SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 7:15am, 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
Healing Mass: 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm

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
January 4 — In the Chapel
7:00pm - Rosary & Confessions
7:30pm - Mass

FIRST SATURDAY MASS
January 5 — In the Church
7:45am - Meditation & Rosary
8:30am - Mass

MISA EN ESPAÑOL
December 22: En la Capilla
Segundo y cuarto sábado de cada mes a las 7:00pm. Confesiones en Español antes de la misa de 6:00 a 6:45 pm. Comunión a los enfermos. Irma Martinez
Tel 281-313-2833

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Parish Office

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St. Laurence Catholic School

2630 Austin Parkway, Sugar Land, TX 77479
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Our Mission:

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

Parish Office & Courtyard

The parish office provides services including pastoral care, liturgical planning, business, communications, administrative support, and social concerns & social justice support. The 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 8am-9pm; Friday 8am-4pm; Saturdays 8:30am-Noon (scheduled events only). 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.

Bulletin Submissions

Announcements must be submitted via email at least 12 days before the Sunday of the publication. Ron Martinez, Communications Coordinator rmartinez@stlaurence.org
“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! Indeed, the Lord is near.” (Philippians 4:4-5)

We are entering a week of joyful anticipation knowing that our time of waiting is almost over. The prayers and readings this Sunday are full of the words joy and rejoice. Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! These are not suggestions; they are exhortations and commands. Not only do we rejoice that God is coming to us, God rejoices in us as well.

Is this a new thought for you? God is happy when we draw near Him. The prophet Zephaniah says, “God will rejoice over you with gladness and renew you in his love.” We could all use some renewal about this time of year. Most of us try not to overextend the Christmas preparations and parties, but it is so easy to say yes to too many things that seem, and often are, good.

Years ago, I learned a valuable lesson from my son who felt overscheduled. He wanted to drop an activity. Even though he enjoyed each individual pastime, collectively they made him anxious. So we set some priorities, got his life in better balance and he was happier. Sometimes we need to say no, even to good things, so we can say yes to God. In this way, our lives are better balanced and we find joy and peace – lasting peace that fills not just our minds, but also our hearts.

Jesus has come, is coming, and will come to redeem the world. Jesus fulfills all our hopes. This week we anticipate Jesus’ coming as we pray the O Antiphons, where we repeatedly use the imperative “Come.” O Wisdom, O Leader of the House of Israel, O Root of Jesse’s stem, O Key of David, O Radiant Dawn, O King of all nations, O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: Come O Come, Emmanuel. Come O Lord in our hearts to dwell!

Are your hearts filled and overflowing with joy? How will you share that joy with others?

Christine Dunn
Director of Religious Education
cdunn@stlaurence.org

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY**
16
Third Sunday of Advent
First Reading ZEP 3:14-18A
Second Reading PHIL 4:4-7
Gospel LK 3:10-18

**MONDAY**
17
First Reading GN 49:2, 8-10
Gospel MT 1:1-17

**TUESDAY**
18
First Reading JER 23:5-8
Gospel MT 1:18-25

**WEDNESDAY**
19
First Reading JGS 13:2-7, 24-25A
Gospel LK 1:5-25

**THURSDAY**
20
First Reading IS 7:10-14
Gospel LK 1:26-38

**FRIDAY**
21
First Reading SG 2:8-14
Gospel LK 1:39-45

**SATURDAY**
22
First Reading 1 SM 1:24-28
Gospel LK 1:46-56

**SUNDAY**
23
Fourth Sunday of Advent
First Reading MI 5:1-4A
Second Reading HEB 10:5-10
Gospel LK 1:39-45

**PRAYING THE NEWS | DECEMBER 16, 2018**

“Have no anxiety at all, but … with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.”

PHILIPPIANS 4:6

Dear Lord, we thank you for all you’ve given us, including the means to know what is happening around us and all over the world in the news. Thank you for holding us all in your loving care. And so please hear our prayers for the world – an Advent wish list - for a greater desire for peace, more seeking the good in each other, more care for our planet, more trusting in You. Amen. †
PRAY FOR 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... Isabella Flores, Adriano Zaldivar, Johnny Sanchez, Sonia Aguilar, Elizabeth Rojas, Kristin Funderburg, Jessica Ayala, Erika Ayala, Jimmie Fitzgerald, Jackie Fitzgerald, Keith Cameron, Dianna Coker & Family, Donna Prda & Family, Cynthia Cameron & Family, Tommy Dooley, Addison George, George-Carson, George-Corbin, George Chelsea George, Wayne Bailey & Family, Melanie Layland, Terry Hostler, Fr. Stanley, Florestino & Oneyda Vasquez & Family, Tommy Jackson & Family, Carl Hartney & Family, Quan, Isabel, Kathryn, Kristina, Krystal, Kizzak, Summer, Camarillo, Janie, Antonio, Angelica, Edward, bob. Society of St. John de Matha, the men in the Terrell Prison RCIA program and all the people of Jester 3. (12/3/18).

