**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

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**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 25 — 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

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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.”

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The Justice of God

Good News Reflection

Sunday, June 12, 2016
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have you ever thought about how sins are forgiven? How do we go from sinful to justified?

Think of the word “justified” as “made to be just and fair”. Because we have sometimes been unjust in our dealings with others, Jesus, the Perfectly Just One, took our sins to the cross. The injustices died with him there.

Justice is a legal word. But as this Sunday’s second reading points out, it’s not the law that forgives us; we’re not justified (i.e., we don’t become fair, loving and just) by the law but through faith in Christ, “for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.”

Jesus explains it in this Sunday’s Gospel reading. The sinful woman who bathed Jesus with her tears was forgiven, changed and justified through her great love for him. Love is what breaks us away from the power of sin. Love is what makes us behave justly.

Any of us who genuinely want to be loving but sin anyway are usually unaware, at that moment, that our behavior is hurting anyone. We don’t sin out of deliberate malice, yet we have behaved unjustly.

We sin because we take our eyes off of Jesus. We’re reacting to current or past stimuli that’s tempting us to behave unjustly. But if we pause long enough to pray and reconnect to Jesus, we can take control. We can choose to act in love.

When we make love our highest priority, temptations lose their power. Caring about others distracts us from the stimuli that causes our sinful reactions. And as soon as we discover that we’ve caused pain through sin, we’re motivated by love to undo the damage as best as we can. We enter into the justice of God.

When we love others as Jesus loves them, our faith has become our salvation. As it was for the woman in the Gospel, Jesus says to us: “Now you can go in peace.”

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Recall an unloving behavior or attitude you had recently. What were you reacting to? Dig deeper. What’s the root of that reaction? For example: Did anyone hurt you the same way? Forgive him/her. Are you afraid? Trust God instead. If necessary, talk to a spiritual director or family counselor to help you identify the root cause. The truth will set you free to love as Jesus loves!

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

Tell the story of a sin you overcame more than a year ago. What did you do to overcome its control of you? How did the love of Jesus empower you?


To view or subscribe to daily Good News Reflections, visit www.gnm.org.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

JUNE

SUNDAY 12 (#1124 in your Gather book)
First Reading 2 SM 12:7-10, 13
Second Reading GAL 2:16, 19-21
Gospel LK 7:36—8:3

MONDAY 13
First Reading 1 KGS 21:1-16
Gospel MT 5:38-42

TUESDAY 14
First Reading 1 KGS 21:17-29
Gospel MT 5:43-48

WEDNESDAY 15
First Reading 2 KGS 2:1, 6-14
Gospel MT 6:1-6, 16-18

THURSDAY 16
First Reading SIR 48:1-14
Gospel MT 6:7-15

FRIDAY 17
First Reading 2KGS 11:1-4,9-18,20
Gospel MT 6:19-23

SATURDAY 18
First Reading 2 CHR 24:17-25
Gospel MT 6:24-34

SUNDAY 19
First Reading ZEC 12:10-11; 13:1
Second Reading GAL 3:26-29
Gospel LK 9:18-24

PRAYING THE NEWS | JUNE 12, 2016

...insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me...

Galatians 2:20

Dear God, we live in the physical bodies you create for us, with all their wondrous complexity, and vulnerability. Humans are now planning to take upon themselves extraordinary power and unknown risks in making synthetic human genomes. We pray that you protect what you have lovingly made. Please deter any work that is dangerous, unethical or that demeans the sacred dignity of your children. We trust in you.

