Saint Thomas More
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
HORARIO DE OFICINA DE LA IGLESIA
Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.; Closed for Lunch
1:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS
HORARIO DE OFICINA DE CATECISMO
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday,
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Closed for Lunch / Cerrado durante comidas
Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
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Phone: 713-729-3435

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“Is this new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him.”
Mark 1:27
thoughts from our Pastor, FR. HAI

In today’s gospel (Mark 12: 1-28), the people of Capernaum recognize Jesus who had come to their synagogue as a very special teacher. The people in the synagogue exclaimed, ‘A new teaching with authority.’

Jesus was recognized as a person of authority because of the word that he spoke and the impact for good of that word on others.

Like the people of Capernaum, we Christians recognize Jesus’ ultimate authority, the authority of his teaching and his deeds, the authority of his life, death and resurrection. That is why we confess Jesus not just as our teacher but as our Lord.

We are happy to submit to his authority, to his lordship, because we recognize that in doing so we will have life to the fullest, and, like the man in the gospel, be free of those spirits that prevent us from becoming the person God intends us to be. If we profess that Christ is God’s fullest Word to us, we can have no reserves about accepting (doing) what he says.

Get Ready!!

Our week of parish renewal is coming in a few short weeks. The dates are Sunday evening, February 18, 2018 and ending Wednesday evening, February 21, 2018. Bill Wegner, a Catholic Lay Evangelist, will be leading this year’s mission. The theme of this year Mission is: Journey with Jesus!

Don’t miss your Lenten Mission at STM.

Welcome New Families!

Welcome to St. Thomas More Parish! I am delighted to have you join our parish family. At St. Thomas we know that we are all individual parts of the mystical Body of Christ. Working together, we find great joy in doing God’s work here on earth. I invite and encourage you to join us as we pray, work and play together. If there is anything I can do to help you in your journey to grow closer to God, please do not hesitate to contact me. Our parish is proud to offer many opportunities for parishioners to come together in faith. Know that our parish staff is always here to assist you. I pray that you may find warmth and happiness in our parish and I look forward to getting to know you personally in the weeks and months ahead. God bless you and your family. Visit our website for more information: www.stmhoustons.org

the power of PRAYER

Pray with us

In Your Prayers | En Sus Oraciones

For the healing of:

Cathey Stoessel | Elsie Martinez
Aura Selvera | Gary Frederick
Karen Riley | Doris Cervenka
John Coronado | Richard Sullivan
Frank Martinez | Gage Martinez
Melissa Salinas | John Luquette

For the repose of soul:

† Nellie Riley
† Rev. Joseph Bang Doan
† Daniel Cahill
† Father Edward Abell
† Gertrude Moras

Please Pray for Those in Military Service | Por favor de Orar por Nuestros Soldados

SFC Paul Bergman | Col. David Eskeland
Megan Godsey | Traci Godsey
Sgt. Billy Janca | TSgt Bradley Louis
Mike McIntosh | Ebenezer E. Ohaegbulam
Charles U. Opamozie | LCDR Russell Thiem
Lt. Michael Felton | Lt. Dylan Cox

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

For those away who are from their homeland because of military service, may they be blessed for their courage and sacrifice.

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH HOUSTON, TEXAS

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January 28, 2018
WORSHIP & SACRAMENTS

CONFESSIONS: Monday 6:15p.m.—7:00p.m., Tuesday 6:15p.m.—7:00p.m., and Saturday 3:30p.m.—4:45p.m

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: This Sacrament is offered in English and Spanish on Saturdays after the 8:00am mass.

INFANT BAPTISM (0months-6years old): BAPTISMAL PREPARATION Class for parents interested in having their infant (or child) baptized are offered every third Saturday of the month. Attendance is required from both parents and godparents. It is recommended that parents attend this prior to the arrival of their infant for convenience of the family. Next Preparation class will be Saturday February 17th 2018 at 8:45 am, Donovan’s Den. The next Baptism is scheduled for; Sunday, March 4th 2018 at 2:30 pm. Contact the parish office, 713-729-0221. Doors close at 9 a.m. Parents, if you take the class here at STM, you will baptize your child here at this parish. We will not issue you a letter to baptize at another church.

