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
October 7 — In the Chapel
7:00pm - Rosary & Confessions
7:30pm - Mass

FIRST SATURDAY MASS
October 1 — In the Church
7:45am - Meditation & Rosary
8:30am - Mass

MISA EN ESPAÑOL
Septiembre 10 — 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

A Time to LEARN!
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 & 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.
A Time to LEARN

Have your kids ever asked you a question about your faith that you couldn’t answer? Or maybe a friend or co-worker wanted to better understand what Catholics believe, but you felt like you lacked sufficient knowledge or wisdom to answer them?

You’re not alone. We’ve all been there. In fact, this is more common than you might imagine.

For many of us, our formal religious education came to an end at the time of our Confirmation – or even our First Holy Communion. As parents, we make sure our children are signed up for CCE, but what are we doing to continue our own formation as Catholic Christians?

According to a 2014 Pew Research Religious Landscape Study, 63% of Catholics say they “seldom or never” participate in bible studies or faith formation for adults. Yet, 9 in 10 Catholics say they believe in God and nearly 6 in 10 say their religion is “very important” in their life. Further, the Gallup Member Engagement Survey we conducted here at St. Laurence last fall revealed that 79% of adults agreed with the statement that our parish offers “opportunities to learn and grow.”

So, what’s stopping us? Most likely, we do not fully comprehend the great gift of our faith. Do this: Think of a time there was a box on your front door step with your name on it. You surely didn’t ignore it or step around it… rather, you picked it up, checking to see who sent it, wondering what was inside. Now, think of your Catholic faith as a gift. Literally. All wrapped up and sitting there with your name on it. What are you waiting for? Open it!

Over the next 12 weeks, together as a parish family, we will concentrate on the many ways to learn and grow right here at St. Laurence. Just leaf through this bulletin or browse the parish website to find something that interests you. Then invite a friend or family member to join you. And together, we can all grow in wisdom, knowledge and appreciation for the great gift of our faith.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY 4 (#1160 in your Gather book)
First Reading WIS 9:13-18B
Second Reading PHMN 9-10, 12-17
Gospel LK 14:25-33

MONDAY 5
First Reading I COR 5:1-8
Gospel LK 6:6-11

TUESDAY 6
First Reading I COR 6:1-11
Gospel LK 6:12-19

WEDNESDAY 7
First Reading I COR 7:25-31
Gospel LK 6:20-26

THURSDAY 8
First Reading MIC 5:1-4a
Gospel MT 1:1-16, 18-23

FRIDAY 9
First Reading I COR 9:16-19, 22B-27
Gospel LK 6:39-42

SATURDAY 10
First Reading I COR 10:14-22
Gospel LK 6:43-49

SUNDAY 11
First Reading EX 32:7-11, 13-14
Second Reading I TM 1:12-17
Gospel LK 15:1-32

PRAYING THE NEWS | SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Luke 14:27

O Lord, we thank you for the beautiful example of Mother Teresa - today proclaimed a saint by your Church. She faithfully carried her cross and followed you in serving the poorest of the poor. Through her intercession, we ask your grace to truly see and love the poor in our own families, as Mother Teresa often advised.

May we, like her, trust you in all things. 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. Pray for:

Shane Tuttle family, Debbie Green family, Liz Trevino, Jessica Ayala, Adrian Zaldivar, Isabella Flores, Carlos Ortiz, Steven Garner, Antonio Lopez, Cristal G, David Martinez, Anna & Leanne Pounds & family, my brothers, Parole Board, FACRS Rodriguez, Arnoldo, Manuel, Blanca, Lucio, Brother Metcalf, Enis Alegria, Marina & Matthew, Tatiana & Thomas Sobey, Teresa Ruiz, Rita Gonzalez, Norma Espino, Stephen Reed & family, Jesus Robles Ronald Bussey, Diego Granja, Patricia LaFleur, Paul Ramirez, Angelic Marie Ramirez, Jocelin Ramirez, Roland Bergara, Robert Crensaw, Chaplain 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

CV2 Brett Aderhold, US Army, AV
Spc David Ambrocik, 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
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 Army
Capt. Matthew Fenelon, USMC
Pvt. Johnav Xaver George, US Army
SSgt. 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 Kingserski, US Army
EM4 James Locus, US Navy
PFC Philip Loera, US Army
PFC John Lundgren, US Army
Amn Joseph Marcellus, USAF
LCpl William Marcellus, USMC
Capt. Brendan McPartland, USMC
1stLt Todd Miller, US Army
Capt. Alexander Morningstar, US Army
CB, Richard Pinard, US Navy
QMSN Bryce Prochazka, US Navy
LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, USMC
Sgt. Santiago Ramirez, US Army
1stLt Taylor Rammrath, US Army
Sgt. Barbara L. Rangel, USMC
SSgt Jonathan Slusser, US Air Force
LTJG Kevin Stransky, US Navy
Cpl Daniel Thesing, USMC
Maj. Michael Thesing, USMC
1stLt Kevin Wheeler, US Army
Sgt. Bryce Whitley, US Army
AM Troy Yelverton, US Navy
PVT Adrian Zaldivar, USMC

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPT 3
5:00pm – Josephine Jan (D)

SUNDAY, SEPT 4
7:30am – Edwin Kij (D)
9:00am – Tu & San Nguyen (D)
11:00am – Victoria & Zenon Ochinowski (D)
12:45pm – Evelyn Cruz (D)
5:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