PRAY FOR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

CW2 Brett Aderhold, US Army, AV
SPC David Ambrook, US Army
PVT Michael Baird, US Army
SA Matthew Baird, US Navy
PO.5 Debra Barnette, US Navy
CPL Trevor Bello, USMC
PFC John Blair, US Army
LCpl Gordon Briggs, USMC
SPC Jordan Briggs, US Army
MAJ Michael Carroll, USMC
MSGT Jason Chacon, USMC
Lt Matthew Chesney, US Navy
Maj. Christopher Coffman, US Air Force
Maj. Patrick Coffman, USMC
Lt Colin Day, US Navy
CPT Andrew DeSplinter, US Army
SGT Nicholas Dockum, US Army
CPT Brandon Driscoll, USMC
Maj. James Dunphy, USMC
ILT Michael Eberhardt, US Army
CPT Stacey Eberhardt, US Army Reserve
Derek Farias, US Navy
Cpt. Matthew Fenelon, USMC
CPT Michelle Thibeau, US Army
CPT Will Thibeau, US Army
PFC Aaron Fox, USMC
PVT Jahneil Xavier George, US Army
SFC Philip Graham, US Army
CPT Spencer Henry, US Army
PVT Liam Hill, US Army
Daniel Hines, US Navy
SSG Matthew Hollobaugh, US Army Reserve
SN Lucas Kennedy, US Navy
SPC Joshua Keenan, US Army
EM4 James Locus, US Navy
SGT Philip Loera, US Army
PFC John Lundgren, US Army
ILT Anthony Marich, US Army
Maj. Joseph Marcellus, USAF
SGT William Marcellus, USMC
TSGT David March, Texas Air National Guard
Capt. Brendan McCandless, USMC
Major Alexander Morningstar, US Army
CB, Richard Pinard, US Navy
LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, USMC
SGT Santiago Ramirez, US Army
CAPT Taylor Rammrath, US Army
Sgt. Barbara L. Rangel, USMC
Ssgt Jonathan Slusser, US Air Force
LT Kevin Stransky, US Navy
CTM3 Nicholas Stuhlman, US Navy
Maj. Michael Thesing, USMC
ILT Kevin Wheeler, US Army
SGT Bryce Whiteley, US Army
PO3 Troy Yelverton, US Navy

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DEC 15
5:00pm – Eric Argao (D)

SUNDAY, DEC 16
7:15am – Bob Brenner (D)
9:00am – Howard Cordova (D)
11:00am – Rosa Pascual (D)
12:45pm – Villiano & Carmen Deguzman (I)
5:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

MONDAY, DEC 17
7:30am – Janice Espinosa (I)
12:00pm – Doug Roberts (D)

TUESDAY, DEC 18
7:30am – Maita Reyes (I)
12:00pm – Emma Natividad (D)

WEDNESDAY, DEC 19
7:30am – Joyce Viviana Ferriera (D)
6:30pm – Dorothy Cote (D)

THURSDAY, DEC 20
7:30am – Azucena Leus (D)
12:00pm – Nicanor Panaligan (D)

FRIDAY, DEC 21
8:15am – Edwin Calderon (I)
12:00pm – Raul Lopez (D)

SATURDAY, DEC 22
8:30am – Antonia Okonji (D)
5:00pm – Carlson Nguyen (D)

SUNDAY, DEC 23
7:15am – The Estepa Family (I)
9:00am – Estelita Virtudazo (D)
11:00am – William & Kathleen Lewis (D)
12:45pm – Jimmy & Thu Lam (D)
5:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN RELIGIOUS FORMATION
Collin Brown, Chad Henry, Billy Dodd, Bryan Williams,
Sister M. Philomena (Krystle Cagandahan), Sister Daniela (Megan Bennett),
Sister Rachel Marie of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus & Mary (Rachel Gosda),
Christopher Meyer, Tom Ruck, Tim Cullen, Margaret Uche
OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE TO VISIT CO-CATHEDRAL

