HEBREWS 12:22
You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
SEPTEMBER 1, 2019
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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God bless,

Fr. TJ

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**Welcome**

**Message from our Pastor**

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**Sunday Readings and Reflection**

**First Reading**- Conduct your affairs with humility (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).

**Psalm**- God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68).

**Second Reading**- You have approached the city of the living God (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

**Gospel**- Those who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 14:1, 7-14).


**Humility**

Humility is a virtue we don’t see much in our times. It seems that bragging, swaggering, and arrogance dominate our fashion for everything and our Internet conversations. Who hasn’t been irritated by the “trolls” who try (usually with bad grammar and poor spelling) to start an online fight with those whose opinions do not align with theirs? Our stores, catalogs, and online shopping sites are full of useless items geared in use and price to the very rich, as ordinary, useful things seem to fade off the sales scene. As the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class is fading away. What is the antidote to this? Humility is a good place to start. Devotion to God is worth more than riches. “The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling. God gives a home to the forsaken; [God] leads forth prisoners to prosperity.”

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THANK YOU!!!!
To the ministry representatives who were present after each Mass during the Ministry Fair and to the parishioners who visited the tables, THANK YOU for your generous participation in this year’s Ministry Fair!!!

MINISTRY FAIR
For the weekend of Aug. 24 & 25 your STEWARDSHIP GIFTS OF TREASURE resulted in:

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Stewardship
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.

University of St. Thomas Collection
All parishioners in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston are invited to participate in a special collection for the University of St. Thomas collection on Sept. 7 & 8. Your gift to this collection will provide vital scholarship support to students of the University of St. Thomas, Houston’s only Catholic University. Your contribution helps provide a quality Catholic education that instills in students the core values of goodness, discipline, knowledge and community. Thank you for your generosity.

Administrative News
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

In observance of Labor Day, the Parish Office will be closed Monday, Sept. 2. We wish you and your families a happy, safe, and blessed holiday!

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.

Please remember the recently deceased and their families in your prayers:
Rosemary Schildhauer
Jacques Bouchez
August (Gus) Pasquini
Angelina Cangemi
Chris Schod
Marguerite Miller (mother of Greg Miller)
Roberto Ante, Jr. (son of Robert, Sr. and Juanita Ante and brother of Melanie Henry)
Joe Alaniz
Miriam Meier
Joey Tortorice
Marilyn Northcutt
Carmen Aloisio (brother of Anne Schuelke)

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 home-bound 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.
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.

Moms Collegian & Young Adults Prayer Group:
The Moms Collegian & Young Adults Prayer Group will meet on Monday, Sept. 9, from 7—8 PM in the Adult Education Meeting Room 1 at the Faith Formation Campus (Woodland Hills Campus). Please join us in praying for our children as they pursue their calling for higher education, serving their country, or entering the work force. All moms who want to pray for their children are welcomed. If you have questions, please e-mail Gloria Gámez at mornglor@yahoo.com

St. Martha's Couples/Singles Potluck group will be starting up again Sept. 14 for our 2019-20 season.
We meet the second Saturday night of each month at 7 PM starting Sept. 14. We encourage you to participate. If you want further information please call Gerri Pisklak at 281-358-1832 (home) or 281-814-1834 (cell) or e-mail gpisklak@hotmail.com
If you love good food and wholesome companionship then we would love for you to join us.

St. Martha Men's ACTS Retreat
Oct 24-27, 2019
Registration for the 2019 Men's English ACTS Retreat will be held on Sunday, Sept. 8 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’s. Registration is limited and is on a first-come, first-serve basis and must include a non-refundable deposit of $50. The cost of the retreat is $200 but do not let the financial considerations keep you from attending the retreat. Scholarships are available on a case by case basis. Please prayerfully consider attending this Spirit filled retreat!! If you have any questions, you can contact the retreat Director, Carlin Walters at 713-253-2735 or carlinwalters@yahoo.com.

