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

Senior Priest: Rev. Nick Pasadilla
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Richard McNeillie
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

Baptized into Christ Jesus, we worship as one and reach out to all.

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 & 1:00 Spanish Mass

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 and Ceremony: Call the Parish Office to register

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

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**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The Israelites show their faith by offering the LORD first fruits of the products of their new land (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

**Psalm** — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

**Second Reading** — All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (Romans 10:8-13).

**Gospel** — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (Luke 4:1-13).

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Mon./Feb. 15**
8:30 am †Katrina & Valentina Brammer

**Fri./Feb. 19**
8:30 am †Michael & Mary Koska

**Sat./Feb. 20**
5:30 pm †Luis Pereira

**Tues./Feb. 16**
8:30 am †Gloria Long

**Sun./Feb. 21**
7:00 pm †Earl Keeling

**Wed./Feb. 17**
8:30 am †Christopher Gross

**Thurs./Feb. 18**
10:00 am †Joe & Johnny Fernandez

**Fri./Feb. 19**
1:00 pm †Francisca Garza Martinez

**Sat./Feb. 20**
5:30 pm †Joseph Canales

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

Stan Gilmore
Antonio Salazar
Jerry Seams (husband of Paula Seams)
Nora Stewart (mother of John & Susie Stewart and Rita Guark)


**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** First Sunday of Lent; Valentine’s Day; World Marriage Day

**Monday:** Presidents’ Day

**Wednesday:** The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

**Friday:** Abstinence

**JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY — First Sunday of Lent**

On Ash Wednesday Pope Francis commissioned “Missionaries of Mercy,” priest-confessors sent forth worldwide as “living signs of the Father’s readiness to welcome those in search of [God’s] pardon.” In a way, though, Pope Francis challenges all of us to become “missionaries of mercy” (Misericordiae Vultus, 18) by living Lent in this Jubilee Year of Mercy “more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God’s mercy” (MV, 17). Francis bids us make the prophet Micah’s words our own: “God . . . who does not persist in anger forever, but delights rather in clemency. You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins” (Micah 7:18, 19). Having experienced God’s mercy ourselves in the unconditional forgiveness of our sins, how eager we should be to invite others to know the peace of God’s boundless mercy; perhaps even to experience, through our reaching out in gentle kindness and compassionate care, something of God’s unconditional love for them.

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**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS:**
Wednesday, March 23, at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**TRIDUUM SCHEDULE:**

**HOLY THURSDAY MASS,** March 24: 7:30 p.m.

**GOOD FRIDAY,** March 25: 3:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion.

**EASTER SUNDAY,** March 27: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish Mass)

Masses in the Activity Center at the Woodland Hills Campus

9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
To the parish family of St. Martha,

The 1st Sunday of Lent presents us with the dramatic Gospel scene of the temptation of Jesus in the desert. In essence each of the temptations encountered by Jesus, as is each temptation that comes our way in life, was a temptation to infidelity. It was the Father’s design that the Messiah would accomplish the saving plan of salvation by taking on the weaknesses of humanity and then teaching the people to be faithful to the God of the covenant. The Messiah was to be a patient and humble suffering servant and not a conquering king or warlord. In Luke’s account Satan tempted Jesus with a style of living that must have sounded very attractive to him or to anyone else. But it was totally inconsistent with the role the Father was asking Jesus to embrace in the plan of salvation. Making the temptation even more difficult to resist was the fact that the kind of Messiah Satan urged Jesus to be was precisely what the vast majority of the people around him desired. If Jesus had chosen to be a powerful ruler of nations, supported by legions of angels who turned stones into bread, he probably would have been accepted by everyone, Jews and Gentiles alike. Seemingly there would have been no hunger, no poverty, and no weariness in living the human life. But there would have been no crucifixion, no resurrection, and no sending of the Holy Spirit on the Church at Pentecost! If the Messiah was to transform the lives of people, he would have to radically heal the emptiness that infidelity brings about in the lives of human beings.

We all face similar temptations in life. We are tempted as individuals, as families, as a parish community, as members of the Church, and as citizens of our great country. We are tempted time and again by so many things that seem so good for us. We are tempted by opportunities that seem to promise us a better life here on earth: to increase our wealth, our comfort, our ability to control the direction of our lives, and even to eliminate those undesirable elements and groups in our society who seem to stand in the way of a good life. But all these opportunities frequently require that we choose a life without a clear commitment to serve God above all else. The Scriptures teach clearly that God created us in his own image and likeness. He is our God. We are His people. The word of God reminds us as we begin the season of Lent that sin, at its very root, is a refusal on our part to obey the 1st Commandment: You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve. In terms of the new covenant in Jesus Christ we are offered the opportunity through Baptism to become members of God’s very own family. In this context sin is the refusal to live as a child of God, obedient to the One who has given us life. Lent becomes that special season when we retrace our steps to our origins in God and learn to live once again as God’s beloved children. During this Jubilee Year of Mercy let us pray for one another as we make this spiritual journey so that we can resist the temptation to infidelity and seek to be authentic followers of Jesus, our Savior, who brings the faithful love of the Father to each of us.

