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. Tony Cardella, 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

Liturgy & Sacraments

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 6:30 - 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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FIFTH SUNDAY OF
Lent
APRIL 2, 2017

Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”
John 11:43
TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — Thus says the LORD GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. (Ezekiel 37:12-14).
Psalm — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).
Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).
Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name. Many of those who had seen what had happened began to believe in Jesus (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday:** Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Fifth Sunday of Lent
**Tuesday:** St. Isidore
**Wednesday:** St. Vincent Ferrer
**Friday:** St. John Baptist de la Salle; Abstinence; First Saturday

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

When Jesus heard about the illness of His friend, Lazarus, He responded, “This illness is not to end in death; rather it is for God’s glory, that through it the Son of God may be glorified.” Every aspect of our lives — our gifts as well as our sufferings — can, if surrendered to Christ, lead to blessing for others and ourselves.

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

The Feast of Divine Mercy, on April 23, will be celebrated in the Church at 3 PM with special prayers and graces granted with Plenary Indulgence under conditions attached to Mercy Sunday obligations. Please join us on this joyful feast day celebration!
To the parish family of St. Martha,

The Gospel account for the 5th Sunday of Lent presents us with a story of particular interest for those of us who belong to a parish named for Sts. Martha, Mary, & Lazarus, namely the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. All those involved in this account, and especially the close friends and the disciples, seem to have a similar opinion about the response of Jesus to the situation. He had failed to come to the assistance of his friend at the moment of his greatest need. At the outset Martha and Mary urgently request that Jesus visit his friend Lazarus who is quite ill, but Jesus decides to wait for a few days to do so. When he tells his disciples that it is time to go, they object because it is too dangerous to travel to Bethany. Jesus insists and they object a second time, citing that Lazarus is asleep. But Jesus indicates that his friend has died and now the family needs him. Thomas speaks up and confirms the danger, “Let us also go to die with him.” When Jesus arrives in Bethany, the first thing he hears from Martha is the assessment that his neglect and delay brought about the death of Lazarus. “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” At the place where Lazarus is buried, they are joined by his other close friend, Mary. Her message to Jesus is very similar to that of her sister. In effect she says, “If you had done what we asked of you, everything would have worked out all right!” Finally when Jesus asks some of the men to move the stone away from the tomb, he hears yet another complaint about the terrible stench now present because of his slow response to their need.

As we reflect on this account of the raising of Lazarus, we discover that this is another wonderful story of faith that is masterfully told by the evangelist John. Two critical decisions had to be made on the part of those involved in this account (and this wisdom applies to us as well). They had to stop trying to have things done their way and they had to learn to trust in God’s way. In the process the people gradually came to accept the message of hope. Jesus had heard their cry after all. He was not late in responding to their need. The journey to Bethany was safe for travel. Lazarus was indeed alive! When we live life on God’s terms, we come to understand that there is really no tragedy that can destroy us. There is a purpose for occasional set-backs in life. We simply have to be patient and try to discern what God is asking of us during those times of trial and suffering. The story is an insightful description of the season of Lent and of life itself. When we engage in the struggle to let go of our need to tell God how and when to respond to our petitions and learn to surrender to the power of God’s grace, then we can begin to notice how God accompanies us at every step of our journey of faith. At Easter my we hear Jesus say to us, “Untie them and let them go free.”

Fr. Chester Borski

FAREWELL FR. NICK PASADILLA

Fr. Nick has been granted permission to retire in April, 2017. Fr. Nick has generously served St. Martha for four years and is much loved. Please join us in bidding him farewell after each Mass in the Narthex on April 22 & 23.

Change is coming . . . . . . . May 2017

You will notice a change in our weekly envelopes in May 2017. We are going to have a new look as well as change the frequency you receive your envelopes. We have changed envelope companies and we believe the changes will be for the better. We want to bring a fresh look to them and we also want to be a good steward of our financial resources. Some parishioners have chosen not to use their envelopes, be it preferring to remain anonymous, unable to contribute or choose not to, thus we will discontinue sending envelopes to those families who have not contributed for 2 years. Of course all those registered remain parishioners, but will just not receive the envelopes. We do strongly encourage everyone to use envelopes or contribute electronically because that is the principal way to know that someone is an active parishioner. Frequently we are asked to attest to this when individuals are invited to be sponsors or Godparents. In addition, the upcoming changes will enable us to update your addresses more quickly, as we will be mailing envelopes monthly instead of bi-monthly, thus saving money on return postage.

