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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 parish hall and meeting rooms are available through reservation by calling Nia Sepe at 281-980-9812.

Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 8:00am - 6:00pm; Friday, 8:00am - 4:00pm; Closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Do you have a change of address? Please email Ida Buckle, ibuckle@stlaurence.org

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.

Office hours: 8am-9pm Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm Friday, and 8am-1pm Saturday, closed on Sunday.

The Weekday Children's Program is offered for infants through pre-school aged children. During the school year, WCP office hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00am - 3:00pm.

PARISH SCHOOL & CHAPEL

St. Laurence Catholic School provides strong academics in a Christian environment to 685 students enrolled in PreK4 through Grade 8.

Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:4)

No one who was gathered in the upper room on Pentecost could have missed the presence of the Holy Spirit. A strong, driving wind, tongues of fire, and the apostles speaking in different languages: it was clear that Jesus' promise of the Spirit coming upon them had been fulfilled (John 14:16). But that promise wasn't just for the apostles long ago: it's for us today as well. So let's take the opportunity on this great feast to pray for a greater outpouring of the Spirit in our lives.



"Holy Spirit, you appeared as tongues of fire. I want the fire of your love to burn in my heart. Give me a love that never grows cold, along with the zeal to spread your saving message to all whom I encounter each day.

"Holy Spirit, you gave gifts to the disciples to build your Church. In order to do your work, I need gifts that can only come from you—gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, and strength; gifts of prophecy, healing, and discernment of spirits (Isaiah 11:2; 1 Corinthians 12:7-10). You know that I am asking for these gifts not just for myself but so that I can also bring you glory and lead other people to you. In this season of my life, I especially ask for the gift of_____. But whatever you want to give me, I am open to receiving it.

"Holy Spirit, you opened Peter's ears so that he could hear the message you wanted him to preach. Open my ears too so that I am able to hear you. I want to be your instrument—to act on whatever you are urging me to do. I can't do that without staying attuned to your voice, so help me to listen to you over the noise and busyness of each day.

"Holy Spirit, as you did with the disciples on Pentecost, empower your people today. Together may we preach the good news and build your kingdom on earth!"

"Come, Holy Spirit, and fill me with your love, your grace, and your gifts."

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

JUNE

SUNDAY

Pentecost Sunday Reading I Reading II Gospel

GATHER BOOK #1083

Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 14:15-16, 23b-6

MONDAY

Reading I Gospel

Gn 3:9-15, 20 Jn 19:25-34

TUESDAY

Reading I Gospel

1 Kgs 17:7-16 Mt 5:13-16

WEDNESDAY

Reading I Gospel

1 Kas18:20-39 Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY

Reading I Gospel

1 Kgs 18:41-46 Mt 5:20-26

FRIDAY

Reading I Gospel

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16 Mt 5:27-32

SATURDAY

Reading I Gospel

Acts 11:21b-26; 12:1-3

Mt 5:33-37

SUNDAY

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Reading I

Reading II Gospel

Prv 8:22-31 Rom 5:1-5 Jn 16:12-15

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DAILY MASSES IN THE CHURCH

Monday*, Tuesday, Thursday 7:30am, 12:00pm Wednesday 7:30am, 6:30pm Friday 8:15am, 12:00pm Saturday 8:00am

*Monday, 7:30am, Mass in the Chapel of Divine Mercy

Reconciliation following 7:30am Masses, Wednesday 5:30-6:20pm and Saturday, 4:00-4:45pm

Healing Mass: 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm First Friday Mass: July 1, 7:00pm, in the chapel

SUNDAY MASSES IN THE CHURCH

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 7:00am, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 11:00am, Sunday 1:00pm, Sunday 5:00pm

> A recording of the Sunday Mass is available ONLINE, Saturdays, 7:00pm at stlaurence.org

MISA EN ESPANOL, Segundo y cuarto sábado de cada mes a las 7:00pm. Confesiones en Español antes de la misa de 6:00 a 6:45pm. En la Capilla

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.

