

St. Justin Martyr Parish

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston



Mass Schedule

Saturday: (Vigil Mass) 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m. in Vietnamese;
5:00 p.m. in Spanish

Monday and Tuesday:
7:00 p.m. (Chapel)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday
9:00 a.m. (Chapel)

Friday
6:30 p.m. (Chapel) in Vietnamese

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday:

9:30 a.m. - 8:15 p.m. (Chapel)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m.

By appointment. Call the parish office.



Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 21, 2017

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Fr. Paul Chovanec, Pastor

Fr. Peter Thang Nguyen, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Corney Llorens

Deacon Nhat Tran

Deacon Gary Boyd

ADULT BAPTISM AND ENTERING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process is ongoing. Contact one of the priests in the parish office.

ADULT CONFIRMATION FOR PRACTICING CATHOLICS

Please phone the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact Dolores Gonzalez at 281-902-5711 or dgonzalez@sjmtx.com six months to two years prior to the desired date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN

Baptism for children through age six is held monthly except during the season of Lent. There are no private baptisms. There are required preparation sessions for the parents. At least one parent must be a registered member of the parish and a practicing Catholic. Expectant parents are asked to begin this process during the second trimester of pregnancy.

Please phone the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN SEVEN AND OLDER

Please contact the Religious Education office about the RCIA process, 281-902-5701.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please phone the parish office as soon as you or someone in your family schedules surgery/hospitalization or suffers an illness or injury. PLEASE DON'T DELAY in this prayer for Christian healing! The Sacrament is celebrated the fourth Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. Mass.

FIRST COMMUNION, FIRST PENANCE, CONFIRMATION AND QUINCEAÑERA CELEBRATIONS

Please contact the Religious Education office, 281-902-5701.

NURSERY

The nursery is open during weekend Masses and other parish activities. It is located in the Christian Formation Center building.

YOUTH MINISTRY AT ST. JUSTIN MARTYR

There are various activities for Middle and High School Youth throughout the year. Youth Nights take place every Wednesday 7-8:30 p.m. and are a time for youth to make friends, have fun and learn more about their faith.

For more information contact the Youth Ministry Office at 281-902-5710.

ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PRESCHOOL

Early childhood education - 18 months to Pre-K Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

For information, please call 281-556-1260.

ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Other times, call 281-556-6882. Fax is 281-752-5985.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Sunday at 5:00 p.m. Bulletin e-mail: martha@sjmtx.com

WELCOME TO ST. JUSTIN MARTYR

Please let us know you have arrived. We are anxious to meet you. Contact the parish office for a welcoming packet.

ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH BOUNDARIES

Beginning at a point on Barker Reservoir Dam at Briar Forest Street, East on Briar Forest to Dairy Ashford; thence South on Dairy Ashford to Westheimer Road; thence East on Westheimer Road to Old Westheimer Road; thence South on Old Westheimer Road, to Alief-Clodine; thence West on Alief-Clodine to Dairy Ashford; thence South on Dairy Ashford Bellaire Blvd; thence West on Bellaire Blvd. to Eldridge; thence South on to Beechnut; thence West on Beechnut to Addicks-Howell Road (Hwy 6); thence South on Addicks Howell Road to Keegans Bayou; thence West on Keegans Bayou to O'Brien Road; thence North on O'Brien Road to Barker Reservoir Dam; thence Northeast along the Dam to the point of beginning at Briar Forest.

Pastoral Staff

Dolores Gonzalez
Coordinator of Adult Ministry

Lisa Hachicho
Director of Preschool

Alyssa Avila
DRE

Karen Rachal
Parish Administrator

Alex Pina
Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Clergy Reflection

People Of Hope

Throughout this Easter season the readings have drawn us into the experience of the early church. We have tasted the excitement and zeal of the first Christians. Now, with them, we listen to the words of Saint Peter, who reminds us that when people notice that we are people of hope, we should be ready to explain why. This challenges us. Do others even notice that we are people of hope? In a world often marked by cynicism and hopelessness, do we stand out as people who offer hope and reassurance to others? In today's Gospel Jesus promises that when he leaves the earth he will not leave us orphaned. Today he promises to send his Advocate, the Spirit of truth who will be with us always. Let us acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit and ask the Spirit to make us people of hope.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — The people of Samaria accepted the word of God preached by Philip; they received the Holy Spirit. Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Psalm — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Psalm 66

Second Reading — Act with gentleness and reverence toward all, so that when you are maligned those who defame you will be the ones put to shame.

1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel — I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you. John 14:15-21

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectioary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation.