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:


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 Barnette, 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 Coffman, USMC
LTG 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
Sgtt. Philip Graham, US Army
1stLt Spencer Henry, US Army
PVT Liam Hill, US Army
Daniel 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
PFC Joseph Marcellus, USAF
Capt. Brendan McFarland, USMC
1stLt Todd Miller, US Army
Capt. Alexander Morningstar, US Army
Capt. Michael Thesing, USMC
CB, Richard Pinard, US Navy
LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, USMC
Sgt. Santiago Ramirez, USMC
1stLt Taylor Rammrath, US Army
Sgt. Barbara L. Rangel, USMC
SRA Jonathan Slusser, US Air Force
ENS Kevin Stransky, US Navy
LCpl Daniel Thesing, USMC
Capt. Michael Thesing, USMC
Sgt. Bryce Whitey, US Army
AM Troy Yelverton, US Navy

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 11
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

MONDAY, JUNE 13
7:30am – Pompio Sombille (D)
12:00pm – Joyce Abiera (D)

TUESDAY, JUNE 14
7:30am – Thomas Joseph (D)
12:00pm – Victor Fernandez (D)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15
7:30am – Mariana Garcia Chapa (D)
6:30pm – Virgiliot Gelsomina Midence (D)

THURSDAY, JUNE 16
7:30am – Leslie Ann Hite (D)
12:00pm – Thelma Williams (D)

FRIDAY, JUNE 17
8:15am – Alicia C. Garcia (D)
12:00pm – Kevin Hinguillo (D)

SATURDAY, JUNE 18
8:30pm – Aleyamma Abraham (D)
5:00pm – Lorenzo H. Lopez (I)

SUNDAY, JUNE 19
7:30am – Jim Macredie (D)
9:00am – Felix Thomas (D)
11:00am – Jack Acosta (D)
12:45pm – Paul LaSaint, Jr. (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
AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

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.

JULY 14-16: MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT CONFERENCE
All married and engaged couples are invited to “Unveiled”, a marriage enrichment conference at St. Anthony of Padua in The Woodlands, July 14-16. Dr. Bob Schuchts of the JPII Healing Center will lead the conference which begins Thursday night (7-9pm) with “Great Mystery”, Friday night (7-9pm) “Becoming One” and a full-day on Saturday (9am-5pm) concluding in time for Vigil Mass. Register before June 30, for an early bird rate of $145 per couple; after that, the price will increase to $165. Limited spots are available, so register now at www.staoptw.org/MarriageMatters. For more info and to inquire about scholarships to attend, please contact Deacon Tom Vicknair at 281-296-2800.

THIS FALL: 12-DAY HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE
Fr. Santy Kurian will lead a 12-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land (Cana, Tiberias, Bethlehem, Mt. Beatitudes, Nazareth, Petra, Mt. Nebo, Jerusalem) this fall, from Oct 30-Nov 9. 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), and more. Go to www.inspirationaltoursinc.com or contact Inspirational Tours at 713-961-2785 or at insptours@aol.com.

WELL DONE, STUDENTS OF ST. JOHN 23 COLLEGE PREP
St. John XXIII College Preparatory announced the following award winning students from our parish: Loran Morello (9) President’s Award of Excellence in Spanish I, President’s Award of Distinguished Achievement in English; Nicholas Grubbs (11) President’s Award of Distinguished Achievement in Band; Dayna Boyle (11) President’s Award of Excellence in Latin III. www.sj23lions.org

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PARISH CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

BAPTISMS
Naomi Ogienwonyi, Marin Rolong, Mario Morales, Julia Miller, Autumn Roy, Alessandra Rosenwasser, Alexander Donato, Ronin Martinez, Alexandra Garcia

WEDDINGS
Liz Tomichen & Tommie Simon

FUNERALS
Marie Walsh, mother of Mary Thompson

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: AUGUST 8
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: AUGUST 13
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.

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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 or pick up an envelope at the Hospitality Desk.

THANK YOU!
**CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION**

**ELEMENTARY CCE**
Grow in your Faith this Summer!

**Summer Faith Challenge:** Faith formation should not take a vacation over the summer months. Parents, be intentional about bringing your faith into your summer activities with your children. For some great ideas to nurture your family’s faith this summer, go to www.loyolapress.com/living-as-a-catholic-family. Travelling this summer? Look up Mass schedules at www.masstimes.org and check out another parish while you’re on vacation!

