



*Archdiocese of Galveston Houston  
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception  
Catholic Church*

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*Parish Office Hours  
Monday - Friday  
9:00 am-12:00 Noon  
1:00 pm-4:00 pm*

*CCE Office Hours:  
Sunday 8:30 am-12:00 pm*

*First Sunday of Lent  
March 5, 2017*

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Baptisms are celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. Classes are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Please come by the Parish Office to register or call for more information.

**Reconciliation**

The Sacrament of Penance is offered on Saturdays, from 4:30p.m. to 5:30p.m. or by appointment.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Please contact the Parish Office at least (6) six months prior to your desired wedding date to arrange a meeting with Father Tony or one of the Deacons. If you want a Mass, you must call Father Tony.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Are you a non-Catholic who is interested in joining the Catholic faith? Are you a baptized Catholic who has never received the sacraments of 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation? If your answer is yes to either of these questions, call the Parish Office.

**Sacrament of First Communion**

First Communion candidates must be baptized, at least in the second grade, and have been attending CCE classes for two full years previous to their receiving the Sacrament. Adults needing First Communion should refer to the rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Confirmation candidates must have previously received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion. They must have faithfully attended Life Teen for at least one full year prior to beginning preparation for the Sacrament (more than three absences without a valid excuse can alter the process). A signed form stating that the parent/guardian and the candidate understand all requirements is also necessary before the preparation begins. Adults needing confirmation should refer to the Rite of Christian initiation of adults.

**Eucharistic Celebrations**

**Saturday:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,  
12:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
4:00 p.m. Life Teen Mass

**Weekday Masses in St. Joseph's Chapel**

Monday (No Mass)  
Tuesday – 12:00 noon  
Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. &  
(1st Wednesday Only 6:30 p.m.)  
Thursday, & Friday – 8:30 a.m.

**Parish Staff**

**Rev. Tony A. Castro, Pastor**  
Deacon Hector Cantu  
Deacon Julio Matallana  
Deacon Stan Avallone  
**Bookkeeper-Patty Detweiler**  
**Bulletin/Sacramental Records– Cheryl Frobenius**  
**Maintenance-Humberto Villalobos**  
**Parish Secretary-Debbie Heasty**  
**Receptionist-Peggy Holland**  
**C.C.E. Director-Jessica Jaramillo**  
**EDGE Director-Renee Cortez**  
**Life Teen Director-Shari Davis**

*Vision Statement*

*St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception is a Catholic Community of Believers called to serve Christ by gathering together at the Lord's Table in worship and praise, by serving our brothers and sisters in Christ, and by being a welcoming beacon of light to all. We are many parts, yet one body in Christ.*

# Mass Intentions For The Week



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**Saturday March 4:**

6:00pm Amanda Kempf Chollett†  
By: Kempf Family

**Sunday, March 5:**

7:30am Juan Benitez†  
By: Twomey Family

10:00am Tito Perez†  
By: Family

12:30pm People of the Parish  
4:00pm Paul M. Griffiths†  
By: Silda Griffiths

**Tuesday, March 7:**

12:00pm Charles Sharpless†  
By: Cathy Greene

**Wednesday, March 8:**

8:30am Fred & Pat Young Special Intention

**Thursday, March 9:**

8:30am Karen Bounds†  
By: Richard & Barbara Florance

**Friday, March 10:**

8:30am Rev. Bruce Noble†

**Saturday March 11:**

6:00pm Emil Schaidert†  
By: Family

**Sunday, March 12:**

7:30am Sinforosa Dapitant†  
By: Marden Distefano

10:00am Delia Lopez†  
By: Joe Lopez

12:30pm People of the Parish  
4:00pm Gonzalo Lopez Jr.  
By: Family

**Weekly Collections**

**February 25 & 26, 2017**

**Weekly Goal \$12,000.00**

Regular Collection     \$9,9667.10



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## “God is at Work Here”

### Loan Balance

<b>Principle Balance</b>	\$45,931.103
<b>Monthly Payment</b>	\$ 8,000.00
<b>Donations (February)</b>	\$ 2,405.00

God's blessings to each of you for your generosity!!!