EASTER FLOWERS: Donations for flowers to be used during the Easter Season in the Church may be made in memory of loved ones by using the envelope marked “Special Offering for Easter Flowers” in your envelope packet and indicating the name(s) on the line provided. The names will be published in the Easter Sunday Bulletin. The deadline for submitting these special envelopes is Sunday, April 2. (Donations must be received by deadline to be included in the Easter Bulletin).
HELP! HELP! HELP!
Your help is needed on Friday, April 7, immediately following the 8:30 AM Daily Mass. The palms to be blessed at the Palm Sunday Masses need to be prepared. Help is needed by both men and women. Please meet by the relief of Martha, Mary, Lazarus and Jesus. Be sure to bring scissors! For more information, please call Mariel at 281-358-6637 or e-mail marielp@stmartha.com

Stations of the Cross will be held at 7:30 PM in the church every Friday during Lent.

PALM SUNDAY-APRIL 9
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**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

*u* **The Faith Formation Office will close Thursday, April 13 at noon and reopen on Tuesday, April 18 at 9 AM.**

**Sunday morning video series:** *The Wild Goose—Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit.*

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. Series dates: April 9, 23, & 30.

For more information, contact Carla Lewton, carlal@stmartha.com.

**Little Rock:** Join us for “Catholicism: The Pivotal Players”, a multipart film series that illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization. These presentations are free and everyone is welcome. There is no need to register. Each class is independent, so please join us as your schedule allows. Meeting dates are April 3, 10, and 24, from 9:15-10:45 AM. **Pivotal Players will not meet Monday, April 17.**

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. 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. April dates: 4, 11, 18 & 25.

**Adult Confirmation:** Adult Confirmation classes will begin on Thursday, April 20. If you are an adult Catholic, over 18, who has been Baptized and received your First Communion, but did not receive your Confirmation, you are invited to complete your initiation by attending these classes to prepare for your Confirmation. For more information and to complete your phone interview, please contact Mandy Carr at 281-713-8973 or mandyc@stmartha.com

**Catholics Returning Home:** Next six-week session starts Tuesday, April 25, 7 PM to 8:30 PM. For more information please read the ad below.

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

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**What is Catholics Returning Home?**

Catholics Returning Home is a program that invites non-practicing Catholics to return home to the Catholic Church and resume active practice of their faith. If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while, this invitation is for you! No matter how long you have been away and no matter what the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church.

Please join us for informal listening/Q&A sessions and an update of the Catholic faith, facilitated by former non-practicing Catholics. Next six-week session starts Tuesday, April 25, 7 PM to 8:30 PM.

Catholics Returning Home sessions provide updated information on the basics of Catholicism in an informal, support group format. Topics include:

- **Welcome and Overview of the Series:** Sharing by Team and Participants
- **The Church Today – Changes since Vatican II,** Q&A
- **Explanation of Reconciliation,** Q&A
- **Explanation/Walk through of the Mass,** Q&A
- **The Creed: What Catholics Believe,** Wrap-Up, Q&A

If you would like more information or to participate, please contact:

Carla Lewton, carlal@stmartha.com, 281-713-8968
Vicki Rück, vickiruck@suddenlink.net, 713-927-8815

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**YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON**

“Spring Fling”

Young at Heart-ers - Spring has sprung, the flowers are blooming, and the birds are singing. Let the Spring season lift you up and join your friends on Wednesday, April 12 at St. Martha’s Family Life Center for a “Spring Fling”. 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 Dominica Seitz at 713-899-1016. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Karpinski, 713-594-4430.
NORtheast Catholic Singles
Join NORtheast Catholic Singles, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40 and up, on Wednesday, April 5, to talk/drink/eat at 7 PM at Culver’s Burgers, 331 Northpark (at Hwy. 59) in Kingwood. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybmmom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote on either St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

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.

During this season of Lent, Martha’s Kitchen pauses to pray for all parishioners and the volunteers who have entered our doors to feed those in need. We also remember those volunteers that have gone before us and are now in God’s arms. We pray for the sick and for the families that struggle each day to feed and protect their children from violence. We are praying for the clergy of St. Martha’s Church and the teachers and administration of St. Martha Catholic School. We pray for the Sisters of Martha’s Kitchen in their tireless effort in this outreach ministry. God Bless You.

