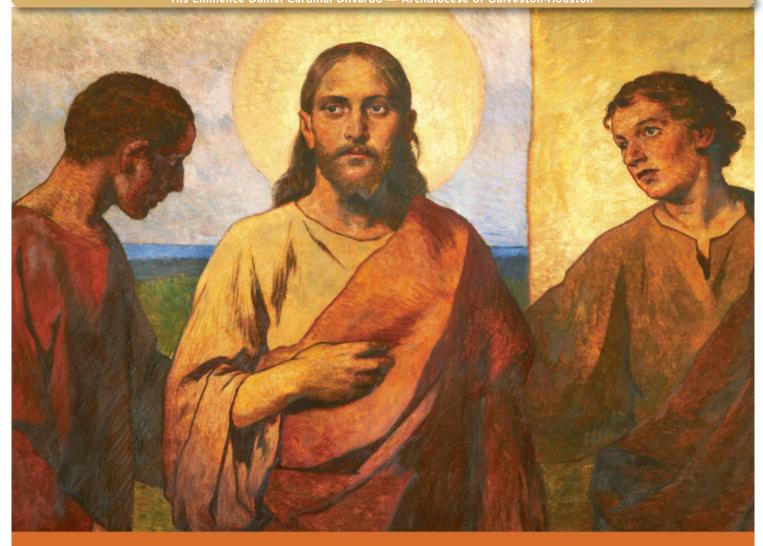
JULY 3, 2022 | FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



His Eminance Daniel Cardinal DiNardo - Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston



Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them,

'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'" — Lk 10:1-9

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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 facilities are available through reservation by contacting Nia Sepe, Facilities Scheduler, at nsepe@stlaurence.org or 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

14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I have observed Satan fall like lightning from the sky. (Luke 10:18)

Imagine the impact these seventytwo disciples must have made as they fanned out through the regions of Galilee and Samaria. Thousands of people up and down the Jordan Valley were hearing the good news of salvation. The mercy of God flowed freely as they were healed and delivered from the grip of demons. It's no wonder the disciples were so excited when they returned!

It's no wonder, too, that Jesus told them he had seen Satan fall

from the sky while they were gone (Luke 10:18). The mission of the seventy-two marked a dramatic escalation in God's plan of salvation. Now, instead of having to contend with only Jesus and the Twelve, the devil was seeing a lot more people driving out his minions in a lot more places. And it was only going to keep growing.

This is your story as well. You are part of a two thousand-yearlong line of men and women whom Jesus has empowered to announce the good news. Your spiritual lineage includes great saints like Francis of Assisi and Mother Teresa of Calcutta, but it also includes millions upon millions of unknown saints who have pushed back the darkness of the devil. It includes you.

Every time you forgive someone, you are snuffing out another fiery dart from the "accuser of our brothers" (Revelation 12:10). Every time you reach out to give generously of your time or resources to someone who is hurting, you are disarming the one who is a "thief" and whose only goal is to "destroy" (John 10:10). Every time you share the truth about God's love, you are silencing the "father of lies" (8:44). Bit by bit, stepby-step, you are contributing to the devil's ultimate defeat.

Yes, you! Clothed with the authority of Christ, you can overcome even the devil.

"All praise to you, Jesus, for letting me share in your victory over the evil one!"

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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: August 5, 7:00pm, in the chapel

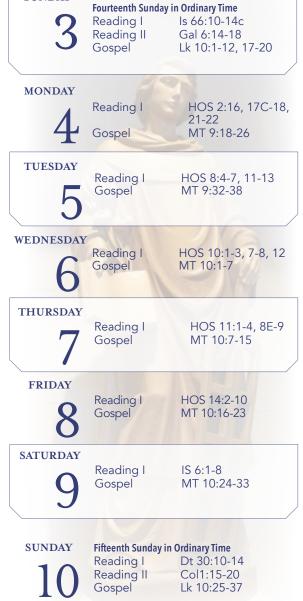
SUNDAY MASSES IN THE CHURCH

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 ESPAÑOL, 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

JULY SUNDAY GATHER BOOK #1133 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



IN OUR PRAYERS...