MONDAY, SEPT 5
7:30am – Thanksgiving for Sacred Heart
12:00pm – Jessica Gunter (I)

TUESDAY, SEPT 6
7:30am – Daniel Andrews (I)
12:00pm – Alex Herrera (D)

WEDS, SEPT 7
7:30am – Mr. & Mrs. Kam Chow (D)
6:30pm – Yolanda Llagostera (D)

THURSDAY, SEPT 8
7:30am – Souls in Purgatory
6:30pm – Nanci & Robert Woodward (D)

FRIDAY, SEPT 9
8:15am – Jorge Lucenio (D)
12:00pm – P. Venketsubramian (D)

SATURDAY, SEPT 10
8:30pm – Marshal Joseph Suares (I)
5:00pm – Alvaro Gonzalez family (I)

SUNDAY, SEPT 11
7:30am – Clara & Vincent Postulszy (D)
9:00am – Mike Werner (D)
11:00am – Quinn Vu (D)
12:45pm – Dave Giltn (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), Collin Brown, Margaret Uche, Dennis Henderson
**ARROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**

**SEPT 5: CANONIZATION OF MOTHER TERESA**
Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will preside at a 9:30am Mass of Celebration in commemoration of the Canonization of Mother Teresa on her Feast Day – Monday, September 5 – at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 1111 St. Joseph Parkway, in Houston. The Mass is open to the public and all are welcome! Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, MC, will be canonized by Pope Francis at the Vatican on **Sunday, September 4** at 10:30am (3:30am CST, which you can watch live on EWTN).

**SEPT 9: DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE ACROSS U.S.**
In light of recent incidents of violence and racial tension in communities across the United States, the president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has invited dioceses across the country to unite in a Day of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities on **Friday, September 9**, the feast of St. Peter Claver. A Mass will be celebrated at 12:10pm that day at the Co-Cathedral by Bishop George Sheltz and here at St. Laurence. **Fr. Drew will offer the 12:00noon Mass** for this special intention. Please unite with the Church in America in prayer for peace that day.

**SEPT 10: ANNUAL RUN/WALK FOR LIFE**
The Houston Coalition for Life is sponsoring the 7th annual Run/Walk for Life on **Saturday, September 10, from 8:00-11:00am**, at All Saints Catholic Church in Houston. Take part in the 2-mile walk or 5K run and be a part of the action to raise awareness and funds for the protection of life and because **#LivesDependOnUs**. To get all the details and to register to participate, go to [www.HoustonCoalition.com/events/runwalkforlife2016](http://www.HoustonCoalition.com/events/runwalkforlife2016) or call 713-395-1330.

**SEPT 23: SEE THE MOVIE “THE VESSEL” AT AMC THEATER**
*The Vessel* is a new movie starring Martin Sheen as a Catholic priest who is trying to restore the faith of his small community. The movie is **directed by Julio Quintana**, who grew up at St. Laurence and whose parents, Julio & Lisette, are still active members of our parish. The movie is scheduled to be at the AMC First Colony Theater **beginning Friday, September 23**. Make a point of seeing the movie that weekend, since AMC will use attendance as a factor in continuing to run it. For more information and to see the trailer and meet the cast/crew, please visit [www.thevesselmovie.com](http://www.thevesselmovie.com).

**PARISH CELEBRATIONS**

**BAPTISMS**
Coralie Hotze, Kylie Wilson, Ayla Wilson, James Wyble, Julian Sandoval, James Thouin, Charlotte Parks, Nicholas Crawford, Annabelle Tijerina

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**
Ha Tran

**WEDDINGS**
Mai Glorio & Michael Nguyen
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**PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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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](http://www.archgh.org/dsf) or pick up a donation 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: OCTOBER 10**
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: SEPTEMBER 17**
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.

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**Faith Direct**

Your active participation in the life of our parish helps us to fulfill our vision and mission. Your generosity through Faith Direct helps to provide consistent resources to operate our parish and ministries. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code (TX460). Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!
Family, Children & Youth Ministry

CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION

ELEMENTARY & PRE-K CCE

Starting Soon! Elementary CCE classes will start Sept 13/14, with a Catechist Meet & Greet and Parent Information Session during CCE class time. Look for an email with all the details. Class rosters will be posted in the church courtyard until CCE begins, and also posted the week CCE begins in the AMC lobby. Students will not be individually notified of their placements, so look for these posted class rosters for their name & classroom.

Please note that Preschool and Elementary CCE registration has officially ended for this academic year, with only limited space available in some grades/days. However, Home Study CCE is always available as a beautiful alternative, allowing you to grow in your faith together with your child.

Preschool CCE will resume on Sunday, September 18, for all registered and placed children. If your child has not been placed yet due to the lack of volunteer catechists, please prayerfully consider helping out this special ministry by serving our youngest members. Contact Monica at mdoucet@stlaurence.org for info.

CCE Home Study Kickoff is Monday, September 19, from 7:00-8:00pm in Marian Hall. Registered Home Study students and their parents will have an opportunity to pick up their materials, hear about our program, and meet other Home Study families.

Calling ALL PARENTS! Want to help out during CCE class times? We can use adult volunteers to monitor hallways. All volunteers must be VIRTUS trained. Interested in learning more? Please contact Joan Hastreiter at jhastreiter@stlaurence.org.

