"This son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found."

Luke 15:24
Welcome

We are delighted to welcome each and every one who has come to worship with us today. Whether you’re a longtime parishioner, a newcomer, or just visiting, know that our desire is to extend God’s loving presence to all.

If you would like to register, you can download the registration form from our website, www.stmartha.com, or find a copy in the narthex on the Welcome Kiosk.

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

Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

I wanted to say thanks to everyone who supported the Priests vs. Seminarians basketball game last week. The seminarians won for the first time, and it was a great event for everyone! I’m thankful so many people showed up to cheer or watched the game online because we could feel the support and the encouragement that people give their priests and seminarians. Next year’s game will be on April 17, 2020, so you can mark your calendars!

Also, I wanted to alert you to a change to this year’s Church calendar. Many of you have been seeing the incredible progress on our new Chapel. It will be ready sometime this fall for a dedication. Since I don’t want to overload the parish staff and so many volunteers with too many big events this fall, we will take a year off for the parish festival and have our big parish celebration as a Chapel dedication party. We will resume the parish festival in 2020 but this year have a parish wide celebration on a Saturday sometime after the Chapel is dedicated. Since we aren’t sure when the chapel will be finished, the date of this celebration will be announced later as we get closer to the dedication. We will let everyone know about the date of the Chapel Dedication celebration, so stay tuned! I hope you all continue to have a wonderful Lenten Season and May God continue to bless you!

Fr. TJ

Sunday Readings and Reflection

Today’s Readings

First Reading — The Israelites ate of the yield of the land of Canaan (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — This man welcomes sinners and eats with them (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

God Forgives

The Lord said to Joshua, “Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you.” After forty years of wandering in the desert, this hard-headed people have finally reached the Promised Land. No more do they eat the manna in the desert, but they partake of the fruits of their new homeland. God has kept the promise to their parents in Egypt. Even though they were a sinful people, many times questioning God and even worshiping false gods, God has forgiven them and fulfilled the promise. The “take-away” for us is that there is no sin that is unforgivable. We may have offended our neighbors, given a bad example to someone, or even worshiped the false gods of money and power. But God is a merciful God, true to the words spoken to us. God forgives all and calls us back to love.

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Please remember the sick and their families in your prayers:


Stewardship

4th Sunday of Lent

Today we hear one of the most beloved stories in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus’ parable of the Prodigal Son. Reconciliation is a prominent theme. Seeing the younger son returning to him, the son who left the family and squandered his inheritance, the compassionate father runs to embrace him. Jesus offers us a vision of a loving God who is merciful and forgiving when we, through our own sinfulness, leave his presence, and then through repentance, return to him. The remainder of the Lenten season offers us an opportunity to reflect on God’s compassion and our need for reconciliation. Consider celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation and experience God’s loving embrace and forgiveness.

Administrative News

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 7. (Donations must be received by deadline to be included in the Easter Bulletin).

2019 DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND:
Goal $ 305,000
Payments to Date $ 67,068

Giving has never been easier with Text-to-Give. Securely make a one-time gift to St. Martha Offertory, Martha’s Kitchen, Capital Campaign or current special collection. Text 281-324-8582. Text $ amount in message line. Follow link to complete one-time registration.

PLEASE NOTE: The St. Martha Parish Pastoral Council represents the St. Martha community in providing counsel and consultation to Fr. TJ. Council members will be available in the Narthex before and after all masses the second Sunday each month.

BULLETIN DEADLINES FOR THE PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER SUNDAY BULLETINS

Please note: The April 14 & 21 bulletin deadlines have changed.
Information for the April 14 bulletin must be submitted be 9 AM on Wednesday, April 3.
Information for the April 21 bulletin must be submitted by 9 AM on Wednesday, April 10.

Regular bulletin deadline: Friday, 9 AM, one week prior to publication.
(Based on space availability and ministry leader approval)
Submit announcements by e-mail to jodis@stmartha.com

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Parish Lenten Mission

Theme: “Prayer”
Dates: April 1-4, 2019
Time: 7-8:30 p.m.
Location: In the Church (4301 Woodridge Pkwy.)

