Welcome to Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus, Friends of Jesus Catholic Church
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
Senior Priest: Rev. Nick Pasadilla
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Alfonso Tran
Deacons: Mr. Jon Barfield, Mr. Tony Cardella, Mr. Ed Kleinguetl, Mr. Bob MacFarlane, Mr. Al O’Brien, Mr. Guy T. Puglia, Mr. John Schuster, and Mr. Alfredo Soto

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

Liturgy & Sacraments
Weekend Masses
First Saturday (Pro-Life Mass): .... 8:30 AM
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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I, the Lord,
bring low the high tree,
lift high the lowly tree,
wither up the green tree,
and make the withered tree bloom.
As I, the Lord, have spoken, so will I do.
EZEKIEL 17:24

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
### STEWARDSHIP of Time, Talent and Treasure

#### COMMUNITY LIFE MINISTRIES
- **DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY LIFE**: Francine Puglia
- **ACTS RETREAT**: Willie Chesnut
- **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**: Wayne Theis
- **NEWCOMERS/WELCOMING/HOSPITALITY**: Amy Jamieson
- **MINISTRIES**: MaryLou & Ramon De La Cruz, Marion and Chris Dickson, Brian & Mary Anne Sokol, Kevin & Joanna Landry

#### COMUNITY LIFE MINISTRIES CONT.
- **VOCATIONS COMMITTEE**: Phil & Diane Applegate
- **BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY**: Carla Lewton, Patty Jost
- **CONFIRMATION**: Derek Gallardo
- **CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**: Martha Burns
- **LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**: Gayle Hogwood, JoAnna Loup
- **MOTHER TERESA MINISTRY**: Sr. Maria Elena
- **MOTHER'S DAY OUT**: Monica's Hope
- **MOM'S COLLEGIAN PRAYER GROUP**: Indiana Francis
- **MOM'S QUILTERS**: Martha Burns
- **MONICA'S HOPE**: Theresa Miller
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#### OUTREACH MINISTRIES
- **DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES**: Derek Gallardo
- **INFORMATION**: Mariana Trujillo
- **RCC**: Charles & Lisa Ferguson
- **YASM – Young Adults of St. Martha**: youngadults@stmartha.com
- **CONFIRMATION**: Derek Gallardo
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL COORDINATOR (EDGE)**: Lisa Hartsfield
- **HIGH SCHOOL COORDINATOR (LIFE TEEN)**: Laura Gallardo
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- **HOSPITAL MINISTRY**: Sarah Clark
- **MASTERS’ KITCHEN**: Sr. Maria Elena
- **ST. MARTHA BETWEEN JOBS AND BEYOND**: Bill Beck
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#### MINISTERIOS EN ESPAÑOL
- **FORMACIÓN RELIGIOSA PARA ADULTOS**: Dcn. Alfredo Soto
- **COORDINADORA DE CATECISMO PARA JÓVENES Y SACRAMENTOS**: Irene Soto
- **CORA DE ADULTOS**: Luis Valle
- **GRUPO DE ORACIÓN**: Carmen Ogando
- **DIRECTOR DE VIVEROS**: Gustavo Zapata
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From the Pastor

To the parish family of St. Martha,

The account from Mark’s Gospel for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time introduces one of the most distinctive features of the teaching of Jesus: his use of parables. These are basically simple stories that provoke our interest and tend to stick in our memory. On one level we grasp them almost immediately. On another level there is something much more mysterious about them, something that tends to draw us back to them in the hope of discovering a deeper meaning for our lives. In his parables Jesus spoke of everyday life and the common experience of people: fathers and mothers, treasured gifts and possessions, planting and harvesting, responding to invitations and using one’s talents, etc. What gives these stories the sense of mystery is that in the end they are always about God and how God is present in the lives of people. Central to the preaching of Jesus is the idea of the kingdom or reign of God. Jesus announced that the kingdom is near and in some sense already present in our lives. Jesus was inviting people to become aware of the kingdom of God, respond to God’s presence and love, and choose to join Jesus in building the kingdom here on earth.

Today’s Gospel account presents two parables about the grace of God present in our lives. The first parable is about trust and confidence in God. It reminds us that the kingdom is like a seed that sprouts, grows, and bears fruit whether we sleep or work, worry or rejoice, think about it or not. There is something wonderfully mysterious about the inner working and vitality of living things. No matter how things might appear or how we might feel, the seed of God’s grace is alive and at work in the world, especially in human beings. The second parable uses the image of the mustard seed to remind us that even the tiniest of beginnings can bring about abundance in the end. Jesus and his life and ministry are the greatest example of this. Jesus appeared in an area of the world that would have been considered no more than a backwater in the Roman Empire at the time. He had relatively little success in getting people to follow his preaching during his time on earth. And yet from this tiny mustard seed came the Church which has spread to the far corners of the world and we are privileged to be part of this kingdom. Even for us who have faith, the things that we can do to change our world seem so small and relatively insignificant. The urgency of the Gospel message is that we realize that these challenges are like mustard seeds, so tiny in themselves and yet so full of promise, that if we act on the invitation of God’s grace, we will in fact make a great difference.