The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue (IPVS) of Fatima is coming to the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in downtown Houston. This statue will arrive shortly before the Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m. English Mass, Dec. 15, and will be present through Sunday, Dec. 16 until 9:00 p.m. Come join us for one of our weekend Masses. After Mass, spend some personal prayer before this Fatima statue. This beautiful statue was sculpted in 1947 by José Thedim. The image reflects the precise instructions of Sister Lucia (the surviving seer at Fatima). Her desire was for the pilgrim image to represent Our Lady’s position when she revealed herself as the Immaculate Heart to the Shepherds in 1917. For more information, contact the Co-Cathedral at 713-659-1561 or sacredhearthouston.org

JAN 21: REGINA CAELI HOMESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Attend the Regina Caeli Homeschool Resource Center Open House on Monday, January 21, 9:30am, at 4640 Richmond Foster Road, in Richmond. Regina Caeli Academy provides a classical, hybrid education in the Catholic tradition. Pre K3-12th grade students attend Socratic, hands-on classes two days a week and homeschool on the remaining days. All are welcome to hear our vision and the curriculum we have in place. For more details or to RSVP, please get in touch with Valerie Ragusa at vragusa.rch@rcahybrid.org.

YOUNG ADULTS: CAFÉ CATHOLICA-NORTH 2019

Café Catholica is expanding with a new series hosted in four parishes on the North side of Houston. Café Catholica-North, “Be Bold, Be Authentic, Belong” is a dinner-lecture series open to young adults (ages 18-39) featuring dynamic speakers, prayer, dinner, and socializing. Confession at 5:15 p.m., Mass at 6:00 p.m., Dinner at 6:45 p.m., and Talk at 7:30 p.m. Come for all or part of the evening! For more information contact the Office of Young Adult and Campus Ministry at cafecatholica at 713-741-8778, yacm@archgh.org, or visit us on the web at www.archgh.org/cafecatholica

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION — WEEKLY OFFERTORY

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PLAY & PRAY*

Childcare is provided in a safe, loving, and Catholic environment to young children while their parents/guardians attend Mass and other parish programs. Register in advance with Elizabeth Hernandez, at stlaurence.org/play-pray or e hernandez@stlaurence.org

WEDDING PREPARATION

Next Class: January 28

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 Rosemary Mascareñas at rmascareñas@stlaurence.org.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Next Classes: January 19, February 9

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays each month. As an alternative, the 1st Saturday is offered in January, April, July and October. To schedule a Baptism or register for the required parent preparation class, please contact Barb Roy at b roy@stlaurence.org or 281-265-5774 x5371.

PARISH CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISMS

Aleia Vivas-Ruiz, Ella Brooke Clairmont, Jason Samuel Colunga, Nayeli Ysenia Colunga, Azlyn Bella Cortemelia, Thomas Coleman Facker, Ryan Dale Medick, Kate Gabriella Zamora

WEDDINGS

Courtney Hamlyn & Jason Rice

FUNERALS

William Albert Davis, husband of Evelyn Davis
Nancy Jean Roberts, mother of Lisa Palmer
Victor Mendiola, husband of Elsa Mendiola
Carmenza Molina, mother of Grace Rocha

FAITH DIRECT ONLINE GIVING

In this season of Advent, we are continuously preparing ourselves for the celebration of Christ’s birth. Why not help our own parish prepare for the coming new year by signing up with Faith Direct for your Offertory and special collections? By supporting St. Laurence Catholic Church using Faith Direct, both you and our parish can save some time and peace of mind this holiday season.

Signing up is easy! Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: TX460.
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.

STLAURENCECHOOL.ORG

CHASRE BREAK BEGINS DECEMBER 21, 2018
STUDES RETURN TO SCHOOL JANUARY 7, 2019

Merry Christmas and Blessings in the New Year!

“For unto us a child is born” - Isaiah 9:5

The faculty, staff, and students would like to extend our parish family our heartfelt wishes for a blessed Christmas season. May the miracle of Christmas fill your hearts with warmth and love.

Suzanne Barto
and the Faculty and Staff of SLCS

SEND US YOUR ALUMNI NOTES!
We are compiling updates for the next edition of The Saints’ Scoop, our Alumni Magazine! Share your news with us! Please send to Adriana Gutierrez at agutierrez@stlaurence.org. “Once a Saint, Always a Saint”!

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

stlaurence.org/weekday-childrens-program
CONFIRMATION
Confirmation at St. Laurence is part of the Youth Ministry and Religious Education. 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 one year prior to beginning the preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, to ensure they have been catechized and are prepared for the journey to Confirmation. Go to stlaurence.org/confirmation for information or contact Daniel Glaze, dglaze@stlaurence.org

LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

JAN 13: LIFE NIGHT IN THE NEW YEAR
Our weekly gathering resumes January 13th. Have a blessed winter break. On Sundays from 6:30pm to 8:15pm in the Ave Maria Center. Join us for Life Teen Mass in the church at 5pm

QUESTIONS?
Contact Eric at epainter@stlaurence.org or 281-265-5774
Follow us on Instagram @stlaurencelt for more details.

