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

Liturgy & Sacraments
Weekend Masses
First Saturday (Pro-Life Mass): .... 
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 6:15 - 7 PM 
Saturday: 
Church 10 AM - 12 PM 
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.
ST. MARTHA’S OFFICE ANGELS—
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Theresa Miller, 281-713-8957
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Francine Puglia, 281-713-8954
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Karen Rexer, 281-358-8857, or Marian Brown, 281-630-4820
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Sherry Hundl, yellowrose716@live.com
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Greg LaCour, gplacour@gmail.com
COLUMBIAN SQUIRES—
Mark Roseland, 281-419-2525
COUPLES for CHRIST—
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GRIEFSHARE—
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Abby Youngblood, 281-713-8549
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GRIEFSHARE—
Laura Cardella, 281-713-8963
Abby Youngblood, 281-713-8549
HOSPITAL VISIT—
Gene Goll, 281-728-0956
Nursing Home & Homebound:
Kathy Gearhart, 281-713-2154
Hispanic Communion to the Sick:
Amelia Murphy, 713-865-6946
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Richard Lowell, 281-989-1097
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Jody Richter, 281-358-5523
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Yazmin Lago, 281-713-2032
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Mrs. Maria Elena, 713-224-2522
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Paola Lam, 713-885-3400
PRO-LIFE (GABRIEL PROJECT)—
713-225-9826
PROJECT RACHEL—
713-741-8728

Current Loan Debt: $9,811,525
To the parish family of St. Martha,

The Scripture readings for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time provide us with the appropriate perspective for celebrating World Mission Sunday in our faith community. St. Paul, the great missionary of the early Church, valued the members of the Body of Christ and impressed upon each Christian that the Gospel was given to them to be shared with others no matter the challenges or difficulties encountered by believers. The first reading from the Book of Isaiah offers a kind of prophecy to the people of Israel who find themselves in exile from their beloved homeland. Unexpectedly a new ruler, Cyrus the founder of the great Persian empire, comes to power and overthrows the Babylonian kings. He permits the Israelites to practice their religion according to their treasured customs and to return to Jerusalem. The Jewish people not only returned home but they did so renewed and rededicated. They firmly resolved to rebuild the temple and never again to allow the presence of God to go unnoticed and the Law of God to be disregarded. This reading reminds us that the flow of human events in history belongs to God. It is not that God manipulates the characters and events of history like puppets on a string, but rather that God empowers his people to grow in faith and to flourish no matter what happens around them. The question for believers is not “Why did God allow this to happen?” but rather “What does God want me to do in light of this event or situation?”

There is a similar message in the Gospel text where Jesus faces the challenge from the Pharisees and Herodians, two religious groups usually at odds in their opinions. Their question --- “Is it right for us to pay the Roman tax or not?” --- was a loaded one. If Jesus answered in the affirmative, he would seem to be accepting Roman domination as God’s will. This would certainly have alienated many zealous believers in Israel. If Jesus would have said “No,” the mission of Jesus would have been seen as just another revolutionary movement of the day and the Roman government knew quite well how to deal with such groups. Instead the response of Jesus invited his listeners to clarify their own understanding and vision of God’s kingdom and how they lived out their convictions of faith. It reminds us of the times in which we live today with the divisiveness and outright meanness expressed by some of our current political leaders. The kingdom of God and its growth have very little to do with whether Republicans or Democrats or even so-called Independents are in control of Congress or the White House. The fortunes of political leaders and systems come and go. There have been many Babylonian and Roman empires throughout human history. But the kingdom of God inaugurated by Jesus Christ remains constant and unchanging and God can draw good from all people and events to accomplish His will. Our mission is to make God’s will known by the way that we live our faith and reach out to those in need.

Fr. Chester Borski

From the Pastor

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, “I am the LORD, there is no other” (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

Psalm — Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).

Gospel — Give to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s (Matthew 22:15-21).


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY – a day that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith – leads us to mission! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need. This year we can even “chat” with our chief missionary, Pope Francis, and learn more about his missions and missionaries. Learn more at ChatWithThePope.org. Chat – Pray – Give this World Mission Sunday.