Fr. Chester Borski

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, July 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.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St. Martha Conference of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank the Parish for its generous support of our recent Black Bag Collection. Donations from this collection totaled $20,268. Because of your compassion and generosity, our Conference will be able to continue its mission to assist those in need in our community. April and May were a particularly active period as we helped 411 people with Rent, Mortgage, Utilities, Food, Medical, and Auto Expenses totaling $20,347. When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and into the hearts of those who are poor. Thank you for your continuing support and prayers for this ministry and may God bless you and your family.

“Charity is the cement that unites communities to God and individuals to each other.”

---St. Vincent de Paul
**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — I have lifted high the lowly tree (Ezekiel 17:22-24).

**Psalm** — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

**Second Reading** — Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-10).

**Gospel** — It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants (Mark 4:26-34)


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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday** | Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Flag Day

**Friday** | St. Romuald

**Saturday** | Blessed Virgin Mary

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive good or evil, according to what he has done in the body.”

- 2 Corinthians 5:10

We are all accountable for the gifts God has given us on Earth – our time, talent and treasure. One day each of us will be asked by God what we did with those gifts. How will you respond?

**MASS INTENTIONS**

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

Daniel Morrison
Alvaro Toro
John Castagna
Agnes Simonetti (mother of John Simonetti)
Barbara Youll
Kathy Marek (wife of Wayne Marek)
Jerri Priest (mother of Kelly Sandoval)
Walter Lee Lambert (husband of Mary Lou Lambert)
Harold Simonetti (brother of John Simonetti)
Minerva Salazar


(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)

Please pray for our active military as seen on the wreath in the Narthex.

To add a loved one call: Jodi at 281-358-6637 or e-mail jodis@stmartha.com
Adult Organizations and Opportunities

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**FAITH FORMATION SUMMER HOURS:**
Beginning Monday, June 22nd, Faith Formation Summer Office Hours will be 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Monday through Thursday.

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED BEGINNING MONDAY, JULY 20TH THROUGH FRIDAY, JULY 31ST.** THE OFFICE WILL RE-OPEN, MONDAY, AUGUST 3RD WITH REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS, 9:00AM – 4:00PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

**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 June Dates: 23 & 30.

**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.

**NEW MEDIC-ALERT PROGRAM**
In order to better serve parishioners should they become suddenly ill while attending our weekend Masses and on Holy Days of Obligation, we are beginning a “Medic-Alert” program. If you are a doctor or nurse and are willing to help us when we have parishioners fall ill at Mass, please check in with an usher when you arrive and give them your cell or pager number so you can be reached during the Mass by text or paging should an emergency arise.

Should you have any questions about this program, please e-mail Barry Robichaux at barry.robichaux@us.ibm.com.

**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**
Have some fun! Join NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40+, on Wednesday, June 17, to talk/drink/eat at 7:00 P.M. at Brooklyn’s Pizza, 9467 FM 1960 Bypass in Humble (near Walmart). For more info, 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 Magdalen’s website.

**ST. MARTHA CATHOLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**
SMCS has the following openings for the 2015-2016 school year:
- Degreed and certified teachers for:
  - First grade
  - Second grade
For consideration please submit your résumé and letter of introduction to: principal@stmarthacs.org.
For more information, please contact the school office at 281-358-5523.

**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.

**SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON - SUMMER VACATION**
The Senior Citizen Luncheons held at St. Martha on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday of each month will NOT be held during the Summer. We will resume on Wednesday, September 9, 2015. Have a great summer and check the bulletin in August for information on the September luncheons.

**I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT IN YOU THAT YOU MAY LIVE....**
Loving as Jesus loves can be difficult even in our marriage. Two million couples have found answers on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Their relationships have been rekindled and renewed. The next scheduled weekend is June 19-21, 2015. Find out more or sign up at: www.houstonme.org or call (713) 482-1791.
You are cordially invited to Serra Club Northeast of Houston’s Monthly Meeting

Serra Clubs foster and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life; encourage and affirm vocations to the consecrated life and nurture the spiritual growth and formation of its lay members.

