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"...there is no inequality of significance amongst us except holiness..."
"No hay desigualdad de importancia entre nosotros excepto la santidad..."

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 16, 2017

STAFF

Rev. Fred Valone.....Pastor
Felix Ramos.....Permanent Deacon
Kathy Boscarino.....DRE / Y M
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Marisol Urbina.....Administrative Asst.
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Jill Baker.....Nursery Coordinator
Pat Norfleet.....Bookkeeper
Sylvia Vitela.....Secretary
Laura Puente.....Custodian



Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray,
your own sins will be forgiven.










— Sirach 28:2

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Confirmation Retreat/ Retiro de Confirmación



Mass Intentions Of The Week

Sat	7/15	5:30 pm	Kathy Price (her intentions)
Sun	7/16	7:45 am	Teresa and Francis Alvarez 
		10:45 am	Deceased members of the Magelky Family 
		12:30 pm	Parishioners
Mon	7/17	No Mass	
Tues	7/18	7:15am	Maria Luisa Sandoval
Wed	7/19	7:15am	Jeannie Hibbison 
Thur	7/20	7:15 am	Zetta Miller 
Fri	7/21	7:15 am	Bruce Nobble 
Sat	7/22	5:30 pm	Robert Massey 
Sun	7/23	7:45 am	Daine Linklater 
		10:45 am	Reese McKay & Brad McKay 
		12:30 pm	Juan & Jose Gallardo 

Diocesan Service Fund As of July 1, 2017

Parish Goal	\$37,000.00
Total Amount Paid	\$34,477.04
Total Amount Pledged	\$39,583.18
Goal Shortfall	\$2,583.18

WEEKLY READINGS

Mon	7/17	EX 1:8-14, 22; MT 10:34-11:1
Tues	7/18	EX 2:1-15A; MT 11:20-24
Wed	7/19	EX 3:1-6, 9-12; MT 11:25-27
Thurs	7/20	EX 3:13-20; MT 11:28; MT 11:28-30
Fri	7/21	EX 11:10—12:14; MT 12:1-8
Sat	7/22	SGS 3:1-4B; JN 20:1-2, 11-18
Sun	7/23	WIS 12:13, 16-19; MT 13:24-43; MT 13:24-30

You're Invited! . . . Parishioners are welcome to join Parish Pastoral Council members in attending a one-day Stewardship Conference. The conference will have national and regional speakers discussing a wide variety of stewardship-related topics. This is a great opportunity for Stewardship Committees, Pastoral Councils, Finance Councils, Ministry Leaders and parishioners interested in learning how stewardship principles can enhance all areas of parish and personal life and have a profound impact on living as a disciple of Jesus Christ. The conference will be on **July 22, 2017 at St. Laurence in Sugar Land from 8 AM-4PM**. Those wishing to attend should register here: <http://www.stlaurence.org/stewardship-conference>.

Call Lavonne Zaiontz at (936) 661-2405 after 4:30pm if interested in carpooling.

Thank you so much for being a big part of our Special Week to all who attended and supported us. The Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Thomas Ladies, Catholic Daughters and all our youth and volunteers.

Rome VBS 2017 - Paul and the Underground Church



Pray for...



Recen por...

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Judy Adib, Veronica Antwi, Edd Artherholt, James Aubey, Irma Avalos, Brad & Carmen Bachman, Gene Barrett, Jordan Bergeron, Chelsea Brown, Fidelis Burton, Phillip Caito, Wren Colligan, Cody Castillo, Sunni Cook, Sabrina Coronado, Terry Corral, Paula Culak, Melanie Davis, Tom and Erin Degnan, Margie Eglsaer, Mary Gedelian, Jean Guillory, Mike Hillman, Glenn Paul Jones, Sandra Kilgore, Kevin Kretzschmar, Edwin Laake, Al Losack, Edward Lucas, Don Marcotte, Sam and Marie Martinez, Bob Massey, Lucy Mata, Coby Meinzer, Donna Moore, Floyd & MaryAnn Moore, Susan Montoya Lourdes Mosqueda, Mike Phillips, Brenda Piñeda, Kathy Price, John Raia, Margaret Rozell, Ana Marie Santos, John Sarley, Kenny Sechelski, Kayden Bryn Shipley, Linda Skains, Cheryl Smith, Kathy Spivey, Dorothea Stachowiak, Dolores Stavena, Kathy Stoltz, Jean Stow, Ray Townley, Dorothy Townsend, Matthew Varnum, Maria Elena Valencia, José Vitela, Rusty Wallace, Alma Williams, Charlotte Rose Winkler, Roy Young, Rose Youngblood, Bill Walton

Protecting God's Children Workshop

A Protecting God's Children Workshop will be held on **Saturday, July 22, 2017 from 9:00 a.m.—noon in the parish hall.** This workshop is for those who volunteer in ministries that work with (or include) children or youth. **Please pre-register** online at www.virtusonline.org Choose "1st time registrant" to get started. Please use your Name and Date of Birth as it appears on your DL, ID or Passport.