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

**Parish Goal 2017 \$52,000.00**  
**Total Amount Pledged \$22,660.00**  
**Total Amount Paid \$ 11,997.50(23.07%)**  
**Total # of Participant 51**

## “Go Make Disciples”

Our 2017 Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) appeal is now being held throughout the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Christ calls us to reach those who are sick or in need, to bless them, serve them, and show them mercy. The thousands of people served by the ministries of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston need your compassion and generosity. Your kind gift to DSF enables us to reach out to people in this parish and throughout the entire archdiocese through more than 60 important programs.

If you are a registered parishioner, you should have received a letter from Cardinal DiNardo, along with a personalized pledge card in the mail, inviting you to **Go Make Disciples**. Please pray about your DSF 2017 commitment, then complete and return your enclosed pledge card via mail in the special envelope provided or bring it to Mass and place it in the collection basket. If you prefer, you may go online at [www.archgh.org/dsf](http://www.archgh.org/dsf) to make your donation. There are extra donation envelopes located at the doors of the church. Your generosity will allow our Catholic community to continue many vital programs and services.

## Congratulations

### New Parish Council Members

Belinda Guerrero, Alma Lozano,  
Patrick Stanton, Isabelle Salas,  
Randy Tercero

**Current Members:** Carlos Cirnigliaro, Shari Davis, Diana Ortiz, Karl Paulissen, Ruben Salinas, and Rene Cortez (secretary).

Thank you for your willingness to serve!



## Friday's in Lent Stations of the Cross

6:30PM (English)     7:15PM (Spanish)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Celebrant</u>
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March 10th	Deacon Hector Cantu
March 17th	Fr. Tony Castro
March 24th	Deacon Stan Avallone
March 31st	Deacon Hector Cantu
April 7th	Fr. Tony Castro

7:15PM (Spanish) Deacon Julio

Fri. March 17th Holy Hour with  
Fr. Jesus Lizalde 7pm

Every Friday KC Fish Fry  
5:30-7:30pm ~ \$8.00 Plate

**Dear parish family,**

### **1 Sunday of Lent Year A**

The season of Lent which begun on Ash Wednesday is a period of 40 days leading to the celebration of the paschal mystery, passion, death and resurrection that accomplished Jesus' mission for our redemption.

For the chosen people of Israel the desert was a place of testing, and renewal and also a place to encounter God. When the Israelites were freed from slavery in Egypt, they wandered 40 years in the wilderness. This was seen as a time of purification and preparation for entry into the Promised Land. Moses went to the mountain of the Lord at Sinai and stayed there for 40 days and nights in prayer and fasting (Exodus 24:18). Elijah, after he was fed with bread from heaven, journeyed without any food for 40 days to the mountain of God. (1 Kings 19:8). Jesus journeyed without any food to the wilderness for 40 days to prepare himself for the mission that the Father had sent him to accomplish.

Thus the church, rehearses this in Liturgy. Jesus, who identifies with our humanity, was no exception to this pattern of testing. Jesus finds the strength to survive the desert's harsh conditions and the tempter's seduction on God's word and found strength in doing his Father's will. Satan will surely tempt us and he will try his best to get us to choose our will over God's will. If he can't make us renounce our faith or sin mortally, he will then try to get us to make choices that will lead us, little by little, away from what God wants for us.

Jesus shows to us that there are much more important things other than his own deepest need at the moment. He showed us we could defeat the devil by sheer patience and following just the natural course of life. He refuses easy way out, quick fix or short cuts or magic solutions. He rebuked the devil by saying; "man does not live by bread alone but also by every word that comes from the mouth of God." He showed us that the way to the fullness of life is the patient ways of love, the way to convince disciples is the persuasion of truth, the way to be closer to God is humility, and the way to win the battle against the devil is the way to the cross.