MISSION SCHEDULE
Monday, April 1, 7-8:30 p.m.: Misión parroquial en español
Tuesday, April 2, 7-8:30 p.m.: “Prayer and the Eucharist” beginning with Mass followed by a teaching on the Eucharist by Fr. TJ and Fr. Jonathan.
Wednesday, April 3, 7-8:30 p.m.: “Prayer and Music” with the music ministry of St. Martha’s.
Thursday, April 4, 7-8:30 p.m.: “Prayer and Silence” with the deacons and spiritual directors of St. Martha’s.

Knights of Columbus Annual Fish Fry Dinner

Friday Evenings during Lent
6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.
March 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th
April 5th & 12th

Your support of Knights of Columbus events allows us to donate to these worthy charities:
Capital Campaign, Shepherd’s Cup Golf Outing, Arch. for the Military Services, Coats For Kids, Adore Ministries, Divine Providence Kitchen Nuns, Family Promise, St. Martha Catholic School, Magnificat Houses, Cristo Rey, College Scholarships, EWTN Catholic TV Event, Casa Juan Diego, St. Mary’s Seminary, Clergy Gifts Christmas & Easter, HAAM Catholic Charities, American Wheelchair Mission, Parish Vocations Committee, St. Vincent de Paul, KC State Charities, Ultrasound Machine Pro-Life, MS 150 Riders, Project Gabriel, School Sponsored Activities, Village Learning Center, RCIA, S.H.I.N.E. Catholic Works Camp, Orphanos, Houston Coalition for Life, Special Olympics, Priest Annuities, St. Joseph Helpers, RSVP for Seminarians, Martha’s Kitchen.

ADULT FISH DINNERS $12.00
CAJUN FRIED CATFISH or LEMON DILL SALMON
FRIES, HUSHPUPPIES, GREEN BEANS
COLESLAW, VELVETEA SHELLS & CHEESE
LEMONADE, ICED TEA or COFFEE

CHILD FISH DINNERS $5.00
FISH STICKS
FRIES, HUSHPUPPIES, VELVETEA SHELLS & CHEESE
LEMONADE or ICED TEA

On alternating weeks
Shrimp Gumbo & Shrimp Étouffée is available
$10.00 per Bowl
Anointing Of The Sick Mass,  
April 17: 10 AM and 7 PM  
**Holy Thursday Mass,**  
April 18: 7 PM *(No 6:30 AM or 8:30 AM Mass)*  
“So you could not keep watch with Me for one hour?” Matthew 26:40  
We will be in prayer following the 7 PM Mass *(Church closes at midnight)*  
**Good Friday,** April 19: 3 PM - Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion  
7:30 PM - Stations of the Cross  
*(No 8:30 AM Mass. Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence)*  
**Easter Vigil,** April 20: 8:30 PM *(No 5:30 PM Mass)*  
**Easter Sunday,** April 21: 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, and 1 PM *(Spanish Mass)*.  
**Overflow Masses will be held in the Activity Center on the Woodland Hills Campus at 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM**  
*(Chapel opens after 1 PM Mass. No 5:30 PM Lifeteen Mass and No Sunday Nursery)*

**PLEASE NOTE:**

♦ There will be no Mass or Reconciliation on Tuesday evening, April 16 and no 5:30 PM Mass or 4:30 PM confession on Saturday, April 20.

♦ During Holy week, the School Mass will take place on Wednesday, April 17 at 8:30 AM in the Activity Center on the Woodland Hills Campus.

♦ The Parish Office will close at noon on Holy Thursday, April 18, and will remain closed through Monday, April 22. The office will reopen on Tuesday morning, April 23, at 9 AM.

♦ Confessions times during Holy Week:  
  ⇒ Wednesday, April 17: 11 AM and 6 pm  
  ⇒ Thursday, April 18: 8-10 am  
  ⇒ Friday, April 19: 8-11 AM  
  ⇒ Saturday, April 20: 10 AM-NOON
Vocations Corner

Director of Community Life: Francine Puglia, (281)358-6637 Ext. 200, franp@stmartha.com
For a complete list of Community Life Ministries please turn to page 14 of this bulletin.

The Life after Loss grief support group will begin another nine week session Wednesday, April 10, from 10 AM–Noon, in Room 2, at the Woodland Hills Campus. Anyone who is experiencing the death of a loved one is welcome to come. Please call Laurie at 281-360-2714, or e-mail lauriecardella@outlook.com for more information and to sign up.