St. Laurence Catholic School
www.stlaurence.org/school

THIS WEEK AT SLCS

HAPPY LABOR DAY!
The school will be closed Monday for Labor Day. Enjoy!

9/5 Labor Day - No School
9/7 Spanish Honor Society Meeting
9/8 NEHS Meeting
9/9 All School Mass Led by 4A
9/10 School Board Retreat

BACK TO SCHOOL!

SEPT 14-15: Kid Yoga
SEPT 16: Parent Mixer: Join us for a fun evening and meet other WCP parents at 7:00pm in Guardian Angels Hall!

Weekday Children’s Program still has a few openings in the program for Academic Year 2016-17. Contact Peggy Finch at 281-313-0329 to find out what is currently available.

Find the WCP Calendar for 2016-17 school year on the parish website: www.stlaurence.org/weekday-childrens-program

GET READY, GOLFERS

The Annual St. Laurence Golf Tournament is set for Monday, October 31, at Sweetwater Country Club! Sponsorships are available and registration is open for this popular event, open to the community! Contact the Advancement Office at 281-980-0500 or advancement@stlaurence.org to register or for sponsorship opportunities.

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

WOW! We are so blessed by your generosity to the plaid bag collection last weekend!! The continued support from our parishioners helps make our school successful. The students, faculty and staff are grateful to be a part of this faith filled community! Your generosity will give the school the opportunity to assist families in situations that were unexpected without disrupting the children’s learning experience. THANK YOU!
EDGE is 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, 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.

EDGE KICK-OFF
WEDS, 9/14 7-8:15pm  Ave Maria Center
All middle school youth are invited and encouraged to join us. If you haven’t registered yet, you can find the forms online or at the Ave Maria Center. Deadline to register is August 15.

HELP NEEDED
If you’re able or interested in helping in any of the following ways, please contact Eric at 281-265-5774.

Edge Core Team: (greatest need!) Adults who lead middle school youth into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

HS Teen Assistant: Sophomores or older who help to lead small groups and disciple just as our Core Team does.

Carpool Volunteer: Rather than sitting in your car, help to keep our carpool line moving quickly and safely.

Hallway Monitor: Help direct youth to their small group locations, keeping the area safe and controlled.

LIFE TEEN KICK-OFF
SUN, 9/18 6:30-8:15pm  Ave Maria Center
The fall semester is “I Am”, a series on Jesus, where we will take a look at the character, motives and interactions of Jesus.

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS
TUESDAYS, 6:00-7:30pm  Youth Hall
Discipleship Groups offer teens an opportunity to dig even deeper. Open to all high school students.

LEGACY
2ND/4TH TUESDAYS, 8:00-9:00pm  Youth Hall
Open to Juniors and Seniors.

WHAT A CELEBRATION!

Last weekend was the annual Celebration of Ministries at St. Laurence, a perfect chance for learning about the various groups and ministries that make this parish so living, loving and vibrant! If you missed it, then take a tour through our parish website, www.stlaurence.org. Go there or leaf through this bulletin to find information about prayer groups, bible studies and programs, ways to serve those in need and ways to lead others to Christ. There is something for everyone here at St. Laurence. So, if you haven’t yet connected to a group, Fr. Drew invites you to find one thing that matches your needs or interests and give it a try!

Over the next 12 weeks, we are focusing as an entire parish on expanding our knowledge and understanding of the faith, so maybe start by signing up for a bible study or attend one of the Speaker Series for adults or offer to serve as a Core (small group leader) for teens or Catechist for elementary kids—and learn along with them while filling an essential parish need.

And behold! You will open yourself up to all things new.

JOIN THE CHILDRENS CHOIR
St. Laurence Children’s/Youth Choirs are starting rehearsals on Monday September 12. Come get your kids involved in the music of our parish - and in serving their parish in this wonderful ministry!

Kids in Grades 2-4 meet from 4:30-5:30pm
Youth in Grades 5-8 meet from 5:45-6:45pm

Rehearsals will be held in the Music Room in the courtyard near the church, but this FIRST REHEARSAL will be in the Guardian Angel Hall of our new Ave Maria Center! Parents, plan to stay for this first rehearsal if you can. Please contact Mary Thompson at 281-980-9812 and mthompson@stlaurence.org to get all the details. Come and sing with Mary!

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.
COMING SOON…

Evening Christian Meditation
THU: Sept 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov 8, 15, 22, 29, Dec 6, 13
4:30-5:30pm or 6:30-7:30pm in Ave Maria Center, Room 203
Join us during any Elementary CCE session this year for these special sessions to help you learn the Catholic Faith so you can effectively pass it on to your children. For more information contact Justin Frato at jfrato@stlaurence.org.

Spanish Golden Age
WED: Sept 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov 2, 9, 16, 30, Dec 7
1:00-3:30pm in St Francis Meeting Room
Facilitator: Bernadette Peters
In Spanish Golden Age we will review and practice several expressions of prayer so that we become more loving and responsive to God and his will for us. The relationship we form with God in prayer originates with God’s desire for friendship with us, not our needs and desires. The Church, inspired by the Holy Spirit developed new forms of prayer, so that Catholics may thrive in prayer and form a closer union with God. For more info, contact: Bernadette Peters at bernadettepeters@mac.com.

