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

PASTOR........... REV. HAI DANG

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

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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MASS TIMES | HORARIO DE MISA
Saturday vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday | Domingo
7:30 a.m, 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
5:00 p.m. (English)
1:00 p.m. & 7:00 pm (Español)

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 | Miércoles
6:15 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Saturday | Sábado
3:30 p.m.—4:45 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS
HORARIO DE LA OFICINA DE CATECISMO
Mondays—Closed
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Wednesday—11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, 9 a.m.—1:00 p.m. (Open during CCE)
Closed on Sundays during the Summer

Phone: 713-729-3435

Pastoral Office
Parish Office
Parish & Facilities Administrator
Cesar Acosta
Bookkeeper: Rogelio Mendoza
Bulletin/ Virtus Coord.
Aida Gonzalez

Music:
Organist: Jian Guang Shi 713-980-9829
Spanish Choir (1pm): Lacy Lopez
Spanish Choir (7pm): Rogelio Mendoza

Parishioner Ministry
Practicing Pastoral Caring
713-729-3435

Parish School
Day School
Principal: Kristen Thome 713-729-3434
Preschool | MDO
Director: Nina Coltharp 713-729-9062

www.stthomasmore-school.org
Welcome to the Second Sunday of Lent.

Two Big Events happened last week. First, it was the return to the Church; Secondly it was the Lenten’s retreat with Father Leon Strieder. Both were great. Personally, I love the Mission with Father Leon the most. I particularly love when Father Leon talked about Lent as a Conversion.

Dear Sisters and Brother in Christ,
Interestingly, the theme of this Sunday is about Change (again, the word from Father Leon: Conversion).

In the First Reading (Gen. 15:1-12;17-18), we are told about God’s interaction with Abram (who later became Abraham). God told Abram to pick up his belongings and take his family to a new place.


For Abram and for the three apostles, change means positive, new understanding, new vision, new position and new life.

For us, while we are still living on earth and working on our salvation with fear and trembling, we need to make a change to our thinking in order to change our lives. Remember to remain steadfast to the call of the Lenten season - Conversion. As Prophet Joel proclaimed: “Now therefore saith the Lord: Be converted to me with all your heart, in fasting, and in weeping, and in mourning. And rend your hearts, and not your garments, and turn to the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, patient and rich in mercy.” — Joel 2:12.

Let us Look up to the Holy Cross, give up of self-interest, take up our daily cross and be lifted up with Jesus in his glorious kingdom!

God bless you all. I wish you a blessed Second Lenten Sunday and a great week ahead.

Catholic Etiquette: Attending Mass:
- Chewing gum is NEVER appropriate in a Church. Catholics especially who will be receiving communion should never chew gum prior to Mass or even during Mass for they would violate the Eucharist Fast and therefore would not be able to receive communion. DON’T stick GUM under new pews. Dispose your gum correctly.
- Please turn off your phones prior to the beginning of Mass. It is NEVER appropriate to answer your phone in the Church, make a call, text, or surf the web. Emergencies are obvious exceptions.
- Please do not eat or drink in the Church.
- The Church is a House of Prayer. Silence is most appreciated.
- Children should never be allowed to wander around the church during mass. Patience is always afforded to crying infants, but parents are asked to be courteous as you can be for others trying to pray and listen.
- Please remember that dressing appropriately demonstrates your respect for the church and your fellow parishioners.

Thank you.

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.stmohouston.org

CONFESSIONS: Tuesdays and Wednesdays 6:15 p.m.—7:00 p.m.; and Saturday 3:30 p.m.—4:45 p.m.

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, May 18, 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.
“True fasting lies is rejecting evil, holding one’s tongue, suppressing one’s hatred, and banishing one’s lust, evil words, lying, and betrayal of vows.”

