



AS FOR ME AND  
MY HOUSEHOLD,

*we will serve  
the Lord.*

JOSHUA 24:15

AUGUST 26, 2018  
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
9:00 am-12:00 Noon  
1:00 pm-4:00 pm

CCE Office Hours During  
CCE School Year:  
Sunday 8:30 am-12:00 pm

### 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

### 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-**  
**Bulletin/Sacramental Records-**  
Cheryl Frobenius

**Maintenance-**  
**Parish Secretary-**Debbie Heasty  
**Receptionist-**Peggy Holland

**C.C.E. Director-**Jessica Jaramillo  
**EDGE Director-**Randy Tercero  
**Life Teen Director-**Shari Davis

### 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.

## 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, Aug. 25:**  
**6:00pm** Charlotte Boudreaux†  
 By: Rosemary Meridan

**Sunday, Aug. 26:**  
**7:30am** People of the Parish  
**10:00am** Special Intention for All School Children  
 By: Kempf Family  
**12:30pm** San Miguel Children on their Graduation  
 By: San Miguel Family  
**4:00pm** Peter M. Griffiths†  
 By: Silda Griffiths

**Tuesday, Aug. 28:**  
**12:00pm** Valentino Henson†  
 By: Sazon Family

**Wednesday, Aug. 29:**  
**8:30am** Paul Ryan II †  
 By: Ryan Family

**Thursday, Aug. 30:**  
**8:30am** Harold Pfeiffer†  
 By: Paschal Family

**Friday, Aug. 31:**  
**8:30am** Larry Macon†  
 By: Lisa LeCompte

**Saturday, Sept. 1:**  
**6:00pm** Marita Hooper†  
 By: Familyh

**Sunday, Sept. 2:**  
**7:30am** Larry Macon†  
 By: Lisa LeCompte  
**10:00am** People of the Parish  
**12:30pm** Special Intention for Mary Sigala  
 By: San Miguel Family  
**4:00pm** Teens of the Parish  
 By: Shari Davis

## Pope's Prayer Intention for August: The Treasure of Families

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

## RCIA Classes to have Started (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Thursdays 6:45pm St. Mary's Conference Room

RCIA 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. Classes are Thursday evenings @ 6:45pm. Students are welcome to begin classes at any time during the year.

For additional information about the RCIA program, call the office or email Tracy, [stmarysrcia@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarysrcia@yahoo.com).

# Weekly Collections

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**August 18 & 19, 2018**

**Weekly Goal \$12,000.00**

**Regular Collection \$9,851.54**

**Feast of the Assumption \$1,462.00**

**Infirm Priest Collection Correction \$1,814.21**

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

### "Instruments of God's Mercy"

**Parish Goal 2018 \$52,000.00**

**Total Amount Pledged \$54,220.50**

**Total Amount Paid \$45,338.83 (87.19%)**

**Total # of Participants 147**

### Instruments of God's Mercy

*Just as we are one in the body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes in our archdiocese. Once a year, each of us is asked to make a commitment to support the work of our programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue god's work of spirituality, formation and education by contributing to the Diocesan Services Fund. Help us attain our goal of \$52,000.00.*

**To Give Online Go To [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.

## FORMED...

Incredible online gateway to the best Catholic Content, all in one place. Go to [stmaryslaporte.formed.org](http://stmaryslaporte.formed.org) to register. If you are having any trouble getting registered, or any other problems, please contact Tracy [stmarysrcia@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarysrcia@yahoo.com). She will contact you and walk you through the steps to register.

## The Lighthouse Catholic Media Kiosks...

### Lots of New Titles This Week

There are several books and DVD's of informational material designed to help us grow in our faith. Go by and check them out! We have a new Kiosk in the church office. They are also located at the back of the church and in Rosary Hall.

Dear parish family,

21 Sunday B

Our Catholic faith teaches us that the Eucharist is the "source and summit of Christian life." Our belief in the real presence of the Lord in the Eucharist is what clearly distinguishes us from our separated brother Christians in so many different denominations. The true disciples of Jesus are those who remained with him after He told them that He is the "bread from heaven".

I am happy that there are many who watch the series on "Presence" in our website "stmaryslaporte.formed.org." I would suggest for you to go deeper and explore the Bible Study section – particularly the Lectio series on Eucharist. It is easy to follow bible study in the comfort of your homes and be immersed on the profound theology and be uplifted in our faith.

