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

ROSARY
Friday 6:30am

FIRST FRIDAY MASS
February 3 — In the Chapel
7:00pm - Rosary & Confessions
7:30pm - Mass

FIRST SATURDAY MASS
February 4 — In the Church
7:45am - Meditation & Rosary
8:30am - Mass

MISA EN ESPAÑOL
Enero 14 — 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

You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother’s womb.
— PS 139:13
OUR MISSION:

“\nWe 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 thru 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.

PARISH OFFICE

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WEEKDAY CHILDREN’S PROGRAM

3103 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479
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Discipleship Council: Marc Sherman, MarcSherman@iheartmedia.com
OUR RESPECT FOR LIFE

Rescue those being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. (Proverbs 24:11)

On January 22, 1973, the US Supreme Court effectively legalized abortion throughout nine months of pregnancy. A woman's right to end her pregnancy was considered more compelling than the right of the preborn child to continue living. The court claimed that there was no consensus on “the difficult question of when life begins.” And yet, any honest biologist will tell you that there is no question about when a new life begins — it begins when the egg and sperm unite at fertilization. Size, location, stage of development or degree of dependency does not change the humanity of the child. Every child is a human being, deserving of respect because they are made in the image of God, to be capable of love, and to serve a divine purpose. Ending a person’s life after 20 years, 2 years or 2 months of life is equally wrong — the remainder of their life is being taken from them.

Many people today see sexuality only as an expression of the relationship between partners and reproduction as a side effect that can be eliminated by the use of contraception. Sexual activity is seen as normal adult activity, which women should have the right to engage in without the inconvenient consequence of an unplanned pregnancy. The idea that someone unprepared to have a baby should refrain from activity that results in babies seems to be a lost concept in modern society. Further, typical use of contraception over 10 years results in a 60-70% chance of an unplanned pregnancy. So abortion becomes a necessary backup to contraception, to preserve women’s freedom to choose not to have a child.

However, progress is being made. Post-abortion women are speaking out about the painful consequences of their choice. Pregnancy centers and programs such as the Gabriel Project offer women the information and support they need to choose life. Many states have given women the protection of laws requiring informed consent, waiting periods, and safety regulations and have protected at least older fetuses with bans on late term abortion. Educational efforts, especially on college campuses, continue to spread the truth about the humanity of the preborn child and the reality of what abortion actually does, helping more Americans to become pro-life. Prayer and compassion outside abortion clinics has helped women, saved lives, and encouraged abortion workers to leave the industry.

What can YOU do to help prevent abortions?

1. Pray daily. Pray for the women who are tempted, the women who are wounded, and for conversion of workers in the abortion industry.
2. Speak out. To share the truth about the humanity of the preborn child and the dangers and injustice of abortion. (See www.ChristianVoicesforLife.org for guidelines.)
3. Support the effort. Through organizations such as the Pregnancy Resource Medical Center and Gabriel Project.
4. Be informed. Stop by the table in the plaza today for information about the St. Laurence Respect Life efforts, the Texas Rally for Life in Austin on 1/28, and 40 Days for Life in Lent.

Marie McCoy, Respect Life Coordinator
www.stlaurence.org/respect-life

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

JANUARY

SUNDAY 15 (#1095 in your Gather book)
First Reading IS 49:3, 5-6
Second Reading I COR 1:1-3
Gospel JN 1:29-34

MONDAY 16
First Reading HEB 5:1-10
Gospel MK 2:18-22

TUESDAY 17
First Reading HEB 6:10-20
Gospel MK 2:23-28

WEDNESDAY 18
First Reading HEB 7:1-3, 15-17
Gospel MK 3:1-6

THURSDAY 19
First Reading HEB 7:25—8:6
Gospel MK 3:7-12

FRIDAY 20
First Reading HEB 8:6-13
Gospel MK 3:13-19

SATURDAY 21
First Reading HEB 9:2-3, 11-14
Gospel MK 3:20-21

SUNDAY 22
First Reading IS 8:23—9:3
Second Reading I COR 1:10-13, 17
Gospel MT 4:12-23

PRAYING THE NEWS | JANUARY 15, 2017

“I did not know him…”
John 1:33

O God, you enlightened the mind and heart of John the Baptist to recognize the truth of Jesus. As Congress and the Texas legislature begin their work, inspire our representatives to know you and your special love for the poor, the outcast and all children. May compassion and mercy guide their decisions. Bless them in their efforts and keep them safe. And may we all come to know and see you in greater clarity and love this year: Jesus, we trust in you. Amen. †
In Our Prayers...

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 THE INTENTIONS OF THOSE IN PRISON

Following are the prayer intentions of people visited by our Correctional Ministry. Please pray for:


Patricia LaFleur, Paul Ramirez, Angelic Marie Ramirez, Jocelin Ramirez, Roland Bergara, Robert Crenshaw, Chaplain Tom Lowe.

Deacon Al Botho, the Society of St John de Matha, the men in the Terrell Prison RCIA program and all the people of Jester 3.