Fr. Chester Borski

The deadline for the online Parish Survey has been extended through February 17th!!!! Make your opinion count! If you have not received the e-mail with the survey link, please go to the following link: http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2334891/df06576fe3d3-Generic You can also obtain a paper copy in the Narthex/Parish Office or by contacting Jodi at 281-358-6637. Thank you for helping with this important project!

PARISH MISSION
Presenter: Fr. Francis Frankovich
Monday, March 7, 7:00 p.m.: Parish Mission talk on Forgiveness
Tuesday, March 8, 7:00 p.m.: Intergenerational Healing Mass (Bilingual). More information below.
Wednesday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.: Adoration and Worship (Bilingual)
Thursday, March 10, 7:00 p.m.: Parish Mission talk on Forgiveness (Spanish)

Intergenerational Healing Mass—Healing Your Family Tree
♦ Intergenerational Healing Across the Barriers of Time
♦ Breaking Family Curses and & Healing Unhealthy Traits and Patterns
♦ Special Prayers Releasing God’s Healing Power Upon Your Loved Ones
♦ Choosing Freedom, Blessing and Transformation in Christ

YOU MUST ATTEND ONE OF THESE WORKSHOPS TO BE ABLE TO FULLY PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERGENERATIONAL HEALING MASS:
Monday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the main church (Spanish)
Wednesday, February 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the main church (English)

For the Year of Mercy there will be a Day of Reconciliation held in the church on Friday, March 4 from 8:30-10:00 a.m. and from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. There is also a penance service at St. Mary Magdalene on Thursday, March 3 at 6:30 p.m. We highly recommend making a good confession before the healing mass.
Annulments – what are the changes?
If you are interested in what the changes are or wonder if an annulment is something you should pursue, mark your calendar for March 1. St. Martha is hosting an information evening and has invited staff from the Office of the Tribunal to present the changes in the process of annulments and answer questions. Join us, March 1, 7:30 pm, in the Family Life Center at the Woodland Hills Campus: 3702 Woodland Hills Drive, Kingwood, TX 77339. Questions about the evening? E-mail Francine: franp@stmartha.com

Divorced, Catholic. Now What?
Navigating Your Life After Divorce.
This is a simple program of support, encouragement and recovery for those who find themselves separated or divorced and are looking for a way to navigate through the myriad of feelings and emotions in the aftermath. Led by a team of divorced Catholics, some of the topics discussed include:

- Healing
- Anger
- Divorce and Annulment
- Helping Children Cope
- Forgiveness
- Gratitude
- Hope

Please join us knowing that the Church supports and wants you – you belong! Yes, we can be divorced and still Catholic.

February 17 – May 4, 2016
Wednesday Evenings – 7:00 to 8:30 PM
St. Martha Parish Office Conference Room
(Next to the Church)
For information and registration, please contact:
Vicki Rück, 713.927.8815, vickiruck@suddenlink.net
* Cost: $15 for the book but don’t let cost be a deterrent please!

NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES
NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40+, next gathers on Wed., Feb. 17, to eat/drink/talk at 7:00 p.m. at Lenny’s Sub Shop, 8790 FM 1960 Bypass in Humble (between Townsen and Kensington). For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeth2@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.

Men's ACTS Retreat
March 31 – April 3, 2016
Registration for the March Men's English ACTS Retreat will be held in the Narthex following all Masses beginning February 13th, and continuing through March 13th. The ACTS retreat is a 3 day/3 night retreat that focuses on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, and is presented by parishioners of St. Martha. Registration is limited and is on a first-come first-served basis and must include a non-refundable $50 deposit. The cost of the retreat is $190, but do not let financial considerations prevent you from attending the retreat. Please prayerfully consider attending this exciting retreat. If you have questions you can contact the retreat director, Kevin McKee, at 713-208-4185 or smccaactsm18@gmail.com.

