semana en STM....**

**Sunday/ Domingo, July 26**
- 9:30 a.m. RCIA, Adult Ed Bldg.
- 10:00 a.m. Sacrament of the Sick, Church
- 2:30 p.m. Spanish Baptisms, Church
- 6:00 p.m. Sp. Choir, AE-St. Mary
- 6:30 p.m. Young Disciples, Youth Center
- 8:00 p.m. Prep– Adoration, Adoration Chapel

**Monday/ Lunes July 27**
- 6:30 p.m. Sp. Legion of Mary, Room F
- 7:30 p.m. Danza Tonantzín, Rehkopf Gym

**Tuesday/ Martes, June 28**
- 8:30 a.m. Sr. Citizen Bingo, Scout House
- 7:00 p.m. Adore, Youth Center
- 7:30 p.m. Building Grounds, Rectory
- 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council, Counseling Office

**Wednesday/ Miercoles, July 29**
- 9:00 a.m Sr. Citizen Exercise, Scout House
- 7:00 p.m. OMOPH Prayer Group, Chapel
- 7:30 p.m. RCIA Inquiry, AE-St. Peter
- 7:30 p.m. Sp. Choir, Church
- 7:30 p.m. Danza Tonantzín, Rehkopf Gym

**Thursday/ Jueves July 30**
- 6:45 p.m. Sp. Choir, AE-St. Mary
- 7:30 p.m. Word of Truth Bible Study, AE-St. Peter
- 11:00 p.m. Precious Blood Prayer Group, Donovan’s Den

**Friday/ Viernes, July 31**
- 9:00 a.m. Sr. Citizen Exercise, Scout House
- 9:15 a.m. Altar Society, Church
- 5:00 p.m. Legion of Mary Jr. (Sp.), Room F
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- 6:30 p.m. Overeaters Anon, EA-St. Peter
- 7:00 p.m. Sp. Choir, AE-St. Mary
- 7:30 p.m. Danza Tonantzín, Rehkopf Gym

**Saturday/ Sabado, August 1**
- 3:30 p.m. Confessions, Church
- 6:15 p.m. Confessions, Church

**Sunday/ Domingo, August 2**
- 9:30 a.m. RCIA, Adult Ed Bldg.
- 10:00 a.m. Sacrament of the Sick, Church
- 2:30 p.m. Spanish Baptisms, Church
- 6:00 p.m. Sp. Choir, AE-St. Mary
- 6:30 p.m. Young Disciples, Youth Center
- 8:00 p.m. Prep– Adoration, Adoration Chapel

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**Readings for the week of July 26, 2015/Lecturas de la Semana**

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**ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH**
**HOUSTON, TEXAS**

**July 26, 2015**

**STreAmliners (Adults over 50 only)**
$15 dues for the year—Adults over 50 only.

**Thursday, July 23, Coushatta Casino Day Trip, (opened to STM parish)** $15pp, (includes $10.00 free play)
coffee, donuts, hot kolaches at 6:30 a.m., bus leaves at 7:00 a.m., return around 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, July 29, County Bus Trip, Stages Theater, “Honky-Tonk Angels” a country music extravaganza, dinner on your own, $27pp, (pay at meeting) bus leaves at 4:30 p.m.

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**New Trip– Beau Rivage Casino in Biloxi, MS Sept. 13-15, Sun.-Tues., Include $25 free play, 1 bkfst. Buffet, hotel, bus baggage & insurance. $366pp dbl / $446pp sgl, $100 deposit due at signup...**

**Streamliners’ trips are open to all STM’s families and friends!!!!! All trips leave from the back parking area near Prinster Hall. If you are parking your car please leave at least 5 spaces open around the dumpsters and recycling bins.**

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**The Gabriel Project is always in need of gently used or new Infant Car Seats, Strollers, Pack-n-Play Portable cribs, Bouncy Seats, Diaper bags, also Diapers/ wipes / toiletries, Clothing / shoes / socks (Newborn to size 2T) Blankets, Bibs. Your donations help mothers in need care properly for their babies. Call Leslie Corrigan to volunteer or with questions, 713-253-2402.**

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**STM EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS**
Every child is unique and a valuable individual let us provide the beginnings of a Catholic education with LOVE.

- LOVE provides security.
- LOVE gives a quality education.
- LOVE is a glimpse of God.

- Accredited Preschool for 3 and 4 year olds
- MFP and M-F classes
- Full day and Half day options
- Before and After school available

Preschool begins on Monday, August 17, 2015
To register call Nina Coltharp at 713-729-9062 or Visit our website: www.stthomasmoreschool.org

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**KNIGHTS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST:**
Attention, single Catholic men 18-30: The Knights of the Holy Eucharist, a community of consecrated brothers dedicated to fostering reverent devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord, invite you to discern your vocation at their House of Formation, located at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. Learn more: knights.org.

Also, the Knights (who have members from around the country) offer hospitality to priests. Any priest who would like to make a private retreat at the Shrine (totally without charge) can visit priestretreat.com for more information or to make reservations.