On the day of the workshop :

- Please arrive 30 minutes early for registration
 - Bring your current Driver's license, State- issued ID card, Passport, Mexico or Guatemala Consulate ID.
- If you have any questions, please contact Kathy at the church office (936) 295-8159.

Post-Truth Society: the Oxford Dictionary word of the year last year was "post-truth." Yet Jesus says that He is the Truth. Are we living in a post-truth society? Does our belief and understanding of God impact a society that celebrates the word "post-truth?" Want to discuss the issue? There is a informal meeting about the subject on **Thursday, July 20th at 6:30 PM in the adult education building.** If interested, please contact the parish office.

Our Lady would like to come to your home to visit. Your family can learn to pray the Rosary and Mary will help you to welcome Jesus into your heart and home. Contact the Legion of Mary
Julie Roy 936-349-5923; Polo Gayton at (936)650-5720



*The flowers beside the
Blessed Sacrament
are in honor
Of
First communion
candidates
by
Kenneth & Theresa
Westbay*

Weekly Offering



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Saturday & Sunday July 1st & 2nd

Regular Collection: \$9,782.10

Saint Thomas Mission: \$1,876.37

Saturday & Sunday July 8th & 9th

Regular Collection: \$11,594.22

**We thank you for your
continued support!**

Coming Soon!

**St. Thomas Ladies'
2017 Rummage Sale
August 4th and 5th**



**Donated items
will be accepted beginning
THIS WEEKEND
July 17th**

Watch for more details in the bulletin



Summer Fun

Up-Coming Events

- ◆ Edge Returns September 10, 2017

Edge 2017/2018

Basic Information

- ◇ Edge will include all 7th and 8th grade youth
- ◇ Meet Sundays following the CCE schedule
- ◇ Meet in the Parish Hall
- ◇ Will follow 4 Big Ideas
- ◇ Who is Jesus Christ?
- ◇ How do I get to know and love Him?
- ◇ How does Jesus teach us to live a moral life?
- ◇ How are we called to become missionary disciples of Jesus Christ?

Edge (7th and 8th grades) will meet on Sunday Mornings in the Parish Hall—After donuts ;)



EDGE[®]
Catholic Middle School Ministry

Designed especially for our 7th and 8th grade youth, Edge offers educational, social and spiritual experiences *leading our youth closer to Christ* and His Church.

I Praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works. Psalm 139:14



Upcoming Events

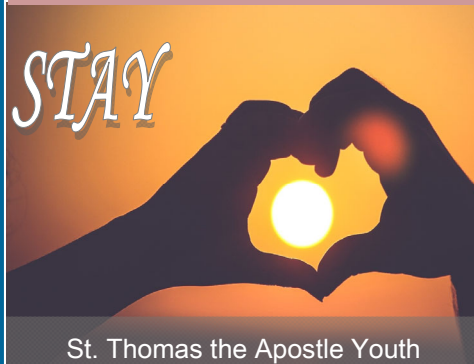
- † Life Teen returns after Labor Day
- † Stay Youth Night 6:30-8:30



Confirmation Retreat 2017

Jorge and Roberto practice servant leadership as they wash the hands of others during the Confirmation Retreat.

A great big THANK YOU to the Knights of Columbus for preparing our yummy Friday night meal during the Confirmation Retreat.



St. Thomas the Apostle Youth

Contact Information

Kathy Boscarino, DRE/YM
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Weekly Events

Sundays CCE 9:05 a.m.—10:20 a.m.
Edge (6th–8th grade) CCE Bldg
Lifeteen (9th–12th) Youth Bldg
Wednesdays *STAY Youth Night*
6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. Youth Center
2nd Thursday of Each Month
STAY Edge Night 6:00pm—7:30pm

BAZAAR 2017 NEWS

St. Thomas Community Bazaar will be held
Sunday, October 15th on the church grounds.



October 15— Mark the date on your calendars for Bazaar 2017

That is just a few short months away and will be here before we realize it.

Your bazaar committee is working on some new and exciting changes and additions.

BUT our bazaar will only be successful if everyone participates. Here's a few ideas to consider.



WE NEED YOU - NOW!