ADULT CONFESSION CLASSES:
Are you a baptized adult Catholic who has received first Eucharist, is presently practicing your faith, but was never confirmed? If you have questions or are interested in signing up for Confirmation, please call the Faith Formation Office, 281-358-1959, Carla Lewton, ext. 213 or Joanie Nugent, ext. 264. There will be a one day retreat, Sat., Feb. 27, 12:00 – 5:00 pm at St. Mary Magdalene – Humble, followed by weekly classes held on Thursday evenings beginning Mar. 31 through May 5, 7:00 – 9:00 pm at St. Martha’s Faith Formation Campus. The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on either Sat., May 14, or Pentecost Sun., May 15, 2016. The final date, time and location will be determined at a later date.

St. Martha Adult Faith Formation Website:
www.stmarthaaff.com

ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Sunday Mornings: Video Series “An opportunity to learn while your children are learning”
A video series by Father Robert Barron – “Conversion”
Join us during the elementary Faith Formation sessions for an informal video series for adults. Drop in for a light breakfast, stimulating video presentation and lively conversation! Woodland Hills Campus – Rm 2 from 10:45 – 11:45 am. Remaining Series Dates: Feb. 14, 21, Mar. 6, 20, and Apr. 3

Tuesday Morning: Breakfast & Bible Study, 9:15 – 10:30 am Faith Formation Campus, Room 2. Reading, studying & sharing on the Sunday Scriptures led by Carla Lewton. All are welcome. February dates: 16 & 23.

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON – Valentine’s Celebration
Young at Heart-ers - Come celebrate Valentine's with all your friends on Wednesday, February 24. Join us for fellowship, bingo and lunch at St. Martha's Family Life Center. 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 Domenica Seitz at 713-899-1016. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Landvogt at 281-358-6637 x 202, e-mail nancyl@stmartha.com or Nancy Karpinski, 713-594-4430.

Adult Organizations and Opportunities
SPONSOR NEEDED FOR RCIA PROCESS

Would you enjoy sharing your love of Christ with someone who is considering the Catholic faith?

Sponsors are mentors who will introduce the participant to parish life and accompany them on their journey as a friend. **Sponsors do not teach the material.** Sponsors need to be practicing Catholics and members of St. Martha Parish. Please call for more information: RCIA office 281-713-8972 x 258 or Colette Levesque at 281-359-8197 or send us an e-mail: RCIA@stmartha.com

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**St. Martha’s Grief Support Group**

St. Martha’s grief support group will be meeting on Tuesday evenings through March 15. We meet from 7 - 9 pm at the Woodland Hills Campus in Rm. 3 of the Family Life Center. All those who are experiencing grief from the loss of a loved one are welcome to join us. The new program, Walking Through Grief, consists of a DVD each week, followed by sharing. Attendees may come for any or all sessions. For registration or questions, please call or e-mail Laura at 281-360-2714 or laurie@kingwoodcable.com.

**Commutation 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.

**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.

**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, 713-435-9215, or bdevelle@comcast.net.

**Young Adults**

We are planning some exciting events to help you prepare for the Lenten season! Please join us for the following events:

**Bible Study/ Arise:** Thursdays in February, 7-9 PM - We will be continuing our scripture series. Young adults will gather for an evening of fellowship, prayer, scripture study, and snacks. The evening will begin with a social meet and greet, and will then transition to a scripture study. We will meet on the St. Martha’s Woodland Hill campus in the Borski Activity Room. It is on the second floor of the school building. Please park in the school lot, 2411 Oak Shores Dr, Kingwood, TX. Please follow signs posted or contact Matt 718-887-6837 or Brian 713-340-4211.

**Mass and Lunch:** February 21st at 11 am Mass - Following the 11 am mass, we will visit a local eatery for a delicious lunch! To join us at mass, we sit towards the back at the right hand side of the church. After mass, we will meet in the narthex.

For questions about any events, please e-mail youngadults@stmartha.com. You may also call or text Matt at 718-887-6837 or Brian 713-340-4211.

**Volunteers Needed**

We are in need of drivers for the bread route that runs on Friday mornings. We pick up and take bread and pastries to needy families in the New Caney area trailer parks. If you are able to help one Friday a month, please contact Renée Stevens at 281-352-0102. Thank you so much for prayerfully considering this ministry.
Parenting/Youth

Mother’s Day Out Registration for the 2016-2017 school year has begun! The registration forms are available in the Faith Formation Office. For more information, please contact Patty Jackson at patty@stmartha.com or call the MDO office at 281-713-8970.

St. Martha School Scoops

11th Annual Archdiocesan Steps for Students
5K Run/Walk
February 20 * 8 a.m. * Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral

Join Father Richard and the families of St. Martha Catholic School as we participate in the 11th annual Archdiocesan Steps for Students 5K Run/Walk on February 20, 2016. This wonderful, fun-filled event for children and adults of all ages raises awareness and financial support for Catholic education in Houston and directly benefits the students of our parish school.

