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ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON—HOUSTON



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Parish Office

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church
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Houston, TX 77096
(713) 729-0221 (713) 729-3294 fax
www.stmhouston.org

Parish Office Hours (Closed from 12-1 PM for lunch)

Monday to Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Clergy

Rev. Clark Sample, *Pastor*
Rev. Thuc Nguyen, *Parochial Vicar*
Rev. Binny Philip, *Priest In Residence*
Deacon John Krugh
Deacon Danny Naranjo

Parish Staff

Suzie Hamilton, *Pastoral Associate*
Eloise Starr, *Secretary*
Ingrid Gooding, *Bookkeeper*
Ron Biba, *Facilities Manager*
Xenia Avalos, *Receptionist*

Religious Education

Ryan Lambert, *Director of Faith Formation*
Leanne Rodriguez, *Youth Minister*

Office of Music

Chris Bearer, *Director*, (713) 980-3111
Jian Guang Shi, *Organist* (713) 988-9829

On Memorial Day, Monday
May 31, there will be **one**
Mass only at 9:00 AM.

On Saturday, June 5, there will
be **no 9:00 AM Mass** due to
the ordination at the Co-
Cathedral. Please pray for vo-
cations to the priesthood.

Parish School

Saint Thomas More Catholic School
5927 Wigton Drive
Houston, TX 77096
(713) 729-3434 (713) 721-5644 fax
www.stthomasmore-school.org

School Office Hours

Monday to Friday 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Staff

Carolina Bowman, *Principal*
Noel Novak, *Dean of Students*
Kathleen Prado, *Director of Advancement*
Judy Gentempo, *Admissions*
Anjie Ellis-Scales, *Accountant*
Rebeka Zepeda, *Nurse*
Andrea Osborne, *School Counselor*
Kathy Muras, *Front Office Assistant*

Sacraments

Please visit our website for details about our
Sacramental preparation:

<https://stmhouston.org/sacraments>

Infant Baptism Preparation & Registration

- ◆ You must be registered in the parish, or live in either of the following zip codes: **77096 or 77035**
- ◆ Infant Baptism is for children under 7 years of age.
- ◆ Children 7 years and older must attend RCIA for children.
- ◆ The preparation is personalized to the family and we hope that you will use www.formed.org and Zoom.
- ◆ Attendance is required for parents and is highly recommended for Godparents.

Please call the Faith Formation Office for access to our registration, 713-729-3435.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one is suffering from a serious illness please contact the Parish Office
713-729-0221.



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Office of the Cardinal

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

When I chose the Diocesan Services Fund's theme *Walk in the Light of Christ*, COVID-19 had not yet affected us. Now, with so many suffering from illness, unemployment, and social isolation, walking in the light of Christ is a beautiful and appropriate theme for us all. Christ is our consolation and hope in times of distress and darkness. He is our way and our light.

Christ's light shines brightly through more than 60 ministries supported by the DSF. During this pandemic many of these ministries have been challenged to increase their services and also to find new ways to deliver those services. A few examples are:

- Catholic Charities is distributing thousands of tons of food
- San José Clinic devised curbside prescription pick-up
- Our Chaplain Corps is providing pastoral care to hospitalized patients despite extreme contact restrictions

These ministries have been on the front lines reflecting the light of Christ into the lives of those who have been especially affected by the pandemic. Your gift to DSF strengthens these important works of mercy.

The Catholic Schools Office (CSO) is leading the way for our school communities to adapt during these difficult times. Balancing between virtual and in-person classes and maintaining safe learning environments has not been easy, but our schools have done well. The mission of our Catholic schools is to form students to become messengers of the Good News of Jesus Christ.

The Office of Adolescent Catechesis and Evangelization is vital in helping teenagers live their Catholic faith. The Archdiocesan Youth Council has more than 100 members from Catholic schools and parishes throughout Galveston-Houston. Council members, now meeting virtually, provide valuable insights for me and their pastors into the joys and concerns of our young people.

Each year I emphasize the Office of Vocations in the DSF. This office works to attract, shepherd, and guide men being formed for the priesthood. Your donation and your prayers for vocations are paramount to the future of our new pastors.

I know that economic circumstances may have changed for many of you due to the pandemic, but for those who can, please give generously to DSF this year. I also ask those who have never given to consider your first gift to DSF as we walk together in the light of Christ.

