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

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 Saturday 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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Baptized into Christ Jesus, we worship as one and reach out to all.
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GIVING OF STEWARDSHIP
For the weekend of May 16 & 17
your gifts of treasure resulted in:

Weekly Budget $ 74,433
Sunday Collection $ 42,969
Holy Day-Ascension $ 1,465
Over/(Under) $ (29,999)

Year To Date:
Weekly Budget $ 3,423,918
Sunday Collection $ 3,394,271
Over/(Under) $ (29,647)

Special collections:
Capital Campaign $ 6,144
Martha's Kitchen $ 6,936
Catholic Communications $ 1,818

2015 DSF Goal $ 295,000
DSF Payments to Date $ 198,733
To the parish family of St. Martha,

The scene of the apostles and disciples gathered together after the resurrection of Jesus is described in the New Testament as one of a rather confused and frightened group of people trying to figure out what was happening to them. They knew that they had been given a mission to preach the Gospel and to reproduce in some way the experience that they themselves had had of the risen Christ. However, there was a huge gap between knowing they had this mission and the practical knowledge of how to accomplish it. They were still missing that experience that would allow them to realize the difference between knowing God’s word and being able to live that word under all circumstances. It is difficult to say clearly what this experience really is but most people know it when it is there. It is a mixture of a confidence in God and in oneself as well as a zeal supported by courage to actually launch out into the unknown. This courage does not mean being without some fear but more than anything it means that one does not let fear control one’s life. It means acting in spite of one’s fears, doubts, and feelings of inadequacy and insecurity. Thus, the Scriptural view that is presented is that of this small group of frightened disciples who, if left to themselves, would not have been able to achieve their mission. The great truth of Pentecost is that the apostles and disciples were not left to themselves. God gave them the confidence, zeal, and courage they needed through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The account from the Acts of the Apostles tells us that “they were all filled with the Holy Spirit” and they became not merely hearers but doers of the word of God.

And just as the Holy Spirit prodded the early disciples out of their fear and insecurity, so too does this same Spirit prod us. Our challenge in the Church today is the same as it was for those disciples then: to realize that all of human life is infused with the powerful presence of the Spirit and each of us is called to become a bearer of the power and presence of God in the world. As believers in the promises of Jesus, we know that there may very well be no obvious connection between what we are asked to do by the Spirit and the benefit to be derived from the Spirit’s promptings. We may not see any concrete results from our missionary efforts during our life time. This was certainly the experience of these early disciples and has been the experience of many throughout the history of the Church. Thus, we have the need to pray for that same confidence, zeal, and courage to continue the mission entrusted to us as disciples of Jesus. “Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.”

Fr. Chester Borski
TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or Galatians 5:16-25.

Gospel — As the Father has sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) or John 15:26-27, 16:12-15.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mk 10:46-52
Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33
Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday
Monday: Eighth Week in Ordinary Time; St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdelene de’Pazzi; Memorial Day
Tuesday: St. Philip Neri
Wednesday: St. Augustine of Canterbury
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.” — 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

By giving each of us different gifts, God made sure that the Church would have the right combination of time, talent and treasure that was needed to do His work. However, if one of us does not utilize our gifts, God’s plan goes unfulfilled. Some important work is left undone.

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 e-mail carolep8359@gmail.com

Please pray during the school year, the 8:30 a.m. School Mass takes place in the Activity Center at the Faith Formation campus.

NEXT SCHOOL MASS: WED., MAY 27.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon./May 25
8:30 am †Kate DiSorbo
Tues./May 26
8:30 am †Joanne Beck
7:00 pm †Gabriel Cuadra
Wed./May 27
8:30 am †Ana Maria MacDonald
10:00 am †Madeline Balasso
Thurs./May 28
6:30 am Mary & Dylan Nytek
8:30 am †Thomas Cambell
Sun./May 31
6:30 am †Madeline Balasso
8:30 am †Joanne Beck
7:00 pm †Gabriel Cuadra