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, Sept. 2 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.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OFFER MASS CARDS
Mass Cards benefiting St. Mary’s Seminary are available in the parish office from Monday through Friday from 9:00-4:00. Cards are $3 per person/$4 per couple/$10 per family for monthly remembrances and $25 for perpetual remembrances. All Masses are said at St. Mary’s Seminary, and cannot be scheduled for a particular time. Make checks payable to the Catholic Daughters, Court of St. Martha.

Life After Loss
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.
CARING COOKS—
THANK YOU to all of our Caring Cooks who have so generously given of their time to make meals for those in our parish community who are truly in need at a difficult time and have no one to provide meals for them. This is an awesome ministry open to anyone who would like to provide a meal every now and then to a fellow parishioner in need. We are a blessed community in that we have so many caring and helpful folks to help out when one of us is in need. If you would like to be a part of this truly rewarding team of caring cooks please call: Karen Rexer 281-354-8857 or Marian Brown 281-630-4820 to sign up. And as always, if you should find yourself or someone you know in need of help with meals during a very difficult time please know there is someone there to help.

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
Wednesday 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!

NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES
NORTHEAST CATHOLIC SINGLES, a ministry for singles ages 40 and older, will next gather on Wednesday, Sept. 4, to talk/eat/drink at 7 PM at Pei Wei, 702 Kingwood Drive in Kingwood. On Saturday, Sept. 7, we will attend 5:30 PM Mass at St. Martha’s; meal afterwards at Los Cucos Mexican Café, 23730 Highway 59 N., in Kingwood. For more info, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepe.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

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To all Veterans, First Responders & their Families who have served or are serving our Country and our Community:
St. Michael’s Warrior’s Ministry, a group led by Veterans & First Responders, meet every Saturday morning at St. Martha’s Faith Formation Campus (3702 Woodland Hills Drive, Kingwood, Tx.) Room 2, from 7:30-9:30 AM.
As our Mission Statement reads we will: “Provide a Safe, Welcoming & Ecumenical environment to assist Veterans, First Responders and their families dealing with traumatic life experiences caused by tragic events, daily challenges and transition from a life of service”
Our purpose is to provide support not only the Parishioners of St. Martha’s, but to all in our surrounding area that could benefit from participating.
St. Michael’s Warriors Ministry focuses on healing through Prayer, Peer Ministry, Fellowship and Camaraderie. For more information you can contact Deacon Guy Puglia: guy.puglia@gmail.com or 832-758-0795

St Martha's Cub Scout Pack 1727 invites all Kindergarten--fifth Graders to a Cub Scout Sign Up and Ice Cream Party!!
When: Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019
Time: 3-4 PM New Scouts, 4-5 PM Returning Scouts
Where: Family Life Center at Woodland Hills Campus
More Information:
Dan Pradel, 281 685-7442, or dan2@turbineengine.com
Grant Loper, 602-684-3042 , or grant.loper@fieldlogistics.net
Come Join the Fun and Adventure in our Pack!!

Welcome Back!
Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye! Summer is almost over and it's TIME for those who are "Young at Heart" to get together again. For those of us 55+, we meet on the second, fourth and fifth Wednesday of each month for fellowship, bingo and lunch. Our first get together for the Fall will be on Wednesday, Sept. 11 at St. Martha's Family Life Center, Woodland Hills Campus. Bingo begins at 11 AM, followed by lunch and fellowship that ends at 2 PM. If you are new to our community, try us out. If you've been before, we welcome you back. Bring a friend and join the fun! If transportation is needed, contact Domenica Setz at 713-899-1016. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Karpinski, 713-594-4430.

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON - Welcome Back!
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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.

ST. MARTHA’S TEXAS TOUR
GEORGE BUSH PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY
College Station, Texas
Saturday, Sept. 28, 8 AM - 6 PM
Benefitting St. Martha’s Catholic Church
All passengers must be 50 years of age or older!
Cost of each Tour: $15*
Limited number of seats!
The tour bus will depart from Building 3 on the St. Martha Faith Formation Campus at 8 AM.
*Please note that meals are not included in the tour price. Please register and pay for the tours at the Parish office between 9 AM—4 PM, Monday—Friday. For more information, please contact Lela Querubin, 832-689-3293.

