6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Thomas More Catholic Church and Parish School
Archdiocese of Galveston—Houston

“A Family of Families”
"Una Familia de Familias"

PARISH OFFICE
HOURS
HORARIO DE OFICINA DE LA IgLESIa

Monday—Friday
Lunes a Viernes
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.;
1:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.;

Saturday
Sábado
8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

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Parochial Vicar, Rev. Joseph Methanath, O.S.H.
In residence Rev. John Samuels
Deacons: David Johnson, John Krugh

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Parish & Facilities Administrator
Cesar Acosta
Bookkeeper
Rogelio Mendoza
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Aida Gonzalez

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Organist
Jian Guang Shi 713-988-9829
Spanish Choir (1pm)
Lacy Lopez
Spanish Choir (7pm)
Rogelio Mendoza

Religious Education Office Hours
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Mondays—Closed
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Wednesday—11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
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Mass Times | Horario de Misa
Saturday Night
5:00 p.m.
7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
5:00 p.m. (English)
1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. (Espanol)

Holy Day of Obligation
(Schedule varies)

Daily Mass | Misa Diaria
Monday thru Friday: English: 6:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.;
(8:00 a.m. Saturday) Anointing of the sick after 8:00 a.m. Saturday mass

Confessions | Confesiones
Tuesday | Martes
6:15 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Wednesday | Miercoles
6:15 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Saturday | Sabado
3:30 p.m.—4:45 p.m.

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"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."
Luke 6:20
Happy Sunday.

Three weeks ago we settled in the gym of our old church to accommodate the upcoming Mass due to the repairs inside the Church. I want to inform you that the repairs are going well and we are on time. (But, yes, there is so much to do and so little time.) We are striving to finish the project by March 9. I ask you to keep us in your prayers.

Currently, everything is progressing well with the daily and weekend Mass. In regards to the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, however, it remains a challenge. There is no space and we cannot have confessions in a "open space" where there is no privacy. If you feel the need to confess, nearby churches offer times that are convenient for you, such as St. Francis de Sales, Holy Ghost, Corpus Christi, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Marks. They all welcome us to provide opportunities for confession. Very soon, we will return to a renovated church and we will be able to return to our regular schedule of events. Again, thank you for your support and understanding at this time.

Recently I received a letter from Cardinal DiNardo that stated:

January 22, 2019

Dear Father Dang,

I write to express my gratitude to you and the parishioners of St. Thomas More Catholic Church on the occasion of completing a merciful and prayerful Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) 2018. The realization of this goal is a testament to your prayers and commitment of you and the faithful of your parish in support of 60-plus ministries in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.

This year’s DSF theme, Instruments of God's Mercy, is exemplified through Pope Francis as he reminds us not to “fall into indifference, but become instruments of God's mercy.” In supporting the DSF, we become the instruments in which we bring mercy to others. We are bearing witness to our sisters and brothers in Christ as outward signs of mercy and strengthening the faith.

In realizing your DSF goal, which I know is not a simple undertaking, you are sustaining the mission entrusted to the Church. Whether it is the hospitalized patient who seeks a visit from clergy, or a prisoner requesting Reconciliation and Communion, or a couple in marriage preparation before their wedding, you bring these ministries to our large and diverse Catholic community.

I congratulate you for your great work in the DSF and hope we can rely on your continued support in the future. With gratitude for your priestly service to this local Church and with prayerful best wishes in the Lord, I remain.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston

Sisters and brothers,

Soon you and I are once again being asked to participate in the Diocesan Services Fund 2019 (DSF 2019). I ask you prayerfully participate in the ministries of the larger church. The goal for our STM parish is $193,000.00. I personally give to DSF every year. I believe it is a blessing to be able to give. You can find out about DSF at: www.archgh.org/dsf OR you call the 713-652-4422

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 visit our web page for more information at www.stmhouston.org

CONFESSIONS: Tuesdays and Wednesdays 6:15 p.m.—7:00 p.m.; and Saturday 3:30 p.m.—4:45 p.m. Please note, during repairs in the church, confessions will ONLY be on Saturdays from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Donovan’s Den.

