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. Gary Yepsen

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

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

Weekend Masses
First Saturday (Pro-Life Mass): .............................. 8:30 AM
Saturday Vigil: ........................................... 5:30 PM
Sunday: ........................................ 7 AM, 9 AM, & 11 AM
En Español ........................................... 1 PM
Life Teen: ........................................ 5:30 PM
Nursery at 9 AM, 11 AM & 1 PM Spanish Mass

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

Sacrament of Penance
Tuesday: 
Church: 5:30 - 7 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.

Funerals
Call the Parish Office for more information, 281-358-6637.

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amen I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law.

Matthew 5:18

FEBRUARY 12, 2017
**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

**Psalm** — Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Psalm 119).

**Second Reading** — God’s wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

**Gospel** — Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37).


**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

**Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

**Friday:** Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

**Sunday:** Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day

**Tuesday:** Ss. Cyril and Methodius

**Friday:** The Seven Founders of the Order of Servites

**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

That we truly love for love’s sake and love not because of obligation.

“For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Matthew 5:20

The scribes and Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it’s the love that you have in your heart that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules out of obligation, not love, does not put you on the path to heaven. Attending Mass on Sunday and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of a modern day Pharisee.

**MASS TIMES**

| Mon./Feb. 13 | 8:30 AM | †Madeline Balasso |
| Tues./Feb. 14 | 8:30 AM | †The Kelly Family |
| Thurs./Feb. 16 | 6:30 AM | †Anthony DiTusa |
| Fri./Feb. 17 | 8:30 AM | †Bill Partipilo |
| Sat./Feb. 18 | 5:30 PM | †Merilyn Deane |
| Sun./Feb. 19 | 7:00 AM | †David H. Wood |
| | 9:00 AM | Rowan Sullivan |
| | 11:00 AM | †David H. Wood, Jr. |
| | 1:00 PM | †Jesse Guzman |
| | 5:30 PM | †Anthony Simeone |

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Ash Wednesday—March 1

Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence.

**Mass Times:** 8:30 AM School Mass (Activity Center on the Woodland Hills Campus), 10:00 AM (Church) and 7:30 AM Bi-lingual Mass (Church)

**Distribution of Ashes Only:** 6:30 AM (Church), Noon (Church), and 4:30 PM (Activity Center on Woodland Hills Campus)
To the parish family of St. Martha,

Today’s Gospel account is taken from the “sermon on the mount” in St. Matthew and it enunciates a key principle in the teaching of Jesus. He states that he came not to abolish the law or the prophets but to bring them to their fulfillment. Jesus is speaking about the whole Jewish tradition as it is formulated in the books of the Old Testament. The word “law” is used to translate the Hebrew word Torah which refers to everything involved in keeping God’s covenant. It is not to be understood in a narrow or legalistic sense, but is to be seen as the concrete way of life that religious Jews were to embrace. Torah is also the revered name given to the first five books of the Hebrew Bible and contains the wonderful stories of creation, the call of Abraham, the origin of Israel as the chosen people of God, and the great event of the Exodus and the giving of the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai. It is important to note that the Jewish religion which would shape the early Christian Church was a way of life deeply rooted in the saving action of God on behalf of us human beings. The law or Torah is to be cherished as a gift from God and proclaims God’s fidelity to his people through the covenant. At the same time the people were called to “keep the covenant” as a sign of their desire to live in right relationships with others and remain in harmony with God. Thus, Jesus clearly understood his mission from the Father as one which deepened and renewed this covenantal relationship between the people and their God. The mission was not to do away with the role of law but to enhance its significance as a way of doing God’s will.

At the same time the evangelist Matthew describes Jesus as the “new Moses” and a “new law giver.” This came be seen at the beginning of this section of the Sermon on the Mount where Jesus “sat down” and began “to teach” the crowd. This was the traditional posture of a great teacher: sitting on a chair and sharing wisdom. Note the Church at times authoritatively teaches certain doctrines “ex cathedra” (literally “from the chair”). It is also the origin of the word “cathedral” which signifies the church where the bishop of a particular diocese presides and teaches “from his chair.” In today’s Gospel account we hear repeated the phrase: “But I say to you …” Jesus is emphasizing that his teaching authority is rooted in the fact that he is the Son of God. His authority is not derived from some earthly source but from the very power of God. Thus, his “new law” has the power to transform hearts and renew lives. It leads to a fundamental integrity in living as authentic disciples of Jesus. Thus, when we say “Yes,” it means “Yes”; when we say “No,” we mean “No.” Let us open our hearts to the teaching of Jesus as handed on through the Church. May the witness of our lives lead others to know and love the law of God.