For the past consecutive Sundays we hear the "Bread of Life Discourse" (the entire chapter 6 of John's gospel). It began with the miracle of the Multiplication of Loaves after which the crowd wanted to carry off Jesus as King. This Sunday is its conclusion and sad climax. The crowd abandon him because they can't swallow his words so to speak - His flesh real food, his blood – real drink. This story continues even to our time. Many turn their backs from the Lord because "the teaching is hard."

But there is other great spiritual lesson in the gospel story. While Peter was just as baffled as anyone listening to a teaching beyond their comprehension, he can't turn his back from the Lord. It was just such a situation that called out the loyalty of Peter's heart. When asked by the Lord whether he will leave him just as the others, he responded, "Master to whom should we go? You have the words of eternal life."

There were many things Peter did not understand yet; he was just as bewildered and puzzled as anyone else. What made the difference was that he knew the Lord well enough. He had been with him for quite a time. He knew how trustworthy is the Lord. He knew how good and true friend he is. He simply just couldn't go away from his friend.

In the last analysis Christianity is not a philosophy which we accept, nor a theory which we give allegiance, but it is a personal response to Jesus Christ.

To paraphrase Peter's honest response to Jesus in the gospel, it may sound this way, "I don't really see any better options, Lord. I've tried life with you and it's hard. But I've tried life without You and it's harder — it doesn't satisfy. Where else am I going to go? I choose *You*, Lord." Peter knows he doesn't have all the answers. And so, he humbly chooses to rely on God. When the going gets tough, we can keep going by relying on God and trusting more deeply in Him.

*Remembering blessings and relying on Him* — two keys to help us choose whom we will serve. Two keys to a beautiful way of life.

Blessings to you and have a good week!

Fr. Tony

Querida familia parroquial,

21 Domingo B

Nuestra fe católica nos enseña que la Eucaristía es la "fuente y cuspide de la vida cristiana". Nuestra creencia en la presencia real del Señor en la Eucaristía es lo que nos distingue claramente de nuestros hermanos cristianos separados en tantas denominaciones diferentes. Los verdaderos discípulos de Jesús son los que permanecieron con él después de haberles dicho que Él es el "pan del cielo".

Me complace que haya muchos que miran la serie sobre "Presencia" en nuestro sitio web "stmaryslaporte.formed.org". Yo sugeriría que profundizaran y exploraran la sección del Estudio de la Biblia, en especial la serie Lectio sobre la Eucaristía. Es fácil seguir el estudio bíblico desde la comodidad de sus hogares y sumergirse en la teología profunda e iluminarse en nuestra fe.

Durante los últimos domingos consecutivos escuchamos el "Discurso del pan de la vida" (todo el capítulo 6 del evangelio de Juan). Comenzó con el milagro de la multiplicación de los panes, después de lo cual la multitud quiso llevarse a Jesús como rey. Este domingo es su conclusión y triste culminación. La multitud lo abandona porque no pueden asimilar sus palabras, por así decirlo, su carne, verdadera comida, su sangre, bebida autentica. Esta historia continúa incluso en nuestro tiempo. Muchos le dan la espalda al Señor porque "la enseñanza es incomprendible".

Pero hay otra gran lección espiritual en la historia del evangelio. Mientras que Pedro estaba tan desconcertado como cualquiera que escucha una enseñanza más allá de su comprensión, no puede darle la espalda al Señor. Fue una situación tal que provocó la lealtad del corazón de Pedro. Cuando el Señor le preguntó si lo dejaría igual que a los demás, respondió: "Maestro, ¿a quién iremos Señor? Tú tienes palabras de vida eterna".

Había muchas cosas que Pedro aún no entendía; estaba tan desconcertado y perplejo como cualquier otra persona. Lo que hizo la diferencia fue que conocía al Señor lo suficiente. Él había estado con él por un buen tiempo. Él sabía cuán confiable es el Señor. Él sabía lo bueno y verdadero amigo que es. Simplemente no podía alejarse de su amigo.

En último análisis, el cristianismo no es una filosofía que aceptemos, ni una teoría a la que le debemos lealtad, sino que es una respuesta personal a Jesucristo.