Saint Augustine

Scripture Readings
Week of March 17, 2019
Second Sunday of Lent
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14; Phil 3:17—4:1; Lk 9:28b-36
Monday Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday Solemnity of Saint Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21; 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Wednesday
Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday
Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday
Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday
Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
Mt 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

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
Familia Solis
Humberto Nino Menchaca
Thelma Villela
Elsie Martinez
Gary Frederick
Richard Sullivan
Gage Martinez
Shirley Guillory
Aselo Hernandez
Ronald Escobar
Andy Schules
Donato Bautista
Tommy Todd
Ed Sharp
Ogechi

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-tices

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 HOME-BOUND: 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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stewardship of TREASURE, TIME AND TALENT

Stewardship of February 24, 2019

Collection: $22,861.23
Online Giving: $ 4,725.94
Total: $27,587.17

Weekly Budget: $33,000.00
Difference: (-$5,412.83)

Building Fund: $860.00
Building Fund: $447.87

Upcoming Special Collections

Black & Indian Missions Collection March 10, 2019
Catholic Relief Services Collection March 31, 2019
Holy Land Collection (Good Friday) April 19, 2019
Home Missions Collection April 28, 2019

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

Diocesan Services Fund 2018 (DSF)

Parish Goal: $193,000.00
Total Amount Paid: $2,448.50
Total Amount Pledged: $10,226.00
Total Number of Participant: 21 *
Total Number of Households: 4412
Average Participant Pledge: 486.95
Paid Over (Under) Goal: ($190,551.50)
Pledged Over (Under) Goal: ($182,774.00)
Percent Paid: 1.27%

Please think and pray about how much your family can afford to participate. If we go over our goal, half of what is excess of our goal returns to the ministry needs of our parish. Our parish is required to meet our goal, whether paid by us individually or paid from our general parish funds at the end of the year.

Por favor, oren y piensen sobre cuánto puede permitir donar su familia a los Fundos Servicios Diocesanos. Si repasamos nuestra meta, la mitad de lo que es exceso de nuestra meta se regresa a las necesidades ministeriales de nuestra parroquia. Nuestra parroquia debe cumplir con la meta que nos da la Archidiocesis ya sea pagado por nosotros individualmente o pagado con nuestros fondos generales de nuestra parroquia al final del año. Ayudemos a nuestra Archidioceses.

OUTREACH

St. Vincentian Reflection:
Jesus took Peter, John and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white... The only way for us to “remain” in Jesus’ glory is to accept the baptismal challenge to recognize Jesus as the beloved Son and to “Listen to him.” This means that we take to heart gospel living. This Sunday we are given a glimpse of glory to help us on our journey of a lifetime of self-emptying. This tells us something about how we might keep Sundays. If each Sunday is a day of rest, a time to be good to ourselves, to do something special that is uplifting, to enter into a moment of glory by praying, we would be better fortified to continue our journey. Though God is utterly transcendent, do we not experience the self-communication of God at times? Looking back at times, do we not perceive that we have been transformed by events that were beyond our control, often by our contact with the poor, by their faith, their gratitude, their persistent trust in God’s presence and providence? Are there not “angels” who enter our lives and touch us deeply because of their authentic witness to the gospels, because of their persevering hope in the face of suffering, suffering and death? Are there not occasions when we are deeply touched by the loyalty of friends, by their faithful love? Are these not ways in which we glimpse God’s freely-bestowed presence in our own human experience? This Lent focus on growing in awareness of God’s self-gift, in its many expressions, and raise our hearts and voices to the Lord in gratitude.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

LENTEN
FISH FRY

Place: STM Prinster Hall
Time: 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
Fridays during Lent
March 22 and 29
April 5 and 12, 2019

Adults $8.00
Kids under 12: $5.00

Sunday March 17, 2019

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Second Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions / Intenciones de Misa

Sunday/Domingo 03/17/2019
7:30am † Barbara Turner
9:00am Chavez Family
11:00am Nneka Madu
1:00pm † David Trujillo
5:00pm __
7:00pm __ † Agripina Escobar

Monday/Lunes 03/18/2019
6:30am __ †
5:30pm __ †

Tuesday/Martes 03/19/2019
6:30am
5:30pm Carlos Joseph Herrera

Wednesday/Miércoles 03/20/2019
6:30am Forcum Family
5:30pm

Thursday/Jueves 03/21/2019
6:30am __ †
5:30pm __ †

Friday/Viernes 03/22/2019
6:30am __ †
5:30pm __

Saturday/Sábado 03/23/2019
8:00am Christy Helm
5:00pm † Ed Landry

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

Youth Ministry-Grupo de Jóvenes

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 April 14, 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!