CHAT WITH POPE FRANCIS using your Facebook Messenger App to learn more about his Missions. Instructions to start your Chat: Open the Facebook Messenger App on your mobile phone. Go to the tab and select SCAN CODE then scan the code on the right.
ALL SAINTS Day—Nov. 1
Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil Mass for Tuesday, Oct. 31: 7 PM
Mass times for Wednesday, Nov. 1: 6:30 AM, 10 AM and 7:30 PM
School Mass (Woodland Hills Campus): 8:30 AM
Please note: The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, Nov. 1.

ALL SOULS Day—Nov. 2
Mass times: 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, and 7:30 PM
For the evening Mass there will be a special opportunity for parishioners to remember their loved ones. This year we will have cards at the entrance of the church to write the names of deceased family members. These cards will be placed in a box and presented during the offering at Mass. Remembering all of these men and women who have gone before us, “marked with the sign of faith,” helps us better understand and appreciate our faith in Christ, our risen Lord, who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all.

Kingwood Harvey Assistance
As of Oct. 13, we have been able to help 104 families to recover from Kingwood Harvey Relief Funds. If you would like to contribute to this effort, please make your check payable to St. Martha Catholic Church, and indicate in the memo line that it is for Kingwood Harvey Relief. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Please read the following “thank yous” sent in from flood victims:

Dear St. Martha Angels,
Words cannot express how grateful we are for the help we received from the Church. We used the check to purchase a used car (plus insurance). It feels a little more normal to have a car again. We also had the help from the youth group and lots of caring calls. We are so thankful for all you have done.
Sincerely,
John and Kancy Keates

To all the People from St. Martha’s who helped save our house, We are so thankful for the blessing you have been to us. Your kindness and love in action are a true testament of Christ in your hearts! You are all amazing!!!
With sincere gratitude,
Rikki & Michael Slayton

In Our Prayers
† PLEASE REMEMBER THE RECENTLY DECEASED AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR PRAYERS †
John Falcon (husband of Nunnie Falcon)
Eleanora Scheid (mother of John Scheid)
Cynthia Goh
Elizabeth (Betty) Anne Mohr (mother of Lynn Lucas)
Joseph M. White (father of Marilyn Davis)
Bill Florez (brother of Darla Duplantis)
Joseph Rodriguez (brother of Cecilia Sandoval)
Randall Schulze (brother-in-law of Cecilia Sandoval)

Please remember the sick and their families in your prayers: Grant Mctaggart, Evelyn, Vicky Knobloch, Dominen Lenz, Joe Aloisio, Mary Aloisio, John Treckman, Patrick Hosey, James Cappock, Diarmuid Hosey, John Leber, Karen Newcomb, Vincent Grande, Joan Evans, Marie Hubbard, Vi Henry, Shannon McAlister, Rick Frantz, Barbara Roltad, Kenneth Goodman, Don and Angie Chesnutt, Marie Burd, Muriel Williams, Waldon Landry, Rodney Powell, Joan Brandt, Eleanora DeLeon, Catherine Sedlak, Michael Kohler, Carmen Aloisio, Carlene Stoup, Sue Hammer, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Terry McDaid, Bette Hale, Dennis Alvary, Brandon Evans, Michael Adkins, Dona Beaston, Bill Barineau, Sally Howard, Dickie Howard, Randall Herr, Claudia Peak, Joe Cervantes, Beverly Rose, Ann Colangelo, Daniel Norton, Miriam Meier, Albert Byington, Angelika Mejia, Chris Thibodeaux, Helen Katacski, Catherine Casey, Karen Eastman, Elizabeth Modenbach, Oscar Velasco, Judy Miles, Gerald Buchta, Noreen Stack, Josie Perez, Mary Silvers, Jo White, Maria Coronado, Millie Smaardyk, Larry Auman, Lynette Smith, Peggy Q’brien, Shannon Bosco, Mary Lou Sepulveda, Alfredo Soto, Ginger Bertrand, Lisa Ferguson, Carlos Rodriguez, Efren Martinez, Brodie Nikolai, Bob Landvogt, Paula Seams, Victor Hugo Carbajal, Penny Gaido, Cornelio S. J. Obordo, Polita Luna, Brian Kellogg, Dennis R. Barker Jr., Denise McLeod, Dorothy Parker