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Marc Fryer, Brother Peter Francis (Brian Kelsh), Chad Henry, Bryan Williams, Sister M. Philomena (Kryste Cagwandahan), Sister Daniela (Megan Bennett), Sister Rachel Marie of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus & Mary (Rachel Gosda), Collin Brown, Christopher Meyers, Margaret Uche

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JAN 14
5:00pm — Colonel Robert S. Allee (D)

SUNDAY, JAN 15
7:30am — Antonio Torreollo (D)
9:00am — Susan Trefny Clark (D)
11:00am — Kevin Le (D)
12:45pm — Anselm Odikpo (D)
5:00pm — St. Laurence Parishioners

MONDAY, JAN 16
7:30am — Steven Hobbs (I)
12:00pm — Vicente Simeon (D)

TUESDAY, JAN 17
7:30am — Benita Ortiz (D)
12:00pm — Charles Edelen (D)

WEDNESDAY, JAN 18
7:30am — Melvin Magat (D)
6:30pm — Mike Henry (D)

THURSDAY, JAN 19
7:30am — Kenneth Phippes (D)
12:00pm — Margarito & Crispina Elbit (D)

FRIDAY, JAN 20
8:15am — Mary Font (D)
12:00pm — Carrie Singleton (D)

SATURDAY, JAN 21
8:30am — Celinda Espejo (D)
5:00pm — Ermentina Forcade (D)

SUNDAY, JAN 22
7:30am — Crisanto Yates (D)
9:00am — Christopher Hughes (D)
11:00am — Mrs. Dalton (D)
12:45pm — George Pina (D)
5:00pm — St. Laurence Parishioners

PRAY FOR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

CW2 Brett Aderhold, US Army, AV
SPC David Ambrocik, US Army
PVT Michael Baird, US Army
SA Matthew Baird, US Navy
PO 5 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
LT Andrew DeSplinter, US Army
SGT Nicholas Dockum, US Army
Capt. Brandon Driscoll, USMC
Maj. James Dunphy, USMC
Lt Michael Eberhardt, US Army
CPT Stacey Eberhardt, US Army
Derek Farias, US Navy
Capt. Matthew Fenelon, USMC
PVT Jahnell Xavier George, US Army
SSG Philip Graham, US Army
ILT Spencer Henry, US Army
PVT Liam Hill, US Army
Daniel Hines, US Navy
SSG Matthew Hollobaugh, US Army Reserve
ILT Michelle Horstman, US Army
SPC Joshua Keenan, US Army
Joseph Kierski, US Navy
EM4 James Locus, US Navy
PFC Philip Loera, US Army
PFC John Lundgren, US Army
Ann Joseph Marcellus, USAF
LCpl William Marcellus, USMC
TSGT David March, Texas Air National Guard
Capt. Brendan McPartland, USMC
ILT Todd Miller, US Army
CPT Alexander Morningstar, US Army
CB Richard Pinari, US Navy
QMSN Bryce Prochazka, US Navy
LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, USMC
SGT Santiago Ramirez, US Army
ILT Taylor Ramrach, US Army
Sgt. Barbara L. Rangel, USMC
Sgt Jonathan Slusser, US Air Force
LTG Kevin Stranksy, US Navy
CTM3 Nicholas Stuhlmans, US Navy
Cpl Daniel Thesing, USMC
Maj. Michael Theising, USMC
ILT Kevin Wheeler, US Army
SGT Bryce Whidy, US Army
AM Troy Yelverton, US Navy
AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

JAN 21: ST. JOHN XXIII COLLEGE PREPARATORY EXAMS
Saturday, January 21, 8:30am-12:00pm. Register and pay online through the links provided on the Admissions Page at www.sj23lions.org. There will be a prospective parent brunch at 8:30am in the Student Center. Members of the Administration and current parents will be available for Q & A. A brief school tour will be given. Please reserve your spot for the brunch at www.sj23lions.org.

JAN 26: JOB FAIR HOSTED BY EPIPHANY JOB NETWORK
Job Fair at Epiphany’s Family Center on Thursday, Jan. 26, from 9:00am to 2:00pm. The event is “FREE” and there will be numerous well-known companies attending, and they are ready to hire! Positions are available in various fields ranging from engineering, finance, healthcare, IT, sales and administrative to name a few. This event is geared toward degree, career-minded, professional job candidates. Candidates with no/some college, but substantial related work experience would also be well suited for this event. Candidates should bring plenty of resumes and dress to impress. For more information, contact 832-772-0306 or outreach@epiphanycatholic.org.

JANUARY IS POVERTY AWARENESS MONTH!
January as Poverty Awareness Month and Catholic Charities will host the 3rd Annual Summit, kNow Poverty, on Thursday, January 26, from 8:00am-1:00pm at the University of St. Thomas. Tickets are $25, which includes breakfast, lunch, and presentations that focus on innovative approaches to alleviating poverty in Houston and around the country. The keynote speaker is Sister Donna Markham, CEO/President of Catholic Charities USA, plus Anna Babin, President/CEO, United Way, Cynthia Cisneros VP of Community Affairs, ABC 13, Cynthia Colbert, MSW, President/CEO CCAH; Brian Greene, President/CEO, Houston Food Bank, Dr. Robert Sanborn, President/CEO, Children at Risk, and Sylvester Turner, Mayor of Houston. For additional information and to register, please go to www.catholiccharities.org/povertysummit.

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

WEEKLY OFFERTORY
January 8 Collection $56,845
Registered Households 7,275
Envelopes Used 720
Loose Checks 192

AUTOMATED GIVING
Monthly Offertory $223,368
Participants 1,007

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND
2016 Parish Goal $495,000
Amount Paid $471,232
Amount Pledged $474,225
Participants 1,111

www.stlaurence.org/contribute-to-our-parish

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Thank you for your generous support of St. Laurence parish all year long. Nearly 1,000 people have elected to donate electronically via Faith Direct. Supporting the church in this way benefits both you and our parish family, so please consider signing up for online giving in the new year. Thank you, too, for your generous Christmas or End-of-Year contributions to help us meet our financial goals. May God continue to bless you and your family in the new year!

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: MARCH 13
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 classes: FEB 11 and MAR 11
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays each month. To schedule a baptism call Rose Davis at 281-980-9812. The parent prep class is offered monthly.