Financial Stewardship

Weekend Collection

May 14	\$16,486
Required Weekly Budget Amount	\$20,500
Building Improvements	\$ 98
Social Ministry	\$ 435
Registered Families	1581
Trinity Dome Collection	\$ 4,215

Diocesan Services Fund 2017

Parish Goal:	\$124,780
Parish Amount Pledged:	\$ 60,932
Parish Contributions:	\$ 42,186
Balance Due:	\$ 82,594

Number of Participants 269

Upcoming Second Collections

May 28	Catholic Communications
June 18	St. Mary's Seminary Collection
(There is only one collection and the entire collection that day goes to St. Mary's Seminary)	
June 25	Peter's Pence
July 9	St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag

*Thank you for your continued support
of St. Justin Martyr Parish!*

Catholic Communications Collection

Next weekend, May 27 & 28, supports the Catholic Communications Collection Campaign. Your gifts help CCC and our archdiocese provide television, radio and print materials that spread the Good News of Christ's abiding love for each one of us.

For program information please visit the website www.CatholicCommunicationsCampaign.org. Thank you for your generosity.

Prayer Needs

Mass Intentions

May 20th ~ May 28th

Sat.	May 20th	5:30 p.m.	+ Lloyd E. Anderson
Sun.	May 21st	8:00 a.m.	People of St. Justin
Sun.	May 21st	10:00 a.m.	Carmen Renderos
Sun.	May 21st	12:00 p.m.	Maria
Sun.	May 21st	5:00 p.m.	+ Graciela De Pino
Mon.	May 22nd	7:00 p.m.	Allen Herrera
Tue.	May 23rd	7:00 p.m.	Antone
Wed.	May 24th	9:00 a.m.	+ Juana Arredondo
Thurs.	May 25th	9:00 a.m.	Harry & Connie Herber
Fri.	May 26th	9:00 a.m.	+ Rosario Casserino
Fri.	May 26th	6:30 p.m.	+ Regina Ohnheiser
Sat.	May 27th	9:00 a.m.	Joseph Cao Duc Hung
Sat.	May 27th	5:30 p.m.	+ Forgotten Souls
Sun.	May 28th	8:00 a.m.	Tony Nguyen
Sun.	May 28th	10:00 a.m.	People of St. Justin
Sun.	May 28th	12:00 p.m.	Joseth
Sun.	May 28th	5:00 p.m.	+ Maria Ines Mondragon Faustino Ramirez

Word Of Life

“An old Irish proverb says, ‘It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.’ Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2016-2017
Respect Life Program

Vocations Brief

Family life can build values integral to a strong vocation—whether to the priesthood, religious life or marriage. Teaching your children to value commitment, service and prayer will help them make strong vocation decisions as adults and live out those vocations with success and fulfillment.

Serra for priestly and religious vocations

Readings for the Week

Sun., May 21st:	Acts 8:5-8,14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/ Jn 14:15-21
Mon., May 22nd:	Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tues., May 23rd:	Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
Wed., May 24th:	Acts 17:15,22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15
Thurs., May 25th:	Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20
Fri., May 26th:	Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23
Sat., May 27th:	Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28
Sun., May 28th:	Acts 1:12-14/1 Pt 4:13-16/ Jn 17:1-11a

Parish Events

Sunday, May 21st

8:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Little Church
12:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass
5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Monday, May 22nd

7:00 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, May 23rd

6:30 p.m. Penance Service
7:00 p.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Young Adults
7:30 p.m. Perpetual Help Novena & Rosary

Wednesday, May 24th

9:00 a.m. Mass
9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 p.m. RCIA Pre-Catechumenate
7:00 p.m. RCIA

Thursday, May 25th

9:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, May 26th

9:00 a.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Mass

Saturday, May 27th

9:00 a.m. Mass
4:00 p.m. Penance
5:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, May 28th - Ascension of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Little Church
12:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass
5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Parish Life



St. Justin's Needs A Night Clerk

St. Justin Martyr Parish is presently interviewing for a Night Clerk position. Candidates should be service oriented, have a friendly personality and expect to work weekends. Candidates must be computer-literate and have a working knowledge of Microsoft Office.

Interested persons may drop off a resume at the parish office to the attention of Mrs. Karen Rachal. You will be contacted at a later time for an interview.

Many Thanks To Our On-line Givers

As of May 4 we have 12 parishioners that are on-line givers with a total of \$1,000.49 in contributions. Just log on to our website and click On-line Giving for easy set-up.

Please Pray For:

The Following couple as they prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at St. Justin Martyr.

