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
Sept. 6 — In the Chapel
7:00pm - Rosary & Confessions
7:30pm - Mass

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

MISA EN ESPAÑOL
Sept 14 & 28 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

Celebration of Ministries Weekend
PARISH OFFICE
3100 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479
281-980-9812
Pastor: Fr. Drew Wood
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jaison Thomas, MSFS, jaisonthomas@stlaurence.org
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Truong Son Nguyen, tnguyen@stlaurence.org
Deacon: Rey Arellano, deacon.rey@stlaurence.org
Deacon: Albert Bothe, deaconal@ssjd.org
Deacon: Don Burns, don@donburns.com
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Deacon: Charles Plant, stlaurencedeacon@aol.com
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICES
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Director Religious Education: Christine Dunn, cdunn@stlaurence.org
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Youth Ministry: Eric Painter, epainter@stlaurence.org
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Daniel Glaze, dglaze@stlaurence.org

ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
2630 Austin Parkway, Sugar Land, TX 77479
281-980-0500
Principal: Suzanne Barto, sbarto@stlaurence.org
Registrar: Suzanne Byrne, sbyrne@stlaurence.org

WEEKDAY CHILDREN’S PROGRAM
3103 Sweetwater Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77479
281-313-0329
Director: Becky Wilkinson, bwilkinson@stlaurence.org
Registrar: Christine Novia, cnovia@stlaurence.org

PARISH LEADERSHIP COUNCILS
281-980-9812
Pastoral Council: Roger Peters, rogerwpeters@me.com
Finance Council: Bob Ladd, robert.ladd@haynesboone.com
Discipleship Council: Shawn Kelly, shawn_kelly@oxy.com

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

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

AVE MARIA PARISH LIFE CENTER
The Ave Maria Parish Life Center is located across the street from the church and is the site for all religious education classes, programs and offices. Inquiries and drop-ins are welcome during office hours: Monday through Thursday 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
Surrender to God and He Will Do Everything for You

COME TO THE MINISTRY FAIR AND BE INSPIRED!

This weekend is the annual “Celebration of Ministries” at St. Laurence, an invitation to parishioners of all ages and abilities to find a meaningful way to engage in parish life.

Fr. Drew’s theme for the year “Surrender to God and He Will Do Everything for You” is an invitation to allow yourself to be led by the Holy Spirit in all you do. It requires us to be still, to listen and to surrender our will to God's will for us.

And for the record, this isn’t about getting busier. This is about getting on board God's plan for you.

Each of us is created for some specific purpose, unique to us. We each have our own set of talents and strengths, things we naturally do well. We have our own life experiences that have shaped us and given us knowledge and practical skills. There is some way that we are each called to build the kingdom of God through our faith community.

LOVE: reach out in service to bring assistance, healing and hope to others

LEARN: educate, inspire and share our faith

CONNECT: connect to others who share interests, talents or cultural backgrounds

GROW: inspire prayer and participation in the Sacraments

In the parish hall, this weekend only, is the Ministry Fair, with representatives from many of our parish ministries with information about what they do and who they serve. One of these ministries is meant just for you.

If you’ve been thinking about signing up for something new this year or are looking to join a group that can make this big parish feel just a little smaller, then take a few minutes to visit the Ministry Fair after Mass today. Ask God to direct you, then take your time, enjoy the refreshments, browse the displays, ask questions, and see what interests you.

Ministry Fair in the Parish Hall after all Masses

PRAYING THE NEWS | AUGUST 25, 2019

“...the peaceful fruit of righteousness...”

HEBREWS 12:11

O Lord, there is so much dissension and seeming chaos in the news. Protests such as in Hong Kong and Portland call for change but are also opportunities for violence. Please, Lord, continue to inspire voices that strongly and peacefully advocate for much-needed justice. May opposing sides resist viewing the other only as enemies instead of neighbors. Please grant that fervent sharing of positions in honesty and respect will eventually bring about the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

Jesus, we trust in you. Amen.  †
In Our Prayers...