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 1, 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.

Family and friends of L.G.B.T. Catholics – Are invited to gather for prayer, discussion and fellowship. Our focus is on building bridges and staying close to the Church. For information on the monthly gathering, please contact Francine at franp@stmartha.com

NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES
Come join us! NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40 and older, gathers on Wednesday, April 3, to talk/eat/drink at 7 PM at McAlister’s Deli, 9477 FM 1960 (at Townsen) in Humble. On Saturday, April 6, we will attend 5:30 PM Mass at St. Mary Magdalene’s in Humble; meal afterwards at Longhorn Steakhouse, 20247 Hwy. 59 N (Deerbrook Mall) in Humble. Meet in the narthex of the church at 5:15 PM. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybmom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!
St Martha’s Women’s ACTS will hold their next retreat Sept. 12-15. Note: signups will take place May 4-5, 2019, in the Narthex. For questions please contact W24 Director Amy Avery at 713-480-1204 or via e-mail amavery4@gmail.com.

Congratulations Sr. Marillac!!!
Please join Sr. Marillac Njoku at the 9 am Mass on March 31 at St. Martha for her 25th Anniversary Silver Jubilee Celebration.
Refreshments will be served in the Narthex after Mass.

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Mark 1:16-20

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS:
Please join the HYATT FAMILY in prayer this week as they host the Chalice and pray for Vocations. Interested? Please contact Karen Ehlig at 281-813-3285 or by e-mail at karenehlig@gmail.com to schedule a week.

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 10 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. If you are new to our community or have never been, try us out. Bring a friend and join the fun! We meet on the second, fourth and fifth Wednesday of each month for fellowship, bingo and lunch. 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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Director of Faith Formation: Carla Lewton, (281)358-1959 Ext. 213, carlal@stmartha.com
For a complete list of Faith Formation ministries please turn to page 14 of this bulletin.

The Faith Formation Office will close at noon on Holy Thursday, April 18, and will remain closed through Monday, April 22. The office will reopen on Tuesday, April 23, at 9 AM.

Join us as we continue to hear from Bishop Barron about the next two “Pivotal Players” — those saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization. This new program will feature St. Augustine, the Teacher, and St. Benedict, the Monk. We meet in Room 2 (Faith Formation Campus) from 10:35-11:45 a.m. (while kids are in CCE). For questions please contact Carla Lewton at 281-713-8968 or carlal@stmartha.com.

Calling moms of all ages!

St Martha's Moms Group

Be sure to join our Facebook group: St. Martha’s Moms (Kingwood, Tx)
For more information e-mail Abbie at stmarthasmoms@gmail.com.
We look forward to meeting you.

Upcoming meeting—April 5: 9:30-11 a.m. in the Youth Center.
We will be having a Lenten reflection.

Are you interested in looking into the Catholic Church or completing your sacraments?

RCIA is your answer!

RCIA is a process for adults, either unbaptized or baptized in another Christian faith, who:
- Wish to know more about the Catholic faith.
- Are Catholics who need to complete their sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

We will have a NEW INQUIRER GROUP BEGINNING SOON!
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.

Young Adult Ministry at St. Martha serves the spiritual and faith formation needs of young adults between 18-35ish years old
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME AT ALL EVENTS!

www.stmartha.com/youngadults | facebook.com/groups/YAStM
youngadults@stmartha.com

North Houston Catholic Young Adults
Camping Trip May 31st - June 2nd
Join us for s'mores, fishing, swimming, hiking, laughs and friends at Lake Livingston State Park for our camping trip!
Contact Matt Cooke for more info at 281 299 6775 | youngadults@stmartha.com

Fish Fry
April 12
We will attend the Knights of Columbus fish fry at 6:00 p.m. on Woodlands Hills Campus then Stations of the Cross at 7:30 p.m. in the main campus. Join us for either part of the evening!

Bible Study
Mondays at 7:00 p.m.
Join us in the parlor of the main church (first door in the left side halfway) We are currently studying the book of Exodus.

Women's Bible Study
Starting April
25 at 6:30 p.m.
For more information contact Betti Gonzalez at (210) 906 - 4069

Come and join hundreds of young adults ages 18-39!
Teams will serve those in need,
the sick, the poor, the hungry, homeless, prisoners and immigrants

Let’s be the HANDS & FEET of CHRIST

This is a FREE EVENT. Registrations are required. www.adrianosbridge2019.com (210) 741-8778. Grace weekly joins a list of service projects both April 13th.

