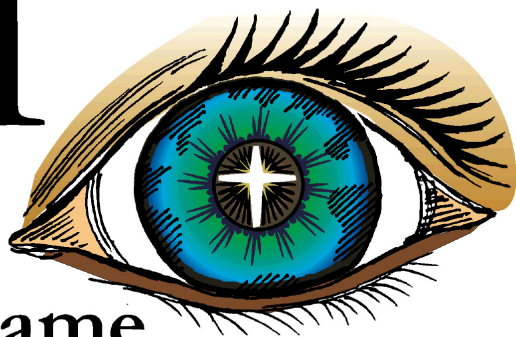


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*Parish Office Hours  
Monday - Friday  
9:00 am-12:00 Noon  
1:00 pm-4:00 pm*

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

*Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 26, 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 25:**

6:00pm Cristela Davila†  
By:Deanna Amaya

**Sunday, March 26:**

7:00am Gasper Robinson†  
By:Family  
10:00am Albert Pina†  
By:Family  
12:30pm People of the Parish  
4:00pm Adam Eason Cisneros†  
By:Cisneros Family

**Tuesday, March 28:**

**12:00pm** Ralph Breiner†  
By:Family

**Wednesday, March 29:**

8:30am Janice Terrell  
By: Geraldie Leslie

**Thursday, March 30:**

8:30am Spec. Intention Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Brown  
By:Brown Family

**Friday, March 31:**

8:30am In Thanksgiving  
By:Angie Sullivan

**Saturday April 1:**

6:00pm Sarah Jayne† & Art† Brossette  
By:John Magliolio

**Sunday, March 2:**

7:00am Jose Molina†  
By:Robert & Diana Ortiz  
10:00am Amanda Kempf Chollett†  
By:A Friend  
12:30pm People of the Parish  
4:00pm Jesse T. Garcia†  
By:Sara Sexton

**We Need You...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.

**St. Joseph's Chapel**

If you feel God is calling you to spend one hour with him, please contact the office. If you are not available on a weekly basis, but would be able to help out occasionally, please call the office to be placed on our substitute list.

God's blessings to each of you for answering "His Call".

**~ 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.

## Weekly Collections

March 18 & 19, 2017  
Weekly Goal \$12,000.00  
Regular Collection \$7,577.00

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

Parish Goal 2017 \$52,000.00  
Total Amount Pledged \$26,925.00  
Total Amount Paid \$ 15,387.50(29.59%)  
Total # of Participants 77

### "Go Make Disciples"

If you have not already offered your pledge in this year's Diocesan Services Fund (DSF), please do so today. DSF 2017 is focused on us, the Church, as we *Go Make Disciples* with your gifts, which will benefit ministries that serve thousands and thousands of our brothers and sisters in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Through your generous support of DSF, we bring Christ's comfort and care to the many pressing needs that cannot be addressed individually or by one parish alone.

Our Parish goal for 2017 is \$52,000. With every parish family's full participation, we will surely exceed this amount and do our share to help so many in need, advancing the work of the Church community. To give online, please visit [www.archgh.org/dsf](http://www.archgh.org/dsf). For those of you who have already responded with a gift, please accept our sincere gratitude.



## Friday's in Lent

### Stations of the Cross

6:30PM(English) 7:15PM (Spanish)

Date Celebrant

March 31st Deacon Hector Cantu  
April 7th Fr. Tony Castro

7:15PM (Spanish) Deacon Julio

Every Friday KC Fish Fry

5:30-7:30pm ~ \$8.00 Plate

## AREA LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Mary Queen (Friendswood) 281-482-1391

Wed., March 29, 7pm

St. Hyacinth (Deer Park) 281-479-4298

Wed. March 29, 7pm

St. Joseph (Baytown) 281-420-3588

Thurs. March 30, 7pm

**Dear parish family,**

**4 Sunday of Lent Year A**

The gospel reading this Sunday is the study of contrast; on the one hand is about the blind able to see, and seeing further he discovered more than what meets the eye. He was able to see the truth in a profound level; he went deeper into seeing the light of faith. On the other hand there are those whose eyes are wide open but are blind to see the truth, and refusing still to accept the truth they plunged into deeper darkness.

The gospel story illustrate to us the idea that the more we open up ourselves to Jesus, then the more we would grow deeper in our experience of faith in him and the more we will come out from the darkness of our experience into the embrace of the light of life. Then, we will soon discover, just as the blind man did, that there is something more that what meets the eye. We soon will see things in a different perspective that other may not see. We see deeper meaning in things and understand life more fully when others may fail to consider.