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

INFANT BAPTISM (0 months-6 years old): BAPTISMAL PREPARATION Class for parents interested in having their infant (or child) baptized is offered every third Saturday of the month in Donovan’s Den. Attendance is required of both parents and godparents. ONLY accepting active registered members of the parish, and living in zip code 77096 and 77035. It is recommended that parents attend this prior to the arrival of their infant for the convenience of the family.

Next class will be on Saturday, March 16, 2019

Parents and godparents, we need all your attention during class. No children are allowed in class. No exceptions. We do not offer childcare.

If godparents are married, they must be married by the Catholic Church and bring proof. Single godparents must have received all three (3) sacraments and bring proof.

Pre-registration is required, please contact the parish office for the English class at 713-729-0221.

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.

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

Dear parishioners,

Update on what’s happening in the sanctuary:
1. Construction workers have prepared the surface/subfloor, and have started to set new tile.
2. The repair of the sliding glass doors have started.
3. Repairing of the burned ceiling lights have begun, and contractors started changing lights to LED lights.

We are still on time. Our Sanctuary is starting to look more beautiful.

Please keep us, the construction workers, and this project in your prayers!

Thank you for your help!

“To live a life "of inauthentic communication is serious because it obstructs relationships and, therefore, it obstructs love,”

Pope Francis

Scripture Readings

Week of February 17, 2019

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday
Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1 and 8, 16b-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday
Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday
Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle
1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19

Saturday
Memorial of Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr
Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 26:2-7, 9-12, 22-23; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

In your Prayer—En sus Oraciones

For the Healing of:

Cathey Stoessel
Aura Selvera
Doris Cervenka
Frank Martinez
Patrick Wark
Salvador Gonzalez
Ana Lucero Arredondo Sanchez
Fr. Richard Hinkley
Kathy Latino
Mark Crow
Maria Guadalupe Fonseca
Joseph Fogarty
Mark Allan Nava
Ed Sharp
Elsie Martinez
Gary Frederick
Richard Sullivan
Gage Martinez
Shirley Guillory
Asel Hernandez
Ronald Escobar
Andy Schules
Donato Bautista
Tommy Todd
Naela Fogarty
Familia Solis
Humberto Niño Menchaca

For the repose of soul:
† Fr. Edward Abell
† Fr. Isaac Francis
† Fr. David Max
† Ana Stannard
† Sabrina Nicole Herrera
† Ed Landry
† Amy Eskelund
† John Coronado
† Maria del Refugio Martinez
† Barbara Turner
† Charles Leland Fontenot
† Doug Deatherage

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.

More information on Austin Tice, please go to:
https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/austin-tice

Respect Life:

Please join Respect Life the second Sunday of every month from 9:00 p.m. 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.

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.

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Approaching Lent Season
Thoughtfully:
We are blessed every year to observe the season of Lent, which begins this year on March 6. During this time, we take a step back to renew our relationship with God as we prepare to celebrate the greatest mystery of our faith, the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The main ways we do this are through increased prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. But how can we prayerfully approach the season without making our Lenten practices a competition or a New Year’s-style resolution? How do we live what Jesus taught us: “But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you” (Matthew 6:6)?

Fr. Leon Strieder, SLD
School of Theology, Associate Professor of Liturgy and Sacraments

Theme: Lent as a Sacramental Journey

March 11 -13, 2019
Monday – Wednesday
7:00 PM in the Church

Retreat Master: Fr. Leon Strieder
Parish Lenten Mission

stewardship of TREASURE, TIME AND TALENT

Stewardship of February 3, 2019

Collection: $32,412.00
Online Giving: + $4,681.94
Total: $37,093.94
Weekly Budget: $33,000.00
Difference: $4,093.94
Building Fund: $860.00

Upcoming Special Collections

DSF Commitment Weekend March 3, 2019
Archdiocesan Social Ministries Collection March 6, 2019
Black & Indian Missions Collection March 10, 2019
Catholic Relief Services Collection March 31, 2019

Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done.
Proverbs 19:17

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OUTREACH

St. Vincentian Reflection: Jesus raising his eyes toward his disciples said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you....” The blessing is Jesus who stands on level ground with the poor, hungry, weeping outcasts. Jesus is an epiphany of God’s presence among all those who had been excluded. The gospel also indicates the decisiveness of choice: blessing or woe. There are two paths in life one can follow, and either one is with Jesus or against Jesus. The lure is to be consoled now, have our fill now, laugh now, be respected now. Jesus is showing another way: our condition now doesn’t matter so long as we trust and hope in the Lord now. Blessedness isn’t a matter of social status, satisfaction, possessions, respect, etc; it is a matter of keeping our own eyes glued on Jesus. The heart of Jesus’ preaching is the Beatitudes. They speak of basic attitudes of being and dispositions in life. Vincentians are Beatitude people; they opt for the Beatitudes that confront them with decisive choices concerning earthly goods. The Beatitudes purify their hearts in order to teach them to love God above all things. Vincentians understand Pope John Paul II’s words: “The Beatitudes are a call to action.”