Para parafrasear la respuesta honesta de Pedro a Jesús en el evangelio, puede sonar de esta manera: "Realmente no veo mejores opciones, Señor. He probado la vida contigo y es difícil. Pero probé la vida sin ti y es más difícil, no satisface. ¿A dónde más voy a ir? Te elijo, Señor ". Pedro sabe que no tiene todas las respuestas. Y entonces, él humildemente elige confiar en Dios. Cuando las cosas se ponen difíciles, podemos seguir confiando en Dios y confiando más en él.

Recordar las bendiciones y confiar en Él: dos claves para ayudarnos a elegir a quién serviremos. Dos claves para una hermosa forma de vida.

¡Bendiciones para ti y que tengas una buena semana!

P. Tony

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE

## SEPTEMBER 1 & 2, 2018

### SATURDAY 6:00pm

**Altar Servers** Andrew Nguyen, Alex Molina  
**Lector** Pat Stanton  
**Commentator** Tim Hughes  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** David Mossor, Patty Mossor

### SUNDAY-7:30am

**Altar Servers** Natalie Molina, Saoirse Molina  
**Lector** Neal Broussard  
**Commentator** Demetris Guzman  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Evarist Coryat, Dianne Gerdes

### SUNDAY-10:00am

**Altar Server** Reece Schoppe, Ryan Schoppe  
**Lector** Linda Patten  
**Commentator** Tracy Avallone  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Richard Florance, George Rodriguez

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

**Altar Servers** Adriana Calvillo, Jasmine Rodriguez  
**Lectors** Sergio & Maria Calvillo  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Carlos & Graciela Cirmigliario

### SUNDAY-4:00pm

**Altar Servers** Benjamin Tercero, Oliver Tercero  
**Lector** Randy Tercero  
**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** Angie Tercero, Maria Reyes

### BIBLE TIMELINE STUDY

Take a journey through the whole Bible. Learn how each period of salvation history fits into the practice of the Catholic faith. You will understand your faith and the Mass more deeply through this study. The study begins on August 19 and will meet in the Rosary Hall Conference Room @ 11:00am on Sunday mornings. The cost is \$35. for materials, but if you are interested in repeating this study, it is free. Please contact Tracy [stmarysrcia@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarysrcia@yahoo.com)

### ACTS: The Spread of the Kingdom

*The Book of Acts* shows the church enlivened by the Holy Spirit, teaching, preaching, healing and restoring outcast in the same way that Jesus did while here on earth. Be inspired by the Holy Spirit with a new zeal for bringing Christ to the World. This Bible Study is meeting on Sundays @ 5:15pm in the Rosary Hall Conf. Rm, and Wednesdays @ 9:15 in St. Mary's conf. Rm. The cost of the materials for the class will be \$30. Please contact Tracy [stmarysrcia@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarysrcia@yahoo.com) to register.

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.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

**August 25/26: In Loving Memory of Peter M. Griffith's Birthday Celebration**  
 By: Silda, Peter & Jane Griffiths

### 2018 Available Flower Dates

September 1/2, 22/23    October 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.

\*\*\*Please do not place flowers or small vases in the Church or Chapel unless you contact the Altar Society and check for availability.

## Chapel Candle

*In Loving Memory of Harold Pfeiffer*  
 By: Paschal Family

### 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

### Los Testigos del Poder de Dios

Nuestra Asamblea de Oración les invita a reunirse como hermanos en Cristo para ALABAR, BENDECIR, y GLO-RIFICAR a nuestro Dios, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo. Vengan pequenos y grandes todos los viernes de 7:30-9:00p.m. en la capilla de San Jose.

### 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

## 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 -

Rehearsal Wed. 6:30-9pm Rosary Hall  
 Contact Annelise Lagasse 281-300-7230

#### 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](mailto:sttheresa.prolife@gmail.com) or 281-543-7794

## Activities of the Week

Sun. Aug. 26: Bible Study: ACTS Rosary Hall 5pm  
Mon. Aug. 27: Creciemiento 6:30pm Rosary Hall  
Wed. Aug. 29: Bible Study: ACTS Parish Hall 9am  
Thurs. Aug. 30: RCIA 6:45pm St. Mary's Hall Conf. Rm  
Fri. Aug. 31: Spanish Prayer Group 7:30am Chapel