NOTE: Martha’s Kitchen is in need of volunteers on Monday & Friday. Please call Sister Maria Elena Lopez at 713-224-2522 if interested.

Think there isn’t anyone pulling for your marriage? Think again.

Teams of Our Lady USA-A movement of conjugal spirituality

Marriage is a challenge. Whether a couple is newly-wed, raising a family, or “empty nesting”, the call to grow together in love is ever present. Often couples find they are living in a social climate where forces and stresses are at work that can undermine both their marriage and their faith. All over the world, couples have found a way to meet their desire for growth in love and faith through the Teams of Our Lady (TOOL) movement.

A team is a group of five to seven couples that have decided to join together to find support in their efforts to lead Gospel lives. The team meets once a month, in each other’s homes, for a simple meal and in a spirit of friendship share their experiences of the previous month. After dinner, the mood shifts to the more obviously spiritual as the team reflects on scripture and prays. Finally, they discuss study material on married life and faith. The team meeting is truly a unique gathering – lively and enjoyable, yet structured and meaningful. If you would like to join such a group, plan on attending a 45 minute Information Meeting on Sunday, April 2, at 3:30 PM in Room 2 at the Woodland Hills Campus. Contact Donna at 281-360-9644 or e-mail dwokelley@gmail.com for more information and to reserve a spot.

Tickets are now on sale for the St. Martha Catholic School Backyard BBQ Casino Night

Tickets are available at bidpal.net/smcsbackyardbbq.
Dinner, Casino, DJ, dancing & Auction
Cash bar available at event.

APRIL 1 Questions? Please contact Cortney Waguespack cwaguespach@stmarthaacs.org
SATURDAY

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

Don't suffer in solitude. Within our Catholic community there are many with troubled children of all ages. Problems like addiction, criminality, mental illness, etc. Find support, strength and encouragement in a confidential environment. And, in the example of St. Monica, you can pray for your child and find peace. The next meeting will be Monday, April 3, 7:30 PM, in Room 1 on the Woodland Hills Campus. If you have questions, call Paul and Marcia Aegerter at 281-812-1288, e-mail marciaaeg@aol.com or Kathy Czubik at 713-213-7173, e-mail kczubik@mac.com.
Adult Organizations and Opportunities

**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, hvp12@aol.com, 713-824-7730 or Sally Wasserman, salmwass@aol.com

**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.

**Out of work? Looking for a change? We can help!**
Meetings every Friday from 9:15 AM to noon in Rm. 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? E-mail stmarthabetweenjobs@gmail.com or call Bob Simpson at 713-410-2844.

**Vocations Corner**

**Chalice for Vocations:** Please join the HECKMAN 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.

**HOLINESS** is a challenge for all of us, whatever our specific vocations. We are called to be holy in all aspects of our lives. This is an ongoing process, often slowed by setbacks. When the saints were alive, they did not regard themselves as saints; rather, they knew they were sinners — and they strived to be saints. The process of becoming holy is, even for saints, filled with struggle. Know you are a sinner; strive to be a saint.
Parenting/Youth

Calling moms of all ages!
St. Martha’s Moms Group

Our next monthly park play date will be April 3. We will meet at Greentree Park from 9:30-11 AM.

Motherhood Fellowship Night:
Please join us April 25 to get to know other moms and listen to a brief talk. We will meet in the FLC from 7-8:30.

Be sure to join our Facebook group: St. Martha’s Mom’s (Kingwood, Tx)

For more information, e-mail Renee at stmarthasmoms@gmail.com.

We look forward to meeting you!

St. Martha School
Scoops

Registering for the 2017-2018 school year!
St. Martha Catholic School is a fully accredited school for students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. We are committed and blessed to offer:

♦ A curriculum that builds strong academic skills, Catholic values and moral character in a safe, secure, and caring environment.
♦ Weekly Mass and periodic reconciliation throughout the school year.
♦ The involvement of our parish priests in many of our school activities.
♦ Monthly service opportunities to help instill a heart for service in our students.
♦ Extracurricular activities including School Mass Choir, Drama Club, Chess Team and Club, Bravo Band, Spanish Club, Rosary Guild, National Jr. Beta Club, Yearbook Club, and Student Ambassadors. Our athletic program includes the sports of cross country, soccer, basketball, baseball, track, volleyball and girls’ softball.

Visit our school website at www.stmarthacs.org for more information or contact Registrar Jodie Richter at 281-358-5523.