Rebuilding from Harvey - How You Can Help

- Pray for the families who are still displaced and for all the missionaries and organizations helping to get them back into their homes.
- Join an existing project. There are ongoing projects in Brazoria County currently being led by St. Martha’s and St. Ignatius of Loyola. SBP (http://sbpusa.org) is also working in the Brazoria County area.
- Lead a new project. Catholic Charities has a long list of clients who need help rebuilding. There are also needs within our STM parish community.
- Support other mission groups who are coming in town to help with the rebuilding efforts. These groups will be staying in the Cameron House. Help is needed to prepare the house prior to their arrival and following their departure.
Please contact Diana Janssens at dianajanssens@sbpglobal.net or Christine Hunter at chunter@bcm.edu if you would like to participate on this project. More information is available at https://www.stmhouston.org/harvey-rebuild-project.

Sunday February 17, 2019
Youth Ministry-Grupo de Jovenes

**YOUNG DISCIPLES**
**SUNDAYS / DOMINGOS**
Invites Youth ages 13-18 on **Sunday** evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm to the Youth Center for great discussion, fun, food, and fellowship.

**YOUTH WE HOPE TO SEE YOU**
every second Sunday of the month.
We invite all youth to be part of the Joyful Eucharistic Celebration at 5 pm mass.
Young people, Pope Francis said, “Do not bury your Talents that God has given you!”
Young people, we need you to participate as ushers, altar servers, readers, and greeters on **March 10, 2019**

If you would like to be a part of this ministry please contact
Aida Gonzalez, aida@stmhouston.org, for more information. See you there!

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.

Out of the Parish

**Lenten Silent Retreat**
Friday-Sunday, March 22-24, 2019
The 2-night retreat will have guided meditations throughout the day, confession available, and Mass on Saturday and Sunday.

Regular Registration ends Feb. 22nd

Spiritual Director, Kim Brown, who has been featured on EWTN, Ave Maria, & Relevant Radio is our retreat facilitator.

Register at www.retreatcenter.org

Some people are kind, polite, and thoughtful until we try to sit in their pews.
Religious Education

Dear Parents with children in second year of Sacramental Preparation:

Please remember to practice all of the basic prayers especially the act of Contrition and steps to Reconciliation with your children. Reconciliation is scheduled for March through April on Tuesdays and Wednesday from 6 pm to 7 pm in the church. Remember, time is approaching. We will be sending out a note to each student at the end of February.

Parents, don’t forget to attend the Mandatory Class scheduled for March 3, 2019 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am, and in Spanish from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm in Prinster Hall.

First Communion Date:

English First Communions will be celebrated at the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday May 4, 2019.

Spanish Masses will be on Saturday May 4, 2019:
10:00 am—All children with last names with the letter that begin with A through M; and
12:30 pm—All children with last names with the letter that begin with N through Z.

If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Education Office at 713-729-3435

""We cannot keep ourselves shut up in parishes, in our communities, when so many people are waiting for the Gospel!"
—Pope Francis

Sunday CCE

No CCE on Sunday, March 10 & 17, 2019—Spring Break

Youth Confirmation

Confirmation Year I and Year II Students, if you have not yet turned in your required paper work, you must start turning them in. Please stop by the Religious Education office on Wednesday before class to speak to the director Aida Gonzalez, or via email: aida@stmhouston.org; or contact by phone 713-729-3435, to assist you with your paper work.

