

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.



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 9, 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

A Humble King

Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today's readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the Ruler whose dominion stretches "from the River to the ends of the earth" (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!

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Today's Readings

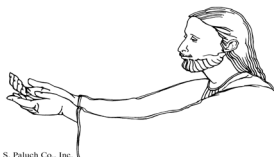
First Reading — Rejoice heartily, O Jerusalem! For see, your savior comes. Zechariah 9:9-10

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. Psalm 145

Second Reading — The one who raised Christ from death will give life to your mortal bodies also. Romans 8:9, 11-13

Gospel — Come, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:25-30

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Financial Stewardship

Weekend Collection

Please see the bulletin of July 16 for the July 2 & July 9 collection amounts.

Required Weekly Budget Amount	\$20,500
Building Improvements	\$ -0-
Social Ministry	\$ -0-
Registered Families	1581

Diocesan Services Fund 2017

Parish Goal:	\$124,780
Parish Amount Pledged:	\$ 71,072
Parish Contributions:	\$ 53,962
Balance Due:	\$ 70,818

Number of Participants 348

Upcoming Second Collections

July 9	St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag
August 13	Infirm Priest Collection
September 10	Catholic University of America/ University of St. Thomas
October 22	Propagation of the Faith
November 5	Retired Priests

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

St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag Collection

Could you look a hungry child in the eye and say, "The problem of hunger and shelter is beyond our means to solve; I am so sorry but there is nothing I can do for you." The Society of St. Vincent de Paul faces this challenge and many others daily. Through your financial support of the Archdiocesan Black Bag Collection, we are able to feed the hungry, give shelter to the homeless, clothe the naked, care for the sick, visit those in prison, and help bury the dead. The collection is this weekend, July 8 & 9

Prayer Needs

Mass Intentions

July 8th ~ July 16th

Sat.	July 8th	5:30 p.m.	+ Rolando Reyes
Sun.	July 9th	8:00 a.m.	Sherna Matthews
Sun.	July 9th	10:00 a.m.	+ Eustaquio De La Cerna
Sun.	July 9th	12:00 p.m.	People of St. Justin
Sun.	July 9th	5:00 p.m.	+ Edelmiro Perez + Gilberto G. Botero
Mon.	July 10th	7:00 p.m.	+ Francis Assisi Tran
Tue.	July 11th	7:00 p.m.	+ Souls in Purgatory
Wed.	July 12th	9:00 a.m.	+ Rev. Charles Borski, OMI
Wed.	July 12th	9:00 a.m.	+ Linda Vaughan McKernan
Thurs.	July 13th	9:00 a.m.	Sherna Matthews
Fri.	July 14th	9:00 a.m.	+ Carl Torla
Fri.	July 14th	6:30 p.m.	+ All Souls
Sat.	July 15th	9:00 a.m.	+ Regina Ohnheiser
Sat.	July 15th	5:30 p.m.	+ John Savana
Sun.	July 16th	8:00 a.m.	+ Holy Souls
Sun.	July 16th	10:00 a.m.	+ Macario Diate
Sun.	July 16th	12:00 p.m.	+ Phao Lo
Sun.	July 16th	5:00 p.m.	People of St. Justin

Word Of Life

“Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”

-Pope Francis, “Day for Life Greeting.”

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Vocations Brief

A study commissioned by the Knights of Columbus revealed that 75% of Catholic young people who had seriously considered religious life felt they were never encouraged to pursue that goal. Do you know someone who would make a good priest? Why not tell him so? Your encouragement may be all he needs.

Serra for priestly and religious vocations

Readings for the Week

Sun., July 9th:	Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9,11-13/ Mt 11:25-30
Mon., July 10th:	Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26
Tues., July 11th:	Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38
Wed., July 12th:	Gn 41:55-57;42:5-7a,17-24a/ Mt 10:1-7
Thurs., July 13th:	Gn 44:18-21,23b-29;45:1-5/ Mt 10:7-15
Fri., July 14th:	Gn 46:1-7,28-30/Mt 10:16-23
Sat., July 15th:	Gn 49:29-32;50:15-26a/ Mt 10:24-33
Sun., July 16th:	Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/ Mt 13:1-23

Parish Events

Sunday, July 9th

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass

12:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Monday, July 10th

7:00 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, July 11th

6:30 p.m. Penance

7:00 p.m. Mass

7:00 p.m. Young Adults

7:30 p.m. Perpetual Help Novena & Rosary

Wednesday, July 12th

9:00 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 p.m. RCIA Pre-Catechumenate

Thursday, July 13th

9:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, July 14th

9:00 a.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. Mass

Saturday, July 15th

9:00 a.m. Mass

4:00 p.m. Penance

5:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, July 16th

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass

12:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Parish Life

Visiting Czech Deacons

Beginning Thursday, July 27, three transitional deacons from the Czech Republic will be visiting St. Justin Martyr Parish. They will be attending morning Masses from Thursday through Sunday morning. During the day, they want to see places like St. Mary's Seminary, the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, and NASA. They are Jan Jureeka from the Diocese of Ostrava-Opava, Vojtich Zahradka from the Diocese of Brno and Jioi Sustek from the Diocese of Olomouc. They will leave at Noon on Sunday.