PARISH CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISMS
Emeka Ekezie, Arie Gomez, Lorenzo Jarasa, Juliana Breton

WEDDINGS
Rebecca Tamez & John Alves
Kelley Heng & Garrick Lau

FUNERALS
Doris Villegas, sister of Diane Cayetano
 Henry Kuczynski, father of Hank Kuczynski and Mary Ann Wooldridge

St. Laurence Parish APP
Now available for download on Google Play and Apple APP stores.‘

Keep up-to-date on all the happenings for our parish from your smart phone or tablet!

‘Text stlaurence1 to 555-888 for Apple devices
- or https://goo.gl/KUMr8L

Text stlaurence2 to 555-888 for Android devices
- or https://goo.gl/yMc2zc

St. Laurence CC
Family, Children & Youth Ministry

CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION

PRESCHOOL CCE MEETS TODAY!

ELEMENTARY CCE THIS WEEK
Sacraments at the Service of Communion

As baptized Catholics, we are each called by God to share in Jesus’ life and work. God calls adult Christians to live this calling, or vocation, in many ways. Two special vocations are celebrated in the Sacraments at the Service of Communion which are Matrimony and Holy Orders. While Matrimony serves God by serving the family (or ‘domestic church’), Holy Orders serves the entire People of God or the Church. Parents, discuss with your children this week the importance of your calling or vocation to family life. Our CCE sessions this week will begin with a Vocations talk by one of our priests or a local sister during our large gathering time in the Guardian Angels hall. Parents are welcome to join us!

MONDAYS: MOMS & 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. Call Chrissy Campbell at 310-926-7085 or email stlaurence.momsandtots@gmail.com for details.

St. Laurence
CATHOLIC SCHOOL
www.stlaurence.org/school

SLCS WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JAN 16 IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY!

HERE’S YOUR CHANCE TO SCORE 2 FABULOUS SUPERBOWL TICKETS

Bidding will begin soon! Benefiting St. Laurence Catholic School in celebration of the 25th Anniversary Gala & Auction. More details to follow. Questions contact Rachel Leaman 713-299-3278

SLCS 25TH ANNIVERSARY
Join the celebration on Saturday, January 28, when SLCS will host an Open House Celebration at the school from 2:00-4:00pm. His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will celebrate the 5:00pm Vigil Mass in the church with Fr. Drew and Fr. Jaison. We have much to celebrate, so join your parish school on this great occasion and contact us with questions at advancement@stlaurence.org.

All are welcome!

QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FROM CRIB THROUGH 5 YEARS

JAN 16: MLK Holiday
JAN 19/20: Registration (priority for enrolled families)
FEB 15: Registration for parishioners on wait list
FEB 22: Registration for parishioners not currently on the waiting list

Learn more and find the WCP Calendar at: www.stlaurence.org/weekday-childrens-program

SLCS 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.
**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.

**LIFE TEEN**

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

**WEDNESDAY IS EDGE NIGHT**

**JAN 18: 7:00-8:15pm, Edge in Marian Hall**
All middle school youth are invited and encouraged to join us.

**Pastor’s Challenge?**

As part of our parish’s current focus on ways to **Grow** closer to Jesus through the Eucharist, Fr. Drew challenged every member of the parish to attend COR Worship Night OR spend an hour in the Chapel of Divine Mercy before the Lord OR attend Heart of Worship on Saturday, Feb 25.

Our ENTIRE PARISH is united in this challenge! It’s something we can do on our own, with our spouse, as a family, or with friends or small group. Here are a couple testimonials from parishioners about their experience in Eucharistic Adoration...

I must confess, until I was 40-something, I didn’t really know what Eucharistic Adoration was. It wasn’t something I experienced or witnessed growing up. However, Catholic radio AM 1430 has opened my eyes to the many treasures of our Catholic faith, including Adoration. For me, going to Adoration is like pressing the “pause button”. For that hour, all the noise, distractions, commitments and relationships of this world, take a backseat while I visit with Jesus. While Sunday or even daily Mass are about worshipping as a community of faith, Adoration is more personal. How do I spend my time during Adoration? You know all those times, when you hear about a prayer request or know someone in your life that needs prayer? For me, this is a good time to bring those right to the Lord, along with anything else weighing on my heart. Then, I patiently listen, to hear what He needs from me. When my mind wanders, and it does from time to time, I simply apologize for my lack of focus and I imagine Jesus simply saying, “No problem, I’m still glad you came.” —Glen

We want to hear from you, too! Send an email to engagedchurch@stlaurence.org or look for the “We Are Listening” Box on the Hospitality Desk.
THIS WEEK IN ADULT FAITH FORMATION

MONDAY

Men's Bible Study (Weekly)
7:30-9:00pm, St Francis Room
Contact: Steve Ewbank | 281-703-3873 | ewbanksix@gmail.com

Lay Apostle Prayer Group (1st Monday, February 6)
10:30am-12:00pm OR 7:00-8:30pm, St. Anne Room
Contact: Kay Quenan | 281-265-3238 | kquenan@icloud.com

TUESDAY

Men's Bible Study (Weekly)
6:15-7:15am, St Francis Room
Contact: Steve Ewbank | 281-703-3873 | ewbanksix@gmail.com

Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Weekly)
9:00-11:45am, Marian Hall, Contact: Joe Kanusky | 281-265-4084

WEDNESDAY

That Man Is You
5:30-7:00am Marian Hall
Contact: Steve Ewbank | 281-980-5575 | ewbanksix@gmail.com

Contemplative Prayer
9:30am-12.00 pm Corpus Christi Room
Contact: Elaine Smith | 281-499-6660 | emchabert@comcast.net

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

THURSDAY

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

Divine Mercy Cenacle
9:00am-12.00pm, St Francis Room
Contact: Sally Flowers | sallyjoflowers@comcast.net

Thursday Bible Study
1:00-2:00pm, St Anne Room or 7:15-8:30pm AMC Room 205
Contact: Julie Evett | jevett@comcast.net

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SPEAKER SERIES Presents...

