Palm Sunday
of the Passion of the Lord
April 14, 2019

"Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."
Luke 23:43
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.

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**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday:** Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

**Lord’s Supper:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**Friday:** Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

**Saturday:**

a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bdc, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

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**Sunday Readings and Reflection**

**Today’s Readings**


**First Reading** — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Psalm** — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).


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**The Story of Our Redemption**

We begin the final week of Lent with these familiar readings. This year, we hear the Passion from the Gospel of Luke. These readings for Palm Sunday and the Passion used to be read on successive Sundays. Now they are combined into a single feast, so that we may see the whole sweep of the glory and the suffering played out. Jesus accepts the adulation of the crowd, the foreshadowing of his glory in the Resurrection. He bids farewell to his disciples in his last Passover, and forgives his tormentors as he dies on the cross. Later this week, we enter the Holy Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, when the whole story of our redemption will play out once again.

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**Message from our Pastor**

Dear Parish Family,

We are entering into the holiest week of our year. Palm Sunday kicks off the wild ride that is Holy Week and we are reminded how Blessed we are to have a God who loves us so much. We remember all he went through this week to give us forgiveness of sins and the promise of everlasting life. I hope you manage to spend some time this week reflecting on the mysteries of our salvation and thanking God for the sacrifice He gave to you. If you have never been to the liturgies of Holy week, I’d strongly recommend it. We participate in a unique way in the life of Jesus and we remember all he did during this incredible week almost 2,000 years ago. The times of prayer for Holy Week are in the bulletin and it would be great to see our parish family fill the Church in our times of prayer together. As we enter into Holy Week, we ask the Lord to continue to bless our parish family that we might embrace the love and hope that our Lord gives us. May you and your families have a very blessed Holy week!

Fr. TJ
Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Confession times during Holy Week:

Wednesday, April 17: 11 AM-NOON and 6-7 PM
Thursday, April 18: 8-10 AM
Friday, April 19: 8-11 AM
Saturday, April 20: 10 AM-NOON (No 4:30 PM confession)

Monday, April 15:
8:30 AM Mass held in the Church

Tuesday, April 16:
8:30 AM Mass held in the Church
There will be no 4:30 PM confessions and no 7 PM Mass

Wednesday, April 17:
8:30 AM School Mass held at in the Activity Center on the Woodland Hills Campus.
Anointing Of The Sick Masses: 10 AM and 7 PM in the Church

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 Contemporary Mass and No Sunday Nursery)

Blessing of Easter Food
When: Noon on Holy Saturday, April 20
Location: Church Narthex

According to custom, households may bring a sampling of their Easter meal (and/or food items from a child’s Easter basket) to church in a basket for the priest to bless. The blessing connects the Easter celebration with the “ecclesial,” the little Church of the home. The custom helps to bring Easter into the home around the family table.

Please remember the recently deceased and their families in your prayers:
Carl Rosenberger (husband of Norma Rosenberger, father of Carla Thiry, Pamela DiMola and Michael Rosenberger)
Joseph Cook (father of Donna Rube)
Pierre Collee
Louis Snoe (husband of parishioner Shirley Snoe and father of parishioners Debbie McDaniel and Cheryl Strickland)
Thomas Bosch (father of Kathy Steirman)
Mary Ann Carroll

Please remember the sick and their families in your prayers:

Communion to the Sick: If you or a loved one are in Kingwood Hospital or are homebound and would like a Communion Minister to visit, call the church office at 281-358-6637 to let us know.
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, ext. 201, or jodis@stmartha.com.
Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion

We now enter a week in our liturgical year that is like no other — Holy Week. The complete name for this Sunday’s liturgy is “Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion.” Let us do our best to live this week closely connected to our Lord whose passionate love for us knows no bounds — culminating in His death on the cross and His triumph over death — all for us. Two very different responses to our Lord’s passion are highlighted during the Gospel reading from Luke today: the response of Simon of Cyrene and the response of Jesus’ acquaintances. Of Simon we are told, “They took hold of a certain Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country; and after laying the cross on him, they made him carry it behind Jesus.” Whether Simon entered willingly and compassionately into this service or whether he took up the Cross of Christ with a grudge, we don’t know. What we do know is this: Simon did his part faithfully. He stayed near to Christ, carrying the Cross until our Lord reached Golgotha, the site of His crucifixion. We also know that Simon’s family were among the first of the early Christians. Staying near to Christ, embracing the Cross (quite literally), transformed his life and the life of his family.