The following booths need chairs and/or volunteers: If you are interested please call

Charley @ 295-0653 or Sable @ 295-8003

Children's Games – Needs a chairman

Children's Prize Booth – Needs a chairman

Drive-thru – Needs a co-chairman

Treasure Chest – Needs a chairman

Live Auction – Needs 4 adults to help work the auction on bazaar day

Over the summer months, consider donating to these areas and start saving now:

- Save empty egg shells (our youth will make confetti eggs). Need to know how? Call us.
- Save your books & donate to the Book Nook.
- Canning? Crafty? Like to sew? Donate your home made items to the Country Store
- Gardeners & plant lovers. Start some clippings. The Plant Booth will need many plants of all sizes & varieties. Need starter pots? Call Nancy @ 295-2293 or Betty @ 439-5159.
- Consider donating an item for the live auction. Call Kristi @ 662-7510.
- Purchase when they are on sale & donate drinks; Water, Coke, Diet Coke, Dr. Pepper, Sprite, 7-Up, and others
- Cash – always accepted to help with bazaar expenses.

**Next bazaar meeting: Monday, July 10, 6:30 pm in the parish hall.
Anyone interested is welcome to attend.**



ANNUAL BLACK BAG COLLECTION

Jesus tells us that ...

“whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.”

Together, let us follow Jesus's example by bringing hope and mercy to the poor through our mission of charity. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Annual Black Bag collection will be held this weekend.



COLECTA ANUAL “BOLSA NEGRA”

Jesús nos dice que

“quien quiera salvar su vida la perderá, pero quien pierda su vida por mi causa, la salvará”.

En esta semana, sabemos que usted llevara esperanza a los pobres a través de su generosa donación a la colecta anual “Bolsa Negra” de La Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul este fin de semana.



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Workshop

Saturday, July 22
8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

St. Dominic Chancery, Morkovsky Hall
2403 Holcombe Blvd., Houston.

Participants will explore:

- Ecclesial nature of the Eucharist
- Eucharist as sacrifice, memorial, banquet, and school of active love for neighbor
- Real Presence of Christ
- Eucharistic reverence
- Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion

Office of Worship will provide lunch w/registration.

What to bring:

- Note-taking supplies .
- \$30 registration postmarked/online registration closes July 14. *Registration after the deadline will be \$40 at the door if space is available.*

To register, visit our [online registration page](#) or call 713-741-8760.

Maria Goretti Support Group ... New support group for those afflicted with any type of abuse (physical, sexual, emotional, spiritual or mental) will begin to meet at 7:00 pm on the third Monday of every month in downtown Houston at the Cathedral Centre (1701 San Jacinto Street, Houston, TX 77002). For more info about the Maria Goretti Network that is sponsoring this support group, go to www.mgoretti.org/ or call 713-851-3708.

Elder Abuse... Elder abuse can happen to anyone and it can take many different forms. Most cases of abuse reported to Adult Protective Services involve “self-neglect.” Many of these people are vulnerable to abuse because they live alone or are dependent on someone else for their care. Texas requires by law the reporting of elder abuse or the suspicion of elder abuse. If you know of someone who cannot care for himself/herself, or who is being abused, neglected or exploited, whether they live alone or with a spouse or caregiver, Texas law requires that you report the abuse. The number is **1-800-252-5400**; your report will remain confidential. For additional information, please contact the Office of Aging at **713-741-8712**.

Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión

Sábado, 22 de Julio
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

San Dominic Chancillería, Morkovsky Hall
2403 Holcombe Blvd., Houston.

Los participantes explorarán:

- La naturaleza eclesial de la Eucaristía
- La Eucaristía como sacrificio, el memorial, el banquete y la escuela del amor activo para el prójimo
- La presencia verdadera de Cristo
- La reverencia a la Eucaristía
- Las normas para la celebración y recepción de la Sagrada Comunión

El almuerzo es proporcionado por la Oficina de Culto con el registro.

Qué traer:

- Suministros para tomar notas.
- \$30 si la envía (sellada por el correo) / las inscripciones en línea se cerrarán el 14 de julio. *Después de la fecha límite, por favor no envíe su inscripción, deberá inscribirse el día del taller y será sujeto a espacio.* El costo de inscripción en la puerta es \$40.

Para registrarse, visite nuestra [página de registro en línea](#) o llame al 713-741-8760.

Life Awareness Weekend, July 21-23 (Starts Friday at 5:00 p.m.-Sunday at 2:30 p.m.) at Holy Name Retreat Center. Come and join other single men and women of faith, ages 18-45, who are searching and discerning God’s call in their lives. Life Awareness is a weekend retreat of prayer, silent reflection, presentations, group discussions, and sharing on one-on-one encounters and guidance from priests and religious sisters and brothers, as you learn more about priesthood and religious life. This retreat is designed to help young adults to learn and explore the vocations of priesthood and consecrated life.

Come join us! Holy Name Retreat Center, 430 Bunker Hill Rd Houston, Texas 77024. Information:

Deacon Gary Hilbig 832-549-4140

gary.hilbig@allsaints.us.com

Henry Majoue 832-606-1372 Hjmajoue@gmail.com

Cost: Free (Donations accepted) Deadline: July 18.

Short interview required. Pre-registration and forms at www.houstonvocations.com/life-awareness