FREE EVENT
March 1-31, 2019
SUNDAYS FREE admission $10 DINNER 6-7:30 PM
GRAND OPENING SATURDAY 3-7 PM
BEAUTIFUL NEW CAFE & RESTAURANT
PLACE 100 N. MAIN ST.
OPEN WED - SAT 11-6 PM & SUN 1-5 PM

ST. JOSEPH'S KIDS\' CAFE
ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
100 N. MAIN ST.
KINGWOOD, TX
($5 OFF 4-PACK SUN. LUNCH OR DINNER)
ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT KIDS' CAFE & CHURCH
NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER.
NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO WIN.
OFFICIAL RULES AVAILABLE VIA EMAIL OR AT CAFE.
**Faith Formation—Youth**

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**SHINE Car Wash and Operation Paint Brush**

This summer almost 100 members of our high school youth group will travel to McAllen, TX for a week of service through the SHINE organization. SHINE stands for Serving HIM in the Needy and Elderly. To offset the cost of the trip and to purchase necessary supplies, the youth members will be collecting donations of funds and also providing a car wash at all Masses this weekend, March 30/31. Thanks for supporting our youth ministry!

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**Vacation Bible School 2019**

June 10-14, 12:45-4:00 pm

**REGISTRATION**

Beginning April 1

Register online at stmartha.com/vbs

Forms available if needed in the Faith Formation office.

For more information call Patty 218-713-8969 or visit stmartha.com/vbs

High School and Adult volunteers are needed.

To volunteer register online.

Can’t volunteer? Help feed our hungry volunteers. Donate individually wrapped snacks or bottled water!

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**Catholic Daughters of the Americas**

Court St. Martha #2504

2019 Annual Scholarship Applications

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas 2019 Annual Scholarships will be awarded in May 2019 to two or three college-bound, service-oriented, high school seniors at St. Martha. Applications are available at the Parish office. Application & requested documents must be delivered or postmarked by Monday, April 30, 2019.
On April 5 our Parish Organist, Olga Wong, will be giving a beautiful performance of music for the First Friday Organ Recital Series at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart (1111 St Joseph Pkwy, Houston). The recital begins at 12:45 pm (immediately following the 12:10 pm mass). Admission is free – please feel free to bring friends and family.

Calling all the Sweet 16 Girls as well as all the girls in High School to participate in:

Sweet 16 Girls Retreat
Saturday, April 27, in Room 2 at the Woodland Hills Campus, 10 am

Mass on Saturday, June 1, at St. Martha Church, 3 pm

The cost of the retreat and the Mass is $50 for each participant. If you are 16 or enrolled in High School, you are a candidate for this blessed and joyful experience. For more information please contact Yazmin Lago (yaz_lago@msn.com)

Here is the Communion antiphon for 5:30 Saturday, 7am, and 9am Masses this weekend. The cantor or choir will sing through it once first; after this, please join us in singing each additional repetition of the antiphon.

8. You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.
ST. MARGARET OF COSTELLO’S SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

Please join us on the first Monday of the month at 8 PM at the old campus as we start a new ministry for the families of people with special needs. The group will not only serve as a support group, but also serve as a conduit for information, tend to the catechetical needs of our special needs population, and, ultimately, build and operate a group home for the special needs population focusing on families that can no longer take care of their child. The meeting will highlight speakers who are subject matter experts on caring for people with special needs. Detailed speaker list to come in future bulletins! For more information contact Craig Simonsgaard, 832-633-0321 or craig.simonsgaard@gmail.com.

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ST. MARtha’s Second Family Ministry

consists of a group of volunteers who provide personal presence and assistance to make life better for the weak and vulnerable and for those who serve them. Through simple acts of kindness, team members enable care “partners” to retain their independence and self-esteem while offering primary caregivers respite from the demands of caring for a loved one. If you or someone you know could benefit from Second Family Ministry, please contact Sharon Voorhes at StMartha2ndfamily@gmail.com.

This ministry is also looking for additional volunteers. Please join us at our next meeting, April 9, 7 PM at the Woodland Hills Campus, Room 5.

