

# Welcome New Families!

We are very glad you are here and pray that you become active in our vibrant church community where we love God, one another, our community, and our world with our thoughts and actions. We invite you to come by the parish office to register or by visiting our web page for more information at [www.stmhouston.org](http://www.stmhouston.org)

## Bienvenidos Nuevas Familias!

Estamos muy contentos de que estén aquí y oremos que se conviertan en miembros activos en nuestra comunidad vibrante en la que amamos a Dios, el uno al otro, nuestra comunidad y nuestro mundo con nuestros pensamientos y acciones.

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PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS  
OREMOS POR NUESTROS SOLDADOS

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**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE SAFE RETURN OF AUSTIN TICE TO HIS FAMILY.**

Favor de continuar orando por Auntin Tice para su pronto regreso a casa con su familia.

## BULLETIN:

The ads on the back of the bulletin allow the bulletin to be of no charge to our parish. Our bulletin is read by hundreds of people each weekend. This is your opportunity to secure a space to promote your business to our parishioners or a space In Memory of a love one.

To place an ad or In memory, contact Fred Barrera at 323-646-7735(cell), or FBarrera@TrinityPublications.com or for any information.

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## Mass Intentions

### Intenciones de Misa

<b>Sunday/ Domingo</b>	<b>09-18-2016</b> 7:30am All souls in Purgatory 9:00am Karen Riley 11:00am † Emil Bednar 1:00pm Alejandrina Rojas - Health 5:00pm † Roger & Myrella Ribas 7:00pm ----Antonio Marquez - Health
<b>Monday /Lunes</b>	<b>09-19-2016</b> 6:30am Satesh Wedhawani 5:30pm † Emil Bednar
<b>Tuesday/ Martes</b>	<b>09-20-2016</b> 6:30am † Alfonso Avila 5:30pm †Bruce Henry Jr.
<b>Wednesday/ Miércoles</b>	<b>09-21-2016</b> 6:30am Angelina Mendez 5:30pm Fr. Hai Intentions
<b>Thursday/ Jueves</b>	<b>09-22-2016</b> 6:30am Souls in the Purgatory 5:30pm † Clyde Perrere
<b>Friday/ Viernes</b>	<b>09-23-2016</b> 6:30am † Cosme Phillip 8:15am --__ 5:30pm † Aurora Marifosque
<b>Saturday/ Sabado</b>	<b>09-24-2016</b> 8:00am Guillermo Ilagan 5:00pm Mr. & Mrs. Costa 50th Anniversary
<b>Sunday/ Domingo</b>	<b>09-25-2016</b> 7:30am __ 9:00am Phillip Addai - Health 11:00am Anthony Ugwumba 1:00pm † Carmen Sarabia 5:00pm † Paul Ayi 7:00pm ----__

**FOR MASS INTENTIONS PLEASE COME BY THE PARISH OFFICE.**  
PARA INTENCIONES DE LA MISA FAVOR DE PASAR POR LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL.

**Letter from Daniel Cardinal DiNardo  
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston**

August 26, 2016

Dear brother priests,

Over the past days, all of us have been following the historic flooding in Louisiana. The region is experiencing what is being called the worst domestic disaster since Super Storm Sandy. These recent storms may not have been named, but the names of those suffering in the wake of the worst flooding since Hurricane Katrina are our sisters and brothers. As many as 60,000 homes have been damaged, with nearly 20,000 people being rescued from the flood waters. Lives have been cruelly altered. As a people of God, let us come to their aid. I encourage parishioners across Galveston-Houston to respond generously. Our prayer and material support is urgently needed to help rebuild lives.

Our hearts and prayers go out to the families that have lost loved ones and to all those living in communities who have lost homes and businesses along with their sense of security. We also stand with our brother bishops in the region who have the difficult task of providing pastoral care in these most trying times while managing simultaneously their own losses.

Therefore, I encourage you to take up a second collection for our affected brothers and sisters, and that this emergency collection for the 2016 Louisiana Flood is taken on the weekend of September 17-18. This emergency collection will be used both to support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses.

