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 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.

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

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

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May 28 2017

ASCENSION OF THE Lord
MEN OF GALILEE, WHY ARE YOU STANDING THERE STARING AT THE SKY? THIS JESUS WHO HAS BEEN TAKEN UP FROM YOU INTO HEAVEN WILL RETURN IN THE SAME WAY AS YOU HAVE SEEN HIM GOING INTO HEAVEN. Acts 1:11
TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23).

Gospel — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord
Monday: Memorial Day
Wednesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday: St. Justin
Friday: Ss. Marcellinus and Peter; First Friday
Saturday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions; First Saturday

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Jesus ascended into heaven, blessing His disciples and promising that they would soon receive the power of the Holy Spirit. We who have received that promised gift of the Spirit are now empowered to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth — to use our time and talents to spread the good news of salvation.

Mass Intentions

Mon./May 29
8:30 AM Virginia Gaffney
5:30 PM Tom Hulett

Tues./May 30
8:30 AM Marie del Carmen Isabel Cuadra
7:00 PM Fernando Lago

Wed./May 31
8:30 AM Gayle Hogwood
10:00 AM Joseph Carl Sliwinski
1:00 PM Pedro Arturo Russi

Thurs./June 1
6:30 AM John “Jack” Sexton
8:30 AM Christine Beseda

Fri./June 2
8:30 AM Fernando Cuadra
5:30 PM Joseph Azzollini

Sat./June 3
8:30 AM Pro-Life Mass
5:30 PM James Arenz

Sun./June 4
7:00 AM Lucille Burke
9:00 AM Delores Vandenbrook
11:00 AM James Arenz

Please note: During the school year, the 8:30 AM School Mass takes place in the Activity Center (Faith Formation campus). NEXT SCHOOL MASS: FRIDAY, JUNE 2

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

George Ciotti
Norma Vilsack
Jesse Lee Page Jr.
Nancy Hall (mother of Arlane Sponaugle)
Joyce Wainwright

Please remember the sick and their families in your prayers:

Communion to the Sick: If you or a loved one are in Kingwood Hospital, and would like a Communion Minister to visit, call the church office at 281-358-6637 to let us know. Hospital regulations require us to have the patient’s name and room number before we send someone.

Military Wreath: Please pray for our active military as seen on the wreath in the Narthex. To add a loved contact Jodi at 281-358-6637 or jodis@stmartha.com.

Pro-Life Mass & Rosary: Every first Saturday at 8:30 AM. Please join us Saturday, June 3.
To the parish family of St. Martha,

Some years ago the bishops of this region transferred the Solemnity of the Ascension to the Sunday following the Thursday of the 6th week of Easter (the usual time to celebrate the feast). The rationale was to enable more people to celebrate this important event in the life of our Lord Jesus Christ. In the reading from the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles we hear the account about the early disciples witnessing the Lord Jesus ascending to heaven. “As they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. Suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood before them and said, ‘Men of Galilee, why are your standing there looking at the sky?’ This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way.” It seems to me that the message to the Church is that while we await the return of the Lord at the end of time, we are not to stand around doing nothing. We are urged to be actively engaged in building the Kingdom and spreading the message of the Gospel by word and deed. As Pope Francis often reminds us, we are to become missionary disciples. Through our Baptism and Confirmation we are commissioned to continue the mission of Jesus in our day, especially through the witness of our lives by being involved in parish ministry and outreach.

The Ascension marks the end of one phase in the story of salvation and the beginning of another. In the life and ministry of Jesus, God both revealed his plan for us and brought about the renewal of our lives. What was begun in Christ was meant to continue through the centuries in the living community of the disciples of Jesus. Thus, the purpose of the Church is revealed. Called into being by the Easter message, the Christian community exists in order to keep alive the memory of the Lord Jesus and to bear witness before the world to all that Jesus said and did. To bear witness to the paschal mystery involves both faith and action. We need to proclaim the story of Jesus and his teaching but we also need to embody in our daily lives all that Jesus stands for. While this is beyond our human capacity, it does become possible through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit of God who calls us and molds us into the body of Christ and assures us that Jesus is with us “until the end of the ages.”

