SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am,  
11:00am, 12:45pm, 5:00pm

DAILY MASSES
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday  
7:30am, 12:00pm  
Wednesday 7:30am, 6:30pm  
Friday 8:15am, 12:00pm  
Saturday 8:30am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday after morning Mass  
Saturday 4:00pm–4:45pm  
Wednesday 5:30pm–6:20pm  
Monday–Thursday after  
morning Mass

ROSARY
Friday 6:30am

FIRST FRIDAY MASS
July 1 — In the Chapel  
7:00pm - Rosary & Confessions  
7:30pm - Mass

FIRST SATURDAY MASS
July 2 — In the Church  
7:45am - Meditation & Rosary  
8:30am - Mass

MISA EN ESPAÑOL
Junio 11 — En la Capilla  
Segundo y cuarto sábado de cada mes a las  
7:00pm. Confesiones en Español antes de  
la misa de 6:00 a 6:45 pm. Comunión a los  
enfermos, Irma Martinez  
Tel 281-313-2833

MAKE THE TIME
Adoration | Community | Theology | Service

St. Laurence Men’s  
A.C.T.S. Retreat  
June 9-12, 2016

3100 Sweetwater Blvd. | Sugar Land, Texas 77479 | 281-980-9812 | www.stlaurence.org
OUR MISSION:

“We the people of St. Laurence Catholic Church are centered in the love of Christ and live to glorify God in all we do.”

PARISH OFFICE

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Pastor: Fr. Drew Wood
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jaison Thomas, MSFS, jaisonthomas@stlaurence.org
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Simon Kipiti, skipiti@stlaurence.org

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ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2630 Austin Parkway, Sugar Land, TX 77479
281-980-0500

Principal: Debra Haney, dhaney@stlaurence.org
Registrar: Marie Brown, mbrown@stlaurence.org

WEEKDAY CHILDREN’S PROGRAM

3103 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479
281-313-0329

Director: Becky Wilkinson, bwilkinson@stlaurence.org

PARISH LEADERSHIP COUNCILS

281-980-9812

Pastoral Council: Tom Ruck, rucktg@gmail.com
Finance Council: Bob Ladd, bob.ladd@haynesboone.com
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PARISH OFFICE & COURTYARD

The parish office provides services including pastoral care, liturgical planning, business, communications, & administrative support, and social concerns & social justice support. The parish hall and meeting rooms are available through reservation by calling Nia Sepe at 281-980-9812. Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00am-9:00pm; Friday 8:00am-6:00pm; and Saturday 8:30am-12:00noon.

AVE MARIA PARISH LIFE CENTER

The Ave Maria Parish Life Center is located across the street from the church and is the site for all religious education classes, programs and offices. Inquiries and drop-ins are welcome during office hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00am-9:00pm and Friday 8:00am-4:00pm. The Weekday Children’s Program is offered for infants through pre-school aged children. During the school year, WCP hours Monday-Friday are 8:00am-3:00pm.

PARISH SCHOOL & CHAPEL

St. Laurence Catholic School provides strong academics in a Christian environment to 720 students enrolled in PreK4 through Grade 8. Office Hours: Monday-Friday are 8:00am-4:00pm.

Adjacent to the school is the Chapel of the Divine Mercy which offers Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and serves as the site for smaller liturgies.
MAKE THE TIME!

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

What is ACTS and why should you make time to attend this retreat?

This is the question I am often asked. My simple response is ACTS retreat is an opportunity for each of us to make time to focus on Jesus Christ and our community. To reflect on our faith journey and to know we are never alone. The ACTS values are to honor God in everything we do and build a relationship based on trust & respect in our parish community.

We all have very busy schedules and it is up to each of us to discern what’s important and then take the time to focus on our priorities. Don’t we all want love and peace in our hearts as Jesus said to the apostles “Peace be with you”?

With guidance from the Holy Spirit, the ACTS retreat is planned and conducted by our community laity by embracing a servant’s heart. We pray to be a vessel of the eternal flame of the Holy Spirit and to be a light that will help bring about the New Evangelization by fostering love and true discipleship, leading others to a commitment and obedience to Our Lord Jesus Christ by our every word, action and thought.

ACTS is an acronym for Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. It is these four themes that are the focus of the weekend’s activities. ACTS is inspired by the ACTS of the Apostles 2:42-47:

ADORATION... and daily prayer;
COMMUNITY... as a member of the Body of Christ;
THEOLOGY... through the study of Holy Scriptures and the teachings of the Catholic Church; and
SERVICE... with emphasis on the virtue of service to our Lord, to our Church and to one another.

I invite you to make the time to focus on your Catholic faith journey and to attend an ACTS retreat, to experience the love and community of our parish and in turn, engage to help others.

In Christ,
Greg Cordova
St. Laurence Men’s ACTS Retreat Co-director
gregcordova@yahoo.com
832-457-3011 (mobile)

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**JUNE**

| SUNDAY 5 | First Reading | 1 KGS 17:17-24
| Second Reading | GAL 1:11-14A, 15AC, 16A, 17, 19
| Gospel | LK 7:11-17 |

| MONDAY 6 | First Reading | 1 KGS 17:1-6
| Gospel | MT 5:1-12 |

| TUESDAY 7 | First Reading | 1 KGS 17:7-16
| Gospel | MT 5:13-16 |

| WEDNESDAY 8 | First Reading | 1 KGS 18:20-39
| Gospel | MT 5:17-19 |

| THURSDAY 9 | First Reading | 1 KGS 18:41-46
| Gospel | MT 5:20-26 |

| FRIDAY 10 | First Reading | 1 KGS 19:9A, 11-16
| Gospel | MT 5:27-32 |

| SATURDAY 11 | First Reading | ACTS 11:21B-26, 13:1-3
| Gospel | MT 5:33-37 |

| SUNDAY 12 | First Reading | 2 SM 12:7-10, 13
| Second Reading | GAL 2:16, 19-21
| Gospel | LK 7:36—8:3 |

**PRAYING THE NEWS | JUNE 5, 2016**

*When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity…*

Luke 7:13

Dear Lord, when President Obama visited Hiroshima, it brought to mind how your most tender and loving heart must have been crushed that day in 1945, and on those before and after it. You, who came as love and mercy incarnate, witnessed horrific suffering during World War II, and still do today. But we trust in your power to lift up, to heal souls, and to lead all to peace. Please help humankind prevent such pain and destruction ever again.