No Confirmation Wednesday Class—March 6, 2019—Ash Wednesday
March 13, 2019—Spring break

Important Dates coming up for Confirmation Year II:
March 27—Blessing of the Candidate and Sponsor
April 6—Mandatory Retreat
June 28, 2019 — Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation
(Please turn in all your required assignments on time)

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Confirmation: If you are 18 or older, and need the sacrament of Confirmation, classes have begun on Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the Religious Education building. If you are interested, please contact Deacon David Johnson, 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 questions and answer sessions. Inquiry sessions are held on Sunday mornings, 9:30 am—11:00 am at Donovan’s Den and Wednesday evenings, 7:30 pm—9:00 pm, RCIA inquiry. For more information, contact Deacon John Krugh on Sunday or call the church office, 713-729-0221

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.

What should I wear to mass?

As a sign of respect for our Savior and Redeemer, it is important that special consideration be made to attire. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "To prepare for worthy reception of this sacrament, the faithful should observe the fast required in their Church. Bodily demeanor (gestures, clothing) ought to convey the respect, solemnity, and joy of this moment when Christ becomes our guest." (CCC, 1387)

As we enter the House of our Lord for worship in the Holy Mass, we ask that you dress modestly and appropriately, showing a Christian respect for others. We know that summers in Houston are very hot. But dress-casual shorts that go down to the knee are much more respectful than gym shorts, and shoes or sandals are more reverent than flip-flops. In general, shoulders should be covered, neck-lines should be appropriate, dresses should be of a respectful length. Inappropriate clothing such as tight blue jeans, tight dresses, see-through blouses and dresses that accentuate various body parts that are considered sacred should not be worn. Any words on clothing should fit the profound reverence of the Holy Eucharist in the House of God. Remember, that by dressing modestly, we can help others focus on prayer and less on the temptations prompted by inappropriate clothing choices.

Thank you for helping us honor God and live in harmony with each other.
**Upcoming Events**

**Sunday, February 17**
- 7:00 am - 2:00 pm - NO CCE CLASSES
- 8:30 am Boy Scouts, Scout House
- 9:00 am RCIA (English), Rectory
- 2:00 pm Girl Scout, Scout House
- 3:00 pm Spanish Usher Mgr, Servant Hall
- 6:00 pm Youth Group, Youth Center & New Gym
  - Girl Scouts, Scout House

**Monday, February 18**
- 10:00 am Talleres de Oracion y Vida, Youth Center
- 3:00 pm Divine Mercy, Donovan’s Den
- 3:30 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
- 6:00 pm Cub Scouts, Scout House
- 7:00 pm Troop PP, Scout House

**Tuesday, February 19**
- 4:00 pm Talleres de Oracion y Vida, Youth Center
- 5:00 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
- 7:00 pm RCIA (Spanish), Youth Prayer Room
  - English Classes (ESL), School
  - STM Dad’s Club, Donovan’s Den
- 7:30 pm Parish Council, RE Workroom

**Wednesday, February 20**
- 6:00 pm Cub Scouts, Scout House
- 7:00 pm Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Prinster Hall Room G
  - RCIA (Spanish), Youth Center Prayer Room
  - Confirmation Youth, Prinster Hall & Youth Center
  - Spanish Choir, Rehkopf gym
- 7:30 pm Legion of Mary, Donovan’s Den Left
  - RCIA (English), Donovan’s Den

**Thursday, February 21**
- 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry, Donovan’s Den
- 6:00 pm Cub Scouts, Scout House
- 7:00 pm English classes, School
  - Troop 99, Scout House
  - STM Sunday Choir, Music Room
- 11:00 pm Precious Blood Group, Adoration Chapel

**Friday, February 22**
- 10:30 am Word of Truth Bible Study, Youth Prayer Room
- 1:30 pm School, Servant Hall
- 5:00 pm Legion of Mary (Sp), Donovan’s Den
- 5:30 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts, Prinster Hall

**Saturday, February 23**
- 8:00 am Cub Scouts, Prinster Hall
- 3:00 pm Confessions / Confesiones, Donovan’s Den
- 5:00 pm Vigil Mass, Rehkopf gym
- 4:00 pm 6:00 pm - Cub Scouts, Scout House

**Sunday, February 24**
- 7:00 am - 2:00 pm - CCE CLASSES - Prinster Hall and School
- 12:00 am Girl Scouts, Scout House
- 9:00 am RCIA (English), Rectory
- 2:00 pm Girl Scout, Scout House
- 3:00 pm Spanish Usher Mgr, Servant Hall
- 6:00 pm Youth Group, Youth Center & New Gym
  - Girl Scouts, Scout House

All masses will be in Rehkopf Gym.