Fr. Chester Borski

From the Pastor

WELCOME FR. MICHAEL PHAM!
SHORT AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF OUR NEW PAROCHIAL VICAR

I was born in 1970, taking the name Michael at my baptism. In 1975 Vietnam was taken over by the Communists from the north. Everything was changed, life became miserable because there was no freedom. In 1981, my family and I left Vietnam by boat and became Vietnamese refugees or boat people. We escaped and after seven days we arrived on a small island where the Pulau Bidong Refugee camp was. I was living with my family of sixteen people; I had six brothers and seven sisters. We took English lessons to prepare ourselves. Not even two weeks later, my English teacher kicked me out of her classroom because of my loving behavior. From that time on I became a fisherman and fish became my best friends. We stayed at the refugee camp for about five months and then came to United States under my uncle’s sponsorship. Pulau Bidong had been the Centre for the Vietnamese refugees during the war. The last Vietnamese were sent home in 1996.

We arrived in the city Santa Ana, CA in the spring of 1982. I started to learn about a special way of life… I joined the religious community (CRM) in 1985 when I was a sophomore in high school and was ordained a priest on June 3, 2006. Later on my younger sister also joined the convent in Los Angeles, CA. During my priestly ministry, I have served for the Diocese of Fort Worth, TX for three years, and the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, TX for another six years.

God Bless,
Fr. Michael Pham, CRM

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston announces the Ordination to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood

Michael Andrew Applegate
Saturday, June 3, at 10 AM
Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
1111 St. Joseph Parkway
Houston, Texas

Please plan to attend this beautiful and joyful ordination ceremony.

Fr. Michael will celebrate his first Masses
Sunday, June 4, at 11 AM and 5:30 PM

Please join us for a reception in his honor immediately following the 11 AM Mass
Young at Heart Luncheon - Memorial Day Celebration

Come join us as we honor our Veterans at our Memorial Day Celebration. Veterans, please bring any memorabilia you would like to show the group. Rouse up your patriotic spirit and join us for fellowship, bingo & lunch at St. Martha's Family Life Center on Wednesday, May 31. Bingo begins at 11 AM, followed by lunch and fellowship that ends at 2 PM. Bring a friend with you and join the fun! If transportation is needed, contact Domenica Seitz at 713 899-1016. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Karpinski, 713 594-4430.

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, June 5, 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

Bible Studies- Mondays 7 PM in the Main Church:
Join us as we continue with Ephesians! Continue your New Year's goal of diving deeper into the faith. We will meet at 7 PM in the parlor of the main church (first door in the left side hallway).

We are planning a Top Golf event in the near future! Please check back for updates!

For questions about any events, please e-mail youngadults@stmartha.com. You may also call or text Matt Cooke, 718-887-6837.
Out of work? Looking for a change? We can help!

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

St. Martha Catholic Church will be offering the following Virtus workshops:

“Protecting God’s Children”
Wednesday, May 31, in the FLC from 6:30—9:30 PM.
You must pre-register for this workshop online at www.virtusonline.org.
If you need further assistance, please call SMCC Virtus Coordinators at 281-358-1959:
Ana Luisa Rodriguez, ext. 269 or Michelle Campisi at ext. 214.
Please arrive by 6 PM. No late admittance, No Children and No walk-ins.

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.

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.

Adult Organizations and Opportunities

Thank you, parishioners, for your continued support to our ministry. May God return all blessings to you that you give to others. Please note: Martha’s Kitchen is in desperate need of men and women volunteers on Fridays. For more information please call Sr. Maria Elena at 713-224-2522.
(Martha’s Kitchen will be closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day and will continue to be closed for renovations until reopening on Monday, June 12.)

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!