With assurances of my sincere gratitude for your generous and timely response to the great needs we now face, I am  
Sincerely in Christ,

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston  
Most Rev. George A. Sheltz, Auxiliary Bishop/Chancellor

**From Father Hai:**

The First Collection is for the normal operations of the Church.

Our Second collection today is for 2016 Louisiana Flood. Your generous giving will ensure that the message of Christ's love reaches the poor in Louisiana.

May God bless you.

**Carta del Cardinal Daniel DiNardo  
Arzobispo de Galveston-Houston**

16 de Agosto, 2016

Queridos hermanos sacerdotes ,

En los últimos días , todos nosotros hemos estado siguiendo las inundaciones históricas en Louisiana. La región está experimentando lo que se llama el peor desastre nacional desde la Tormenta Sandy. Estas últimas tormentas no habrán sido nombradas, pero los nombres de las personas que sufren como consecuencia de las peores inundaciones desde el huracán Katrina son nuestros hermanos y hermanas. Tanto como 60.000 viviendas han sido dañadas , con cerca de 20.000 personas que están siendo rescatados de las aguas de la inundación . Vidas han sido cruelmente dañados. Como pueblo de Dios, acerquémonos a su ayuda. Les animo a todos los feligreses a través de Galveston-Houston a responder generosamente. Nuestras oraciones y apoyo material son de suma importancia para ayudar a reconstruir las vidas.

Nuestros corazones y oraciones van hacia las familias que han perdido seres queridos y a todos los que viven en comunidades que han perdido sus hogares, negocios y el sentido de seguridad. También estamos con nuestros hermanos obispos de la región que tienen una difícil tarea de proveer cuidado pastoral en estos tiempos más difíciles al mismo tiempo que ellos están manejando sus propias pérdidas.

Por lo tanto, le animo a tomar una segunda colecta para nuestros hermanos afectados, y que esta colecta de emergencia para las Inundaciones 2016 de Louisiana se tome en el fin de semana del 17 al 18 de septiembre. Esta colecta de emergencia se utilizará para apoyar los esfuerzos humanitarios de Caridades Católicas, pastorales y reconstrucción ayuda a las diócesis afectadas.

Con mi sincera gratitud por su generosa y oportuna respuesta a los grandes necesidades que enfrentamos ahora,

Sinceramente en Cristo,

Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, Arzobispo de Galveston-Houston  
Obispo Auxiliar Rev. George Sheltz

**Del Padre Hai:**

La primera colecta es para las operaciones normales de nuestra iglesia.

Nuestra segunda colecta de hoy es para Inundación de Luisiana 2016. Su generosidad se asegurará de que el mensaje del amor de Cristo llegue a los pobres en Louisiana.

Que Dios te bendiga.

## Apostleship of the Cross

The Apostleship of the Cross encounters (or meetings) started Monday, September 12 (for the Spanish group) and Thursday, September 15 (for the English group). The group meets in the St. Paul Room of the Adult Education building, from 7:30 PM to 9 PM. All are welcome!



El Apostolado de la Cruz ya dio comienzo sus “encuentros” el lunes, 12 de septiembre (grupo en español) y el jueves 15 de septiembre (grupo en inglés). Se reúnen en el salón San Pablo del edificio de Educación de Adultos, de 7:30 a 9 PM. Todos están bienvenidos.



Could you not watch  
one hour with me?  
Matt. 26:40

Jesus wants to  
embrace you.

No pueden velar conmigo una hora?  
Mat. 26:40

Jesús desea abrazarte.

Our parish offers adoration of Jesus Christ, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament 24 hours a day/7 days of the week in our parish chapel

¿La vida es demasiada agitada? Necesita un lugar para descansar y tomar tiempo para estar con Jesús en SU presencia?