Pregame Super Bowl Show for Catholic Men
With Curtis Martin
Feb 2, 2017
7-9 pm, Marian Hall
As Houston prepares to host the 2017 Super Bowl, we invite men to receive spiritual training to be champions in their roles as husbands, fathers, and sons of God. Join Curtis Martin, co-host of EWTN’s “Crossing the Goal,” and founder and CEO of Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) as he offers a compelling vision of what it means to be a Catholic man. Free event and no registration required.
Attendees will receive a free copy of Curtis’s book Made for More. For info: stlaurence.org/curtis martin

COME AND SEE... welcomes you!

JAN 16, 23, 30, FEB 6, 13
7:15-9:00pm Ave Maria Center, St. Anne Room
We're family. We've missed you. Welcome home inactive Catholics
Is the spirit of Jesus calling you to reconnect with your childhood faith experience? What are the issues, questions or blocks relative to your return to the Church? Contact Art & Marilyn Ramponi for more info, 832-945-2110 and artmarilyn2@att.net.

A PROGRAM FOR COUPLES

Mondays: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar 4
7:00-9:00pm, Ave Maria Center, Guardian Angel Hall
The Choice Wine: 7 Steps to a Superabundant Marriage is a pathway to authentic marital happiness. Couples will learn how to virtually divorce-proof their marriage, experience the superabundant love and mercy of God, and realize a foretaste of Paradise in their marriages and families. This is a multimedia, interactive program. Couples are asked to bring a dessert to share. It will conclude on Saturday March 4, with a Couples Retreat from 9:00am-3:00pm. Cost is $50 per couple, which covers the materials cost. For more information and to register, please go to stlaurence.org/choice-wine.
“The future of the world and of the Church passes through the family.”

-Pope John Paul II, Familiaris Consortio #75

Integrating the latest findings from modern science with the timeless teaching of the faith and the wisdom of the saints, The Choice Wine: 7 Steps to a Superabundant Marriage places authentic marital happiness within every couple’s reach.

Studies show that people who are married are happier, healthier and have more financial resources than people who are not married.

“Christ doesn’t want your marriages just to have enough... He wants your marriages to be superabundant!” -Steve Bollman

The Choice Wine puts couples on a path to superabundance through seven simple, yet highly effective steps:

- Honor your wedding vows
- Use money for other people
- Give God some of your time
- Set your mind on the things above
- Find God in yourself
- Find God in other people
- Make it easy to be good and hard to be bad.

By following these steps, couples can reduce the probability of divorce to essentially zero and increase the probability of having a superabundant marriage to almost 4 out of 5!
As the prophet Isaiah proclaims in the first reading, the Lord continues to remind us that we are his servants. Imagine the Lord speaking these words to you personally: “You are my servant. Through you I show my glory. I formed you as my servant from your mother’s womb. I will make you a light so that you may shine the light of my salvation everywhere you go, and reveal my glory to everyone you encounter. I will give you the strength to do this. I will give you confidence. Heed my words, for I have spoken to you.” What would your response be to the Lord? Would it be different from the response you give the Lord now?

www.catholicstewardship.com

Q. So when’s the street construction starting?

A. Okay, so the official start date is January 17th. The City will be improving the roadway and drainage of Williams Trace from Highway 6 to Drainage Ditch A just past Stephens Grant. This means that the entrance and exit on Sweetwater will be CLOSED. We don’t have a date on this yet, but it should be close to the end of the month. You’ll know. Don’t worry, there’s still parking at the Ave Maria Center and FBISD building. The cop will be there to cross you. You can enter the church parking lot on Austin Parkway by the school and exit by the parish hall. Here’s the thing: people: we ALL need to be courteous in the parking lot and have patience, while this construction is happening, right? Let’s follow the directions given to us by the officers. We can do this, just sayin.

Paula Savo has been our Parish Receptionist for 20 years and knows the practical answers to (practically) everything. Call 281-980-9812 or email her at psavo@stlaurence.org.
## Status Quo

**Abortion is allowed by law** for any reason, through all 9 months, in the U.S. (some states) and only 3 other countries in the world. Only 9 countries, including the U.S. allow abortion after 14 weeks.

About 1 million abortions/year in the U.S., over 40 million worldwide.

** Abortions coerced** by parents, boyfriends, and abusers.

Safety regulations lacking or not enforced.

**Child abuse not reported** by abortion clinics and therefore allowed to continue.

Abortion causing increased risk of breast cancer and of premature birth in subsequent pregnancies.

**Post-abortion pain and regret** is associated with substance abuse, eating disorders, depression and suicide.

**Teens are at greater risk** for psychological problems after abortion, possibly because they are more susceptible to coercion.

Women do die from legal abortion, but abortion is seldom recorded as the cause of death. A study in CA showed that women who aborted were twice as likely to die over the following 2 years than women who delivered their babies.

Desire to replace the lost child sometimes leads to a pattern of repeat abortions.

Abortion clinics selling abortion, rather than acting in the best interest of mother and child.

Fetal organs being sold to universities or tissue procurement companies, for additional profit.

## Pro-Life Movement

Efforts to maximize legal protection for babies and for women, and to educate the public about abortion.

