Welcome to Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus, Friends of Jesus Catholic Church
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Parish Mission Statement
We, the community of Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus, Friends of Jesus Catholic Parish, are committed to our baptismal covenant with Jesus Christ. This covenant is manifested in our worship, evangelization, education, stewardship, service and our commitment to live as a community of faith. We center our parish life on Christ, Scripture and the celebration of the Sacraments in joyful worship and prayerful reflection of His love and mercy. We come together as a community of faith, in a spirit of hospitality and loving care, to serve one another in times of need and to share in the joys and struggles of everyday life in Christ. We provide all members of our diverse community the opportunity for spiritual growth through faith formation and the sharing of the richness of our Catholic tradition. We, as stewards of God’s gifts, share generously of our time, talent and treasure within our community and extend that care to others in fulfilling the mission of the Church in the world.

Parish Office hours:
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Monday-Friday

Liturgy & Sacraments

Weekend Masses
First Saturday (Pro-Life Mass): ....
Saturday Vigil: ..................5:30 PM
Sunday: ........... 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM
En Español  ...................... 1:00 PM
Life Teen: ........................ 5:30 PM
Nursery at 9:00, 11:00 & 5:30 Life Teen

Weekday Masses
Monday: .......................... 8:30 AM
Tuesday: ............ 8:30 AM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday: ... 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM
Thursday: ........... 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM
Friday: ......................... 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Penance
Tuesday:
Church ..................... 6:30 - 7:00 PM
Saturday:
Church ................... 10:30 - 11:45 AM
Church ..................... 4:30 - 5:20 PM

Perpetual Adoration
Adoration Chapel ........24 hrs.

Anointing of the Sick
Please call for a priest if you are seriously ill at home, about to enter the hospital, or if someone is close to death.

Baptism
Classes: Last Sunday of the month,
call the Parish Office to register
Ceremony: First Sunday of the month

Marriage
Preparation at least six months before the wedding. Register to attend an information meeting by calling 281-358-6637.

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281-358-6637 • fax 281-358-7973 • www.stmartha.com
**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18:25-28).

**Psalm** — Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]).

**Gospel** — Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

**Tuesday:** Jb 3:1-13, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday:** Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Friday:** Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 25, 130; Lk 10:17-24

**Sunday:** Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

**Tuesday:** St. Jerome

**Wednesday:** St. Thecré of the Child Jesus

**Thursday:** The Holy Guardian Angels

**Friday:** First Friday

**Saturday:** St. Francis of Assisi; First Saturday

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**TALK FOR THE RIDE HOME**

**Theme:** It's not enough to merely say you believe. You must also live your faith.

How do you show your love for Jesus by doing what he asks, even when it is difficult for you? How and when were you like each of the sons in the Gospel?

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**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

"Son, go out and work in the vineyard today." - Matthew 21:28

Christian discipleship is not easy, God never promised it would be. But, what He did promise is that if we put Him first in all things, He will provide all that we need. Through our daily decisions we have the opportunity to generously share our gifts and help those who may not be in position to help themselves.

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**2014 STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL**

If you haven’t filled out your Stewardship Covenant, it’s not too late! Every family is asked to participate in our Stewardship Renewal. You will also have an opportunity on the following weekends to meet with ministry representatives to ask questions and sign up. Please join us in the Narthex after each Mass:

- **September 27 & 28:** Community Life Ministries
- **October 25 & 26:** Outreach, School, & Administration Ministries

(For a complete listing of St. Martha ministries please see the last page of the bulletin under Stewardship—Time, Talent and Treasure)

† PLEASE REMEMBER THE RECENTLY DECEASED AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR PRAYERS †

Gill Price
Rudolph Farias III
Luis Manuel Pelegri
Marcel Blaquire (father of Kathy Daleiden)
Consuelo Rios (mother of Connie Paez)
Mary Ann Aranguena-Dunn
Bill Gawlikowski