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**Some “Enchanted” Summer Evenings:** Come and spend eight summer evenings learning and singing 2,000 years of faith in liturgical song of the Mass and psalms. St. Basil’s School of Gregorian Chant invites you to the 7th annual Summer Learning Schola, at the University of St. Thomas, Houston. Dates are W’s & Th’s: Session I, July 29-30, Aug. 5-6: Session II, Aug. 12-13/19-20. Tuition is $195.00 for both sessions, or $125.00 for session I or II. We will close singing and praying all we learned at a special Mass. Visit our website: www.chantschool.org/slsust or call Lowell Davis at 281-855-2358.

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**Houston’s best kept secret...**

**CHARITY GUILD OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**
RESALE & CONSIGNMENT SHOP
Open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.to 3 p.m. 1203 Lovett Blvd. 713-529-0995
Charityguildshop.org

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The Parish Vocations Committee
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TEACHERS WANTED...
College students, young adults, and active seniors who love children and are interested in working part-time for a quality after school care program at St. Thomas More Parish School. We have students in Preschool through 8th grade in the After School Program. You must be Virtus trained. The hours are Monday through Thursday 2:45 pm to 6:00 pm and Friday 1:45 pm to 6:00 pm. The St. Thomas More Extended Day Program begins on Monday, August 17, 2015. If you are talented, motivated, energetic, conscientious and interested in working part-time, PLEASE CALL - NINA COLTHARP AT 713-729-9062.

Registration is now available for the 2015-16 Religious Education Programs

Catechism for Children
The 2015-16 CCE School Year for PreK4 - 8th grade begins on September 13, 2015. Classes will be held on Sundays from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. A copy of both the child’s baptismal and birth certificates will be required for registration. Registration will be from June 21 - August 14. You may sign up at the following times:

- CCE Office on Sundays in June - July from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- CCE Office from 10:00am – 12:00pm and 1:00pm – 3:00pm on Monday – Friday

High School Confirmation
The High School Confirmation program begins on October 7, 2015 for students in grades 9 -11. Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:45 p.m., and attendance at class is mandatory in order to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. A copy of the teen’s baptismal and first communion certificates will be required for registration. Registration will be from August 10 – September 8. You may sign up at the CCE Office at the following times:

- Monday - Thursday from 10am – 12 noon and 1 – 3 pm

Special Needs Programs
We welcome children with special learning needs (i.e., mentally or physically challenged) to participate in our small-group CCE program. Parents are asked to indicate their children’s special needs at registration time.

Religious Education for Adults – Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults (RCIA)
Are you or someone you know 18 years or older and interested in becoming Catholic? Or are you a Baptized Catholic who would like to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist? If the answer to either is yes, you are invited to join us on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Building for our RCIA program. Please call 713-729-3435 for more information.

Las inscripciones ya están disponibles para el Programas de Educación Religiosa 2015-2016

Catecismo para Niños
El año escolar de CCE 2015-16 para PreK4 - 8vo grado comienza el 13 de septiembre 2015 las clases tendrán lugar los domingos de 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Se requerirá una copia del certificado de bautismo y nacimiento del niño para su registro. La inscripción será del 21 de junio al 14 de agosto. Usted puede inscribirse en los siguientes horarios:

- En la Oficina de Educación Religiosa los domingos, en junio y julio de 10:00 am a 3:00 pm
- Durante la semana de 10 a.m.-12:00p.m. y 1:00-3:00 pm de lunes a viernes

Confirmación para los jóvenes de Preparatoria (High School)
El programa de Confirmación para jóvenes de preparatoria comienza el 7 de octubre de 2015 para los estudiantes en los grados 9-11. Las clases se impartirán los miércoles de 7:00 p.m. a 8:45 p.m., y la asistencia será obligatoria para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación. Se requerirá una copia del certificado de bautismo y primera comunión para su registro. La inscripción será el 10 de agosto hasta el 8 de septiembre. Usted puede inscribirse en la Oficina de Catecismo en los siguientes horarios:

- Lunes - jueves de 10 a.m.-12:00p.m. y 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Programas de Necesidades Especiales
Damos la bienvenida a los niños con necesidades especiales de aprendizaje (es decir, mental o físicamente desafiado) a participar en nuestro programa de catecismo en grupos pequeños. Los padres deben indicar las necesidades especiales de sus hijos al registrarlos.

Educación Religiosa para Adultos - Rito de Iniciación Católica para Adultos (RICA)
¿Está usted o alguien que usted conoce de 18 años o más interesado en convertirse en católico? ¿O es usted un católico bautizado que le gustaría recibir los sacramentos de la Confirmación y de la Eucaristía? Si la respuesta es que sí, se le invita a que se comunique con nosotros al 713-729-3435 para más información. Nunca es tarde para comenzar.

THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER
+ Remember to bring your child To Sunday Mass +

LA FAMILIA QUE ORA UNIDA PERMANECE UNIDA
+Recuerde que debe de traer a sus niños a la Santa Misa los Domingos+
ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

The registrations for the new courses for English as a second language will be on Tuesday September 8, and Thursday September 10, 2015 at the St. Thomas More Parish School building from 7pm to 8:30pm. The cost is $30.00. The classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7pm to 9pm. Classes will start September 15 to December 17, 2015. For more information call the office at 713-729-0221

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH
HOUSTON, TEXAS
July 26, 2015

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO TEACH ESL CLASSES
(Reglar and Substitute)

Our parish provides ESL (English as a Second Language) classes to the community on Tuesday & Thursday evenings, 7 - 9 pm, beginning September 8, 2015.