Amen. †
PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for these members of our parish family and all our loved ones listed in the Book of the Sick:


PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THOSE IN PRISON

Following are the prayer intentions of people visited by our Correctional Ministry.

Debbie Green & family, Jessica Ayala, Adrian Zeldivar, Liz Trevino, Cristian Perez, Phillip Perez, Makayla Mendez, Leticia Flores, Lina & Arnoldo Lucio, James Shelby, Jace Laws, Autumn Salato, Serena Salato, Bubba Cahoon, Miko Kraeer Cerrone, Teresa Ruiz, Raul Gonzalez, Jacinto, Rita & Louie Gonzalez, Tatiana Sobeys, Sierra family, Torres family, Shane Hunt & family, Patricia LaFleur, Paul Ramirez, Angelic Marie Ramirez, Jocelin Ramirez, Roland Bergara, Robert Crenshaw, Chaplin Tom Lowe, Deacon Al Bothe, the Society of St John de Matha, the men in the Terrell Prison RCIA program and all the people of Jester 3.

PRAY FOR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

CW2 Brett Aderhold, US Army, AV
Spc David Ambrock, US Army
Pvt Michael Baird, US Army
SA Matthew Baird, US Navy
P.O. S Debra Barnett, US Navy
LCpl Trevor Bello, USMC
PFC John Blair, US Army
Maj. Michael Carroll, USMC
Staff Sgt. Jason Chacon, USMC
Lt Matthew Chesney, US Navy
Maj. Christopher Coffman, US Air Force
Capt. Patrick Driscoll, USMC
LTJG Colin Day, US Navy
1stLt Andrew DesPlinter, US Army
Sgt. Nicholas Dockum, US Army
Capt. Brandon Driscoll, USMC
Maj. James Dunphy, USMC
2ndLt Michael Eberhardt, US Army
Capt. Stacey Eberhardt, US Army
Derek Farias, US Navy
Capt. Matthew Fenelon, USMC
Pvt Jahnell Xavier George, US Army
Ssgt. Philip Graham, USMC
1stLT Spencer Henry, US Army
Dane Hines, US Navy
SSG Matthew Hollobaugh, US Army Reserve
1LT Michelle Horstman, US Army
SPC Joshua Keenan, US Army
Joseph Kingerski, US Navy
EM4 James Locus, US Navy
PFC Philip Loera, US Army
PFC John Lundgren, US Army
Armin Joseph Marcelus, USAF
LCpl William Marcelus, USMC
Cpl Kevin McGinnis, USMC
Capt. Brendan McPartland, USMC
1stLt Todd Miller, US Army
Capt. Alexander Morningstar, US Army
CB, Richard Pinard, US Navy
LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, USMC
Sgt. Santiago Ramirez, US Army
1stLt Taylor Rammuth, US Army
Sgt. Barbara L. Rangel, US Army
SRA Jonathan Slusser, US Air Force
ENS Kevin Stranksy, US Navy
LCpl Daniel Thesing, USMC
Capt. Michael Thesing, USMC
Sgt. Bryce Whitley, US Army
AM Troy Yelverton, US Navy

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 4
5:00pm – Lee Gleghorn (D)

SUNDAY, JUNE 5
7:30am – Darel Gaylord (D)
9:00am – Lloyd Waguespack (D)
11:00am – Laurie Nichols (I)
12:45pm – Anita Ifudu (I)
5:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

MONDAY, JUNE 6
7:30am – Manuel & Delia Crescini (A)
12:00pm – Douglas A. East (D)

TUESDAY, JUNE 7
7:30am – Ramon Simeone (D)
12:00pm – Ester Brick (D)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8
7:30am – Bill & Ann Reinsmith (D)
6:30pm – Albert Colaianni (D)

THURSDAY, JUNE 9
7:30am – Carolyn Torralba (D)
12:00pm – Bernada Padilla (D)

FRIDAY, JUNE 10
8:15am – Suzanne Thebolt (I)
12:00pm – Michael Fernandes (I)

SATURDAY, JUNE 11
8:30pm – Rafael Villar (D)
5:00pm – Lorenzo H. Lopez (I)

SUNDAY, JUNE 12
7:30am – Marjorie Large (D)
9:00am – Ed Streich (D)
11:00am – Lauren Baker (D)
12:45pm – Randy Newcomer, Sr. (D)
5:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Marc Fryer, Brother Peter Francis (Brian Kelsch), Chad Henry, Bryan Williams, Sister Philomena (Krystle Cagandahan), Sister Daniela (Megan Bennett), Sister Rachel Marie of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus & Mary (Rachel Gosda), Margaret Uche, Dennis Henderson
**JUNE 7-9: EXPLORE RETREAT FOR YOUNG MEN**
This retreat is offered at St. Mary Seminary for **high school boys, ages 15-18**, who desire an opportunity to explore seminary life and learn about the call to holiness and the priesthood. The retreat consists of music, games, faith sharing, outdoor activities, creative prayer experiences and more. **Registration deadline is June 3**, for the Explore Retreat on June 7-9. For more info, go to [www.houstonvocations.com/explore-retreat](http://www.houstonvocations.com/explore-retreat) or call any of our priests at 281-980-9812 to discuss with them.

**JUNE 11: SPANISH RACHEL PROJECT RETREAT**
God offers forgiveness, healing and hope to all who repent, including those involved in abortion. A Rachel Retreat can help post-abortive women find healing and peace. There is a Spanish Rachel Project Retreat on **Saturday, June 11**. The retreat will begin at 9:30am and end with Mass at 5:30pm. For more info on this **retreat in Spanish**, please call Raquel at (713) 222-2289.