MARRIAGE PREPARATIONS: Engaged couples, please contact the parish office at 713-729-0221 for more information at least 6 months to a year ahead of the wedding.

VISITING THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: If you are unable to come to church and would like to receive Holy Communion, or if you know of anyone who is home-bound and would like to receive communion, please call the parish office, 713-729-0221.

ADORATION: Our parish offers adoration of Jesus Christ, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament 24/7 days of the week in our parish chapel. For information on Eucharistic Adoration contact the volunteer group by: cell: 832-869-7483 or via-email: adoration@stmhouston.org.

FUNERALS: In the event of the death of a loved one, call the parish office, 713-729-0221.


Respect Life: Please join Respect Life the second Sunday of every month from 9-9:40am 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.

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

DEACON’S CORNER

FORGIVEN explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God’s love. By looking at God’s revelation of his mercy in Scripture and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite itself, FORGIVEN communicates God’s invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

ADULT CONFIRMATION: If you are 18 or older, and need the sacrament of confirmation, classes are on Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the Religious Education building. If you are interested or know of someone who may be interested, please contact the Deacon David Johnson office Phone: (713) 729-0221.

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 at Donovan’s Den and Wednesday evenings, 7:30-9:00 p.m., RCIA inquiry. For more information, contact Deacon John Krugh on Sunday or call the church office, 713-729-0221.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUNG DISCIPLES SUNDAYS
Grupo de Jovenes
Invites Youth grades 8-12 on Sunday evenings from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm to the Youth Center for great discussion, fun, food, and fellowship. For more information contact Aida Gonzalez, aida@stmhouston.org
See you there!

Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
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OUTREACH

01-28-2018

Vincenian Reflection: Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit. From that point on, the people “remembered” and told the story and “his reputation spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.” “Remember” is a word that is often on our lips when we pray and when we speak to our friends. Sometimes we also feel ourselves to be better people when we remember the goodness of others to us, their generosity, their unselfishness, their tenderness, their thoughtfulness. This word “remember” is important, for Jesus has also done great things for us. The little word “remember” is at the heart of our greatest prayer, the Mass. The Mass is the great prayer in which along with Jesus we ask God the Father to remember the life, sufferings, death and resurrection of His only Son. Christians gather together and offer Mass, renewing again and again the great act of “remembering,” while at the same time making present again the offering that Jesus made of Himself on the cross. In doing so, we are bringing down upon the entire world, whether we know it or not, an uncountable number of graces, favors and blessings. Every day we hear some frightening things about the cruelty and wickedness of men. What would the world be like if it did not have the Sacrifice of the Mass? Always remember that there is no grace, no joy, no good thing in this world that has not come to us through Jesus Christ.

The Gabriel Project is a Pro-life parish-based apostolate of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston offering assistance to women experiencing difficult circumstances during pregnancy. Gabriel Project volunteers act to provide practical advice and help as well as spiritual support and Christian witness to mothers in need. If you need help, please call 713-225-5826.

Healing After Abortion: 

ESL (English as a Second Language) VOLUNTERS NEEDED HERE AT OUR PARISH, You don’t have to be bilingual. Requirement: Have the passion to help. For more information, contact: Mr. Norman & Ann Palms, normpalms@aol.com or 713-898-9571

Discovering Love With Clarity: http://www.archgh.org/offices-ministries/pastoral-educational-ministries/

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES
Sold on the First Sunday of every month after masses in the Servant Hall.
8:00a.m to 1:00 p.m.