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

Knights of Columbus
Council #2320
Scholarship Applications

Two scholarships will be awarded this year. All college bound or currently enrolled undergraduate college students are eligible
One in the amount of $1,500.00 and another in the amount of $1,000.00.

Applications are available at the Parish office or online from Marty Krupp - martybk@gmail.com

These documents must be delivered or postmarked by April 30, 2017.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Crank up your creativity and discover that God made you for a purpose at Maker Fun Factory VBS June 12 - 16 from 12:45 - 4 PM. Space is limited to 250 students entering K thru 5th grade and costs $25 per student. Adults, college students, and students entering 8th through 12th grade are encouraged to volunteer!! We offer a nursery (free) and preschool VBS ($25) for children of adult volunteers. VBS attendees and volunteers may sign up in the Faith Formation office at the Woodland Hills campus beginning April 3. Please direct questions to Patty at 281-358-1959 ext. 203.
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.

OPEN HOURS
MONDAY: 2-3 AM / FRIDAY 11-NOON /
FRIDAY 7-8 PM / SATURDAY 1-2 AM / MONDAY 1-2 PM
SECOND ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS:

Monday: 1-2 AM / 3-4 AM / 6-7 AM / 5-6 PM
Tuesday: 2-3 AM / 3-4 AM / 6-7 AM / 9-10 AM
Wednesday: 1-2 AM / 11 PM - MIDNIGHT
Thursday: 1-2 AM / 2-3 AM / 6-7 AM / 9-10 AM
Friday: 3-4 AM / 6-7 PM
Saturday AM: 3-4 AM / 11 AM-NOON
Saturday PM: 1-2 PM / 2-3 PM / 3-4 PM / 7-8 PM / 8-9 PM
Sunday: 2-3 AM / 8-9 AM / 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, 832-767-8826, carmenogando@yahoo.com.

UPCOMING DEADLINES FOR THE BULLETIN:
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(Based on space availability and ministry leader approval)
Submit announcements by e-mail: jodis@stmartha.com

HOME PARISH
PRIESTHOOD VOCATION ANNOUNCEMENT

With great joy, I wish to inform you that Deacon Michael Applegate has petitioned for the Order of the Priesthood in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston in Texas through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by his Bishop on Saturday, June 3, 2017. On behalf of the Church, I want to thank you the people of his home parish for your generous support of Deacon Michael. It is through your prayers, encouragements, and support that we have many vocations. Please keep Deacon Michael and all our seminarians in your daily prayers. If you have any grave concerns affecting his ordination to the priesthood, please contact me in writing enclosed in a “confidential” envelope and addressed to: The Very Reverend Father Trung Nguyen, Rector of St. Mary’s Seminary, 9845 Memorial Dr., Houston, TX 77024.

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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: pat-tyschulze63@gmail.com or stop by the parish office during normal business hours
(Monday – Friday, 9 AM – 4 PM)

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 necesitados 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.

HORAS CON NECESIDAD DE ADORADORES Y SUBSTITUTOS
LUNES: 2-3 AM / VIERNES: 11 AM a Mediodía / VIERNES: 7-8 PM
SABADO: 1-2 AM / LUNES: 1-2 PM
HORAS CON NECESIDAD DE CO-ADORADORES
Lunes: 1-2 AM / 3-4 AM / 6-7 AM / 5-6 PM
Martes: 2-3 AM / 3-4 AM / 6-7 AM / 9-10 AM
Miércoles: 1-2 AM / 11 PM - MIDNIGHT
Jueves: 1-2 AM / 2-3 AM / 6-7 AM / 9-10 AM
Viernes: 6-7 PM
Sábado AM: 3-4 AM / 11 AM a Mediodía
Sábado PM: 1-2 PM / 2-3 PM / 3-4 PM / 7-8 PM / 8-9 PM
 Domingo: 2-3 AM / 8-9 AM / 1-2 PM / 3-4 PM / 11 PM – MIDNIGHT

Si usted está interesado en participar en este ministerio o desea obtener más información, por favor contácte a Carmen Ogando, 832-767-8826, carmenogando@yahoo.com, Coordinadora.
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<td>Stewardship Prayer for April: Christ Our Savior, as our Lenten journey brings us closer to Easter, we see with a deeper awareness our world’s desperate need to experience the healing power of your justice and peace. Make us sacraments of your mercy and instruments of your compassion. Show us how to be better stewards of your people; through our families, our brothers and sisters with whom we share your Eucharist, our neighbors, and the stranger. Show us how to carry the cross so that by dying to ourselves, we may give new life to others. And strengthen our faith, so that we may proclaim your Easter triumph more confidently, every day, in word and deed. Amen</td>
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Para la familia de la parroquia de Santa Marta,