**JUNE 24-25: GOSPEL OF DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE**
The Fullness of Truth Ministries will present a very special conference at Prince of Peace Catholic Church featuring **Scott Hahn, John Bergsma & Michael Barber** on Friday, June 24 (6:30-9:30pm) and Saturday, June 25 (7:30am-5:00pm). The Gospel of Divine Mercy is the theme for this conference and all presentations focus on an aspect of God’s Mercy. Don’t miss this chance to see these great speakers in person. General admission **tickets are available for $45** and family passes are $110, which includes a box lunch. Limited childcare is available. Get all the information and register at [www.fullnessoftruth.org](http://www.fullnessoftruth.org).

**THIS FALL: 12-DAY HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**
Fr. Santy Kurian wishes to invite you to join his 12 Day Holy Land & Jordan Pilgrimage visiting Cana, Tiberias, Bethlehem, Mt. Beatitudes, Nazareth, Petra, Mt. Nebo, Jerusalem, and Mt. of Olives from **Oct 30-Nov 9, 2016**. The cost is $3,390 per person, which includes round trip air transportation from Houston, first class hotels, double occupancy, 2 meals a day (full breakfast & dinner), daily Mass, airport taxes, fuel surcharges, and tips to guides and drivers. For a brochure and all the information, please go to [www.inspirationaltoursinc.com](http://www.inspirationaltoursinc.com) or contact Inspirational Tours at 713-961-2785 or at insptours@aol.com.

**PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**
- May 29 Collection (Corpus Christi) $ 56,405
- Registered Households 7,275
- Envelopes Used 709
- Loose Checks 223

**AUTOMATED GIVING**
- Monthly Offertory $ 164,572
- Participants 865

**DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND**
- 2016 Parish Goal $ 495,000
- Amount Paid $ 301,062
- Amount Pledged $ 385,243
- Participants 885

**Diocesan Services Fund**

*His Mercy Endures Forever*

Christ calls us to reach those who are sick or in need, to bless them, serve them, and show them mercy. Your gift to the DSF enables us to reach out to people across the archdiocese through more than 60 programs. Help us reach our parish goal of **$495,000** with a pledge today. Donate online at [www.archgh.org/dsf](http://www.archgh.org/dsf) or pick up an envelope at the Hospitality Desk.

**THANK YOU!**

**KINGDOM CARE**
Childcare is provided through Kingdom Care, a loving, Christian, and safe environment for young children while their parents attend Mass and other parish programs. Register in advance at the parish office with Christy Delamora at 281-980-9812.

**WEDDING PREPARATION**

**Next class: JUNE 6**
The standard preparation time for weddings is 9-12 months in advance of the desired date. All engaged couples must attend an information session, usually offered every other month. Register with Theresa Rawls at 281-980-9812.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION**

**Next class: JUNE 11**
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays each month. To schedule a baptism call Rose Davis at 281-980-9812. The parent prep class is offered monthly.

**PARISH CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK**

**BAPTISMS**
- Eli Eshiet, Ethan Eshiet, Isabelle Okafor
- Emma Geldres, Eamon Inamdar
- Jasmine Altmiller

**WEDDINGS**
- Nichole Bishop & Michael Sodek

**FUNERALS**
- Emily Hurley, mother of Nancy Albrecht
- John Volk, father of Michelle Gilbert
- Neva Holzhauser, mother of Jimmy Holzhauser

**MAKE TIME to be with HIM**
CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION

ELEMENTARY CCE
Grow in your Faith this Summer!

Yippee! School’s out! Don’t forget to continue to grow in your faith as a family this summer. Check out these fun activities at www.loyolapress.com/living-as-a-catholic-family.

Registration for the upcoming program year (which begins mid-September) is ongoing and will continue thru August 15. Forms for CCE and First Sacraments preparation programs may be picked up in person at the AMC or can be found on the parish website under EDUCATION/Registration. Register early! Many classes fill up fast!

Love children and love your faith? Consider volunteering this coming year as a catechist or an assistant in the St. Laurence CCE program. No experience is necessary, just a desire to share your faith with our youngest church members. Training and materials are provided. Don’t want to teach? We need you, too! There are other opportunities for parental involvement including catechist assistants and desk monitors. Interested? Please contact Joan Hastreiter at jhastreiter@stlaurence.org. This is an incredibly rewarding experience which you will never regret!

THIS WEEK: FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS
Please pray for:
Jordan Flint, Karina Davis, James Pugh…
and all 226 children making their First Communion this year!

A Note from Mrs. Haney…

When Mrs. Barto was a Kindergarten teacher, there was something very special about her that made me think she would be a great administrator. At the time, I had no idea that she would be my replacement as the next principal. However, God knows His plans, and I feel very confident that He knew this was the plan back in 2007! I am confident in Mrs. Barto and her ability to direct SLCS as a leader in Catholic education in our archdiocese! As we celebrate our 25th anniversary as a school in this upcoming school year, Mrs. Barto will begin a new course for our school, and I look forward to witnessing the school flourish and shine under her creative and passionate leadership!

Mrs. Barto is a smart, talented, and strong person whose faith and commitment are unwavering. She is a believer in SLCS and its mission to educate all of God’s children, and I know that the SLCS community will embrace her with open arms as the new principal. Mrs. Barto has been an outstanding assistant all of these years, and I know she is ready for the next step in her career. With the continued support of Mrs. Guedry (our awesome Middle School Assistant Principal), the fabulous faculty and staff at SLCS, and our amazing parent and parish communities, Mrs. Barto is sure to take SLCS to the next level of spiritual and academic excellence.

Semper Fidelis, Mrs. Barto!

SUZANNE BARTO PROMOTED TO PRINCIPAL OF ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL!

Please join our parish school community in congratulating and welcoming Suzanne Barto as the new principal of SLCS! For the last 9 years, she has served as Assistant Principal for our PreK-4th Grade. Effective July 1, she will replace Principal Debra Haney who is moving on to serve as Associate Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Archdiocese. Thank you to both of these outstanding educators for their service to the school and our parish family!