PARISH NEWS AND ORGANIZATIONS:

Leaders of Organizations, CCE Catechist and Ministries:
FORMATION TOWARD CHRISTIAN MINISTRY—SPRING 2018
St. Thomas More 10330 Hillcroft St. Houston, Texas 77096 713-729-0221 Old Testament: April 13 & 14, 2018 Friday 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 pm & Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Cost: $50.00
To register online: http://archgh.evcent.com/FTCM-Spring-2018

Parent Seminars:
Forming the Minds & Hearts of Our Children: Parents as the Primary Educators.
Where: St. Thomas More Church—Servant Hall
When: Saturday, April 14th, 2018—
To wear, not to Wear? That is the Question!
Time: 6:30 pm (Refreshments will be served)
Questions: Contact Judy Gentempo, 713-729-3434

Dr. Webber’s enthusiasm for helping to reshape society is infectious. Her intention is to be an aid to others in rebuilding the family, the basic cell of society. She resides in Houston, Texas with her loving husband, and her soon to be, eight children. As a longtime parishioner of St. Thomas More Church, Dr. Webber’s mission is to equip individuals with the tools they need in order to have and maintain healthy relationships, and help them grow in virtue.

STM – Altar Committee 2018: We are in need of 8 ladies or men to volunteer on Friday mornings to help prepare the sanctuary for the next week masses. We clean and refill the holy water founts, replace the candles, set out the purificator’s & etc. It only takes about 30 minutes.

2 ladies in January and July,
2 ladies in February and August,
1 lady in April and October,
1 lady in May and November.
It is a rewarding way to honor God in thanks for all of the many blessings we receive throughout our life time. Please call, Joyce Coles @ 713-774-2628

ESL CLASSES HAVE BEGIN!!
Classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7pm to 9pm
Classes are in the Parish School.

For more information contact:
Jeanne Chuele - drchucle@live.com, 713-417-6181
Gillian Lynch - lynchgc@gmail.com, 832-867-4529
Norman Palms—normpalms@aol.com, 713-898-9571

January 28, 2018
**Stewardship for January 14, 2018**

Collection: $20,751.22  
Online Giving: $2,865.09  
Total: $23,616.31

**Weekly Budget:** $33,000.00  
**Difference:** (- $9,383.69)

Building Fund: $589.00  
Lenten Mission: $2,831.78

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**Diocesan Services Fund 2017 (DSF)**  
Parish Goal: $193,000.00  
Total Amount Paid: $178,944.50  
Total Amount Pledged: $181,532.00  
Total Number of Participant: 365  
Total Number of Households: 2943  
Average Participant Pledge: 497.35  
Paid Over (Under) Goal: ($14,055.50)  
Pledged Over (Under) Goal: ($11,468.00)

**Percent Paid:** 92.72%

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**JOIN CHAPLAIN - DEACON DAVID JOHNSON  
STM PRIEST (TBT)  
& ST. THOMAS MORE FOR ...  
SHRINES OF ITALY**

**NOVEMBER 6TH - 16TH, 2018**

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**More Information:**

**Deacon David -**

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**Aida Gonzales -713-729-3435 or aida@stmhouston.org**

[WWW.STMHOUSTON.ORG](http://WWW.STMHOUSTON.ORG) or visit:

[gateway.gocollette.com/link/858030](http://gateway.gocollette.com/link/858030)

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**Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

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**Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 28
7:00am-1:00pm—CCE—School & Prinster Hall
9:30 am RCIA—Donovan’s Den
10:00 am ACTS, Rehkopf GYM
12:30 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
1:00 pm Knights of Columbus, GYM
2:00 pm Gala Practice, Servant Hall
Girls Scouts, Donovan’s Den
2:30 pm Spanish Baptism, Church
6:00 pm Youth Ministry, Youth Center & Gym

Monday, January 29
7:00 am C.A.T.S, Donovan’s Den
9:30 am Bible Study, Conference Room
10:00 am Talleres de Oraición y Vida, Youth Center
3:00 pm Basketball, Rehkopf GYM
6:15 pm Confessions / Confesiones
6:30 pm ACTS, Prinster Hall
Altars Servers, Church
7:00 pm Apostleship of the Cross, Youth Center Prayer Room
Talleres de Oraición y Vida, Youth Center
8:00 pm Troop 99, Ball Field

Tuesday, January 30
7:00 am C.A.T.S, Donovan’s Den
5:45 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
6:15 pm Confessions / Confesiones
7:00 pm ESL Classes, Parish School
English Choir, Church