**Texas Rally for Life in Austin**
Sat, Jan 28 – bus from St. Laurence!
Contact Mariemccoyprc@gmail.com, 281-265-7749

**Love and support for women and girls in a difficult pregnancy situation:**

**Gabriel Project** – one on one client advocacy, information, friendship support, and baby items.
Contact Barbara@panefamily.com to help at St. L.

**Pregnancy centers** such as PRMC

([www.prmcfortbend.org](http://www.prmcfortbend.org) (donor site))

offer free pregnancy tests, limited obstetrical ultrasounds, client advocacy and options education (including adoption), and opportunity to earn baby items by attending classes on parenting topics.

**Option Line**
24/7 Hotline 800-712-HELP or chat online at [www.optionline.org](http://www.optionline.org)

**Love and support for post-abortive women:**

Project Rachel
[www.hopeafterabortion.com](http://www.hopeafterabortion.com)
Rachel’s Vineyard
[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)
COFRADIA DEL STO. NIÑO
GALVESTON-HOUSTON ARCHDIOCESE

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE
ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST
IN HONOR OF SEÑOR STO. NIÑO (Holy Child Jesus)

Saturday, January 21, 2017
ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH
3100 Sweetwater Blvd., Sugar Land, TX 77479
TEL: 281-980-9812

Rosary - 9:15 AM   Procession - 10:00 AM   Holy Mass - 11:00 AM

Celebrant: His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo
Concelebrants: Invited Priests

Fellowship will follow after the mass at the School Gym
You may bring your statue of the Santo Niño for the procession and “Sinulog” “Please wear Red”

For more details, contact:

Margie D. Calo 281-980-4711 (b) • 713-498-7359 (c)
Ave Lawas 281-530-9507 (b) • 832-725-6041 (c)
Alyn Vives 281-302-6228 (b) • 832-788-5778 (c)
Bella Tolentino 713-849-9662 (b) • 832-444-2876 (c)
**REGISTER NOW: HEART OF WORSHIP**

**Saturday, February 25, 11:30am-9:00pm, at St. Laurence**

Take Fr. Drew up on his challenge and come to Heart of Worship to discover how, in Jesus, all things are new! Be sure to take advantage of Early Bird Registration. Register before Feb 1, and the cost is just $20, after that it goes up to $25. Registration is available online at www.stlaurence.org/HOW and in-person at the parish office. This year, we welcome a diverse lineup of speakers: On the subject of FAITH: Deacon Alex Jones, the Detroit Pentecostal minister who converted to the Catholic faith and brought along 53 members of his congregation. On LOVE: Roland Millare, a theology doctoral candidate who came to understand the depth and breadth of God’s mercy through a family tragedy. On HOPE: Brother Peter Francis, who shares his joy and love of Christ today in a religious community just as he did when he served as one of our youth ministers (when we knew him as Brian Kelsch). Heart of Worship is always a sellout, so register early. For more info, go to www.stlaurence.org/HOW or call the parish office at 281-980-9812.

**TAKE THE SPIRITUAL NEEDS SURVEY**

Happy New Year! We’re glad you are here. St. Laurence is made up of over 7,400 families, diverse in our cultures/backgrounds, but united in our faith and centered in the love of Christ. We want to know what’s important to you regarding your spiritual life and your spiritual needs. Will you please take a moment to participate in a brief Spiritual Needs Survey? It will take about 10 minutes of your time and we will share the results with the parish in February. Find more info and a link to the survey at www.stlaurence.org/engaged-church or scan the QR code at left to take the survey now!

**JAN 22: RECEPTION FOR DEACON DENNIS**

On Saturday, January 14, Cardinal DiNardo ordained 18 men to the Permanent Diaconate for the Archdiocese at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. We are happy to announce that among them was our own Dennis Henderson! Dennis and his wife Leslie are founding St. Laurence parishioners, both actively engaged in parish life which has led him to this moment. He will join Deacons Al Rey, Don and Charles to be a “servant in a servant-Church” here at St. Laurence. Everyone is invited to a reception in the parish hall in honor of Deacon Dennis Henderson next Sunday, January 22, from 2:00-3:30pm, immediately following the 12:45pm Mass. Come celebrate with our new deacon and pray that God guides him to be a “light to the nations” (Isaiah 49). All are welcome!

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**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE**

**NEW! 7:15am Mass**

Effective Sunday, January 22

The 7:30am Sunday Mass will start 15 minutes earlier, to create more time between Masses during the reconstruction of Williams Trace and Sweetwater Boulevards.

**Saturday 5:00pm**

Sunday 7:15am,

9:00am, 11:00am

12:45pm, 5:00pm

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**“40” DOCUMENTARY**

Monday, JAN 23, at 7pm

The documentary 40 listens to both sides of the abortion issue and looks at the effect that legal abortion has had on our country over the last 40 years. Come to the St. Joseph Room in the Ave Maria Center on Monday, Jan 23, at 7 pm, to see the one hour film and have some discussion afterward with Marie McCoy, Respect Life coordinator.

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**THE CHOICE WINE**

Program for Couples

Begins, Monday, JAN 16

Learn 7 steps to a superabundant marriage in this multi-media, interactive program.

Cost is $50 per couple. For more information and to register, please go to stlaurence.org/choice-wine.

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**KC BRISKET SALE**

SuperBowl Sunday

The Knights will be on the plaza

Jan 28 & 29 selling delicious smoked briskets for Superbowl.

Order on the plaza or go online NOW at www.kofc11343.org to place an order for your brisket before JAN 30! All proceeds support the many charities of the Knights.
Thank you from the Troops!