A Call to Prayer
MON: Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, 17, 24, Nov 7
7:00-8:15pm in St Clare Meeting Room
Facilitator: Bernadette Peters
In A Call to Prayer we will review and practice several expressions of prayer so that we become more loving and responsive to God and his will for us. The relationship we form with God in prayer originates with God’s desire for friendship with us, not our needs and desires. The Church, inspired by the Holy Spirit developed new forms of prayer, so that Catholics may thrive in prayer and form a closer union with God. For more info, contact: Bernadette Peters at bernadettepeters@mac.com.

Holy Happy Hour
TUE: Sept 20, 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 25, Nov 8, 15, 22, 29, Dec 6, 13
4:30-5:30pm or 6:30-7:30pm in Marian Hall B
WED: Sept 21, 28, Oct 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov 9, 16, 23, Dec 7, 14
5:30-6:30pm in St Clare Meeting Room
After you drop off your child for Elementary CCE, why not spend some time growing in your faith? Join us during any Elementary CCE session this year for these special sessions to help you learn the Catholic Faith so you can effectively pass it on to your children. For more information contact Justin Frato at jfrato@stlaurence.org.

RCIA begins Sept 11
Sundays, 10:15am-12:15pm Guardian Angel Hall
STILL TIME TO JOIN!
RCIA is for those who have never been baptized, those baptized in another Christian faith tradition, those interested in joining the Catholic Church, and Catholics who were baptized but have not celebrated all of their Sacraments.
Contact Justin Frato: 281-265-5774 / jfrato@stlaurence.org
MORE INFO: stlaurence.org/rcia

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Discovering Christ

Mondays, Sept 26, Oct 3, 10, 17, 24, 3, Nov 7, 2016
7-9 pm, Ave Maria Center, Guardian Angel Hall

In Discovering Christ, you will have an opportunity to spend time understanding the difference between admiring Jesus as a great historical figure and the founder of the Catholic Church and entering into a personal relationship with him. Join others in this seven-week journey as we unpack the basic questions of life. We will meet each week for a pot luck meal, followed by a video presentation, and a small group discussion. A one day, life-changing retreat on Saturday, October 29 will also be part of the experience. The deadline to register is September 21.

For more information and to register go to stlaurence.org/discoveringchrist
At the conclusion of today’s gospel, we hear Jesus tell a “great crowd” that “…anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” A few of Jesus’ immediate disciples, such as Peter, John and James, did just that: They responded to Jesus’ call, renouncing everything to follow him. How do modern disciples of Jesus respond when confronted with this apparently harsh command of Jesus? Surely the renunciation of possessions need not mean literally giving all one’s possessions away, does it? Questions we might ponder this week though:  Do our possessions keep us from encountering Christ at Mass? Do they distract us from our parish family? Do our possessions interfere with our relationships? Do they make us insensitive to those less fortunate?

www.catholicstewardship.org

STEWARD AMONG US

STEVE BROWN

Steve and his wife Cindy moved here from Dallas and joined St. Laurence in 2014. Right away, they got involved in Discovering Christ, which helped them to quickly develop some friendships in the parish. Soon, Steve saw an opportunity to help students with special needs prepare for their Confirmation, so he stepped up to serve, putting his background in Theology, Psychology and Special Education to use. Next, he joined the Small Christian Community Core Team, where he met Bianca Duque-Orcutt. Together, they recognized a need in the parish for supporting parents raising teens and founded PACT (Parenting Adolescents with Catholicism Together). Steve says, “We have loved connecting parents to share learning and spiritual growth. My advice to new parishioners like Cindy and me is to find a ministry, not only to serve your parish, but to get to know other parishioners. Large numbers of ministries and parishioners are doing superb things at St. Laurence. But plenty of needs are yet to be met. The Holy Spirit definitely guided me to go out and do it without fear. I believe we are all here to help our Lord build the Kingdom of God together.”

Faith illumines life and society. If it possesses a creative light for each new moment of history, it is because it sets every event in relationship to the origin and destiny of all things in the Father.

Pope Francis
June 29, 2013

Ask Paula

Q.
How can I get anointed?

A.
Okay, there’s a couple of ways to do this. The first Wednesday of the month, at 6:30pm, is our Healing Mass, so you can get anointed there. Of course, you can also call the church and set up an appointment with one of the priests to get anointed, too. Same thing for house or car blessings: Call us and you make the appointment with one of them. Back to anointing, if you are at a hospital, assisted living, rehab facility or your home here in Sugar Land or Missouri City, we can get one of the priests to come and anoint you. Here’s what you need to know: You only need to be anointed once. Sometimes parishioners call every couple of weeks and want to get (what I like to call) RE-ANOINTED. Seriously, once is all you need. Just saying.

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.
What is Conscience?

In *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* (no. 17), the Catholic Bishops of the United States Conscience remind us:

“The Church equips its members to address political and social questions by helping them to develop a well-formed conscience. ...Conscience is not something that allows us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere "feeling" about what we should or should not do. Rather, conscience is the voice of God resounding in the human heart, revealing the truth to us and calling us to do what is good while shunning what is evil.”

Conscience is a judgment of practical reason that helps us to recognize and seek what is good, and to reject what is evil (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1778, 1796).

The Second Vatican Council wrote:

“Always summoning [one] to love good and avoid evil, the voice of conscience can when necessary speak to [one’s] heart more specifically: do this, shun that” (*Gaudium et Spes* 16).