Wednesday, January 31
7:00 am C.A.T.S, Donovan’s Den
10:00 am Choir Gala, Servant Hall
7:00 pm Confirmation I & II
RCIA (Spanish), Youth Prayer Room
Spanish Choir, Church
Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Adoration Chapel
7:15 pm Legion of Mary, Donovan’s Den
7:30 pm RCIA Inquiry, Donovan’s Den

Thursday, February 1
7:00 am C.A.T.S, Donovan’s Den
9:30 am Sewing Guild, Donovan’s Den
10:00 am Choir Gala, Servant Hall
6:00 pm Troop 99, Scout House
Gabriel Project, Rectory
7:00 pm English Choir, Church
ESL, Parish School
7:30 pm Bible Study, Prinster Hall, St. Peter
Troop 99, Scout House

Friday, February 2
7:00 am C.A.T.S, Donovan’s Den
8:15 am School Mass
12:30 pm Knights of Columbus, Printer Hall
5:00 pm Legion of Mary (Sp), Donovan’s Den
Girl Scouts, Scout House
7:00 pm Gala Performance, Servant Hall

Saturday, February 3
10:00 am Gala Performance, Servant Hall
10:30 am Girl Scouts, Scout House
1:00 pm Wedding, Church
3:30 pm Confessions / Confesiones
5:00 pm 5PM VIGIL MASS

Sunday, February 4
7:00am-1:00pm—CCE—School & Prinster Hall
9:30 am RCIA—Donovan’s Den
2:30 pm English Baptism, Church
6:00 pm Youth Group, Youth Center

MASS INTENTIONES | INTENCIONES DE MISA

Sunday/Domingo 01-28-2018
7:30am_ Michael Oguve
9:00am_
11:00am_
1:00pm_ † Santa Elena
5:00pm_ † Father Edward Abell
7:00pm_

Monday/Lunes 01-29-2018
6:30am_
5:30pm_

Tuesday/Martes 01-30-2018
6:30am_
5:30pm_ † Andrew Prokop

Wednesday/Miércoles 01-31-2018
6:30am_
5:30pm_

Thursday/Jueves 02-01-2018
6:30am_
5:30pm_

Friday/Viernes 02-02-2018
6:30am_
8:15am_ † Dolores Mack
5:30pm_

Saturday/Sábado 02-03-2018
8:00am_
5:00pm_ † Carlos Uresti

Sunday /Domingo 02-04-2018
7:30am_
9:00am_
11:00am_ † Frank R. Lopez
1:00pm_ Gale Brown
5:00pm_
7:00pm_

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

Readings for the Week of January 28, 2018

Sunday Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

Monday 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday Saint John Bosco, Priest
2 Sm 24:2-4, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Mk 6:7-13

Friday The Presentation of the Lord
Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32

Saturday Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop
1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39
PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Save the Date
Friday and Saturday
February 2 & 3, 2018

The choirs of St. Thomas More present Gala 10 – “Time After Time.”
Please join us for a wonderful evening of entertainment with a very special guest performer– Deacon Dave Johnson!
There will be light finger foods graciously prepared by our own Knights of Columbus and beverages provided by the choirs.

Performance Starts at 8 pm,
doors open 7:30 pm for auction
Tickets are $20 each and are on sale after all masses.

Contact Camille Garcia at
camillecrenshawgarcia@gmail.com
for more information.

CALL FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS
If you are in the 4th grade or up, we will be having a training class on Monday, January 29th from 6:30-8:30 pm. The training will be done in the Church. A parent must accompany their child to this training and stay during the training. Please refer to the Parish Website – Ministries Tab – Liturgical Ministries Tab to the Altar Servers Tab, there you will see the Altar Server Guidelines & Requirements as well as the Altar Server Test. Please review these documents and KNOW them prior to the meeting. The test will be given at the start of the session, so do not be late! Any current Altar Servers are welcome to attend this class as a refresher if you would like. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Melody at the STM School or me deacon@krugh22.com.

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Lenten Mission:

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PLAN TO BE THERE...
AND BRING A FRIEND!