We invite you to support the academic and religious programs of our school by joining or donating to our team at http://www.firstgiving.com/team/299696. For more information, please e-mail waguespackc@stmarthacs.org.

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 cross country, soccer, basketball, baseball, track, volleyball and girls’ softball. We also offer the following extracurricular activities: School Mass Choir, Drama Club, Chess Team and Club, Bravo Band, athletics program, Spanish Club, Rosary Guild, Student Council, National Jr. BETA Club, Student Ambassadors Club and other family and student activities.

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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

Praying for Vocations in the Adoration Chapel

Why should I pray for vocations?

When we “pray for vocations” we are speaking of the ordained priesthood or consecrated life for a man or woman. We greatly need more priests and religious in Houston and throughout the world.

What does it mean to pray for vocations during adoration?

Just as your desire to adore the Lord is a state of the heart, your desire to pray for vocations is also a state of the heart. You may start your adoration time by saying, “Everything I say is for the intention of praying for vocations.” You may use your regular prayer routine, but add specific prayers for vocations.

Should I sign the Vocations sign-in book?

If the book is present and you would like to offer your adoration time for the intention of increasing vocations, then yes, please sign the book.

You are invited to Serra Club Northeast of Houston’s Monthly Dinner and 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, February 22, 2016
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

Author and Founder of the Ruth Institute, Dr. Jennifer Roback Morse, will speak to us about how strong family life promotes religious vocations.

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

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS: Please join the SIMONSGAARD FAMILY in prayer this week as they host the Chalice and pray for Vocations. Interested? Please contact Karen Ehlig at 281-361-7127 or by e-mail at karenehlig@gmail.com to schedule a week.
Help Fr. Richard Run
by signing up to run with him in Steps for Students
(www.steps4students.org) or by donating to his page,

Donations go to St. Martha Catholic School. Steps for Students is
the annual 5K walk/run fundraiser for Archdiocesan
Catholic schools, Saturday morning, February 20th.
Call (281) 358-5523 for more details.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Martha Conference
2015 Annual Report

In today’s Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent,
may we open our hearts to the graces of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Through your prayers and contributions, St. Martha Conference has been able to extend help to
many needy families in our area. In 2015, our conference provided monetary assistance for rent,
utilities, furniture, medical and funeral expenses, transportation and food to 3,287 people-in-need in the amount of
$117,076. In addition, 214 people received “in-kind” services of clothing, furniture and Christmas gifts valued at
over $3,100.

Our conference is served by dedicated volunteers who logged 3,436 hours and 12,310 unreimbursed miles in 2015
visiting the needy in their homes and at the church, delivering food and furniture, preparing Christmas baskets, sorting
food and many other activities. If you are interested in joining us in our ministry or if you know of a family in our
area in need, we can be reached at (281) 358-6636.

We could not have had this impact without your support. We thank you for your generosity and donations, and ask
for your continued prayers and support of our ministry of charity.

“...we have to stir up our hearts to pity and make them sensitive to the sufferings and miseries of our neighbor, and
ask God to give us the true spirit of mercy, which is the characteristic spirit of God…it is the distinctive feature of
God to be merciful...”
-- St. Vincent de Paul

One of the Best Kept Secrets at St. Martha

Did you know that you have a “Second Family” just waiting for the opportunity to share an hour or two visiting in your home, to help with simple errands, deliver a meal or to offer a ride to an appointment? If you didn’t, that’s no surprise to us! For eleven years the Second Family Ministry has been one of the best kept secrets in our parish. And now we are spreading the word about what a great ministry this is! You might consider discovering the joy of letting someone into your life by offering to help out just a little bit. Or, you might like to join the Second Family Care Team and reach out to another member of the congregation who would benefit from your “bite sized commitment”. As always, the blessings flow both ways, and we learn that through simple tasks relationships are built and lives are changed.

Please help spread the word. We are asking that you be the eyes and ears and perhaps even the hands and feet of this wonderful ministry. Tell your friends, be alert to special needs and phone if you know someone that would benefit from having a Second Family, or if you would like to have a Care Team. And, finally, prayerfully consider joining this ministry and see what a difference a few hours a month can mean to someone who is home alone, can no longer drive, is caring for a loved one or is isolated and a bit lonely. To learn more about the vision and the work of your Second Family Care Team at St. Martha phone Peggy Wehe at 281-546-9884 or email smartha2ndfamily@gmail.com.
STEWARDSHIP—A WAY OF LIFE
Fruits of Your Labor...