### Please Pray For Our Troops and ...

Mark Bowen, Joe Montez, Natalie Klepaez, Virginia ross, Lydia Rubio, Edward Salinas Jr., Tamara Batten, Brigitta Dobmeier, Craig Wade, Jennifer Wade, Bob & Barbara Jennings, Dianne Lemons, Paula Lambright, Jennifer Minor, Dave & Cindy Schmitz, Faith A., Dennis, Peggy & Erica Hargens, Ruth Christian, Marilyn James, Christina C., Chuck & Susan Thompson, Katherine Reichley & Family, Don & Allie Faye Mathews, Joe & Sue Hand, Brad & Barbara Riley, Debbie McFadden, Marilyn N., Seth Permenter & Family, Parker Dixon & Family, Willetta House, Jeremy & Diana Cassidy & Family, Michael Cowherd, Steve Grigory, Rena Espinoza Carroll, Candelaria Ortiz, Sherry Paschal, Felicia Kahn, Angelina Sullivan, Jerry Verret, Sharon Hebert, Carl Lundquist, Carey Yellig, Jose Gutierrez, Carlos Martinez, Susan Tolley, Juanita Gonzales, Rosie Molina, Kirk Thomas, Joe Montez, Daniel Vasquez, Micah Nelson, Aaron Binkley, Jordan Binkley, Hector Castro, Arlene Muetzel, Merlin Hall, Jessica Rodriguez, Molly Batson

Please Continue to Pray for Maurice & Betty Flynn, Orville Burgess, Ron Balsam, Pat Riley, Joe Sturm, Edward Salinas, Marlene Orellana, Humberto Villalobos, Mary Sigala, Julia Dautriel, Ernie Molina, Kathy McBride, Margaret Espinoza, Romela Nolan, Joe Bernal, Fr. Gary Rickles, Renee Cortez, Pedro Sanchez, Aurelia Hinojosa, Cathy Hanzelka, Msgr. Boli Zientek, Gayle Phillips, Jane Middleton, Rosa Reyes, Tom Noonan, Deacon Tom Lewis, Gene Contreras, Becky Melchor, Irene Templet, Preston Wolf, Lawretta Fouts, Marcos Vasquez, Clarence Clipper, Gavin Binkley, Clarence Lewis, Red Cornejo, Linda Jaramillo, Lois Johnston, Deacon Merce Leal, Sue Crockett, Joanne Jarrell, Ben Munoz, Diana Ortiz, Bob Davis, Janet Hoffpauir, Nick Martin, Barry Armstrong and those requesting prayer via our web site.

Remember Our Shut-Ins Lydia Rubio, Trinidad Arrindon, Josie Funda, Soledad Hernandez, Elida Peterson, Carolyn Douglas, those battling terminal illness and the residents of La Porte Care Center and Parson's House.

Repose of the Soul of Lita Guidaben, Ophelia Gallagher and Pat Young

Our Sympathy to Fr. Tony on the loss of his cousins, Lita and Ophelia and Fred Young and family on the loss of his wife, Pat

**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.



### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5;  
Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday:** 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13;  
Mt 23:23-26

**Wednesday:** 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5;  
Mk 6:17-29

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51

**Friday:** 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;  
Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21;  
Mt 25:14-30

**Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18,  
21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## BAZAAR 2018

Sat. Sept. 22nd ~ LIVE AUCTION

Sun. Oct. 21st ~ BAZAAR

### Thank You Raffle Prize Sponsors!!!

1st Prize: \$2,500. VISA Gift Card

Budding/Mehan Family

3rd Prize: \$1,000 VISA Gift Card

Mike & Lola McLaughlin

4th Prize: \$750. Lowe's Gift Card

Tim/Jan Hughes \$200. Joe/John Whorton \$500.

### Pick UP Raffle Tickets at Church Doors!!!

### Need Live Auction & Bazaar Donations!!!

Holiday Decorations & Craft Items

Home Décor & Vases

Kitchenware & Table Coverings

Collectibles & Knick-Knacks

Decorative Pillows, Pictures, Wall Hangings

Games, Toys, Stuffed Animals, Dolls

Yard Art & Decorations

Jewelry & Purses

### All New Items Greatly Appreciated

### COUNTRY STORE

Gently used items needed!

House Cleaning? Garage Sale?

We'll take your stuff!

- \* All holiday decorations
- \* Craft items, art supplies, office supplies
- \* Home décor & vases
- \* Kitchenware & glasses
- \* Collectibles & knick-knacks
- \* Decorative pillows, comforters, tablecloths
- \* Pictures, paintings, frames, wall hangings
- \* Games, toys, stuffed animals, dolls
- \* Yard art & decorations
- \* Jewelry, purses, wallets, hats
- \* No clothes or shoes, please

Please drop off at church office or contact Debbie Wade 713-417-5132, [wadesinlp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wadesinlp@sbcglobal.net)

Also, looking for a couple of volunteers to assist with sorting and pricing items for Country Store.

