“Rejoice with me because I have found the coin that I lost.”

Luke 15:9
Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon./Sept. 16
8:30 AM Cheryl Skudlarski
†Lilia Ahat
†Rick Fahrenthold

Tues./Sept. 17
8:30 AM †Brenda Martin
†Judy George
†Sergio Nepomoceno
7 PM St. Martha Youth Ministry & D. Team
†Guia Gallardo

Wed./Sept. 18
8:30 AM (SCHOOL MASS)
†Mary Ann Affleck
†Robert Ante, Jr.
†Lourdes Javier
10 AM †Charles E. Nicholas II
†Denise N. Jackson
†Ricky Johnson

Thurs./Sept. 19
6:30 AM †Sam & Rose Benigno
†Cathy Mouledoux
8:30 AM †David Miller
†Jose & Bertha Miranda
†Ramon Torres

Fri./Sept. 20
8:30 AM Sister Jane Eze
Natalie Herzog
†Chris Schod

Sat./Sept. 21
5:30 PM †George Calogne
†Marie Burch
†Bill Sala

Sun./Sept. 22
7 AM For the Parish
9 AM †Jim Kornegay
†Chris Schod
†Robert Ante, Jr.
11 AM †Betty Ann Mohr
†Julius Ladgus
†Steve Ralls
1 PM †Jose Luis Cano
†Esteban Navares
†Terri Scheid
5 PM †Marian McBride
†Herman LaChapelle
†Jesse LaChapelle

Dear Parish Family,
I would ask you to help me welcome Jacob Ramirez to our parish. He is starting his Pastoral Year at St. Martha’s as part of his formation to the priesthood. Jacob joins a long list of seminarians that has been assigned to St. Martha’s which includes Fr. David Michael Moses from just two years ago and myself when I was assigned here for the 2006-2007 school year. The pastoral year is an integral part of as seminarian’s formation process. It is here that he will learn what happens in the life of the parish and it will help him discern if he does indeed want to give his life in service to the Church of Galveston-Houston. The Cardinal has a great amount of respect for our parish in helping young men be formed for the priesthood, and that is why he has sent so many seminarians here to learn and grow as men and servants of the Lord. Your role in helping Jacob is invaluable because you can help him be the best priest possible and affirm him for his decision to follow the Lord. We are very happy Jacob is here to spend the year with us. Please show him the hospitality of our patroness, St. Martha, by affirming and supporting his journey with us. Thank you so much for your support of our newest seminarian!
Fr. TJ

Welcome

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

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

Calling All Newcomers!!!!

Please join us in the Bride’s Room (in the Narthex of the Church) after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Sept. 22, for an informal “Get To Know You” gathering. This will be a great way to meet other new parishioners and to ask any questions you may have about the parish.

Light refreshments will be provided.
The whole family is welcome.

Please RSVP to Kristene in the Parish Office: (281) 358-6637, x256
kristeneh@stmartha.com

Message from our Pastor

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Please give a warm welcome to our new seminarian, Jacob Ramirez
Sunday Readings and Reflection

Todays Readings

First Reading — “Why should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of Egypt?” (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

Psalm — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — The grace of our Lord has been abundant (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

Gospel — There is great rejoicing in heaven and among the angels when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).


Lost and Found

Welcome to “Lost and Found Sunday”! Just in case being in church makes us proudly consider ourselves especially religious, today’s Gospel suggests that we’d be wiser to admit that we’re sometimes lost. Then we’ll eventually be happily counted among Jesus’ “found,” because today Jesus focuses on a lost sheep, lost coin, lost son. Jesus does so because the Pharisees and scribes, proudly considering themselves especially religious, “began to complain” that Jesus “welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So Jesus warns them—and us—to stop judging others. Marvel instead that God’s amazing grace has found us! Indeed, we should become Jesus’ friends lovingly trying to find others. So Exodus asks, if God “relented in punishment” and pardoned us, shouldn’t we forgive fellow sinners graciously? Even Paul admits his “arrogance” as “foremost among sinners.” We too, happy at being “mercifully treated,” should share with everyone else Jesus’ unfailing patience.

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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.

For the weekend of Sept. 7 & 8 your STEWARDSHIP GIFTS OF TREASURE resulted in:

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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

Please remember the recently deceased and their families in your prayers:

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 and Melissa Leake)
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.
Director of Community Life: Francine Puglia, (281)358-6637 Ext. 200, fran@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, Oct. 7 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 kcubik@mac.com.