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**


**PRAY FOR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN**

CW2 Brett Aderhold, US Army, AV
SPC David Ambrozyk, US Army
PVT Michael Baird, US Army
SA Matthew Baird, US Army
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
LTC. 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
Maj. Brandon Driscoll, USMC
Maj. James Dunphy, USMC
CPT Michael Eberhardt, US Army
CPT Stacey Eberhardt, US Army Reserve
Derek Farias, US Navy
Capt. Matthew Fenelon, USMC
CPT Michelle Thibeau, US Army
CPT Will Thibeau, US Army
LCpl Aaron Fox, USMC
PVT Jahnee Xavier George, US Army
SPC Philip Graham, US Army
LCpl Eric Gurnell, USMC
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
EM4 James Locus, US Navy
SSG Philip Loera, US Army
PFC John Lundgren, US Army
ILT Anthony Marich, US Army
Ann Joseph Marcellus, USAF
TSGT David March, Texas Air National Guard
Capt. Brendan McPartland, 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
SGT Jonathon Slusser, US Air Force
LTC Kevin Stransky, US Navy
CTM3 Nicholas Suthman, US Navy
Maj. Michael Thesen, USMC
ILT Kevin Wheeler, US Army
SGT Bryce Whitley, US Army
PO3 Troy Yelverton, US Navy
2LT Copeland Zaubrecher, US Army
2LT Kazia Zaubrecher, US Army

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, AUG 24**
5:00pm – Buddy Podraza (D)

**SUNDAY, AUG 25**
7:15am – Alex Tello (D)
9:00am – Heather Renee Brajkovich (D)
11:00am – Quynh Vu (D)
12:45pm – Mr. & Mrs. Bien Nguyen (D)
5:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

**MONDAY, AUG 26**
7:30am – Francesco Ambrosio (D)
12:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

**TUESDAY, AUG 27**
7:30am – Sofie Pinto Lobo (D)
12:00pm – Frank Nemec (D)

**WEDNESDAY, AUG 28**
7:30am – Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Chakklel (A)
6:30pm – Rodolfo Magat (D)

**THURSDAY, AUG 29**
7:30am – Consuelo Valdes-Morales (D)
12:00pm – Carmen Solis (D)

**FRIDAY, AUG 30**
8:15am – Cristine Martinez (I)
12:00pm – Hofmann Family (D)

**SATURDAY, AUG 31**
8:30am – Jim Macredie (D)
5:00pm – Joe & Johnny Fernandes (D)

**SUNDAY, SEPT 1**
7:15am – Tu & San Nguyen (D)
9:00am – Amador Family (D)
11:00am – Carol & Robert Deneefe (I)
12:45pm – Alejandro Cabalde (D)
5:00pm – St. Laurence Parishioners

**PRAY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THOSE IN PRISON**

Following are the prayer intentions of people visited by our Correctional Ministry. Please pray for... Following are the prayer intentions of people visited by our Correctional Ministry. Please pray for... Isabella Flores, Adrian Zaldivar, Kristen Funderburg, Sonia Aguilar, Johnny Sanchez, Jessica Ayala, Elizabeth Rojas, Erika Ayala, Tommy Dooley, Cheyenne, Joslyn, Nick, Joslin-Addison George, Donnie Dooley, Michael Wadda, James Gentry, Andres Rodrigues, Florentino Oneyda Vasquez & Family, Jeffrey & Laura Arrington, Carl Hartney & Family, Melanie Layland, Nancy Denton, Charlotte Worton, Sherie Smith, Fr. Stainbrook, Lanay, Kevin, Sam, Zack, Sally, Abby, Faith, Bobby, Beth, Nicholas, Erica, Krista, Johnnie, John, Matt, Mark, Heather, Taran, Donna & Gary, Society of St. John de Matha, the men in the Terrell Prison RCIA program and all the people of Jester 3. (8/12/19).

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

Adrian Annicchiarico, Collin Brown, Leah Burrhus, Tim Cullen, Billy Dodd, Chad Henry, Christopher Meyer, Sister M. Philomena (Krystle Cagandahan), Margaret Uche
### AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

#### SEPTEMBER 2019 MISSION OF LOVE, SHINING A LIGHT ON HOPE

Catholic Charities Mamie George Community Center invites you to join them for the 2019 Mission of Love, Shining a Light on Hope. Honoring former County Commissioner James Patterson, their event is held on Thursday, September 12, at the Safari Texas Ranch in Sugar Land. Tables and individual tickets available. All proceeds benefit Catholic Charities in Fort Bend County. More info and tickets visit www.CatholicCharities.org/MissionofLove

#### SILVER WEDDING JUBILEE MASS CELEBRATION

The 2019 Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass honoring couples celebrating their Silver (25th) Anniversary of marriage in the Catholic Church will be held on Sunday, September 22, at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 3:00 pm. Whether or not a couple attends the ceremony, they are eligible to receive a special recognition. Reserved seating will be limited. Each couple will be able to bring a maximum of six family members or friends to the Mass. Registration closes on August 26 at midnight. For more information e-mail mroman@archgh.org or call 713-741-8720. Click here to register at https://archgh.cvent.com.