Conscience does not simply “come to us”! Throughout our lives, we have to spend time forming our consciences so that we can make well-reasoned judgments about particular situations.

How Do I Form My Conscience?

As the bishops note in *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, we need to form our consciences in an ongoing manner. How do we do this?

1) When examining any issue or situation, we must begin by being open to the truth and what is right.
2) We must study Sacred Scripture and the teaching of the Church.
3) We must examine the facts and background information about various choices.
4) We must prayerfully reflect to discern the will of God (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, no. 18).

The United States Catholic Catechism for Adults adds:

5) The prudent advice and good example of others support and enlighten our conscience.
6) The authoritative teaching of the Church is an essential element.
7) The gifts of the Holy Spirit help us develop our conscience.
8) Regular examination of conscience is important as well (p. 314).
Reflections on Conscience

From the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

**1777** Moral conscience, present at the heart of the person, enjoins him at the appropriate moment to do good and to avoid evil. It also judges particular choices, approving those that are good and denouncing those that are evil. It bears witness to the authority of truth in reference to the supreme Good to which the human person is drawn, and it welcomes the commandments. When he listens to his conscience, the prudent man can hear God speaking.

**1778** Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing, or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right. It is by the judgment of his conscience that man perceives and recognizes the prescriptions of the divine law.


Reflections on Conscience Formation

From the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

**1784** The education of the conscience is a lifelong task. From the earliest years, it awakens the child to the knowledge and practice of the interior law recognized by conscience. Prudent education teaches virtue; it prevents or cures fear, selfishness and pride, resentment arising from guilt, and feelings of complacency, born of human weakness and faults.

The education of the conscience guarantees freedom and engenders peace of heart.

**1785** In the formation of conscience the Word of God is the light for our path, we must assimilate it in faith and prayer and put it into practice. We must also examine our conscience before the Lord's Cross. We are assisted by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, aided by the witness or advice of others and guided by the authoritative teaching of the Church.

1 Cf. Ps 119:105.  4 Cf. Dignitatis Humanae 14.

Reflection Questions

1. What is conscience?
2. When has my conscience guided me to “do good and avoid evil”?
3. What are some key resources I can use to form my conscience?
4. Forming conscience is a “lifelong task.” What do I do to regularly form my conscience? What more should I do?

To download this and other helpful resources, visit [www.faithfulcitizenship.org](http://www.faithfulcitizenship.org)!
SEPT 12: COR WORSHIP NIGHT RETURNS

It’s 90 minutes set aside from your usual routine and you’ll leave refreshed and feeling like new! If you’ve never been to a COR Worship Night, you owe it to yourself to try it. It’s part teaching, part praise and part adoration. COR Nights are offered almost every month, on the 2nd Monday of the month, from 7:00-8:30pm, in the church. The next one is Monday, September 12, and we are in for a treat! Our own high school youth minister, Kris Frank, will lead the teaching, with Danielle Noonan and her band providing exceptional music. COR Worship Nights are open to everyone of all ages. There is no charge and no RSVP is required. Just come.

SEPT 17: KCs HOST FUNDRAISER FOR LIBANGA

The Reverend John T. Weyer Council 11343 of the Knights of Columbus invites everyone to attend a fundraiser on Saturday, September 17, at 7:00pm, in the Parish Hall, to support the Libanga Catholic Congolese Community. Fr. Simon provides leadership for this group whose mission is to preach the Gospel and help others from the Democratic Republic of the Congo become acclimated to the U.S. Libanga has been able to help the growing number of immigrants adapt, while still staying connected to their culture and homeland. The evening will consist of a sit down dinner, prepared by Chef Kevin King. Tickets are $50 per person or $500 for a sponsorship table of 10, with preferred seating. All proceeds from the evening benefit the Libanga Catholic Community (www.libangacch.com). Tickets will be limited to 150 people, so get your tickets early! Please contact Gary Arrington at gary77@windstream.net or 713-882-9567, for information and to purchase tickets, or go to www.kofc11343.org and purchase online.

GIFT OF HIS SERVICE

Retirement Reception for Deacon Al Bothe
September 11
12:45pm Mass
Cake & Coffee in the Parish Hall following Mass
All are welcome!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY MIXER

Saturday, Sept 24 | 6:30-8PM
Guardian Angels Hall @ Ave Maria Center
Come hang, eat FREE BBQ, meet new people and enjoy outdoor games like frisbee golf, ladder ball & more!
For info, contact Michaela Barta at mbarta@stlaurence.org | 281-265-5774

OUR LADY OF COROMOTO MASS

Saturday, September 24
6:00pm: Reconciliation, Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Chapel of the Divine Mercy)
7:00pm: Bilingual Mass with processional entrance of Marian Advocations (Church)
We will collect medicines and disposable hospital products to be sent to Venezuela through ‘Saludos a Venezuela’
www.ParroquiaVirtualVenezolana.org

BEHOLD! THE PARISH BAZAAR IS BACK!

Get ready—here comes the Bazaar! Look for the big tents to go up on the grounds of the new Ave Maria Center on October 15-16. Just like always, it will feature great food, games, rides, BINGO and a car raffle (this year a Mini Cooper Convertible), but there are some fun NEW things planned, too!