SCHEDULE FOR LENT 2019 / FECHAS DE CUARESMA

Stations of the Cross / Estaciones de la Cruz
Fridays / Viernes
6PM – English; 7pm – Spanish

“La Cuaresma como un viaje Sacramental” - Charlas Cuaresmales (Español)
Lunes y Martes 1 & 2 de Abril, 7:00 PM, en la Iglesia

Palm Sunday / Domingo de Ramos
April 13 - Saturday Vigil, 5:00 pm
Sunday Masses / Misas de Domingo
7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm (English Masses)
Spanish Masses: 1pm & 7pm

Weekly Mass Schedule for Holy Week
April 15-17, 2019— Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
6:30 am & 5:30 pm

Paschal Triduum 2019 / Triduo Pascual
No confessions on Holy Week—April 16, 17, and 20, 2019

Holy Thursday / Jueves Santo—April 18, 2019 / April 18, 2019
8:00 PM—Misa (Bilingüe) 

Good Friday / Viernes Santo—April 19, 2019 / April 19, 2019
Live Stations of the Cross—10:00 AM
Estaciones de la Cruz en Vivo—in Spanish with Praise & Worship

2:00 PM – Divine Mercy Prayer in Church - English
3:00 PM – The Lord’s Passion in English
7:00 PM – Celebración de la Pasion y la Muerte del Señor, Español

HOLY SATURDAY / Sábado De Gloria
April 20, 2019 / April 20, 2019
8:00 PM (Bilingüe)

Resurrection of Our Lord/ Resurrección de Nuestro Señor
April 21, 2019 / April 21, 2019
7:30 AM – Easter Mass (English)- Main Sanctuary
9:00 AM – Easter Mass (English)- Main Sanctuary
11:00 AM – Easter Mass (English)- Main Sanctuary
11:15 AM – Easter Mass (English)- Servant Hall
1:00 PM – Misa de Resurrección (Español) - Santuario Principal

For more information on the Lent Schedule call the Parish office, 713-729-0221.

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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 Wednesdays from 6 pm to 7 pm in the church. Confession schedule notes were sent out to each student on Sunday February 24, 2019. Remember, time is approaching, help your child get prepared.

**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.

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**Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children.**

They bear witness to this responsibility first by creating a home where tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and disinterested service are the rule. The home is well suited for education in the virtues.

This requires an apprenticeship in self-denial, sound judgment, and self-mastery - the preconditions of all true freedom. Parents should teach their children to subordinate the "material and instinctual dimensions to interior and spiritual ones."

Parents have a grave responsibility to give good example to their children. By knowing how to acknowledge their own failings to their children, parents will be better able to guide and correct them. (CCC 2223)

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Youth Confirmation

**Confirmation Year I and Year II Students**, if you have not yet turned in you required paper work, start turning them in as soon as possible. If you have any questions 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 requirements.

**Important Dates coming up for Confirmation Year II:**

- March 27—Blessing of the Candidate and Sponsor, 7:00 pm in Servant Hall
- April 6—Mandatory Retreat, ALL DAY (ONLY FOR SECOND YEAR OF CONFIRMATION)
- 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.