Thank you so much for your donations to support our troops! We received hundreds of donations that were shipped overseas in December. Below are a few notes from some very grateful Marines!

Corporal Bernard Schindler
I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for taking the time to put together these care packages for my Marines. They greatly appreciate it, and please tell all the children thank you! I hope you and yours have a merry Christmas and prosperous New Year!
Semper Fi,
Sgt Slaymaker Joel T.
SPMAGTF-CR-CC 17.1 (Kevin McGinnis’s unit)

Thank you, St. Laurence for the wonderful holiday care packages. They are really appreciated and everyone loved them!

Cpl Peña, Ivander (Kevin McGinnis’s unit)

I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for taking the time to receive such an amazing gift from you all. It makes me grateful to know that I have support from so many people. It makes me proud to serve our country and keep you all safe. Stay in school, keep up the great work and know that what you are doing for us is so amazing and I will forever be grateful. Take care and thank you again for taking the time out of your day to make a package for me.

Very respectfully,
Cpl Peña, Ivander (Kevin McGinnis’s unit)

Thank you from the Troops!
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
- mini/trial sizes shampoo, men’s deodorant, soap, lotion, toothpaste & toothbrush for MILITARY, HOMELESS, REFUGEES
- 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
- Paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, disinfectant spray cleaners for PEOPLE IN CRISIS.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

H4H: SPRING BUILD PROJECT UPDATE

St. Laurence Habitat Ministry is close to starting our next project. We do not have a firm date but expect it to be late January or early February. If you would like to join the email contact list to receive the most up-to-date information, send an email to either Jean Fontenot at jeanfontenot@outlook.com or Steve Pondell at spondell@comcast.net.

We are looking to train new site supervisors for the St. Laurence Habitat team. If you are comfortable with home repairs and using tools and would like to learn more, please contact either Paul Fontenot at paul.s.fontenot@gmail.com or Jerry Kazmierzak at gkaz01@comcast.net.

We have a $25,000 shortfall of funds needed for our spring build project. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to put us over the top. You may make your check to St. Laurence and put Habitat ministry on the memo line. You may put this in the Sunday basket or drop it by the church office.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

RESPECT LIFE TABLE AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND!

See fetal models and pictures, pick up a fact sheet on abortion. Get a ticket to join us on the bus to Austin on Jan 28 for the Texas Rally for Life!

JAN 28: BUS RIDE TO TEXAS RALLY FOR LIFE IN AUSTIN

Join others and ride in comfort in a bus from St. Laurence to the annual Texas Rally for Life in Austin on Saturday, January 28. We will depart at 6:00am, attend pro-life Mass with the Bishop of Austin at St. Vincent de Paul parish in north Austin, lunch there, then head to the March and Rally. Hear inspiring speakers and be a part of a big pro-life crowd! Be home by 6:30pm, the cost is $30. Registration and payment is also available at www.slaurence.org/respect-life. See www.texassallyforlife.org for pictures from 2016.

JAN 22: DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN.

All are invited to join us at 3:00 pm, in a pro-life rosary at the white crosses next to the church along Austin Parkway. Approximately 400 white crosses represent the 4000 babies killed each day in the U.S. during the 1990’s. Currently there are about 3500 babies killed each day in our country by abortion; how many die from the morning after pill and birth control is unknown. Thousands of children also die every day in the process of In Vitro Fertilization.

SOCIAL CONCERNS INTERN BAGS HOPE

Parishioner Molly Isaac served as an intern in the SCM office last summer. While working with us, she was inspired by the Homeless Hope Bags. She brought the project to her school, St. John, in Houston. Molly and her friends changed the name to Car(e) Bag program. Their Car(e) bags include food (granola bars, fruit cups, meat, mints, raisins), water, socks and band aids. Everyone really likes the project and thinks it’s a great way to help out the homeless people of Houston. Thank you Molly for sharing this program with your school and for caring for those on the street looking for a little help.
CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children’s Liturgy of the Word will be offered during the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses January 29.

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.

LADIES GUILD CRAFTS DREAMS

Women of the parish are welcome to the next Ladies Guild meeting on Thursday, January 19. We’ll help provide “Trails of Pleasant Dreams” to those at the Parks Youth Ranch & Fort Bend Family Promise by donating NEW pillow cases to decorate this evening for their use. Enjoy some pillow talk with a restful spirit so the youth may peacefully rest and have pleasant dreams! For this service project, we ask for you to please bring a new pillow case as a donation to decorate. Craft and decorating supplies will be furnished. Our social begins at 6:30pm in the parish hall, with meeting and project following. Please bring a ‘Slumber Party’ snack appetizer or dessert to share! Beverages will be provided! Ladies Guild welcomes women of all ages. For additional information about Ladies Guild or the upcoming meeting, contact President Tina Dougherty at tinadougherty95@gmail.com or 713-859-6861.

JAN 20: FAITH BINGO AT FAMILY NIGHT

The next St. Laurence Family Night is scheduled for Friday, January 20, and all St. Laurence families are invited! Come play BINGO and learn about your faith at the Ave Maria Center with plenty of family fun, food and faith! Pizza & drinks will be provided and dinner starts at 6:30pm. Please bring a side or dessert to share and RSVP in advance to Melissa at 281-265-5774 or mcalcote@stlaurence.org or go the parish website and click on Marriage & Family under the Parish Life tab. This is a great way to meet other young families in the parish. Give it a try and call Melissa to learn more about it!