WCP SUMMER CAMP

Experience Different Cultures
Open to children age 6 months – entering 5th grade

Session 1: June 13 - June 17 Pack Your Bags
Session 2: June 20 - July 1 Hola, Mexico
Session 3: July 11 - July 22 Aloha, Hawaii
Session 4: July 25 - Aug 5 Ni Hao, China

2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION:
Contact Peggy Finch at 281-313-0329 or stop by the Ave Maria Center to learn more about this outstanding early childhood program and inquire about openings.
www.stlaurence.org/weekday-childrens-program
What is EDGE?

It’s way more than effective catechesis. It’s Catholic Middle School Youth Ministry that helps young people with life’s most challenging years. Edge Nights take place Wednesday evenings from September through April at the Ave Maria Center. All 6th-8th graders are invited and encouraged to attend. Interested in helping out? Contact Eric Painter at epainter@stlaurence.org.

LIFE TEEN

Life Teen is for any teen currently in high school. This ministry is St. Laurence’s main outreach to 9th - 12th graders. Through teaching and social events we hope to build up the kingdom of God one teen at a time. For more info and to help, please contact Kris Frank at kfrank@stlaurence.org.

SUMMER IN LIFE TEEN

OPEN YOUTH ROOM:
Mondays & Thursdays (1-3pm) Join us for Mass @ noon!

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS:
Tuesdays (6-7:30pm) in the Youth Room

SUNDAY LIFE NIGHTS:
Following the Sunday 5pm Life Teen Mass
July 10, July 17, July 24, July 31

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation at St. Laurence is part of Youth Ministry and Religious Education. We bring teens closer to Christ through this Sacrament of the Church. Contact Sara Sahlezghi at ssahlezghi@stlaurence.org. Confirmation is open to sophomores and juniors in high school. Teens who do not attend Catholic School should attend Life Nights (HS religious education) for at least a year prior to beginning preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, to ensure they have been catechized and are prepared for the journey to Confirmation.

Lead Teens Closer to Christ

Be a part of something BIG and join the team that helps disciple and lead middle and high school youth closer to Christ. If you would like to be a part of this ministry for the upcoming academic year, please contact Eric, Kris or Sara at 281-265-5774.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

“We simply cannot choose between our care for the elderly poor and our faith.”

When a blind, paralyzed, elderly widow needed a place to live, Jeanne Jugan gave up her own bed so that the woman could have a comfortable place to sleep during her last years on earth. What began as a small community of a few single women taking in poor strangers in rural France in the early 1800s became an order now known as the Little Sisters of the Poor.

The Little Sisters carry on the work of their founder, who was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2009. The Little Sisters’ mission is “to offer the neediest elderly of every race and religion a home where they will be welcomed as Christ, cared for as family and accompanied with dignity until God calls them to himself.”

Continuing the tradition of St. Jeanne Jugan, the Little Sisters beg for all that they need to take care of the elderly poor, and they do not accept guaranteed forms of income. The Little Sisters established roots in several countries, arriving in the United States in 1868. They now have 27 nursing homes across the U.S., where they take care of poor, elderly residents.

Unfortunately, a recent mandate from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) would force the Little Sisters to arrange for coverage of abortion-inducing drugs, contraceptives, and sterilization in their employee health plans. If the Little Sisters do not arrange for coverage of these “services,” then they face massive fines from the federal government, totaling approximately $70 million per year.

The Little Sisters were forced to sue the federal government in order to stave off these potentially crushing fines on their ministry. Their case has recently been heard before the U.S. Supreme Court, which will decide whether to vindicate the Little Sisters’ rights to free exercise of religion under federal law. The Little Sisters have argued that religious freedom exists not only for houses of worship but also for those who serve others, such as in ministry to the poor, which is part and parcel of the Catholic faith. The Little Sisters have dedicated their lives to following Christ in service to the world. We pray that the Court will uphold their freedom to serve and that our government will respect the freedom of all people of faith to contribute to the common good.

Let us pray for the Little Sisters of the Poor! (www.usccb.org)
**This week in Adult Faith Formation**

**MONDAY**

**Men’s Bible Study (Weekly)**  
7:30-9:00pm, St Francis Room  
Contact: Steve Ewbank | 281-980-5575 | stevee@pcdltd.com

**Lay Apostle Prayer Group (First Monday, June 6)**  
10:30am-12:00pm, Church Cry Room  
OR 7:00-8:30pm, St. Anne Room  
Contact: Kay Quenan | 281-265-3238 | kquenan@icloud.com  
**Join us for the Lay Apostolate of Jesus Christ the Returning King prayer group.**  
We, as lay apostles, strive to remain with Jesus more completely in each moment so that He can use us to bring light to others. Bring your Rosary as we will pray the Luminous Mysteries and then read Jesus’ message. There will be small group break-outs to discuss and share the message.

**TUESDAY**

**Men’s Bible Study (Weekly)**  
6:30-7:30am, St Francis Room  
Contact: Steve Ewbank | 281-980-5575 | ewbanksix@gmail.com

**Tuesday Evening Bible Study (Weekly)**  
7:30-9:00pm, Marian Hall, Contact: Joe Kanusky | 281-265-4084  
**June 7: NO CLASS this week due to VBS**

**WEDNESDAY**

**Contemplative Prayer (Weekly)**  
9:30-11:30 am, Corpus Christi Room  
Contact: Elaine Smith | 281-499-6660

**Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy (1st and 3rd Wednesdays)**  
7:30-9:00pm, Corpus Christi Room (June 9 only)  
Contact: Patti Kallemeyn | 281-438-0696

**THURSDAY**

**Catholic Men Called to be Saints (Weekly)**  
6:00-7:30am, Guardian Angels Hall  
Contact: Jim Kij | 713-855-0108 | jimkij@comcast.net

**Divine Mercy Study & Book Study (Weekly)**  
9:00am-12:00pm, St Francis Room  
Contact: Sally Flowers | 281-799-0331

**Spanish Bible Study (Weekly)**  
9:30am-12:00pm, Marian Hall A, Contact: Veronica Reinoso | 281-980-1194 | veronicareinoso62@gmail.com

**Thursday Scripture Study (Weekly)**  
2 OPTIONS: 1:00-2:30pm, St Anne Rm OR 7:15-8:30pm, AMC 205  
Contact: Julie Evett | jevett@comcast.net

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**SPEAKER SERIES PRESENTS:**  
**ARLAND NICHOLS**

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**Freedom to Serve:**  
The Connection between Religious Liberty and the Works of Mercy  
Monday, June 13 | 7:00-9:00 pm

The Jubilee Year of Mercy is a call for the Catholic Church to live out the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. The Church in America and abroad, however, is being restricted in serving others because she cannot comply with immoral governmental mandates (such as the HHS Contraception Mandate). Arland will help us understand the Church’s call to religious liberty and what we can do to uphold this right so that we are free to bring mercy to a world in need.