Fri./May 29
8:30 am †James Bradshaw
Sat./May 30
5:30 pm †Marcelle Sherrill
Sun./May 31
7:00 am †George Brown
9:00 am †Benny A. Gilmore
11:00 am †Kenneth Guth
1:00 pm Jesus Carlos y Bridget Muller

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

Cathy De La Cruz (sister of Mike De La Cruz)
Felix “Phil” Borski (brother of Msgr. Chester Borski)
Norma Ann Robicheaux
Marion "Betty" Sheehan (mother of Ellen Metzger)
Daniel Morrison
Alvaro Toro
John Castagna
Agnes Simonetti (mother of John Simonetti)
Barbara Youll


(If you would like to add a loved one’s name to the recently deceased or sick list, please call the parish office, 281-358-6637, or e-mail jodis@stmartha.com)
Adult Organizations and Opportunities

**Rosary Guild**
Rosary Guild will meet on Sunday, June 14, Room 2, Woodlands Hills campus from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please bring plastic bags for string (bags that had beads in them are great). New members are welcomed. For further information contact JoAnna Loup at 281-361-0391 or jloup3@yahoo.com.

**NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES**
Check us out! Join NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40+, on Wednesday, May 27, to talk/eat/drink at 7:00 P.M. at Pei Wei, 702 Kingwood Drive in Kingwood. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybmvom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**
God blesses Married Couples with gifts to sustain each other: love, tenderness, selflessness, forgiveness, passion and prayer. Rediscover those gifts in your Marriage. Register early! The next scheduled weekend is June 19-21, 2015. Find out more or sign up at: www.houstonme.org or call (713) 482-1791.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK TRAINING**
will be held on Monday, June 1, 2015, from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm in Room 3 of the Family Life Center (turn left after you go through the first set of double doors – by the soft drink machine). These ministers take Holy Communion to the homebound, assisted living and nursing home facilities in Kingwood, and to Kingwood Medical Center. This is a very blessed and much-appreciated ministry.

PLEASE NOTE: You must be trained as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion before you can take Holy Communion to the Sick training.

Please register for this training by May 25, by calling or emailing Angela Wemyss – 281-361-9720 – angela.wemyss@hotmail.com or Pat Timpanaro – 281-361-9338 – patimpanaro@embarqmail.com.

**PROJECT RACHEL**
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.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**
**Tuesday Morning:** Breakfast & Bible Study 9:15 – 10:30 am – Faith Formation Center, Room 2

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 YouTube. Click the YouTube 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.

**Young at Heart Luncheon**
(formerly Senior Citizen Luncheon) - Memorial Day Celebration
Come join us as we honor our Veterans at our Memorial Day Celebration. Veterans, please bring any memorabilia you would like to show the group. Rouse up your patriotic spirit and join us for fellowship, bingo & lunch at St. Martha's Family Life Center on Wednesday, May 27. Bingo begins at 11 am, followed by lunch and fellowship that ends at 2 pm. Bring a friend with you and join the fun! The Senior Citizen Luncheon now known as the "Young at Heart Luncheon" is a get together of those 55+ who meet on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday of each month for fellowship, bingo and lunch. 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.
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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 713-775-9213.

MARTHA'S QUILTERS: Martha’s Quilters provide handmade blessed quilts to infirm St. Martha parishioners as a tangible reminder of God's love during times of illness. To request a quilt, be placed on our prayer list, or make a donation, please contact Noreen Borys at njborys@embarqmail.com - 832-259-1848 or Angela Wemyss at angelawemyss@hotmail.com—281-361-9720. Martha's Quilters meet every Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. in Rm 3.

Faith Journeys Presents:
An Advent Pilgrimage to Italy
Celebrating Vatican II's 50th Anniversary
December 4-11, 2015
For more Information please call: Faith Journeys at 1-877-732-4845 Opt. 1 St. Martha contact, Carla Lewton, carlal@stmartha.com, 281-713-8968.

Pro-Life Mass and Rosary:
Every 1st Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Please join us Saturday, June 6.