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**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, 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.
UP COMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 17
7:00 am - 2:00 pm — NO CCE CLASS
9:00 am RCIA (English), Rectory
10:00 am Meeting Spanish Usher, Servant Hall
6:00 pm NO Youth Group, Youth Center & New Gym

Monday, March 18
10:00 am Taller de Oracion y Vida, Youth Center
6:00 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
7:00 pm Troop 99, Scout House
Apostleship of the Cross, Youth Center
Basketball Practice, New Gym

Tuesday, March 19
9:00 am Senior Citizen Bridge, Donovan's Den
4:00 pm Taller de Oracion y Vida, Youth Center
5:00 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
6:00 pm Confessions / Confesiones, Church
First Confessions for Communications, Church
RCIA (Spanish), Youth Prayer Room
English Classes (ESL), School
Basketball Practice, New Gym
7:30 pm Parish Council, RE Building

Wednesday, March 20
12:00 pm STM School Wax Museum & Career Day, Servant Hall
6:00 pm Confessions / Confesiones, Church
First Confessions for Communications, Church
Cub Scouts, Scout House
7:00 pm Youth Confirmation Year I & School, Youth Center and School
RCIA Spanish, Youth Confirmation Rm & Prayer Room
Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Prinster Hall Room G
Spanish Choir, Church
Adult Confirmation (Eng), School Rm 4
7:30 pm Legion of Mary, Donovan's Den Lake
RCIA (English), Donovan's Den

Thursday, March 21
10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry, Donovan's Den
12:00 pm STM School Wax Museum & Career Day, Servant Hall
6:00 pm Cub Scouts, Scout House
7:00 pm English classes, School
Troop 99, Scout House
S.T.M. Sunday Choir, Music Room
Basketball Practice, New Gym
11:00 pm Precious Blood Group, Adoration Chapel

Friday, March 22
10:30 am Word of Truth Bible Study, Youth Prayer Rm
5:00 pm Kiwanis Club, Prinster Hall
5:00 pm Legion of Mary (Sp), Donovan's Den
5:30 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
6:00 pm Stations of the Cross (English), Church
7:00 pm Via Crucis (Español), Church
9:00 pm STM School Family Campout, Ball Field

Saturday, March 23
9:00 am STM Cheerleaders, New Gym
12:00 pm Cub Scouts, Servant Hall
3:30 pm Confessions / Confesiones, Church
5:00 pm Vigil Mass, Church

Sunday, March 24
7:00 am - 2:00 pm — CCE CLASS School & Prinster Hall
9:00 am RCIA (English), Rectory
2:30 pm Girl Scouts, Scout House
6:00 pm Youth Group, Youth Center

“Men's Retreat” is the theme of our 2019 STM Men’s retreat. This event is just 5 weeks away and is being held at the Holy Name Retreat Center, 160 Bunker Hill Rd. (between Hwy 10 and Memorial Dr. near Memorial City Mall) from Friday dinner, April 5 through closing mass at 11:15am Sunday, April 7. Join your fellow parishioners and men from several other parishes to discover what it means to love “the Name of Jesus above all names.”
Register at HolyNameRetreatCenter.com or call parishioner coordinator Hiett Ives at 832-372-6900.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer shawls and prayer blankets have been created by the work of hands and the prayers of hearts. They are a symbol of our faith-sharing community “covering with prayer the individuals who receive them”.

When given to a person in crisis, suffering from loss, ill health or anxiety, as joyous occasions, they are a warm embrace and a tangible reminder of God’s love. Each is interwoven with pleas for healing of body, mind and spirit for the recipient.

Each item is blessed and has a Miraculous Medal attached. Those who receive the shawls and blankets are lifted up in prayer.

These items are free, a gift from us to you. If you’d like to make a donation in any amount, it will be used to purchase more yarn or fleece to continue this ministry.

Visit our parish website for more information: stmhouston.org, then click on Ministries, click Family Life, click Shawl Ministry.

Contact: Margaret Schuler 713-666-1311 or mschuler2@gmail.com

“He who refreshes others will himself be refreshed” Proverbs 11:25

2019—STreaMliners meet every second Saturday of the Month

Second Saturday of the month on April 13, STreaMliners’ Mtg — 10am in Prinster Hall Adults 50 and over!!! Entertainment: 2 slices Pizza and 2 Bingo Cards Don’t forget to bring food for STM Food Pantry and toiletries for LBJ Charity Hospital. Note: we will be collecting dues for 2019, $15.00 per member.