HERE IT IS WHAT YOU'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR:

"The Great Baked Potato Social in honor of the Czech Deacons and the Saints of July."

On Saturday, July 29, at 7:00 p.m., the Vocations Committee will sponsor an evening in honor of the Czech deacons who will visit St. Justin Martyr Parish. The Knights of Columbus will sell baked potatoes with all the trimmings for \$5, seven people will share information and insights about seven of the saints honored on their feast days in July, and the Czech deacons will talk about Sts. Cyril and Methodius, the patrons of the Czech Republic and of unity between the Eastern and Western parts of the Church. Door prizes associated with each of the Saints will be awarded to lucky winners. Tickets will be available after the weekend Masses and at the parish office.

*Our altar flowers this week were donated
in thanksgiving for answered prayers*

*By
Frank & Judith Rusche*



Today, Sunday, July 9, there are no food sales today.

Next Sunday, July 16, enjoy Breakfast prepared by the Daughters of Isabella on sale in the parish hall after morning Masses.



Wednesday Movie Novena Night Week #6 - July 12

We are showing a double feature this week! "The Miracle of Fr. Kapuan" & "For Love Alone" sponsored by the Vocations Committee & Marriage Team. Feature begins at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Everyone welcomed. Admission is Oatmeal for Social Ministries. Door prizes at end of movie.

Many Thanks

To Quang & Ngoc Tran for providing the Wine and Host for St. Justin Martyr for the month of July in honor of their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

African Community of St. Justin Martyr

July 9 - No activity scheduled.

August 12 - Annual Picnic at Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza Park, 4025 Eldridge Parkway, Houston, Texas 77082. Time 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., volunteers are needed.

Questions, call Jude Obinyan at 832-788-3117.

NEW pilgrimage opportunity! 12-day Camino de Santiago & Fatima

Is hiking the Camino de Santiago on your bucket list? Have you seen the movie "The Way," with Martin Sheen and thought "I'd like to do that?" Pilgrims have been walking the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James) for centuries, following the many paths to Santiago de Compostela and the tomb of St. James. This tour begins in Sarria, the most popular Camino starting point, covering the last 100km of the Camino Francés. We are currently forming a group from our parish to walk the final segment of the French Way, from Sarria to Santiago next summer (2018). If you would like to hear more about taking this spiritual journey with our parish, please plan on attending the Camino Information meeting on Saturday, July 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. where you can get more information and ask any questions you might have.

Novenas & Prayer Chains.

Please do not leave novena sheets or booklets in the church. When we find them, we put them in the recycling bin.

Parish Life

St. Justin Martyr Catholic Preschool News

St. Justin Preschool is closed during the summer months. We will be checking messages and scheduling tours as needed. We are currently registering for our 2017 - 2018 school year. We have programs for children 2 years - 4 years of age. Our hours are 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. We also have before and after school care available! If you would like more information regarding our program please call 281-556-1260. The first day of school is September 5.

Daughters of Isabella

Unity, Friendship and Charity

"I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God."
PS:145

We will have a bake sale on July 16, after morning Mass. Please join us for some delicious baked goodies.

Our next meeting will be August 14 at 7:15 p.m. at Bellaire West Club House, 11511- Rowan.

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

The Next Council Social Meeting is the **July 16, 2017 fishing trip**. Go fishing with the Knights of Columbus.

FISHING TRIP:

KC invites all Parishioners, family and friends on their Annual Fishing trip. - Deep sea Fishing - in the Gulf on **July 16, 2017** from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. We have 5 seats left. The Cost is \$90.00. Please contact Michael Robinson at 832-744-6749 or Michael Akiboh 281-707-4444. All you need to do is make your **reservation NOW seats are LIMITED**.

Questions about the KC's, please contact Grand Knight Michael Akiboh 281-707-4444.

Next weekend the Ministry Spotlight
will be on the

- RCIA -

Visit the table in the Narthex after Mass
next weekend to learn more about
this Ministry.

News About the Mavericks

July 11 – Tuesday – 3:00 p.m. – Monthly birthday party for residents at West Oaks Geriatric Center. If interested in helping call Joanne at 281-395-2123.

July 14 – Friday – Miller Outdoor Theater to see "Pippin", a musical presented by TUTS. Car pool from church at 6:45 p.m. Reservations to Marge at 281-498-3413.