Fr. Chester Borski

Effective immediately, Deacon Ed Kleinguetl has asked for a leave of absence and during this period will not be involved in parish ministry. On February 3rd Deacon Ed celebrated ten years of ordained ministry in the Archdiocese. I want to express my gratitude to Deacon Ed for his diaconal ministry at St. Martha and for the many people he assisted in our community.

Fr. Chester Borski

Concert with Seminarian David Michael Moses

Our pastoral year seminarian, David Michael Moses, will be doing a concert featuring all original music here at the parish. Since 2012, he has performed a series of “Concerts for Life” that have collectively raised $225,000 for local crisis pregnancy groups. He has performed at the University of Houston, the University of Dallas, the House of Blues and single-handedly won the Music to Change Battle of the Bands. The concert will take place Sunday, Feb. 26, from 7:15-8:30 PM in the Activity Center at the Woodland Hills Campus.

Arise Together in Christ is a parish-centered process of spiritual renewal and evangelization that enables people to deepen their faith, develop a closer relationship with Christ, grow in community, and reach out in service to others. It emphasizes people living in good relationships with one another, as they make concrete application of the gospel to their life situations. New small groups are forming in our parish again this spring. Those Parishioners returning need to re-register. Group leaders will be contacting you soon. Sign-Up Weekend – Feb. 11 & 12. Registration cards will be available in the Narthex after all Masses. Just complete the card and return it to the Faith Formation Office. Parish Office or place in the box available in the Narthex. The ARISE Six Week Spring Session will begin the week of Feb. 26 and run through the week of April 2. Interested in being a small group facilitator or hosting a small group in your house? You don’t need to be a Bible scholar or teacher to lead a group – all it takes is a desire to meet new people and grow in your faith? Also, you don’t have to be both a host and a facilitator; we can pair host families with facilitators so you might want to offer your home as a meeting place. For sign-up information contact Car- la Lewton, 281-713- 8968, carlal@stmartha.com.
ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Sunday morning video series: The Wild Goose—Discovering a Deeper Relationship

In this professionally filmed and stunning series, Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, will lead you on an unforgettable journey around the world and into the very heart of God. Discover the immense power and beauty of the unconditional love of God that is the Holy Spirit. Join us Sunday mornings while the children are in CCE! This series will take place on Sunday morning from 10:40—11:45 AM in Room 2 on the Faith Formation campus (THERE WILL BE NO CLASS ON SUNDAY, FEB. 19! ). For more information, contact Carla Lewton, carlal@stmartha.com

Little Rock: Join us this spring for Little Rock Scripture Study as we explore "Panorama of the Old Testament". "Panorama of the Old Testament" invites readers to survey the variety of books found in the Old Testament. The themes that are woven together will become clearer, the familiar characters will be placed in context and God's overall plan of salvation will come into focus. A perfect way to begin a great adventure or step back and see where you have been in your study of the Bible.

Monday mornings from 9:15 - 11:45 AM in the Family Life Center on the Faith Formation campus (3702 Woodland Hills Drive). For more information, contact Edith Boschian at edithkb@kingwoodcable.net or Carla Lewton at carlal@stmartha.com or 281-713-8968.

OREMUS—Join Fr. Richard on Wednesday Evenings, 6:30-7:45 PM, in the Activity Center. Oremus includes eight video presentations by Fr. Mark Toups, lively small-group discussions, and inspiring readings and reflections each day. Feb. 15, 22, March 8, 22, 29, April 5, 12.

Breakfast & Bible Study—Tuesday Mornings, 9:30 – 10:45 AM in Room 2 on the Faith Formation campus. Reading, studying & sharing on the Sunday Scriptures led by Carla Lewton. All are welcome. February dates: 14, 21 & 28.

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

Project Rachel

Hurting?
Healing after abortion

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.

Catholic Singles
NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40 and older, gathers on Wednesday, Feb. 15, to talk/eat/drink at 7 PM at Pete’s Burger Place, 24626 Loop 494 in Kingwood (1½ mile north of Northpark Drive). For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybromom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at St. Martha’s website.