If you can Volunteer at least one evening a week with this worthwhile endeavor, or be a Substitute, please contact Norman Palms at 713-726-0513 or normpalms@aol.com.

You do not need to speak Spanish! A training session will be provided for new teachers at no cost.

NECESITAMOS VOLUNTARIOS PARA ENSEÑAR CLASES DE INGLES
(Maestros o Substitutos)

Nuestra parroquia ofrece clases de ESL (Ingles como Segundo lenguaje) para toda la comunidad los martes y jueves de 7 a 9 pm empezando el 8 de Septiembre del 2015.

Si quisieras ser voluntario en las tardes como maestro o substituto favor de contactar Norman Palms al 713-726-0513 o normpalms@aol.com.

CLAASES DE INGLES

Las registraciones para el nuevo curso de ingles serán el Martes 8 de Septiembre, y el Jueves 10 de Septiembre del 2015 en la escuela de St. Thomas More, de 7:00 pm hasta las 8:30 pm. El costo es de $30.00. Las clases son los Martes y los Jueves de 7:00 pm a 9:00 pm y comenzaran el Martes 15 de Septiembre hasta el 17 de Diciembre. Para mas información por favor llame a la oficina al 713-729-0221.

Saint Thomas More Woman’s ACT Pot Luck Social

Come and enjoy fellowship with our STM ACTS Sisters of past retreats and hear the developments of the 2016 Woman’s ACTS Retreat. The Retreat will be held January 14 – 17, 2016 at Our Mother of Perpetual Help Retreat Center located at 3417 West Little York.

We will meet Friday, August 21, 2015 in Servant Hall at 7:00PM. Please bring a pot luck dish to share with our Sisters in Christ.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference
Quarterly Donor and Parishioner Appreciation Report
Second Quarter (April, May, June) 2015
Your monetary contributions and donation of goods to our St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference Continue to touch the lives of so many families in our community.

During our second quarter of 2015 you helped us accomplished the following goals:

1. Helped feed 624 families (2140 Family members) through our pantry with a monetary value of $18,645.00
2. Made 37 home visits (helping 129 family members)
3. Paid $8,684.68 in rental assistance and $766.97 in utility payments.

We especially want to thank Deacon Ed Gosline for his guidance and assistance
Your support helps us continue to do God’s work serving community… Thank You!

Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl de Santo Tomas Moro
Reporte trimestral de Donantes y Agradecimiento a los feligres
Segundo trimestre (abril, mayo, junio) 2015

Sus contribuciones monetarias y donaciones de bienes para la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul de nuestra parroquia continua tocando las vidas de tantas familias en nuestra comunidad. Durante nuestro segundo trimestre de 2015 nos ayudó a lograr los siguientes objetivos:

* Se ayudó a alimentar a 624 familias (de 2140 miembros de la familia) de nuestra despensa con un valor monetario de $18,645.00
* Se hizo 37 visitas de casas (ayudando a 129 miembros de la familia).

* Se ayudó pagar $8,684.68 en ayuda para el alquiler y $766.97 en pagos de servicios públicos.

En especial queremos agradecer a Deacono Ed Gosline por su orientacion y asistencia
Su apoyo nos ayuda a seguir haciendo el trabajo de Dios sirviendo a nuestra comunidad ... ¡Gracias!
Spread the Good News! St Thomas More Event Photo is free and open to all STM ministries. Ministry Heads may call Chris Moras at 713.305.4099 to schedule photography for their next parish event. You can view parish photos from past events at www.stthomasmoreevents.shutterfly.com

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**Collection Information July 2014-June 2015**

**Yearly Budgeted Offertory** $1,830,400.00  
**Weekend Collection** (07/26/2015)

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**Additional Collections:**
- Building Fund $246.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

**2015 DSF Summary Report as of 7/20/2015**

- **Parish Goal**: $190,000.00
- **Total Amt. Paid**: $158,903.27
- **Total Amt. Pledged**: $185,653.27
- **Total # Participants**: 362

**Remember, any amount collected over our parish goal, we keep half of it. The parish must make up the difference if we don’t achieve our goal.**

Austin Bennett Tice is a home schooled, Eagle Scout, National Merit Finalist, graduate of Georgetown University, former Captain in the United States Marine Corps and recipient of the 2012 George Polk Award for War Reporting. He is the eldest of seven children, and was born and raised in Texas.

In May of 2012, the summer before his final year at Georgetown Law School, he chose to go to Syria as a Freelance Journalist to report on the conflict there. Two days after his 31st birthday, on August 13, 2012, his editors, family and friends lost contact with Austin, as he was preparing to travel from Daraya, near Damascus, to Beirut, Lebanon.

Please continue to pray for the safe return of Austin to his family.