May 27 Donald Williams & Monica Hill

Breakfast Tacos

This weekend the Hispanic ministry will be celebrating 20 years of serving breakfast tacos to our fellow parishioners. Thank you for your support all these years and in addition to our usual breakfast menu this weekend, we will also have tamales available at \$12.00 per dozen. All proceeds are for the benefit of our parish.

Brick Donation

Donate a Brick now . . . as a gift in your name, the name of your family, or to remember a deceased loved one with a memorial gift. The cost is \$65. Please stop by or call the parish office for more information.



Today, Sunday, May 21, enjoy Taco Breakfast on sale in the parish hall after morning Masses.

Next Sunday, May 28, enjoy BBQ Chicken prepared by the Knights of Columbus on sale in the parish hall after morning Masses.

St. Justin Martyr Feast Day Mass 7:00 PM Mass in the Church

A GREAT WAY TO CELEBRATE OUR FEASTDAY!

Thursday, June 1 will be the Memorial of St. Justin Martyr, our holy patron, who was born in Nablus which is now in the Palestinian Authority in Israel. That night, at 7:00 p.m., we'll celebrate the Mass in a multicultural way.

On Friday, June 2, the Men of Bethlehem (who bring us olive wood carving from the Holy Land) will sponsor a Holy Land Festival in the hall at 7:00 p.m. They will provide food, music, and folk dancing from Bethlehem, Nazareth, and Jerusalem. We'll have a chance to learn about the hometown of our Patron Saint and the land in which Christ, Mary, and the Apostles lived and worked.

On Saturday and Sunday, the Men of Bethlehem will display their olive wood carvings so that we can acquire some lovely works of art and some beautiful devotional items like rosaries, nativity scenes, crosses, icons, and statues, etc.

Come One & Come All -- Let's share an enjoyable evening, learn about our patron saint, and support our Catholic brothers and sisters in their struggles in the Holy Land.

DSF 2017

Parish Goal: \$124,780

This year's theme for the Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) is Go Make Disciples.

Our 2017 DSF continues in every parish 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 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.

Please pray about your commitment, then complete the pledge card and return it by mail or drop it off at St. Justin Martyr. Your generosity will allow our Catholic community to continue many vital programs and services. Envelopes are in the pews. Please, make your pledge today.

Parish Life

St. Justin Martyr Catholic Preschool News

It is hard to believe that this is our last week of school! We have special events planned for each day this week that I know our children will love. I'd like to thank all our St. Justin Preschool families for their continued support of our program, me and my wonderful staff. We appreciate all of you! We wish all of you a very healthy, happy and safe summer. See you in September!

Daughters of Isabella

Unity, Friendship and Charity

"Let all the earth cry out to God with joy."

PS: 66

Congratulations to Kelsey DeGhelder, daughter-in-law of our regent Nan DeGhelder, on her recent graduation from St Phillips College-Center for Health Professionals .

Come buy your tickets for a Fitbit and a Tablet to be given away on Father's Day.

Our next meeting will be on June 12, at 7:15 p.m. If you are interested in finding out about or joining our wonderful organization please call Bette Breaz at 281-493-6855.

Knights of Columbus-SJM Council 8293

Thank you to all the Knights who assisted with the Mother's Day cooking last weekend.

The next Council #8293 business meeting is Thursday, June 1, in the parish hall at 7:00 p.m.

KC's invite all parishioners, family and friends on their annual fishing trip - Deep Sea Fishing - in the Gulf on July 8, from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. All gear, fishing poles, bait etc. will be provided by the charter boat, all you need to do is shoe up and fish. RSVP to Michael Robinson at 832-744-6749 or the Grand Knight at 281-707-4444.

Next weekend is

- Newcomer Welcome Weekend -

Visit the table in the Narthex after Mass next weekend to learn more about St. Justin Martyr Parish and information on becoming a parishioner.

News About the Mavericks

May 31 – Wednesday – Out-to-lunch at Pho Crab, 11660 Westheimer. Entrees are \$9 - \$15. Meet at restaurant at 11:30 a.m. Reservations to Virginia at 281-498-6077 by May 29.

June 2 – Friday – 9:00 a.m. – First Friday Mass followed by a continental breakfast in parish hall.

June 3 – Saturday – Bus trip to visit Sunshine Farm in Montgomery which grows organic produce and a store that sells the vegetables, fresh eggs and products made from herbs they grow. After lunch at Goodson's Café we'll visit the Tomball Museum. Cost \$5. Entrees \$10 - \$11. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. from church parking lot. Reservations to Marge at 281-498-3413.