Flexible times during the day M-F or on week-ends between Sept 26-Oct 19.

Contact Debbie Wade if interested and available.

If you are fall cleaning and/or shopping and come across something that you feel would be a good Auction item or something that can be used for the Bazaar, please remember us!!!

Bazaar Chairs Mark & Savanna Cashi



## Single/Single Again

**Group:** Come aboard for a one-of-a-kind, waterborne voyage that provides a unique and educational-

introduction to the Houston Ship Channel, home to one of the busiest and most diverse ports in the world. The Port of Houston's free, public tour provides our group with a fantastic opportunity to experience first-hand, one of the region's greatest economic contributors. **Date: Fri. Oct 12, leave at 9:00 am from St. Mary's Chapel. Must have ID.** \$4 donation requested. Dutch treat lunch nearby after the tour at Frank's Grill. **You must RSVP to Victoria, 281.991.4780, [vjswenson@att.net](mailto:vjswenson@att.net)** as names must be submitted in advance. **All aboard!**



## St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

St. Mary's Church, 816 Park Dr., La Porte, TX

**Low-Low Prices**

**Clothing, Shoes, Houseware/Glassware, Hardware**  
~ New Merchandise Every Day ~

**Hours: 9:00am to 11am**

**Closed: Thursday & Sunday**

All proceeds are used to help the needy in our community with their rent and utility bills. If you or someone you know, who lives in La Porte, is in need of assistance, please call or have them call the office to make an appointment to come in for help.

**Thank You for Your Support!**

**Our Resale Shop here at St. Mary's** is in need of volunteers (Especially able-bodied males). You can pick any day you are able to work. If you are available to help out, please contact Norma @ 281-471-1752.

## Around the Archdiocese

**Wedding Jubilee Masses 2018** The 2018 Mass honoring couples celebrating their **Silver (25) Anniversary in the Catholic Church will be held on Sunday, September 16 at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 3pm. Deadline August 24.** Golden (50th) Anniversary of marriage in the Catholic Church will be held Sunday, October 21 at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart at 3pm. Deadline September 30.

**Rachel 's Vineyard Retreat** A Catholic post-abortion healing retreat: August 31-Sept. 2 (English) and Sept. 28-30 (Spanish). For additional information or to register please call 713-741-8728 or 713-825-0649. All inquiries confidential.

**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 7pm on the third Monday of every month in downtown Houston at the Cathedral Centre.

## Upcoming Baptismal Dates September 2, October 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.**

**Do you know a couple that is having a challenging situation in their relationship and need help?** We may be able to coach you as a couple. We offer enrichment sessions, consulting and mentoring for married couples experiencing some crisis or challenges in their relationship. For more detailed information please contact the office of Family Life Ministry @ 713-741-8711.



**I can help for a couple of hours most weeks.**

**What can I do?**

**You can help as a catechist!**

**When: Sundays 8:45-9:45 or 11:15-12:15 (PK-5th Grade)**

**Time commitment: 1.5 hours-2 hours per session**  
(1/2-1 hour prep, 1 hour session)

**What do you do?** Using the provided material, which provides page by page instructions, lead the young people through the lesson for the day.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact:

Jessica Jaramillo

Email: [jarajess735@hotmail.com](mailto:jarajess735@hotmail.com)

Phone: 281-471-2000

# CCE PreK - 5th

Are you looking for a place to serve?

Volunteer to help with CCE

If you are interested or would like more information please contact

Jessica Jaramillo

Mon. & Wed. @ 281-471-2000

# EDGE

*Jr. High Program, 6, 7 & \*th Grade  
Starts Sunday, Sept. 9th @ 5:15pm*

**Randy Tercero EDGE Coordinator:**

*randytercero@hotmail.com*

*Or Angie 713-826-0633*

# Life Teen

**LIFE TEEN MASS TODAY 4PM**

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**Classes Start**

**Sunday, Sept. 9th @ 5:15pm**

**Registration ongoing in the  
office or today out on the  
plaza after all Masses.**

**Bible Study Wed. @ 7pm**

**Info. contact Shari @ 281 435 5708**