Rosary after Daily Mass: A group of parishioners gathers after the 8:30 AM daily Mass, when able, to pray the rosary. All are welcome to join them in the back of the church in front of the Mary statue to pray the rosary to honor our Blessed Mother.
Adult Organizations and Opportunities

Are You Interested in Looking Into the Catholic Church or Completing your Sacraments?

The RCIA could be your answer!
♦ Who wish to know more about the Catholic faith
♦ For Catholics who need to complete their sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation

Our next Inquirer group will begin in mid-June.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Charles or Lisa Ferguson at the RCIA office via email at: rcia@stmartha.com or call 281-713-8972 x258.

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.” Revelation 3:20

Hometown Breweries Beer Festival
Saturday June 3rd 7-9 P.M.

Featured Breweries

Your $35.00 Ticket Includes:
6 Quality Local Craft Beer Tastings – A Pint of your choosing from your favorite
Tasting — 7 Chef Quality food pairings — A Commemorative Pint Glass — Door
Prizes every half hour — Music, Fun and Games — Amazing Auction Items
Seating is Very Limited! Get your Tickets Now!
Tickets on Line at: www.KofCbeerfest.com or Call Jason Dement 713-213-5423

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

Vocations Corner

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

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS:
Please join the SPONAUGLE 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.
Catechesis Corner...
CCE, LIFEteen & Sacrament
Registration Begins
For the 2017-2018 Catechesis year.

Thursday, June 1, 2017
in the Faith Formation Office
Monday- Friday 9 AM – 4 PM.

Volunteers are always appreciated!
Visit to www.Stmartha.com for more information on registration and to volunteer.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship Awards 2016-2017
1st Place –
Paul Biancardi - $1,500
2nd Place –
Amelie Hebert - $1,000

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. Please direct questions to Patty at 281-358-1959 ext. 203.

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.

Calling moms of all ages!
St. Martha's Moms Group: Our next monthly park play date will be June 6. We will meet at Greentree Park from 9:30-11 AM. 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.

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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.

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ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS FOOD DRIVE

This weekend, May 27 & 28, we will be collecting donations of non-perishable food and personal care items. Donations will benefit St. John of the Cross Food Pantry in New Caney. Thank you for your continued generosity by contributing non-perishable grocery items to help those in need. (Please place your Food Donation in the Rotunda before Mass. There will be a sign in the Narthex directing everyone to the Rotunda and a sign in the Rotunda showing where to place the food.)

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Volunteers, Vendors, Sponsors & Donations Needed
St Martha Parish Festival & Fall Market
Saturday, September 30, 2017
Noon - 8 pm

Volunteers
Festival Committee Volunteers needed to help plan for St. Martha’s Catholic Church Parish Festival and Fall Market. Volunteers contact Tom Gallagher at 281-948-9241 or email smparishfestival@gmail.com.

Fall Market Vendors
Rent a space and showcase your products or services. Space is limited.
For an application to participate in this year’s Fall Market, contact: stmartahallmarket@gmail.com

Festival Sponsors
These cash donations will be used to defray the cost of putting on the festival such as tents, tables and chairs, games and bounce house rentals, food & beverages, etc.

◊ St. Martha Level - $5,000+
◊ St. Mary Level - $2,000 to $4,999
◊ St. Lazarus Level - 500 to $1,999
◊ Friends Level - up to $499

If you are interested in a sponsorship please contact: smfestivalsponsorship@gmail.com

Silent & Live Auction Donations
Do you have a time-share, sports tickets, travel tickets, promotional item, gift cards, service vouchers or anything else that you could donate?
Donors please contact: smparishfestival@gmail.com

First Friday Adoration
Noche de Adoración

ST. MARTHA CATHOLIC CHURCH
4301 Woodridge Pkwy
Porter, Tx 77365
FRIDAY - JUNE 2, 2017
PRIMER VIERNES DE CADA MES - 7:15 PM
ADORATION-PASSION- SPIRIT

Catholic Communications Campaign:
This weekend we will hold the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This Collection funds media projects that spread the Good News through the Internet, radio, TV and print media. These projects evangelize, nourish the faithful, foster community and grant easy, direct access to thousands of Catholic resources. Help connect the world with God’s Word! Support the Catholic Communication Campaign in this weekend’s collection.