Arland Nichols is founding President of the John Paul II Foundation, which seeks to proclaim the gospel of life and form families as intimate communities of love. He writes, speaks, and consults in Houston & across the nation in the areas of bioethics, family and religious liberty. He resides in Katy with his wife, Cindy, and their six children.

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**RETROUVAILLE:**  
A Lifeline for Marriages  
June 17-19, North Hyatt Hotel, Houston

The word Retrouvaille (pronounced re-tro-vi) is the French word for ‘rediscovery.’ This program offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship, which has helped thousands of couples in trouble or headed for divorce. The program consists of a weekend experience combined with a series of 6-12 sessions over 3 months. Couples MUST register in advance by calling 713-529-6242.  
For more information, visit www.retrouvaille.org.

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**A.D. Bootcamp**

A Daily Challenge for Married Couples  
Pope Francis’s Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love) came out on April 8. How much have you read? If you need a little push, join the AL Bootcamp at www.foryourmarriage.org! This website will allow you and your spouse to read a small bit from Chapter 4 (Love in Marriage) and ask you to do something related to it for your marriage every day. Look for excerpts in upcoming bulletins!

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Serving the Lord with Gladness

2016 AFF SPEAKER SERIES

Arland Nichols

“Freedom to Serve: The Connection between Religious Liberty and the Works of Mercy”

Monday, June 13, 7-9 pm
Ave Maria Center, Marian Hall A & B

The Jubilee Year of Mercy is a call for the Catholic Church to live out the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. The Church in America and abroad, however, is being restricted in serving others because she cannot comply with immoral mandates of the government such as the HHS Contraception Mandate. In this talk, Arland will help us understand the Church’s call to religious liberty and what we can do to uphold this right so that we are free to bring mercy to a world in need.

Arland K. Nichols is the founding President of the John Paul II Foundation, which seeks to proclaim the gospel of life and form families as intimate communities of love. He writes, speaks, and consults in the areas of bioethics, family, and religious liberty in the Houston area and across the nation. He resides with his wife, Cindy, and their six children in Katy, TX.

2016 AFF SPEAKER SERIES
Second Mondays, 7-9 pm, Ave Maria Center, Marian Hall A & B
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Saint Paul begins today’s second reading by stating that he was “called” to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As baptized Catholics who have an opportunity to share in Christ’s life through the Eucharist regularly, we too are called to proclaim the teachings of Christ. We are stewards of Christ’s Gospel. But how are we responding to that call? Do we listen for the guidance of the Holy Spirit? Do we evade, dodge or ignore the Lord’s call? Do we attempt to proclaim the Gospel in a spirit of compassion and love? Reflect on how you exercise stewardship over the Gospel.

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STEWARDS AMONG US

GREG CORDOVA

Greg Cordova and his wife Stella came to St. Laurence eight years ago, during the construction of the church and our ‘Journey to the Gym’. Greg says, “The warmth of our parish community and the joyous music lifted our souls. We knew God had guided us to a community where we would receive loving support and provided an opportunity to use our talents and time to give back to God.” Greg joined the KCs, Men’s Bible studies and he and Stella got active in Marriage Encounter. Three years ago, he went on an ACTS Retreat and this year is serving as Co-Director for the Men’s ACTS Retreat. “In the past, I would avoid getting involved because I didn’t feel worthy or didn’t think I had the skill to perform a specific task. Now, I have come to understand to trust in Jesus and I can do anything he brings to me. For me, participation in my various ministries is the key for my continued growth in forgiveness, love and charity. I humbly acknowledge my journey is at best half done and I pray for time to get it right before going home.”

In all we do... evangelize

We need to find the right language, arguments and forms of witness that can help us reach the hearts of young people, appealing to their capacity for generosity, commitment, love and even heroism, and in this way inviting them to take up the challenge of marriage with enthusiasm and courage.

Pope Francis
AMORIS LAETITIA, April 2016

Ask Paula

Q.
Doesn’t the Archdiocese limit the amount of time a priest serves at a parish?

A.
I went right to Father Drew with this question and here’s what I found out: There are guidelines, but not hard and fast rules about this. FD has been at St. Laurence for 18 years, 14 of those years as pastor! WOW! I’ve been here almost 20 years as receptionist and I tell people I run the place, just saying. Of course, we all want Fr. Drew to stay here forever, but you never know. Unlike me, he made a promise of obedience and respect, so he’ll do whatever is asked of him, right? According to FD, because of his “advanced age” the Archdiocese may not move him at this point of his life. (I think that’s a safe bet too.) Thanks, Andrius, for asking this question! I’m sure a lot of parishioners wonder about this, right?

Paula Savo has been our Parish Receptionist for over 19 years and knows the practical answers to (practically) everything. Call or email her at psavo@stlaurence.org.
Thank you, Bulletin Advertisers!

We have given our weekly bulletin a brand new look and expanded it to include even more parish news! Special thanks to the following advertisers—many of them your fellow parishioners—who have made it possible for us to provide this bulletin each week at no cost to the parish. For more information or to contact these businesses, please locate their ads at the back of this bulletin and say ‘thanks’ by calling them first!

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GROW YOUR OWN GARDEN— BOTH PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL
FRIDAY, JUNE 17 FROM 6:30-8:00 PM, GUARDIAN ANGELS HALL, AMC

“The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed...it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree....” — Matthew 13:31-2.

Join other St. Laurence families for a summer evening of fun with gardens! We are going to plant some things to take home—seeds to grow plants and seeds to grow in faith. There will be games and crafts for all ages.

We will provide chicken nuggets for the meal and ice cream sandwiches for dessert. Please bring a side dish to share.