Thank you for your commitment. With assurances of my prayers for this local Church, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston

Stewardship for May 23, 2021
Thank you for your generous donations!

Collection	\$10,625.00
<u>Online Giving</u>	<u>\$ 8,206.83</u>
	\$18,831.83



2021 Goal	\$150,000.00
Collected	<u>50,616.00</u>
Remaining	\$ 99,384.00



Online Giving

The parish website has instructions on how to register for convenient on-line giving. You will have full control of your contribution account and scheduling your donations.

You can scan the QR code above or visit our parish homepage at STMHOUSTON.ORG for details and registration.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 30

7:30 am †Edmund Rumford
 9:00 am †Carolina Sarrazola
 11:00 am *Missa Pro Populo
 1:00 pm *Nora Gomez

Monday, May 31 (one Mass only)

9:00 am †Huey Gagnard

Tuesday, June 1

6:30 am †Lanh Nguyen
 5:30 pm †Alma Freddie Perez

Wednesday, June 2

6:30 am *Chavez Family Intentions
 5:30 pm *St. Thomas More Former Clergy

Thursday, June 3

6:30 am †Ugochukwu Nwachukwu
 5:30 pm †Mary Gallager

Friday, June 4

6:30 am *Donald Kanu
 5:30 pm †Alexander S. Tovar

Saturday, June 5

9:00 am No Mass
 5:00 pm *Irene & †Robert Schwartz

Sunday, June 6

7:30 am †Shelly & Deanna Stapleton
 9:00 am *Missa Pro Populo
 11:00 am †Sister Maria Celina Nwachukwu
 1:00 pm *Priests of St. Thomas More

† (Deceased)
 * (Special Intention)

June 6 is the Feast of Corpus Christi.
 Following the long tradition of the Catholic Church, there will be a Eucharistic Procession which will follow the Spanish Mass. It will start at approximately 2:00 p.m.
Plan now to attend.

Stop your **tax dollars** from going to **abortion.**
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STM PARISH SCHOOL

We have wrapped up the 2020 - 2021 school year successfully. I want to thank our PTO as they were essential in making the last few days of the school year fun and memorable.

Our summer office hours are 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. We are here to give potential families a tour of our school and to answer any questions you may have. If you are looking for summer camp opportunities for your children, consider registering them for our Kidventure camp here at STM.

In Christ,
Carolina Bowman, Principal



ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH SCHOOL
Reaching Minds · Touching Hearts · Shaping Souls

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION & ADORATION

There is a great need for late night adorers...12 midnight to 5:00 AM. Can you spend an hour with Jesus in the middle of the night?



**OUR GOAL IS TO OPEN
THE ADORATION CHAPEL
ON THE FEAST OF
CORPUS CHRISTI, JUNE 6.
PLEASE SIGN UP NOW FOR A
HOLY HOUR!**

We have a new online system for registering and record keeping. Go here to create an account and sign up for a Holy Hour:

stmhouston.weadorehim.com

Questions? Text Bob Brill, 713-598-4838 or Edna Valdez, 713-425-9506.

FAITH FORMATION

Coffee and Tea-Ology:

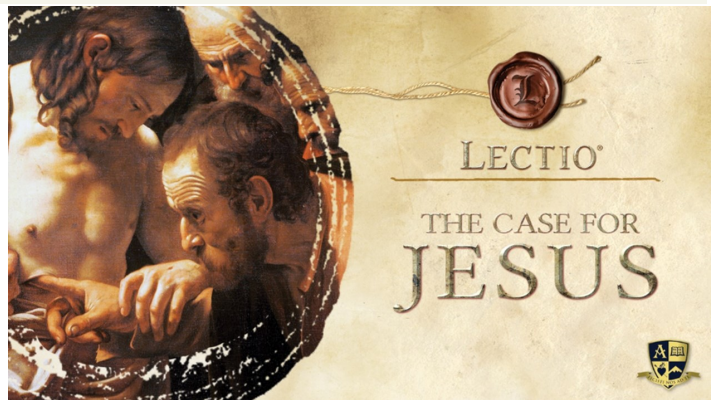
We are excited to announce our upcoming summer Bible series: **Coffee & Tea-ology!** Open and free for all teens 9th-12th grade to join! We will be using the Teen Timeline from Ascension Press following the story of the Creation and the Early World up to Revelation. We will meet every Friday afternoon from 2:00-3:30 P.M. in the upstairs youth room starting on June 4th. Coffee and tea to start with, along with a bit of social time. Please bring your own mug and a Bible. Hope to see you there!