**Registration for the upcoming CCE year** is open through August 15. Forms for CCE and First Sacraments preparation programs may be picked up in person at the Ave Maria Center or may be found on the parish website under EDUCATION/Registration. Register early! Many classes fill up fast!

**Consider serving as a CCE catechist** or assistant. No experience is necessary, just a desire to share your faith with our youngest church members. Training and materials are provided. Please contact Joan Hastreiter at jhastreiter@stlaurence.org for these and other opportunities to get involved. This is an incredibly rewarding experience which you will never regret!

**THIS WEEK: FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS**
*Please pray for:*

Camila Chandler, Alexandria Gomez, Ethan Davis, Kellsey Pitts, Ricardo Morales, Maya Morales…

and all 226 children making their First Communion this year!

**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

**ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL**
**MISSION STATEMENT**
As a pastoral instrument of the Church, St. Laurence Catholic School educates and develops the whole Christian person in body, mind, and spirit through the trinity of parent, child, and educator.

**MEET MRS. BARTO**
Effective July 1, Suzanne Barto will become our parish school’s 4th principal in its 25-year history. Get to know her and join the SLCS families in wishing her the best in this new position!

- Mrs. Barto attended the University of St. Thomas, where she earned a Bachelor’s degree in Music-Voice. After deciding she wanted to teach, she went back to school for a teaching certificate and a Master’s in Education from the University of Houston. Her principal certification is from her alma mater, UST.
- She grew up in the Clear Lake/Pasadena area and went to St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church. There she met and married her high school sweetheart, Todd. They started dating after a church youth trip to Colorado. This December, they will celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary.
- She has three children: Alex 25, Olivia 23, and Sophie 4. Her little bonus blessing, Sophie, will start attending PreK at SLCS in August. And Alex and Olivia are both planning weddings in the near future!
- She enjoys singing and her favorites are Broadway musicals. Many years ago, she performed around town with local community theaters and TUTS! She has also sung with the St. Laurence Chamber Singers, which she enjoys when she finds the time!
- Mrs. Barto loves working with children and has now been in Catholic education for 20 years. She is honored and thrilled to take on a new role next year with such an amazing staff and school community.

You can reach Suzanne Barto at sbarto@stlaurence.org.
**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.

**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.

**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

**GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

The Rev. John T Weyer Knights of Columbus Council 11343 led by Grand Knight Gary Arrington collaborated with teens from our parish to Go Make a Difference. The KCs gave eight high school students $50 each and were encouraged to go make a difference to help an individual or group in their community.

One of the goals of this effort is to teach youth that it is better to give than receive. Additionally, this is an effective way to let teens know that the Knights of Columbus support them and many other charitable organizations. The teens were given little guidance other than to figure out a way to go out in the community and make a difference.

The high school students were selected by Youth Ministers Kris Frank and Sara Sahlezghi. The teens gave a 3-minute summary at the recent May meeting of the Knights of Columbus to share what they did with the money, why they chose their charity and what they learned from the experience.

One teen gave some of his money to a person at a gas station that needed money for gas. Another student bought and ate lunch with a homeless man. He said he was surprised to learn how much they had in common. A couple of the participants gave some of their money to recent flood victims in our community. Two of our participants combined their efforts and their money for the Pregnancy Resource Center. They spent a few hours volunteering at the PRC and donated their money for needed supplies. They were very excited about their experience and they told the PRC they would be back to help out again.

“I believe this was a win-win for everyone involved or touched by these events. We helped our community by teaching our youth about giving and volunteering, and our council members have a better understanding and respect of our youth,” said the Grand Knight. For more info about our Knights of Columbus, please contact Gary Arrington gary77@windstream.net.

**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.
SPEAKER SERIES PRESENTS: ARLAND NICHOLS

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.