JAN 25: PAT SUMNER SPEAKS AT PACT

PACT (Parenting Adolescents with Catholicism Together) invites you to mark your calendars now for a special meeting on January 25, at 7:00pm, when the group welcomes Pat Sumner, President of NAMI Fort Bend, as a guest speaker. Pat will present Parents & Teachers as Allies. PACT is offered as a resource for parents of teens and tweens, held at the same time as EDGE, the middle school youth program. Upcoming topics include The Gospel in Action for Parents: Advent Focus, The Teenage Brain, and Social Justice for Adolescents and their Parents. No RSVP is necessary and all are welcome! Get details at www.stlaurence.org/pact or contact Steve Brown at stevecindyb@comcast.net

ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL

The first commandment is to love God. What better way to love God than to spend time with Him in the chapel? The Archdiocese has established new guidelines for Eucharistic Exposition that require 2 or 3 persons be present at all times. We are starting a campaign to add a second adorer wherever only one is currently in place. Are you that second person?

“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

— Matthew 18:20

Please check online: www.stlaurence.org/adoration for a list of days and times available and prayerfully consider the hours listed where we need committed adorers. Contact Denise MacDougall or Fran Magelssen at adoration@stlaurence.org or 281-224-6122(Fran) or 281-235-8008(Denise)
WEDNESDAY: THAT MAN IS YOU!

The second semester of That Man is You begins Wednesday, January 18. Same early morning time, 5:30 am each Wednesday at the Ave Maria Center. Join other men of the parish each Wednesday morning, 5:30-7:00 am, in Marian Hall for breakfast, fellowship and discussion of topics that will help you grow in your relationship with God and others.

TMIY kicked off in September with a great response: I am truly enjoying this program like none other I have ever attended… Excellent program… Thank you for bringing this to St Laurence… I am growing in my faith, thanks be to God! Men are welcome to join TMIY at any point in the program. For information, contact Steve Ewbanksix@gmail.com or 281-980-5575.

FEB 2: CANCER SUPPORT MEETING

The Cancer Support Group will be honoring all cancer survivors at their next meeting on Thursday, February 2, 10:00-11:30am, in the St. Clare Meeting room at the Ave Maria Center. The group will be learning about new treatments. Afterwards, we will attend noon Mass together and end our time at lunch. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW! All are welcome. Have a question? Call Angela Rankin at 832-945-2245.

FEB 10-12: CENACLE WOMENS RETREAT

“Love & Be Loved” silent retreat for women

God loves us, creates us, and wants to share life with us forever. During this retreat in contemplative silence, we will grow deeper in our relationship with God through prayerful reflections on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Facilitated by St. Laurence Spiritual Directors, this silent retreat will be held at the Cenacle Retreat House is in Houston from 7pm Friday, Feb 10 – 1:30pm Sunday, Feb 12. For more information and to register, go to www.cenacleretreathouse.org or call the Cenacle at 281-497-3131. Minimum offering is $195. Hurry, spots go quickly!

JAN 16: WHAT IS UNBOUND PRAYER?

Have you ever felt stuck, bound up, unable to move forward? Do you long to experience the love, freedom, and abundant life that Jesus talks about in the Gospels? UNBOUND Ministry empowers people to take hold of the freedom they have been given in Christ. Unbound is a safe, loving, simple, and reproducible prayer model that helps people to respond to the Good News of the Gospel and apply the truth to their lives using five simple keys: Repentance & Faith, Forgiveness, Renunciation, Authority and the Father’s Blessing, based on the book, Unbound, by Neal Lozano. Learn more at an information session on Monday, January 16, 7:00-8:00pm in the St. Clare Meeting Room (AMC) and contact Anne Marie Daniel at 281-265-5774 or adaniel@stlaurice.org.

A.C.T.S. LEADERSHIP TEAM FORMING

Calling all ACTS Retreat participants! Our new ACTS community is looking for a few good men and women to serve on the leadership team. If you have attended an ACTS Retreat (through St. Laurence or another parish) and are interested in giving back and serving on the St. Laurence ACTS team, please contact Veronyka Gonzalez at 832-545-0357 or veronyka@me.com. Men, if you have served on the ACTS team twice, please discern if the Holy Spirit might be calling you to serve as the Director for the upcoming Mens ACTS Retreat in June.

WEDNESDAYS: DIVORCE-CARE

If you have been suffering from the effects of divorce or separation, seek support in this new year. Come receive help in rebuilding your life, focused on God’s love for you. DivorceCare meets in the St. Francis Room at the Ave Maria Center on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00pm. A new 13-week series just started on Wednesday, January 11. For more information, please contact Janie at 832-860-3398 or jpddivorcecare@aol.com.

“BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW”

Join a ministry or group and allow Jesus to make something new in you!
Family Ministry

Rice and Beans Project

Monday, January 16
1:00-3:00 pm

Help feed the hungry! Join other St. Laurence families in aiding our Social Concerns Ministry bag rice and beans for the hungry in the community.

Placemats and cards Project

Saturday, March 4
9:30-11:00 am

We will be creating Easter placemats and cards for those at the Mamie George Center.

Behold, I make all things new!

Join us for a morning of creativity, fun with other families, and an opportunity to serve others.

These events will be held in the Ave Maria Parish Life Center, Jan. 16 in the Guardian Angels Hall. March 4 in the Youth Hall.

RSVP at www.stlaurence.org/family-nights.

