Be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding.

LUKE 12:35
## Mass Intentions for the Week

| Mon./Aug. 12 | 8:30 AM                  | †Joseph Cannon          |
|             |                         | †Robert & Mary Ann Affleck |
|             |                         | †Nancy Zaiz             |
| Tues./Aug. 13 | 8:30 AM            | †Victor Gonzalez         |
|             |                         | †Susana Zavala          |
|             |                         | †John Muñiz             |
|             | 7 PM                    | †Bill Beseda            |
|             |                         | †Gia Gallardo           |
|             |                         | †Mary Cook              |
| Wed./Aug. 14 | 8:30 AM              | Wende & Tim Pope        |
|             |                         | †Kevin Briones          |
|             |                         | †Javier Aguilar         |
|             | 10 AM                  | †Charles E. Nicholas     |
|             |                         | †Denise N. Jackson      |
|             |                         | †Ricky Johnson          |
| Thurs./Aug. 15/Feast of the Assumption Fri./Aug. 16 | 8:30 AM | †Maria Clara Arzate |
|             |                         | †Jack Throop            |
|             |                         | †Sophie Piercy Stanley  |
| Sat./Aug. 17 | 5:30 PM               | †George Calogne         |
|             |                         | †Dorothy Palus          |
|             |                         | †Bill Sala              |
| Sun./Aug. 18 | 7 AM                  | For the Parish          |
|             | 9 AM                   | †George Spartz          |
|             |                         | †Mary Grace Presley     |
|             |                         | †Jane Borowski          |
|             | 11 AM                  | †Mary Beth Doyle        |
|             |                         | †Don Delaney            |
|             |                         | †Jerome Rucka           |
|             | 1 PM                   | †Hernan Triana Rodriguez |
|             |                         | †Teresa Gallardo Rigual |
|             |                         | †German Duque Reyes     |
|             | 5 PM                   | †Paul La Chapelle       |
|             |                         | †Gloria La Chapelle     |
|             |                         | †Chris Lyden            |

## Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

I know that the start of school is right around the corner, so I hope everyone enjoys what they have left of summer break. As we transition into the start of another school year, the life of the parish starts ramping up. One of the ways we mark that in our parish is through our ministry fair. For the next two weekends (August 17-18 and August 24-25) we will have representatives of our parish ministries in the narthex after Mass. They are there to answer questions about their ministries and to help anyone who wants to volunteer to be a part of those ministries. It is a great way for us to reflect on what gifts God has given us so we can share with our parish family. For those new to the parish, I invite you to look through the list of ministries in our bulletin and see what gifts you might be able to share. We have a very active parish with a diversity of ministries, so there really is something for everyone! We pray that we may continue to share the gifts we have been given as a parish to help make a difference in the lives of so many people! Thanks for all your support in our ministry fair and thank you to everyone who is already involved. Our parish is amazing because of your generosity in sharing your gifts! Many of you notice the Chapel is nearing completion. Hopefully by next week, I’ll be able to give everyone a date for the dedication and the process for those who want to attend. Unfortunately, we only have 250 seats in the new Chapel, but we will let you know next week how we will go about filling up the new chapel for the dedication Mass. Please continue to pray for safety for all those working so we can get into our new house of prayer as soon as possible!

God bless,

Fr. TJ

## Sunday Readings and Reflection

**First Reading** — Your ancestors waited in faith and courage for God’s promised summons (Wisdom 11:1-2, 8-12 [1-2, 8-12]).

**Psalm** — Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** — By faith Abraham sojourned in the promised land (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]).

**Gospel** — You do not know the day nor the hour when the Son of Man will appear (Luke 12:32-48 [35-40]).


## Faith and Hope

Faith and hope are closely united in today’s readings. The Israelites knew when the Passover was coming, and so were not in fear, but had faith and courage, “putting into effect with one accord the divine institution.” In this we can see a foretelling of the Eucharist that we celebrate according to Christ’s command, “Do this in memory of me.”

We see that Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob died in faith, although they did not see fulfillment of the promise. We live in hope that our faith will be fulfilled every time we celebrate this sacrament. We too are not to be afraid, but to have hope that our faith will be fulfilled in the coming of Christ.

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Mark your calendars for St. Martha’s Annual Stewardship Renewal!