Daily Challenge for Married Couples

Pope Francis’ Amoris Laetitia (Joy of Love) came out on April 8. How much have you read? Join AL Bootcamp, read a small bit from Chapter 4 (Love in Marriage) and ask you to do something related to it for your marriage every day!

www.foryourmarriage.org

“Love is patient” (1 Cor 13: 4)

Pope Francis: “The first word used is makrothyméi… Its meaning is clarified by the Greek translation of the Old Testament, where we read that God is ‘slow to anger’ (Ex 34:6; Num 14:18). It refers, then, to the quality of one who does not act on impulse and avoids giving offense… God’s patience, shown in his mercy towards sinners, is a sign of his real power” (Amoris Laetitia, no. 91).

Today: Be aware of when you are tempted to be angry at your spouse, children, parents, or other relatives. Take a deep breath and remember that your first reaction is not always the most helpful or truest to the love that you have for that person. Also try to consider how your words will be taken before you say them, and whether the time is right to bring something up.
Arland Nichols  

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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.
In today’s Gospel we encounter the Pharisee who is rather inhospitable to Jesus. He doesn’t seek Jesus’ friendship. And yet the unknown woman who appears is quite eager to be where Jesus is and to show him her tremendous gratitude. She does some extraordinary things: She gets down by Jesus’ feet, and, weeping, she wets his feet with her tears and wipes them with her hair! She even kisses his feet and anoints them with some perfumed oil. The woman lavishes her love and appreciation for Jesus. Christian stewards show their love for Jesus in tangible ways every day. Others don’t really seek his friendship. Who are we more apt to be like in this Gospel story, the Pharisee or the grateful woman?

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STEWARD AMONG US

CATHARINE SHORT

She’s a registered nurse and mother of two sons, but Catherine always makes time to volunteer. In fact, her husband Mark says she just can’t say ‘no’ when it comes to doing things for others and for the Church. “I love to help others and enjoy making people feel happy, so I thought, there must be something at church I can do to fill this need of mine.” The first group she joined when they got here in 1993 was Social Concerns; soon she chaired the Thanksgiving drive and served on the SCM Board. At the parish school, she chaired the Auction; she was active in Ladies Guild; and she is currently one of the co-coordinators for our Art & Environment Ministry. Plus she puts her professional training to work with our Medical Missionaries of Divine Mercy, serving as a Team Leader for the mission group. Catherine says, “Get involved. Start off small and simple, and if God has bigger plans for you, he will let you know. When you do, God will open your heart to see the beauty in what you are doing and provide you with the faith that you made the right choice. When you get involved in the Church, you will be blessed with friends for a lifetime.”

The Church is a family of families, constantly enriched by the lives of all those domestic churches.

Pope Francis
AMORIS LAETITIA, April 2016

Ask Paula

Q.
What can you tell us about the tabernacle in the church?

A.
Here’s what I found out. Back when we expanded the church, two parishioners, Marybeth Trevino & Tamara Kontrimas, designed the tabernacle, which was made for us in Spain. The designs on the outside are the images of sheaves of wheat and grapes, you know the bread and wine, and the Lamb of God. The tabernacle sits on top of a fixed marble pedestal. By it is a red sanctuary lamp which burns continuously as a sign that Jesus is present in the Holy Eucharist. It has been brought to my attention that women are kissing the tabernacle, which I guess is okaaaay, but maybe you can do it without lipstick on, just saying. The ladies who water the plants in the church are always having to scrape off the lipstick. Seriously, people, I’m not making this up.

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.
CURRENT THREATS TO RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

USCCB Fact Sheet 2016

During his September 2015 visit to the United States, Pope Francis emphasized the importance of religious freedom, saying in front of the White House that religious “freedom remains one of America’s most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it.”

Although Americans generally do not face the kind of violent persecution endured by many people of faith around the world, Pope Francis has recently spoken of a “polite persecution” that many people face, as “when someone is persecuted not for confessing Christ’s name, but for wanting to demonstrate the values of the Son of God”. Religious freedom continues to be threatened in the U.S.:

- **HHS mandate for sterilization, contraception, and abortion-inducing drugs.** The mandate of the Department of Health and Human Services forces religious institutions to facilitate or fund a product contrary to their own moral teaching. Further, the federal government tries to define which religious institutions are “religious enough” to merit protection of their religious liberty.