YASTM Young Adults of St. Martha
PRAYER · SERVICE · FELLOWSHIP · FRIENDS · SPORTS · SPIRITUALITY
We are a social and spiritual group of young adults age 18 to 35ish who gather together for prayer, fellowship and charity.
Are you looking to grow your network of friends with a foundation of like-minded individuals? Would you like to grow in faith, help others in need, or maybe share in fellowship and social aspects? If you feel a connection to any of these things you are encouraged to join! Maybe you have questions about the faith, are new to the area, are looking for volunteer opportunities or would like someone to attend mass with.
This group is open to all. It does not matter what place you are in your spiritual life; whether you are new, uncertain in your faith or looking to grow deeper.
Please email youngadults@stmartha.com for more information
Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/YASTM/
Mailing list: http://goo.gl/forms/l1y93RjJ2

Calling all young adults!

“BE RICH IN GOOD WORKS...READY TO SHARE”
2015 DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND
If you have not already offered your pledge in this year’s Diocesan Services Fund, please do so today. When you offer to Be Rich in Good Works...Ready to Share, your gifts will benefit the Archdiocesan ministries that serve thousands and thousands of our brothers and sisters in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Through your generous support of DSF, we bring Christ’s comfort and care to the many pressing needs that cannot be addressed individually or by one parish alone.
Our parish goal for 2015 is $ 295,000. With every parish family’s full participation, we will surely exceed this amount and do our share to help so many in need, advancing the work of the church in our community. To give online, please visit www.archgh.org/dsf. For those of you who have already responded with a gift, please accept our sincere gratitude.

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.

Especially designed for
Msgr. Chester Borski, Spiritual Director
Anne Comeaux, Pilgrimage Host
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.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION WEEK

June 15-19 [12:45 – 4:45 pm]
Cost: $40.00*

A service experience for students entering 6th – 8th grade (Fall ’15) spending a few hours serving in the Kingwood-Humble area and then coming back together at St. Martha for time in fellowship and prayer with peers.

Registration forms in the Faith Formation Office – Spots are limited to the first FIFTY students to sign up!

Lisa Hartsfield: lisal@stmartha.com (281) 358-1959 ext. 241

St. Martha School Scoops

St. Martha Catholic School is a fully accredited school for students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. Our curriculum builds strong academic skills, Catholic values and moral character in a safe, secure, and caring environment. Our students attend weekly Mass and celebrate Reconciliation during the school day throughout the school year. We are blessed to have the involvement of our parish priests in many of our school activities. We offer the sports of soccer, basketball, baseball, track, volleyball and girls’ softball. We also support a drama club, a band program, Rosary Guild, Student Council, BETA Club and other student activities.

Visit our school website at www.stmarthacs.org for more information or contact Registrar Jan Rodine at 281-358-5523 for a tour.

The Mission of St. Martha Catholic School is to provide a quality education sharing in the total Catholic formation of each person by developing mind, heart and spirit.

Children’s Adoration Hour Every Tuesday—10 a.m. in the Chapel
Bring your children and grandchildren to a special hour with Christ. They will learn to offer prayer intentions, grow in their love for Christ, his mother Mary, and our Church and the Pope. We have time for silent prayer, a decade of the rosary, we talk about saints and reflect on gospel passages and sing songs. Parents and kids receive many graces from spending an hour a week with Christ. We hope you will come and see what it’s all about. Contact Annette Salazar at asalazar77339@yahoo.com or 281-358-1492 if you have any questions.

Vocations Corner

Explore Retreat: June 8-10 (Starts Monday at 11:00 a.m.) in St. Mary’s Seminary. This retreat is for high school boys ages 15-18, who want to experience Christ and grow in relationship with Him. It is an opportunity to set time aside to explore seminary life and learn about the call to holiness and priesthood. The retreat will consist of music, games, faith sharing, fellowship, outdoor activities, creative prayer experiences and much more. Explore will be facilitated by seminarians studying for the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. In the application, we ask that the applicant be approved by the Pastor, DRE, youth minister or principal. Limit of four participants per parish (Space limited). Cost is $80 per participant. Deadline: June 5. Pre-registration, forms, and material at www.houstonvocations.com/explore-retreat.