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.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon./Oct. 23
8:30 AM Emily & William Benter
5:30 PM †Richard Gaffney

Tues./Oct. 24
8:30 AM †Andrew & Martha Hlavenka
7 AM †Jeff Timpanaro
7 PM †Luis Pereira
8:30 AM †Patrick Nugent
10 AM †Pauline Pennucci

Wed./Oct. 25
6:30 AM †Victor Fernando Cuadra
11 AM †Mary Martin
8:30 AM Margarita Eliazo
1 PM †Caesar P. Bernal
10 AM †Pauline Pennucci
5:30 PM †George Vance

Thurs./Oct. 26
6:30 AM †William & Rosemary Gardner

Sat./Oct. 28
5:30 PM †Richard Gaffney

Sun./Oct. 29
7 AM †Alice Anne & George Spartz
11 AM †Mary Martin
1 PM †Caesar P. Bernal
5:30 PM †George Vance

Please note: During the school year, the 8:30 AM School Mass takes place in the Activity Center (Faith Formation campus). NEXT SCHOOL MASS: WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25.
**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, Nov. 6 at 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.

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**Parish Blood Drive**

The 3rd Parish Blood Drive for 2017, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 22, from 8 AM until 1:45 PM at the Activity Center on Woodland Hills Drive. Walk-ins are always welcome on the day of the Blood Drive. The Blood Center will provide a Double Red Cell Aphaeresis, which will allow some donors to give two units of red blood cells from a single donation. As always, the Knights of Columbus would like to thank St. Martha parishioners for generously giving the gift of life.

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**Adult Organizations and Opportunities**

**Project Rachel**

Project Rachel is the confidential and compassionate outreach to women who have had an abortion or been involved in an abortion. Its purpose is to foster reconciliation and healing between the parent and Christ, His Church, the child, and all other significant relationships. Questions? Call 713-741-8728.

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**Young at Heart Luncheon**

Young at Heart-ers - Be on the lookout, you never know when a ghost or goblin is lurking in the area! Come to St. Martha’s Family Life Center in your best Halloween get-up on Wednesday, Oct. 25 and join us for fellowship, bingo and lunch. 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.

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**Northeast Catholic Singles, A Ministry for Singles Ages 40 and older**

will gather on Wednesday, Oct. 25, to talk/eat/drink at 7 PM at Jason's Deli, 1275 Kingwood Drive in Kingwood. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or subscribe to us on Flock-note at St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

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**Adult Faith Formation**

**Sunday Morning Adult Ed Series**:

*Six Saints that transformed the Catholic Church* ~ In this six part series, learn about the leaders who led the Church’s rebirth from the ashes of renaissance decadence and the turbulent time of the Protestant Reformation. Join us in Room 2 Sunday mornings 10:40-11:45. This program is free and there is no need to preregister. 10/22, 10/29, 11/05, 11/12, 12/03, 12/10.

**Breakfast and Bible Study**:

Join us after the 8:30 AM Mass on Tuesdays in the Adult Education Building, Room 2, for a delicious breakfast of coffee, pastries, and fruit. Along with food and fellowship we will be reading, studying, and sharing on the Sunday Scriptures. No registration or fee required. Come and enjoy! All are welcome!

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**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.

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**Bulletin Deadline**

Friday, 11 AM, one week prior to publication. (Based on space availability and ministry leader approval)

Submit announcements by: E-mail: jodis@stmartha.com; Drop off at the parish office; or * Fax to 281-358-7973.
Attention St. Martha Community!!