Aug. 17-18: Faith Formation, School, and Liturgy Ministries

Aug. 24-25: Community Life and Outreach Ministries

Join the St. Martha community to learn more about how you can become involved and support our many ministries here at St. Martha. Ministry members will be available after every Mass to share what they do and answer questions. You’ll have the opportunity to join ministries and inquire more about the amazing activities happening at St. Martha. Volunteering for a ministry is a great way to give thanks to God by sharing your gifts of Time and Talent. Please join us!

(For a complete listing of St. Martha ministries please see page 14 of the bulletin under Ministry Contact Information)

For the weekend of Aug. 3 & 4 your STEWARDSHIP GIFTS OF TREASURE resulted in:

- Sunday Collection $37,180
- Holy Day-Assumption $12
- Total $37,192
- Year To Date: $329,312
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- Payments to Date $234,272

**Current Loan Debt**: $7,744,199

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**This year the Infirm Priests Collection is Aug. 10-11. Please be as generous as you can in this important need.**

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.

**FAUST OF THE ASSUMPTION**

Thursday, Aug. 15, is the Feast of the Assumption

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Vigil Mass, Aug. 14: 7 PM

Feast Day Masses, Aug. 15:

6:30 AM, Noon, and 7 PM

The School Mass will be held at 8:30 AM in the Activity Center on the Woodland Hills Campus.

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- Jacques Bouchez (husband of Cristina Bouchez and father of Jerome Bouchez)
- Noreen Stack (sister of Catherine Connelly)
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- Chris Schod
- Marguerite Miller (mother of Greg Miller)
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**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.

**Stewardship**

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another”

1 Peter 4:10

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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. For more information email: stmartha.pastoral.council@gmail.com

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:**
Friday, 9 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.

**OFFICE CLOSURES**
The Parish and Faith Formation Offices will be closing at 12:30 PM on Monday, Aug. 12, for a Staff Day of Prayer and will reopen on Tuesday, Aug. 12, at 9 p.m.
The Parish and Faith Formation Offices will be closed on Thursday, Aug. 15, for the Feast of the Assumption and will reopen on Friday, Aug. 16, at 9 AM.

**Community Life Ministries**

**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.

**PARISH BLOOD DRIVE**
The fourth Parish Blood Drive for 2019, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 18, 8 am - 1:45 pm in the Activity Center on the Woodland Hills Campus.
The Knights of Columbus will be in the Narthex before and after each mass this weekend, Aug. 10/11, to assist you with an appointment so that you may donate. Walk-ins are always welcome on the day of the Blood Drive. You may schedule an appointment by emailing jnd.gurka@gmail.com or call Darien Gurka at (713) 628-0373. Online appointments may be scheduled by visiting www.giveblood.org. (Please enter the sponsor code 1220 for St. Martha Catholic Church)
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.

**Moms Collegian & Young Adults Prayer Group:**
The Moms Collegian & Young Adults Prayer Group will meet on Monday, Aug. 12, from 7-8 PM in the Adult Education Meeting Room 1 at the Faith Formation Campus (Woodland Hills Campus.) Although this group is intended for women whose children are college age, all moms who want to pray for their children are welcomed.
If you have questions, please e-mail Gloria Gàmez at mornglor@yahoo.com

**Divorced. Catholic. Now What? Navigating Your Life After Divorce.**
This is a simple program of *support, encouragement* and *recovery* for those who find themselves separated or divorced and are looking for a way to navigate through the myriad of feelings and emotions in the aftermath. Led by a team of divorced Catholics, some of the topics discussed include:

- Healing
- Anger
- Helping Children Cope
- Forgiveness
- Gratitude
- Hope

Please join us knowing that the Church supports and wants you – you belong! Yes, we can be divorced and a practicing Catholic.

Sept. 11 – Nov. 6, 7 - 8:30 PM
Wednesdays Evenings
St. Martha Parish Office Conference Room
(Next to the Church)

For information and registration, please contact:
Vicki Rück, 713-927-8815, vickiruck@suddenlink.net
Paula Amsler, 713-806-2641, paula-amsler@msn.com

*Cost: $15 for the book but don’t let cost be a deterrent please!*

St. Martha’s Life After Loss grief program offers a nine week support group beginning Wednesday, Sept. 25, from Noon to 2 PM. All who are experiencing the loss of a loved one are welcome to attend. For more information and to sign up, please call 281-360-2714 or e-mail lauriecardella@outlook.com.