Life Awareness Weekend, July 24-26 (Starts Friday at 5pm-Sunday at 2:30pm) in Holy Name Retreat Center. Come and join other single men and women of faith, ages 18-45, who are searching and discerning God’s call in their lives. Life Awareness is a weekend retreat of prayer, silent reflection, presentations, group discussions, and sharing on one-on-one encounters and guidance from priests and religious sisters and brothers, as you learn more about priesthood and religious life. This retreat is designed to help young adults to learn and explore whatever vocation God might be calling them, to search deeply for the guidance, and to grow in courage to do the will of God. It will provide the time, environment, and opportunity to clarify one’s calling without any pressure of commitment. Come join us! Holy Name Retreat Center, 430 Bunker Hill Rd Houston, Texas 77024. Information: Deacon Gary Hilbig 832-549-4140 gary.hilbig@allsaints.us.org Henry Majoue 832-606-1372 Hjmajoue@gmail.com. Cost: Free (Donations accepted)

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS:
Please join the BIANCARDI 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.
LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS

We have had a number of requests from those suffering from Celiac disease and/or diagnosed with gluten intolerance to be able to receive low-gluten hosts. To be in compliance with Canon Law and guidelines from the Vatican there must be some gluten in the host that is consecrated at Mass. The Benedictine Sisters have developed a host that is low-gluten (.01 percent). The U. S. Bishops and the Vatican have stated the Sisters’ bread is “the only true, low-gluten altar bread, approved for use at Mass in the United States”. This host is strictly for those who are at risk for serious harm from consuming gluten. In order to receive the low-gluten consecrated host at Mass, please check in with the Team Leader for the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in the Ushers Room at least 15 minutes before Mass begins to let them know you need to receive the low-gluten host and to receive instructions where the minister will be to distribute it to you. If you have any questions or concerns about the low-gluten hosts and its reception, please call Mariel Parra at 281-358-6637 or e-mail her at marielp@stmartha.com.

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 Monday, June 1, 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.

COLLECTION—FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

On the Feast of Corpus Christi (Sunday, June 7) the total offertory in every parish of the archdiocese is dedicated to the support of those studying for the priesthood. For 2015-2016 over a million dollars is needed from this collection to support our seminarians studying for the priesthood. To achieve this goal, Archbishop DiNardo requests that you double the amount of your regular church support for the weekend of June 6-7. If each contributor will do this, the needed subsidy will be met by this collection. In gratitude for the incomparable gift of the Holy Eucharist which is inseparably joined to the priesthood, please do your part to help the archdiocese provide priests for the sake of your future by praying daily for vocations and supporting this collection.

SAVE THE DATE

November 7th
3rd Annual
Knights of Columbus
Wine Tasting and food pairings

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Unemployed or underemployed?

Are you or do you know an individual who’s unemployed or underemployed and looking for direction? Losing your job or being underemployed can cause anxiously and stress, which can make it more challenging to find a better job. St. Martha’s Between Jobs and Beyond ministry helps those who are looking for a new and more satisfying job.

- We can help with résumé writing, with interview preparation and with networking.
- We also can help you get your head in the right place, spiritually and emotionally, which is critical for effective job-seeking. It is very difficult to be at your best when you feel at your worst – we can help.
- We encourage a spirit of service to others. When we help others, we feel better.

We meet every Friday at 9:15 a.m. in Room 2 of the Faith Formation Campus (Woodland Hills campus). Please come and see us, or tell others about us. We are here to help! If you have questions, please e-mail stmarthabetweejobs@gmail.com or call Bob Simpson at 713-410-2844.

MARTHA’S KITCHEN

On this Memorial Day, Martha's Kitchen would like to thank all of the members of the military, active or veteran, for your service to our country. Some of the guests at Martha's Kitchen are veterans and a financial donation to our ministry would be a unique way to remember those that fought for our country and are also in need of a nutritious meal. God Bless You and God Bless America! (Martha's Kitchen will be closed for meetings and repairs from May 25-June 8)

The hot summer months will be here soon, so please use your Martha Kitchen envelopes, Memorial Cards in the church office, Faith Direct or Matching Funds through your employer.