Donna Giblin, Jack Boudreau, Bobby Castillo, Cody Martin, Fr. Roy Oggero

This column in the Sunday bulletin is a place that parishioners may ask for intercessory prayer in their time of sickness. To add your name, please call the parish office during business hours (281-980-9812). The sick person must be a parishioner of St. Laurence and the request must come directly from the person (or a close family member, such as spouse or parent). Your name will appear on the list for 4 weeks. If struggling with a longer term illness, please call back and your name will be added for another 4 week period.

Not a parishioner?

Ask for the name to be added to the Book of the Sick. Anyone in need of prayers for healing may have their name written in the Book of the Sick.

POPE FRANCIS

MAY 23, 2021



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Let us open our hearts to the gift of the Holy Spirit, which makes us feel all the beauty and truth of God's love in the dead and Risen Christ. And it spurs us to go out, to witness to this Love that always precedes us with his mercy. #Pentecost

SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

Please pray for our Troops and especially for the following parishioners currently serving in the military:

CW3 Brett Aderhold, US Army, AV SPC Nicholas Ambrocik, US Army PVT Michael Baird, US Army SA Matthew Baird, US Navy P.O. 5 Debra Barnette, US Navy CPL Trevor Bello, USMC Lt Aaron Blades, US Navy PFC John Blair, US Army LCpl Gordon Briggs, USMC SPC Jordan Briggs, US Army Maj. Michael Carroll, USMĆ MSgt. Jason Chacon, USMC Lt Matthew Chesney, US Navy LTC Christopher Coffman, US Air Force Maj. Patrick Coffman, USMC CPT Andrew DeSplinter, US Army SGT Nicholas Dockum, US Army Maj. Brandon Driscoll, USMC Derek Farias, US Navy Destini Gaytan, USMC SPEC Nathan J. Hoelker, US Army CPT Matthew Fenelon, USMC LCpl Aaron Fox, USMC PVT Jahneil Xavier George, US Army MSG Philip Graham, US Army LCpl Eric Gurnell, USMC CPT Spencer Henry, US Army PVT Liam Hill, US Army Daniel Hines, US Navy EM4 James Locus, US Navy SSG Philip Loera, US Army PFC John Lundgren, US Army CPT Anthony Marich, US Army Amn Joseph Marcellus, USAF TSGT David March, Texas Air National Guard CPT. Brendan McPartland, USMC Major Alexander Morningstar, US Army SPC Michael Nester, US Army 1LT Anthony Patrick, USMC CB, Richard Pinard, US Navy LCpl Byron Ray Ramirez, USMC SGT Santiago Ramirez, US Army CPT Taylor Rammrath, US Army GySgt. Barbara L. Rangel, USMC LCPL Ty Ripoll, USMC CTM3 Nicholas Stuhlman, US Navy Maj. Michael Thesing, USMC 1LT Kevin Wheeler, US Navy SGT Bryce Whitley, US Navy PO2 Troy Yelverton, US Navy 2LT Copeland Zaunbrecher, US Army 2LT Kazia Zaunbrecher, US Army

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUN 4

8:00am – Violeta Castillo (D) 5:00pm – Leelamma Koreth (I)

SUNDAY, JUN 5

7:00am – Donald Krueger (D)
9:00am – Raymond Tanking (D)
11:00am – Laurie Nicholas (I)
1:00pm – Gerry Flores (D)
5:00pm – Parishioners of St. Laurence

MONDAY, JUN 6

7:30am – Richard Copeland Slocum (I) 12:00pm – Mary Ann Hines (D)

TUESDAY, JUN 7

7:30am - Kim Krueger (I) 12:00pm - Ed & Mary Ann Hines (D)

WEDNESDAY, JUN 8

7:30am - Benjamin Fermin (D) 6:30pm - Viola Evangelio (D)

THURSDAY, JUN 9

7:30am – Lyzander Gonsalves (I) 12:00pm – Rachelle Perry (D)

FRIDAY, JUN 10

8:15am – Susairaj Irudayam (D) 12:00pm – Anita Ifudu (I)

SATURDAY, JUN 11

8:00am – Sr. Janice Ernst, SC (D) 5:00pm – Lorenzo Lopez (D)

SUNDAY, JUN 12

7:00am - Helen Herman (D) 9:00am - Guillermo Pastrano (D) 11:00am - Sr. Columba Yuen, SC (D) 1:00pm - Billie Jean Roye (D) 5:00pm - Parishioners of St. Laurence