**The honor of Your Presence is Requested**

At the 7th Annual Marriage Mass for

**All Married Couples**
And

**Their Families and Friends**

St. Martha Catholic Church

Friday, The 23rd of August
Two thousand and nineteen
7:00 pm
At St. Martha Catholic Church

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

Reception to Follow
Hosted by Kingwood Teams of Our Lady
**St. Martha Church Couple Prayer Series**

**Couple Prayer** is a weekly series on prayer for married or engaged couples. Experience first-hand how you can share Couple Prayer with your spouse in ways that will dramatically enhance your faith, your marriage, and the faith and well-being of your entire family.

**Where:** St. Martha, Faith Formation Campus, (Woodland Hills Drive) in the FLC

**When:** 7–9 PM, six Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 17

**For:** Married or engaged couples

**To register:** Send an e-mail to franp@stmartha.com

Please include both husband/wife names, both of your cell phone numbers and/or home phone number. Please say “Couple Prayer” in subject line. If babysitting is requested, please list the names and ages of your children requiring childcare.

For more information, contact Francine at franp@stmartha.com or 281-358-6637

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**ST. MARTHA ROSARY GUILD**

Come and join us! Enjoy an afternoon of fun, fellowship and making rosaries.

**August 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 flkattijaari@gmail.com for upcoming class dates. Classes are for adults and children of all ages. Groups welcome. Free one hour class, complementary rosary and pamphlet on how to pray the rosary. Refreshments served.

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**NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES**

Join us! NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, A MINISTRY FOR SINGLES AGES 40 and older, gathers on Wednesday, Aug. 14, to talk/eat/drink at 7 PM at Hippo Burgers, 5324 Atascocita Road (near Timber Forest Dr.) in Atascocita. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or Peggy Broyles (281-359-4560 or peggybymom4@gmail.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at either St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

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**St. Martha Women’s ACTS Retreat**

Sept. 12-15, 2019

Registration for the September Women’s English ACTS Retreat is full but we are still accepting registrations for the waiting list. 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. The cost of the retreat is $200 but do not let the financial considerations prevent you from attending the retreat. If you have any questions, you can contact the retreat Director, Amy Avery at 713-480-1204 or amaverey4@gmail.com. Registration forms available on-line at www.stmarchaacts.com

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**Seven Sisters Apostolate Prayer Group Openings**

We are looking for women who feel called to pray for the priests in our parish. Our group has one woman for each day of the week who dedicate one hour of their choosing to pray for our parish priests. We have open days on Wednesday and Saturday. If you can dedicate one hour of prayer, each week, on one of the days listed above; we would love for you to join us! We are also looking to add a few new substitutes to our list as well. A substitute is someone who may fill in for a full time Seven Sister when they are unable to pray on their day for any reason. Prayer booklets are available to help you with your hour. This is a commitment from Sept. 2019 - June 2020. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Kimberly Broussard 832-279-5675 or email: klabroussard13@gmail.com

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**Young at Heart Luncheon - Summer Vacation**

The Young at Heart Luncheons held at St. Martha’s on the second, fourth and fifth Wednesday of each month will NOT be held during the Summer. We will **resume on Wednesday, Sept. 11.** Have a great summer and check the bulletin in August for information on the September luncheons.
Faith Formation

**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.

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**CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS:**
Please join the **SOBCZAK 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.

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**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

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**SAMUEL GROUP**

“Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.”

1 Samuel 3:9

A discernment group for young women, ages 19-30, who will meet together once a month for six months in order to study, pray, and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God.

**Tuesday Nights: 6-9 pm**
St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1505 Kane St, Houston, TX, 77007

- Oct. 8, Nov. 5, Dec. 10, Jan. 21, Feb. 18, and Mar. 24

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**YOU ARE INVITED!**

Serra Club Northeast of Houston

**Monthly Dinner and Meeting**
Monday, Aug. 26 * 6:30 p.m.

**Speaker:** Fr. Italo Dell’Oro

**Italiano’s Restaurant**

217 FM 1960 Bypass Road E. Humble

6:30 PM: Social
7-8:30 PM: Dinner & Program
Dinner cost: $17 per person
RSVP to Eileen Benvegnu eileenbenvegnu@yahoo.com 713-826-4943
(SERRA MEMBERS PLEASE RESPOND VIA THE EVITE)

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**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.