Mardi Gras Celebration

Youth at Heart-ers - For all of you from Louisiana or those who just like to party, bring your own Mardi Gras "krewe" and join us for our Mardi Gras celebration. We begin with fellowship, bingo and lunch at St. Martha's Family Life Center on Wednesday, Feb. 22. 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 second, fourth and fifth Wednesday of each month. If transportation is needed, contact Domenica Seitz at 713-899-1016. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Karpinski, 713-594-4430.

ST. MARTHA'S GRIEF PROGRAM: Classes are held on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 PM (through Mar. 7). To sign up or for more information, call Laurie at 281-360-2714, or e-mail lauriecaldella@outlook.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.

Feb. 1 – Mar. 29, Wednesday Evenings, 7- 8:30 PM
St. Martha Parish Office Conference Room (Next to the Church)

For information and registration, please contact: Vicki Ruck, 713-927-8815, vickiruck@suddenlink.net

Cost: $15 for the book but don’t let cost be a deterrent please!

Men’s ACTS Retreat—March 23-26

Registration for the March 23-26 Men’s English ACTS Retreat has begun. The ACTS retreat is a three day/three 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, Phil Applegate, at 281-389-7190.
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.

For Survivors of Abuse—

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**—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!

**George Bush Presidential Library Tour—**

College Station, Texas

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

8 AM - 6 PM

Cost: $35 per person*

**Must be 50+ years old to attend**

**Limited number of seats remaining!**

Come join fellow parishioners ages 50+ for a relaxing bus ride to College Station for a tour of the George Bush Presidential Library. The tour bus will depart from Building 3 on the St. Martha Faith Formation Campus at 8 AM and return at 6 PM.

*Please note that meals are not included in the tour price. Please register and pay for the tour at the parish office between 9 AM—4 PM, Monday through Friday. For more information, please contact Annunciata Hopkins at 281-360-1258 or 713-665-9583.

**Matt’s House—**

1914 River Falls Drive. Please contact Matt Cooke for more information, 713-665-9213.

**Service Event with HAAM Ministries—**

March 4:

We will either be working at the HAAM resale store in Humble, or at the Black Cat Junction resale store on Loop 494. PLEASE SIGN UP BY FEB. 19 AT 12 PM IF YOU ARE WANTING TO ATTEND! Please RSVP by email or the Facebook page. For the volunteer event, we will be helping the staff by doing various activities, such as sorting and stocking items in different departments!

**YCP Executive Speaker Series—**

Feb. 28 at St Anne Catholic Church:

Join the Houston Young Catholic Professional chapter for our next speaker event. Our speaker will be Mike Guarino.

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

Thank you to all the parishioners who generously donated to the Baby Bottle Boomerang! *Birthright* and *The Gabriel Project* could not operate without your continued support!

These ministries give hope to women facing crisis pregnancies and it is this hope that helps these women choose life. We will be accepting bottles at Mass or in the church office through February. Please place them in the pink bins by the doors or in the narthex.

If you need a bottle, we will have empty bottles inside the kiosk in the narthex through February as well.

Thank you!

The Gabriel Project is asking parishioners to please prayerfully discern helping with our “Gabriel Angel” ministry. We also need Spanish speaking volunteers. The Gabriel Angel or mentors assist our mothers as they navigate through their pregnancy. This is a very rewarding program as you assist these women to get back on their feet and give them the resources they need. Please contact Paula Amsler at paula_amsler@msn.com for more information.

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Thank you!
Parenting/Youth

Moms Group

Calling moms of all ages!
St. Martha’s Moms Group is beginning!
Park Play date at Greentree Park on the first
Monday of each month from 9:30-11 AM.
March 6 will be our next one.

Motherhood Fellowship Night
Get to know other moms in the parish and lis-
ten to a brief talk, Feb. 28 from 7-8:30 PM in
the Borski Room of the school will be our first
one.
Be sure to join our Facebook group- St. Martha’s
Mom’s (Kingwood, TX)
For more information, please e-mail Renee at
stmarthasmoms@gmail.com.
We look forward to meeting you!

MOTHER’S DAY OUT
Mother’s Day Out is from
9:30 AM - 2:30 PM on
Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Registration for the 2017-2018 school
year has begun (Faith Formation Office).
Applications are available on the
St. Martha website.

St. Martha
School Scoops

Registration is open for the 12th Annual Steps
for Students! The event will take place at 8 a.m.
on February 18, 2017, at the Co-Cathedral of
the Sacred Heart (1111 St. Joseph Pkwy,
Houston, TX 77002).