You are invited
to attend the Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon David Thomas Angelino. It will take place through the Imposition of Hands and the Invocation of the Holy Spirit by His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston.

Saturday, June 6, 2015
10:00 a.m.
The Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
1115 St. Joseph Parkway
Houston, TX 77002

Father David will celebrate his first Masses at St. Martha on Sunday, June 7, 2015 at 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. A reception in the FLC will follow immediately after the 11:00 a.m. Mass until 3:00 p.m.. All are welcome.

Café Catholica 2015: The Church of Now

Attention Young Adults (18-30’s): Come join 600 fellow Catholics this summer! Café Catholica is a dinner-lecture series for young adults, featuring dynamic speakers. The Café is held over four Mondays at St. Michael Catholic Church in the Galleria area (1801 Sage Road, Houston TX 77056). Confessions at 5:15 p.m., Mass at 6:15, dinner at 7:15, speaker at 8:15; table exhibits and socializing all evening. Come for all or part of the evening! About 600 people attend each night. Donations are appreciated.

- July 13: Sr. Mary Guido, r.c. Topic: Path to #Happiness: Decisions in the modern world
- July 20: Daniel Cardinal DiNardo Topic: Follow Me: #Invite to Service
- July 27: Christopher Kaczor, Ph.D Topic: Commit to Truth: #Myths of the Church

Check us out online at www.CafeCatholica.com. Join the Café Catholica group on Facebook! Café Catholica is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office of Young Adult & Campus Ministry. For more information, call 713-741-8778.
PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF DEVOTION TO PRAYER IN ST. MARTHA PARISH

“Could you not watch one hour with Me?” Mark 14:37

Our parish is incredibly blessed to have Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration available in our adoration chapel twenty-four hours a day. Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because of His infinite love for each one of us, and He is always present there in the Blessed Sacrament patiently waiting for us to come and spend time with Him. 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.

OPEN HOUR: FIRST AND SECOND ADORERS ARE NEEDED ON MONDAY 2-3AM!
Second adorers are needed for the following hours:
Sunday: 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, Noon-1 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM, 7-8 PM
Monday: 1-2 AM, 6-7 PM, 8-9 PM, 11 PM-Midnight
Tuesday: 2-3AM, 5-6 AM
Wednesday: 1-2 AM
Thursday: 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, 5-6 PM
Friday: 1-2 AM, 5-6 PM, 6-7 PM
Saturday: 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, 2-3 PM, 9-10 PM

If you are interested in participating in this ministry or would like more information, please contact Robyn Laumbach at either 281-360-7897 or robynhbfly@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, Annunciata Hopkins at 281-360-1258 for Noon-6 PM, and Beth Beckham at 281-435-1439 for 6 PM-Midnight.

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS FOOD DRIVE THIS WEEKEND

This weekend, May 23 & 24, 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.)

JOB OPPORTUNITY - NURSERY

Position available for the Sunday Nursery and other church events. Please contact Patty Jackson at 281-713-8970, or e-mail pattyj@stmartha.com

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed in the chapel at the Faith Formation Campus every Sunday at 3 pm for the conversion of sinners, the sick and the dying. Everyone welcome!
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Y así como el Espíritu Santo libero a los primeros discípulos de su miedo e inseguridad, también lo hace en este mismo Espíritu con nos. Nuestro reto en la Iglesia hoy es el mismo que para los discípulos en ese tiempo: darse cuenta de que toda la vida humana está impregnada de la presencia poderosa del Espíritu y que cada uno de nosotros está llamado a convertirse en un portador de poder y la presencia de Dios en el mundo. Como creyentes en las promesas de Jesús, sabemos que puede muy bien ser ninguna conexión obvia entre lo que se nos pide hacer por el Espíritu y el beneficio que se deriva de los susurros del Espíritu. Puede que no veamos ningún resultado concreto de nuestros esfuerzos misioneros durante nuestro tiempo de vida. Este fue sin duda la experiencia de estos primeros discípulos, y ha sido la experiencia de muchos a lo largo de la historia de la Iglesia. Por lo tanto, tenemos la necesidad de orar por esa misma confianza, celo y valor para continuar la misión confiada a nosotros como discípulos de Jesús. "Ven, Espíritu Santo, llena los corazones de tus fieles y enciende en ellos el fuego de tu amor."