Friday, March 22nd - Brookwood Community $5pp cash. Lunch on your own at the Brookwood Cafeteria. Bus leaves sharply at 8:15am from the rear parking area near Prinster Hall. STM parishioners and friends are invited to join us!

Thursday, March 28th - Coushatta Casino in Kinder, LA with 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.

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

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, March 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.; Sábado 3:30p.m.—4:45p.m.

UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS: El sacramento de Unción 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 18 de Mayo, 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 comuníquense 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 Comunion 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, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 713-729-0221.

pensamientos de nuestro, Pastor Hai...

¡Bienvenidos al Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma!

Dos grandes eventos sucedieron la semana pasada. Primero, fue el regreso a la iglesia; en segundo lugar, fue las misiones en Ingles de la Cuaresma con el Padre Leon Strieder. Ambos fueron geniales. Personalmente, me encanta más la Misión con el Padre León. Particularmente me encanto cuando el padre León habló de la Cuaresma como una conversión.

Queridas hermanas y hermanos en Cristo,

Curiosamente, el tema de este domingo nuevamente es sobre el cambio, la palabra del Padre León: Conversión.

En la primera lectura (Gén. 15: 1-12; 17-18), se nos habla acerca de la interacción de Dios con Abram que luego se convirtió en Abraham. Dios le dijo a Abram que recogiera sus pertenencias y que le llevara a su familia a un lugar nuevo.

El Evangelio de hoy (Lucas 9: 28-36) habla sobre el misterio luminoso de la Transfiguración de Jesús ante Pedro, Santiago y Juan.

Para Abrám y para los tres apóstoles, el cambio significa positivo, nueva comprensión, nueva visión, nueva posición y nueva vida.


¡Miremos hacia la Santa Cruz, renunciemos al interés propio, tomemos nuestra cruz diaria y levantemos a Jesús en su glorioso reino!

Dios los bendiga a todos. Les deseo un bendecido segundo domingo de Cuaresma y una gran semana.

Etiqueta Católica: Asistir a la Misa:

- Masticar chicle NUNCA es apropiado en una iglesia. Los católicos, especialmente los que recibirán la comunión, nunca deben masticar chicle antes de la misa o incluso durante la misa, ya que violarían el ayuno de la eucaristía y, por lo tanto, no podrían recibir la comunión. NO PEGUE CHICLE bajo las nuevas bancas. TIRE SU CHICLE EN LA BASURA.

- Apague sus teléfonos antes del comienzo de la misa. NUNCA es apropiado contestar su teléfono en la Iglesia, hacer una llamada, enviar un mensaje de texto o navegar por la web. Las emergencias son excepciones obvias.

- Por favor, no coma ni beba en la Iglesia.

- La iglesia es una casa de oración. El silencio es apreciado.

- A los niños nunca se les debe permitir pasear por la iglesia durante la misa. La paciencia siempre se brinda a los bebés que lloran, pero se les pide a los padres que sean corteses por los que tratan de orar y escuchar.

- Recuerde también que su vestuario demuestra su respeto por la iglesia y sus feligreses.

Gracias.

Domingo 17 de Marzo, 2019

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma
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 FOTOGRAFÍAS NI TOMAR FOTOS DURANTE LA MISA.

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 Comunion 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, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial, 713-729-0221.

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, vestimenta) 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 sagrados. El vestimiento (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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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 la clase a la oficina de Educación Religiosa para hablar con la directora Aída González, o por correo electrónico: aida@stmhouston.org; o comuníquese por teléfono al 713-729-3435

No Habrá clase de Confirmacion el Miercoles 13 de marzo de 2019-Vacaciones de primavera

Fechas importantes por venir para Confirmacion Año II:
Miercoles 27 de marzo— Bendición del Candidato y Padrino, 7:00 pm—Servant Hall

Sabado 6 de abril— Retiro obligatorio— TODO EL DIA (SOLAMENTE PARA LOS JOVENES DE SEGUNDO AÑO)

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

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