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for these members of our parish family and all our loved ones listed in the Book of the Sick.

Ricardo Garcia, Juliana Johnson, Mariela Molina, Alice Powers, 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.

PRAYING THE NEWS JULY 3, 2022

"Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves."

LUKE 10:3

Dear Lord, you ask your followers to be peaceful messengers in a very troubled world. The Jesuit fathers recently murdered in Mexico while trying to protect another man are a holy reminder. Fr. Campos and Fr. Mora entrusted their lives to you and to your Way. We pray for all those serving as ministers of your love and mercy in dangerous places. Please help us risk being people of peace.

Lamb of God, we trust in you. Amen. 🕈

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, USMC 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, JUL 2

8:00am – Victor & Juanita Fadera (D) 5:00pm – Ron McGinty (D)

SUNDAY, JUL 3

7:00am – Vincent Posluszny (D) 9:00am – William Gill (D) 11:00am – Catherine & Emeka Umeh (I) 1:00pm – Sinu Sebastian (I) 5:00pm – Parishioners of St. Laurence

MONDAY, JUL 4

9:00am - Charles Ray Christofferson (I)

TUESDAY, JUL 5

7:30am – Patrick & Weruche Agube (I) 12:00pm – Johnny Lee (D)

WEDNESDAY, JUL 6

7:30am – Souls in Purgatory 6:30pm – Pereira Family (D)

THURSDAY, JUL 7 7:30am – Frank Nemec (D)

12:00pm – Richard Parsons (D)

FRIDAY, JUL 8

8:15am – Rev. Thomas Yuen (D) 12:00pm – Pierre Haget (D)

SATURDAY, JUL 9

8:00am – Donald Krueger (D) 5:00pm – Bill Orth (D)

SUNDAY, JUL 10

7:00am - George Plauche (D) 9:00am - William Gill (D) 11:00am - Giuse Dang Viet Thuc (D) 1:00pm - Savio Kevin Le (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, 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), Basil Housewright.

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

Standing with Moms in Need

"[E]very human life, unique and unrepeatable, has value in and of itself; it is of inestimable value. This must always be proclaimed anew with the courage of the Word and the courage of actions. It calls us to solidarity and fraternal love for the great human family and for each of its members."

-Pope Francis on the 25th Anniversary of Evangelium Vitae (March 25, 2020)

As our nation awaits the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, we join together in prayer and expectant hope that states will again be able to protect women and children from the injustice of abortion. As we affirm the value of every human life, we welcome the possibility of saving countless unborn children as well as sparing women and families the pain of abortion.

The Catholic Church has a long history of service to those who are most vulnerable and remains the largest private provider of social services in the United States. Through the sacrificial efforts of faithful Catholics, the Church serves millions through diocesan ministries and agencies, Catholic hospitals and healthcare systems, immigration clinics, shelters, and Catholic schools and parishes. From religious communities to pregnancy care centers, from refugee resettlement services to foster care and adoption agencies, and from maternity homes to parish-based ministries, the Church consistently bears witness in word and deed to the beauty and dignity of every human life—including both mother and child.

As the chairmen of committees serving the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, we proclaim a vision for our society that upholds the truth that every human life is sacred and inviolable—a society in which the legal protection of human life is accompanied by profound care for mothers and their children. We exhort our nation to prioritize the well-being of women, children, and families with both material resources and personal accompaniment so that no woman ever feels forced to choose between her future and the life of her child.