Hurricane Harvey has inflicted unprecedented flooding on homes and businesses across the Lake Houston area, resulting in catastrophic losses. The Lake Houston Area Relief Fund was established through a partnership between Insperity, HAAM, Somebody Cares Humble and the Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce for the sole benefit of residents and business owners in the Lake Houston area. Please note, these funds are only for residents of Humble, Atascocita, Summerwood and Fall Creek areas. For more information or to apply for a grant please visit: http://lakehoustonarearelieffund.org (applications are only accepted online).

Bereavement Retreat
Saturday, Oct. 28, 2017
9 AM - 3 PM
St. Laurence Catholic Church
3100 Sweetwater Blvd.
Sugar Land, TX 77479
Register by Monday, Oct. 23
Contact: Anne Marie Daniel
281-265-5774 or adaniel@stlaurence.org

HAAM will be hosting a FOOD FAIR
Wednesday, Nov. 15, from 11 AM—1 PM
in the Church parking lot
4301 Woodridge Pkwy. Porter TX 77365
First-come first-served basis.
Volunteers are needed to help with this event. Please call Alejandra Gutierrez at 832-860-4860 for more information.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK TRAINING will be held Monday, Oct. 23, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM in Room 2 of the Family Life Center at the Woodland Hills campus. If you have any questions, please e-mail Gene Goll at goll5@earthlink.net. Thank you.

YAS M
youngadults@stmartha.com
www.facebook.com/groups/YAStM

Join us for fun, s’mores, fishing, hiking laughs and friends at Blanco State Park for our second camping trip! We will be staying in screened in shelters and tents. Carpooling and food will be coordinated. You may join for one or two nights. Contact Kenny at thirolf.k@gmail.com or 832-980-0774 or Matt at youngadults@stmartha.com or 718-887-6837 to sign up or for more info.

Cost: Early Bird - pay by Oct. 16th - $30 in advance plus $10 entrance fee to be paid at park
Regular - pay by Oct. 25th - $35 in advance plus $10 entrance fee to be paid at park

Young Adults of St. Martha
Go CAMPING
November 3rd to 5th
Parenting and Youth

St Martha’s Moms Group
Motherhood Fellowship Night: Please join us Nov. 14, in Room 3 from 6-9 PM.
Be sure to join our Facebook group: St. Martha’s Moms (Kingwood, Tx)
For more information email Katie DWindt at stmarthasmoms@gmail.com.
We look forward to meeting you.

Children’s Adoration Hour Every Tuesday—
10 AM in the Chapel
Bring your children and grandchildren to a special hour with Christ. They will learn to offer prayer intentions, grow in their love for Christ, his mother Mary, and our Church and the Pope. We have time for silent prayer, a decade of the rosary, we talk about saints and reflect on gospel passages and sing songs. Parents and kids receive many graces from spending an hour a week with Christ. We hope you will come and see what it’s all about. Contact Kristen Johnson at Kristen_alley@yahoo.com or 281-713-2518 if you have any questions.

Vocations Corner

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS:
Please join the AVERY 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.

Disciple Now
A Day of Service with Dodgeball
SATURDAY, OCT. 28
[1:00 – 5:00 PM]
Students will be organized into small groups to serve at service sites in the Kingwood/Humble area and then return to St. Martha for fellowship and dodgeball.
Get a permission form on the Edge webpage or e-mail Lisa Hartsfield: lisah@stmartha.com

Celebrate!
PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Next Sunday, Oct. 29 has been set aside to honor our priests throughout the world. It is a time for us to reflect upon and affirm the role of priests in the life of the church and to thank them for their vocation and their ministry. Affirming and supporting our priests is a gift we can give to them on this special occasion. We invite you to give the priests you know a simple thank you, card, or a spiritual bouquet (the offering of Rosaries, Masses or Holy Hours).

Pray for our priests!
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 24 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, 6-7 AM / FRIDAY 11-NOON, 7-8 PM / SATURDAY 1-2 AM
SECOND ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS:
Monday: 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM
Tuesday: 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM, 11 PM - MIDNIGHT
Wednesday: 9-10 AM, 5-6 PM, 11 PM - MIDNIGHT
Thursday: 1-2 AM, 8-9 AM
Friday: 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM
Saturday: 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM, 7-8 PM, 10-11 PM
Sunday: 2-3 AM, 8-9 AM.