As we are reminded of the gospel message, we are therefore challenge to consider that the 40 days of Lent, we are just beginning should be a time in which we go and rediscover the Christian virtues and values that we have forgotten. Lent is a time in which we re-evaluate the cravings of our hearts. Do we crave for more material things, power and influence for selfish ends, or have we strive to do God's will?

Throughout Lent let us create a silence within us, to look at ourselves as if from the outside, to moderate our outward activities and distractions. Doing so, we will hear Jesus knocking on the door of our hearts and open our hearts to let him enter and change our hearts this Lenten season.

**Blessings to all and have a good week.**

**Fr. Tony**

### **Querida familia parroquial, 1 Domingo de Cuaresma Año A**

La temporada de Cuaresma que comenzó el Miércoles de Ceniza es un período de 40 días que conduce a la celebración del misterio pascual, pasión, muerte y resurrección que llevo a cabo la misión de Jesús para nuestra redención.

Para el pueblo escogido de Israel, el desierto era un lugar de prueba, de renovación y también un lugar para encontrarse con Dios. Cuando los israelitas fueron liberados de la esclavitud en Egipto, vagaron 40 años en el desierto. Esto fue visto como un tiempo de purificación y preparación para entrar en la Tierra Prometida. Moisés fue al monte del Señor en Sinaí y permaneció allí durante 40 días y 40 noches en oración y ayuno (Éxodo 24:18). Elías, después de haber sido alimentado con pan del cielo, viajó sin alimento durante 40 días al monte de Dios. (1 Reyes 19: 8). Jesús viajó sin comida al desierto durante 40 días para prepararse para la misión que el Padre le había enviado a cumplir.

Así la iglesia, pone a prueba esto en la liturgia. Jesús, que se identifica con nuestra humanidad, no fue una excepción a este patrón de pruebas. Jesús encuentra la fuerza para sobrevivir a las duras condiciones del desierto y a la seducción del tentador en la Palabra de Dios y encontró fuerza para hacer la voluntad de su Padre. Satanás seguramente nos tentará y hará todo lo posible para que escojamos nuestra voluntad sobre la voluntad de Dios. Si no puede hacernos renunciar a nuestra fe o pecar mortalmente, entonces tratará de hacernos tomar decisiones que nos llevarán, poco a poco, a alejarnos de lo que Dios quiere para nosotros.

Jesús nos muestra que hay cosas mucho más importantes que su propia necesidad más profunda en este momento. Él nos mostró que podríamos derrotar al enemigo con mucha paciencia y seguir sólo el curso natural de la vida. Se niega la salida fácil, solución rápida, atajos o soluciones mágicas. Él reprendió al diablo diciendo; "El hombre no vive sólo de pan sino también de toda palabra que sale de la boca de Dios". Él nos mostró que el camino hacia la plenitud de la vida es el paciente camino del amor, la manera de convencer a los discípulos es la persuasión de la verdad, La manera de estar más cerca de Dios es la humildad, y el camino para ganar la batalla contra el diablo es el camino a la cruz.

Como nos recuerda el mensaje del Evangelio, por lo tanto, se nos reta a considerar que en los 40 días de Cuaresma, estamos empezando un tiempo en el que vamos a redescubrir las virtudes cristianas y los valores que hemos olvidado. La Cuaresma es un tiempo en el que reevaluamos los deseos de nuestros corazones. ¿Anhelamos más cosas materiales, poder e influencia para fines egoístas, o nos esforzamos por hacer la voluntad de Dios?

A través de la Cuaresma, establezcamos un silencio dentro de nosotros, mirándonos introspectivamente desde afuera, moderaremos nuestras actividades y distracciones externas. Haciendo esto, escucharemos a Jesús tocando a la puerta de nuestros corazones y abriremos nuestros corazones para permitirle entrar y cambiar nuestros corazones en esta temporada cuaresmal.