In that effort, we recommit our committees and urge our dioceses, parishes, and Catholic agencies and institutions:

- To redouble our efforts to accompany women and couples who are facing unexpected or difficult pregnancies, and during the early years of parenthood, offering them loving and compassionate care through initiatives such as *Walking with Moms in Need* and countless others.
- To ensure our Catholic parishes are places of welcome for women facing challenging pregnancies or who find it difficult to care for their children after birth, so that any mother needing assistance will receive life-affirming support and be connected to appropriate programs and resources where she can get help.
- To help Catholics recognize the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in their communities, enabling parishioners to know these mothers, to listen to them, and to help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children.
- To be witnesses of love and life by expanding and improving the extensive network of comprehensive care including pregnancy help centers, maternity homes, and Catholic health care and social service agencies.

- To proclaim with a clear and united voice that our society can and must protect and care for both women and their children.
- To redouble our advocacy for laws that ensure the right to life for unborn children and that no mother or family lacks the basic resources needed to care for their children, regardless of race, age, immigration status, or any other factor.
- To continue to support and advocate for public policies and programs directed toward building up the common good and fostering integral human development, with a special concern for the needs of immigrants and low-income families.

We are deeply conscious that, after nearly half a century of legalized abortion, more than 65 million children have died from abortion and an untold number of women, men, and families suffer in the aftermath. Recognizing this pain and loss, we also recommit our committees and urge our dioceses, parishes, and Catholic agencies and institutions:

- To proclaim God's mercy after abortion and compassionately accompany women and men who are suffering after an abortion.
- To expand our diocesan abortion healing ministries, most often called <u>Project Rachel Ministry</u>, so that women and men receive forgiveness, healing, and spiritual renewal through Christ's infinite mercy.
- To transform our parishes into what Pope Francis calls "islands of mercy in a sea of indifference" by raising Catholic awareness of the great struggle involved in an abortion, and the guilt, pain, and grief that follow.

In all these ways and more, the Catholic Church witnesses to the sanctity of all human life, from conception to natural death, and works to build a true culture of life in our nation. May a renewed commitment to life overflow into increased protection of unborn children and expanded support for their mothers and families.

Most Reverend José H. Gomez

Archbishop of Los Angeles President, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

MOST REVEREND THOMAS A. DALY

Bishop of Spokane Chairman, USCCB Committee on Catholic Education

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Bishop of Crookston Chairman, USCCB Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis

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Auxiliary Bishop of Washington Chairman, USCCB Committee on Migration

Most Reverend Robert P. Reed

Auxiliary Bishop of Boston Chairman, USCCB Committee on Communications

MOST REVEREND PAUL S. COAKLEY

Archbishop of Oklahoma City Chairman, USCCB Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development

MOST REVEREND SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE

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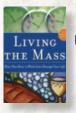
FAMILY LIFE

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



'Living the Mass' means to remember each and every day what God has done for us, to recall his great deeds, and to tell others about them.

- Living the Mass (pg. 40)

MAKE A SPLASH FOR THE LORD!

Summer Family Gather Night Friday, July 22

6:30-8:00pm Potluck dinner & family fun Main course provided – please bring a side or dessert to share Stay for Family Rosary at 8pm

INFO/REGISTER: stlaurence.org/family-events

GO TO THE LIBRARY!

The 2022 Summer Reading Program for children and adults started earlier this month. Stop by the library to pick up a game form and turn it in by August 15 to win a prize. And Summer Story Time in the Parish Library has returned! Parents and young children (target age is 4-8, but all are welcome) are invited to the library each Tuesday at 10am, for a story and craft. stlaurence.org/parish-library

EDGE ACTIVITIES FOR MIDDLE-SCHOOLERS

There is a lot of great things happening at St. Laurence for middle school aged youth. Don't miss the fun! Check the parish website for dates & details and be sure to register for EDGE Summer Series,



Glow-Nighter overnights and Tuesday Mass & Open Youth Room. stlaurence.org/edge

HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

Summer Life Nights will focus on the theme "Always Forward. Never Back," held on various Sunday nights. There's D-Groups (volleyball, karaoke & bible study) 6-9pm Tuesdays, a fun service project and Astros game on July 7, and be sure to come to the Steubenville Praise Rally on Wednesday, June 29, to hear all about the Steubenville South weekend. stlaurence.org/lifeteen

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



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.