From the Pastor

To the parish family of St. Martha,

During these past several weeks we have been listening to readings from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians and the focus of his teaching has been on Christian discipleship in a secular world. Last Sunday the message was an urgent call: “Conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.” St. Paul had been imprisoned and he appealed to all Christians to “live their faith out loud” and be evangelizers by example. Today, for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we have a similar message and St. Paul is even more insistent on how we are to witness to our faith in Christ Jesus. We are not to live as isolated individuals but as members of the body of Christ, the Church. Our gathering as a believing community on any Sunday should be marked not by a need to be noticed that “we go to Mass” but by a deep desire for mutual understanding and genuine service offered to others. A community built upon the love taught by Christ requires humility, self-forgetfulness, and generosity on the part of its members. St. Paul explains this requirement in terms of an attitude or way of thinking that was in Christ Jesus. He quotes from one of the earliest hymns Christians sang when they gathered to worship. The hymn summarizes the whole life of Jesus from his miraculous birth to his brutal death. Although Christ was “in the form of God,” he nevertheless “emptied himself” and embraced the very depths of our humanity, to the point of death on a cross. The hymn concludes on a triumphant note. Because Jesus is totally obedient to the Father’s will, he is raised to the fullness of life. In turn, we confess our faith in him, “Jesus Christ is Lord!”

To live “in a way worthy of the gospel” and to “have the mind of Christ” mean that we try daily to imitate Jesus. Discipleship implies following in the footsteps of Jesus and seeking to pattern our lives after his. And we are reminded in the Gospels that Jesus came to serve, not to be served. We know that through our Baptism we share in the very life of Christ: he lives in us and we live in him. To have the “mind of Christ” is to allow ourselves to be formed by the Holy Spirit at the very depths of our souls so that our actions flow from our identity as children of God. As a modern hymn says so well, “They’ll know that we are Christians by our love.” In another hymn sung frequently on ACTS Retreats, a similar message resounds: “Let me be your servant; let me be as Christ to you.” In each Eucharist Jesus Christ is present to the Church precisely in his act of self-giving love as described by St. Paul in this letter to the Philippians. When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we are invited to become like Christ by choosing to put our faith into practice by offering our lives in humble service for the building up of the Kingdom. We do this by reaching out and sharing with others what we have received from the Lord.

Fr. Chester Borski

St. Marthas's
CAKE DECORATING CONTEST
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11TH, 11:30AM - JUDGING

All children of the parish are invited to participate in a cake decorating contest sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Martha. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded in the following categories:
PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN
1ST & 2ND GRADE
3RD - 5TH GRADE
6TH - 8TH GRADE
HIGH SCHOOL

Cake drop off:  At St. Martha Catholic Church, 4301 Woodridge Pkwy, Porter, TX 10:30am – 11:30am (left side circle).
Winners posted & prizes:  CAKE WALK BOOTH at PARISH FALL FESTIVAL.
Please note that cake holder/platter will NOT be returned, since cakes will be given away as prizes at CAKE WALK BOOTH.
QUESTIONS:  281-788-3351
**GriefShare - a journey from mourning to joy**  
GriefShare is a seminar and support group for people who are grieving the death of someone close. It's an opportunity to be around others who understand what you are feeling, learn valuable information and renew your hope for the future. The series is held on Monday evenings (through December 8th), 7:00-9:00 pm at St. Martha's Woodland Hills Campus, 3702 Woodland Hills Drive, Kingwood TX 77339 in Room 2. Each session includes a video seminar featuring top experts on grief and recovery followed by participation in small group discussion. You are welcome to begin attending at any session. Each session is ‘self-contained’ so that you do not have to attend in sequence. This series is hosted by two gifted facilitators: Laurie Cardella (the lead facilitator), and Peggy Rittenhouse. Registration is requested and there is a fee for the book - $15.00 payable at your first meeting. For more information or to register, please contact Jill Crawford, 603-674-1025, jcrwford0416@hotmail.com or Laurie Cardella, 281-360-2714, laurie@kingwoodcable.com. GriefShare is a journey from mourning to joy. The topics for each session are listed on the parish website, www.stmartha.com, go to Ministries, Community Life, GriefShare. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

**FAITH DIRECT**

With the arrival of autumn, we would like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish's electronic eGiving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy this back-to-school season, but Faith Direct's eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week - no more envelopes to find and checks to write before you go to Mass. Enroll today by visiting www.faithdirect.net and use our church code, TX497, or pick up an enrollment form from the parish office to get started!