**¡Bendiciones a todos y que tengan una buena semana!**

**Padre**

### Activities of the Week

Sun. March 5: CCE, EDGE, Life Teen Retreat  
Bible Study/ Prayer Group, PH Conf. Rm 8:45am  
Bible Study:  
Biblical Walk with Blessed Mother, RH 5:15pm  
Mon. March 6: Women's AA Rosary Hall 7pm  
Tues. March 7: ESL Rosary Hall 9:30am  
Altar Society Mtg. Rosary Hall 6:30pm  
Citizenship Class Rosary Hall 7pm  
Wed. March 8:  
Bible Study:  
Biblical Walk with Blessed Mother, PH 9:15pm  
Thurs. March 9: RCIA 6:45pm PH Conf. Rm  
Fri. March 3: Stations of the Cross English-6:30pm

### ALTAR FLOWERS

March: No Altar Flowers during Lent

#### 2017 Flower Dates Available

April 22/23, 29/30 May 6/7, 13/14, 20/21, 27/28

To place flowers on the altar contact Jan Hughes @ 281-402-5401 or 903-780-5090 to reserve your date as soon as possible.

#### Church Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of Eddie Gomez

By: Maria Garcia

#### Chapel Sanctuary Candle

Special Intention Janie Gonzalez & Aaron Rodriguez

### ALTAR SOCIETY MTG.

TUESDAY @ 6:30PM

ROSARY HALL

ALL WELCOME!!!

### Bay Area Council of Catholic Women

will hold their monthly meeting March 15 at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Beck Hall, 18223 Point Lookout Drive, Nassau Bay. We will meet at 9:30 for Social time, with a presentation entitled **Reflections on the Catholic Church in the Solomon Islands: A Seminarian Teacher Shares His Experiences** given by Mark Daniel, Parishioner of St. Paul's, at 10am. Business mtg. @ 10:45 and potluck lunch. Please bring dish to share. The CCW is an affiliated network of dedicated Catholic women who come together for fun, growth in spirituality, leadership and service to Christ, His church and society. For additional information contact Gretchen Mitchell @ 832-605-8360; gretchenmitchell@gmail.com.

### Upcoming Baptismal Dates

March 5, April 2, May 7

Baptism classes are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in English and the 3rd Tuesday of the month in Spanish @ 7pm. Baptisms are the first Sunday of the month after the 10am & 12:30pm Masses.

If you are baptizing here, you need to fill out a registration form for your child's baptism, and we will need to make a copy of their birth certificate from the state before you attend the class.

If you do not live in La Porte, you must be a registered, active member of St Mary's to baptize your child here. You cannot register in our parish only to baptize your child. Please come by or call the office to fill out the paperwork.

## SAVE THE DATE...

### "Extravaganza 2017"

#### Dinner & Auction

Saturday, April 22nd

Our "Extravaganza 2017" is just a little over 2 months away. We are in need of items for the auction as well as monetary donations to help defray our expenses as well as to help pay for the auctioneer.

Do you know of a family or business who would be willing to make donation of \$100. or more and have their name or business displayed on one of our tables at the dinner?

The profits will be used to offset our expenses and purchase items needed to ensure the success of our bazaar in the fall.

### AUCTION DONATIONS NEEDED!!!

To make a donation, please contact Savanna @ savannacashi@yahoo.com or call the Church office.

### Spend a Weekend with Us...

Husbands and Wives... Only YOU can set your marriage on fire: Want to find out how to keep yours burning? Take each other on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Some upcoming dates are March 24-26 & May 19-21. For more information contact Brian & Tina Little @ 281-773-4014 or go online to [www.houstonme.org](http://www.houstonme.org).

**Can You Help?** We have a parishioner who is in need of a ride to Mass on Sunday's for the 10am Mass. He lives in Morgan's Point. If you would be able to bring him to Mass, please call the office.