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**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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Serra Clubs foster and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life, encourage and affirm vocations to the consecrated life, and nurture 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. For more information go to www.serra10.com.
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The special needs community of St. Martha’s is asking for volunteers to serve in different roles in the CCE program. Anyone with a background in special education, applied behavior analysis (ABA), speech therapy, occupational therapy, Autism, elementary education, or most importantly just a desire to serve is encouraged to participate as teachers, paraprofessional educators (“para”), or as Buddies. Anyone old enough to have been confirmed is old enough to volunteer. Please contact Carla Lewton (281-358-1959 or carlal@stmartha.com) or Craig Simonsgaard (832-633-0321 or craig.simonsgaard@fosterfuels.com) and join us on Aug. 13, 7-8 PM at the Faith Formation Campus (Old church location) in Room 2 (near the library) for an informational meeting.

Parents of High-Schoolers—support our high school students with the power of your prayers. Sign up to be given one prayer day a month and help us cover them in prayer. There are no meetings to attend and your prayers are offered privately in whatever method of prayer you prefer. For more information or to be given a day on our high school Prayer Quilt, email Lori DiSorbo at lrdisorbo@gmail.com.

Director of Liturgy: Mariel Parra, (281)358-6637 Ext. 280, marielp@stmartha.com
For a complete list of Liturgical Ministries please turn to page 14 of this bulletin.

St. Martha Celebrates Hospitality Month
St. Martha parish will celebrate Hospitality Month from July 29—Aug. 29. During this time, the Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers) invite our fellow parishioners to join us in serving as ushers. Please consider being an "Usher for a day" and let us know by sending a note to Barry.Robichaux@us.ibm.com. If ushering is not "your thing" then please consider serving in any of St. Martha’s many other ministries.

Divine Mercy Ministry —
The Divine Mercy Ministry prays the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the chapel (Faith Formation Campus) every Sunday at 3 PM, for the conversion of sinners, the sick and the dying. The chaplet is also prayed before the 8:30 AM weekday Mass (Mon.-Fri.) in the church. Everyone welcome!

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

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Q: When will the next capital campaign begin?
A: Two years ago the archdiocese started the IGNITE: Our Faith, Our Mission Capital Campaign to address specific financial and capital needs of the diocese (detailed below). St. Martha’s was not asked to participate at that time because we were in the middle of our own debt reduction campaign. In September we will begin preparations for a combined archdiocesan and parish capital campaign. We have hired the Steier Group, a professional Catholic fundraising firm, to conduct the study. The study will take place over a five-week period beginning September 30. The study will guide our planning for the fundraising effort by helping us set a goal for the campaign and identify campaign leaders.

Q: What are the purposes of the capital campaign?
A: The fundraising effort will have two purposes: One will be raising money to continue paying down the debt incurred from construction of our church, offices and rectory. Your generosity has helped the parish to substantially pay down the debt, but those donations will not completely retire our remaining debt balance. The capital campaign’s other purpose is to cover St. Martha’s $2.3 million commitment to the archdiocesan IGNITE campaign.

Q: What is the purpose of the archdiocesan IGNITE campaign?
A: The IGNITE campaign will benefit St. Martha’s and other parishes in the archdiocese in the following ways:
- Replenish and grow the archdiocese’s Future Disaster Recovery Fund. Following Hurricane Harvey, the fund was depleted to address damage and assist with recovery efforts throughout the archdiocese. St. Martha’s knows first-hand how storms can affect parish buildings, such as water damage at St. Martha School from the May storm and flooding.
- Renovate facilities and build a new dorm on the 60-year-old campus of St. Mary’s Seminary. The projects will help sustain the mission of preparing seminarians for the priesthood and keep the seminary competitive with others.