JAN 9: 1ST EDGE NIGHT IN THE NEW YEAR
Wednesdays, 7-8:15pm, in the Ave Maria Center Marian Hall

JAN 16: EDGE NIGHT
Wednesdays, 7-8:15pm, in the Ave Maria Center Marian Hall
Additional Edge events will be posted on website and emailed out to parents, visit stlaurence.org/edge

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
@ St. Laurence Young Adults
www.stlaurence.org/ya

FIAT LUX
What does it mean?
Fiat Lux is Latin for “let there be light.”

What is it?
A community of young adults — college students to 20 & 30 somethings in the Sugar Land and surrounding areas. All walks of life welcome: single, dating, engaged, married, married with kids, divorced, discerning.

Mission Statement
We invite young adults to explore the heritage of their hearts and become fully human.

ADVENT PRAYER

Come, Lord Jesus

Come, Lord, to heal
I am so wounded

Come, Lord, to teach
I am so confused

Come, Lord, to love me
I am so lonely

Come to strengthen
I am very weak

Come, Lord, to forgive
I am so ashamed

Help me forgive
I am so bitter

Come, Lord, to console
I am stricken with grief

Come to encourage
I am so tired

Come, Lord, to inspire
I am sad and listless

Come to bring peace
I am restless and anxious

Come, Lord, give me courage
I am afraid

Come to deliver me
I feel oppressed

Come, Lord, to reconcile
I am divided from those I love.

Amen

Come, Lord Jesus
A Prayer of Advent by Fr. Drew Wood
TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
Mondays, 7:30-9:00pm, or
Tuesdays, 6:15-7:15am
St Francis Room,
Contact: Steve Ewbank, 281-703-3873 | ewbanksix@gmail.com

SACRED SUNDAY ON MONDAY
Mondays, 10:30-11:30 AM
St Anne Room
Contact: Bernadette Peters | bernadettepeters@mac.com

READY
Mondays, 7:00-9:00 pm
Guardian Angel Hall
Contact: Justin Frato | 281-265-5774 | jfrato@stlaurence.org

SNEAK PEAK
At Sonja Corbitt’s
“Fulfilled”
Fri, Jan 11, 7-9pm
Sat, Jan 12, 10am-3pm
This seminar will explore the fascinating ways that the Old Testament Tabernacle, the Jewish system of worship, foreshadows and is fulfilled by the Catholic Faith in various ways. Did you know that the Old Testament Tabernacle contained a brass basin with water which foreshadows the Sacrament of Baptism? Learn more at the Fulfilled Seminar! Register at stlaurence.org/fulfilledseminar

COMING IN 2019
TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
Jan 22-April 2, 2019
9:00 –11:45 am, Marian Hall
Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John by Dr. Edward Sri is your guide to personal encounter with Christ. As the Good Shepherd, Jesus seeks after us. He comes to meet us and beckons us to follow Him. He calls us to be his disciples, to trust Him, to open ourselves to His merciful love, and to love others as He has loved us. Follow Me invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ. Register at stlaurence.org/biblestudies.

RE-MEMBERING CHURCH
Mondays, Jan14-Feb18, 2019
7:00– 9:00 pm
St Joseph Room
Do you feel as if something is missing in your life? Are you searching for greater meaning? Do you feel disconnected from God? Know this: God is seeking YOU! There is no better time than the present to return and we are here to help. Re-membering Church is a process of healing and reconciliation for inactive Catholics. No matter how long you have been away, for whatever reason, you are always welcome. Contact Tom Ruck at tomruckst@gmail.com or 281 242-4750, or visit stlaurence.org/remembering.

THURSDAY SCRIPTURE STUDY
1-2:00 pm, St Anne, or
7:15-8:30 pm Ave Maria Room 205
Contact: Julie Evett | jevett@comcast.net
Will resume in January 2019

CATHOLIC MEN CALLED TO BE SAINTS
Thursdays, 5:30-7:30 am
Guardian Angel Hall
Contact: Jim Kij | 281-253-4800 | jimkij@comcast.net

THAT MAN IS YOU
Wednesdays, 5:30-7:00 am
Marian Hall A & B
Contact: Roger Peters | rogerwpeters@me.com