GABRIEL PROJECT: Thank you to all our parishioners that supported our annual "Baby Bottle Boomerang Fundraiser". All proceeds benefit the Gabriel Project and Birthright of Humble. Both ministries help mothers through crisis pregnancies and provide emotional support. We are working with five new mothers who have contacted us for help. The Gabriel Project Ministry helps them spiritually and provide unconditional love and understanding through difficult times. We make sure our mothers have what is needed to bring their babies home.

We are pleased to announce that during the past two weeks we had the births of three beautiful baby boys and one precious girl. Please pray for our mothers, babies and their families that God will watch over them.

We appreciate returning your baby bottles to the church or the church office empty or with your donation so we can use them next year. Again, thank you for your support.

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 January, we had 1,286 hours logged with our regular committed adorers. In addition to this, we had 546 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.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

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:

- Sunday: 1-2 AM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM
- Monday: 5-6 PM, 11 PM-Midnight
- Tuesday: 2-3 AM
- Wednesday: 1-2 AM, 3-5 PM, 5-6 PM
- Friday: 1-2 AM, 10-11 PM
- Saturday: 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, Noon-1 PM, 8-9 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.

Lost and Found – We have many items in the lost and found box in the Parish Office. If you have lost something, please come by and look. ALL ITEMS WILL BE DONATED FEBRUARY 29, 2016.
CAMPAIGN RECEPTIONS, BEST SOURCE FOR INFORMATION

We already have over 283 families RSVP to a campaign reception, thank you to those that have responded! Invitations continue to be mailed, so please keep an eye out for your invitation and plan on attending one of these important meetings. These receptions allow us to “tell the story” of why we are undertaking this campaign. This also allows us to give each and every family the opportunity to hear about the project in detail from Msgr. Borski and fellow members of our parish.

These receptions are intended to be informational and fun, providing a wonderful opportunity to gather with your fellow parishioners to talk about the future of our parish.

Hear from your fellow parishioners, what they enjoyed most at the receptions:

✦ “I learned a lot of new information about the Church I wasn’t aware of. It was very informative and well represented.”

✦ “It was such a pleasure being able to meet at the Rectory to go over the Campaign plans and get my questions answered.”

✦ “I was able to meet new people at the parish.”

✦ “The reception was a great way to spend my lunch hour. The food was great and it really only was an hour. Kudos!”

If you have any questions, please contact the campaign office at 281-358-6637 or at campaign@stmartha.com
RECEPCIONES DE LA CAMPAÑA,
INFORMACION DE PRIMERA MANO

Actualmente contamos con 283 familias que han confirmado su asistencia a una recepción de la campaña, gracias a todos los que han respondido! Aún estamos enviando invitaciones por correo, así que les pedimos esperen por ella y planeen su participación en estas juntas tan importantes. Estas recepciones nos permiten contar la “historia real” del por qué tenemos que lanzar esta campaña. Asimismo, nos permite dar la oportunidad a cada familia de escuchar todos los detalles del proyecto de Msgr. Borski y otros miembros de nuestra parroquia.

El propósito de estas recepciones es informar y divertir, proporcionando una gran oportunidad para compartir con otros miembros de la parroquia y hablar acerca del futuro de la misma.

A continuación lea algunas de las opiniones de miembros de la parroquia que ya asistieron a estas recepciones:

✧ “Aprendí mucho con la nueva información que recibí acerca de la Iglesia y que no conocía. Fue muy informativa y muy bien organizada.”

✧ “Me dio mucho gusto poder ir a la Rectoría para conocer los planes de la campaña y escuchar una respuesta a todas mis preguntas.”

✧ “Tuve la oportunidad de conocer otros miembros de la parroquia.”

✧ “La recepción fue una forma muy Buena de usar mi hora de lunch. La comida fue increíble y solo tomo una hora. Kudos!”

Si tiene alguna pregunta, favor de llamar a la oficina de la campaña al 281-358-6637 o escribir un email a campaign@stmartha.com
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For the weekend of Feb. 6 & 7
your gifts of treasure resulted in:

Weekly Budget $ 72,051
Sunday Collection $ 49,115
Over/(Under) $(22,935)

Year To Date:
Weekly Budget $ 2,305,632
Sunday Collection $ 2,427,405
Over/(Under) $ 121,773

Special collections:
Capital Campaign $ 21,768
Martha’s Kitchen $ 3,868
Diocesan Social Ministries $ 589
Latin America $ 40

2016 DSF Goal $ 305,000
DSF Payments to Date $ 19,212

Current Loan Debt: $12,335,518