Two adorers are required at all times. We are seeking a second committed adorer for more than 20 available hours.

Urgent Need: A 2nd adorer is needed 1am to 2am for everyday except Tuesday. We pray you will feel called to this hour.

Adoration will be paused from Sunday, July 3, 7:00pm until Tuesday, July 5, 7:00am for the Independence Day Holiday.

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

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Next Class: July 30, 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:

Ellie Dolence, Charlize Frehe, Camille Go, Levi Lewis, Ifeanyichi Mbaka, Matthew Ong, Marian Preng, Isabella Rodriguez, Mary-Elizabeth Thibeaux, Ellie Wing

IN REQUIEM

Providencia Sabido, mother of Louis Sabido

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Grant, we pray,

O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome— for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us—this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."



HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

The St. Laurence campus and parish office are closed on Monday, July 4. There will be one Mass, 9am, in the church.



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.

NEXT WEEK: BACK-TO-SCHOOL SHOE DRIVE

Each year, our parish helps over 700 children in need, right here in Fort Bend County, start the school year with brand new shoes and fresh school supplies. Look for the tag line on the plaza the weekends of July 10 and July 17 to participate. Our Social Concerns Ministry is so grateful for the generous response to this drive, and all drives throughout the year, to provide aid to those less fortunate. stlaurence.org/scm-shoe-drive

2022-2024 EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The US Bishops invite us to be part of a National Eucharistic Revival! From now through July 2024, there will be a concentrated focus of resources and teaching on the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. With just 31% of Catholics stating belief in the True Presence (Pew Research), our bishops hope to inspire those who do believe to spread the truth to all. Specially appointed Eucharistic Missionaries (including two priests from our own archdiocese) will travel the country teaching about Christ and the Real Presence. Watch for local opportunities to learn and grow in faith, and plan now to attend the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21, 2024. INFO: eucharisticrevival.org

AUG 18-21: MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

Register now for the upcoming Men's ACTS Retreat, a parish-based event which offers parishioners an opportunity to experience the love of Jesus Christ and grow in discipleship. Given by parishioners for parishioners, ACTS Retreats invite us "out of the pews" and into a lifelong journey of faith and fellowship. The next Men's ACTS Retreat is August 18-21, open to all men 21-and-older. The theme is for this retreat is "Go out to all the world and tell the Good News" (Mark 16:15). Register today, spaces are limited. Contact Glen Guidry (832-465-7437, guidryglen@gmail.com) and register online: stlaurence.org/ mens-acts-retreat

JUL 28: BROS & BRISKET EVENT FOR MEN

Bros & Brisket is a special event offered each summer for the men of the parish. All men ages 16-and-up are invited to gather for a delicious BBQ meal prepared by the Knights of Columbus and enjoy fellowship with other guys and a great talk by Larry Freeney on "Reclaiming Alignment: Boundaries, Emotional Literacy and Manhood." It's Thursday, July 28, 6:30-9:00pm, in Marian Hall. Registration fee is just \$15, due July 25. INFO/REGISTER: stlaurence.org/brosandbrisket

JUL 27: MEET THE AUTHOR NIGHT

After a 2-year hiatus due to COVID, we are pleased to bring back Meet the Authors Night on Wednesday, July 27, 6:30-8:30pm, at the Ave Maria Center! Sponsored by our Parish Library, this event brings local authors to our parish for a relaxed evening of conversation, books, refreshments and a chance to purchase books and get authors' inscriptions. No cost to attend and no RSVP necessary. Just come for a fun night at St. Laurence! stlaurence.org/special-events



THE BAZAAR IS BACK!