ART GALLERY—Parishioners of all ages are invited to submit their artwork that depicts Fr. Drew’s theme for the year, “Behold, I Make All Things New.” Your original pieces should be 4x6, 5x7, 8x10 or 11x14 and dropped off at the parish office no later than Friday, September 30. Not all artwork will be able to be displayed, but show your creativity and maybe yours will!

Stop by the Ministry Fair today and sign up to work a shift at a booth or consider being a Bazaar Sponsor. Sponsorships help to offset the cost of putting on this great event for the entire community and sponsor levels begin as low as $50. Find all the information about the bazaar at www.stlaurence.org/parish-bazaar.
RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC VOTING
This month’s featured brochure is “A Guide to Catholic Voting”. Scripture and teachings of the Church have led to clear principles on how best to achieve justice, peace and human dignity for all men and women. The four key principles of Catholic social doctrine to be considered in voting decisions are: 1) promoting and defending the dignity of the human person, 2) supporting the family, 3) working for the common good, and 4) acting in solidarity with particular concern for the poor and most vulnerable of our sisters and brothers. There are some things that are intrinsically evil, that we can never do or cooperate with. Abortion is at the forefront of these evils in the U.S; it is not just one issue among many. Voting for a candidate who holds an unacceptable position can only be done for grave moral reasons, and opposition to the unacceptable position must be voiced. When both candidates hold unacceptable positions, prudential judgment can be used as to which candidate seems likely to do less harm or is more likely to pursue other positive priorities.

VOTER REGISTRATION
Our bishops remind us, "In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation” Faithful Citizenship, No. 13. Please register and vote in the upcoming election. If you have recently moved into Fort Bend County, or just not yet registered to vote here, please get registered so you can help to shape our government to better reflect our values. A registration drive will be held after all Masses next weekend.

SEPT 10: PROJECT RACHEL RETREAT
A Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreat will be offered on Saturday, September 10, to provide compassion and healing for mothers, fathers or others who have lost a child to abortion. All inquiries are confidential. Contact the Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-741-8728 or respectlife@archgh.org for more information.

HOPE BAG MINISTRY NEEDS
We can use donations of children’s themed fabric to make Hope Bags for the children who come to the Medical Mission in Laredo. We also need volunteers to help sew and cut the bags. If you can help, please drop by the Social Concerns office between the hours of 8:30am to 4:30pm, to pick up fabric. For more information, contact Monica Hager at mhager@stlaurence.org.

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

KROGER REWARDS
Please remember to RE-ENROLL in the Kroger Community Rewards Program by linking your Kroger card to the Social Concerns Ministry. SCM Coupons for a Cause shoppers use these funds to purchase food for various local shelters and pantries. Go to www.kroger.com or call 1-800-576-4377 and a Kroger representative will assist you. After you enroll, check the bottom of one of your Kroger receipts to ensure that your enrollment was successful. Your receipt should say, At your request, Kroger is donating to St. Laurence Catholic Church Social Concerns. Thank you!

For more info about these and other great ways to serve others, please go to www.stlaurence.org/social-concerns
WHAT WE NEED

You can help with these simple donations. Look around the house and see what you have to share and drop 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, jackets.
- 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), new/gently used children’s books & small fleece blankets 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
- Black pens, mints, business thank you cards, book marks, small packages tissues for the WORK-FAITH! bootcamp students. WorkFaith Connection empowers disadvantaged job seekers to find and keep meaningful employment.

INFORMATION & HOPE

National Alliance on Mental Illness
Find Help. Find Hope.

 Millions of Americans face the day-to-day reality of living with mental illness. We get it. We’ve been there. We offer help. We offer hope. For info, contact Pat Sumner, 281-265-1554, psumner1@comcast.net.

General Meeting: 1st Thursday of each month
Support Group (English): 2nd and 4th Thursday each month
Support Group (Spanish): 3rd Tuesday each month
Support Group (Chinese): Last Sunday each month

Family to Family Classes: Begins September 12
Family-to-Family is a 12-session educational course for family, caregivers and friends of individuals living with mental illness.

Peer to Peer Classes: Begins September 19
Peer-to-Peer is a 10-session recovery-focused educational program for adults with mental illness who wish to establish and maintain wellness.

A YEAR IN SOCIAL CONCERNS

A fiscal year end report with a few of the highlights of our activity in Social Concerns:

- **Over $343,000 donated to SCM** (through monthly black bag collections, Faith Direct, gold envelope and drives)
- **Over $106,000 went to direct assistance** (rent, utilities, medical, etc.) for more than 494 individuals throughout the county
- Approximately **170 individuals were assisted** with food, cleaning supplies and other household items
- **Over $235,000 went to assist more than 50 agencies/organizations**, 20 ministries and 6 Catholic churches
- **Over 25,000 hours were donated by our volunteers** which are valued at over $535,000
- More than **$336,000 was donated as gifts-in-kind**, including 800+ Thanksgiving meals, 2,000 Christmas gifts, 800 pairs of new school shoes, plus furniture, donations for the military, seniors, children and more!
- Finally, it is **impossible to put a dollar value** on the impact of your generosity on those in need in our community!