**Single/Single Again Ministry** will meet at Sylvan Beach Depot Museum and Library, 604 Park in La Porte (right next to St. Mary's Church), on **Saturday morning, March 11th, 10:30 a.m. Out to lunch afterwards!** Please join us! Call 281-991-4780 or email [vjswenson@att.net](mailto:vjswenson@att.net) for more info.

**"A population that does not take care of the elderly and of children and the young has no future, because it abuses both its memory and its promise."**

Pope Francis

*Please Pray For Our Troops and ...*



Keith Platt, Jose Antonio, Villalobos, Jayden Hernandez, Genesis Gonzalez, Bradley Espinosa, Kelli Wilson, Lucita & Juan Lopez, Margaret, Ralph Flores, Janie Abila, Craig Wade, Jennifer Wade, Seth Permenter, Bob & Barbara Jennings, Lloyd Wells, Dianne Lemons, Paula Lambright, Jennifer Minor, Jarred H., Cindy & Dave Schmitz, Faith A., Tami Sills, H.C. Wade, LeeAnn & Family, Dennis, Peggy & Erica Hargens, Ruth Christian, Marilyn James, Jordon Binkley, Annie May Bounds, George Narancic, Kathy Gay, Anselmo Jacobo, Ron Pogue, Rena Espinoza Carroll, Charles Sharpless, Jorge Cortez, Roy Gonzales, Larry Williams, Donna Henson, Ida Trejo, Barbara Rodriguez, Luis Antonio Arambula, Tanisha Taylor, Evelyn & Jerry Vidos, MaKinzi, Peterson, Aliyah Mendez, Jessica Redow, Edward Salinas, Candelaria Ortiz, Diana Villarreal, Rebecca Ramos, Mike Rupley, Martin Muetzel, Ron Balsam, Laura Lewis Rocchino, Carlota Carmona, Jesse Lopez, Dianne Verret, Mike Rupley, Chuck Thompson, Debi Cariaga, Michael Kelly, Francis Williams, Sally Johnson, Murphy Guillory, Gayle Phillips, Britton Phillips, Alberto Rodriguez, Lee Molina, Gabriella Mendoza, Judy Irlbeck, Luck Lewallen, Rose Ellen Pena, Sherry Paschal, Noah & Veronica Riley, Gary Tandy, Joseph Morgan, Pedro Sanchez, Monica Lesenski, Ana Baez, Marybeth Hays, David Copous, Daniel Vasquez, Pedro B. Sanchez, Kim Mobbs, Marcey Salinas, Edward Salinas, Nell Martin, Angela Catlun.

**Continue to Pray for** Clyde Templett, Msgr. Boli Zientek, Felipe Sanchez, Ben Gerdes, Carlos Smith, Jane Middleton, Rosa Reyes, Tom Noonan, Deacon Tom Lewis, Gene Contreras, Romeal Nolan, Becky Melchor, Aaron Rodriguez, Irene Templet, Preston Wolf, Lawretta Fouts, Marcos Vasquez, Clarence Clipper, Gavin Binkley, Clarence Lewis, Kay Gold, Red Cornejo, Kathryn Coleman, Marita Hooper, Linda Jaramillo, Lois Johnston, Minnie Lopez, Deacon Merce Leal, Margarita Klock, Sue Crockett, Joanne Jarrell, Joanie O'Neal, Ben Munoz, Diana Ortiz, Bob Davis, Janet Hoffpauir, Nick Martin, Teresa Eidt, Barry Armstrong and those requesting prayer via our web site.

**Remember Our Shut-Ins** Joe & Josie Funda, Ophelia Pinard, Ann Blair, Soledad Hernandez, Elida Peterson, Carolyn Douglas, those battling terminal illness and the residents of La Porte Care Center and Parson's House.