Nuestra parroquia ofrece adoración a Jesucristo realmente presente en el Santísimo Sacramento 24 horas al día / 7 días de la semana en nuestra capilla de la parroquia. For information on Eucharistic Adoration / Para información sobre Adoración Eucarística : Questions / Preguntas? Contact the volunteers group by e-mail at [adoration@stmhouston.org](mailto:adoration@stmhouston.org) or call/text 832-869-7483, 832-869-7488.

## Retreat

### WOMEN of ST. Thomas More Parish!

Plan NOW to join our annual retreat in contemplative silence at the Cenacle Retreat House. The retreat

*“Growing in  
Intimacy with God and  
Ourselves”*



will take place March 10 -12, 2017 and will be led by Fr. Louis Arceneaux, CM. YOUR retreat will benefit your whole family! For information, please contact Magda Garcia at (281) 794-8414

### Readings for the week of September 18

- Sunday** Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13
- Monday** Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
- Wednesday** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13
- Thursday** Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, and 17; Lk 9:7-9
- Friday** Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday** Eccl 11:9—12:8; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, and 17; Lk 9:43b-45
- Sunday** **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10;  
1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

### Lecturas de la semana del 18 de Septiembre

- Domingo:** Am 8:4-7; Salmo 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lc 16:1-13 o 16:10-13
- Lunes:** Prv 3:27-34; Salmo 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Lc 8:16-118
- Martes:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Salmo 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lc 8:19-21
- Miercoles**
- Jueves:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Salmo 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13  
Eccl 1:2-11; Salmo 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17; Lc 9:7-9
- Viernes:** Eccl 3:1-11; Salmo 144:1, 2, 3-4; Lc 9:18-22
- Sabado:** Eccl 11:9—12:8; Salmo 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17; Lc 9:43-45
- Domingo:** Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
Am 6:1a, 4-7; Salmo 146:7, 8-9, 9-10;  
1 Tm 6:11-16; Lc 16:19-31



**YOUTH MINISTRY**  
**Invitation to Youth**  
**GRADES 8TH THRU 12VE**  
**of Fellowship, Prayer and**  
**Faith Sharing.**

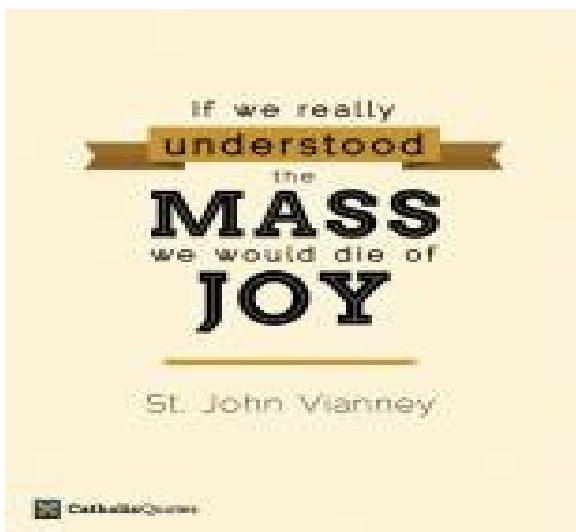
**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**  
**" We meet every Sunday from**  
**6pm to 8pm."**

**SEE YOU ALL!**

**Oktoberfest 2016**

It's time for the Annual STM Oktoberfest. Don't miss out on purchasing the winning ticket for this year's raffle. Take chance on a \$5000 Visa Gift Card, a \$1500 Visa Gift Card, a \$1000 Visa Gift Card and a \$500 Target Gift Card (\$2.00 per ticket or \$20.00 for book of 12 tickets. STM students will be at each of the Masses on Oct. 1, 2, 8 and 9 selling tickets. Bring your cash and checkbooks so you don't miss this opportunity. Thank you!