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 amavery4@gmail.com. Registration forms available on-line at www.stmarthaacts.com.

ST. MARTHA ROSARY GUILD
Come and join us! Enjoy an afternoon of fun, fellowship and making rosaries.
September 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, complementary rosary and pamphlet on how to pray the rosary. Refreshments served.

Martha’s Quilters makes and gives blessed afghans and quilts to parishioners of all ages who are sick or undergoing surgery. Please help us find our parishioners who need this comfort and our prayers.
Call or text Helaine Parks at 713-824-7730 or e-mail Sally Wasserman at salmwass@aol.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 WILLIAMS 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.

A Decade of the Rosary for Vocations
Second Joyful Mystery: The Visitation
Mary wastes no time in acting upon the grace of her vocation. Through her cooperation the plan of salvation is already unfolding. Let us offer this decade for those who have been called but are hesitating. May God’s grace hurry them forward to answer the call and thus begin to labor for the harvest.

Fall Discernment Opportunities
Discover the Road Less Traveled for Men
Andrew Dinner 2019 for High School Guys
Myriam Dinner for High School Girls
Emmaus Dinner for Young Adult Men
Samuel Group for Young Adult Women
Info and registration at:
www.houstonvocations.com
Join us as we study three of the “catholic letters”
Books of: James, 1 & 2 Peter and 1-3 John

These letters were not addressed to any specific church but to all Christian communities. Just as they applied to Christians in the 1st Century, they still impact and guide us today. **Come learn, study and share with us!**

- **James** emphasizes "Be doers of the word and not hearers only."
- **Peter** tells us we are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of God's own."
- **1-3 John** reveals that God is love; He loves us with an infinite, unconditional and inexhaustible love!

**When:**
- Ladies' groups - Wednesday mornings 9:45 AM - Noon
- Ladies’ groups in Spanish – Wednesdays 9:45 AM - Noon
- Men’s groups – Wednesday mornings 9:45 AM – Noon
  (Childcare available Wednesday class only)
- Ladies' groups - Tuesday evenings 7 – 9 PM
- Men’s groups - Tuesday evenings 7 – 9 PM
- Men & Women’s group in Spanish –Tuesday evenings 7 – 9 PM

All Are Welcome

Classes begin & Visitor’s Day-for inquiries:
- Day class: Sept. 18
- Evening class: Sept. 24

**Where:**
- Day Class - Activity Center - Faith Formation campus
- Evening Class - Adult classroom #2 - Faith Formation campus

**To Register or questions Contact:**
- **English:** Ray Baudier (281) 467-8321 or raybau@suddenlink.net
- **Spanish** speakers: Zuri Jackson(281)733-7571 or zurijackson@msn.com
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.

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, Sept. 24, 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 of Reconciliation, Q&A
- Explanation/Walk through of the Mass, Q&A
- The Creed: What Catholics Believe, Wrap-Up, Q&A

If you would like more information or to participate, please contact: Carla Lewton, carlal@stmartha.com, 281-713-8968
**Liturgical Ministries**

**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.

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**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**OPEN HOURS:**
- **TUESDAY** 3-4 AM.
- **WEDNESDAY** 3-4 AM.
- **FRIDAY** 1-2 AM & 4-5 PM.
- **SATURDAY** 4–5 PM.

**SECOND ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS:**
- **Monday:** 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM, 9-10 AM
- **Tuesday:** 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 12-1 PM, 1-2 PM
- **Wednesday:** 2-3 AM, 4-5 AM, 9-10 AM, 1-2 PM, 4-5 PM
- **Thursday:** 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, 8-9 AM, 9-10 AM, 10-11 AM, 2-3 PM
- **Friday:** 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM, 1-2 PM, 6-7 PM, 9-10 PM, 10-11 PM
- **Saturday:** 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 4-5 AM, 10-11 AM, 11 AM – NOON, 1-2 AM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM, 7-8 PM
- **Sunday:** 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 8-9 AM, 10-11 AM, 12-1 PM, 9-10 PM

If you are interested in participating in this ministry or would like more information, please contact: Carmen Ogando at 832-767-8826 or at carmenogando@yahoo.com.