(D) Death, (I) Intention, (A) Anniversary

Pray for our parishioners in Religious Formation

Shawn Kelly, Keenan Annicchiarico, Roger Boneno, Dcn. Christopher Meyer, Brother Collin Mary Brown, Frater Giovanni (Billy Dodd), Frater Dominic (Adrian Annicchiarico), Sister M. Philomena (Krystle Cagandahan), Sr. Maria Christi of the Holy Spirit (Leah Burrhus), Sr. Margaret Uche, Patrick Kinnick, Brandon Bain, Beau Guedry, Br. Levi Pro (Cameron Cashiola)



FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

Congratulations to the following adults from our parish who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation today at Epiphany of the Lord, Katy, Tx!

Please keep them in your prayers as they go forth in their faith.



CANDIDATE
Austin Weinle



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CANDIDATELuigi Lim



CANDIDATEMary Bongolan



CANDIDATEGregory Obi



CANDIDATE Megan Garza



CANDIDATEMichelle Moncada



CANDIDATEVictoria Zertuche

We would like to recognize and thank their sponsors who journeyed with them during this time.

If you are interested in receiving a sacrament as an adult or becoming Catholic contact Justin Frato at jfrato@stlaurence.org.



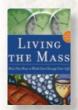
FAMILY LIFE

It is incumbent upon husbands and wives, mothers and dads, and single parents to spend time in prayer, discernment, and dialogue about the kind of family they will be. Family and home does not automatically happen.

Fr. Drew Wood

stlaurence.org/family

FAITH & FAMILY FOCUS



Humility is not the act of beating ourselves up but of acknowledging that we are in the presence of someone greater than ourselves.

- Living the Mass (pg. 33)

SUMMER AT ST. LAURENCE

PRE-K & ELEMENTARY stlaurence.org/parish-library

Summer Story Time
Summer Reading Program

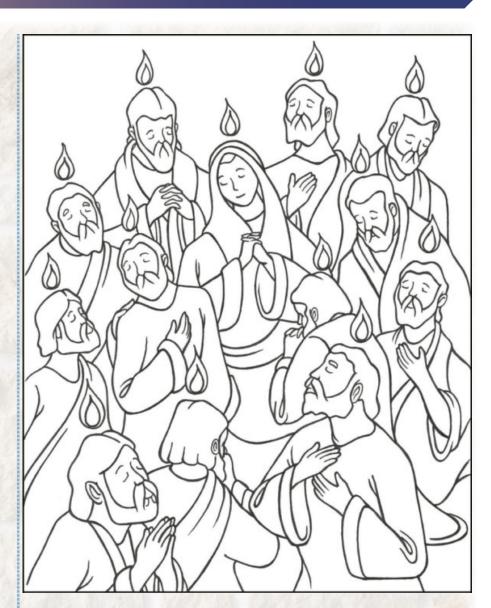
EDGE: MIDDLE SCHOOL

stlaurence.org/edge-summer-events

Noon Mass & Open Youth Room
Gym Night
Service Opportunities
EDGE Glow-Nighter

LIFE TEEN: HIGH SCHOOL stlaurence.org/lifeteen

Steubenville
Summer Life Nights
DGroups
Service Project & Astros
Space Cowboys Game



Some discussion points for children while coloring this Pentecost coloring page:

On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and Mary.

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church.

Pentecost is 50 days after Easter.

We use the color red to signify the Holy Spirit.

Descent of The Holy Spirit - \$2016 The Catholic Kid.com





YOU ARE PRAYERFULLY INVITED TO

THE 26TH ANNUAL FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Saturday, June 11, 2022 7:00 PM

St. Laurence Catholic Church

3100 Sweetwater Blvd., Sugar Land, TX 77479



Program: Holy Mass, Novena to St. Anthony of Padua, Procession, Candle/Other Prayers, Blessing with the relic/offering, Dinner

Organized by St. Anthony of Padua Prayer Ministry www.sanovena.org / stanthonynovena@gmail.com



PARISH LIFE

ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL



The Divine Mercy Chapel is open to the parish and community for adoration. Jesus awaits you everyday from 5:00am to 9:00pm. The chapel is open to only scheduled adorers during the night.