Although we live in times of so much material progress we frown on moral degradation and spiritual darkness that many succumb. Many are blinded by the material and worldly things that they failed to see the truth and goodness of spiritual life. Unfortunately many are unable to see the truth that life is more that what the eyes can see. And in the culture of self-indulgence many plunged into the tide of mentality where people choose what to believe. Many are directed to see the meaning of life only in terms how their bodies go or how much they possessed and yet totally blind to recognize the needs of the starving soul within. And the tragedy is that words of the Lord fell on deaf ears hence so many fell deeper into the abyss of spiritual darkness unable to have a clear vision about the meaning of life.

Spiritual blindness is worse than physical blindness. Unlike physical blindness, it is contagious. It can lead others to be spiritually blind also. Unlike physical blindness, spiritual blindness is destructive, it can wreck havoc to relationships, it can divide communities, and it can lead societies to its self-destructive paths.

The readings this Sunday challenge us to examine the path we are choosing. St. Paul in the second reading admonishes, "Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord and take no part in the fruitless works of darkness but live as children of light."

As we are now in the midst of our Lenten journey, may we be persistent in gaining sight and insight into the gift of faith that we already have. May our persistence lead us to see clearly what God wants us to see – perhaps much further and deeper. And come to realize His blessings we fail to see before.

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

**Fr. Tony**

**Querida familia parroquial,**

**4 semana de Cuaresma A**

La lectura del evangelio de este domingo es el estudio de una contraposición; por un lado está el ciego capaz de ver, y viendo más lejos descubrió más de lo que puede ver el ojo. Fue capaz de ver la verdad en un nivel profundo; Él fue más allá en ver la luz de la fe. Por otro lado, hay aquellos cuyos ojos están muy abiertos pero son ciegos para ver la verdad, y más aun rechazando aceptar la verdad, se sumergen en una oscuridad más profunda.

La historia del Evangelio nos ilustrará la idea de que cuanto más receptivos seamos a Jesús, más profundizaremos en nuestra experiencia de fe en Él y saldremos de la oscuridad al abrazo de la Luz de la vida. Entonces, pronto descubriremos, al igual que el ciego, que hay algo más que lo que se ve con el ojo. Pronto veremos las cosas en una perspectiva diferente que otros no pueden ver. Vemos el significado más profundo en las cosas y entendemos la vida más plenamente cuando otros no lo toman en consideración.

Aunque vivimos en tiempos de tanto progreso material fruncimos el ceño en la degradación moral y la oscuridad espiritual que muchos sucumben. Muchos están cegados por las cosas materiales y mundanas que no pueden ver la verdad y la bondad de la vida espiritual. Desafortunadamente muchos son incapaces de ver la verdad de que la vida es más que lo que los ojos pueden ver. Y en la cultura de la auto-indulgencia muchos se sumergieron en la marea de la mentalidad donde la gente elige en que creer. Muchos están dirigidos a ver el significado de la vida sólo en términos de cómo van sus cuerpos o cuánto poseen y sin embargo totalmente ciegos para reconocer las necesidades interiores del alma hambrienta. Y la tragedia es que las palabras del Señor cayeron en oídos sordos, por lo tanto, muchos cayeron más profundamente en el abismo de las tinieblas espirituales incapaces de tener una visión clara sobre el significado de la vida.

La ceguera espiritual es peor que la ceguera física. A diferencia de la ceguera física, es contagiosa. Puede llevar a otros a ser espiritualmente ciegos también. A diferencia de la ceguera física, la ceguera espiritual es destructiva, puede estropear las relaciones, puede dividir a las comunidades y puede llevar a las sociedades a sus caminos autodestructivos.

Las lecturas de este domingo nos desafían a examinar el camino que elegimos. San Pablo en la segunda lectura advierte: "Trata de aprender lo que es agradable al Señor y no toma parte en las obras infructuosas de las tinieblas, sino que vive como hijos de luz".

Como ahora estamos en medio de nuestra jornada cuaresmal, podamos ser persistentes en la visión y la comprensión del don de la fe que ya tenemos. Que nuestra perseverancia nos lleve a ver claramente lo que Dios quiere que veamos, tal vez mucho más allá y más profundamente. Y llegar a darse cuenta de Sus bendiciones que no podíamos ver antes.