Q: What would happen if St. Martha’s didn’t run a capital campaign to pay off the parish’s debt?
A: Without a renewed financial source to address the debt, the parish would, eventually, be forced to use offertory funds to cover the payments. Such a step would severely limit the parish’s ability to maintain, enhance and expand the many important ministries the parish and community rely on. Even without St. Martha’s component of the combined campaign we would still be required to participate in the IGNITE campaign.
Q: What is our current debt and how much interest do we pay each year?
A: The parish debt is $7.8 million. That debt stems from the purchase of the land and construction of the church, offices and rectory for our Woodridge campus. The current debt service is $70,000 each month, which has been covered by generous contributions to our previous capital campaigns. But those donations will retire only about one fifth of our debt.

Q: How much did the Woodridge campus construction cost and how much money did St. Martha raise in its previous capital campaigns?
A: Acquisition of the land, site preparation and construction of the church, administration building and rectory cost $24 million. The parishioners of St. Martha’s have been generous to our three prior campaigns raising nearly $22 million over the last ten years. In 2008 parishioners pledged $8 million, most of which was applied directly to costs during construction of the church, parish offices and rectory on our new site. In March of 2011 a construction loan of $17.5 million was required to cover the balance of costs. From that time on about a third of the money contributed in the subsequent capital campaigns went toward interest on the loans. Our second capital campaign started in 2012 raised $6.7 million and our third campaign started in 2015 raised $6.6 million.

Q: Why did we build the new chapel if we still have debt to pay off?
A: In our master plan developed prior to 2008 a day chapel was part of the second phase of construction. In 2016 we received permission from Cardinal DiNardo to proceed with the chapel ahead of schedule because the parish was blessed with a bequest that was designated only for construction of the chapel. The bequest will fully fund the chapel construction. Construction of the chapel did not require taking on any new debt and did not divert any funds away from paying down our debt.

Q: When the debt is paid off, what are the future plans for St. Martha?
A: The second phase of our master plan for the Woodbridge campus includes construction of a Family Life Center, a Youth Center and the expansion of parish offices. The feasibility of these projects will be evaluated once the parish has eliminated its current debt.
25th Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass celebration
The 2019 Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass honoring couples celebrating their Silver (25th) Anniversary of marriage in the Catholic Church will be held on Sunday, Sept. 22, at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 3 pm. Whether or not a couple attends the ceremony, they are eligible to receive a special recognition. Registration will close on Aug. 26 at midnight. Reserved seating will be limited. Each couple will be able to bring a maximum of six family members or friends to the Mass. Couples that register after Aug. 26 will not receive a prepared WAJ packet, or a signed recognition on the day of the Mass. The packet and recognition will be mailed to your home after verification of your sacramental marriage is confirmed. Please register online at:
http://archgh.event.com/events/25th-wedding-anniversary-jubilee-2019/event-summary-6e6bd0e4b0a448c8a53bd5641921c911.aspx

50th Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass
The 2019 Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass honoring couples celebrating their Golden (50th) Anniversary of marriage in The Catholic Church will be held on Sunday, Oct. 20, at The Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 3 pm. Whether or not a couple attends the ceremony, they are eligible to receive a special recognition. Registration for this celebration will be close on Sept. 23 at midnight. Reserved seating will be limited for couples celebrating their anniversary, so please register as soon as possible to reserve your space and make sure you will receive your acknowledgment on the day of the Mass. Couples that register after Sept. 23 will not receive a prepared WAJ packet, or a signed recognition on the day of the event. The packet and recognition will be mailed to your home after verification of your sacramental marriage is confirmed. Register online

Together in Holiness Marriage Conference
Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019
8:30AM to 3:30PM
The St. John Paul II Foundation presents the Fifth Annual Together in Holiness conference, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. This one-day event includes dynamic presentations, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Featured speakers are Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers and Most Rev. Joseph E. Strickland, and breakout sessions at each location will discuss living the vocation of marriage as a young growing family or as empty-nesters. On-site childcare is available (2-12 years), pre-registration required. Cost: $59/couple or $35/individual. Scholarships are available. For more information, please visit togetherinholiness.org or email Houston conference coordinators at th@forlifeandfamily.org.