“Though I do not believe that a plant will spring up where no seed has been, I have great faith in a seed. Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to expect wonders.”

—Henry David Thoreau

PLEASE RSVP AT WWW.STLAURENCE.ORG/FAMILY-NIGHTS
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MELISSA CALCOTE AT MCALCOTE@STLAURENCE.ORG.
**NOW: REGISTER FOR CCE, EDGE & LIFE TEEN**

It's time to register your children for religious education classes! Go to the parish website at [www.stlaurence.org](http://www.stlaurence.org) for all the info and registration materials or stop by the Ave Maria Center. Classes fill up fast, so be sure to register early! Please note the NEW ELEMENTARY CCE TIMES (due to the change in FBISD school dismissal times): Tuesday 4:30pm, Tuesday 6:30pm, and Wednesday 5:15pm.

**Registration deadline is August 15.** Please consider serving as a faith-sharer or catechist. We can use help at all grade levels. Core members lead small groups of middle or high school students; catechists teach in a classroom setting to elementary and preschool aged children. You get all the materials and training you need — you just need a heart to share your faith with our young parishioners! Contact the Religious Education Office at 281-265-5774. Thank you!

**JUNE 11: ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA FEAST DAY**

Everyone in the parish is invited to join the members of the St. Anthony of Padua Prayer Group for a celebration of their patron’s feast day on **Saturday, June 11, at 6:45pm**, in the church. There will be Mass celebrated by Fr. Santy Kurian, a Novena and a prayerful procession in the church, followed by dinner and entertainment in the school gym. For additional information, please visit www.sanovena.org or contact the ministry at stanthonynovena@gmail.com, Joseph Ellankil at 832-282-3032, or Sunny Tom at 832-620-7417. All are welcome!

**JUNE 9: FREE SPANISH CLASSES BEGIN**

Have you been meaning to improve your Spanish to help you better serve within your ministry? **Sign up for free Spanish classes** which start this week! Beginning, intermediate and advanced Spanish classes are offered this summer through the St. Laurence Learn Spanish Ministry. Classes will be held on **Monday and Thursday evenings (7:00-8:30pm)** and are open to priests, deacons, religious, missionaries and anyone active in parish ministries. Classes begin June 9, and run through August 4. For more information, to register, or to volunteer as a teacher, please contact Adriana Gutierrez, Learn Spanish Coordinator, at 281-265-5419 or LearnSpanishMinistry@gmail.com.

**JOB POSTING: COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR**

St. Laurence is now hiring a full-time Communications Coordinator. Reporting to and working closely with the Director of Parish Life, this person will be responsible for producing the weekly Sunday bulletin and managing the parish website and social media. Applicants must be a baptized Catholic with excellent writing and verbal communication skills; a self-starter who is deadline-driven and enjoys creating and seeing a project through to completion; current on latest developments in technology, social media, graphics and marketing. All interested applicants should submit a letter of application and resume to Sharon Ehrenkranz, Director of Parish Life, at sehrenkranz@stlaurence.org.

**RESTORING A HEALTHY BODY RHYTHM**

**Thursday, June 16, 7:00-8:30pm**

Next in the Nutrition & Spirituality Series, hear Laura Laine, a spiritual director and registered dietitian, speak on discovering the Sacred Rhythm-Holy Order that nourishes, keeping us healthy & balanced. **INFO:** Anne Marie Daniel, 281-265-5774

**ST. LAURENCE WOMEN’S RETREAT**

**September 16-18, 2016**

This annual retreat is held at Camp Allen Retreat Center in Navasota and will be based on the lives of the women of the bible. Pick up a brochure at the Hospitality Desk or register at www.stlaurence.org/womens-retreat.

**KC SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**

Each year our Knights of Columbus Council offers two $1000 scholarships to graduating 8th graders going to a Catholic High School and two $2000 scholarships to 12th grade graduates going off to college. The KCs congratulate this year’s winners for their excellent essays and service to their parish and community:

- **8th grade**
  - Caroline Cho
  - Benjamin Camacho

- **12th grade**
  - Mikala Casuga
  - Taylor Ysaguirre

**YOU’RE INVITED**

**Saturday, June 25, 2016**

11:00 a.m.

55th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of FR. ROY OGGERO

Mass at St. Laurence Church followed by reception at the Ave Maria Center.
Serving Others

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

EVERY WEEK AT ST. LAURENCE

**MONDAYS:** Our Daily Bread 9:30am, SCM Workroom

**WEDNESDAYS:** Coupons for a Cause 1:00pm, SCM Workroom

OTHER GREAT OPPORTUNITIES

**Bingo:** Call weekend Bingo games for nursing home residents at Sugar Land Health Care Center

**Birthday Celebrations:** Organize bi-monthly birthday/holiday celebrations at Sugar Land Health Care Center

**Caring Creations:** Meets first 3 Fridays each month to create crafts to donate to Mamie George Community Center and other Fort Bend agencies

**Child Advocates Snack Bags:** Monthly assembly of 100+ snack bags for children

**Fresh Food Delivery:** Twice a month, purchase and deliver fresh food St. John Fisher food pantry

**Learn English Ministry:** Teach English to non-English-speaking adults; no teaching or foreign language experience necessary

**Lunches of Love:** Decorate lunch bags; over 1,000 brown bag meals provided each week to children in Richmond-Rosenberg

**Village Program:** Matches parish families with families that struggle each month to make ends meet

**For more info about these and other great ways to serve others, go to [www.stlaurence.org/social-concerns](http://www.stlaurence.org/social-concerns)**

A SUMMER OF SERVICE

Each Tuesday during the summer, beginning this week, the Social Concerns Ministry offers service opportunities in the Social Concerns Workroom, unless noted otherwise. SPACE IS LIMITED, and pre-registration is required. Register via Sign Up Genius at [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com). For more info, contact Pennie DeGroot at 281-980-9812.

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JOIN OUR HABITAT TEAM!