We are also seeking a second committed adorer for more than 20 other hours.

Please check online: stlaurence.org/adoration. Contact Fran Magelssen at adoration@stlaurence.org or 281-224-6122 to sign up.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT: ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PRAYER MINISTRY

St. Anthony of Padua Prayer Ministry of St. Laurence brings together the young and old alike in honor of St. Anthony of Padua and to pray for his intercession, helping to deepen their devotion to Jesus. This ministry caters the harmonious gathering of devotees from all Christian denominations and religious affiliations to pray and worship in the Catholic tradition, through the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and Novena on Tuesdays.



It encourages the attendees to remember that God, in his love, may have his own way of answering their prayers.

This devotion started at St. Laurence in April 1997, with the annual feast celebrated the Saturday closest to the feast day of the Saint (June 13). This devotion continues to attract many, particularly young adults who may be on the verge of leaving their faith, by helping them to recommit themselves to the Catholic faith. The service consists of reciting Holy Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:30pm, with Holy Mass at 7:00pm, followed by the novena to the Saint. It is offered in the church on the 1st Tuesday each month, and in the Chapel of Divine Mercy all other Tuesdays.

The Ministry and devotees are indebted to the parish of St. Laurence for continued support and care over these many years.

Meet with members at the Hospitality Desk and plan to attend the St. Anthony Feast Day celebration next Saturday, June 11.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Next Class: June 11, 2022

Preparation classes are offered 10 times a year. Class registration is available at stlaurence. org/baptism or contact Barb Roy at broy@ stlaurence.org / 281-265-5774 x5371. Group Baptisms are celebrated at our parish three times each month.

WEDDING PREPARATION

Next Wedding Info Session: July 25, 2022

Please email Betty Holub, bholub@stlaurence. org for registration information. The standard preparation time for weddings is 6-9 months in advance of the desired date. All engaged couples must attend an information session.

PARISH CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISMS:

Zebedee Garza Jr., Isaias Ponce De Leon, Mackenzie Mickens, Elliot Sparks, Ellie Tran, Rodrigo Vazquez

WEDDINGS

Alaina M. Swallers & Zachary T. Short

IN REQUIEM

Ralph Castillo, brother of Bobby Castillo

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.

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.

THANK YOU, ST. LAURENCE!

"There is nothing small in the service of God." - St. Francis de Sales

My dear St. Laurence Parish Family, with heartfelt joy and gratitude I acknowledge your love for me and for my religious order, the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales (MSFS), also known as Fransalians. Your generous response to the mission appeal is witness of your appreciation for our missionary work and I am so grateful for your support. You are now a part of the great effort of bringing schools and education to the people of Chad and Cameroon. Thank you for your financial support, fortified with your unceasing prayers. The MSFS Fathers and Brothers keep you and all your intentions in our daily prayers; we thank the Almighty God for you and express our great appreciation to our wonderful pastor, Fr. Drew Wood, for giving me the opportunity to share the message of my order's mission with you. God bless you.

Fr. Jaison Thomas, MSFS

JUN 11: ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA MASS & RECEPTION

The St. Anthony of Padua Prayer Ministry invites their parish family to join them at the 26th Annual St. Anthony of Padua Feast Day Mass on Saturday, June 11, at 7pm in the church. Enjoy the traditional Mass, devotional prayers and music in honor of St. Anthony. Immediately following the Mass, all are invited to the school gym for a reception. Learn more about the Feast Day Mass and the ministry: stlaurence.org/st-anthony-of-padua-prayer-group

AUG 1: FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION DEADLINE

The deadline to register for Faith Formation is August 1, but don't wait! Classes do fill up quickly and the number of classes offered is limited to the number of volunteer catechists available to help. Teaching or assisting in CCE classes or Youth Ministry is a wonderful way to get involved in the life of this big parish! No experience is necessary, training & materials are provided, and you'll be a visible model of service for your children. For all the details and to register, please visit: stlaurence.org/registration

AUTHORS NEEDED: MEET THE AUTHORS NIGHT

Calling local authors! On Wednesday, July 27, the St. Laurence Parish Library will host Meet the Authors Night, 6:30-8:30pm at the Ave Maria Center. There are still a few spots open for local authors to have a table to discuss, display and sell their books. Books need not be religious, but must support a Christian worldview and not contain anything contrary to Catholic values and teaching. If you or someone you know is a local author and would like to participate, please contact Susan Mulé (281-265-5774, smule@stlaurence.org).