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FORMACION PARA EL MINISTERIO CRISTIANO
Jueves, Enero 10-2 de Mayo, 2019
10 am-12 pm, Marian Hall
Esta es la tercera clase de Enseñanza Moral Cristiana.
Este programa esta abierto para todo adulto y ministerio que quiera crecer en la formacion de su fe en una forma solida, coherente e inte-gral. El costo para nuevos centros es de $50 dolares por participante. No incluye libros! Para registrarse y pagar con tarjeta de credito, por favor is a la pagina web: archgh.cvent.com/FPMPCPrimavera2019. Para mas informacion, llamar a Veronica Reinoso, 832-231-6988
Scriptural Answers to 88 Common Questions about Catholic Beliefs and Practices

Fourth Semester

Mondays, starting January 14, 2019
7:00-9:00 pm
Guardian Angel Hall

Cost for fourth semester:
$40.00 if new participant
(includes New Catholic Answer Bible)
$5.00 returning participant

Registration is required at stlaurence.org/apologetics

Presenters:
Marta Alves, Bob Bethancourt, Justin Frato, Deacon Dennis Henderson, Cindy Kral, Tom Ruck

For more information contact Justin Frato at 281-265-5774 or jfrato@stlaurence.org

Ave Maria Parish Life Center
3103 Sweetwater Blvd., Sugar Land TX 77479
LIVE TO GLORIFY GOD!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

In today’s Gospel we hear the prophet John the Baptist being asked an insightful stewardship question: “What should we do?” Each group wants to know the appropriate response to John’s call; each reply points to how they should treat others. John does not simply say, “Be baptized.” Rather, he points them to their jobs and personal relationships. John’s message is simple: judgment is near, and repentance includes treating others well. We should be willing to share what we have with those in need. To listen to John the Baptist is to be called to account. Do I give only of my excess, or am I the good steward who is willing to make daily sacrifices in order to help others?

The beginning of faith is feeling the need for salvation: this is the way that prepares us to meet Jesus.

— Pope Francis

December 5, 2018

Ask Paula

Q. How early should I arrive for Christmas Eve Mass?

A. Well, it depends. Do you want to sit or stand? We all know that the 4:00pm Children’s Mass is ALWAYS crowded, and lately, so is the 4:15pm one over at the Ave Maria Center. (The one I usually go to, just sayin.) Fr. Drew might not like me saying this, but I usually get there about an hour before Mass starts. Sorry FD, but I want a seat. Oh, and Mark and I hold one seat for our son, Corey. Not a ROW like I’ve seen some people do. Really, a row is a bit much, right? If you want to go to a Mass that you can just walk into and get a seat, go on Christmas Day! If I could get Corey up early, that’s the one I would go to, just sayin. Anyway, good luck getting a seat— whichever one you attend!

Paula Savo has been our Parish Receptionist for 21 years and knows the practical answers to (practically) everything. Call 281-980-9812 or email her at psavo@stlaurence.org.
Simbang Gabi

Evening Mass & Christmas Carols

Main Celebrant
Fr. Michael Barrosa

THURSDAY
December 20, 2018
Carols 6:30 pm
Mass 7:00 pm

Reception follows after the mass at St. Laurence School Gym

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Maligayang Pasko!

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All are welcome to celebrate this Filipino Christmas tradition!
In this six-session seminar, popular speaker and author Sonja Corbitt will explore the biblical roots of the Catholic Faith. She will uncover God's consistent design for our worship of him and his relationship with us. Learn how the Old Testament Tabernacle can be used as a blueprint for the Catholic Faith and how Jesus fulfilled it in the New Testament.

Friday, Jan. 11, 2019, 7-9pm
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$30/person (includes lunch on Saturday)

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JAN 11-12: SONJA CORBITT RETURNS TO ST. LAURENCE

Register now for a great seminar featuring popular Catholic speaker Sonja Corbitt! This dynamic presenter will give two talks on Friday evening, January 11 (7-9pm) and four talks on Saturday, January 12 (10am-3pm). One $30 registration fee is good for all six talks, plus lunch on Saturday. Sonja Corbitt is a Catholic Scripture teacher with a gift for storytelling; she is an author, speaker, and radio host who has produced several high-impact, uplifting Bible studies, including Unleashed, Soul of the World, Fearless, Ignite, and her most recent, Fulfilled - Uncovering the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism. Come and let this self-proclaimed “bibel evanglist” unlock in you a deeper understanding and love of Scripture! This seminar is expected to sell out, so register early at stlaurence.org/fulfilledseminar. Childcare is available by registering in advance.

YEAR END GIFTS TO YOUR PARISH

As the end of 2018 nears please prayerfully consider making a financial gift before December 31, to gain an additional tax deduction from the IRS:

Offertory – As our parish continues to grow so do our expenses. No gift is too small and every gift is important.

Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) – This important program touches lives all over our archdiocese in ways that could never be addressed by one parish alone. Our parish and our parishioners receive many benefits from the DSF.

Christmas Flowers – Make a donation to the Christmas Flower Fund which allows for our church to be decorated so beautifully during the Christmas season. Give your gift in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

DEC 20: SIMBANG GABI CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The Filipino Community of St. Laurence invites everyone to attend Simbang Gabi on Thursday, December 20, at 6:30pm in the church. In the Philippines, this is a 9-day celebration which is held in anticipation of Christmas and in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. But our Filipino Community has bundled it into one beautiful night of carols and Mass in the church, followed by great food and entertainment in the school gym. Open to everyone and free. Please contact Fe Vicerra for additional details at 713-248-1164. Maligayang Pasko!

FEB 2: RAYS OF ENLIGHTENMENT CONFERENCE

The Spirit of Divine Mercy Ministry invites all St. Laurence parishioners to Rays of Enlightenment at Christ Redeemer Catholic Church on Saturday, February 2, from 9:00am to 5:00pm. This annual conference includes international speakers, Praise & Worship music, prayer ministry, Mass and Adoration. The theme is “In the School of His Merciful Heart” featuring an outstanding speaker lineup: Mother Adela Galindo,foundress of the Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Sister Grace Marie Heinrich (who assists with vocations for SCTJM), and Fr. Joseph Rogers from the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. There is no cost to attend, but advanced registration is required due to limited seating. Register now at CTRCC.COM/RAYS-RSVP or contact Sally Flowers at sallyjo@comcast.net, 281-265-8360.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

4th Sunday of Advent
SUNDAY, DEC 23
Regular Sunday Mass Schedule
SAT (Dec 22) 5:00PM VIGIL
SUN 7:15, 9:00, 11:00AM AND 12:45, 5:00PM
In the Church

Christmas Eve
MONDAY, DEC 24
4:00PM
6:30PM
9:00PM
(Arrive at 8:30pm for Handel’s Messiah selections)
12:00AM MIDNIGHT MASS
(Arrive at 11:30pm for Lessons & Carols)
In the Church
4:15PM
At the Ave Maria Center

Christmas Day
TUESDAY, DEC 25
8:00AM
10:00AM
12:00PM
In the Church

Holy Family
SUNDAY, DEC 30
Regular Sunday Mass Schedule
SAT 5:00PM VIGIL
SUN 7:15, 9:00, 11AM, & 12:45, 5:00PM
In the Church

Solemnity of Mary
TUESDAY, JAN 1
A Holy Day of Obligation
MON DEC 31 5:00PM VIGIL
11PM ADORATION & MIDNIGHT MASS
TUE 8:00AM, 10:00AM, & 12:00PM
In the Church
In Thanksgiving to you!

(PART 4)

It takes so many volunteers to accomplish all that we do in the Social Concerns Ministry. There are so many behind the scenes volunteers who so generously give their time and make our job so much easier! Here is part 4 of our callout to all of those volunteers, with BIG THANKS from Pennie, Nikki and Monica in SCM...

Thank you to Jenny Lee who leads our newest ministry, Loving Creations. Once per month, these talented ladies gather together to create hand-made items to brighten the day of children in hospitals, seniors, and cancer patients.

Thank you to one of our largest ministries, the Medical Missionaries of Divine Mercy. Maria Jacobson and interim Chairman, Erik Garcia and their team of volunteers travel to Laredo every fall to minister to those in need of basic medical and dental care. They served 1,045 patients this year. Look for information coming soon for their second mission trip to Costa Rica in April of 2019.

Imagine serving your country thousands of miles from home, in the very center of harm’s way every hour of every day. Troops stationed at the tip of the spear often eat the same prepackaged rations for months at a time and live in hostile, unforgiving surroundings. Now imagine receiving a package filled with items such as toiletries, games, magazines and snacks to help make your stay a little bit more bearable. Thanks to your generous donations to our Military Ministry and coordinator, Lisa D’Oliver, hundreds of boxes are shipped each year via Tip of the Spear to servicemen and women.

Every Monday morning, Our Daily Bread volunteers package bread and bagels donated by Panera Bread and Bagel Express which are in turn donated to Bethel Ministries to be distributed to families in need. Every week, three volunteers pick up the bread and deliver it to Social Concerns. Thank you Terri Leong, Elizabeth Jaros, Melissa Schroer and to our Monday morning volunteers who help us on extra projects all through the year!

And finally, a great big thank you to Buzz Combo who logged over 400 hours in the SCM workroom this year helping us with everything and anything that needed to be done. His generosity of time, talent and treasure, as well as the joy he brings to others while serving is a beautiful example of God’s love in action.