If you need a substitute, please call your division leaders:
- **Karen Ehlig** for 6 AM - Noon (281-813-3285)
- **Annunciata Hopkins** for Noon - 6 PM (281-360-1258)
- **Beth Beckham** for 6 PM - Midnight (281-435-1439)

On behalf of America Needs Fatima, we invite you to a **Public Square Rosary on Saturday, Oct. 12, at Noon (Woodland Hills Campus)**

This will be one of 20,000 outdoor Public Square Rosary Rallies prayed simultaneously throughout America that day. For more information, call Bernadette: 908-601-4586.

*Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!*

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**CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING**

You are invited to come and worship with us and bring your petition to the altar for prayer. We meet every Friday for English Prayer Meeting at 7 - 8 PM. We come together for thanksgiving and praise!

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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.

*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 ldisorbo@gmail.com.

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**TEXT:**

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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Social Services/Outreach Ministries

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.

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.

Empathetic Listening and Ministry to the Sick
Do you ever find yourself not knowing what to say to someone who is hurting? To someone who has just been given a diagnosis with many unknowns? Or just the uncomfortableness of being with those who have lost a loved one!
We have and this class will help you grow!
We all have opportunities to minister to the sick and their families. Many of you are take Holy Communion to the sick - thank you! This program will enhance all that you already are doing for the faithful.
The Chaplain Corps is providing us HERE at St. Martha with this class on Empathetic Listening.
Classes begin on:
Wednesday, Sept. 4: 1-4 PM (eight week class)
Class size is limited so please call and reserve your space: Sheila Yepsen, 281-358-5585

St. Margaret of Costello’s Special Needs Ministry
Please join us on the first Monday of the month (9/2) at 8 PM at the old campus (Room 2 of the Family Life Center - near the library) 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 will 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. POC is Craig Simonsgaard, 832-633-0321 or craig.simonsgaard@gmail.com and Patrick Bloomer 832-445-9357 or pbloomer549@gmail.com

Martha’s Kitchen provides an oasis from the Texas heat by providing comfort, hydration and a balanced nutritious meal to fifteen hundred guests weekly. We thank you for your prayers and ask you to continue your donation support for this ministry.
Martha’s Kitchen will be closed for Labor Day, Sept. 2, and reopen Tuesday, Sept. 3.
Are you looking for a place to volunteer? Please consider Martha’s Kitchen, especially during this time of Stewardship Renewal. Contact Sister Carmen 713-224-2522 to discuss mutual needs and availability. A reminder that all Martha’s Kitchen volunteers are required to be VITRUS/CMG SAFE HAVEN trained. May God Bless You!!!
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<td><strong>22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time</strong>&lt;br&gt;3 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy</td>
<td>Labor Day—Parish and Faith Formation Offices closed, Martha’s Kitchen closed&lt;br&gt;7:30 pm Monica’s Hope, Rm 1&lt;br&gt;8 pm St. Margret of Castello’s Special Needs Ministry, Rm 2</td>
<td>9:15 am Breakfast &amp; Bible Study</td>
<td>School Mass&lt;br&gt;10:30 am Martha’s Quilters, Rm 3&lt;br&gt;1-4 pm Empathetic Listening&lt;br&gt;6:30-8:30 pm Meeting &amp; Registration for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist</td>
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<td>7:30-9:30 am St. Michaels Warriors&lt;br&gt;8:30 am Pro-life Mass&lt;br&gt;3-4 pm New Cub Scout Meeting&lt;br&gt;4-5 pm Returning Cup Scout Meeting&lt;br&gt;6-9 pm EDGE Kickoff Social</td>
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**Stewardship Prayer for September:** Lord Jesus Christ, as we begin to shift from summer schedules to autumn demands, teach us to recognize you, and help us follow you amidst our busy life. Open the Scriptures to us, that we may know you, see you, hear you—in the voices of friends and family, in the ministries of our parish, in the proclamation of the Word, and in the Breaking of the Bread. Teach us to be good stewards, that we may use your gifts wisely and care for all those you place in our path. Encourage us, when we are overwhelmed. Strengthen us, when we are frightened. Challenge our complacency. Help us make this new season a time of spiritual renewal, hope, and action to proclaim the Gospel in our words and in our deeds. For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.
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Rosario Plaza Pública
“America Needs Fatima” está organizando alrededor de 20,000 grupos en todo el país para rezar simultáneamente el Rosario en plazas públicas. Les invitamos a unirnos a este llamado de oración el 12 de octubre a las 12 del mediodía en la esquina de West Lake Houston y Kingwood Dr. (en el estacionamiento del antiguo HEB).
Para mayor información por favor llame a Bernadette al 908-601-4586.