#### REGISTER NOW: LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION WORKSHOP

The Archdiocesan Office of Worship will present their Fall 2019 Liturgical Ministry Formation Day Workshop at St. Laurence on Saturday, October 5, 8:30am-3:30pm. All those interested in serving or to grow in formation and understanding of their ministry as Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ministers of Hospitality are welcome to attend. Sessions are offered in both English and Spanish. Register online at www.archgh.org. The cost to attend (includes materials and lunch) is $40. Register by September 15, and save $10. Please contact Lili Castro, lcastro@archgh.org, with questions.

#### SEPT 21: MORNING OF CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Learn the Church’s best kept secret, the ancient practice of Christian Meditation, at a Morning of Christian Meditation on Saturday, September 21, 9:00am-12:00noon, at the Dominican Spirituality Center (6501 Almeda, Houston, 77021). The program will include a video talk by Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB, Spiritual Director of the World Community for Christian Meditation, with time for meditation. No prior experience or registration is required. Free will offerings accepted. For more information on Christian Meditation, please visit wccm-usa.org and contact Pat King at patrickking50@gmail.com, 713-321-4810.

#### SEPT 21: STEWARDSHIP WORKSHOP: CASTING NETS MINISTRIES:

Discipleship – Stewardship – Evangelization. Casting Nets, a lay apostolate dedicated to the New Evangelization will be at St. Laurence Catholic Church September 21. The workshop will be led in the Ave Maria Parish Life Center from 8 am – 12 noon. A light continental breakfast will be served. Casting Nets will bring a great deal of inspiration and information in three talks that are humorous and entertaining. Tickets are $15 before September 1 and $20 after September 1. Please register by September 18 at https://cvent.me/MNaoa

#### WEDDING PREPARATION

**Next Class: September 23**

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 Mascarenhas at rmascarenhas@stlaurence.org.

#### BAPTISM PREPARATION

**Next Classes: Sept 14, & Oct 12**

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 broy@stlaurence.org or 281-265-5774 x5371.

#### FAITH DIRECT ON-LINE GIVING

Did you miss a weekly offering while on Summer vacation? Giving through Faith Direct is the easiest and most convenient way for St. Laurence Catholic Church to receive your weekly offering and other Church support. Using Faith Direct will also save you time while helping our parish reduce our expenses.

What’s not to like? Setting up your Faith Direct account is quick and easy! Join your fellow parishioners by enrolling today at, FaithDirect.net, code TX460.

Whatever way you choose to give, thank you for your prayerful support of St. Laurence Catholic Church.

Tony Oltremari, Parish Administrator

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### PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION — WEEKLY OFFERTORY

**AUG 18 COLLECTION**

- Registered Households: 7,698
- Envelopes Used: 638
- Loose Checks: 162

**2ND COLLECTION Social Concerns**

- $11,801

**ONLINE GIVING**

- Monthly Offertory: $187,234
- Participants: 1,093

**DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND**

- 2019 Parish Goal: $495,000
- Total Amount Paid: $318,882
- 2019 Total Amount Pledged: $365,461
- Participants: 775

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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 ehernandez@stlaurence.org

*not licensed by the state

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2nd Collection: St. Laurence Catholic School

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!
Preschool and Elementary CCE registration has officially ended for this academic year. Limited availability and/or wait lists on some days and in certain grade levels may apply. While space in the weekly program may be limited, Home Study is always offered as an option to our CCE families. Visit www.stlaurence.org/home-study if you have questions regarding registration and/or current availability—please contact Cindy Martin for Preschool-Kindergarten CCE at cindymartin@stlaurence.org or Joan Hastreiter for Elementary (Grades 1-5) CCE at jhastreiter@stlaurence.org.

CCE Rosters and Class Placement: Our Elementary CCE classes (Grades K-5) will resume on Tues/Weds Sept. 10/11 and Preschool CCE (3’s & 4’s) will begin on Sunday, September 15 for all registered children. Please be sure to check out class placements and rosters which are posted THIS weekend (Aug. 24/25) in the Parish Hall for the Ministry Fair after all Masses. Rosters will be updated weekly as registrations are processed, and posted thereafter at the AMC. Please note that students will not be individually notified of their placements, but rather should look for their names on the posted class rosters. Questions? Contact Joan Hastreiter at jhastreiter@stlaurence.org or Cindy Martin at cindymartin@stlaurence.org.