You can register for the St. Martha Catholic
School team by going to
http://steps4students.racepartner.com/Fundrai-
sing16/StMarthaSchool.

If you have any questions, please contact
Cortney Waguespack
at waguespackc@stmarthacs.org.

Collegian Moms Prayer Group:
The Collegian Moms Prayer Group will meet on
Monday, Feb. 13, from 7 - 8 PM in the Adult
Meeting Room 1 of the Family Life Center at the Wood-
land Hills Campus. All moms with children preparing for
college, currently enrolled in college, or recently graduat-
ed from college are cordially invited. Questions? E-mail Gloria
Gámez at morglor@yahoo.com

Vocations Corner

Serra Club Northeast of Houston
Invites You To Their Monthly Dinner and Meeting
Monday, Feb. 27, 2017
6:30 PM Social, 7 - 8:30 PM Dinner and Program
Italiano’s Restaurant
217 FM 1960 at Bypass Road East in Humble
The cost for dinner is $15 per person
Membership is open to all Catholics. Monsignor Borski,
Club Chaplain, will open the meeting in prayer.
Our guest speaker for February will be
Sister Mary Thecla of the Daughters of Divine Love, who will talk
to us about her vocation journey.
RSVP: Diddy Muck/muck@kingwoodcable.net/281-615-2015
Serra Clubs fosters and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life; encourages and
affirms vocations to the consecrated life and nurtures the spiritual growth and formation of its
lay members.

Holy Hour of Adoration for Vocations
Exposition & Benediction
• 2nd Tuesday -- 7:30 - 8:30 PM
• 2nd Friday - 9:00 - 10:00 AM
Sponsored by Serra Club Northeast of Houston

Celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life

Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017
11 AM Mass at the Co-Cathedral with Cardinal DiNardo presiding.
All are invited to join in this liturgy to pray for all those who
have made commitments in the consecrated life, and to thank them.
The vowed religious will be invited to publicly renew their
commitment during the liturgy. More information at
vocations@archgh.org 713-652-8239

Chalice for Vocations: Please join the MESSA 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
Please help me support Catholic Education and St. Martha Catholic School. You can join me on race day by registering for Steps for Students (steps4students.org) and signing up under our St. Martha team! Or you can donate to our mission by checking out my page (www.bit.ly/2gW8I3P). With every dollar you give, I run faster (or at least try to) and get closer to my goal of being the fastest priest in the Archdiocese!

Steps for Students 5K is an annual Archdiocesan-wide event that raises awareness of Catholic education and provides much needed funds for our Catholic Schools.

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Looking to participate more fully, consciously, and actively in the Mass?
Music is one of the most obvious ways that can help us to enter into the sacred mysteries. Music helps in expressing praise, imparting truths of the faith, and instilling wonder and awe at the beauty of God.

On this topic our new Director of Music Daniel Knaggs is holding seminars open to all parishioners. Come and join us as we explore the world of music within the liturgy and how we can all more fully and actively participate in it, whether we are musically trained or not!

Refreshments will be provided, and the sessions will be held in the Church on:
- **Tuesday, Feb. 21 (9 AM and 7:30 PM)**
- **Thursday, Feb. 23 (7 PM)**

Please mark these sessions on your calendar, and make a point to introduce yourself to Daniel in person!

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**First Annual Valentine’s Day Preview**
Feb. 12, Woodland Hills Campus, 1-3 PM. We are showcasing our beautiful rosaries, jewelry and many other gift items for your loved one for Valentines’ Day. Come see what we have!!

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We are always accepting new members! Enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship making rosaries and you can make rosaries at home too. Students can earn Confirmation hours making rosaries with our ministry.

Our Guild meets every second and fourth Wednesdays of each month and every second Sunday of each month.

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**February 2017 Meetings at St Martha Woodland Hill Campus:**
- **Second Sunday, Feb. 12, Room 2, 1-3 PM**
- **Second & Fourth Wednesday, Feb. 8 & 22, 11:30 AM-3 PM**

Please contact Gilda Womack, Coordinator at 281-989-4241 or gawomack@hotmail.com for more information, membership, rosary supplies, and rosary orders.

Website: www.MarianiteRosaryGuild.org

Storefront: www.MarianiteRosaryGuild.etsy.com

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**St. Martha Rosary Guild**

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**St. Martha T-shirts**
Now available for $6.
All sizes including Men, Ladies and Youth.