- **Catholic foster care and adoption services.** Boston, San Francisco, the District of Columbia, and the State of Illinois forced local Catholic Charities out of adoption or foster care services—by revoking their licenses, ending government contracts, or both—because they refused to place children with same-sex couples or unmarried opposite-sex couples who cohabit.

- **State immigration laws.** Several states have passed laws that forbid what they call “harboring” undocumented immigrants—and what the Church deems Christian charity and pastoral care to immigrants.

- **Discrimination against small church congregations.** New York City adopted a policy that barred the Bronx Household of Faith and other churches from renting public schools on weekends for worship services, even though nonreligious groups could rent the same schools for other uses.

- **Discrimination against Catholic humanitarian services.** After years of excellent performance by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) in administering contract services for victims of human trafficking, the federal government changed its contract specifications to require MRS to provide or refer for contraceptive and abortion services in violation of Catholic teaching.

- **Christian students on campus.** In its over-100-year history, the University of California Hastings College of Law has denied student organization status to only one group, the Christian Legal Society, because it required its leaders to be Christian and to abstain from sexual activity outside of marriage.

Pope Francis has asked American Catholics to preserve and defend religious freedom, both in the United States and throughout the world.

Text FREEDOM to 377377 to receive religious freedom updates from the U.S. bishops.

Sign up for Free to Serve, the e-newsletter of the Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty.

Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty
www.usccb.org/freedom | Twitter: @USCCBFreedom
www.fortnight4freedom.org
G.Y.O.G. FAMILY NIGHT

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

"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.
**JUNE 25: FR. ROY’S ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Fr. Roy Oggero, CSB, will soon celebrate 55 YEARS as a priest and he invites everyone from St. Laurence to join him for a special Anniversary Mass on **Saturday, June 25, at 11:00am** in the church. Immediately following Mass, head over to the Ave Maria Center for a light lunch and a chance to congratulate this great priest who is beloved by our parish family and beyond! All are welcome!

**CONGRATULATIONS, FR. ROY!**

- Ordination Date: June 29, 1961 at St. Basil Church in Toronto, Canada, by Archbishop Pocock
- Order: Congregation of St. Basil (Basilian Fathers)
- Born and raised in Houston, youngest of 3 kids; attended Queen of Peace parish in SE Houston
- Got a BA degree in History, English and Philosophy from University of Windsor (Canada)
- Moved to Sugar Land in 1972; assigned to St. Theresa, then Holy Rosary, Holy Trinity in Angleton, then back to NY and Canada, returned to Sugar Land in 1990.

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**LOCAL FLOOD ASSISTANCE**

St. Laurence Social Concerns has been working closely with local agencies to learn how we can offer the most effective aid to people affected by the Brazos River flood.

**DONATE**
- cases of water
- toiletries
- diapers/wipes
- baby food
- baby formula
- blankets
- cleaning supplies with bleach
- gently used shoes
- new flip flops
- gently used summer clothing for babies to adults
- gift cards in any amount (Home Depot, HEB, Kroger, any fast food restaurants)

All donations may be dropped off at the parish or Social Concerns Offices, marked FLOOD RELIEF.

**VOLUNTEER**

**FORT BEND RELIEF CENTER LOCATION:**
Terry High School
5500 Avenue N
Rosenberg, TX  77471

**HOURS:**
7 am to 7 pm for the next 30 days

**CONTACT:**
To volunteer at Terry High School, please call Jimn Kyles at 832-449-2485.

There will be more volunteer opportunities once the water goes down. Right now, they are just focusing on immediate needs.

**QUESTIONS?**
Ask for Pennie, Melissa or Monica in our Social Concerns Office at 281-980-9812.

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**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.