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

**Fr. Tony**

### Activities of the Week

Sun. March 26: CCE, EDGE & Life Teen  
Bible Study/ Prayer Group, PH Conf. Rm 8:45am  
Bible Study:  
Biblical Walk with Blessed Mother, RH 5:15pm  
Mon. March 27: ESL Rosary Hall 9:30am  
Women's AA Rosary Hall 7pm  
Tues. March 28: ESL Rosary Hall 9:30am  
Citizenship Class Rosary Hall 7pm  
Wed. March 29: Bible Study:  
Biblical Walk with Blessed Mother, PH 9:15pm  
Thurs. March 30: RCIA 6:45pm PH Conf. Rm  
Fri. March 31: Stations of the Cross English-6:30pm  
Spanish-7:15pm

### ALTAR FLOWERS

March: No Altar Flowers during Lent

#### 2017 Flower Dates Available

April 22/23, 29/30 May 27/28 June 3/4, 10/11, 17/18, 24/25  
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

Special Intention Monica Lesenski  
By: Frances Zann

#### Chapel Sanctuary Candle

Special Intentions  
By: Peggy Holland

#### April Altar Duty Assignments

Altar Duty: Jan Hughes, Carolyn O'Neal

Laundry Duty: Agnes Rushing

Hostess: Peggy Holland, Brenda Villarreal

### Archdiocesan Help Available

- **Parenting Help?** The office of Family Life Ministry have trained eight professionals around the Archdiocese to provide services to parents who are willing and need help raising their children. The program is designed to offer advice, support and formation to parents with common developmental and behavioral problems in children. For more information or to register please call 713-741-8739 or 713-741-8711.
- **Are you 18-39 years old? Single or Married? Are you looking to strengthen your relationship with God and others this Lent?** A reminder that March 27<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to register online for to the Archdiocesan Young Adult Day "Who Are We Called to Serve?" Pope Francis urges us, "Do not bury your talents, the gifts that God has given you! Do not be afraid to dream of great things!" Come and join hundreds of young adults for a day of workshops, music, prayer, Eucharist and fellowship. Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 8:30a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Get inspired by international and local speakers that will talk about discernment on how to use the gifts. Talks presented in English and Spanish. St. Jerome Catholic Church 8825 Kempwood Dr, Houston, TX 77080. Registrations online [www.archgh.org/yacm](http://www.archgh.org/yacm) before by March 27<sup>th</sup> include T-shirt and lunch \$35 per person. Door registrations will be available but do not include T-shirt and lunch. Group Discounts available for 10 people (\$20 each) by March 27<sup>th</sup> contact 713-741-8778 [yacm@archgh.org](mailto:yacm@archgh.org)

## SAVE THE DATE...

### "Extravaganza 2017"

## Dinner & Live Auction Saturday, April 22nd

Our "Extravaganza 2017" is only 5 weeks away. We will be out on the plaza this weekend after all Masses selling tickets and taking names of anyone willing to donate items for the Live Auction. Tickets \$15.00 each.

Do you know of a family or business who would be willing to make a 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.

### Thank You Table Donors...

Fred, Lilia Novak & Olga Trevino  
Virginia Garner & Family

### AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!!!

#### Entertainment

#### Electronics

#### Household/Decorative Items

#### Heirloom Type Antiques

#### Kitchen Items

#### Hand Crafted Items

#### Garden/Garage/Outdoor Items

To make a donation, please contact Savanna & Mark Cashi @ [savannacashi@yahoo.com](mailto: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. Upcoming dates are May 19-21. For more information contact Brian & Tina Little @ 281-773-4014 or go online to [www.houstonme.org](http://www.houstonme.org).

*Please Pray For Our Troops and ...*



Fr. Gary Rickles, Maria Rubio, Candelaria Ortiz, Sherry Paschal, David Copous, Mike Rupley, Pedro B. Sanchez, Lauren Sturm, Bob Wolff, Romeal Nolan, Scott Tompson, Joel Rivera, Sean & Brittany Griffis, Destiny Perez, Monica Lesenski, Elizabeth Cisneros, 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, Jorge Cortez, Roy Gonzales, Donna Henson, Ida Trejo, Barbara Rodriguez, Luis Antonio Arambula

**Continue to Pray for** Clyde Templet, 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.

**Repose of the Soul of** Alvin Massey, Teresa Jackson  
**Our Sympathy to** Gloria Massey and Family on the loss of her husband, Alvin, and the family of Teresa Jackson  
**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.

**Please Note:** Names on our "Please Pray For" list are left on for four weeks. If someone needs to be put back on the prayer list or added please call the Church Office.

**Upcoming Baptismal Dates**  
**April 2, May 7, June 4**

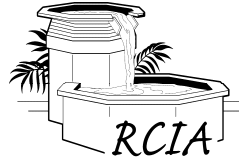
Baptism classes are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in English and the 3rd Tuesday of the month in Spanish @ 7pm. Baptisms are the first Sunday of the month after the 10am & 12:30pm Masses.