For more information or to purchase e-mail: pattyschulze63@gmail.com or stop by the parish office during normal business hours (Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 4 PM)

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**2017 Annual Lenten Fish Fry**

**Kingwood Council #12320 Knights of Columbus**

**Friday Nights**
Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, 3
& Apr. 7
Serving from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM

**Location**
Family Life Center

**ADULT DINNER $10**
**CHILDS DINNER $3**

Adult Dinner Includes: Cajun Fried Catfish and/or Baked Lemon Dill Salmon, Coleslaw, Green Beans, Fries and Hushpuppies.

Children’s Dinner Includes: Fish Sticks, Velveta Shells and Cheese, Fries and Hushpuppies. Drinks: Iced Tea, Lemonade, and Coffee

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**FOOD FAIR AT ST. MARTHA’S**
4301 Woodridge Parkway
March 22, 11 AM—1 PM

**Please note:** Volunteers are needed to help with this event. Call Alejandra at 832-860-4860 for more information.
St. Martha Catholic School

NOW REGISTERING
for the 2017-2018 school year!

- February 21-22: Priority registration for parishioners of St. Martha Catholic Church
- February 23-26: Priority registration for parishioners of other Catholic churches
- Open registration begins: February 27

For more information or to schedule a tour, please contact Jodie Richter at richterj@stmarthacs.org or call the school office at 281-358-5523.

♦ School Opened Fall 1995
♦ Accreditation Texas Catholic Conference Education Department (TCCED)
♦ Grade Levels PreK 3 through Grade 8
♦ Current Enrollment 447
♦ Faculty & Staff 50 members
  100 % of faculty meet all certification requirements
  22% of faculty and staff have advanced degrees
♦ Standardized Testing IOWA, CogAT, and ACRE
♦ School Hours 8:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.   Monday – Thursday
  8:00 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.   Friday
♦ School Mass Wednesdays 8:30 a.m. and Holy Days of Obligation
♦ Before and After School Program Monday - Friday
♦ Volunteer Organization PLUS (Parents, People and Parishioners Lending Useful Support)
♦ Extracurricular Activities Band, Chess, Choir, Drama, National Junior Beta Club, Rosary Guild, Spanish Club, Student Ambassadors, Student Council, and Yearbook Club
  Athletics: Baseball, basketball, cross country, soccer, softball, track, and volleyball

St. Martha Catholic School provides an excellent Catholic education sharing in community by developing mind, heart, and spirit as we form witnesses who transform the world.

Out of work? Looking for a change?
We can help!

Meetings every Friday from 9:15 AM to noon
Room 2 on St. Martha’s Faith Formation campus
3702 Woodland Hills Drive, Kingwood

St. Martha’s Between Jobs and Beyond ministry helps those who are looking for a new and more satisfying job.
- We can help with resume writing, interview preparation and networking.
- We also can help you get your head in the right place, spiritually and emotionally, which is critical for effective job seeking.
- We encourage a spirit of service to others. When we help others, we feel better.
Questions? Email stmarthabetweenjobs@gmail.com or call Bob Simpson at 713-410-2844.
Rays of Enlightenment
Divine Mercy Conference
Our Lady of Fatima has called us for 100 Years to “Come to the Mercy Seat of God” Jesus the Divine Mercy

March 4, 2017
Christ the Redeemer
9am - 5pm
SPEAKERS

Fr. Seraphim Michalenko Mic
Vice Postulator for the Canonization of St. Faustina
Seen on EWTN, 20 yrs Rector of National Shrine of Divine Mercy
Fr. Roy Oggero CSB
Fr. Christopher Plant

No Charge – Reservations Required
Register Online CTRCC.COM/RAYS-RSVP

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Martha Conference
2016 Annual Report
In the Gospel Jesus says: “Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands shall be great in the kingdom of God.” By your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you fulfill the commands of Jesus.

Through your prayers and contributions, St. Martha Conference has been able to extend help to many needy families in our area. In 2016, our conference provided assistance to 3,361 people-in-need in the amount of $140,318: $66,030 in Rental Assistance, $56,692 in Utility Aid, $6,471 in Emergency Food Assistance, $6,038 in Medical and Transportation Help and $5,087 in Other Financial Assistance. In addition, 325 people received “in-kind” services of clothing, furniture and Christmas gifts valued at over $6,300.

Our conference is served by dedicated volunteers who logged 3,259 hours and 12,979 unreimbursed miles in 2016 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.