Es hora del Festival Annual de Oktoberfest 2016 de Nuestra Parroquia. No se pierda la compra del boleto ganador para el sorteo de este año. Tome una oportunidad de ganarse una tarjeta de Visa de regalo de \$ 5000, una tarjeta de regalo de Visa de \$1500, una tarjeta de regalo de Visa de \$ 1000 y una tarjeta de regalo de Target fr \$ 500 (\$ 2.00 por boleto o \$ 20.00 por un libro de 12 boletos. Los estudiantes de la escuela estarán en cada misa en Octubre 1, 2, 8 y 9. Traiga su dinero en efectivo y su chequera para que no se pierda esta oportunidad. ¡Gracias!



**RESPECT LIFE**



Please join **Respect Life** the second Sunday of every month from 9-9:40 in the evening in the chapel. We will pray the **Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet** for the protection of life from conception to natural death, and for the protection of traditional marriage and religious liberty.

**Sacramental General Information**

- Baptism Information**  
 Next Baptism Preparation Class (English): September 17, 2016  
 Adult Education Building, St Peter Room; 8:45am-12:00pm
- Marriage Preparations**  
 Engaged couples please contact the parish office 713-729-0221 for more information at least 6 months to a year ahead of the wedding.
- INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?**  
 This process is known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). It begins with informal question and answer sessions. Inquiry sessions are held on Sunday mornings, 9:30am-11am and Wednesday evenings, 7:30-9:00 p.m. For more information contact Deacon John Krugh on Sunday or call the church office, 713-729-0221.
- ANOIDNTING OF THE SICK**  
 This Sacrament is offered bilingual on Saturdays after the 8:00am mass
- Nursery**  
 The nursery is available during the 9am Mass for newborns to 4 years. There is no charge

**Información General Sacramental**

- Información de Bautismos**  
 Próxima Clase para preparación Bautismal será el 17 de Septiembre del 2016 en El Salón Prinster de 9:45am-1:00pm. Para mas información, favor de llamar a la oficina de Educación Religiosa.
- Unción de los Enfermos**  
 El sacramento de Unción de los Enfermos se ofrece todos los sábados después de la misa de 8 am.
- BENDICIONES PARA TRES AÑOS Y CELEBRACION DE QUINCE AÑOS**  
 Para que su hijo/hija reciba una Bendición o celebración de los quince años debe registrarla/o en la Oficina del Catecismo o para mayor información contáctese al 713-729-3435
- NOTA: PADRES SI TOMAN LA CLASE AQUI, EN SANTO TOMAS, BAUTIZARAN AQUI, NO SE LES DARA UNA CARTA.**



MUSIC MINISTRY



Parish Youth Choir starts September 21st Wednesday.

The Choir is open to students 4th grade through 8th grade. Must be available for a one hour practice on Wednesdays at 6pm. The Choir sings about once a

month on Sunday morning and participates in the Pueri Cantores Choir Festival annually. Please contact Ms Mary Endres to reserve a spot for your student at 713-980-3111.

Singing the Praises of Singing in the Choir

Gladys Knight, seven time Grammy award winning singer, has been singing in her local church choir for over fifty years! So have Ed Sharp and John Biondi, members of our STM church choir. I guess it must agree with them (and us too). "Recent research on the biological effects of music and singing shows just how good belting out a song is for everyone." Researchers in the UK found that singing with a group for 70 minutes a week resulted in positive immune responses and improved mood.



Imagine that Choir singing improves your health! And if that's not enough motivation, consider that it is also a ministry, an opportunity to give back to God and to your church community. Call or email Mary for more details.

Mary@stmhouston.org or 713 980 3111.

BIBLE STUDY

DOORS OF MERCY

EXPLORING GOD'S COVENANT WITH YOU

Learn God's "Plan of Mercy" — from Adam and Eve to you today

Discover how sacraments are "Door of Mercy"

Experience the power of the Divine Mercy message and devotion

Where: Servant Hall

Mondays at 7:00 pm, Wed at 10, Fridays 7:00 pm

This week around STM....