Membership is open to all Catholics.

Monsignor Borski, our Club’s Chaplain, will open the meeting in prayer.

Please join us:
Monday, June 22nd
6:30 pm Social
7:00 to 8:30 pm Dinner and Program
Italiano’s Restaurant
217 FM 1960 at Bypass Road East in Humble, Texas
The cost for dinner is $15.00 per person

Sister Mildred Truchard, Vocation Director of Incarnate Word Convent in Victoria, Texas will speak to us about, Supporting the Vocation Discerner.

RSVP: Diddy Muck
muck@kingwoodcable.net
281-615-2015
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.

Vocations Corner

Interested in hosting the Chalice for Vocations? Please contact Albert Holden at 713-292-6066 or by e-mail at aaholden@embarqmail.com to schedule a week.

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.

Parenting/Youth Events

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.

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

IWA to host Middle School Athletic Camps

Rising 6th, 7th and 8th graders are invited to register now for Incarnate Word Academy’s volleyball and basketball camps, held in June and July! Join IWA this summer to explore downtown attractions, experience team building fun at Discovery Green, develop leadership skills and practice athletic fundamentals — all while connecting with middle school and IWA students! Call 713-227-3637 to register or visit www.incarnateword.org/camps for more details.

REMINDER:

“EVEREST” VBS Week is June 15-19 12:45 PM-4:00 PM in the FLC Faith Family Night is Thursday, June 18th at 6 PM in the FLC
Faith Journeys Presents: An Advent Pilgrimage to Italy
Celebrating Vatican II's 50th Anniversary
December 4-11, 2015

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

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.

STEWARDSHIP—A WAY OF LIFE
Fruits of Your Labor...

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is personal time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in our Adoration Chapel, located in the back of the church. Adorers commit to one hour each week to spend time in the presence of Christ, strengthening their personal relationship with Him. In the month of May we had 1,207 hours logged with our regular committed adorers. In addition to this, we had 424 visitors! Our visitors pray for varying amounts of time, so it is impossible for us to give an exact number of hours devoted by them. However, their presence is still a huge statement to the power of prayer and the devotion of our parish to this ministry. We are also so proud of the children who come to pray on Tuesday mornings during their weekly adoration hour! All involved in Eucharistic Adoration bring blessings to the entire parish through their devotion and prayer. Your family is encouraged to attend together at any time.

GABRIEL PROJECT: We would like to wish all of our Fathers a "Happy Fathers Day". We need to pray for all the Fathers here, and all over the world that God will guide them, and watch over them, and keep them safe. Gabriel Project Ministry helps and supports Mom to make important decisions which will affect her and her baby. We are here to guide her spiritually and emotionally. Two Gabriel Angels went to the hospital to see our new precious baby girl that was born last week. We were able to give the new Mom love and emotional support. A Mother, that we previously helped, contacted her Angel to show her that beautiful baby boy and how they were adjusting. There is a special bond between our Mothers and the Gabriel Angels. Please continue to pray for all our Mothers and their babies.

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.

Pro-Life Mass and Rosary:
Every 1st Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Please join us Saturday, July 4.

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!
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: 2-3 AM, 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 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, Annunciata Hopkins at 281-360-1258 for Noon-6 PM, and Beth Beckham at 281-435-1439 for 6 PM-Midnight.

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.

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

Busy making plans for your summer vacation? Don’t forget to include St. Martha Catholic Church in your vacation plans! Sign up today for eGiving through Faith Direct to make sure you remember your gifts to St. Martha Catholic Church while you’re off enjoying the summer breeze and sunshine. Enrolling is easy—just go to www.faithdirect.net and use our church code TX497. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents as well as treasure!
The *Fortnight for Freedom: Freedom to Bear Witness* will take place from June 21 to July 4, 2015, a time when our liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. The theme of this year's Fortnight will focus on the "freedom to bear witness" to the truth of the Gospel.

La *Quincena por la Libertad: La libertad para dar testimonio* tendrán lugar desde junio 21 hasta julio 4, 2015, un momento en que nuestro calendario litúrgico celebra una serie de grandes mártires que permanecieron fieles en medio de la persecución por el poder político-St. Tomás Moro y San Juan Fisher, San Juan Bautista, SS. Pedro y Pablo, y los primeros mártires de la Iglesia de Roma. El tema de la Quincena de este año se centrará en la "libertad para dar testimonio" a la verdad del Evangelio.
Para la familia de la parroquia de Santa Marta,