Chosen Series:

We will be opening up the doors to the youth room for all teens 9th-12th grade to come hang out with us every Thursday from 3:00-5:30 P.M. starting June 10th. Afterwards we will attend Mass together and then return to the youth room to watch an episode of the recently released Chosen series. We will finish up with a brief discussion and clean up at 7:30.

New Instagram Account

We are launching our very own Instagram Account!! Consider following us at **st_thomas_more_church** A great way to be connected to us in the day to day happenings along with the extra fun activities that occur at our parish.



Bible Study Starting June 3 at 10:00 a.m. in the Religious Education building, we will meet to learn more about Jesus through the witness of the Bible. The cost for the study guide which is used with the video series is \$10. Please see our website for more details:

<https://stmhouston.org/bible-study-1>

Faith Study We are also offering an opportunity for any adult who wants to learn the basics of the Catholic Faith. *Catholicism 101* will be held on Tuesday nights, starting June 1, 7-8:30 p.m. Ryan Lambert will lead you through the Catechism of the Catholic Church.



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Office of the Cardinal

Estimados hermanos y hermanas:

Cuando escogí *Camina en la luz de Cristo* como tema del Fondo de Servicios Diocesanos (DSF), el COVID-19 aún no nos había afectado. Ahora, con tantos sufriendo por la enfermedad, desempleo y aislamiento social, caminar en la luz de Cristo es un tema hermoso y apropiado para todos nosotros. Cristo es nuestro consuelo y esperanza en tiempos de aflicción y oscuridad. Él es nuestro camino y nuestra luz.

La luz de Cristo brilla sobre más de 60 ministerios apoyados por el DSF. Durante esta pandemia, muchos de ellos se han visto retados para incrementar sus servicios y encontrar nuevas maneras para hacerlos llegar a la gente. Algunos ejemplos incluyen:

- Caridades Católicas distribuye miles de toneladas de comida
- La Clínica San José entrega recetas médicas sin bajarse del auto
- Nuestro Cuerpo de Capellanes provee cuidado pastoral a pacientes hospitalizados a pesar de las restricciones extremas de contacto.

Estos ministerios han permanecido trabajando en el frente, reflejando la luz de Cristo, para las vidas de aquellos que han sido especialmente afectados por la pandemia. Su donativo al DSF fortalece estas importantes obras de misericordia.

La Oficina de Escuelas Católicas (CSO) lidera el modo en que nuestras comunidades escolares se adaptan a estos tiempos difíciles. Balancear clases en persona y en línea para mantener entornos saludables de aprendizaje no ha sido sencillo, pero nuestras escuelas lo están haciendo muy bien. La misión de nuestras escuelas católicas consiste en formar estudiantes que se conviertan en mensajeros de la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo.

La Oficina de Catequesis y Evangelización para Adolescente es vital para ayudar a los adolescentes a vivir su fe católica. El Consejo Juvenil cuenta con más de 100 miembros de diversas escuelas católicas y parroquias en todo Galveston-Houston. Los miembros del consejo, que ahora se reúnen virtualmente, proveen ideas y hallazgos muy valiosos para mí y sus párrocos, respecto las alegrías y preocupaciones de nuestros jóvenes.

Cada año enfatizo la importancia de la Oficina de Vocaciones como parte del DSF. Esta oficina atrae, cuida pastoralmente y guía a hombres formándose para el sacerdocio. Su donativo y sus oraciones por estas vocaciones son fundamentales para el futuro de nuevos párrocos.

Estoy consciente de que las circunstancias económicas han cambiado para muchos en medio de esta pandemia, pero para aquellos que pueden, por favor donen generosamente para el DSF este año. Y también invito a aquellos que nunca han donado a que consideren hacer su primer donativo al DSF, y así caminar juntos en la luz de Cristo.

Muchas gracias por su compromiso. Con la certeza de mis oraciones por esta Iglesia local quedo

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,

+Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

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Arzobispo de Galveston-Houston