Spend a Saturday with our Habitat for Humanity ministry to build their 11th house for a family in need. No tools or experience needed, just be at least 16 years old and eager to work. Call Steve Pondell at 281-253-7088 or go to [www.stlaurence.org/habitat-for-humanity](http://www.stlaurence.org/habitat-for-humanity). Want to help feed the hungry volunteer workers one Saturday? Sign up for a Saturday with Lawerence Perreau at lperreau@comcast.net.

FORT BEND HABITAT RESTORE

Donations of furniture, ceiling fans, light fixtures and appliances are welcomed and needed at the Fort Bend Restore located in Stafford. Every donation helps toward providing adequate housing for those in need. **Call 281-403-0708, ext. 301,** to schedule a pickup. For more information and donation guidelines, visit their website at [www.fortbendhabitat.org/restore/restore-donation-guidelines](http://www.fortbendhabitat.org/restore/restore-donation-guidelines).

CARING FOR SOMEONE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS?

On the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the Social Concerns Workroom, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Support Group offers the opportunity to gain support and learn of resources that are available to help our loved ones and ourselves. The NAMI Spanish Support Group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Social Concerns Workroom. A Chinese Support Group is also available. There are no charges for the services. Contact Ken or Pat Sumner at 281-261-1554 or psumner1@comcast.net for more information.
WHAT WE NEED

You can help our many ministries in a variety of ways, but the simplest is through donations! Easier yet, you may have many of these items at home. Items may be dropped off at the parish office or in the SCM Donation bin in the church.

- men’s clothing for residents of ROSARY HOUSE, a halfway house for ex-prisoners: new underwear and gently used and new long & short sleeve shirts, pants, socks, shoes and jackets. There are 18 to 20 residents at the home.
- baby wipes, mini-toothpastes, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, mini Gold Bond foot powder for MILITARY & HOMELESS
- new white crew socks, new white t-shirts (size large), pop-top tuna/meat, individual peanut butters, granola bars for the HOMELESS
- birthday party gifts of new/unused toys, $10-$20 gift cards (fast food, Wal-Mart, Target) Birthday in a Bag Ministry, new or very gently used small children’s books, and small fleece blankets (Nighttime Cuddle Kits) for CHILDREN IN SHELTERS
- Sunday Coupon inserts for COUPONS FOR A CAUSE program; drop off in parish office or the Hospitality Desk in the church

RESPECT LIFE: OUR OBLIGATION TO PROTECT RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

As our nation fought for independence, George Washington refused to force pacifist Quakers to fight in his army; he respected their right to follow their conscience. Our current federal religious liberty law states that the federal government can only force people to violate their religion in the rare instance that it has a compelling interest that can only be served by burdening the free exercise of their religion. But in recent years religious freedom has been under attack. In Massachusetts, Catholic Charities was forced to stop finding adoptive homes for foster children because they would not place children with same-sex partners. States have tried to strip pharmacists of their licenses because of religious obligations not to provide abortion-inducing drugs. The federal government has asserted that religious individuals forfeit all their religious liberty rights when they open a business to earn a living. See the St. Laurence Respect Life web page at www.stlaurence.org/respect-life for info on the current status of lawsuits regarding the HHS mandate for employers to facilitate insurance coverage for abortifacient drugs.

GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

There are so many ways to bring food to the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned. If you’re looking for a way to make a difference in the life of another less fortunate, call our Social Concerns Office at 281-980-9812 and ask for Pennie, Melanie or Monica.

VOLUNTEER WITH MEALS ON WHEELS Want to make a difference in the life of a senior this summer? Volunteers are needed to deliver meals between the hours of 10:30am - 1:30pm Monday through Friday. Routes take about 90 minutes. There are flexible schedules for volunteers (once a week, every other week, once a month, etc). Meals are picked up in Sugar Land or Rosenberg. For more information or to fill out a volunteer application, visit www.fortbenderseniors.org or email at volunteers@fortbenderseniors.org or call at 281-633-7049.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES PANCAKE FESTIVAL Catholic Charities at the Mamie George Community Center in Richmond invites you to their Annual Pancake Festival to celebrate community and raise money for needed programs and services. It’s fun for the entire family all day on Saturday, June 25, from 7 am to 7 pm. If you can help, they are looking for volunteers, sponsors, and musicians and dance clubs to perform. To help please contact Beth at bzarate@catholiccharities.org!

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Volunteers are needed to call weekend BINGO at Sugar Land Health Care Center in old Sugar Land. This is a GREAT family or small group service opportunity. For more info or to volunteer, contact Janet Roberts at jroberts@comcast.net.

iCan Bike Camp Volunteers If you are 16 or older and would like to have a direct impact on the life of a child or young adult with a disability, iCan Bike Camp in Katy can use more volunteer spotters the week of July 11. iCan Bike helps to teach children and young adults with a disability to ride a bike independently. It is very rewarding for EVERYONE involved – working with a rider every day, building that trust and bond, seeing progress, and celebrating their success at the end of the week! If you would like to volunteer please sign up today! Once you have signed up to volunteer, you will receive an application form to be completed. For info and registration instructions, contact Tess Lopez-Rich at tessrich@comcast.net.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING? NEED SERVICE HOURS?
Visit the Social Concerns page on the parish website: www.stlaurence.org/volunteer-service-opportunities
**ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL**

We at St. Laurence pray that all may know the true presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, and be graced with the holy desire to spend time with our God in adoration. Please prayerfully consider the hours listed that we are in need of committed adorers and substitutes. Contact Janice Swoboda at 281-980-8481, 832-816-4660 or adoration@stlaurence.org.

**ADORERS STILL NEEDED FOR THESE HOURS:**
- Sunday 2pm-3pm; Sunday 4pm-5pm; Sunday 7pm-8 pm;
- Monday 1am-2am; Monday 2am-3am; Monday 10am-11am;
- Tuesday 4am-5am; Thursday 9pm-10pm; Friday 4am-5am;
- Friday 4pm-5pm; Saturday 2am-3am

**SUMMER IN THE PARISH LIBRARY**

Have you applied for a library card? Come pick it up! It’s waiting for you at the Main Reception Desk at the Ave Maria Center. If you haven’t yet filled out an application or checked out our amazing library, stop by and take a look. The library is turning into a pretty exciting place to be! NEW THIS MONTH: Story Time for Children and a new St. Laurence Parish Library Summer Reading Program! For more info, please contact Susan Mulé at 281-255-5774 or smule@stlaurence.org.