Prayer Event for Creation
Join Archbishop Joseph A. Fiorenza and The Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word for an Ecumenical Observance of the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 7 at the Villa de Matel, 6510 Lawndale, Houston, TX, 77023. A reception will follow. Pastors and representatives from area Catholic, Lutheran, Episcopal, Methodist, Evangelical and Orthodox churches, as well as environmental groups and local officials, will be in attendance. This joint prayer service will be a time to give thanks, to repent, to plead for moral courage, and to bear witness to all of Houston of our unity in declaring that the environmental crisis an ethical imperative that must be urgently addressed. RSVP with Mara at (713) 341-2611; or email MMartinez@ccvi-vdm.org, or visit SistersofCharity.org
Legión de Maria—
Este Ministerio busca conquistar el mundo para Cristo por medio de la Virgen María. Visitamos hogares llevando la Virgen peregrina para enseñar el rezo del Santo Rosario, dar a conocer la devoción del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús y las gracias que reciben las familias al consagrarse a El y a la Virgen María.
Si deseas ser un soldado de la Santísima Virgen María, únete a las filas de la Legión los viernes a las 7:00 pm en el Woodland Hills Campus Salón #2; o como miembro auxiliar orando por nuestro grupo. Para mas información contactar a Mildred García 504-228-669.

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 e-mail a mariagorettiespanol@gmail.com.
Allí le darán más información sobre el lugar y hora de las reuniones y contestaremos sus preguntas.

ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA PERPETUA
“¿No pudiste velar conmigo ni siquiera una hora?”
HORAS DISPONIBLES PARA ADORADORES
MARTES 3-4 AM, MIÉRCOLES 3-4 AM, VIERNES 1-2 AM Y 4-5 PM, SÁBADO 4-5 PM
HORAS DISPONIBLES PARA CO-ADORADORES Y SUBSTITUTOS
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Miércoles: 2-3 AM, 4-5 AM, 9-10 AM, 1-2 AM, 4-5 PM
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Sábado: 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 4-5 AM, 10-11 AM, 11 AM - NOCHE, 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 AM, 7-8 PM
Domingo: 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 8-9 AM, 10-11 AM, 12 -1 PM, 9-10 PM
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

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS "RICA"
Si no estás bautizado o solo te bautizaron y no completaste tus Sacramentos de Iniciación Cristiana que son: El Bautismo, La Confirmación y La Eucaristía, únete al RICA.
Si este es tu caso ( y eres mayor de 18 años) o conoces a alguien que los necesita o que desea convertirse, animalo a participar en el proceso del RICA, aquí les preparamos respondiendo a todas las preguntas o dudas que tengan. Las reuniones son los Jueves de 6:30-9 PM, no pierdas esta oportunidad de acercarte a Jesus, Comunicate y participa en RICA.
Jaime Gómez, 281-973-1857 jaimesalvadorgomez@gmail.com
Catecismo en Español de St . Martha
2019-2020
Dejad que lo niños vengan a mi
Mateo 19:14

Las Inscripciones comenzarán el día, 26 de agosto 2019,
solamente de lunes a jueves de 10 a.m. a 3 p.m.
Los esperamos en las Oficinas de Woodland Hills.
Recibimos niños desde los 3 años hasta octavo grado.
Preparamos a niños y a jóvenes para recibir los sacramentos de la
Reconciliación y Comunión. Nuestras clases son los lunes de 5:30 a 7 p.m.
Tenemos también clases gratuitas para padres a la misma hora y
en el mismo lugar.
Comunícate con nuestras oficinas 281-358-1959 ext. 269 - 202
¡Apúrate! Nuestros cupos son limitados.

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plena y felíz?
Ven y cambia tu vida!

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AMSIF Santa Martha
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TE ESPERAMOS!!!!
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Saturday Vigil: ............................................. 5:30 PM
Sunday: .................................................. 7 AM, 9 AM, & 11 AM
En Español: .................................................. 1 PM
Contemporary: ............................................ 5 PM
Nursery at 9 AM, 11 AM & 1 PM Spanish Mass

Weekday Masses
Monday: ..................................................... 8:30 AM
Tuesday: .................................................. 8:30 AM & 7 PM
Wednesday: .............................................. 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM
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Sacrament of Penance
Tuesday:
Church 6:15 - 7 PM
Saturday:
Church 10 AM - 11:45 AM
Church 4:30 - 5:20 PM

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Please call for a priest if you are seriously ill at home, about to enter the hospital, or if someone is close to death.

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