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 your division leaders:
Robyn Laumbach: Midnight to 6AM (713-851-8768)
Karen Ehlig: 6AM to Noon (281-361-7127)
Annunciata Hopkins: Noon to 6PM (281-360-1258)
Beth Beckham: 6PM to Midnight (281-435-1439)

DONATIONS CONTINUE FOR THE WALK FOR THE POOR

The Walk was held on Oct. 14, but donations continue thru Oct. 29. The funds raised will stay in our area to help those victims of the flood from Hurricane Harvey with the House in a Box program through the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Vincentians will do a home visit to determine the items needed and fill out the voucher. The program will provide families with sofas or chairs, kitchen items, bedding, etc. to re-establish their homes.

Monetary donations/checks should be made payable to: SVdP – St. Martha and can be dropped off at the main church office or the Faith Formation office on the Woodland Hills Campus. OR they can be mailed to: 3702 Woodland Hills Dr, Kingwood, 77339.

The National secure website: www.fopwalk.org will be open thru Oct. 29 to receive a credit card donation. Just click on the state of Texas and find the St. Martha’s Walk and you can donate to any of the walkers listed. The funds will reach the St. Martha conference by Nov. 5.

Your donations will help many families “go back home to a home!”

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.

We meet in Room 2 on the Woodland Hill Campus the 2nd Sunday of each month from 1-3 PM and on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month, 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.
Public Announcement– Rite of Candidacy for Joseph Reding

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston formally announces that Joseph Reding will be admitted to candidacy for the permanent diaconate on Feb. 17, 2018 at a Mass to be celebrated by Bishop George Sheltz. If any person knows of a serious reason why this Aspirant should not be admitted to Candidacy or continue to ordination to the permanent diaconate, please notify Deacon Rob Ward, Director of Formation, Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston at 281-723-1910 or via email at rob.ward@smseminary.com. Please keep Joseph and his wife Marie in your prayers as he is called to the Rite of Candidacy. May he always remain faithful to the vocation to which he is called. This announcement is in compliance with Canon 1051:2 of the Code of Canon Law.

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closing at 1:30 PM on Wednesday, Oct. 25 and will reopen on Thursday, Oct. 26 at 9 AM.

In gratitude for Msgr. Borski and his ministry to St. Martha, please join us in offering a spiritual bouquet for his 50th anniversary of ordination, December 2017.

Let us know how you will offer a prayer in any of the following ways.
Rosary prayed: __________
Holy Hour offered: __________
Offered a prayer for Msgr. Borski when receiving Communion: __________
Extended a time to listen to someone in need of a friend: __________
I invited two people to consider being a priest: __________
I invited someone to join me at Mass: __________

Please place this slip in the basket/box at the Kiosk at all Masses, November 11/12, or email it to franp@stmartha.com subject line: spiritual bouquet.
Or drop it by the parish office, M-F, 9-4.

Slips must be returned by Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017.

Questions? Contact Francine at franp@stmartha.com or Mary Beth Philipp at marybethphilipp@gmail.com.
A la familia parroquial de Santa Marta,

Las lecturas de las Escrituras para el 29º domingo del tiempo ordinario nos brindan la perspectiva apropiada para celebrar el Domingo Mundial de la Misión en nuestra comunidad de fe. San Pablo, el gran misionero de la Iglesia primitiva, valoró a los miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo e imprimió en cada cristiano de que el Evangelio les fue dado para que fuera compartido con otros, sin importar los desafíos o dificultades encontrados por los creyentes. La primera lectura del Libro de Isaías ofrece una especie de profecía al pueblo de Israel, que se encuentra en el exilio de su amada tierra natal. Inesperadamente, un nuevo gobernante, Cyrus, el fundador del gran imperio persa, llega al poder y derroca a los reyes babilónicos. Él permite a los israelitas practicar su religión de acuerdo con sus preciadas costumbres y regresar a Jerusalén. El pueblo judío no solo regresó a casa, sino que fueron renovados y reedificados. Resolvieron firmemente reconstruir el templo y nunca más permitir que la presencia de Dios pasara desapercibida y que se ignorara la Ley de Dios. Esta lectura nos recuerda que el flujo de eventos humanos en la historia le pertenece a Dios. No es que Dios manipule los personajes y eventos de la historia como títeres en una cuerda, sino que Dios capaz de su pueblo para que crezca en la fe y florezca sin importar lo que suceda a su alrededor. La pregunta para los creyentes no es “¿Por qué Dios permitió que esto sucediera?”, sino “¿Qué quiere Dios que haga a la luz de este evento o situación?”