St. Martha Men's ACTS Retreat
Oct 24-27, 2019
Registration for the 2019 Men’s English ACTS Retreat has begun. 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.

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

Wednesday Evenings thru Nov. 6, 7 - 8:30 PM
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 Ansler, 713-806-2641, paula-ansler@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, gathers on Wednesday, Sept. 18, to talk/eat/drink at 7 PM at Pete’s Burger Place, 24626 Loop 494 in Kingwood (1½ mile north of Northpark Drive). For more information, contact Elizabeth Schields (281-441-2552 or elizabeths2@peoplepc.com) or subscribe to us on Flocknote at either St. Martha’s or St. Mary Magdalene’s website.

“Letting Go: Embracing Change In Every Stage Of Life
Have you noticed our lives are subject to change? How do we remain faithful when expected or unexpected change enters our lives? This is one question we will explore in a new faith share group for women. The group will meet for six weeks on Thursdays from 10-11:30 AM beginning on Sept. 19 in Room 3 of the Family Life Center on the Woodland Hills campus. Women of all ages are invited to attend. Spiritual directors Mary Impelman and Pat Timpanaro will facilitate. To register contact Pat Timpanaro patimpanaro@embarqmail.com or call 832-445-6714.

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.


If my people, whom I have called by my name, will humble themselves and pray, if they will seek my face and turn from their sin, I will hear their prayers from heaven, I will forgive their sin and I will heal their land,” says the Lord. “For my eyes are open, and my ears are listening, to the prayers of my people.” 2 Chronicles 7:14-15

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 electronic mail to fran@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 fran@stmartha.com or 281-358-6637

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YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON - Batter Up
Young at Heart-ers - Baseball season is winding down and World Series fever is in the air, so wear your favorite team’s gear (Go Astros!!!!) and step up to the plate. Grab your bat & glove, dust off your cleats and your favorite team’s gear (Go Astros!!!!) and step up to the plate. When: Wednesday, Sept. 25.
Where: Family Life Center on the Woodland Hills campus.
Cost: $8.00
Register by Sept. 17.
For questions, call Paul and Domenica Seitz at 713-899-1016. If you have any questions, call Nancy Karpinski, 713-594-4430.


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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

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 framp@stmartha.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. Refreshments served.

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.

YOU ARE INVITED!
Serra Club Northeast of Houston
Monthly Dinner and Meeting
Monday, Sept. 23 * 6:30 p.m.
Speaker: Arland Nichols, John Paul II Foundation
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 or 713-826-4943
(SERRA MEMBERS PLEASE RESPOND VIA THE EVITE)

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.

A Decade of the Rosary for Vocations
Fourth Joyful Mystery: The Presentation: Joseph and Mary presented Jesus in the Temple and dedicated Him to Almighty God. They knew their Son was a gift from God to be given back to Him. Let us offer this decade for the grace parents need to recognize the gift of their children and thus offer them to the divine plan of God. May His will determine every moment of their lives.

Fall Discernment Opportunities
Andrew Dinner 2019 for High School Guys at St. Martha’s on Oct. 26th!
Discover the Road Less Traveled for Men
Myriam Dinner for High School Girls
Emmaus Dinner for Young Adult Men Oct. 4th
Samuel Group for Young Adult Women
Info and registration at www.houstonvocations.com

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS:
Please join the MCTAGGART 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.
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.

**Faith Formation**

**ARE YOU AN ADULT CATHOLIC WANTING TO BE CONFIRMED?**
If you have questions or would like to register for classes, please call
Mandy Carr 281-358-1959 ext. 264 or email mandyc@stmartha.com.
Classes will be held Thursday evenings, 7 – 9 PM, beginning Sept. 26 through Nov. 21.

**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 lrdisorbo@gmail.com.

**St. Martha’s Moms**

**Fall 2019 Events**

- **Monthly Morning Gatherings**
  9:30-11:00 am (Fridays) / Youth Room
  Join other mothers each month for fellowship, inspiring speakers, and reflections on Scripture and the Catechism.