In contrast, near the end of this Gospel account we are told of another reaction to Jesus’ passion and death, namely that “all His acquaintances stood at a distance.” They knew Jesus! They had heard him preaching and teaching, witnessed His signs and miracles, maybe even benefited personally from them. Perhaps they did not participate in mocking Him or calling for His crucifixion. But they chose to stay a safe distance from Him when the going got tough. Unlike Simon, they refused to go too near to Christ. Where will you place yourself this week? Keeping your distance from all the pain and suffering Christ endured? Or close by, staying near to Him like Simon did? It is when we go near to Christ that we can be transformed by Him. It is by embracing the crosses in our lives, stewarding them well rather than trying to run from them, that we become His true disciples.

Divine Mercy Novena

Divine Mercy Novena offers nine days of prayer, and starts Good Friday.

The Divine Mercy novena is prayed between Good Friday and the Sunday of Divine Mercy, which is the Sunday following Easter. Those praying the novena are to pray for the special intentions of each day followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

St. Faustina wrote that Jesus told her, “On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy … On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls. (Diary of Faustina, 1209)

Special intentions for souls during the Divine Mercy Novena:

Day 1 (Good Friday) – All mankind, especially sinners
Day 2 (Holy Saturday) – The souls of priests and religious
Day 3 (Easter Sunday) – All devout and faithful souls
Day 4 (Easter Monday) – Those who do not believe in Jesus and those who do not yet know Him
Day 5 (Easter Tuesday) – The souls of separated brethren
Day 6 (Easter Wednesday) – The meek and humble souls and the souls of children
Day 7 (Easter Thursday) – The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus’ mercy
Day 8 (Easter Friday) – The souls who are detained in purgatory
Day 9 (Easter Saturday) – The souls who have become lukewarm.

For a list of these prayers in its entirety, please visit www.ewtn.com/devotionals/mercy/novena.htm or visit the nearest Catholic bookstore to purchase the Divine Mercy Novena prayers.
Administrative News

Ministry Handbook Advertising Opportunity

We are in the process of updating our annual Ministry Handbook for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, and activities. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call Jodi at the parish office, 281-358-6637, ext. 201.

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.

2019 Diocesan Services Fund

God bless each of you who have so generously responded in support of the 2019 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.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection—

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.
Community Life Ministries

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

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, May 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 kczbubik@mac.com.

St. Martha Women's ACTS Retreat
Sept. 12-15, 2019
Registration for the September Women’s English ACTS Retreat will be held the weekend of May 4-5 after each Mass in the Narthex. The ACTS retreat is a three day/three night retreat that focuses on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, and is presented by parishioners of St. Martha. Registration is limited and is on a first-come first-served basis and must include a non-refundable deposit of $50. The cost of the retreat is $200 but do not let the financial considerations prevent you from attending the retreat. Please prayerfully consider attending this exciting retreat!! If you have any questions, you can contact the retreat Director, Amy Avery at 713-480-1204 or amavery4@gmail.com. Registration forms available on-line at www.stmarthaacts.com

Anyone who is experiencing the death of a loved one is welcome to come to the Life after Loss grief support group. They meet on Wednesdays, from 10 AM-Noon, in Room 2, at the Woodland Hills Campus. Please call Laurie at 281-360-2714, or email lauriecardella@outlook.com for more information and to sign up.

NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES

NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, a ministry for singles ages 40 and older, will next gather on Wednesday, April 17, to talk/eat/drink at 7 PM at Pappas Bar-B-Q, 19713 Hwy. 59 North in Humble. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybmmom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

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 francp@stmartha.com

ST. MARTHA ROSARY GUILD
Come and join us! Enjoy an afternoon of fun, fellowship and making rosaries.
April Rosary Guild Meetings (Room 2, Woodland Hills Campus)
Second Sunday 1—3 PM
Fourth Wednesday 11:30 AM—3 PM
Contact Gilda Womack, 281-989-4241 or gawomack@hotmail.com, for more information, membership, rosary supplies, and rosary orders.
How to pray the rosary classes and refresher classes! Contact Flora at fkattijaari@gmail.com for upcoming class dates. Classes are for adults and children of all ages. Groups welcome. Free one hour class, complimentary rosary and pamphlet on how to pray the rosary. Refreshments served.

Life AFTER LOSS

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Are you a homeschooler or teacher who wants to talk about vocations?

Does your son or daughter have the interest or qualities to become a priest or religious?
Do you want to explore ways to show appreciation for our priests or support a vocation ministry?
If so, explore www.vocationministry.com for information and ideas about the priesthood, religious, single, and married life.

Serra Club Northeast of Houston Invites You To Their Monthly Dinner and Meeting
Monday, April 22
6:30 pm Social,
7-8:30 pm Dinner and Program
Italiano’s Restaurant, 217 FM 1960 at Bypass Road East
The cost for dinner is $15 per person

Guest speaker: Rev. Phil “Skip” Negley

RSVP: Eileen Benvegnu, eileenbenvegnu@yahoo.com, (713) 826-4943

Serra Clubs foster and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life; encourages and affirms vocations to the consecrated life and nurtures the spiritual growth and formation of its lay members.

Serra Club Northeast of Houston is part of Serra USA, District 10, serving St. Martha, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Philip, St. John of the Cross, St. Leo, and St. Dominic. To find out more about this organization, go to https://serra10.com.

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

CHALICE FOR Vocations:
Please join the LUCAS 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.

Scholarship Opportunities

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.

Knights of Columbus
Council #12320
Scholarship Applications

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

Applications are available at the Parish office or on line from Marty Krupp - martybk@gmail.com
These documents must be delivered or postmarked by April 30, 2019.
**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.

**BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY:** Please join us for Breakfast & Bible Study on Tuesday mornings, 9:30 –10:45 AM, in Room 2 on the Faith Formation campus. We will be reading, studying and sharing on the Sunday Scriptures (led by Carla Lewton). You do not have to register for this free study.

**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.

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

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

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

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

If you would like more information or to participate, please contact: Carla Lewton, carlal@stmartha.com, 281-713-8968
Vacation Bible School 2019
June 10-14, 12:45-4:00 pm
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!!
Register online at stmartha.com/vbs
Forms available if needed in the Faith Formation office.

For more information call Patty 281-713-8969 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!

Students will serve in the Kingwood-Humble-New Caney area and then come back together at St. Martha for time in fellowship and prayer with peers.

Lisa Hartsfield: lisah@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

How-To Workshops
May 7th - How to find an apartment or house
May 8th - Tips for a Healthy lifestyle
May 14th - Budgeting and Finances 101
May 15th - Finding your next Job
Email us or join our FB group for more information.

Be You Retreat
Saturday, June 15
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
BeYou focuses on the idea that we as Catholics have to be faithful to God, ourselves, and our future spouses. This retreat will allow young adults who want to dive deeper into their faith to grow, share and network with other young adults in the same path. The retreat will be followed by other events with a similar theme. More info to come!
Email us if you are interested.