St. Martha Rosary Guild
We are always accepting new members!
Enjoy an afternoon of fun, fellowship and making rosaries. We can teach you how to make a rosary and you can make rosaries at our regular meetings or and you make them at home. Students can earn Confirmation hours making rosaries with our ministry.

June Meetings at St. Martha Woodland Hills Campus, Room 2:
Second Sunday, June 11, 1-3 PM
Second & Fourth Wednesday, June 14 & 28, 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
Online store: www.MarianiteRosaryGuild.etsy.com
ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA PERPETUA
HORAS CON NECESIDAD DE ADORADORES Y SUBSTITUTOS
LUNES: 2-3 AM / VIERNES: 11 AM - MEDIODÍA / VIERNES: 7-8 PM / SABADOS: 1-2 AM
HORAS CON NECESIDAD DE CO-ADORADORES
Lunes: 1-2 AM / 2-3 AM / 3-4 AM
Martes: 2-3 AM / 3-4 AM / 6-7 AM / 9-10 AM / MEDIANOCHE—1 AM
Miércoles: 1-2 AM / 11 PM –MEDIANOCHE
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 MEDIODIA
Sábado PM: 1-2 PM / 2-3 PM / 3-4 PM / 7-8 PM / 8-9 PM
Domingo: 2-3 AM/ 8-9 AM / 3-4 PM / 11 PM - MEDIANOCHE

Si usted está interesado en participar en este ministerio o desea obtener más información, por favor contactar a:
Carmen Ogando,
832-767-8826, carmenogando@yahoo.com

CATHOLIC CLERICAL STUDENT FUND PRESENTATION
Catholic Daughters’ Court St. Martha #2504 is honored to announce that our Court has been awarded the First Place Certificate from The Catholic Clerical Student Fund, Galveston-Houston A.C.C.W., for having the most seminary Mass enrollments for the year 2016.

We are very grateful to our St. Martha's parish family for this honor. Because of your generous support of St. Mary's Seminary, Court St. Martha exceeded the totals of all Galveston-Houston CDA Courts for the 2016 year with a grand total of $4,664 in Mass enrollments.

Please continue to support our St. Mary's Seminary students with your Mass enrollments. "Prayer is the best way to honor a friend or loved one and Holy Mass is the truest prayer". We have daily, family and perpetual Mass cards available in the parish office.

Thank you sincerely and God bless you for helping us support our seminary students.

Your Sisters In Christ,
CDA Court St. Martha #2504

“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!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS
Court St. Martha #2504
Kingwood, TX

“Could you not watch one hour with Me?”
OPEN HOURS
MONDAY: 2-3 AM / FRIDAY 11-NOON / FRIDAY 7-8 PM / SATURDAY 1-2 AM
SECOND ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS:
Monday: 1-2 AM / 2-3 AM / 3-4 AM
Tuesday: 2-3 AM / 3-4AM / 6-7 AM / 9-10 AM / MIDNIGHT-1AM
Wednesday: 1-2AM / 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 / 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 of our division leaders: Robyn Laumbach for Midnight to 6 AM ( 281-360-7897), Karen Ehlig for 6 AM to Noon ( 281-361-7127). Annunciata Hopkins for Noon to 6 PM ( 281-360-1258). Beth Beckham for 6 PM to Midnight ( 281-435-1439 ).
A la familia parroquial de Santa Marta,