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, unete 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 Jesús, Comunicate y participa en RICA.
Jaime Gómez, 281-973-1857 jaimesalvadorgomez@gmail.com

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Grupo de Oración Carismático
Únete a nosotros en oración, alabanza, acción de gracias y súplica.
Sábados de 9:00 a 10:00 a.m.
Capilla en Woodland Hills Drive

Bienvenidos guitarrista, cantantes, músicos en general
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 SUSTITUTOS
Lunes: 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM, 9-10 AM
Martes: 12-1 AM 1-2 AM, 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM
Miércoles: 2-3 AM, 4-5 AM, 9-10 AM, 1-2 PM, 4-5 PM
Jueves: 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, 8-9 AM, 9-10 AM, 10-11 AM, 2-3 PM
Viernes: 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM, 1-2 PM, 6-7 PM, 9-10 PM, 10-11 PM
Sábado: 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 4-5 AM, 10-11 AM, 11 AM - NOCHE, 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM, 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

Únete a nosotros a estudiar tres de las “Cartas Católicas”

Libros de: Santiago, 1 y 2 Pedro y 1-3 Juan

Estas cartas no fueron dirigidas a un Iglesia en particular, sino a todas las comunidades Cristianas. Tal y como se aplicaban a los Cristianos del Primer Siglo, todavía siguen impactándonos y guiándonos hoy en día. Ven a aprender, estudiar y compartir con nosotros!

- **Santiago** enfatiza “Pongan en práctica la Palabra y no se contenten sólo con oírla.”
- **Pedro** nos dice que somos “una raza elegida, un sacerdocio real, una nación santa, un pueblo adquirido.”
- **1-3 Juan** revela que Dios es amor; que Dios nos ama con un amor infinito, incondicional e inagotable!

Cuándo: Grupos de damas en español - Miércoles 9:45 AM - Mediodía
Grupos de damas en inglés - Miércoles 9:45 AM - Mediodía
Grupos de caballeros en inglés - Miércoles 9:45 AM –Mediodía
(Cuidado de niños solo para las clases de los miércoles)
Grupos de damas y caballeros en español - Martes 7 – 9 PM
Grupos de damas en inglés - Martes 7 PM – 9 PM
Grupos de caballeros en inglés - Martes 7 PM – 9 PM

Están todos Bienvenidos

Comienzo de clases y Día de Visitantes (para consultas):
Clases de la mañana: Septiembre 18
Clases de la noche: Septiembre 24

Dónde: Clases de la mañana – Centro de Actividades - Woodland Hills
Clases de la noche – Salón #2 para adultos - Woodland Hills

Para inscripciones o preguntas contacte a:
Español: Zuri Jackson (281)733-7571 o zurijackson@msn.com
Inglés: Ray Baudier (281) 467-8321 o raybau@suddenlink.net
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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 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 - 11:45 AM
Church 4:30 - 5:20 PM

Perpetual Adoration
Adoration Chapel 24 hrs.

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

Baptism
Classes and Ceremony: Call the Parish Office to register

Marriage
Preparation at least six months before the wedding. Register to attend an information meeting by calling 281-358-6637.

Funerals
Call the Parish Office for more information, 281-358-6637.