Hay un mensaje similar en el texto del Evangelio en que Jesús enfrenta el desafío de los fariseos y los herodianos, dos grupos religiosos generalmente en contra de sus opiniones. Su pregunta --- “¿Es correcto que paguemos el impuesto romano o no?” --- fue muy ambigua. Si Jesús respondía afirmativamente, parecería que estaba aceptando la dominación romana como la voluntad de Dios. Esto ciertamente habría alejado a muchos celosos creyentes en Israel. Si Jesús hubiera dicho “No”, la misión de Jesús habría sido vista como un movimiento revolucionario más de la época y el gobierno romano sabía muy bien cómo tratar con tales grupos. En cambio, la respuesta de Jesús invitó a sus oyentes a aclarar su propio entendimiento y visión del reino de Dios, y cómo vivían sus convicciones de fe. Nos recuerda los tiempos en que vivimos hoy con la división y la absoluta mezquindad expresada por algunos de nuestros líderes políticos actuales. El reino de Dios y su crecimiento tienen muy poco que ver con si los republicanos o los demócratas o incluso los llamados independientes tienen el control del Congreso o la Casa Blanca. Las fortunas de los líderes y sistemas políticos van y vienen. Ha habido muchos imperios babilónicos y romanos a lo largo de la historia humana. Pero el reino de Dios inaugurado por Jesucristo permanece inmutable, y Dios puede sacar provecho de todas las personas y eventos para cumplir su voluntad. Nuestra misión es hacer conocer la voluntad de Dios por la forma en que vivimos nuestra fe y ayudar a los necesitados.

Fr. Chester Borski
Ministerio Hispano

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. Síntete 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 DISPONIBLES PARA ADORADORES
LUNES: 2-3 AM, 6-7 AM / VIERNES: 11 AM - MEDIODÍA, 7-8 PM / SÁBADOS: 1-2 AM

HORAS DISPONIBLES PARA CO-ADORADORES Y SUBSTITUTOS
Lunes: 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM.
Martes: 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM, MEDIANOCHE-1 AM.
Miércoles: 9-10 AM, 5-6 PM, 11 PM – MEDIANOCHE.
Jueves: 1-2 AM, 8-9 AM, 9-10 AM.
Viernes: 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM.
Sábado: 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM, 7-8 PM, 10-11 PM.
Domingo: 2-3 AM / 8-9 AM.

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

Legión de María—
Somos una organización apostólica de laicos en la iglesia Católica, aprobada por los aires últimos Papas y endiosada por el Concilio Vaticano II. Realizamos reuniones semanales en donde se reza el Santo Rosario, se asigna trabajos legionarios y se estudian temas informativos para hacer más eficaz el apostolado. Nuestros trabajos consisten en evangelizar y santificar hombres mediante visitas a: familias, cárcel, toques de puertas, llevando a la Virgen peregrina a los hogares, entre otras actividades recomendadas por la parroquia.

“Les invitamos a que conozcan más y formen parte de este hermosos ministerio que se reúne todos los viernes a las 7:00 pm, en el salón #2 de la antigua iglesia Sta. Martha en el 3702 Woodland Hills Dr., kingwood” para más información pueden contactarse a estos números
281-728-9843 Verónica Reyes o 859-250-3687 Mildred García

HAAM estara donando comida en el estacionamiento de St. Marta
4301 Woodridge Pkwy.
Porter TX 77365
este 15 de Noviembre 2017 de 11 am a 1 pm por orden de llegada

Se necesitan voluntarios para este evento por favor llamar a Alejandro Gutierrez a 832-860-4860 para mas informacion.