Thank you for your support to the Plaid Bag Collection

The plaid bag collection today enables the school to assist families in crisis continue their children’s Catholic education. The monies collected will help families that find themselves dealing with an unexpected loss of job, medical crisis, or family emergency. We’d like to thank you in advance for your continued prayers for your parish school and your support of the plaid bag collection.

Seeking Future SLCS Saints!

We have a few remaining spots open for students in 1st grade. Parents interested in pursuing a Catholic education at our parish school should call the school at 281-980-0500 or contact the Admissions Office at 281-980-0500.

Job Opportunities

We are looking for some dedicated, faith-filled people who are interested in serving our students as Substitutes, Before/After School Care and coaching positions. Coaching positions we need for fall are Cross Country, Volleyball, and Basketball. If interested in after school or coaching positions, contact Mrs. Brown at bbrown@stlaurence.org.

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

AUG 26*: Confirmation Teen Reconciliation, 6-9pm | Church
*Penance service is for those already prepared and making Confirmation in September 2019.

AUG 28: Parent Meeting Option #2, 7pm | Youth Hall
SEPT 12: Parent Meeting Option #3, 7pm | Marian Hall
God answers us with Yes, No or Wait. So, No can be a holy word for parents, too.

HIGH SCHOOL LIFE TEEN PROGRAM
Life Teen is our main outreach to all 9th-12th grade students and our mission is simple: to lead teens closer to Christ. Through teaching, discipleship, prayer, social events, and service, we hope to build up the kingdom of God one teen at a time. For more information on activities head to stlaurence.org/lifeteen

LIFE NIGHT 2019 FALL SCHEDULE
Our weekly evangelistic outreach gatherings. Sundays 6:30-8:15pm in the Ave Maria Center. Join us for Life Teen Mass in the church at 5pm.

AUG 27: PARENT MEETING 7-8pm, Youth Hall

SEPTEMBER
15. LIFE TEEN KICK-OFF!
22. LIFE NIGHT
29. LIFE NIGHT & CONFIRMATION LIFE NIGHT

OCTOBER
06. LIFE NIGHT
13. LIFE NIGHT
20. NO LIFE NIGHT (BAZAAR)
27. LIFE NIGHT & CONFIRMATION LIFE NIGHT

NOVEMBER
03. LIFE NIGHT
10. LIFE NIGHT
17. LIFE NIGHT & CONFIRMATION LIFE NIGHT
24. NO LIFE NIGHT (THANKSGIVING)

LEAD TEENS CLOSER TO CHRIST
Life Teen is looking for adults who love Jesus and have a desire to pass on their faith to the young church. If you are interested or simply have questions, please contact Eric at epainter@stlaurence.org or 281-265-5774.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY
Join us in fellowship and prayer. Registration must be complete in order to attend each event. All forms and information can be found online at stlaurence.org/edge. Questions? Email Mo Bass, mbass@stlaurence.org

EDGE FALL 2019 SCHEDULE

AUG 27: PARENT MEETING // 7-8PM // YOUTH HALL

SEPTEMBER
18 EDGE KICK-OFF
25 EDGE NIGHT
27 EDGE SOCIAL // 7-9PM // YOUTH HALL

OCTOBER
02 EDGE NIGHT
09 EDGE NIGHT
16 OPEN GYM NIGHT // SCHOOL GYM
23 EDGE NIGHT
30 EDGE NIGHT

NOVEMBER
06 EDGE NIGHT
08 EDGE SOCIAL // 7-9PM // YOUTH HALL
13 EDGE NIGHT
20 EDGE NIGHT
27 NO EDGE // THANKSGIVING BREAK

DECEMBER
04 EDGE NIGHT
11 EDGE NIGHT
13-14 WINTER LOCK IN // 9PM-7AM // AMC
18 NO EDGE // CHRISTMAS BREAK
25 NO EDGE // CHRISTMAS BREAK

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

@ St. Laurence Young Adults
www.stlaurence.org/ya

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY
LECTIO & VISIO DIVINA BIBLE STUDY
2nd/4th Tuesdays, 7-9pm
Aug 27, Sept 10, AMC Oratory
Sept 24, St. Anne Room
Join Young Adults in their 20s/30s for a new bible study combining both Lectio and Visio Divina prayer. These ancient forms of prayer allow our hearts to connect with God through reading, meditation, and “sacred seeing.” Please feel free to attend any or all of the nights. Contact Ray Bacalla at bacallarf@yahoo.com or visit the St. Laurence Young Adults Facebook page for details.
RE-MEMBERING CHURCH
Begins Mondays, Sept 9, 7-9pm
St Joseph Room