“Charity is the cement that unites communities to God and individuals to each other.” -- St. Vincent de Paul

Martha’s Quilters
As a tangible reminder of God’s love during times of illness, Martha's Quilters provide handmade blessed quilts and afghans to St. Martha parishioners who are ill, who are hospitalized, or who have had surgery. To request a quilt or a crocheted afghan for someone or to be placed on our prayer list or to make a donation, please contact Helaine Parks at HVP12@aol.com, 713-824-7730, or Betty Rucka at bettyrucka@rocketmail.com, 281-973-1540.

Project Rachel
Day of Reflection
For Women Suffering Following Abortion
Private and Confidential
Saturday, March 11, 2017
Beginning at 8:30 AM
Location is confidential and provided only to retreat participants. Several priests will be available during the day to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation
Fr. Paul Felix will lead the Day of Reflection
There is No Cost for Attendance
For more information or to register, please contact Julie F. (713)741.8728
All Inquiries and Registrations are Confidential

“Go make disciples”
2017 Diocesan Services Fund
God bless each of you who have so generously responded in support of the 2017 Diocesan Services Fund. If you have heard Christ’s call and have not yet responded, please do so today. To give online, please visit www.archgh.org/dsf. Help us attain our parish goal of $ 305,000!
ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA PERPETUA

“¿No pudiste velar conmigo ni siquiera una hora?”

Nuestra parroquia es grandemente bendecida de contar con Adoración Eucarística Perpetua en nuestra capilla de adoración veinticuatro horas al día. Jesús mora en el Santísimo Sacramento debido a su amor infinito por cada uno de nosotros, Él siempre espera pacientemente a que estemos ante su presencia y le acompañemos.

En la lista a continuación están las horas más necesitadas de adoradores en este momento.

Te invitamos a que participes en este hermoso ministerio. Siéntete libre de venir y adorar a nuestro Señor Jesucristo de acuerdo a tu tiempo y disponibilidad, independientemente de si hay o no otros adoradores presentes en oración. Jesús siempre nos espera con gozo anticipado.

SECOND ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS:

Monday: 1-2 AM / 11-Noon / 1-2 PM / 5-6 PM
Tuesday: 2-3 AM
Wednesday: 1-2AM
Thursday: 1-2 AM / 2-3 AM
Friday: 11 AM-Noon / 6-7 PM
Saturday AM: 1-2 AM / 3-4 AM / 9-10 AM
Saturday PM: 1-2 PM / 2-3 PM / 7-8 PM / 8-9 PM
Sunday: 1-2 PM / 3-4 PM / 11 PM -MIDNIGHT

If you are interested in participating in this ministry or would like more information, please contact: Carmen Ogando at 832-767-8826 or at carmenogando@yahoo.com.
If you need a substitute, please call one of our division leaders:
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St. Martha’s is invited to stand in prayer on the sidewalk
Where: Planned Parenthood, 4600 Gulf Freeway, Houston, TX
When: Friday, March 17, 6:30 AM – 6:30 PM.

Sign up for an hour, then spread the word about this important life-saving effort! When people are present in prayer at an abortion site, through the Grace of God, hearts are changed, pregnant women choose life for their babies instead.

Carpool information and Signups, please contact
Terice: 281-798-4477 or terice.richards@gmail.com
MaryAnne: 281-615-0927 or maryannehoward@cebridge.net

“A fast of forty days is inspired by Sacred Scripture, especially by Jesus Christ Himself. The Gospel message calls us to conversion and to defend life. We must all work together to answer God’s call. This peaceful, 40 day fasting effort gives local Catholics ample opportunity to join with people of faith around the country in doing something significant to help put an end to abortion. I encourage members of our local Church to participate in this important national event.”
Daniel Cardinal DiNardo
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

“Could you not watch one hour with Me?”

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 of us, 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.

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MINISTERIO HISPANO

**Legión de María**
Somos una organización apostólica de laicos en la Iglesia Católica, aprobada por los 6 últimos Papas y endorada por el Concilio Vaticano II. Realizamos reuniones semanales donde se reza el Santo Rosario, se revisan los trabajos legionarios y se estudian temas formativos para hacer más eficaz el apostolado. Nuestro trabajo consiste en evangelizar y santificar hombres mediante visitas a: familias, cárceles, toques de puertas, llevando la Virgen peregrina a los hogares, entre otras actividades recomendadas por la parroquia.