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**Knight of Columbus**

Your local Knights of Columbus Council 3910 will be holding an inquiry and admission night on Wednesday 2/13/2019 Prinster Hall at 6:30pm. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about the Knights of Columbus and our local council.

Perhaps you are thinking you don’t have the time for the Knights. The amount of time you put in is completely up to you. Even one or two days a year would be a big help. Also, with the family oriented activities we offer, you’ll have more opportunities to spend time with your family.

We as a council also are involved in the spiritual life of our parish. We promote corporate communions, retreats, Respect Life and Eucharistic adoration.

I pray you consider and reflect upon our invitation. You may contact me at: cell/text: 713-417-6180

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**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Welcome to the Prayer Shawl Ministry:

We invite you to meet with us on the first & third Thursdays of each month to crochet prayer shawls & blankets in Donovan’s Den at 10:00 am. All are welcome to join us. Contact: Margaret Schueler at 713-666-1311 or meschueler2@gmail.com

Prayer Shals & blankets are available at the Rectory Office. We also have fleece Prayer Blankets. Please share these with your loved ones. Those that are sick and those that are well. They are wonderful reminders that we are covered in prayer.

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**2019—STreamLiners Meet Every Second Sunday of the Month**

Second Saturday of the month on March 9th STreamLiners’ Mtg – 10am in Prinster Hall Adults 50 and over!!!! Don’t forget to bring food for STM Food Pantry and toolltries for LBJ Charity Hospital.

Friday, Feb. 22nd - County Bus Day Trip “George Bush Library Museum” $10 pp cash. Lunch on your own at the Cotton Patch Café. Bus leaves at 9:30am.

Thursday, Feb. 28th - Coushatta Casino in Kinder, LA w/ Frances Landry. 1st Class Bus Coach - $15 pp cash includes ($10 free play) Coffee, Donuts at 6:30am. Bus leaves sharply at 7:00am from the rear parking area near Prinster Hall. Returns abt. 7:30pm. STM parishioners and friends are invited to join us!

President/Day Tripper, Joyce Coles713-774-2628, Casino Trips, Frances Landry, 713-723-2035 for more info. Streamliners’ trips are open to all of STM’s families and friends!!!

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**Senior Citizen Bingo**

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 26, 2019. See you there!
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 visita nuestra página de web para mayor información: www.stmhouston.org

CONFISSIONES: Martes 6:15p.m.—7:00p.m.; Miércoles 6:15p.m.—7:00p.m.; Sabado 3:30p.m.—4:45p.m. (Tenga en cuenta que durante las reparaciones en la iglesia, las confesiones SOLAMENTE serán los sábados de 3:00 p.m. a 4:30 p.m.)

UNION DE LOS ENFERmos: El sacramento de Unión de los Enfermos se ofrece todos los sábados después de la misa de 8 am.

BAUTISMO INFANTIL DE 0 MESES A 6 cumplidos (no pasado de 6 años) AÑOS DE EDAD: Para tomar la clase debe ser miembro registrado de la parroquia Y QUE VIVAN EN EL código 35 y 96; y solo las personas que estén registradas pueden asistir. Los padres deben estar casados por la iglesia Católica y traer comprobante. La próxima clase Pre-Bautismal será el Sábado 16 de Marzo, 2019 en el Servant Hall de 9:30am a 2pm. Las puertas se cierran a las 10:00 am. Para registrarse para la clase, favor de llamar a la oficina de Educación Religiosa 713-729-3435.

- Padres, Necesitamos toda su atención para la clase.
- No se permitirá a ningún niño asistir a esta sesión.
- No hay excepciones. No hay cuidado de niños disponible.

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

Ministerio 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 nuestro área que está enfermo y no puede salir de casa para la misa y desea recibir la comunión, favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 713-729-0221.

pensamientos de nuestro, Pastor Hai...

Feliz domingo.

Hace tres semanas nos instalamos en el gimnasio de nuestra antigua iglesia para la misa diariamente debido a las reparaciones dentro de la iglesia. Les quiero informar que las reparaciones van bien y a tiempo. (Pero eso sí, hay tanto por hacer y en tan poco tiempo. Les digo esto, nos estamos esforzando para terminar el proyecto para el 9 de marzo. Les pido que nos mantengan en sus oraciones para terminar a tiempo).