Remembering Church

Been Away? We Miss you! 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. For more information contact: Deacon Tom Ruck at 281-242-4750 or stlaurence.org/remembering.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
Begins Tuesday, Sept 10, 9:00-11:45am
Marian Hall A

In the study Galatians: Set Free to Live by Jeff Cavins, Paul’s letter to the Galatians speaks directly to the heart of Christians and addresses the most important question we can ask: “What must we do to be saved?” It speaks of the extraordinary gift of salvation that Jesus has won for us, and how we can unite ourselves to Christ’s redeeming sacrifice. Register at stlaurence.org/biblestudies or contact Kay Quenan at kquenan@me.com.

MOMS GIFT GROUP
Begins Wednesday, Sept 11, 9:15-11:00am
Marian Hall B

Join other moms in reading “The Friendship Project” by Michele Faehnle and Emily Jaminet as you explore the cardinal and theological virtues with an eye toward friendship. Focusing on faith, hope, love, prudence, gratitude, loyalty, generosity, and prayerfulness, they help us answer questions such as, “What does it mean to be women of hope, and how does that change our lives and make us more compassionate friends during difficult times?” For more info: contact Rachelle Dooley at rdooley1987@outlook.com.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY
Thursdays, Sept 19-Nov 7, 1-2:30pm
Ave Maria Room 200

Fulfilled, Uncovering the Biblical Foundation of Catholicism, Part 2, by Sonja Corbitt continues. It will focus on the elements found in the inner sanctuary of the Tabernacle and how they connect to the Magisterium, the Eucharist, incense, Mary and more. This program will help participants explain how Jesus fulfills the Old Testament, becomes equipped to share their faith concisely, and examine their own faith and grown deeper in their relationship with God. To register: stlaurence.org/womensbiblestudy or contact Anne Marie Daniel at 281-265-5774, or adaniel@stlaurence.org.

WISDOM & WORKS OF MERCY
Mondays, starting Sept 9, 6:30-8pm
Rm. 201 of Ave Maria Center OR
Thursdays, starting Sept 12, 10-11:30am
Corpus Christi Room

Join us for a group study that centers around Fr. Michael Gaitley’s book, The One Thing is Three, bringing the profound truths of the faith from head to heart to life in a way that makes deep theology easy to understand and even easier to live. Then put your faith into action with group works of mercy. Cost: $30 for materials. Registration and information at stlaurence.org/worksofmercy.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?
INQUIRY SESSION TODAY, AUGUST 25, 10:15-11:15AM
IN THE CORPUS CHRISTI ROOM

RCIA is for those who have never been baptized, those baptized in another Christian faith tradition, those interested in joining the Catholic Church, and Catholics who were baptized but have not celebrated all of their Sacraments. Please come to this session to get your questions answered.
Contact: Justin Frato, 281-265-5774, jfrato@stlaurence.org
“And what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will have the ability to teach others as well.”
-2 Timothy 2:2

**Semester One: The Creed**

Since the time of the Apostles, the Catholic Church has been entrusted with the ministry of echoing down from generation to generation the truths that Jesus Christ has given us, known as the Deposit of Faith. These essential doctrines of our faith have been written down for us in the Catechism of the Catholic Church in order that we may come to know and love Jesus Christ and the Church he gave us and share this with others.

You are invited to attend this three-semester free course on the Catechism so that you too can receive and pass on the echo of these ancient truths to others. In each session, our catechists will teach on an aspect of the Catechism followed by large and small group discussion.

**Mondays, starting Aug 26, 2019**
7:00-9:00 pm
Guardian Angel Hall

Registration is required at stlaurence.org/echo

**Presenters:**
Marta Alves, Bob Bethancourt, Cindy Kral, Tim Cullen, Justin Frato, Deacon Dennis Henderson, Charles Johnson, Deacon Tom Ruck

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

**Ave Maria Parish Life Center** | 3103 Sweetwater Blvd., Sugar Land TX 77479
Jonathan Romero became a Catholic at the Easter Vigil this year and wasted no time finding a way to give back to his new parish family. “My family is from El Salvador. My parents came to the US about 40 years ago; my mom is Catholic and my dad is Mormon. I have two sisters, one older and one younger, and we were all born and raised here. It was my fiancé who first brought me to St. Laurence and it is because of my grandmother that she drew me to the Catholic faith. Going through RCIA was a great experience. It made me realize that I needed to bring Christ into my world first and that, with prayer and if our Lord allows it, everything will fall into place in our world.”