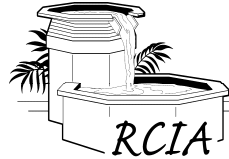
### Free ESL & Citizenship Classes

ESL classes will be held Monday & Tuesday mornings 9:30-11am and the Citizenship classes will be on Monday Evenings @ 7pm in Rosary Hall. Provided we have enough interest, both classes will continue for the spring semester. If you need any additional information, please contact the office.

### "Un mensaje hecho canción"

Estarán con nosotros la Familia Mejía Misionera ¡Con temas, cantos y reflexiones para llenar tu vida de renovada esperanza, profunda Fe y ardiente amor!  
Marzo20-Marzo24 (el miércoles 22 de marzo habrá confesiones)

7:00p.m.-9:00p.m. en el Templo  
Gratuito para toda edad



### RCIA Classes

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** Are you a non-Catholic who is interested in joining the Catholic faith? Are you a baptized Catholic who has never received the sacraments of 1st

Communion and Confirmation and are over the age of eighteen? If your answer is yes to either of these questions you may be interested in joining our RCIA program on Thursday evenings @ 6:45pm in the Parish Hall Conf. Rm. **Class this week will be Sacraments of Healing: Confession & Anointing of the Sick. For information about the RCIA program, call the office or email Tracy, stmarysrcia@yahoo.com.**

### LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Our Lenten Bible Study series, titled: "Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother" has started. This eight week Catholic Bible Study will bring you on an extraordinary Pilgrimage, revealing Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives. All Are welcome! We meet on Sundays from 5:15-7:30pm in Rosary Hall or on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-11am in the Parish Hall Conference Room. The cost is \$25. for materials, and scholarships are available. Email Tracy @ stmarysrcia@yahoo.com.



### St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

Mon.-Wed., Fri., Sat. 9:00-11:00am

Store Closed Thurs. & Sun.

Our drop-off room is open 24/7

Lent is a call to "give alms for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they call the church. They are, in effect, calling you.

**Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Have them call the church office to make an appointment with our volunteers, who see clients on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.**

**Our Resale Shop here at St. Mary's** is in need of volunteers (Especially able-bodied males). The hours are 9-11am, and the store is open every day but Thurs. & Sun. You can pick any day you are able to work. If you are available to help out, please contact Norma @ 281-471-1752.

### Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial Los invita a vivir un Fin de Semana

Conoce como puedes vivir mas intima y profundamente tu relacion. AQUIERES recuperar la relacion con tu esposo (a) cunado eran novios. 281-948-8690, 281-948-8640, Marco & Mercedes Arrona, marco-51@sbcglobal.net

### Te invitamos a una Hora Santa en comunidad

Todos los miércoles

De 7-8 p.m.

En la Capilla de San José.

Para más información

Puedes comunicarte con

Marta y Reino Fernández 832-985-1799

### Una Hora Santa y Vueltas de Jericó

Te invitamos a una Hora Santa

Con el Padre Jesús Lizalde

Viernes 17 de marzo del 2017

Comenzando a las 7:00pm

En el Templo



**Choir Notes**

**Join Us...**

**St. Mary's Music Ministry**

- Sat. 6pm Mass**— Rehearsals before Mass at 5:15  
Contact Kathy McBride 713-628-8387
- Sun. 7:30am Mass** - Rehearsals before Mass at 7am  
Contact Yvonne Fisher 832-581-5974
- Sun. 10:00am Mass** - Wed. 6:30-9pm Rosary Hall  
Contact Annelise Lagasse 281-459-6453
- Sun. 12:30pm Spanish Mass**-  
Contact Jose Vazquez 832-868-4081
- Sun. 4pm Life Teen Mass**- Rehearsals-Sunday 2pm  
Contact Alex sttheresa.prolife@gmail.com or 281-543-7794



The Gabriel Project is designed to help women and teenagers who are in a crisis pregnancy. If you are in need of assistance or know someone who is, please contact Belinda @ 713-805-4961 or the Church Office.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;  
Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;  
Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;  
Mt 7:7-12
- Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;  
Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;  
2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