JOURNEY WITH JESUS

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

No Fish Fry
On February 2nd
We will resume Fish Frys on Fridays of Lent 2018: 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23

By Knights of Columbus
Southwest Council 3910

Award Winning fried and baked catfish

Place: STM Prinster Hall
Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
60 Years of serving the church and community

Religious Education Department

First Communion families: please remember to practice all of the basic prayers (especially the act of Contrition) and steps to Reconciliation. Remember, Reconciliation is scheduled for February through April (Mondays and Tuesdays) from 6 pm to 7 pm in the church.

Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
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**SACRAMENTOS**

**UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS:** El sacramento de Unión de los Enfermos se ofrece todos los sábados después de la misa de 8 am.

**BAUTISMO INFANTIL (0 MESES A 6 AÑOS DE EDAD):** Próxima clase Pre-Bautismales será el Sábado 17 de Febrero en el Servant Hall de 9:45am a 1pm. Para más información, favor de llamar a la oficina de Educación Religiosa 713-729-3435. **NOTA:** PADRES SI TOMAN LA CLASE AQUÍ EN SANTO TOMAS, USTEDES BAUTIZARAN AQUI, NO SE LES DARA UNA CARTA. LAS PUERTAS SE CIERRAN A LAS 10:00 A.M.

**PREPARATIVOS DEL MATRIMONIO:** Las parejas comprometidas, por favor comuníquense con la oficina parroquial al 713-729-0221 para más información por lo menos 6 meses a un año antes de la boda.

**CONFISSIONES:** Lunes 6:15p.m.—7:00p.m., Martes 6:15p.m.—7:00p.m., Sábado 3:30p.m.—4:45p.m.

**Ministro de Comunión a los enfermos y a los confinados:** Si usted no puede venir a la iglesia y desea recibir la Santa Comunión, o si sabe de alguien de nuestra comunidad en nuestra área que está enfermo y no puede salir de casa para la misa y desea recibir la comunión, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 713-729-0221.

**¿ESTA CASADO, PERO NO EN LA IGLESIA CATOLICA?**

**¿DESEA USTED SER CASADO EN LA IGLESIA CATOLICA?**

**¿TIENE EL ANHELO DE RECIBIR LA EUCARISTIA?**

La Iglesia de Santo Tomas Moro está ofreciendo la oportunidad de llenar este deseo. Las clases iniciaron el Lunes 5 de marzo, 2018 por 6 semanas de 7pm a 9pm. Para más información, por favor llame al (713-729-3435), Ana Luisa Garcia

**BENDICIONES Y QUINCE AÑOS**

**BENDICIONES PARA TRES AÑOS Y DE QUINCE AÑOS:** Para que su hijo/hija reciba una Bendición o celebración de los quince años la familia del participante deben ser miembros activos de la parroquia. Para la celebración de los quince años el participante debe estar en el programa de educación religiosa de la parroquia el año de la celebración y el anterior o seguir un proceso de formación de fe, ya sea en la escuela católica o siguiendo en el Catecismo. Para mayor información contáctese al 713-729-3435.

Tengan en cuenta que las bendiciones de los domingos sea de quince años o tres años, **NO SE PERMITE FOTOGRAFOS NI TOMAR FOTOS DURANTE LA MISA.**

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**PENSAMIENTOS DE NUESTRO, PASTOR**

En el evangelio de hoy (Marcos 12: 1-28), la gente de Capernaum reconoce a Jesús que había venido a su sinagoga como un maestro muy especial. La gente en la sinagoga exclamó: ‘Una nueva enseñanza con autoridad’.

Jesús fue reconocido como una persona de autoridad por la palabra que él habló y el impacto positivamente de esa palabra en los demás.

Al igual que la gente de Capernaum, nosotros los cristianos reconocemos la máxima autoridad de Jesús, la autoridad de sus enseñanzas y sus obras, la autoridad de su vida, muerte y resurrección. Es por eso que profesamos a Jesús no solo como nuestro maestro sino como nuestro Señor.