JUN 25: CCW CONFERENCE & LUNCHEON

The Council of Catholic Women invites everyone to St. Laurence on Saturday, June 25, for a conference and luncheon. The conference is 9am-4pm, with the theme "Mary, Our Hope Amidst Crisis," featuring guest speakers Liv Harrison (radio talk show host) and Kate Mims (Director of Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center). The luncheon is 11:30am-1:30pm, when Cardinal DiNardo will be presented a donation to the Catholic Clerical Student Fund (CCSF) in support of St. Mary's Seminary. Register for the conference only (\$40), luncheon only (\$30), or both (\$70). INFO/TICKETS: ghcw.org/tickets

CONGRATULATIONS, FR. CHRISTOPHER MEYER

Ordained: Saturday, June 4, 2022
First Mass & Reception
TODAY at 11am Mass
Reception in Parish Hall
All are welcome!

BLOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
Next Sunday, June 12
8:00am-12:30pm
Parish Hall
To make an appointment:
CommitForLife.org
Sponsor Code = 5046

FREE SPANISH LESSONS

For people in Church ministry Mon/Wed 6:30-8:00pm June 15-August 3 Adriana Gutierrez: LearnSpanishMinistry@gmail.com

WOMEN'S RETREAT

At St. Laurence Sept 30-Oct 1, 2022 REGISTER NOW: stlaurence.org/womensretreat

THE BAZAAR IS BACK!

October 15-16, 2022
Save the date and get involved stlaurence.org/bazaar

ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS

June 6, 2022
7:00pm - 8:00pm
CHAPEL OF DIVINE MERCY
Come once or come each first
Monday of the month!

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION – WEEKLY OFFERTORY

TOTAL REGISTERED PARISHIONERS - 7,300

MAY 22 COLLECTION Sixth Sunday of Easter	\$32,689
Envelopes Used	336
Loose Checks	125

Mission Appeal: Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales

ONLINE GIVING

Monthly Offertory April 2022\$26	0,338
Participants	1,435

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2022

2022 Parish	Goal	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		\$490,000
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Parish Paid	Activity thru 5/22/2022)\$265,577
Participants	564

TODAY'S SPECIAL COLLECTION

MAY 29, 2022 CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS COLLECTION



SIGN-UP TODAY AT FAITH DIRECT

Simple & convenient online giving faith.direct/TX460
1-866-507-8757

Making plans for summer vacations? Make sure to plan for your offertory as well! When your summer travels take you away from Sunday Mass, eGiving lets you continue to support St. Laurence Catholic Church and the ministries you cherish. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or even make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts sustain our parish through the busy summer months. Your gifts provide us with consistent support, even if you're away on a Sunday, so the programs, services, and ministries that mean so much to our community will never miss a beat. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/TX460, or text "Enroll" to (Text-to-Give Number).

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. May God keep you safe on your travels!

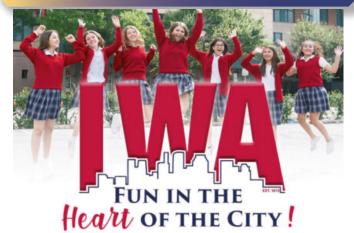


KEEP INFORMED

Over 12,000 people are signed up to get St. Laurence Parish Flocknotes. It's the best way to stay up-to-the-minute on parish news. Sign up at

stlaurence.org/parish-communications

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE



Incarnate Word Academy
Summer Camp 2022

Dance · Theatre · Art · STEM · Athletics

Register now www.incarnateword.org/summercamp2022

JUL 9: SUMMER DAY CAMP FOR BOYS

Due to popular demand, the Divine Mercy Retreat Center & Family Camp will offer a Summer Day Camp for Boys on Saturday, July 9, 9:30am-5:00pm. This Catholic retreat center is located in the country outside of Cleveland, Texas. Boys ages 4-12 can enter the fishing contest and enjoy hiking, a giant water slide, cold-water-creek adventure, campfire, and target practice (for older boys). For details and to register, contact Andrea Barta (DivineMercyRetreatCenter@gmail.com, 832-534-0023).