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Stewards Among Us

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A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is.
It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am.
Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work.
It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.
It will bring others into worship, if I invite and bring them.
It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.
Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all things that I want my parish to be.

AMEN

Ask Paula

Q.
How are the Stewards Among Us chosen?

A.
They’re picked by you guys. If you know someone in a ministry or someone who volunteers here at St. Laurence, contact Sharon at sehrenkranz@stlaurence.org and let her know. Please don’t nominate yourself (just sayin) but try and nominate the parishioner who always shows up and volunteers and doesn’t really bask in the glory. (Like some do, you know what I mean, right?) The little behind-the-scenes person. I know they’re out there and that you guys know them. I said this once before, and I’m sayin it again, when a person is chosen they always stress over their photo for the bulletin. I tell them, don’t worry… everyone’s thumb is on your face ‘cause they’re reading my column! (Just kidding.)

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.
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“Desconocer las Escrituras es desconocer a Cristo”
- San Jerónimo

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Parroquia St. Laurence
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This Weekend
Attend the MINISTRY FAIR in the parish hall after all Masses today!
After various delays for Hurricane Harvey relief efforts and building permit challenges, your Habitat for Humanity ministry is ready to build our next house! We will begin on-site wall building on Saturday, September 7 and continue on every Saturday until the house is done, sometime around Thanksgiving. Due to the generous contribution of your treasure, we have raised the funds to fully sponsor this house, to be built in North Richmond. If you are interested in sharing your time and talent and for encouraging the students to aspire, learn, and achieve. And, special thanks to Nia Sepe, Sheila Stulak, Suzanne Barto and the crew at the Ave Maria Center for being so welcoming and loving during camp!

Volunteer Ayat Abdel-Rahman teaches the students about solids and liquids.

Volunteer Patty Avila teaches the students about healthy eating.

During two weeks in July, volunteers taught English, science, reading and life skills to six refugee teenagers from Eritrea, Myanmar, Guatemala, and Honduras. Each day had a theme including friendship, culture, nature, health, weather, do-it-yourself, World Cup soccer and school matters supported by fun activities including planting flowers, scavenger hunts, making rockets, sewing book marks, changing a car tire, and baking cookies. Based on feedback from the youth and their foster parents, it was truly a fun learning experience! Under the inspired direction of Catholic Charities’ Martina Tate, four wonderful volunteers taught the classes: Ayat Abdel-Rahman, Patty Avila from St. Ignatius Parish and St. Laurence parishioners, EJ Molina and Scott Magelssen. Thanks to everyone for sharing your time and talent and for encouraging the students to aspire, learn, and achieve. And, special thanks to Nia Sepe, Sheila Stulak, Suzanne Barto and the crew at the Ave Maria Center for being so welcoming and loving during camp!
RESPECT LIFE NEWS

Come see the Respect Life table at the Ministry Fair TODAY for information on the Pregnancy Resource Medical Center and Christian Voices for Life as well as our parish activities to pray for the preborn, educate the parish, and increase awareness of abortion in our community. Many volunteer opportunities or just sign up for emails to keep informed.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION: Babies in the womb need prayer to be spared from abortion. Pick up a prayer card at any of the exits today to spiritually adopt a baby and pray for them every day for nine months.

OCT 5: Jerome’s Hope retreat for those seeking healing following miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss will be held on Saturday, October 5. Retreat cost is $25/person ($50/couple). For more information or to register contact the Office of Pro-Life Activites at 713-741-8729 or jkfritsch@archgh.org.

SEPT 14: Pregnancy Center Banquet
The Pregnancy Resource Medical Center will be holding their annual fundraising banquet on Saturday Sep 14, at the Rosenberg Civic Center. Silent Auction will begin at 6:00 pm and dinner and program at 7. Come and learn more about the center and their life-saving work. For more information call Marie McCoy at 281-610-3986 or go to prmcfortbend.org/events/upcoming to register.