**Adult Confirmation Classes**

**Start Today...**

If you have been baptized, received your first communion but need to be confirmed, we will be having **Adult Confirmation Classes on Sundays @ 2m in the Parish Hall** conference room for five weeks, starting today. **Due to the limited sessions, you will not be able to sign up late. Please contact Deacon Hector if you have any questions, @ 281-382-8672 or come to the first class today.**

**~ Giving to Give ~**

If you have a rosary in need of repair, or if you would like to have one made, please contact Rena Hellstein @ 281-889-8043. **\*\*\*New Rosaries ~ \$20.00 & up (Available in the office) Repairs ~ \$5.00 & up. All proceeds are donated to the building fund.**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word  
Every Week @ 10a.m. Mass**

For more info. or to sign-up to be a volunteer, please contact the office or Angie Tercero @ 713-826-0633.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**MARCH 11 & 12, 2017**

**SATURDAY 6:00pm**

- Altar Servers** Andrew Nguyen, John Paul Nguyen  
**Lector** Isabelle Salas  
**Commentator** Pat Stanton  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** David Mossor, Patty Mossor

**SUNDAY-7:30am**

- Altar Servers** Jorge Arredondo, Jeremiah Arredondo  
**Lector** Susie Burgess  
**Commentator** Sheridan Lewis  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Otis Mathews, Sonja Mathews

**SUNDAY-10:00am**

- Altar Server** Elaine Munoz, Trysten Munoz  
**Lector** Debbie Wade  
**Commentator** Jason Woods  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Geraldine Leslie, Cynthia Rodriguez

**SUNDAY-12:30pm(Spanish)**

- Altar Servers** Sarahi Arrona, Dania Castaneda, Jasmine Rodriguez  
**Lectors** Marielena Constantivo, Juanita Velasquez  
**Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist** Marcos & Mercedes Arrona

**SUNDAY 4:00pm**

- Altar Servers** Ana Sofia Brinkley, Dylan Rowan  
**Lector** Lyndsey Hernandez  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Alma Brinkley, Maria Reyes



**Samaritan Corner**

The Samaritan Monthly Memorial Mass will be held on Wednesday, March 8th @ 6:30pm in St. Joseph's Chapel. **Those being remembered at Mass this month will be Elfleda Amper, Ella Marie Collins, Ruth Driscoll, Antonio Escobido, Jon Landry, Vita Levario, Mary Jane McComb, Janice Paul, Jesse Sanchez, Mel Skaggs, Jane Shipp, Leo Williams, Angela Williams.**

**Funeral Coordinator Needed**

**Are you retired and looking of some way to be of service to your parish community here at St. Mary's?** When someone passes away, there is a need to have an individual willing to meet with the family and go over the details and readings for the funeral service. On the day of the funeral you would also be responsible to setup the church for the funeral mass and attend the mass in order to be of assistance to the funeral director and families members. If this might be something you may be interested in, please contact the office as soon as possible.

\*\*\*We currently have one person handling this responsibility, but would like to have at least two people who would be able to share in this ministry.

# **CCE PreK - 5th**

**CCE Classes Today**

Parent Bible Study & Prayer Group Sunday's  
@ 8:45am (We follow the CCE Schedule)

# **EDGE**

***Jr. High Youth Program***  
***(6, 7 & 8th Grade)***  
**Class Today 5:15pm**

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# **Life Teen**

**Life Teen Mass 4pm**

**No Class Tonight**

**~ Cat Springs Retreat ~**  
**God's blessings to all of our**  
**youth on retreat this weekend.**

**Youth Bible Study**

**Every Wed. Rm 3 @ 7pm**

**Adoration @ Charismatic Center**

First Wed. of the Month  
Carpool meet @ St. Mary's 6pm

**Info. contact Shari @ 281-470-6066**