Want to experience the joy we do in working directly with those in need? Join Social Concerns and sign up to get our e-newsletter. To give you a feel for the impact our parish outreach has on others, read this note that we received recently:

During our trials, we need to ask for the grace to carry our crosses. Being able to come to a loving and caring church has helped our family to keep going with hope in the midst of our current situation. With a grateful and humble heart,

A St. Laurence Parishioner

COMFORTING CHILDREN IN NEED

Kellsey Pitts wanted to help the children stay warm and cozy at night while staying at the Fort Bend Family Promise shelter. With the guidance of her grandmother, Carole Kanusky, she sewed 13 beautiful blankets. Kellsey says “I had not sewn in a while, so I was a little rusty. My Granny helped me and I enjoyed my time with her. Sewing, and helping others in general, make me realize how truly blessed I am with the life God gave me. I will continue to help others and serve the Lord.”
Ministry News

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 adoration@stlaurence.org or 281-980-8481 or 832-816-4660 for more information.

NOTE: There will be no scheduled adoration of the Blessed Sacrament over the Labor Day weekend from 2pm Friday, September 2, until 8am Tuesday, September 6. The chapel will be open as usual, allowing code access as needed.

YEAR OF MERCY: JOIN OUR CENACLE

The Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy has two cenacles at St. Laurence and they extend an invitation to everyone to join them to learn what the Year of Mercy is all about. The groups study the writings of St. Faustina. Together, they read 5 pages of the Diary, some Scripture, and several paragraphs from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which are all tied together with a theme for that day. No preparation for class is needed. The morning cenacle meets each Thursday morning (starting 9/15) from 9:30-10:30am, in the St. Francis Room at the Ave Maria Center, contact facilitator Sally Flowers at 281-265-8360. The evening cenacle meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:00-8:30pm, in the Corpus Christi Room, contact facilitator Patti Kallemeyn at 281-438-0696.

JOY CLUB FOR SENIORS

The J.O.Y. Club (stands for Just Older Youth) is for parishioners 55-and-up. The group normally meets at the Ave Maria Center on the first Monday of each month, plus other activities as planned. For more info, contact Anne Higgins at 832-755-5597, nannyhiggs@gmail.com.

SEPT 12—Due to Labor Day, we will meet on the 2nd Monday in September, 11:00am-1:00pm, at the Ave Maria Center. Bring an item for a potluck lunch and we’ll welcome guests from St. Angela Merici and Brookdale to hear speaker Mike Zimmer from the Missouri City Police Department.

SEPT 27—Attend Mass together at noon followed by lunch (location to be determined). Maybe we can talk Fr. Jaison into joining our group for lunch!

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children’s Liturgy of the Word returns Sunday, SEPT 18, offered during the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses.

Children in grades K-4 are encouraged to follow the faith sharers and lectors (banner carriers) to the Trinity Room and Parish Hall on designated Sundays for Children’s Liturgy of the Word. Here they listen to the liturgy using language they can better understand, then rejoin their families for the celebration of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. (Please note, this program is targeted for school aged children, so we ask that you keep their younger preK siblings in the church with you.) If you are interested in joining our ministry or just curious about how your child is participating in this part of the Mass, you are welcome to observe our sessions. For more information, please call Susan Choate (281-682-3389) or Claire Gregory (281-208-2715).

HELP FOR GRIEVING FAMILIES

The Grieving Families Support Group is for you. This support group is specifically for those who are grieving the death of loved ones through murder, suicide, accident, or any sudden death. Survivors are often overwhelmed by the grief that follows this unexpected death, thus, complicating the grieving process. The group now meets twice a month, on the 1st and 3rd Thursday, 1:00-2:30pm, in the St. Francis Meeting Room at the Ave Maria Center. The next meeting is September 15. Join them as they continue to read and discuss the book “Harvesting Our Tears.” For more info, please contact Agnes Fernandes at 281-933-3721 or agnesffernandes@gmail.com.
HELP ADULTS LEARN TO SPEAK ENGLISH

CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 12

The Learn English Ministry offers free English language lessons to adults. Our students come from 30+ different countries and speak a variety of languages. We teach conversational English: those basic skills needed to talk on the phone, get directions, open a bank account or talk to a child’s teacher. We can use lots of volunteer teachers! You don’t need to speak any language other than English to teach. No experience is needed and we will train you. Come join this rewarding ministry. Contact Wendy Moore at learnenglishministry.slc@gmail.com.

MONDAYS: PRAYER & PRAISE GROUP

Please join us on Mondays from 1:00-2:30pm, at the Ave Maria Center’s Oratory of the Rosary, as we gather to praise and worship God. We 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. Please contact Anne Marie Daniel for more information at 281-265-5774 or adaniel@stlaurence.org.

MONDAYS: MOMS AND TOTS GROUP

Are you a mom who is home with young child(ren) ages infant to pre-K on Monday mornings? Please join Moms & Tots for our weekly Play & Pray Group! We plan a variety of activities for our children as we support and encourage one another in our vocation as mothers. Our meetings are casual, and kids and moms get a chance to make new friends and grow closer to Christ. Come every week or just when you can! Contact us at stlaurence.momsandtots@gmail.com or call Chrissy Campbell at 310-926-7085 for details.

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY

The sadness that comes from experiencing the loss of a loved one can leave us frozen in place, just trying to cope with everyday life. Support groups are an important tool for finding hope and coping tools on this journey. The Grief Support Ministry meets in the Ave Maria Center, every Tuesday night from 6:30-8:30pm, as well as every Wednesday morning from 10:00am-12:00noon. We are a group of compassionate lay people who also have experienced the death of someone we dearly loved. Join us, because no one should grieve alone! Please contact Sandy Barber at 281-633-9090 or help2grieve@hotmail.com.