**YOung AT HEaRT LUNCheON - Oktoberfest**

Are you of German ancestry? Do you know someone who is German? We'll all be German at our Young at Heart Luncheon as we enjoy some delicious German food and celebrate Oktoberfest. Join us for fellowship, bingo and lunch at St. Martha's Family Life Center on Wednesday, October 8. Bingo begins at 11 am, followed by lunch and fellowship that ends at 2 pm. Bring a friend with you and join the fun! We meet on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday of each month. If transportation is needed, contact Minnie Romo at minerva.romo@gmail.com or Domenica Seitz at 713-899-1016. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Landvogt at 281-358-6637 x 202, email nancyl@stmartha.com or Nancy Karpinski, 713-594-4430.

**Rosary Guild**

The Rosary Guild will meet on Sunday, October 12, in Room 2 at the Woodland Hills campus from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Newcomers are welcome. For more information contact JoAnna Loup at 281-361-0391 or jloup3@yahoo.com.

**Adult Faith Formation**

**Sunday Morning:** SYMBOLON: THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED: “Knowing and Living Our Catholic Faith” Video Series “An opportunity to learn while your children are learning”

Join us during the elementary Faith Formation sessions for an informal video series for adults. This semester we will be focusing on “Knowing and Living Our Faith”. Drop in for a light breakfast, stimulating video presentation and lively conversation!

10:45 am – 11:45 am, Woodland Hills Campus – Room 2


**Tuesday Morning:** Breakfast & Bible Study, 9:15–10:30 am – Faith Formation Center, Room 2. Reading, studying & sharing on the Sunday Scriptures led by Carla Lewton. All are welcome. Remaining September Date: 30. October Dates: 7,14,21,28

**St. Martha Adult Faith Formation**

Website: www.stmartha.com. Recordings of previous adult classes, handouts, PowerPoints, upcoming events, schedules, important links, music, and more... check it out!

Adult Faith Formation videos available for viewing on You Tube. Click the You Tube icon on the website home page to view. LIKE US ON FACEBOOK! Up To The Minute AFF Information. Click the Facebook icon on the website home page and join.

**Project Rachel**

New Class Starting September 30th

Project Rachel is the confidential and compassionate outreach to women who have had an abortion or been involved in an abortion. Its purpose is to foster reconciliation and healing between the parent and Christ, His Church, the child, and all other significant relationships. Questions? Contact Bonnie Develle, L.P.C., 281-812-8641, 713-435-9215, or bdevelle@comcast.net.

**Communion to the Sick:** If you or a loved one are in Kingwood Hospital, and would like a Communion Minister to visit, call the church office at 281-358-6637 to let us know. Hospital regulations require us to have the patient’s name and room number before we send someone.
Adult Organizations and Opportunities

Annual Msgr. William D. Steele Lecture
Reflections on Pope Francis, the Synod and New Trends in the Church
John Allen, Jr.—Associate editor of The Boston Globe
Allen also serves as the Senior Vatican Analyst for CNN. He is the author of seven bestselling books on the Vatican and Catholic affairs, and writes frequently, on the Church for major national and international publications. He is a popular speaker on Catholic affairs, both in the United States and abroad. Allen’s most recent book is The Global War on Christians: Dispatches from the Front Lines of Anti-Christian Persecution.

Thursday, Oct. 30, 7:00 p.m.
St. Mary’s Seminary
Nold Auditorium, 9845 Memorial Drive
Free and open to the public
For more information, contact Cathy Irantalab at cathy.irantalab@smseminary.com

VIRTUS KEEPING THE PROMISE ALIVE WORKSHOP (Refresher Course)
A VIRTUS Keeping the Promise Alive workshop will be offered at St. Martha on Wednesday, November 5th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center (Woodland Hills Campus). Please plan to arrive by 6:15 p.m. to get paperwork. **You must bring a current driver’s license, ID or passport to the session with your name and date of birth to match your pre-registration on VIRTUS.** This is a refresher course and is for adults 18 and older. Please register for the workshop at www.virtus.org. Then select Registration and view a listing of sessions by date. Please do NOT create a new account. If you cannot remember your original account login, please e-mail Angela Whitley at angelaw@stmartha.com for account information.

Women’s ACTS Retreat
“Give the Lord glory and honor” Psalm 96
October 16-19, 2014
Questions? Contact Francine Puglia at franp@stmartha.com or call 281-300-8433.

NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES
You deserve some fun! Come join NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40+, on Wednesday, October 1, to talk/drink/eat at 7:00 p.m. at Chipotle Mexican Grill, 10035 FM 1960 (outer loop of Deerbrook Mall). On Saturday, October 4, join us for 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Mary Magdalene’s in Humble; meal afterwards at Olive Garden, 9632 FM 1960 in Hum- ble. Meet in the narthex at 5:15 pm. For more info about the group, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybmom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote on either St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

For Survivors of Abuse
Maria Goretti Network (MGN)
A peer to peer self help support group for women and men focusing on healing and forgiveness. For information on monthly meetings e-mail: stmarthamgn@gmail.com or call (281) 360-4045.

CARE GIVER CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN KINGWOOD
The annual Care Giver Conference sponsored by Interfaith Care Partners of Houston will be held Saturday, October 4th from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Christ the King Lutheran Church on Lake Houston Parkway. Workshops include Compassionate Communication, Stages of Alzheimer’s, Family Dynamics: Blessing & Difficulties in Caregiving with Siblings & Family Members, Senior Living Options, Elder Law, and The Working Caregiver among other topics. Adult Respite care and lunch are provided. For more information http://www.christ4u.net/index.cfm/pageid/1419/index.html or contact Peggy Wehe, St. Martha Second Family Ministry Leader at 281-360-3244.
Parenting/Youth Events

Monica’s Hope: Prayerful Support for Parents of Troubled Children

Don’t suffer in silence and solitude. Within our Catholic Community there are many with seriously troubled children of all ages. Problems like addiction, criminality, and mental disorder. Our experience is that sharing the burden lightens the load. And in the example of St. Monica you can pray for your child and you can find peace. The next meeting will be October 6, 7:30-9:00 p.m. in Room 1 (Library). Questions? Call Paul and Marcia Aegerter at 281-812-1288 or e-mail marciaaeg@aol.com

Pro-Life Corner

Join with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for 40 days of prayer, penance and fasting September 24th though November 2nd

Christians throughout the Houston Metropolitan area are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life effort. In addition to 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in America, please consider volunteering to pray for one or more hours outside of Planned Parenthood abortion facility at 4600 Gulf Freeway on Thursday, October 23rd, the day St. Martha’s and Kingwood First Baptist will be praying there. Or sign up for your own weekly hour, and then spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort!

Signups after all Masses, October 18th – 19th in the Narthex, along with information on Kingwood First Baptist bus transportation. Please contact: Mary Anne Howard, 281-615-0927, maryannehoward@cebridge.net, or Peggy Angelino, 281-361-4351, peggyangelino@yahoo.com, or Terice Richards, 281-360-4043, terice.richards@gmail.com.

This week our St. Martha’s Youth Choir begins rehearsals for our next Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 26th. We invite 3rd – 8th grade students to join us this month on Thursdays from 4:00 – 5:30. For further information, please contact Barbara Tilson at barbtolson@comcast.net.

EDGE NIGHT TOMORROW

Monday, September 29 [6:30-8:00PM]

Bring ALL of your friends to the FLC for FREE pizza, prayer, and a whole night of FUN!

EDGE NEWSLETTER

EVENT UPDATES! PICTURES!
STORIES and MORE!

To subscribe to the newsletter e-mailed monthly, please send an e-mail to Lisa Hartsfield at: lisal@stmartha.com (281) 358-1959 ext. 241

St. Martha Life Chain

Please join us and stand in silent witness for life. Bring your families, coolers and chairs as we pray for the unborn and their mothers.

Kingwood Dr. and West Lake Houston Pkwy intersection on Sunday, October 5th 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Signs will be provided. The event will occur rain or shine. More information: paula_amsler@msn.com

October 5th is Pro-Life Sunday

Pro-Life Rosary

Please join us in praying the Rosary after the 11:00 a.m. Mass by the Blessed Mother behind the adoration chapel. We will have a table in the narthex after all Masses with information about our ministry.

Please visit for more information.

Vocations Corner

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Please join the Canales Family in prayer this week as they host the Chalice and pray for vocations. Interested? Please contact Albert Holden at 713-292-6066 or by e-mail at aaholden@embarqmail.com to schedule a week.