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Reflexión sobre las lecturas:
En este Domingo de Pentecostés celebramos la efusión del Espíritu Santo sobre los primeros apóstoles. Jesús se fue al cielo pero nos dejó al Espíritu Santo para que sea el que guíe a la Iglesia y a todos sus miembros. Jesús les dijo un par de veces: La paz está con ustedes. Jesús nos deja su paz, una paz que solo podemos experimentar cuando estamos cerca de El, cuando estamos libres del pecado. Ese mismo día Jesús les dio el poder a los apóstoles de perdonar los pecados en Su nombre. La Confesión es uno de los Sacramentos que menos aprovechamos los Católicos de hoy, pero es uno de los más necesarios. Solo haciendo exámenes regulares de conciencia sabremos si estamos o no siguiendo las enseñanzas que Jesús nos dejó y, solo acercándonos al Sacramento de la Confesión podremos obtener el perdón de esos pecados y la paz que Jesús nos deja.
Compromiso de la semana: Haré un buen examen de conciencia y me iré a confesar. Usaré como guía el siguiente examen de conciencia: http://www.theworkofgod.org/Spanish/examen.htm
Recibimos sus comentarios a esta columna o al contenido en español de este boletín en el correo electrónico: boletin@stmartha.co

"Búskuenme a mi y vivirán"
(Amós 5, 4)
Noche de Adoración y Alabanza
Martes 26 de Mayo 7:00 p.m.
Iglesia Católica Sta. Martha
Kingwood, Texas

Monaguillos: Si su niño/a está interesado a servir de Monaguillo, Favor de llamar al Sr. Pastora al 832-514-5741 o por email al: monaguillos@stmartha.co.

Ministerio Hispano

Ministerio
Sagrada Familia
Iglesia Sta. Marta, Kingwood, Texas

Con inmensa alegría queremos presentar un ministerio que nace inspirado en la sagrada familia de Nazaret. Dirigido a las familias de nuestra parroquia que desean encontrar una iglesia que les dé soluciones, que les oriente con sus necesidades y les proporcione un lugar que les permita acobijarse, les eduque y les proteja.

Eso es en esencia lo que buscamos edificar en este nuevo ministerio. Estamos hablando de participar en una Iglesia que dé una respuesta viva y clara a las comunidades, que ayude a compensar sus necesidades, a sanar sus enfermedades, brindando no solo apoyo espiritual y emocional, sino un seguimiento constante a su situación.

En el MSF, queremos ofrecerles soluciones concretas, es decir, generar las respuestas a las problemáticas implementando actividades, programas, talleres y retiros que serán impartidos de manera conjunta con otros ministerios de la parroquia y se llevarian a cabo durante todo el año.

El programa incluye:
- Formación en nuestra fe católica. Crecimiento y desarrollo espiritual. Incentivo y formación de nuevos liderazgos en la comunidad.
- Ayuda sicológica y emocional. Oportunidades de integración entre padres e hijos. Reducción de brechas generacionales.
- Acérquense, pregunten o participen y sean testigos de cómo juntos construiremos ese camino, sea Ud. también puente entre la Iglesia y las familias, irradiando de esa manera la alegría de ser católicos comprometidos.

Las reuniones tendrán lugar todos los lunes, a las 7 pm, en la pequeña Capilla del Colegio Sta. Marta. Para cualquier información Favor comuníquese con Janet o Rubén Manosalva al 281-706-5068 o al correo electrónico: matrimonios@stmartha.co

Proyecto Gabriel—
¿Está embarazada? ¿Necesita ayuda durante su embarazo? No importa su edad! Para más información Favor de llamar a 713-225-5826.