For more information contact Melissa Calcote at mcalcote@stlaurence.org
**SACRAMENT PREPARATION**
- **Baptism**: Rose Davis | 281-980-9812
- **Confirmation (Teens)**: Sara Sahilezghi | 281-265-5774
- **Formation (Adults)**: Mary Visser | 281-265-5774
- **First Holy Communion**: Melissa Calocate | 281-265-5774
- **First Reconciliation**: Melissa Calocate | 281-265-5774
- **Marriage Preparation**: Theresa Rawls | 281-980-9812
- **Marriage Sponsor**: Sharon & John Harry | 281-980-8090

**SOCIAL CONCERNS & SOCIAL JUSTICE**
- **Bridges to Life**: Dana Curbirth | 281-343-1417
- **Correctional Ministry**: Deacon Charles Plant | 281-300-3059
- **Funeral Receptions**: Carol Giardino | 281-703-8615
- **Habitat for Humanity**: Steve Pendell | 281-253-7088
- **Learn English Ministry**: Wendy Moore | 713-208-5169
- **Learn Spanish Ministry**: Adriana Gutierrez | 713-269-2851
- **Meals That Heal**: Joan O’Daniel | 281-788-5430
- **Medical Missionaries**: Herb Appel | 713-826-1017
- **Ministry of St. Joseph**: Maria Jacobson | 713-582-8424
- **Respect Life**: Tim Bevenick | 281-265-1533
- **Senior Rides & More**: Marie McCoy | 281-265-7749
- **Social Concerns**: Annette Bisan | 281-980-1449
- **Society St. John DeMatha**: Pennie DeGroot | 281-980-9812
- **Society St. John DeMatha**: Deacon Al Bothe | 713-582-3870

**FAITH FORMATION & EDUCATION**
- **A.C.T.S. Retreat**: Dcn. Don Burns | 281-734-8715
- **Adult Faith Formation**: Justin Frato | 281-265-5774
- **COR Worship Nights**: Danielle Noonan | 832-754-0567
- **Edge (Middle School)**: Eric Painter | 281-265-5774
- **Elementary CCE**: Joan Hasters | 281-265-5774
- **Family Faith**: Melissa Calocate | 281-265-5774
- **Life Teen (High School)**: Kris Frank | 281-265-5774
- **Natural Family Planning**: Jacob Jilian Counts | 281-300-3704
- **Parish School (SLCS)**: Suzanne Barto | 281-980-0500
- **Parish School Board**: David Wells | 810-599-9896
- **Parish School PTO**: Kristin Holy | 281-491-8236
- **RCIA**: Suzanne Tice | 281-702-6869
- **Vacation Bible School**: Joan Hasters | 281-265-5774
- **Vocations Committee**: Becky Wilkinson | 281-313-0329

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**
- **Adoration**: Denise MacDougall | 281-235-8008
- **Altar Linen Care**: Fran Magelssen | 281-224-6122
- **Altar Servers**: Rose Davis | 281-980-9812
- **Art & Environment**: Joy Smith | 281-265-0839
- **Children’s Liturgy of the Word**: Michele Holbrooke | 281-265-8425
- **Extraordinary Ministers**: Catherine Short | 713-628-3949
- **Liturgical Ministers**: Susan Chaote | 281-682-3389
- **Mass Hospitality**: Claire Gregory | 281-208-2715
- **Music Ministry**: Tom Ruck | 713-855-2399
- **St. Paul Street Evangelization**: Theresa Rawls | 281-980-9812
- **Welcome Ministry**: Hal McHale | 281-543-9876
- **Mary Thompson | 281-980-9812
- **Welcome Ministry**: Dr. Kevin Kloz | 281-980-9812

**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)**: Pati Kalemeyn | 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 | 281-703-3873
- **St. Anthony of Padua**: Joseph Ellankli | 832-282-3032
- **St. Anthony of Padua**: Sunny Tom | 832-620-7417
- **Small Christian Comm**: Genoveva Duque | 281-980-1014
- **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 | 832-451-9117
  - **Grieving Families**: Agnes Fernandes | 281-933-3721
  - **H.O.P.E.**: Annette Bisan | 281-980-1449
- **Cancer Support**: Angela Rankin | 832-945-2245
- **Caregivers Support Group**: Lori Knowles | 281-261-5738
- **DivorceCare**: Jane Jewell | 713-775-7172
- **NAMI**: Pat Summer | 281-265-1554
- **P.A.C.T. (Parenting Group)**: Steve Brown | 832-471-6131
- **Pastoral Care for Sick**: Ambrose Graham | 713-865-3729
- **Spiritual Direction**: Anne Marie Daniel | 281-265-5774

**COMMUNITY & PARISH LIFE**
- **African Catholic Comm Bazaar**: Esther Iredia | 832-661-2945
- **Boy Scout Troop 828**: Michele Dyogi | 713-447-8754
- **Catholic Daughters**: Al Garcia | 281-725-2417
- **Cub Scout Pack 1828**: Craig Popp | 281-731-6140
- **Dutch Daughters**: Danny Kleibert | 225-614-3418
- **Council of Cath Women**: Lucia Dzudo | 713-416-4926
- **Family Ministry**: Ginny Kaseimczak | 713-305-9845
- **Filipino Community**: Melissa Calocate | 281-265-5774
- **Fe Vicerra | 713-245-1164
- **Hispanic Ministry**: Francisco Rojas-Ayal | 281-690-3374
- **Knights of Columbus**: Joe Circo | 281-216-6896
- **Ladies Guild**: Tina Dougherty | 713-859-6861
- **Moms & Tots**: Chrissy Campbell | 310-926-7085
- **Pastoral Care for Sick**: Kathy Gaulik | 281-980-2677
- **Seniors (JOY Club)**: Anne Higgins | 832-755-5597
- **Vietnamese Group**: Amy Le | 281-330-0565
- **Women of the Cloth**: Margie Koenig | 281-313-3625
- **Young Adult Group**: Michaela Barta | 281-265-5774

**Find More Information About All Our Parish Groups and Ministries at www.stlaurence.org.**