Estamos felices de someternos a su autoridad, a su señorío, porque reconocemos que al hacerlo así tendremos vida plena, y, como el hombre en el evangelio, nos liberaremos de esos espíritus que nos impiden convertirnos en la persona que Dios quiere que seamos. Y, si profesamos que Cristo es la Palabra más completa de Dios para nosotros, podemos tener reservas para aceptar y hacer lo que él dice.

¡MARCA TU CALENDARIO!!

Nuestra Parroquia está teniendo una misa parroquial en Inglés desde domingo por la noche, 18 de febrero de 2018 y terminando el miércoles por la noche, 21 de febrero de 2018. El evangelista católico laico, Bill Wegner, de Good News International estará llevando a cabo la misa. El tema es ¡Caminando con Jesús! Este será un buen momento para ser alentados en nuestra fe, y también habrá un retiro Cuaresmal en Español el día Sabado 3 de Marzo. Planea estar allí ... ¡Y trae un amigo!

**CUARESMAL**

**Horario de Misas:**
- 6:30am: Misa (Inglés)
- 8:15am: Misa (Escuela) (Inglés)
- 12:00pm: Servicio de Cenizas (Inglés)
- 5:30pm: Misa (Inglés)
- 7:30pm: Misa (Español)

**AYUNO Y ABSTINENCIA:**

Durante la Cuaresma, la iglesia nos pide dos sacrificios especiales: 1) **AYUNAR,** es decir, hacer una sola comida fuerte al día, los miércoles de ceniza y el viernes santo. El ayuno obliga a todos las personas de 18 a 60 años.
2) **GUARDAR ABSTINENCIA,** es decir, no comer carne todos los viernes de cuaresma. El no comer carne puede sustituirse por un sacrificio todos los viernes de cuaresma. La abstinencia obliga desde los 14 años.

**Bienvenidos Nuevas Familias!**

Estamos muy contentos de que estén aquí y oramos 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. Los invitamos a pasar por la oficina para registrarse o visitar nuestra página de web para mayor información: www.stthomashouston.org

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January 28, 2018
“APRENDER A ORAR PARA APRENDER A VIVIR”

Fecha de Iniciación:
Las sesiones de los Lunes ya inicio, todavía estás a tiempo para asistir desde las 10:00am a 12pm en el Edificio de Jóvenes; y la sesión del Lunes ya tomo inicio 7pm-9pm en el Edificio de Jóvenes, todavía estás a tiempo para asistir.

Los esperamos para contemplar la oración.
Para mayor información contacte,
Andrea Cortes 281-451-7848 (tarde)
Angeles Romero, 832-273-6914 (mañana)

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.
Para mayor información sobre Adoración Eucarística comunícate:
adoration@stmhouston.org o 832-869-7483

GRUPO DE JOVENES

Grupo Juvenil para jóvenes de 13 años a 18 años de edad:
Nos reunimos todos los Domingos de 6:00pm a 8:00pm en el edificio de Jóvenes.

Vengan a convivir, compartir nuestra fe y diversión.
Nos vemos!

Para mayor información comunicarse con Aida González por correo electrónico: aida@stmhouston.org o al 713-729-3435

¡Aparta la FECHA!
“Fue Por Ti porque TE AMO”
Sábado Marzo 3, 2018
de 7am a 6pm en el
Printer Hall
Retiro Cuadrasenal en Español
Tanto amo Dios al mundo que le dio a su hijo único, para que todo el que crea en el no perezca, sino que tenga vida eterna
(Juan 3:16)
Dirigido por Marcos Vidal y su equipo de animación
TE ESPERAMOS.
Información con Ana Luisa, 713-729-3435

Catecismo:

Familias de Primera Comunión: Por favor recuerden practicar todas las oraciones básicas (especialmente el acto de contrición) y pasos para la confesión.

Recuerde, las confesiones para los niños que haran su Primera Comunión el 28 de Abril 2018 daran comienzo en febrero hasta Abril. Los niños llevaran muy pronto a su casa una notita con la fecha y horario de su primera confesión.