It is with great joy that we announce the Ordination of David Thomas Angelino to the Order of Deacons

Thursday, October 2, 2014

St. Peter’s Basilica, Rome

Following his Ordination, David will continue his studies in Rome as he prepares to be Ordained a Priest in the Diocese of Galveston-Houston on June 6, 2015 Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Houston

Please pray for David and all of our seminarians as they prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Orders.
What is Pope Francis telling us?

Pope Francis and His Vision of the Joy of the Gospel

The Joy of the Gospel from Pope Francis has been very controversial and, in some cases, misinterpreted by the mainstream media. Please come and join us to learn about this beautiful and important message from Pope Francis

Monday, October 13, 2014, 7-9 pm
Family Life Center (Woodland Hills Campus)
Presented by Dr. Steven Meyer
Assistant Professor, Theology, at the University of St. Thomas

St. Martha Festival and Fall Market
Saturday, Oct 11th, from Noon to 8 p.m.
at the New Campus!!!

This year’s festival will have great food, exciting games, amazing entertainment, captivating fall market & auctions ALL at Family friendly prices.

⇒ Fall Market Ministries, clubs, and businesses alike will have the opportunity to rent a space and showcase their products. Space is limited. For an application to participate in this year’s Fall Market contact: Carmen Arteaga at stmarthafallmarket@gmail.com

⇒ Silent Auction Ministries are encouraged to submit items/baskets for the Silent Auction. Each ministry will receive 90% of the final bid price of each item! The other 10% will help cover the cost of the tent. Ministries can submit as many silent auction items as they want! For details contact: Emma Rocha at EmmaR@stmartha.com

⇒ Live Auction We are currently looking for higher value, uniquely wonderful items/packages to place in the live auction. All proceeds from the live auction will go to defray the cost of the festival and reduce our debt. For more information contact: Melva DeBoise at melvadeboise@aol.com

⇒ Raffle Tickets Ticket sale prices: 1 for $5 or 11 for $50. $1 from each ticket sold may be donated to ministry of your choice. 3 great prizes!! See tickets for details.

Just want to help work the festival? We’d love to have you!
Contact Kathy Remkes at Kathy.Remkes@suddenlink.net

Steven J. Meyer holds a Sacred Theological Doctorate (S.T.D.) in Dogmatic Theology from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome, Italy. He has a Sacred Theological Licentiate (S.T.L.) from the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, DC. He also has a Master and Bachelor of Arts in Theology from the Franciscan University of Steubenville. He is an alumnus of St. Thomas High School in Houston, TX where he taught for fourteen years in the department of theology. Dr. Meyer currently serves as an assistant professor in theology for the University of St. Thomas School of Theology at St. Mary’s Seminary.
Please pray for our active military as seen on the wreath in the Narthex. To add a loved one call: Carole Parslow 832-689-5824 or email carolep8359@gmail.com.

ST. MARTHA SUNDAY NURSERY
Sundays- 9 AM, 11 AM and 5:30 PM (Life Teen)
Open every Sunday, with the exception of Thanksgiving weekend, Christmas, New Year's Day and Easter. Ages: 12 months old through age 4.

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS FOOD DRIVE THIS WEEKEND
This weekend, September 27 & 28, we will be collecting donations of non-perishable food and personal care items. Donations will benefit St. John of the Cross Food Pantry in New Caney. Thank you for your continued generosity by contributing non-perishable grocery items to help those in need. (Please place your Food Donation in the Rotunda before Mass. There will be a sign in the Narthex directing everyone to the Rotunda and a sign in the Rotunda showing where to place the food.)

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Listed below are hours that are most in need of adorers at this time. However, please note that no hour is really ever “filled” because parishioners are always invited to choose an hour that works best for them, regardless of whether or not there are other adorers already there in prayer. Both regular adorers and substitutes are needed at this time. Even if you do not have a regular hour, please feel free to visit our Blessed Lord at any time knowing that He is always waiting for us with joyful anticipation. Second adorers are needed for the following hours:
If you are interested in participating in this ministry or would like more information, please contact Robyn Laumbach at either 281-360-7897 or robynbfly@embarqmail.com. If you need a substitute, please call one of our division leaders: Robyn Laumbach at 281-360-7897 for Midnight-6 AM, Karen Ehlig at 281-361-7127 for 6 AM-Noon, Robyn Laumbach at 281-360-7897 for Noon-6 PM, and Beth Beckham at 281-435-1439 for 6 PM-Midnight.
In today’s culture, there are many ways to lose sight of God’s plan for us. A conscious decision to use our time, talent, and treasure in service to God can bring fulfillment in ways our material possessions cannot.