Picnic y Fútbol

El Domingo 29 de Octubre al terminar la misa de Espanol se llevara a cabo una convivencia familiar en el Woodland Hills campus en la parte de atrás que da al colegio. Vamos a tener un torneo de soccer y picnic. Para el picnic estamos pidiendo que cada quien traiga un platillo o do para compartir, piensen por favor en traer comida que no necesite refrigeración y no se eche a perder!

Para el torneo de soccer 5-5 de foot sala, el espacio es limitado. Los jugadores tienen que ser mayores de 10 años y usar el equipo apropiado (no se permite usar zapatos de tacos). Los equipos son mixtos y debe de haber una mujer en la cancha. Para más detalles favor de contactar al padre Richard frrichard@stmartha.com o al teléfono 281-713-8916.
María Goretti Network
Español para toda víctima 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 email a mariagorettiespanol@gmail.com. Allí se darán más información sobre el lugar y hora de las reuniones y se contestarán sus preguntas.

“Come & See” fin de semana [St. Joseph Colegio Seminario]
Noviembre de 3 – 5
Unirse a otros hombres mayores de 18 años, que están discerniendo serio sacerdocio o la vida religiosa, a un retiro “Ven y Ve fin de semana” en el colegio seminario San José en Covington, Louisiana. Habrá charlas, la oración y la oportunidad de interactuar con seminaristas y otros en proceso de discernimiento. Evento es gratuito. El espacio limitado. Breve entrevista para poder asistir. www.houstonvocations.com/come-and-see-weekend-louisiana

Si desea orar por las vocaciones y llevar el cálice de vocaciones comunicarse con William Lasalle (Tony) al (646)489-1554 o a su correo electrónico onairtony@gmail.com

Ya es tiempo de prepararse para el domingo 29, día del sacerdocio!
El domingo 29 de octubre se ha dedicado a honrar a nuestros sacerdotes en todo el mundo. Es un tiempo para reflexionar sobre el sacerdocio y afirmar el rol de los sacerdotes en la vida de la iglesia. Unámonos como comunidad Cristiana y démosle las gracias por su vocación y su ministerio. Afirmar y apoyar a nuestros sacerdotes es un regalo que podemos dar a ellos en esta ocasión especial. Te invitamos a celebrar a nuestros sacerdotes con una tarjeta de agradecimiento, con tus oraciones, penitencia y rosarios.

Rezar por nuestros sacerdotes!

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Descubre
Nov. 16 and Dec. 21, 7-9:30 pm
Reunión de discernimiento vocacional a la vida sacerdotal y religiosa en español para jóvenes adultos solteros (hombres y mujeres) de 18 a 35 años de edad que hayan completado preparatoria y/o equivalente. Las reuniones se llevarán a cabo en la Casa de Oración y Convento de las Hermanas Carmelitas Misioneras de Santa Teresa (9600 Deer Trail Dr., Houston, TX 77038). Habrá convivencia, comida, música, oración y temas vocacionales presentados por sacerdotes, religiosas y seminaristas. Evento gratuito. Registración, videos, y detalles en www.houstonvocations.com/descubre

Myriam Dinner para (Niñas de High school)
Oct. 27 @ 6:30 - 9:30 pm
Myriam Dinner es un programa para jóvenes de High School que está siniendo el llamado a la vida religiosa. El evento consiste en una noche de oración, cena, y compartir con hermanas religiosas de nuestra arquidiócesis. Lugar: Villa de Matel Convent (6510 Lawndale, Houston, TX 77023). Evento es libre de costo. Para más información comunicarse Ana Leija, Associate Director of Adolescent Faith Formation / Confirmation, (281)358-1959 Ext. 249, analeijastmartha.com