SEPT 15: LADIES GUILD ROUND UP!

Ladies of the parish are invited to the kickoff meeting for a new year of Ladies Guild as they go BACK ON THE TRAIL! Head over to the parish hall on Thursday, September 15, at 6:30pm, and meet some friendly women who like to serve and have fun doing it! This group welcomes all women of the parish, whether they’re Catholic or not, as they fulfill their mission “To Serve, Not To Be Served”. The group meets September-May on the 3rd Thursday of the month. The kickoff is one not to miss—complete with a BBQ meal, beverages, and dessert. Come learn about the Guild and meet some new friends. If you just want to check it out, please pay a $7 meal charge—or pay your yearly dues of $30 and the cost of the meal is included! Come enjoy the round-up as they begin on the trail of a new year and contact Tina Dougherty at 713-859-6861 for more information.

FUN WITH THE ST. LAURENCE SINGLES

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.

SUN, 9/11 @ 9:00PM—Mass & Brunch. We sit in the elevated seats by the choir and after Mass, we will go to brunch at Café Express in Town Center.

WED, 9/14 @ 6:00PM—Book Club Dinner at Cafe Goo Goo Yen. The September book is The Devil in the White City.

SAT, 9/24 @ 6:00PM—Mia Bella Dinner. Let’s have some awesome Italian food! Near First Colony Mall.

WED, 9/27 @ 7:00PM—Planning meeting in the Trinity Room. Come join us to give your suggestions.

“BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW”

Join a ministry or group and allow Jesus to make something new in you!
That Man is You! is an interactive men’s program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of a man fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, That Man is You! seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and society.

WWW.THATMANISYOU.ORG

BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD’S OWN HEART

DISCOVER

- The scriptural vision of man and the overwhelming scientific evidence that supports this vision.
- The four leadership roles that have been entrusted to men and the five personal traits necessary for fulfilling these leadership roles.
- How and why Satan always attacks the union of man and woman.
- The three main obstacles to living as authentic men and the means for overcoming them.
- The wonderful renewal God is offering to men and their families through the Church.

PROGRAM DEVELOPER

Steve Bollman
Developer That Man is You!
Founder & President Paradisus Dei

During the Great Jubilee, Steve Bollman experienced a personal call to found a ministry dedicated to the renewal of marriage and family life. In 2002, he set aside his professional interests as an energy derivatives trader in Houston, Texas to found Paradisus Dei. In 2004, Steve developed the That Man is You! men’s program, which quickly moved across the country transforming men, marriages and families. Independent research by a Faith Advisor to The Gallup Poll identified it as one of the most life transforming programs ever studied.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Wednesday Mornings
St. Laurence Ave Maria Center
3103 Sweetwater Blvd.
Sugar Land, Tx 77479
Beginning September 14, 2016

SCHEDULE

5:30am - Breakfast
6:00am - Video Presentation
6:30am - Small Group Discussion
7:00am - Session Ends

REGISTRATION

Register for this free program by calling Steve Ewbank at 281-703-3873 or emailing your name, email address and phone number to Steve at ewbanksix@gmail.com
Caregivers Support Group | Cancer Support
Spiritual Direction

P.A.C.T. (Parenting Group) | NAMI
Divorce Care

Jane Jewell | 713-775-7172

Weekday Children's Prog. | Vocations Committee
Tuesday AM Bible Study

A.C.T.S. Retreat | Adult Faith Formation
COR Worship Nights | Edge (Middle School)
Elementary CCE

Life Teen (High School) | Natural Family Planning
Parish School (SLCS)
Parish School Board
Parish School PTO
RCIA
Vacation Bible School
Vocations Committee
Weekday Children's Prog.

Dcn. Don Burns | 281-734-8715
Justin Frato | 281-265-5774
Monica Doucet | 281-265-5774
Fr. Simon Kipiti | 281-980-9812
Becky Wilkinson | 281-313-0329

Catholic Men | Challenge Club for Girls
Contemplative Prayer | Divine Mercy (AM)
Divine Mercy (PM)
Hearts of Jesus & Mary
Lay Apostle Prayer
Legion of Mary
Men's Bible Studies
St. Anthony of Padua
Small Christian Comm
Tuesday AM Bible Study

Jim Kij | 281-253-4800
Monica Hager | 281-240-7672
Elaine Smith | 281-499-6660
Sally Flowers | 281-265-8360
Patti Kallemann | 281-438-0696
Margie Calo | 281-980-4711
Kay Quenan | 281-265-3238
Carmelita Kussad | 713-922-2446
Steve Ebanks | 281-703-3873
Joseph Ellankil | 832-282-3032
Sunny Tom | 832-620-7417
Genoveva Duque | 281-980-1014
Regina Johnson | 281-403-1792

Baptism | Confirmation (Teens)
Confirmation (Adults)
First Holy Communion
First Reconciliation
Marriage Preparation
Marriage Sponsor
Couples

Rose Davis | 281-980-9812
Sara Sahlezghi | 281-265-5774
Mary Visser | 281-265-5774
Melissa Calcote | 281-265-5774
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Theresa Rawls | 281-980-9812
Sharon & John Harry | 281-980-8090

Find more information about all our parish groups and ministries at www.stlaurence.org.