October 15-16, 2022 Be a sponsor and get involved stlaurence.org/parish-bazaar

MEDICAL MISSION APPEAL

Special Collection July 16-17 Your financial support will help our Medical Missionaries of Divine Mercy bring aid to the poor of Laredo

mmofdm.org

RE-TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, July 9, 10-11am stlaurence.org/emhc-retraining

ST. LAURENCE WOMEN'S RETREAT

At the Ave Maria Center Fri Night & All Day Saturday Sept 30-Oct 1, 2022 SPOTS FILL UP QUICKLY: stlaurence.org/womensretreat

PARISH NEEDS A TRUCK

Got a used truck to donate or sell? Contact Tony Oltremari toltremari@stlaurence.org, 281-980-9812

NOW HIRING

Teachers, Asst Teachers, Substitutes St. Laurence Catholic School St. Laurence Weekday Childrens Program stlaurence.org/parish-job-opts

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION – WEEKLY OFFERTORY

TOTAL REGISTERED PARISHIONERS – 7,300

JUNE 26 COLLECTION	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time\$38,637
Envelopes Used	
Loose Checks	
Loose Checks	

2ND COLLECTION	. \$8,552
Peter's Pence Collection	

ONLINE GIVING

Monthly Offertory May 2022	\$269,098
Participants	1,434

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2022

2022 Parish	Goal	\$490,000

Parish Paid (Activity thru 6/27/2022)	\$327,756
Participants	677

NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTION

JULY 10, 2022 — ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL BLACK BAG 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!



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

JUL 30: CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF ACTS RETREATS

Have you been on an ACTS Retreat? Celebrate their 35th anniversary with your ACTS brothers and sisters on Saturday, July 30, at the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio. The event will begin with Mass at 4:30pm, Fr. Ron Rolheiser presiding, then move to the Whitley Theological Center for the dinner & fundraiser, with buffet dinner, refreshments and dancing. Tickets are \$25 each. INFO/REGISTER: actsmissions.org

AUG 4: LONGHORN MASS AT CO-CATHEDRAL

Current and incoming University of Texas students and their families, as well as UT alumni, are invited to the Longhorn Mass at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 6:30pm on Thursday, August 4. Fr. Jonathan Raia, Chaplain of the University Catholic Center, will preside, and a reception will be held immediately following the Mass. Please RSVP by July 21 to chris@utcatholic.org or call/text 737-240-9040.

JUL 11: CAFÉ CATHOLICA FOR YOUNG ADULTS

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**

JULY: SUMMER CHANT INTENSIVE

Join the 2022 Summer Chant Intensive at St. Mary's Seminary in Houston to learn, pray and sing the "forever tones" of the Mass and psalms. Week One (July 5-8) is for beginners or refreshers. Week Two (July 12-16) is for experienced students or those desiring to continue a second week. Tuition is \$185 for either week, \$290 for both weeks. A special Mass will be celebrated when students will chant what they have learned. Call Lowell Davis at 713-376-0289. INFO/REGISTER: chantschool.org/SCI-22/

AUG 19-21: POST ABORTION HEALING RETREAT

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for women seeking postabortion healing will be offered in Houston the weekend of August 19-21. Rachel's Vineyard is a Catholic, Scripturebased retreat that combines prayer, reflection, counseling and sacramental Reconciliation. All inquiries and registrations are strictly confidential. To register or for more information, please contact Julie Fritsch at 713-741-8728, 713-440-3443 or jkfritsch@archgh.org.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

SUMMER OF SERVICE

Our volunteers put together "welcome" bags for the children served by The Help Center in Rosenberg and also made cards and treat bags for children of our sister parish, Queen of Peace.



RESPECT LIFE

Respect Life Brochure of the Month: Top Reasons to **Oppose Assisted Suicide.**

Did you know that the vast majority of patients seeking lethal drugs do NOT cite pain as a major concern, but rather things like "losing autonomy" and being a "burden" on the family? Vulnerable persons are at risk for abuse or coercion, since once the drugs leave the pharmacy, there is no requirement to verify the patient's consent or competency to consent, and no witnesses are required at the time of death. Assisted suicide creates two classes of people, those we spend great effort trying to prevent their suicides, and those whose suicides we assist.