¿Qué es el entrenamiento Circulo de Gracia?
Círculo de Gracia es el programa aprobado de capacitación en ambiente seguro para estudiantes de primaria y secundaria que están matriculados en educación religiosa en la Arquidiócesis de Galveston-Houston.
El objetivo del programa Círculo de Gracia es educar y capacitar a los niños y jóvenes para que participen activamente en un entorno seguro para ellos y para los demás.

Círculo de Gracia es el amor y la bondad de Dios que nos rodea a nosotros y a todos los demás. Es el reconocimiento de que Dios está con nosotros siempre y está allí para ayudarnos en situaciones difíciles. A través del Programa Círculo de Gracia, los adultos ayudan a los niños y jóvenes a reconocer el amor de Dios comprendiendo que cada uno de nosotros vive y se mueve dentro de un Círculo de Gracia.

El programa Círculo de Gracia enseña a niños y jóvenes a buscar ayuda de un adulto de confianza, reforzando la presencia de Dios en sus luchas de la vida real.

El Círculo de Gracia será enseñado a todos los niños del grado K-12 durante el catecismo:
Domingo 4 de Febrero y Domingo 11 de Febrero
en las sesiones de Ingles y Español
Para mayor información comunicarse a la oficina del Catecismo, 713-729-3435

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Lecturas por la Semana del 28 de Enero 2018

Domingo: Cuaresma Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Dt 18, 15-20; Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9; 1 Cor 7, 32-35; Mc 1, 21-28

Lunes: 2 Sm 15, 13-14. 30; 16, 5-13; Sal 3, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7; Mc 5, 1-20

Martes: 2 Sm 18, 9-10. 14. 24-25. 30—19, 3; Sal 85, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6; Mc 5, 21-43

Miércoles: San Juan Bosco, Presbítero
2 Sm 24, 2. 9-17; Sal 31, 1-2, 5. 6, 7; Mc 6, 1-6

Jueves: 1 Re 2, 1-4. 10-12; 1 Cr 29, 10. 11bc, 11d-12a. 12bcd; Mc 6, 7-13

Viernes: La Presentación del Señor
Mal 3, 5-14; Sal 23, 7. 8. 9. 10; Heb 2, 14-18; Lc 2, 22-40 o Lc 2, 22-32

Sábado: San Blas, Obispo y Mártir; San Oscar, Obispo
1 Re 3, 4-13; Sal 118, 9, 10. 11, 12. 13, 14; Mc 6, 30-34

Domingo: Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Jb 7, 1-4. 6-7; Sal 146, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6; 1 Cor 9, 16-19. 22-23; Mc 1, 29-39

Cuatro Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
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2018 - StreaMiners’ meet every 1st Monday at 7 p.m. Remember the February 13th meeting will be held in the Parish Hall. Adults 50 and over are welcome!!!

Entertainment: “Circuit Riders Jazz Band” (Celebrating Mardi Gras with King Cakes for Dessert). Don’t forget to bring food for the STM Food Pantry and to attend the LBJ Charity Hospital, this will be the last chance to donate the 100 Club.

Feb 20th, Tuesday, Visit the Parish website for more info.

BINGO, Senior Citizens, Come and join us for some Bingo fun on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Tuesday of the month in the Scout House at 9:30am. Next Bingo, February 13. See you there!

CCE: Circle of Grace

What is Circle of Grace training?
Circle of Grace is the approved safe environment training program for elementary and high school students enrolled in religious education in the Archdiocese. The goal of the Circle of Grace program is to educate and empower children and young people to actively participate in a safe environment for themselves and others.

Circle of Grace is the love and goodness of God that surrounds us and all others. It is the recognition that God is with us always and is there to help us in difficult situations. Through the Circle of Grace Program, adults assist children and youth to recognize God’s love by understanding that each of us lives and moves within a Circle of Grace.

The Circle of Grace program teaches children and young people to seek help from a trusted adult, reinforcing God’s presence in their real life struggles.

The Circle of Grace will be taught to all children K-12:
K-8 Sunday, February 4 and
Saturday, February 11, 2018 during CCE

For more information contact the CCE office, 713-729-3435

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