El relato del Evangelio de Marcos para el 11º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario nos presenta una de las características más distintivas de la enseñanza de Jesús: su uso de parábolas. Estos son básicamente historias simples que provocan nuestro interés y tienden a pegarse en nuestra memoria. Por un lado nos aferramos a ellos casi de inmediato. En otro nivel, hay algo mucho más misterioso en ellos, algo que tiende a acercarnos de nuevo a ellos con la esperanza de descubrir un significado más profundo para nuestra vida. En sus parábolas Jesús habló de la vida cotidiana y la experiencia común de la gente: padres y madres, regalos y posesiones preciosas, la siembra y la cosecha, en respuesta a las invitaciones y el uso de nuestros talentos, etc. Lo que da estas historias el sentido de misterio es que siempre es acerca de Dios y cómo Dios está presente en la vida de las personas. Lo central de la predicación de Jesús es la idea del reino o reinado de Dios. Jesús anunció que el reino está cerca y en cierto sentido ya está presente en nuestras vidas. Jesús estaba invitando a la gente a tomar conciencia del reino de Dios, responder a la presencia y el amor de Dios, y optar por unirse a Jesús en la construcción del reino aquí en la tierra.

El relato evangélico de hoy presenta dos parábolas sobre la gracia de Dios presente en nuestras vidas. La primera parábola es acerca de la confianza y confianza en Dios. Nos recuerda que el reino es como una semilla que brota, crece y da fruto si dormimos o trabajamos, preocupación o regocijamos, pensamos en ello o no. Hay algo maravillosamente misterioso sobre el funcionamiento interno y la vitalidad de los seres vivos. No importa cómo sea posible que aparezcan las cosas o cómo puedan sentirse, la semilla de la gracia de Dios está viva y en el trabajo en el mundo, especialmente en los seres humanos. La segunda parábola utiliza la imagen de la semilla de mostaza para recordarnos que incluso el más pequeño de los inicios puede traer abundancia en el final. Jesús y su vida y ministerio son el mayor ejemplo de esto. Jesús apareció en una zona del mundo que se había considerado más que una rama del Imperio Romano en ese momento. Él tenía relativamente poco éxito en hacer que la gente le siguiera su predicación durante su tiempo en la tierra. Y sin embargo, de esta pequeña semilla de mostaza vino la Iglesia, que se ha extendido a todos los rincones del mundo y tenemos el privilegio de ser parte de este reino. Incluso para nosotros que tenemos fe, las cosas que podemos hacer para cambiar nuestro mundo parecen tan pequeños y relativamente insignificantes. La urgencia del mensaje del Evangelio es que nos damos cuenta de que estos desafíos son como semillas de mostaza, de modo diminutas en sí mismos y al mismo tiempo tan llenas de promesas, que si actuamos en la invitación de la gracia de Dios, nosotros, de hecho, haremos una gran diferencia.

Padre Chester Borski

21º Domingo Ordinario

Reflexión sobre las lecturas:

Jesús compara el Reino de los Cielos con un grano de mostaza, que aún a pesar de ser uno de los granos más pequeños que existe, da un árbol grande que da mucho fruto y mucha sombra. Jesús vino a instaurar el Reino de los Cielos en la tierra. Volver al orden original planeado por Dios, en el que Dios es el Rey y nosotros los subditos. Con el Pecado Original, el hombre quiso ser como Dios y rompió con el Reino, Jesús lo restablece para que podamos ser parte de él de nuevo. San Pablo, en su carta a los Corintios, nos recuerda que tenemos que vivir con fe y llenos de confianza para poder vivir de acuerdo a sus mandamientos. Tenemos que tener presente que todos tendremos que pasar ante el tribunal de Cristo para recibir el premio o el castigo por lo que hayamos hecho en esta vida.

Compromiso de la semana: Haré un análisis de conciencia para entender que cosas debo cambiar en mi vida para alcanzar la salvación.

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

Ministerio Legión de María:

Están cordialmente invitados todos los viernes a las 7:00 PM en el salón 2 de las instalaciones de Woodland Hills Dr. Mayores informes con la Sra. Veronica Reyes (281.728.9843) o por email: legiondemaria@stmartha.co
Ministerio Hispano

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

Cáliz de Vocaciones:
Está interesado/a de tener el Cáliz de Vocaciones en su hogar, Para más información favor de llamar al Sr. Tony Lasalle al 646-489-1554 o por e-mail al: comitecalizdevocaciones@stmartha.co.

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 edúque 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, seminarios, talleres y retiros que serán impartidos de manera conjunta con otros ministerios de la parroquia y se llevarían 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, pregúnten 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 Janett o Rubén Manosalva al 281-706-5068 o al correo electrónico: matrimonios@stmartha.co