Sunday, September 18

- 7:00 am - 12:30 pm CCE School
1:00 pm Focolare, Servant Hall
2:00 pm Spanish Baptism
6:00 pm Young Disciples Group

Monday, September 19

- 9:00 am Bible Study, Conference Rm
6:00 pm Pack 99, Scout House
7:00 pm Danza Tonantzin, Rehkopf Gym
Bible Study "Doors of Mercy", AE St. Paul
Troop 99, Scout House
Apostleship of the Cross, AE-St. Paul

Tuesday, September 20

- 6:15 pm Confessions / Confesiones (Praise and Worship)
7:00 pm Pastoral Council, AE St. Paul

Wednesday, September 21

- 10:00am Bible Study, Doors of Mercy, Servant Hall
3:00 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
6:00 pm Pack 99, Scout Scout
6:15 pm Confessions / Confesiones
6:30 pm Confirmation Rehearsal, Servant Hall & Church
7:00 pm Our Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer Grp- Chapel
Danza Tonantzin, Rehkopf Gym
RCIA (Spanish), Prayer Rm Youth Center
7:30 pm Legion of Mary- AE-St. Paul Rm.
RCIA (English), AE St. Peter

Thursday, September 22

- 10:00am Craft Guild, Donovans Den
3:00 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
6:00 pm Pack 99, Scout House
6:30 pm Bill Ledbetter(Band Pract.)-Donovan's Den
7:00 pm Troop 99, Scout House
Bible Study "Doors of Mercy", AE St Peter
7:30 pm Word of the Truth Bible Study-AE St. Peter

Friday, September 23

- 8:15 am Parish School Mass, Church
5:00 pm Legion of Mary Junior (Spanish), AE-St. Paul
6:30 pm Overeaters Anon-AE St Peter
7:00 pm Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation
Danza Tonantzin, Rehkopf Gym

Saturday, September 24

- 12:00 pm Quinceañera, Church
2:00 pm Anniversary, Church
3:30 pm-4:45pm Confessions / Confesiones
5:00 pm Vigil Mass
Pack 99, Prinster Hall

Sunday, September 25

- 2:00 pm Spanish Baptism
6:30 pm Young Disciples, Youth Center

STM Financial Stewardship for September, 2016



Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Week Offering for 09/11/16 (\$25,138.20), Online Giving (\$5,049.00), Total Offertory (\$30,187.20), Weekend Budgeted Goal (\$34,650.00), Difference (-\$4,462.80), and Building Fund: \$168.00 Special Collections: \$4,291.03.

Thank you for your continued generosity!
Gracias por su continua generosidad!!



## FUN FOR SENIORS

2016 - Streamliners' –

September Sept. 22 –Thurs.

Coushatta Casino in Kinder, LA

\$15pp cash includes

( \$10 Freeplay)

Coffee, donuts & Hot Kolaches at 6:30am.

Bus leaves at 7.00am from the rear parking area in the back near Prinster Hall.

Call Frances Landry-713-723-2035

Streamliners' trips are open to all of STM's families and friends!!!

### Senior Citizens,

Come and join us for some **Bingo fun**, on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Tuesday of the Month. Next Bingo Tuesday September 13th and Tuesday September 26th in the Scout House at 9:30

**ATTENTION:** FOR POSTING ANNOUNCEMENTS PLEASE SEND COMPLETE INFORMATION TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE TO: [bulletin@stmhouston.org](mailto:bulletin@stmhouston.org) DEADLINE FRIDAY 12:00 NOON

**AVISO:** PARA PUBLICAR SU ANUNCIO FAVOR DE ENVIAR SU INFORMACION COMPLETA DOS SEMANAS ANTES AL: [bulletin@stmhouston.org](mailto:bulletin@stmhouston.org) ANTES DEL VIERNES al MEDIODIA

**One simple thing will make a big difference in the life of an at-risk child: One-on-one, positive attention from a responsible, caring adult.**



If you would like to become a mentor for a child one hour a week, please contact Ms. Marion Costa, 713-723-9762

“No matter how hard you try, you cannot make a miracle happen for yourself . But you can put yourself in a position to help a miracle happen for someone else.”

David Staal

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