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**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10:45 am SYMBOLON Video Series, Rm 2
Respect Life Sunday—Rosary after 11 am Mass & Life Chain 2 – 3:30 pm (Kingwood Dr. & W. Lake Houston Pkwy.)
3 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
2-4 pm Rotary Guild, Rm 2
3 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10:45 am SYMBOLON Video Series, Rm 2
3 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Women’s ACTS Retreat Return

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10:45 am SYMBOLON Video Series, Rm 2
3 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Priesthood Sunday St. John of the Cross Food Drive
STEWARDSHIP RE-NEWAL-Outreach, School & Administrative Ministries

**In today’s culture, there are many ways to lose sight of God’s plan for us. A conscious decision to use our time, talent, and treasure in service to God can bring fulfillment in ways our material possessions cannot.**
Durante estas últimas semanas hemos estado escuchando las lecturas de la Carta de apóstol St. Paul a los Filipenses y el enfoque de su enseñanza ha sido sobre el discípulo cristiano en un mundo secular. El mensaje del domingo pasado, era un llamado urgente: "Comportarse de una forma digna como el evangelio de Cristo". St. Paul había sido encarcelado e hizo un llamado a todos los cristianos a "vivir su fe en voz alta" y ser evangelizadores ejemplares. Hoy, para el Domingo 26 del Tiempo Ordinario, tenemos un mensaje similar y St. Paul es aún más insistente en cómo vamos a ser testigos de nuestra fe en Cristo Jesús. No vivamos como individuos aislados, sino como miembros del cuerpo de Cristo, la Iglesia. Nuestra reunión como una comunidad de creyentes en cualquier domingo no debe ser marcada por la necesidad de ser notado que "vamos a Misa", sino por un profundo deseo de comprensión de nuestro no debe ser marcada por la necesidad de ser notado que "vamos a Misa", sino por un profundo deseo de comprensión de nuestro

Para vivir "de una manera digna del evangelio" y "tener la mente de Cristo" significa que tratamos a diario de imitar a Jesús. El discípulado implica seguir los pasos de Jesús y tratar de modelar nuestras vidas como la de él. Y se nos recuerda en el Evangelio que Jesús vino a servir, no a ser servido. Sabemos que a través de nuestro bautismo participamos de la misma vida de Cristo: él vive en nosotros y nosotros vivimos en él. Para tener la "mente de Cristo" es dejarnos modelar por el Espíritu Santo en lo más profundo de nuestras almas para que nuestras acciones fluyan de nuestra identidad como hijos de Dios. Como un himno moderno dice tan bien, "Ellos sabrán que somos cristianos por nuestro amor". En otro himno cantado frecuentemente en los retiros ACTS, un mensaje similar resuena: "Déjame ser tu siervo; déjame ser como Cristo a ti". En cada Eucaristía Jesucristo está presente en la Iglesia, precisamente, en su acto de amor que se entrega, como se describe por St. Paul en esta carta a los Filipenses. Cuando nos reunimos para celebrar la Eucaristía, se nos invita a ser como Cristo a optar por poner en práctica nuestra fe al ofrecer nuestras vidas en el servicio humilde para la edificación del Reino. Esto lo hacemos a través del acercamiento y compartir con los demás lo que hemos recibido del Señor.