Director of Social Services and Outreach Ministries:
Olga Najar, (281)713-8966, olgan@stmartha.com
For a complete list of Social Service and Outreach Ministries please turn to page 14 of this bulletin.

THANK YOU for your continued donations to Martha’s Kitchen. Your thoughtful generosity is most appreciated. May you and your family have a blessed Easter.

Note: Martha’s Kitchen will be closed on Holy Thursday, April 18; Good Friday, April 19; and Easter Monday, April 22.

Maria Goretti Network (MGN) - Support Group for Survivors of Abuse

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.

Pro-Life Prayer Opportunities—Would you like to meet with other St. Martha parishioners to pray for an end to abortion and to offer real support to the young women in the Houston area struggling with an unplanned pregnancy? Please join us!

Daily: After each 8:30 Mass, meet at the back of the sanctuary for a Pro-Life rosary in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary statue.
Weekly: After the Thursday rosary, carpool for a light breakfast locally, then for an hour of prayer outside the Planned Parenthood in downtown Houston.

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.
St. Martha Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2019-20 school year. Interested families are invited to create an online application by visiting the school website: www.stmarthacs.org, click Admissions, then Apply Online. All new applications are accepted online. Please email Jodie Richter at richterj@stmarthacs.org with any questions.

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.

St. Martha’s Catholic School is hiring for the 2019-20 school year! Please apply online at www.choosecatholicschools.org.

- Assistant Principal
- Instructional Support Liaison
- Library & Media Specialist
- Advancement & Development Director
- Classroom Teacher

Email the principal, Jessica Munscher, with any questions: munscherj@stmarthacs.org

SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD
St. Martha’s Catholic School is seeking new member volunteers to discern to serve on the School Advisory Board (SAB). Discernment will be held on May 14, 2019.

St. Martha Catholic School Board is advisory and consultative to the Principal & Pastor. The school board assists the Principal & Pastor in recommendations and articulating the educational needs and aspirations of the school and school community, based on our Strategic Plan. The School Board advises and gives guidance in the areas of Catholic Identity & Academic Excellence, Enrollment & Marketing/Development & Institutional Advancement and School Leadership & Governance/Finance/Facilities.

Each board member discerned serves a term of three years and may serve up to two terms. Meetings are held the second Monday of every third month, beginning in August. Meeting are from 6:30-8 pm in the school library.

To be able to discern for the school board, all of the following qualifications must apply:
- Registered parishioner of St. Martha Catholic Church
- Parishioner may or may not have children within the school
- Parishioner must be in full communion with the Catholic Church
- Parishioner may not be an employee or spouse of an employee of St. Martha Catholic Church or St. Martha Catholic School

Interested candidates should email the school principal, Mrs. Jessica Munscher, at munscherj@stmarthacs.org by May 5, with their interest in serving in this important ministry.

Help Wanted—Shalom Center
Shalom Center has an immediate opening for a full-time housekeeper. The hours are Monday through Friday 10 AM to 6:30 PM. This allows for a 30-minute lunch which is provided. Individual interested please contact Sheila at 281-399-0520 or sgolson@shalomcenterinc.org

Save the Date
Wednesday
April 24, 2019
Cenacle Ministry
Annual Spring Dinner
Honoring Monsignor Chester Borski
Auction will include items from the Cenacle on Kirkwood

St. Martha’s Catholic School
Spring Gala
Dinner, Open Bar & Dancing Live & Silent Auction
Saturday, April 27, 2019
6:30 p.m.
Back Pew Brewing Co.
26452 Sorters Mc Clellan Road
Porter, Texas 77365
one.bidpal.net/smcs gala19
## 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
Legión de Maria—
Somos una organización apostólica de laicos en la iglesia Católica, aprobada por los últimos tres Papas y endorsada por el Concilio Vaticano II. Realizamos reuniones semanales en donde se reza el Santo Rosario, se asignan 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, cárceles, 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 hermoso ministerio que se reúne todos los viernes a las 7PM. En el salón #2 de la antigua iglesia Sta. Martha en el 3702 Woodland Hills Dr. Para más información pueden contactar a estos números 281-728-9843 Verónica Reyes ó 504-228-6699 Mildred Garcia

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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.
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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
Contemporary: .......................................... 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.