  Childcare provided (please reserve in advance).
  September 20, October 18, November 15, December 6

- **Gospel Reflection Evenings**
  8:00 – 9:30 pm (Tuesdays)
  A biweekly discussion and reflection over the upcoming Sunday’s Gospel reading. Join us for some or all sessions as your schedule allows! Childcare not provided, but babies 1 and under welcome. Contact katieabamhill@gmail.com for more information.
  August 27, September 20, September 24, October 8, October 22, November 5, and November 19

- **Park Playdates**
  9:30 am (Wednesdays)
  October 9, November 13, December 11

Find more information and details for events on our Facebook group — “St. Martha’s Moms *Kingwood*”
Contact stmarthasmoms@gmail.com for further information or to join our e-mail mailing list.

**The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother.**
St. Therese of Lisieux
Faith Formation

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**-
- **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

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**THE CORNERSTONE**
Catholic Scripture Study

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Books of: James, 1 & 2 Peter and 1-3 John

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**CATECHESIS**
CORNER . . .

Our Faith Formation Team here at St. Martha’s would like to invite individuals with special needs to participate in our Catechesis programs and/or receive the sacraments. With trained special educators and paraprofessionals, we will work with you and your family member to provide a safe and welcoming environment, where he/she can fully embrace God’s word. Everyone is welcomed at the banquet table of the Lord!

For more information on the services we can offer, please contact Craig Simonsgaard at 832-633-0321 or craig.simonsgaard@fosterfuels.com.

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**UNDERSTAND THE ENTIRE BIBLE!**

**The Bible Timeline™**
A 24-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING JEFF CAVINS

- **Dates – Times – Location**
  - Monday Mornings 9:15 - 10:45
    - in the Family Life Center
  - September 16 - November 18

- **Cost – Registration**
  - $35 for Study Set (if new)
  - (No cost if returning from Spring)

- **For More Information**
  - Edith Boohian: edithkb@kingwoodcable.net
  - Carla Lewton: carla@stmartha.com or 281-713-8568

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In The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation, presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible’s narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end. Using a unique color-coded chart, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

The Bible Timeline will teach you how to read and understand the Bible and introduce you to the wonderful narrative of the Bible in a way that will transform your life.

“I never would have read the Bible if I wasn’t for this, and now I simply adore Scripture. It has given me such insight into the Catholic faith and helps me to understand Its true beauty.”

—Kiley D.
**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, 10-11 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 PM, 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)

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**PARISH ROSARY PROCESSION**

A Parish Rosary Procession in honor of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary will be held on **Sunday, Oct. 6**, after the 5 PM Mass.

Everyone is welcome to this grace filled event!!

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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!

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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**THE CHOIR OF TRINITY COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE, UK**

*In concert at St. Martha’s Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2019*

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Cost:** $20 Adult / $10 Students and Seniors

*Info and tickets: stmartha.com/music*
Two Years Later, Catholic Charities Continues to Help People Recover from Harvey

Retirement was already a financial challenge for Lillene Luker. After Hurricane Harvey literally washed the former teacher’s home off its foundation near the banks of the San Jacinto River, retirement got a lot harder. Lillene, 64, takes care of her 85-year-old mother, who was also displaced by the flooding.

Lillene and other family members are among the many people who are still finding their way back to normal two years after Harvey flooded neighborhoods throughout southeast Texas. Families who had sufficient insurance and savings were among the first to recover, leaving behind countless others who didn’t have the financial resilience to bounce back. In the two years after Harvey, the Disaster Recovery Program of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston served 22,221 people and continues to provide resources to households that have yet to return to pre-Harvey status. Many of the households that have yet to recover are more vulnerable populations such as seniors like Lillene, who lives on a fixed retirement income.

Because parishes know their communities and routinely provide assistance to people in need, Catholic Charities provided $600,000 in grants for Harvey recovery to Catholic churches located in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Nine parishes received grants, including St. Martha Catholic Church in Kingwood, where Lillene Luker requested help.

In trying to recover from Harvey, Lillene ran into endless red tape that prevented her from rebuilding her home as it was. She now lives on her property in a rented prefab structure that came without a kitchen or bathroom.

Through your support of Catholic Charities, more than 22,000 people received assistance after Hurricane Harvey. Through the Catholic Charities grant to St. Martha, Lillene made the temporary building into a home with new kitchen appliances and rental assistance. After all her battles with red tape, she was grateful that the grants made it so easy to get the help she needed: “St. Martha came out, looked, prayed, assessed and paid,” said Lillene.

In two years, St. Martha received a total of $100,000 in grants from Catholic Charities, with responsibility for identifying and helping people who suffered loss from Harvey. Olga Najar, director of social services at St. Martha, said, “I’m so happy to be a bridge to connect people with assistance.”