Actualmente, todo va muy bien con la misa diaria y de fin de semana. Sin embargo, con respeto a la celebración del Sacramento de la Reconciliación (Confesiones), sigue siendo un desafío. No hay espacio y no podemos tener confesiones en un "espacio abierto" donde no hay privacidad. Si sientes la necesidad de confesarte, las iglesias cercanas tienen horarios que sean convenientes para ustedes, como San Francisco de Sales, Holy Ghost, Corpus Christi, San Vicente de Paul, San Marcos, y también el espacio es apropiado para las confesiones. Muy pronto, volveremos a una "Iglesia renovada" y, podremos volver a nuestro horario regular de los eventos programados. Nuevamente, gracias por su apoyo y comprensión en este momento.

Recientemente recibí una carta del Cardenal DiNardo con fecha de 22 de enero de 2019:

Querido Padre Dang,

Le escribo para expresarle mi gratitud a usted y a los feligreses de la Iglesia Católica St. Thomas More por el éxito completo misericordioso y piadoso a los Fondos de Servicios Diocesanos (DSF) 2018. La realización de este objetivo es un testimonio de su oración y compromiso, y de los fieles de su parroquia en apoyo de los más de 60 ministerios en la Arquidiócesis de Galveston-Houston.

El DSF de este año, Instrumentos de la Misericordia de Dios, se ejemplifica a través del Papa Francisco que nos recuerda que “no caigamos en la indiferencia, sino que nos convertamos en instrumentos de la misericordia de Dios.” Estamos dando testimonio a nuestras hermanas y hermanos en Cristo como señales externas de misericordia y fortalecimiento de la fe.

Al realizar su meta de DSF, sé que no es una tarea fácil, usted está sosteniendo la misión confiada a la Iglesia. Ya sea el hospitalizado que busca la visita del clero, un prisionero que solicita la Reconciliación y la Comunión, o una pareja en preparación matrimonial antes de su boda, usted trae estos ministerios a nuestra comunidad católica que es grande y diversa.

Los felicito por su excelente trabajo en la DSF y espero que podamos contar con su apoyo continuo en el futuro. Con gratitud por su servicio sacerdotal a esta iglesia local y con los mejores deseos de oración en el Señor, permanezca.

Fraternamente tuyo en Cristo,

Daniel Cardenal DiNardo
Arzobispo de Galveston-Houston

Hermanas y hermanos,


Domingo 17 de Febrero, 2019
Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

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Catecismo—CCE

Queridos padres con hijos en segundo año de preparación sacramental:

Por favor recuerde practicar todas las oraciones básicas, especialmente el acto de Contrición y los pasos para la reconciliación con sus hijos. La reconciliación está programada de marzo a abril los martes y miércoles de 6 pm a 7 pm en la iglesia. Recuerde, el tiempo se acerca.

Enviaré una nota a cada estudiante en febrero con el día y hora que le toca su confesión.

Padres, no se olviden de asistir a la clase obligatoria programada para el 3 de marzo de 2019 de 9:00 am a 10:30 am en Ingles, y en español de 11:00 am a 12:30 pm en Prinster Hall.

Fecha de Primera comunión (Sacramento de la Eucaristía):

Las primeras comuniones en inglés se celebrarán a las 5:00 pm en la misa de vigilia el sábado 4 de mayo de 2019.

Las misas de español serán el sábado 4 de mayo de 2019:
10:00 am — Todos los niños con apellidos con la letra que comienza con A a M;
12:30 pm — Todos los niños con apellidos con la letra que comienza con N a Z.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese a la Oficina de Educación Religiosa al 713-729-3435.

Catecismo-CCE

No Habrá clases de Catecismo el domingo 10 y 17 de marzo de 2019: Vacaciones de primavera

Confirmación de Jóvenes

Confirmación Año I y Año II, si aún no han entregado los documentos necesarios requeridos para el Sacramento, deben comenzar a entregarlos. Para asistencia con los requisitos pase el miércoles antes de clase a la oficina de Educación Religiosa para hablar con la directora Aida González, o por correo electrónico: aida@stmhouston.org; o comuníquese por teléfono al 713-729-3435

No habrá clases de Confirmación — 6 de marzo de 2019— Miércoles de Ceniza y el 13 de marzo de 2019— Vacaciones de primavera

Fechas importantes por venir para Confirmación Año II:

Miercoles 27 de marzo— Bendición del Candidato y Padrino
Sábado 6 de abril— Retiro obligatorio
Viernes 28 de junio de 2019 — Celebración del Sacramento de la Confirmación.