Want to volunteer? Contact Nikki in the Social Concerns office at nagner@stlaurence.org or 281-980-9812

Thank you, Pennie, Nikki & Monica

The Social Concerns Ministry Team
**RESPECT LIFE NEWS**

**SAVE THE DATE:** The Texas Rally for Life will be held **Saturday January 26, 2019,** in Austin. St. Laurence will NOT have a bus this year. The archdiocese will have buses leaving from St Dominic’s, and will cost only $25 with lunch included. If you cannot go to Austin, please join everyone at St. Bartholomew Church in Katy for Mass at 8:30 am. Several other parishes will also have buses. See the St. Laurence web site for more details and links.

**END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS:** Abortion kills a child and gravely wounds a mother. The Option Line (800-712-HELP) is a national hotline operated by Heartbeat International, which answers about 1,100 calls/chats/texts a day from pregnant women needing help. English and Spanish-speaking counselors are available 24/7 to listen and advise, and can refer clients to the nearest pregnancy center for additional local help. The Pregnancy Resource Medical Center is our local center in Rosenberg. Please consider these worthy organizations in your end-of-year giving. Links to their websites can be found at www.stlaurence.org/respect-life

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

**CALL BINGO AT THE SUGAR LAND HEALTH CARE CENTER**

Teach your children the importance of serving others, have fun doing it together, and brighten the day for local senior citizens by calling BINGO at Sugar Land Health Care Center in old Sugar Land. This is a GREAT family or small group service opportunity. Playing BINGO is the highlight of the weekend for the seniors and they love winning quarters to purchase items from the vending machines. For more info or to volunteer, please contact Janet Roberts at jroberts3207@gmail.com.

**TODAY’S 2ND COLLECTION**

**BLACK BAG DONATION TODAY!**

This Sunday’s black bag collection will be used for our People in Crisis fund which is currently averaging more than $10,000 a month in financial assistance to individuals who come to Social Concerns for help or are referred to us by our community partners!

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

**WEEKLY**

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

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

**OTHER GREAT OPPORTUNITIES**

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

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

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

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

**Lunches of Love:** Decorate lunch bags; over 2,200 brown bag meals provided each week to children in Richmond-Rosenberg

**Loving Creations:** Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month in the SCM Workroom, 10:00am-Noon, to provide handcrafted items for adults and children hospital patients

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

**FOR MORE INFO ABOUT THESE AND OTHER GREAT WAYS TO SERVE OTHERS, GO TO**

www.stlaurence.org/social-concerns

**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 ISAIAH 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
- 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.
**Ministry News**

**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 guidelines for Eucharistic Exposition require that 2 or 3 persons be present at all times.* We are adding a second adorer whenever only one is currently in place. **Are you that second person?**

**URGENT NEED for adorers at these times:**
Sundays, 1pm to 2pm, Tuesdays, 3am to 4am
And we also need a second adorer for 37 other hours

Christmas break will be Thursday, Dec 20, 9pm until Monday, Jan 7, at 8am after Mass.

Please check online: stlaurence.org/adoration or pick up a card on the table in the chapel foyer for a list of days and times available and prayerfully consider the hours listed.
Contact Fran Magelssen at adoration@stlaurence.org 281-224-6122

**GIRL SCOUTS EARN FAITH AWARDS**

Two St. Laurence Girl Scouts, Sophia and Michelle Rousse, were recently awarded National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM) awards. Sophia (Girl Scout Troop 157011) was awarded the ‘Family of God’ medal and patch, a religious recognition program of the Roman Catholic Church for children in 2nd and 3rd grades. Michelle (Girl Scout Troop 157116) was awarded the ‘God is Love’ medal and patch, for students in kindergarten and 1st grade. Congratulations to these girls for growing in their Catholic faith through the NFCYM program. To learn more or to find a troop for your daughter, please contact local Girl Scout volunteers at gstroop.organizer@gmail.com.

**VOCATIONS COMMITTEE NEWS**

**JAN 5-6, 2019 (Saturday – Sunday) “Gathering in the Upper Room: An Interlude with God”**

**JAN 15: INSPIRE, PROMOTE & PRAY for VOCATIONS!**
Interested in being part of the Vocations Committee? Come to a meeting on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 in the St. Francis room. For more information contact Fr. Truong Son in the Parish Office 281-980-9812 or email him tnguyen@stlaurence.org

**ST. LAURENCE SINGLES GROUP**

**Sunday, December 16, 9:00am** – Mass at St. Laurence and then brunch at La Madeleine. For mass, we sit in the elevated seats by the choir. After mass, we’ll go to La Madeleine.