Hace algunos años los obispos de esta región trasladaron la solemnidad de la Ascensión al domingo siguiente al jueves de la sexta semana de Pascua (la hora habitual para celebrar la fiesta). La razón era permitir que más personas celebraran este importante evento en la vida de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. En la lectura del primer capítulo de los Hechos de los Apóstoles escuchamos el relato de los primeros discípulos que presenciaron el ascenso del Señor Jesús al cielo. "Mientras miraban, Él fue levantado, y una nube lo sacó de su vista. De repente, dos hombres vestidos de blanco se pusieron delante de ellos y dijeron: ‘Varones de Galilea, ¿por qué están allí mirando al cielo?’ Este Jesús que ha sido tomado de ustedes hacia el cielo volverá de la misma manera”. A mí me parece que el mensaje a la Iglesia es que mientras esperamos el regreso del Señor al final de los tiempos, no debemos permanecer sin hacer nada. Se nos insta a estar activamente comprometidos en la construcción del Reino y difundir el mensaje del Evangelio con palabras y hechos. Como nos recuerda a menudo el Papa Francisco, debemos convertirnos en **discípulos misioneros**. A través de nuestro Bautismo y Confirmación estamos encargados de continuar la misión de Jesús en nuestros días, especialmente a través del testimonio de nuestras vidas al estar involucrados en el ministerio parroquial y el alcance.

La Ascensión marca el final de una fase en la historia de la salvación y el comienzo de otra. En la vida y ministerio de Jesús, Dios reveló su plan para nosotros y trajo la renovación de nuestras vidas. Lo que se inició en Cristo debía continuar a través de los siglos en la comunidad viva de los discípulos de Jesús. Así, el propósito de la Iglesia es revelado. Llamada al ser, por el mensaje de Pascua, la comunidad cristiana existe para mantener viva la memoria del Señor Jesús y para dar testimonio ante el mundo de todo lo que Jesús dijo e hizo. Dar testimonio del misterio pascual implica tanto fe como acción. Necesitamos proclamar la historia de Jesús y su enseñanza, pero también necesitamos encarnar en nuestra vida cotidiana todo lo que Jesús representa. Si bien esto está más allá de nuestra capacidad humana, se hace posible a través del poder del Espíritu Santo. Es el Espíritu de Dios quien nos llama y nos moldea en el cuerpo de Cristo y nos asegura que Jesús está con nosotros "hasta el fin de los siglos".

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**Fr. Chester Borski**

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<th><strong>Se hace una Invitación a toda la comunidad de Santa Martha, a los jóvenes, y a quienes por primera vez nos visitan a ser partícipes del V Encuentro.</strong></th>
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| **¿Qué es el V Encuentro?**  
El V Encuentro es un instrumento que servirá a nivel nacional para recolectar la voz de la comunidad Hispana y responder de una manera real a sus necesidades.  
**Por eso estamos invitando a cada uno de ustedes para que asistan a la reunión que se llevará a cabo el día domingo 4 de junio en el FLC localizado en la antigua iglesia de St Martha, este evento será de 5 PM a 9 PM. Se estará ofreciendo comida. Puedes invitar a tus vecinos, amigos y familiares, o bien a todo aquel que necesita ser escuchado. ¡Este es el momento!**  
**¡Ven queremos oír tu voz!** |
Legión de Maria

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

María Goretti Network

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.

Proyecto Raquel

DÍA DE REFLEXIÓN PARA MUJERES EN ESPAÑOL
SOFRIENDO DESPUÉS DE UN ABORTO

Privado y Confidencial
Sábado 8 de julio, 2017
Comenzando a las 8:30 am
En ESPAÑOL
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.

VERANO INTENSIVO 2017

CURSOS: FUNDAMENTOS DE LA FE - CRISTOLOGÍA - SACRAMENTOS
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HISTORIA DE LA IGLESIA II

FECHA: 23 DE MAYO AL 15 DE JUNIO, 2017 (NO HAY CLASES LOS FINES DE SEMANA)
HORA: 9:30 PM - 9:30 PM
LUGAR: CANCELLERÍA ST. DOMINICS 2403 HOLCOMBE BLVD, HOUSTON, TX. 77021
COSTO: $25 DILS por persona, por curso antes del 16 de Mayo ($35 DILS después del 16 de Mayo)
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“Atiende a mis palabras, que no se aparten de tu vista, conservelas en tu corazón”
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