(Por favor entregar todas sus tareas requeridas a tiempo)

Para cualquier pregunta, por favor de comunicarse con Aida Gonzalez, 713-729-3435

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 comuníquese: adoration@stmhouston.org o 832-869-7483

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Lecturas de la Semana 17 de Febrero

Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Jer 17, 5-8; Sal 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6; 1 Cor 15, 12. 16-20; Lc 6, 17. 20-26

Lunes
Gn 4, 1-15. 25; Sal 49, 1 y 8. 16bc-17. 20-21; Mc 8, 11-13

Martes
Gn 6, 5-8; 7, 1-5. 10; Sal 28, 1a y 2. 3ac-4. 3b y 9b-10; Mc 8, 14-21

Miércoles
Gn 8, 6-13. 20-22; Sal 115, 12-13. 14-15. 18-19; Mc 8, 22-26

Jueves San Pedro Damián, Obispo y Doctor de la Iglesia
Gn 9, 1-13; Sal 101, 16-18. 19-21. 29 y 22-23; Mc 8, 27-33

Viernes Fiesta de la Catedral de San Pedro, Apóstol
1 Ped 5, 1-4; Sal 22, 1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6; Mt 16, 13-19

Sábado Memoria de San Policarpo, Obispo y Mártir
Heb 11, 1-7; Sal 144, 2-3. 4-5. 10-11; Mc 9, 2-13

Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
1 Sam 26, 2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23; Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8 y 10. 12-13; 1 Cor 15, 45-49; Lc 6, 27-38

Taller de Oración y Vida

Con mucha alegría te invitamos al Taller de Oración y Vida. El taller ya inicio, acompañamos los Lunes de 10 am a 12 pm o los Martes de 7pm a 9pm, Donde: Edificio de jóvenes, Segundo piso. Aprende a entrar en una trato personal, intimo y profundo con Dios. En TOV adquieres fortaleza emocional, sentido de la vida y alegría de vivir. Superarás tus miedos, temores, rencor, ansiedades, depresiones. Conoce diferentes formas de orar. Este Taller se compone de 15 Sesiones de 2 horas por semana. Para mayor información, favor comunique con Ángeles Romero presentadora de los Lunes - (832) 273-6914 o con la presentadora de los Martes Jessica Garcia al 713-517-7271. Te esperamos!

Qué usar y qué no usar en Misa

Como una señal de respeto por nuestro Salvador y Redentor, es importante que se preste especial atención a su vestimenta. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica declara: “Para prepararse para una recepción digna de este sacramento, los fieles deben observar el ayuno requerido para la Iglesia. El comportamiento corporal (gestos, vestimento) debe transmitir el respeto, la solemnidad y la alegría de este momento en que Cristo se convierte en nuestro huésped.” (CCC, 1387)

Cuando entramos a la Casa de nuestro Señor para la adoración en la Santa Misa, le pedimos que se vista de manera modesta y apropiada, mostrando un respeto cristiano por los demás. Sabemos que el verano en Houston es muy caluroso. Sin embargo, los pantalones cortos de vestir que bajan hasta la rodilla son mucho más respetuosos que los pantalones cortos de gimnasia y los zapatos o las sandalias son más reverentes que las chanclas. En general, los hombres deben estar cubiertos, los escotes del vestido o blusas deben ser apropiadamente más altas, los vestidos deben ser respetuosamente más largos hasta la rodilla. La ropa ajustada, como los jeans ajustados, los vestidos ajustados y las blusas transparentes y vestidos transparentes, acentúan las partes del cuerpo que se consideran seguras. El vestimento (ropa) que use debe encajar con la profunda reverencia de la Sagrada Eucaristía en la Casa de Dios. Recuerde que al vestirse con modestia, podemos ayudar a otros a enfocarse en la oración y menos en las tentaciones provocadas por la elección inapropiada de ropa.

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