YOUNG ADULTS SUMMER SERIES

The Café Catholica Summer Series is open to young adults (ages 18-39) featuring dynamic speakers at the Catholic Charismatic Center on four Mondays: July 11 (Fr. Dat Hoang), July 18 (Meg Hunter-Kilmer), July 25 (Cardinal DiNardo), and August 1 (Edward Herrera). Each night includes Confession at 5:15pm, Mass at 6:15pm, dinner at 7:15pm, and the talk at 8:15pm. This year's theme is "Real Presence." INFO: archgh.org/cafecatholica

CHARITY GUILD CELEBRATES 100 YEARS

The Charity Guild of Catholic Women, over 600 members strong, operates the Charity Guild Shop, 1203 Lovett Boulevard in Houston, in support of the San José Clinic and a myriad of other non-profit agencies and schools that serve children



with limited resources in the Greater Houston area. Founded 100 years ago, the Charity Guild kicked off their centennial celebration last October, with special events scheduled throughout the year, culminating with a gala and Centennial Celebration Mass later this year. With gratitude, the Charity Guild of Catholic Women celebrates every volunteer, shopper and consignor who has supported the Charity Guild Shop over the years. Join them in their mission! Please visit: charityguildshop.org



SOCIAL CONCERNS

The Corporal Works of Mercy: BURY THE DEAD

The dying should be given attention and care to help them live their last moments in dignity and peace. They will be helped by the prayer of their relatives, who must see to it that the sick receive at the proper time the sacraments that prepare them to meet the living God. The bodies of the dead must be treated with respect and charity, in faith and hope of the Resurrection. The burial of the dead is a corporal work of mercy; it honors the children of God, who are temples of the Holy Spirit (CCC 2299-2300).

"Give graciously to all the living, and withhold not kindness from the dead" (Sir 7:33)

As a parish family, here is how we bury the dead:

 The St. Laurence Bereavement Ministries (Grief Support Ministry, Grieving Families, and H.O.P.E.) are committed to serving all among us who have experienced the death of a loved one, by providing support through grief groups. For more information, visit stlaurence.org/bereavement-ministries



 The Funeral Reception Ministry serves parishioners by seeing to the details involved in creating a reception for family and friends of the deceased following funeral masses held at St. Laurence. Want to help? Contact Carol Giardina at Igfuneral@gmail.com

RESPECT LIFE

Death Penalty: Catholic Questions and Answers: See the hospitality desk for copies or go to stlaurence.org/brochure-of-the-month.

Project Rachel retreat (for healing after abortion) in Spanish: 10-week online Bible Study will begin on June 9. Registration is \$40, which includes the cost of materials. Contact Zulema at 713-440-3443 for more information, or register at https://archgh.cventevents.com/EstudioBiblicoPerdonadayPuestaenLibertad.

What more can you do on your own?

- As a family, research where your deceased family members are buried and take a family trip to visit their gravesites and pray for them
- Be faithful about attending wakes, visitations, and funerals of family and friends
- Join the St. Laurence Funeral Reception Ministry to provide food for a funeral luncheon
- Pray at an abortion facility for the lives lost to abortion
- Have a Mass said for a deceased loved one
- Help a widow in need of yard work or errands
- Send a rose, flowers, or card to a person on the anniversary of the deceased death or wedding anniversary
- Volunteer at a hospice center



SUMMER OF SERVICE

The Social Concerns Ministry is offering several service opportunities this summer here at St. Laurence and out in our community. Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

Register via the Sign-Up Genius link on our webpage at stlaurence.org/volunteer-service-opportunities

PARISH LIFE DIRECTORY

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

Baptism Confirmation (Teens) Confirmation (Adults) First Holy Communion First Reconciliation Marriage Preparation Marriage Sponsor Couples RCIA (Becoming Catholic)

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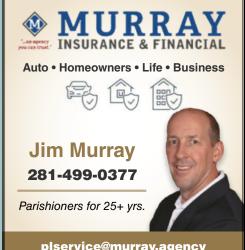
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