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 4,000 brown bag meals provided each day (during extended school holidays & weekends) to Fort Bend County children in need
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 stlaurence.org/social-concerns

WHAT WE NEED

Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, Western Deanery

The ACCW is requesting the help of the parish in collecting items to be placed in Christmas gift boxes for the seafarers calling on the Port of Houston this coming December. The gift boxes lift the seafarer’s spirit while they are away from their families during the Christmas holiday. Items needed are:

Hygiene: band aids, Gold-Bond powder or cream, Kleenex, lotion, lip balm, nail clippers, deodorant, soap, shampoo, combs, tooth brush and tooth paste, dental floss, disposable razors, shaving cream.

Clothing: baseball caps (new), t-shirts, socks, knitted and crochet hats.

Misc.: medium size shoe boxes, needle and thread, 2020 calendars, playing cards, Texas souvenirs, Word Search and Sudoku books, postcards, pocket-sized notebooks, flashlight, USB Flash Drives, cash to buy phone cards, stamps, pencils and pens, key chains, paper and envelopes, address books.

Food: gum and candy, popcorn, hot chocolate.

Please mark your donation “seafarers” and drop in the SCM bin in the narthex or the parish or SCM office by Sunday, September 8.

Shoe Box Project for Seafarers
ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL

"Surrender to God and He will do everything for you"

The first commandment is to love God. What better way to love God than to spend time with Him in the chapel. **There are over 40 hours available to be near God.** Please check online at stlaurence.org/adoration for needed hours or pickup a card at the chapel. Contact Fran Magelssen at adoration@stlaurence.org or 281-224-6122.

**God is waiting for you every day from 5:00am to 9:00pm.** Just drop in. A code is provided to committed adorers to access the chapel 24 hrs a day.

URGENT NEED FOR ADORERS:
There are over 40 hours available to be near God.

Adoration will be paused Labor Day weekend.
Friday, Aug 30, 4pm through Tuesday, Sept 3, 8am

AUG 28: DIVORCECARE BEGINS IN AUGUST

Topec on Aug 28 | What’s Happening To Me. **Find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce.** DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life’s most difficult experiences. Don’t go through separation or divorce alone. The group is led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. They meet on Wednesday evenings, 7:00pm-9:00pm, in the St. Francis room in the AMC. If interested, contact Janie Picou at jpddivorcecare@aol.com or 832-860-3398. More info: www.stlaurence.org/divorcecare

SEPT 5: CANCER SUPPORT KICKOFF MEETING

The Cancer Support Group welcomes all cancer patients and survivors, their caregivers and friends to join them each first Thursday of the month to share stories, listen and learn from professionals, and find hope and strength through prayer. The first meeting after summer break will be Thursday, September 5, 10:00-11:30am in the St. Clare Room, Ave Maria Center. Dr. Janet Tu, an oncologist from MD Anderson Sugar Land, will be on hand to discuss the latest in cancer research and treatments and answer any questions about cancer. Contact Mariann Licato (281-778-6356) for details.

JOIN A DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

The message of Divine Mercy is to turn to the Lord’s mercy with trust, receive His mercy with thanksgiving, and share His mercy with others. St. Laurence is blessed with three groups, one that meets in the morning, another in the evening and now the addition of a Spanish language group. Please note the startup dates for the morning and Spanish cenacles. (The evening cenacle runs year-round.) All are welcome. INFO: stlaurence.org/divine-mercy

MORNING: Thursdays, 10:00-11:30am
Starts Sept 12. Study the Diary of St Maria Faustina, plus Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Contact: Sally Flowers, 281-265-8360

EVENING: 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:30-9:00pm
Year-round. Study the Diary of St. Faustina and the urgency of the message in these times. Contact: Suzan Bryan, 713-816-5859

SPANISH: Viernes, 10:00-11:30am
Comienza el 30 de Agosto. Grupo de oración que explora la riqueza de nuestra Fe Católica mediante el estudio de las Sagradas Escrituras, el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica y el Diario de Santa Faustina Kowalska. Contacto: Rebecca Yanes, 605-660-7611

VOCATIONS COMMITTEE NEWS

Discover the Road Less Traveled Fall 2019
A monthly discernment gathering at St. Mary’s Seminary for single young adult men ages 18 and older. Meeting dates are Sept 12, Oct 4, Nov 21 and Dec 19. Join priests and seminarians for fellowship, prayer, music, dinner and talks about the discernment for priesthood. Time: 6:30-9:00 pm at St. Mary’s Seminary, Houston, TX. To register or for more information, visit: www.houstonvocations.com/gatherings/discover/