**Friday, December 21, 6:00pm** – Escalantes on City Walk in Sugar Land for dinner. Afterwards, there is a free Christmas Carol show in Sugar Land Town Square, so bring a folding chair if you’d like to see the show. Let’s go back to an old favorite and have some great Mexican food and enjoy some Christmas carols!

**Tuesday, January 2, 7:00 pm** Planning meeting at Kathy’s house. Address will be given to those that RSVP. Come join us to give your suggestions on what you would like to do!

The St. Laurence Singles Ministry serves adults of all ages who are widowed, divorced, separated or never married. We gather together in spiritual and social activities in a safe and friendly environment to develop friendships and have fun! We also occasionally do service projects to help our Parish. For questions or more info email: st.laurencessingles@gmail.com www.stlaurence.org/adultsingles

**MINISTERIO HISPANO**

**DEC 22: MISA EN ESPAÑOL** 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. Recibir anuncios mandando correo a mhstlaurence@gmail.com.
ALL YOU NEED IS A SMILE
Do you remember a time that you had to walk into a room full of strangers? And that amazing feeling when someone smiles and waves your way? Doesn’t it feel good to feel wanted and welcomed? That amazing feeling is what we want everyone here at St. Laurence to feel. We are a huge parish and that can be intimidating.

St. Laurence Greeters are here to make everyone feel welcomed. We are trying to grow our team to be able to cover all of the doors (and parking lots) for every Mass. This means we need you. If you are reading this article you are already qualified, because you are HERE at Mass! That is the only requirement. If you are looking for a way to get involved, this is a great place to start. A smile can change someone’s day and yours!

Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality (Rom 12:13). Please contact Kristin Holy at 281-799-8317, ckholy@windstream.net.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE JOY CLUB
The J.O.Y. Club (Just Older Youth) is a parish group for people 55-and-up. The group meets on the first Monday of each month, from 11:00am-1:00pm, for a social activity or program at the Ave Maria Center. Join us at these upcoming events and contact Anne Higgins at nannyhiggs@gmail.com, 832-755-5597.

MON, JAN 7, 11am-1pm Float into the New Year in the Ave Maria Center. Bring a brown bag lunch. Ice cream float and games.
FRIDAY JAN 25, Holocaust Museum fieldtrip, meet at Ave Maria Center at 9:00am to carpool to museum.

THE LEGION OF MARY
The Legion of Mary is the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church whose purpose is to give glory to God through prayer and service.

Meets once a week for prayer and discussion on Tuesdays, 6:30-9:00pm, in the Corpus Christi Rm
CONTACT: Maria Argao
281-221-8228 | rmargao1954@gmail.com

PRAYER AND PRAISE GROUP
Please join us on Mondays from 1:00 PM to 2:30pm, at the Ave Maria Center, 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. During our time of reflection we will focus on the life of St. Catherine of Siena. If you have questions regarding this ministry contact Anne Marie Daniel at 281-265-5774 or adaniel@stlaurence.org.

WHO WE ARE
WE THE PEOPLE OF ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH ARE CENTERED IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST AND LIVE TO GLORIFY GOD IN ALL WE DO.

How we carry out our Mission
At St. Laurence Catholic Church, we respond to Jesus who calls us to love God and our neighbor. As a member of this faith community, I strive to:

LOVE by showing respect, mercy and compassion to all
CONNECT with others in a meaningful way
GROW closer to God through prayer, Sunday Mass and the Sacraments
LEARN about my Faith and share it with others

Filled with the Holy Spirit, I will be a grateful and supportive member of the Body of Christ.
Join us for a 6-week small-group retreat in preparation for Marian Consecration. This retreat is based on the popular book by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, 33 Days to Morning Glory.

Consecration to Jesus through Mary at St. Laurence Catholic Church
Six Popes have testified to the great power of Marian Consecration as the best way to enter into the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Fr. Michael Gaitley MIC, in his book and Video Series 33 Days to Morning Glory, based on the wisdom of St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta and Saint John Paul II takes us through preparation for consecration. You are invited to join us in preparation for consecration to Jesus through Mary on the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, February 11th.

**Thursday Evenings**, 7:00 to 8:30pm, in the Ave Maria Center, Rm 201: 1/3/2019, 1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, and 2/7

**Tuesday afternoons**, 1:00 to 2:30pm, St. Anne’s Room: 1/8/2019, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, and 2/12

To register contact Anne Marie Daniel 281-265-5774 or adaniel@stlaurence.org

Information online: stlaurence.org/33-days-to-morning-glory
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