Fr. Chester Borski

26º Domingo Ordinario

La misericordia de Dios es eterna, siempre nos perdona si nos arrepentimos de corazón y le pedimos perdón. Las primeras palabras en la vida pública de Jesús nos invitan a convertir nuestros corazones. Dios sabe que el primer paso para poder seguirlo es que nos demos cuenta de que hemos errado el camino, después arrepentirnos y pedir perdón. Es por eso que siempre es importante hacer un buen análisis de conciencia, para darnos cuenta de todo lo que hemos hecho mal o hemos dejado de hacer: Pecados de acción o de omisión. El arrepentimiento viene después del reconocimiento. Primero tenemos que reconocer eso en lo que nos hemos equivocado. Los seres humanos tenemos una gran capacidad de justificar nuestros hechos y somos capaces de auto convencernos de que teníamos una razón de peso para hacer algo que estuvo mal o que fuimos víctimas de las circunstancias o que fue la culpa de alguien más: es por eso que es importante el analizar nuestras vidas a la luz del Evangelio. De esa forma no bajaremos la guardia y reconoceremos todo aquello en lo que hemos fallado para poder arrepentirnos y obtener el perdón de Dios.

Compromiso de la semana: Haré un buen análisis de conciencia para reconocer todo eso en lo que he fallado y después me iré a confesar para obtener el perdón de Dios.

Recibimos sus comentarios a esta columna o al contenido en español de este boletín en el correo electrónico: boletin@stmartha.co.
Ministerio Hispano

Convalidación de Matrimonios:
¿Te falta el Sacramento de Matrimonio? ¿Necesitas ayuda emocional o espiritual en tu Matrimonio?
Para más información llama al Sr. Rubén o Sra. Janett Manosalva al 281-706-5068 o puedes comunicarte por email: matrimonios@stmartha.co

Las Misa de Celebración de Aniversario en honor a las parejas que celebran sus bodas de Oro (50th) y que contrajeron matrimonio por la Iglesia Católica en 1964; se llevará a cabo el día domingo 26 de Octubre en la Co-Catedral del Sagrado Corazón a las 3:00 de la tarde. Todas las parejas inscritas de antemano y que asistan, o no, a la ceremonia, recibirán un reconocimiento especial firmado por su Eminencia Daniel Cardenal DiNardo.
La pareja que desee participar en esta ceremonia, deberá inscribirse electrónicamente en el siguiente sitio del internet:
http://archgh.cvent.com/50weddinganniversary
Por favor no deje ningún espacio en blanco en la forma de inscripción e igualmente asegúrese de escribir el nombre de la pareja de la forma como quiere que aparezcan en las publicaciones impresas. La fecha límite para inscribirse es el 29 de septiembre hasta la media noche. Después de terminado el plazo de inscripción, la Oficina del Ministerio de Vida Familiar de la Arquidiócesis no recibirá ninguna inscripción adicional. Ninguna inscripción se confirmará si no se puede verificar la información de la boda católica y/o si no se recibe el valor de la inscripción de $25 dólares por pareja antes del 29 de septiembre. Podrá asistir con 6 familiares o amigos, máximo.

RICA: No estás bautizado, no haz hecho tu primera comunión o no está confirmado!!!! Piensas que como no lo hiciste de niño es muy difícil recibirlos como adulto? Conoces a alguien que no tiene todos sus sacramentos? No es dificil. Nosotros te ayudamos en el proceso. Pero tu tienes que dar el primer paso. Comunícarte con Jaime Gomez 281-973-1857 o escribe a sacramentos@stmartha.co. hoy mismo!!!!!

Cáliz de Vocaciones
Estar interesado de tener el Cáliz de Vocaciones en su hogar, Para más información favor de llamar al Sr. Pastora al 832-514-5741 o por email al: comitecalizdevocaciones@stmartha.co.

Están listos para comer deliciosa comida y divertirse?
Vengan al festival de otoño el sábado 11 de octubre desde las 12 hasta las 8 pm y traigan su apetito!
Los caballeros de Colon venderán barbacoa, el ministerio hispano estará preparando tacos y nachos.
Los jóvenes estarán vendiendo rapsados y algodón de azúcar.
También tendremos postres, aguas, refrescos y hasta cervecitas bien frías!
Traigan a toda la familia y diviértanse!!

"No te he dicho que si crees verás la Gloria de Dios?"
(Mateo II, 40)

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Parroquia Sta. Martha
Kingwood, Texas

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Orando con Jesús y María

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Escriba aquí su petición

Esta solicitud también se puede hacer por email o internet. Escribámos a: OrandoConJesusYMaria@stmartha.co o en el web site: www.stmartha.com (sección de Español). Para comunicarse por teléfono llame al número: 832-409-3625
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