Samuel Group for Single Women
Samuel Group is a monthly discernment gathering for young women ages 19-30 who meet for six months to study, pray and discover their individual vocations or lifetime call from God. Held on Tuesdays evenings, 6:00-9:00pm.: Oct 8, Nov 5, Dec 10, Jan 21, Feb 18 and Mar 24 Location: St. Joseph Church, Parish Hall, Houston, TX. Program includes refreshments, talks, meditation, adoration, and confession will be available. Registration fee $30. To register, please use the link: https://cvent.me/ve4vy

Men’s Emmaus Dinner for young adult men with Cardinal DiNardo and priests of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.
Friday, Oct 4, 6:30–8:30pm, at St. Mary’s Seminary. This is a night for single young adult men ages 18 to 40 who are open to discerning Diocesan Priesthood. For information call: 713-652-8239 or visit: www.houstonvocations.com

VICTORY IN THE CHAPEL

Join us on August 28 for 55 minutes of “testifying” to the merciful love of Jesus Christ. Our St. Mary’s Emmaus participants will share their personal stories of “miracles” that have occurred in their lives. You are encouraged to join in the celebration of divine love by offering for the congregation a personal story of how the love of God has impacted your life.

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ADULT SINGLES GROUP

**Tuesday, August 27th - 7:00pm** Planning meeting in the Trinity room at St. Laurence Parish Courtyard. 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: slauencesingles@gmail.com or stlaurence.org/adultsingles

ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

On August 7, the Catholic Daughters from St. Laurence participated in the Project SMILE School Drive at Bethel Ministry in Stafford. With the Catholic Daughters is Carolyn Tarver, who founded Project SMILE in memory of her son (Stan’s Memory Includes Loving Everyone), who died at age 17. The members of CDA filled over 1,300 bags with back-to-school supplies for children in need who live in Fort Bend County.

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, 7:00-8:30pm, in the Corpus Christi Rm. CONTACT: Maria Argao, 281-221-8228, rmargao1954@gmail.com

**AUG 24-25:** Visit our table at the upcoming Ministry Fair and sign up to receive the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima for a 2 week stay at your home! Learn all about Fatima and the power of Prayer — especially the Rosary. You can also sign up for Home Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

SEPT 13 : COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME

**TEACHINGS ON THE HOLY SPIRIT & GIFTS — HEALING MINISTRY TRAINING**

Deacon Rey will continue teachings on the Holy Spirit and Gifts every 2nd & 3rd Friday’s of each month. Beginning in August to November — these teachings will also serve as training for those who want to join the Healing Ministry. Meetings are in the Chapel of the Divine Mercy, 7:00pm-9:00pm. Next teachings are on Sept 13 & 20. Additional dates and classes will be announced later. Everyone is welcome! For questions call Deacon Rey at 713-854-8804 or Margie Calo at 281-980-4711.

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.
Spiritual Adoption Program

A mother’s womb has become a dangerous place. EVERY DAY about 3000 American children are deliberately killed within the womb, and only God knows how many are conceived but not allowed to implant in the womb because of artificial contraception and the “morning after” pill. There is a child, known only to God, who has just been conceived. This child is in danger of losing his or her life to abortion. His mom probably wants to follow her maternal instincts to nurture her child, but may be under pressure from circumstances, parents, boyfriend or husband.

Will you spiritually adopt this child and pray every day for nine months that his or her life will be spared, that his or her mother will find the support she needs to choose life and plan for a safe and happy home for her child?

Prayer is powerful! Praying for a specific child may help you be more faithful in prayer. Prayer cards are available at the Hospitality desk and at the exit doors, with the short prayer also printed below. You are encouraged to name the baby you adopt.

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of (name), the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

Each month, from Aug to May, on the 4th Sunday of the month, a poster showing the child’s development will be on display at Hospitality Sunday. A notice will also be posted in the bulletin and online, describing the baby at that point in time.

In May, we will celebrate the birth of your spiritually adopted child with a baby shower to benefit needy mothers and their children.

Conception: The mother's egg and the father's sperm have united to form a new, unique human being, made in the image of God. This child, although only a single cell, is already male or female, with all the genetic information to direct his or her development. Hair color and family resemblance have already been determined! God has a plan for this child, a mission for him or her to carry out to build his kingdom. He or she will be a gift to family, friends, to all the world. Will he be a doctor, to bring healing and comfort? Will she be a wonderful teacher to help children develop their potential? Will he or she be a loving and devoted spouse and parent to his/her own children? Only God knows what He has planned for this child –but first he or she must survive to be born!

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn. The black sash at her waist indicates that she is pregnant.
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