St. Martha’s social services program helps elderly, disabled and low income individuals in the Kingwood area, Porter and New Caney. The parish checks with clients to determine if they need assistance specifically for disaster recovery.

The grant program allows each parish to provide up to $2500 in assistance to an individual or family. Olga reports that recipients often refuse the full amount if they don’t need it all: “They ask us to use the rest of the money to help others who need it more.”

To make ends meet, Lillene left retirement to start working full-time again, this time as a home health care worker. She looks forward to the day when Harvey recovery is no longer an issue: “I go with the belief that things will work out.”

Individuals who still need assistance recovering from Harvey and who are not currently receiving help from another agency can call Catholic Charities’ Disaster Recovery Program: 713-874-6664.
**PROJECT RACHEL:** Project Rachel is the confidential and compassionate outreach to women who have had an abortion or been involved in an abortion. Its purpose is to foster reconciliation and healing between the parent and Christ, His Church, the child, and all other significant relationships. Questions? Call 713-741-8728.

**Martha’s Kitchen News**

Thank you to all who visited our table during Stewardship weekend. We hope many of you will join our ministry of feeding those in need.

The Kitchen runs best with 20-25 daily volunteers and new members are always welcomed. So, even if you missed the Stewardship weekend please contact Sister Carmen 713-224-2522 to discuss volunteering.

Martha’s Kitchen provides a safe environment, our service is fun and the gratification felt by the smiles or a simple thank you from our guests is priceless.

May God Bless You!

**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

**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 (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

**MOTSy 2019**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Legacy of Love**

**OCTOBER 12TH @ 8:30 A.M.**

**AT THE CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CENTER**

**FOLLOWED BY A RALLY WITH SPEAKER MATT REGITZ & MARCH AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD**

**St. Martha Life Chain**

**Sunday, Oct. 6**

2-3:30 p.m.

**Kingwood Dr. and West Lake Houston Pkwy intersection**

Please join us and stand in silent witness for life. Bring your families, coolers and chairs as we pray for the unborn and their mothers.

**The event will occur rain or shine.**

More information: paula_amsler@msn.com

**Helpers Of God’s Precious Infants:** The Helpers of God’s Precious Infants are a group of people committed to maintaining a loving and prayerful presence and witness outside the abortion sites where God’s children are put to death.

**Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Mass and Rosary—Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019.** Mass at 8 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1505 Kane St. Houston 77077, followed by prayer at Houston Women’s Reproductive Services 5225 Katy Fwy.
St. Martha Catholic School

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

Visit our school website at www.stmarthacs.org for more information or contact Registrar Jodie Richter at 281-358-5523.

St. Martha Catholic School provides an excellent Catholic education by developing mind, heart, and spirit as we share in community to form witnesses who transform the world.

St. Martha Catholic School is hiring for the following positions to be filled immediately:

Instructional Coordinator: Masters degree in Education and 5+ years classroom experience required. Reading Specialist and/or Special Education certification preferred.

Substitute Teachers: high school diplomas are required, college degrees are preferred. No experience is necessary, but it is preferred.

Qualified applicants can apply online at: www.choosecatholicschools.org. Please email the principal, Mrs. Jessica Munscher at munscherj@stmarthacs.org with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

Crusader Open
November 8, 2019

Please plan on joining us at the 2019 Crusader Open! The Crusader Open Golf Tournament will be a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 8, at the Clubs of Kingwood. To sign up to receive more information about supporting St. Martha Catholic School through this great event, please email Cally Borch at borchc@stmarthacs.org.

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. Please register online at: http://archgh.event.com/events/50th-wedding-anniversary-jubilee-2019/event-summary-90dc3d8b94b44cd2bd584b15aadb6bcd.aspx

Married Couples—Looking For A Way To Include God In Your Relationship? Find some new ideas on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores and phones...and focus on each other (the way it all began). This weekend can help you find greater depth, growth and enrichment in your relationship. The next scheduled Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be Oct. 11-13, 2019. Find out more or sign up at: www.houstonme.org or call (713) 482-1791.

Around the Community

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Legión de María—
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.

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
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
Lunes: 12-1 AM, 1-2 AM, 2-3 AM, 3-4 AM, 6-7 AM, 9-10 AM.
Martes: 12-1 AM I-2 AM, 10-11 AM, 12-1 PM, 1-2 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
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Welcome to Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus, Friends of Jesus Catholic Church
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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 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.

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