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

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

Monthly Dinner May 4 at 7:00 p.m.
We will gather at Matt’s house for a homemade meal with time for laughs, fellowship and prayer. This is a great way to get to know other young adults.
Contact Matt Cooke for more info at 281-299-6775
CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING
Please come join us in prayer, praise, thanksgiving, song and supplication. Come and gain a closer knowledge of and union with the Holy Spirit, Jesus’ gift to us at the first Pentecost. (Acts 2:1-21) It is our great desire to give God glory and to develop a personal relationship with Jesus. We invite you to be one with us and to partake of His gifts.

Time: Fridays 7-8 PM and Saturdays 9-10 AM.
Place: Faith Formation Campus, 3702 Woodland Hills Drive at the Small Chapel.

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)
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.


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.

Out of work? Looking for a change?
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.

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.

CanCare Network - Support for Caregivers
A self help support group for caregivers of caregivers.

To learn more about the CanCare ministry contact Debbie Mikan, at 832-723-3459, or dmikan@outlook.com

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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.

Principal PK3-8th: Jessica Munscher, (281) 358-5523. For more information regarding SMCS please visit www.stmarthacs.org

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

St. Martha 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. Meetings 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 e-mail the school principal, Mrs. Jessica Munscher, at munscherj@stmarthacs.org by May 5, with their interest in serving in this important ministry.

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April 24, 2019
Cenacle Ministry
Annual Spring Dinner
Honoring Monsignor Chester Borski
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  **WOODLAND HILLS – 10 AM**

- **LA MISA DE QUINCEAÑERAS**
  **SÁBADO JUNIO 1º IGLESIA DE ST. MARTHA**
  @ 3 PM

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Para Mayor Información:
Yazmin Lago, 281-713-2032,
yaz_lago@msn.com

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**ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA PERPETUA**

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

**HORAS DISPONIBLES PARA \ ADORADORES**
**MARTES 4-5 PM. SÁBADO 7-8 PM, 9-10 PM.**

**HORAS DISPONIBLES PARA CO-ADORADORES Y SUBSTITUTOS**
Lunes: 1-2 AM , 3-4 AM, 11 AM - MEDIODIA, 7-8 PM, 8-9 PM
Martes: 2-3AM, 3-4AM, 7-8 AM, MEDIANOCHE-1AM
Miércoles: 2-3 AM, 4-5 AM, 4-5 PM, 7-8 PM, 8-9 PM, 11 PM - MEDIANOCHE
Jueves: 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 8-9 AM, 4-5 PM, 7-8 PM, 9-10 PM, 10-11 PM
Viernes: 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 6-7 AM , 4-5 PM , 12 - 1 PM,6-7 PM, 8-9 PM, 10-11 PM
Sábado AM: 1-2 AM, 5-6 AM, 9-10 AM, 10-11 AM, 11 AM - MEDIODIA
Sábado PM: 2-3 PM , 3-4 PM, 4-5 PM, 7-8 PM, 9-10 PM, 10-11PM
Domingo: 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 8-9 AM, 10-11AM, 11 AM - MEDIODIA, 2-3 PM, 9-10 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

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**Legión de María**

Somos una organización apostólica de laicos en la iglesia Católica, aprobada por los últimos tres Papas y endorada por el Concilio Vaticano II.

Realizamos reuniones semanales en donde se reza el Santísimo 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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**MARIA GORETTI NETWORK**
**ESPAÑOL PARA TODA VICTIMA DE ABUSO**

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

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Monday-Friday: 9 AM - 4 PM

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Office hours
Monday - Thursday: 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Friday: 7:30 AM - 2:30 PM

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.

Pastor:
Rev. T.J. Dolce

Parochial Vicar:
Rev. Jonathan Moré

Deacons:
Mr. Jon Barfield, Mr. Tony Cardella, Mr. KC Curtis, Mr. Bob MacFarlane, Mr. Ruben Manosalva, Mr. Diego Montiel, Mr. Al O'Brien, Mr. Miguel Perez, Mr. Guy T. Puglia, Mr. John Schuster, and Mr. Gary Yepsen