El relato evangélico del 5to. domingo de Cuaresma nos presenta una historia de particular interés para los que pertenecemos a una parroquia llamada Santa Marta, María y Lázaro, la historia de Jesús resucitando a Lázaro de entre los muertos. Todos los implicados en este relato, y especialmente los amigos íntimos y los discípulos, parecen tener una opinión similar sobre la respuesta de Jesús a la situación. No había podido acudir en ayuda de su amigo en el momento de su mayor necesidad. Al principio, Marta y María le piden urgentemente a Jesús visite a su amigo Lázaro, que está muy enfermo. Pero Jesús les indica que su amigo ha muerto y ahora la familia lo necesita. Cuando Jesús llega a Betania, lo primero que oye de Marta es la evaluación de que su descuido y demora provocaron la muerte de Lázaro. "Señor, si hubieras estado aquí, mi hermano no habría muerto". En el lugar donde Lázaro está enterrado, se unen a su otra amiga íntima, María. Su mensaje a Jesús es muy similar al de su hermana. En efecto, ella dice: "Si hubieras hecho lo que te pedimos, ¡todo habría salido bien!" Finalmente, cuando Jesús pide a algunos de los hombres que alejen la piedra de la tumba, oye otra queja sobre el terrible hedor ahora presente debido a su lenta respuesta a su necesidad.

Al reflexionar sobre este relato de la resurrección de Lázaro, descubrimos que esta es otra maravillosa historia de fe que es magistralmente contada por el evangelista Juan. Dos decisiones críticas tuvieron que ser tomadas por parte de los involucrados en este relato (y esta sabiduría también se aplica a nosotros). Tuvieron que dejar de intentar de hacer las cosas a su manera y tuvieron que aprender a confiar en el camino de Dios. En el proceso, la gente gradualmente llegó a aceptar el mensaje de esperanza. Jesús había oído su clamor después de todo. No se tardó en responder a su necesidad. El viaje a Betania fue seguro. ¡Lázaro estaba realmente vivo! Cuando vivimos la vida según los términos de Dios, llegamos a comprender que realmente no hay tragedia que pueda destruirnos. Hay un propósito para los retrocesos ocasionales en la vida. Simplemente tenemos que ser pacientes y tratar de discernir lo que Dios nos pide durante esos tiempos de prueba y sufrimiento. La historia es una descripción perspicaz de la temporada de Cuaresma y de la vida misma. Cuando nos dedicamos a la lucha por dejar ir nuestra necesidad de decirle a Dios, cómo y cuándo responder a nuestras peticiones, y aprender a rendirnos al poder su gracia, entonces podemos comenzar a notar cómo Dios nos acompaña en cada paso de nuestro viaje de fe. En Pascua, escuchamos a Jesús decirnos: "Desatadlos y dejadlos libres".

Fr. Chester Borski

Legión de María

Somos una organización apostólica de laicos en la Iglesia Católica, aprobada por los seis últimos Papas y endosada 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.

Dia Arquidiocesano de Jovenes Adultos “A Quién Estamos Llamados a Servir?”

Ven y acompáñala a cientos de jóvenes adultos de 18 a 39 años de edad a un día de aprendizaje, música, oración, Eucaristía y convivencia. Sábado 8 de Abril, 2017 de 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Inspirado con presentadores internacionales y locales, Presentado en Inglés y Español. Iglesia de San Jerónimo 8825 Kempwood Dr Houston TX 77080. $25 antes del 8 de Marzo o $35 después del 9 de Marzo incluye lunch y camiseta. Descuentos para grupos. Inscripciones en línea www.archgh.org/yacm Información 713-741-8778.

MARIA 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 mariagorettespanol@gmail.com.

Allí le darán más información sobre el lugar y hora de las reuniones y contestaremos sus preguntas.
STEWARDSHIP of Time, Talent and Treasure

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<td>—Helaine Parks, 713-824-7730 or Sally Wasserman, <a href="mailto:salmastrewas@aol.com">salmastrewas@aol.com</a></td>
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