Les invitamos a que conozcan más y formen parte de este hermoso ministerio que se reúne todos los Viernes a las 7:00 pm, en el salón #2 de la antigua iglesia Sta. Martha 3702 Woodland Hills Dr., Kingwood.

**MINA GORETTI NETWORK**
ESPAÑOL PARA TODA VICTIMA DE ABUSO
MGN es un grupo de apoyo formado por personas que han vivido cualquier tipo de abuso en algún momento de su vida y que están buscando sanación y perdón. Para mayor información llamar al teléfono 281-389-1210 o enviar un e-mail a mariagorettiespanol@gmail.com. Allí le darán más información sobre el lugar y hora de las reuniones y contestaremos sus preguntas.

**Iglesia Católica de Santa Marta**
Bautizados en Jesucristo, adoramos como uno y alcanzamos a todos

* Cena y Baile de Gala San Valentín 2017*

Fecha: febrero 18 de 2017
Hora: de 7:30pm a 11:30pm
Info: Juana (760)7177835
Daniel (832)4455315
Lourdes (281)3586637

También Boletas a la venta en la oficina de la iglesia
Bar en efectivo

**HAAM**
El banco de Comidas de Montgomery y HAAM estarán donando comida el día Miércoles 22 de Marzo 2017 de 11 AM-1PM.
En el estacionamiento de la Iglesia de Santa Marta 4301 Woodridge Pkwy. Porter, TX 77365
Por orden de llegada
Se necesitan voluntarios para repartir la comida si puede ayudar por favor llamar a Alejandra Gutiérrez al 832-860-4860

**Proyecto Raquel**
DÍA DE REFLEXIÓN PARA MUJERES SUFRIENDO DESPUÉS DE UN ABORTO
Privado y Confidencial
Sábado 11 de Marzo, 2017
Comenzando a las 8:30am
La ubicación es confidencial y solo será revelada a las participantes.
Habrá varios sacerdotes disponibles
Durante el día para ofrecer el Sacramento de la reconciliación.
El líder del Día de Reflexión será el padre Paul Félix.
Es GRATIS!
Para más información o para registrarse llame a Miriam al (713)440-3443
Todas las preguntas y registraciones son confidenciales.
**STEWARDSHIP of Time, Talent and Treasure**

**ADMINISTRATIVE MIN.**
- **BUSINESS MANAGER** — Theresa Miller, 281-713-8957
- **FINANCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE** — Bill Phillips, 281-358-1959 x211
- **MARTHA’S GARDENERS** — Wayne Theis, wayne.theis@stmarthanet.net
- **ST. MARTHA’S OFFICE ANGELS** — Lourdes Fernandez, 281-358-6637 x262

**COMMUNITY LIFE MINISTRIES**
- **DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY LIFE** — Francine Puglia, 281-713-8954
- **ACTS RETREAT** — Willie Chestnut, 713-865-6946
- **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS** — Ana Maria Gibson, 281-358-1959 x269
- **CONFIRMATION** — Angela Wemyss, 281-361-9720
- **COUPLES FOR CHRIST** — 713-419-2532
- **CUCHEL CARDOS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD** — Martha Burns, 281-358-5523
- **COMMUNITY LIFE MINISTRIES** — 281-358-1959 x250
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COORDINATORS (LIFE TEEN)** — Nick & Joannah Landry, 281-764-6757
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COORDINATORS (EDGE)** — Brian & Mary Anne Sokol, 281-642-3821
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COORDINATORS (ST. MARTHA)** — Kevin & Donna O’Kelley, 281-360-9644
- **CARETTEES OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD** — Lisa Hartsfield, 281-358-1959 x241
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COORDINATORS (SECOND FAMILY)** — 281-358-6637
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COORDINATORS (ST. MARTHA)** — Bill Phillips, 281-358-1959 x211
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COORDINATORS (ST. MARTHA)** — Gary Yepsen, 281-358-1959 x250
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COORDINATORS (ST. MARTHA)** — Ana Leija, 281-713-8915

**OUTREACH MINISTRIES**
- **DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES** — Olga Nájar, 281-713-8966
- **CANCARE** — Roger Schuelke, 281-358-8060
- **CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINISTRY** — Jaime S. Gomez, 281-973-1857
- **EUCARISTIA** — Juan Russo, 954-439-1127
- **HOSPITAL MINISTRY** — Joy Ehrman, 281-358-1959 x250
- **LATIN AMERICA** — Ana Leija, 281-713-8915
- **MOTHER TERESA MINISTRY** — Paola Lam, 281-324-1891
- **MARIA GORETTI NETWORK** — Sheilah Ephes, 281-358-5523
- **PROJECT RACHEL** — Bonnie Develle, 713-435-9215
- **PROJECT RACHEL** — 281-358-5523
- **REGISTRAR** — Jodie Richter, 281-358-5523 x314