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**JUNE 16: RESTORING A HEALTHY BODY RHYTHM**

This Thursday, June 16, is the next presentation in the Nutrition and Spirituality Series, from 7:00-8:30pm, at the Ave Maria Center. Laura Laine will present *Restoring a Healthy Body Rhythm.* When we hear the word nutrition, our mind immediately thinks of food and eating. But what really nourishes? This talk is about rediscovering the Sacred Rhythm that nourishes, keeping us healthy and balanced. Jesus gave us the example of how to live in a human body. Through the example of Jesus, this talk will address how to re-order our lives around ritual and rhythm, and begin the path to restoring health and nutrition in body, mind, and spirit. Laura Laine is a spiritual director, registered dietitian and owner of Sophia Grace Center for Nutrition. For more information about this free presentation, please contact Anne Marie Daniel at 281-265-5774 or adaniel@stlaurence.org.
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, please go to www.stlaurence.org/social-concerns

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PARK’S YOUTH RANCH

MOD ART SHOW

The Park’s Youth Ranch teens had an opportunity to display their paintings and artwork at MOD Pizza in Sugar Land. ArtReach’s “ONE Meaningful Word” program with artist Mark Deleon helped to bring these paintings to life. Thanks for your Black Bag donations that support impactful and meaningful programs for these at-risk and homeless youth. The teens look forward to three additional ArtReach programs this summer!

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

6/18—ROSARY FOR LIFE

Join the Helpers of God’s Precious Infants for 8:00am Mass on Saturday, June 18, at Annunciation Catholic Church, 1618 Texas Ave, Houston. A Rosary for Life will follow Mass in front of the Houston Women’s Clinic, 4820 San Jacinto St., Houston. This clinic is the busiest abortion facility in Houston; if you cannot join us, please remember us and all individuals whose lives we touch that day in your prayers. INFO: Vicky Whynott 832-875-5126 or Spanish, Viola Griselda Mendoza-Morales 832-660-3924.

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

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.fortbendseniors.org or email at volunteers@fortbendseniors.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 jrob3207@comcast.net.

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

SUMMER SERVICE IN SOCIAL CONCERNS

Each Tuesday during the summer, the Social Concerns Ministry offers service opportunities in the Social Concerns Workroom, unless noted otherwise. SPACE IS LIMITED and pre-registration is required.

Upcoming schedule:
- June 14 (1:30-3:30pm) Father’s Day gifts for SLHC
- June 21 (9:00-11:00am) Lunches of Love at FUMC, Rosenberg
- June 28 (1:30-3:30pm) July 4th treats for seniors at MGCC
- July 5 (1:30-3:30pm) Snacks for Bethel VBS

Register via Sign Up Genius at www.signupgenius.com. Click on “Find A Sign-Up”, then type in socialconcerns@stlaurence.org. This will bring up a listing of all the service opportunities that are available. Signups are available now.

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.

SUMMER FUN IN SCM
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.

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!

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.
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
Have your daughter (Grade K-5) join the St. Laurence Little Flowers Girls’ Club. The group helps girls grow in virtue and fellowship with others and meets from 4:00-5:00pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month in Ave Maria Center Room 201. At each meeting, girls 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. To learn about Little Flowers, email Christina or Jenny at sugarlandlittleflowers@gmail.com.

FAMILY FAITH CATECHISTS NEEDED

Join our team! No experience necessary.
Family Faith, our CCE program that meets once a month on Sunday mornings for families to attend together, would like to invite a few parishioners to join their teaching team. If you enjoy working with 3-year-olds OR high school students, we can use your help starting in the fall. For more information about Family Faith or details of serving as a catechist, please contact Melissa Calcote at mcalcote@stlaurence.org or 281-265-5774.

J.O.Y. CLUB FOR SENIORS

Sign up now for a fun trip this fall!
OCT 5-7: The J.O.Y. Club is planning a 3-day, 2-night trip trip to San Antonio. The cost is $262 (includes motorcoach, 2 nights lodging, 4 meals (breakfast/dinner), a guided tour of San Antonio and visits to the Alamo and San Antonio mission sites.