The article is available in both English and Spanish at the Hospitality desk, at the AMC, and on the Respect Life brochure of the month page of the St. Laurence website.

Rosary for the Preborn – Sunday, July 10 after the 11 am Mass. Please join us in praying a rosary for our preborn brothers and sisters who are in danger from abortion, in the Rosary garden outside the Ave Maria Center.

Did you know that church teachings on life issues are on the St. Laurence Respect Life website? You can find a brief summary of teachings on topics such as Conscience and the Catholic Voter, Contraception, Homosexuality, In Vitro Fertilization, and Sterilization, as well as links to more lengthy articles.

WHAT WE NEED

You can make a difference by helping with these simple donations. Items can be dropped off at the SCM and parish office or in the SCM donation bin in the church narthex.

- men's clothing for residents of ISAIAH HOUSE, a project providing transitional services for Catholic men recently released from incarceration: new underwear, new socks, gently used/new long & short sleeve shirts, pants, shoes & jackets
- mini/trial sized shampoo/conditioner, men/women's deodorant, soap, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes and feminine products for the MILITARY, HOMELESS & REFUGEES
- new white crew socks, new white t-shirts (size large), individual peanut butter cups, applesauce cups, granola bars, peanut butter/cheese crackers and 16 oz bottled water for HOPE BAGS for the HOMELESS
- new/gently used children's books & small fleece blankets for CHILDREN IN SHELTERS (ages infant through 17 yr olds).
- Sunday Coupon inserts for COUPONS FOR A CAUSE and TROPOONS program. Inserts can be dropped off at the SCM and parish office or the coupon basket located behind the Hospitality Desk in the church narthex
- Paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, disinfectant spray cleaners and unexpired non-perishable food for PEOPLE IN CRISIS

SUMMER TOYS FOR QUEEN OF PEACE

For the 2022 VBS service project, the students were asked to serve God and other children by earning money and using it to purchase summer toys to donate to the children of our sister parish, Queen of Peace. The students did a great job and together provided close to 300 toys! Thank you so



much for your kindness and generosity!

COMING SOON LOOK FOR THE TAG LINE AFTER MASS JULY 9-10 & JULY 16-17

Help provide a NEW PAIR OF SHOES for local Fort Bend children as they return to school this August. With your help, we hope to provide over 700 pairs of shoes this year. Shoe tags and monetary donation envelopes



will be on the plaza after Mass on July 9/10 and July 16/17. Additionally, we will be accepting new school supplies to benefit children in Fort Bend County living in poverty. A complete list of school supplies is on our website

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

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

FAITH FORMATION & EDUCATION Justin Frato | 281-265-5774

Adult Faith Formation Catholic Men CTB Saints Director of Faith Formation EDGE (Middle School) **Elementary Faith Formation** Family Faith **Financial Peace University** Life Teen (High School) Men's Bible Studies Natural Family Planning Parish Library Parish School Principal Parish School Board Parish School PTO

Preschool Faith Formation Spanish Bible Study That Man Is You Tuesday Morning Bible Study Vacation Bible School Vocations Committee

Weekday Children's Program

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PRAYER, RETREATS & PRAYER GROUPS

A.C.T.S. Retreat

Adoration Christian Meditation **Contemplative Prayer** Divine Mercy (Morning) Divine Mercy (Evening) Divine Mercy (Spanish) Hearts of Jesus & Mary Lay Apostle Prayer Group Legion of Mary (Afternoon) Legion of Mary (Evening) Marian Consecration St. Anthony of Padua St. Laurence Women Retreat

CARE & SUPPORT

Annulments Bereavement Ministries: Grief Support Group Grieving Families H.O.P.E. Class Cancer Support Group Caregivers Support Group

DivorceCare **Embracing Special Needs** Funeral Planning Funeral Reception Ministry Loving Seniors

Meals That Heal NAMI Pastoral Care to Sick/Hmbd Spiritual Direction Sunday Priest Meals Unbound Prayer

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