**FAITH FORMATION**
- **BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY** — Carla Lewton, 281-358-1959 x213
- **CORNERSTONE BIBLE STUDY** — Pam Rockwell, 281-358-1959 x230
- **RCIA** — RCIA@stmartha.com
- **YASM (Young Adults of St. Martha)** — youngadults@stmartha.com
- **ELIGHTMENT SCHOOL & VBS** — Patty Jost, 281-713-8969
- **MOTHER TERESA MINISTRY** — Betty Rucka, 281-973-1540
- **HIGH SCHOOL COORDINATOR (LIFE TEEN)** — Laura Gallardo, 281-358-1959 x252

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**
- **DIRECTOR OF LITURGY** — Mariel Parra, marielp@stmartha.com
- **DIRECTOR OF MUSIC** — Daniel Knaggs, danielk@stmartha.com
- **LITURGY COORDINATOR FOR LIFETEEN** — Joy Ehrman, 281-358-1959 x250
- **ALTAR SERVERS** — Jennifer Farace, 281-361-5414
- **COMMUNICATION TO THE SICK** — Lisa Hartsfield, 281-358-1959 x241
- **CHILDREN’S CHORUS** — Jaclyn Dement, stmarthacm@hotmail.com
- **CHILDREN’S LITURGY** — Joy Ehrman, 281-358-1959 x250
- **HOSPITAL MINISTRY** — Joy Ehrman, 281-358-1959 x250
- **CHILDREN’S LITURGY** — Joy Ehrman, 281-358-1959 x250
- **ST. MARTHA BETWEEN JOBS AND BEYOND** — Bill Beck, 281-358-6636
- **ST. MARTHA KITCHEN** — Sheila Yepsen, 281-358-5523

**OUTREACH MINISTRIES CONT.**
- **ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS FOOD DRIVE** — Marie Burk, 281-361-3650
- **ST. JOSEPH HELPERS** — Bill Beck, 281-360-7023
- **ST. MARTHA BETWEEN JOBS AND BEYOND** — Bob Simpson, 713-410-2844
- **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** — 281-358-6636
- **SECOND FAMILY MINISTRY** — Martha Busch, 281-728-7159
- **SOCIAL JUSTICE** — Gary Yepsen, 832-603-4377

**MINISTERIOS EN ESPAÑOL**
- **COORDINADORA DE CATECISMO PARA JOVENES Y SACRAMENTOS** — Ana Maria Gibson, 281-358-1959 x269
- **CORO DE ADULTOS** — Luis Valle, 832-620-1888
- **GRUPO DE ORACIÓN** — Carmen Ogando, 281-767-8926
- **HOSPITALIDAD** — Gustavo Zapata, 832-247-9955
- **LECTORES** — Cristina Gabas, 281-796-9084
- **LEGIÓN DE MARÍA** — Veronica Reyes, 281-728-9843
- **MARIA GORETTI NETWORK EN ESPAÑOL** — Patricia Lopez, 281-389-1210
- **MARIANOS Y SAGRADA FAMILIA** — Janett o Rubén Manosalva, 281-706-5068
- **MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE LA EUCHARISTÍA** — Juan Russo, 954-439-1127
- **MONAGUILLOS** — Pastor Pastor, 832-514-5741 or 832-633-0145
- **MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE LA EUCHARISTÍA** — Juan Russo, 954-439-1127
- **VACACIONES Y CÁLIZ DE VOCACIONES** — Tony Lasalle, 646-489-1554

**OUTREACH MINISTRIES FOR FEB. 4 & 5**
- **Weekly Budget** — $71,034
- **Sunday Collection** — $51,732
- **Over/(Under)** — $19,302
- **Special collections:**
  - Capital Campaign — $14,958
  - Martha’s Kitchen — $3,305
  - Latin America — $313
- **2017 DSF Goal** — $305,000
- **DSF Payments to Date** — $6,703

**CANCARE Payments to Date**
- $6,703

**Present DSF Goal**
- $305,000

**Current Loan Debt:**
- $10,493,760