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.**

**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



**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. This week's topic will be Christian Living: Social Justice.

**For information about the RCIA program, call the office or email Tracy, stmarysrcia@yahoo.com.**



**St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store**  
**Mon.-Wed., Fri., Sat. 9:00-11:00am**  
**Store Closed Thurs. & Sun. Drop-off 24/7**

In today's gospel, as Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe.

Through your donations to our St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store we are able to help the needy in our community on an ongoing basis. If you or someone you know is in need of assistance with their rent or utility bills, please call or have them call the church office to make an appointment.

**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.

**Bible Study This Week**  
**Sun. 5:15pm & Wed. 9:15am**

**Upcoming Study ~ Called to Freedom**

The Exodus can be viewed as the defining moment in Israel's history, for it was then that God called Israel out of slavery in Egypt and to a life of freedom as His people.

**Exodus:** Called to Freedom looks through the lens of Christ and the Church to show that, more than just seeking to free His people from the domination of Pharaoh, God desired to free His people from the far more sinister tyranny of sin, so they could live the authentic freedom that belongs to children of God. Because of this, the Exodus story is not just Israel's story, it is our story as well; it tells us who God is and what He calls us to be.

**Exodus: Called to Freedom will begin Sunday, April 23 at 5:15 pm in The Rosary Hall conference room and on Wednesday, April 26 in the conference room next to the church office. This Bible study will run 10 weeks. Cost for materials is \$25 and scholarships are available. Email Tracy@stmarysrcia@yahoo.com.**

**Te invitamos a una Hora Santa en comunidad**

Todos los miercoles

De 7-8 p.m.

En la Capilla de San José.

Para más información

Puedes comunicarte con

Marta y Reino Fernández 832-985-1799



**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:** Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
- Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;  
Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
- Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;  
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
- Sunday:** Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;  
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

**CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT**

The future king, David, in today's first reading, is an example of a type of character present throughout the Hebrew scriptures. He is the child born out of place (not the eldest or most favored) who ends up receiving the promise of the covenant. The spirit of God's anointing rushes upon him. In this way, he is similar to the man born blind from today's Gospel. David's family and the blind man's community did not expect the miraculous grace of God's love to work through them. Perhaps they, too, were "blinded" by the expectations and assumptions of those around them. Yet, after being touched by God, they both came to "see" the presence of God's will for them. Both became messengers of God's will. That same Spirit of God's anointing rushed upon us at our baptism; we were given a candle as a sign of our membership in the Body of Christ, the Light from Light. Our vocation, then, is to fulfill that enlightenment, that anointing, as Ephesians tells us, by living as "children of the light."

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

We are currently looking for individuals who enjoy spreading the word to the youth of our church. Training in leading the sessions is available now during the 10am Mass. VIRTUS training will also be required. For more info. or to sign-up to be a volunteer, please contact Randy or Angie Tercero @ 713-826-0633, randytercero@hotmail.com, angie.tercero@hotmail.com.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**APRIL 1 & 2, 2017**

**SATURDAY 6:00pm**

- Altar Servers** Joseph Schaefer, John Paul Nguyen  
**Lector** Debbie Wade  
**Commentator** Kathy Nastally  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** David Mossor, Patty Mossor, Fred Novak

**SUNDAY-7:30am**

- Altar Servers** Ryan Kappil, Natalie Moina  
**Lector** Neal Broussard  
**Commentator** Elizabeth Kappil  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Evarist Coryat, Leslie Davis, Mose Davis

**SUNDAY-10:00am**

- Altar Server** Elaine Munoz, Trysten Munoz  
**Lector** Cindy Bremer  
**Commentator** Wayne Christensen  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Greg Bremer, Eloy Lara, Vanessa Lara,

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

- Altar Servers** Sarahi Arrona, Dania Castaneda, Jasmine Rodriguez,  
**Lectors** Nelida Velez, Ernestina Leyva  
**Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist** Marcos & Mercedes Arrona

**SUNDAY 4:00pm**

- Altar Servers** Eros Lopez, Sergio Reyes  
**Lector** Tracy Avallone  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Cecilia Lopez, Jose Lopez, Felicia Reyes

**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.



**Samaritan Corner**

**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 5PM

## EDGE Retreat Cat Springs April 7,8, &9th

Registration Forms Available at Class and on  
St. Mary's website @ [www.stmaryslaporte.com](http://www.stmaryslaporte.com)

EDGE Info. contact Renee @ 832-220-3802

# Life Teen

Life Teen Mass 4pm

Class Today @ 5:15PM

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**