Join J.O.Y. Club at a Skeeters Game
JUNE 24: Skeeters Game with J.O.Y Club on Friday, June 24, at 7:05pm. Tickets are $13 each; meet at Constellation Field before the game. Please make check out to Joan King and drop off at the Ave Maria Center front desk before June 15.
For more information about the JOY Club, please contact Anne Higgins at nannyhiggs@gmail.com and 832-755-5597.

ST. LAURENCE HISPANIC MINISTRY

The Mary, Universal Mother celebration on Saturday, May 14, offered by the Legion of Mary and Hispanic Ministry, was a very successful event with the bilingual participation of children acting the Five Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary and prayer of the Rosary in five different languages. On display were images and statues of the Blessed Mother from around the world, plus two presentations: Hail Mary, Mother of God, Mother of All by Bernadette Peters and Consoling the Heart of Jesus—Consecrating our Hearts to Mary by Paul Cranley. For more information about the St. Laurence Hispanic Ministry, contact Francisco Rojas-Ayala, 281-690-3364, rojasayalafa@gmail.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.
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.
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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- **Baptism** | Rose Davis | 281-980-9812
- **Confirmation (Teens)** | Sara Sahleghi | 281-265-5774
- **Confirmation (Adults)** | Mary Visser | 281-265-5774
- **First Holy Communion** | Melissa Calcote | 281-265-5774
- **First Reconciliation** | Melissa Calcote | 281-265-5774
- **Marriage Preparation** | Theresa Rawls | 281-980-9812
- **Marriage Sponsor** | Sharon & John Harry | 281-980-8090

**FAITH FORMATION & EDUCATION**

- **A.C.T.S. Retreat** | Dcn. Don Burns | 281-734-8715
- **Adult Faith Formation** | Justin Frato | 281-265-5774
- **Edge (Middle School)** | Eric Painter | 281-265-5774
- **Elementary CCE** | Joan Hastreiter | 281-265-5774
- **Family Faith** | Joan Hastreiter | 281-265-5774
- **Life Teen (High School)** | Kris Frank | 281-265-5774
- **Natural Family Planning** | Jacob/Jillian Counts | 281-300-3704
- **Parish School (SLCS)** | Debra Haney | 281-980-0500
- **Parish School Board** | Michael Hurtado | 281-635-0926
- **Parish School PTO** | Kristin Holy | 281-491-8236
- **RCIA** | Susan Crockett | 713-857-5504
- **Vacation Bible School** | Monica Doucet | 281-265-5774
- **Vocations Committee** | Fr. Simon Kipiti | 281-980-9812
- **Weekday Children’s Prog.** | Becky Wilkinson | 281-313-0329

**PRAYER GROUPS & SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES**

- **Catholic Men** | Jim Kij | 281-253-4800
- **Challenge Club for Girls** | Monica Hager | 281-240-7672
- **Contemplative Prayer** | Elaine Smith | 281-499-6660
- **Divine Mercy (AM)** | Sally Flowers | 281-265-8360
- **Divine Mercy (PM)** | Patti Kallemeyn | 281-438-0696
- **Hearts of Jesus & Mary** | Margie Calo | 281-980-4711
- **Lay Apostle Prayer** | Kay Quenan | 281-265-3238
- **Legion of Mary** | Carmelita Kussad | 713-922-2446
- **Men’s Bible Studies** | Steve Ewbank | 281-980-5575
- **St. Anthony of Padua** | Joseph Ellankil | 832-282-3032
- **Small Christian Comm** | Sunny Tom | 832-620-7417
- **Tuesday AM Bible Study** | Regina Johnson | 281-403-1792

**MINISTRIES OF PASTORAL SUPPORT**

- **Annulments** | Anne Marie Daniel | 281-265-5774
- **Bereavement Ministries:**
  - **Grief Support Group** | Sandy Barber | 281-633-9090
  - **Grieving Families** | Agnes Fernandez | 281-933-3721
  - **H.O.P.E.** | Annette Bisanz | 281-980-1449
- **Cancer Support** | Angela Rankin | 832-945-2245
- **Caregivers Support Group** | Lori Knowles | 281-261-5738
- **Divorce Care** | Lorrie Kehoe | 281-980-2431
- **NAMI** | Pat Sumner | 281-265-1554
- **Pastoral Care for Sick** | Ambrose Graham | 713-865-3729
- **Spiritual Direction** | Anne Marie Daniel | 281-265-5774