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AT ST. LAURENCE**

Is your heart restless? Are you experiencing a longing to grow closer to God? Are you experiencing life’s transitions and feeling like God is distant? Spiritual directors are available at St. Laurence to walk with you on your spiritual journey in the process of coming home to your deepest self and discovering God in the midst of daily living. Contact Anne Marie Daniel at 281-265-5774 or adaniel@stlaurence.org for details.

**SPECIAL NEEDS FAITH FORMATION**

Our parish embraces all children and is blessed to offer faith formation (CCE) and Sacrament preparation classes dedicated especially to those students who have learning and/or developmental differences or needs. If you have a child who may benefit from such a program – or if you have a passion for working with children challenged by learning differences – please contact Joan Hastreiter or Melissa Calcote at 281-265-5774.

**CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

The St. Laurence Cancer Support Group is winding down for the summer and will be taking a break for the months of July and August. We will pick up again in September. Plan to join us! We meet on the first Thursday of every month and the group is open to all cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Mark your calendar for Thursday, September 1, and call Angela Rankin (832-945-2245) if you have any suggestions for speakers. We hope that the summer months will be happy and HEALTHY ones for everyone. See you in September!
TUESDAYS: WOMEN OF THE CLOTH

9:00am-Noon in the St. Francis Room
Join the Women of the Cloth on Tuesday mornings from 9:00am to noon in the St. Francis Room at the Ave Maria Center for fellowship, sewing, knitting, crocheting and crafting. Bring your talent and help us make wonderful things to sell or donate in support of Habitat for Humanity and other local charities. Donations of fabric, yarn and other supplies are always welcome! For more information, please call Eileen Scamardo (281-242-0183) or Margie Koenig (281-313-3625).

MONDAYS: PRAYER & PRAISE GROUP

12:45-2:30pm in the Oratory of the Rosary
You’re invited to gather with others in praise and worship of God every Monday afternoon in the Oratory of the Rosary, located in the new Ave Maria Center. We will pray the Rosary, worship God through music and reflect on God’s Word and spiritual writings. We also pray with each other and intercede for the needs of our Church, our community, families, and all who are in need of prayer. Contact Anne Marie Daniel at adaniel@stlaurence.org or 281-265-5774 with questions regarding this new group.

LITTLE FLOWERS GIRLS’ CLUB

2nd Thursdays, 4:00-5:00pm, AMC 201
Starting this week on June 9, St. Laurence will host a Little Flowers Girls’ Club for all girls in grades K-5 this year! Our group helps girls grow in virtue and fellowship with others. We will meet from 4:00-5:00pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month in Ave Maria Center Room 201. At each meeting, we will learn about a different saint and virtue, along with making a fun craft. Membership costs $12 and can be paid at the AMC front desk. Our first meeting (June 9) will be in the courtyard Corpus Christi Room from 4:00-5:00pm. Join us for some fun and learn more about Little Flowers. Email Christina or Jenny at sugarlandlittleflowers@gmail.com with any questions.

J.O.Y. CLUB FOR SENIORS

Sign up now for a fun trip this fall!
The J.O.Y. Club (stands for “Just Older Youth”, our parish group for people over 50) is planning a fun overnight trip to San Antonio October 5-7. This 3-day, 2-night trip will only cost $262, which includes motorcoach transportation, 2 nights lodging, 4 meals (breakfast/dinner), a guided tour of San Antonio and visits to the Alamo and San Antonio mission sites. Call to reserve your spot NOW. For more information about the J.O.Y Club and to sign up for this trip, please contact Anne Higgins at nannyhiggs@gmail.com and 832-755-5597.

WEDNESDAYS: DIVORCE-CARE

7:00-9:00pm in the St. Francis Room
If you have been suffering from the effects of divorce or separation, seek support with the Divorce Care group. This week’s topic is Facing Your Depression. Join us at any point in the program to receive help in rebuilding your life, focused on God's love for you. For info, please contact Janie at 832-860-3398 or jpddivorcecare@aol.com.

ST. LAURENCE ADULT SINGLES GROUP

The St. Laurence Adult Singles Ministry serves adults of all ages who are widowed, divorced, separated or never married. For more event info, email us at st.laurencesingles@gmail.com.

WED, 6/8 @ 6:00PM – Book Club Dinner at Cafe Goo Goo Yen. Read American Evita: Lurlene Wallace by Janice Law and be ready to discuss it over dinner.

SAT, 6/18 @ 6:00PM – Bunko & Potluck Dinner at Helen’s house. The address will be given to those who RSVP. Please contact Helen at helenhughes60@gmail.com for your potluck item and bring $5 for bunko prizes.
JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
December 8, 2015 – November 20, 2016

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, passing through a Holy Door is part of the pilgrimage that all Catholics are encouraged to make, whether during a trip to Rome or a trip to the cathedrals or specially designated churches in their own dioceses. These pilgrimages come with special graces, and they allow each of us to share in the many blessings of the Holy Year.

Eight Catholic churches in the Archdiocese will serve as pilgrimage sites during the Holy Year of Mercy:

ST. MARY CATHEDRAL BASILICA
2011 Church St., Galveston, 77550
(409)762-9646

CO-CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART
1111 St. Joseph Pkwy., Houston, 77002
(713)659-1561

ST. BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH
15500 El Camino Real, Houston, 77062
(281)486-0337

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CATHOLIC CHURCH
2405 Navigation Blvd., Houston 77003
(713)222-0203

OUR LADY OF LAVANG CATHOLIC CHURCH
12320 Old Foltin Rd., Houston, 77086
(281)999-1672

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH
5100 Dabney St., Houston, 77026
(713)672-7773

ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
7810 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, 77379
(281)370-3401

ST. THERESA - SUGAR LAND
705 St. Theresa Blvd., Sugar Land, 77498
(281)494-1156

For visiting info, please contact these parishes directly.

POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER
for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: “If you knew the gift of God!”

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.
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