July 19 – Wednesday – Out-to-lunch at Sylvia's Enchilada Kitchen, 1140 Eldridge. Entrees \$9 - \$11. Meet at restaurant at 11:30 a.m. Reservations to Virginia at 281-498-6077 by July 17.

July 21 – Friday – 6:30 p.m. – Monthly meeting in parish hall. Entertainment by "Strings & Things" instrumental group.

The Mavericks is an organization of and for individuals 50 years and older that provides opportunities of fellowship, spiritual growth and service. For more information call Jim at 281-293-8206.

God is hard of hearing

Well, not really . . . but let's pretend that he is. The din of talking and laughter in the narthex before Mass echoes around the church, making it difficult for people to pray and collect themselves before Mass.

Please help make the narthex a quiet place: keep the noise down! The inner narthex between the sacristy, bride's room, holy water font should be a place of absolute quiet. Thanks for helping us all to pray better!



Social Ministry News

The summer is flying by. More clients are coming to the ministry seeking food assistance.

Next Sunday is our monthly food drive. When shopping this week, consider purchasing a non-perishable item for the food pantry.

Any donation is great, but the most needed item is Canned soup.

Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause.
May God bless you and keep you safe.

Parish Life

CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS!

The next Quarterly Leadership Meeting will be a town hall style meeting held on Thursday, July 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend, learn about current parish issues, and participate in solution-seeking discussions.

The SJM Stewardship Committee encourages you to bring your best suggestions and brightest ideas. Your parish needs you!

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.

July 11, 18, 25 - Join us for Cafe Catholica on Monday. 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 Vincent Reyes at the parish office to get your ID and password along with additional information to complete the online refresher course.

CFC Building Closure

The CFC Building is closed for annual summer cleaning and refurbishing. The A/C will be set on higher temperatures to reduce our electric costs.

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

Around The Archdiocese

Cafe Catholica 2017

Attention Young Adults (18-30's) come join 700 fellow young Catholics for dinner & great talks in 3 new locations! **Cafe Catholica 2017 "Be Not Afraid"** is a dinner-lecture series for young adults, featuring dynamic speakers. The Cafe continues on Mondays, 5:15 p.m. Confessions, 6:15 p.m. Mass, 7:15 p.m. dinner, 8:15 p.m. speaker, table exhibits, and socializing. Come for all or part of the evening! Free event. www.CafeCatholica.com Sponsored by the Office of Young Adult & Campus Ministry. Info: 713-741-8778.

CENTRAL - July 10th Catholic Charismatic Center, 1949 Cullen Rd. Rev. Luke Millette and Kevin Becker (NYC) "A Call To Sainthood: Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati Patron of Young Adults"

July 17th Catholic Charismatic Center, 1949 Cullen Rd. Rev. Agustino Torres CFR, (Pure Heart NYC) "Seeking a Real Connection"

July 24th Catholic Charismatic Center, 1949 Cullen Rd. Daniel Cardinal DiNardo "The Church's Response"

NORTH - July 31st St. Simon and Jude, 26777 Glen Loch Dr. Sr. Bethany Madonna SV (Sister of Life NYC) "Be Not Afraid of God's Call."

2017 Life Awareness Weekend

- Thinking about life as a Priest, Sister or Brother? Come to Life Awareness, a weekend of discerning about a religious vocation.
- The program is open to single Catholics of ages 18 to 45.
- The Life Awareness Weekend will be held at Holy Name Retreat Center, Friday evening through Sunday brunch, July 21 - 23.
- There is no fee to attend. Outstanding accommodations, great food and talking to God; sponsored by the Serra Club of Northwest Houston, Vocation Office of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and the Holy Name Retreat Center.

For more information please contact: Henry Majoue at 832-606-1372 or Deacon Gary Hilbig at 832-549-4140.

CCE News

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Continuing Christian Education (CCE)

CCE is a catechetical program designed to systematically teach our children about the Catholic faith and grow in their relationship with Christ.

We have programs for preschool through high school. Please contact the CCE office for more information.

We are always in need of volunteers. Do not be afraid! We will train mentor all volunteers and offer several opportunities for growth to catechists of all seasons.

Students with special needs:

We have a place for all!
If your child is in need of a sacrament, please contact us to talk about our adaptive programs and special instruction.

**2017-2018 CCE registration is
happening now!**

**Come by the church to pick up registration packets or print them online
at
www.sjmtx.org/registration.**

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.

Bear Witness

When: July 10 – 14th

Time: 10am – 4pm

Where: St. Francis de Sales Catholic
Church

Cost: \$85.00 per teen (includes trip to
Schlitterbahn Galveston)

Middle School & High School Teens
WELCOME!!!

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