**SOCIAL CONCERNS & SOCIAL JUSTICE**

- **Bridges to Life** | Dana Cubirth | 281-343-1417
- **Correctional Ministry** | Dcn. Al Bothe | 713-582-3870
  - Dcn. Charles Plant | 281-300-3059
- **Funeral Receptions** | Sue Kuhn | 281-265-8332
- **Habitat for Humanity** | Steve Pondell | 281-253-7088
- **Learn English Ministry** | Wendy Moore | 713-208-5169
- **Learn Spanish Ministry** | Adriana Gutierrez | 713-269-2851
- **Meals That Heal** | Mary Anne Talab | 281-438-2381
- **Medical Missionaries** | Cordell St. Cyr | 832-449-3759
- **Ministry of St. Joseph** | Tim Beverick | 281-265-1533
- **Respect Life** | Marie McCoy | 281-265-7749
- **Senior Rides & More** | Annette Bisanz | 281-980-1449
- **Social Concerns** | Pennie DeGroot | 281-980-9812
- **Society St. John DeMatha** | Deacon Al Bothe | 713-582-3870

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

- **Adoration** | Janice Swoboda | 281-980-8481
- **Altar Linen Care** | Rose Davis | 281-980-9812
- **Altar Servers** | Joy Smith | 281-265-0839
- **Art & Environment** | Michele Holbrooke | 281-265-8425
- **Children’s Liturgy** | Catherine Short | 713-628-3949
  - of the Word | Claire Gregory | 281-208-2715
- **Extraordinary Ministers** | Susan Choate | 281-682-3389
- **Liturgical Ministers** | Theresa Rawls | 281-980-9812
- **Mass Hospitality** | Hal Mechler | 281-543-8976
- **Music Ministry** | Mary Thompson | 281-980-9812
  - Kevin Klotz | 281-980-9812

**EVANGELIZATION, STEWARDSHIP & LEADERSHIP**

- **Come & See** | Art & Marilyn Ramponi | 832-945-2110
- **Discipleship Council** | Marc Sherman | 713-962-0617
- **Evangelization Committee** | Marie McCoy | 281-265-7749
- **Finance Council** | Bob Ladd | 281-980-3246
- **Financial Peace University** | Jason DaValos | 832-876-9824
- **Pastoral Council** | Tom Ruck | 713-855-2399
- **Welcome Ministry** | Eva Fernandez | 832-633-5640

**COMMUNITY & PARISH LIFE**

- **African Catholic** | Esther Iredia | 832-661-2945
- **Community Bazaar** | Tom Barry | 281-545-4112
- **Boy Scout Troop 828** | Les Fuchs | 832-360-3104
- **Cub Scout Pack 1828** | Craig Popp | 281-731-6140
- **Catholic Daughters** | Danny Klebert | 225-614-3148
- **Catholic Women** | Pam White | 281-265-3070
- **Council of Catholic Women** | Mary Ann Brenner | 713-306-6410
- **Filipino Community** | Melissa Calcote | 281-265-5774
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- **Hispanic Ministry** | Francisco Rojas-Ayala | 281-690-3374
- **Knights of Columbus** | Gary Arrington | 713-882-6957
- **Ladies Guild** | Joan O’Daniel | 281-788-5430
- **Moms & Tots** | Chrissy Campbell | 310-926-7085
- **St. Laurence Singles** | Kathy Gawklik | 281-980-2677
- **Seniors (JOY Club)** | Anne Higgins | 832-755-5597
- **Vietnamese Group** | Amy Le | 281-330-0565
- **Women of the Cloth** | Margie Koenig | 713-248-1164
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