LOOKING AHEAD!

June 11 – Sunday – Trip to Casino Coshatta. Cost \$10. Bus leaves at 7:00 a.m. from church parking lot. Make your reservations NOW to Marge at 281-498-3413.

Social Ministry News

During April 2017 the Social Ministry assisted 80 households (267 individuals) of which 22 were new clients.

Statistics:

58 Households	Food
5 Households	Rent Pledge
7 Households	Food and Rent Pledge
3 Households	Utility Pledge
7 Households	Food and Utility Pledge

Breakdown of Households by ethnic group:

Asian	3 Households	5 Individuals
Afro American	55 Households	176 Individuals
Hispanics	16 Households	64 Individuals
Anglos	6 Households	22 Individuals

Food for Thought: During April 2017 the Social Ministry purchased 1,301 pounds of food for \$407.96 from the Houston Food Bank.

Thank you for supporting the Social Ministry Food Pantry

Barbara Adams



Parish Life

St. Justin's Young Adult Group

Are you, your child, or your grandchild between 18 and 35ish? Join the Young Adult Community for faith and fellowship.

- May 23 – Cultural Dinner (Thai). Carpool from the church at 7:00 p.m. to Thai Siam (11581 S Highway Six, Sugar Land, TX 77498) for dinner and fellowship.
- May 30 – Why Evil Exists? Join us in CFC 211 (Library) at 7:00 p.m. as we learn and discuss various views on why evil exists.

Questions or comments, contact Robert Ontko at robert.ontko@gmail.com or 832-372-9928.

Virtus Notification

If you took the “Keeping The Promise Alive” Virtus Course in 2012, you are required to complete an online refresher course within three months of the date you took the KPA course. Contact Butch Mueller at the parish office to get your ID and password along with additional information to complete the online refresher course.

Trinity Dome

Thank you for your generous support of the Trinity Dome collection. Your participation will bring to completion the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, our church, America's Catholic Church.

Men's ACTS Retreat

This year's Men's ACTS retreat ends on Pentecost Sunday (June 1 – 4). How fitting as we are going to light it up! Registration fee is \$260, and **yes** we do take installments.

A Stewardship Prayer

Jesus, I give my whole life to you, I thank you for creating me, dying for me, and rising for me.

Please give me a spirit of service and love so I can pour out myself for others as you did for me.

In gratitude, I offer myself to you, asking for the grace to keep you first in my heart.

Help me to use everything You have given me to serve You, my parish, and all those around me. Amen

Parish Life

Giving Thanks When You Shop

Please be sure to thank the generous advertisers in our bulletin when you visit their business. Through their participation, our parish receives our weekly bulletin free of charge.

African Community of St. Justin Martyr

May 21 - Choir practice and prayer meeting after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the CFC building room 212.

May 28 - Choir practice and executive meeting after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the CFC building room 212.

June 4 - General meeting after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the CFC building room 212. New members are welcome.

For more information please call Jude Obinyan at 832-788-3117.

Flowers say it best!

Want to help adorn our altar for weekend Masses with a beautiful floral arrangement? If so, you can donate flowers as a gift in your name, your family name, or as a remembrance for a loved one by coming by the Parish office. The cost is \$75 and mention of the gift will be made in the bulletin.



*Our altar flowers this week
Are in honor of
Our First Communicants*

CCE News

Contact
Us

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**Volunteers needed for
VBS and for the
2017-2018 CCE year.
Please contact Alyssa Avila in
the CCE office if you are interested.
Thank you!**

Please turn in your Rice Bowls!

**Proceeds will go to families in need
both locally and around the world.
Thank you for your generosity!**

Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School will take
place from June 26-30, 2017.
Pick up a registration form or
register online.



Middle and High School Youth Ministry

For more information about youth
events and activities contact:

Alex Pina, Coordinator of
Youth Ministries

281-902-5710
apina@sjmtx.com

Information is also available on the
Youth Ministry page of the parish
website at www.sjmtx.org.

St. Justin Martyr Catholic Church

THE COLOR RUN™

Saturday, June 17, 2017

Cost: \$10.00 per person

10am - 12pm

Food & Refreshments
available for sale

To register:
Stop by the Youth Office
Deadline June 10, 2017

Please bring a white t-shirt and sunglasses or protective eyewear.

Other Events

Baccalaureate Mass May 27 @ 5:30pm Mass
(For all graduating Seniors)

Confirmation Mass June 24 @ 5:30pm Mass

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