



Archdiocese of Galveston — Houston

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Houston, TX 77077

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Pre K-8th Grade

Living Faith

Dear friends in Christ:

At my desk, I keep a running list of topics that I would like to write about in these weekly letters. Sadly, the lists only gets longer as I never seem to have enough time to get to everything. With that being said, I will take this opportunity to use this week's letter as a reminder of some important topics in a lightning round fashion. Each of these topics could easily be an entire letter. Buckle up because here we go!

Spiritual Life. Keep up with your spiritual life. Pray every day, come to Mass every Sunday and Holy Day, come to Eucharistic Adoration and make a frequent and regular confession.

Involvement. Get involved. Do one thing at the parish besides attending Mass every week. Serve in a ministry or participate in a program or activity.

Share the Good News. Invite someone to come to Mass with you. Invite someone to join you at one of our parish activities. It is Ok to brag about how good God is to us! Praise God for his marvelous deeds.

Be Positive. Anyone can complain. Look for the good in every situation and you will find it. Being positive and hopeful is far more productive than griping and complaining.

Babies are Good! To be pro-life means that we need to support young families in words, attitudes and actions. If we complain that children are a burden what message are we sending? Rejoice in the gift of children! Respect Life! Promote Life! Choose Life!

Marriage is Good! Let others know how blessed you are in your marriage. Marriage is not easy and no marriage is perfect, but most are really good. Remember to let your spouse know every day that you love them. No matter what.

Love is in the air. Young couples, don't wait until everything is perfect to get married. That day will never come. Trust in God to bless you in your life together. God is the source of all blessings, not you.

Get married in the Catholic Church. If you are not married in the Catholic Church, come talk to us about having your marriage blessed. If you are engaged, save the destination trip for the honeymoon. You can have a nice wedding in the church and then run off to an exotic destination if you wish. Weddings do not have to be huge expensive affairs.

Let us know. When someone is seriously ill or homebound, please let the parish office know so that we can pray for them and if needed, provide the Sacrament of the Sick. For the homebound, we can bring Holy Communion on a weekly basis. The only way we know is if someone from the family tells us.

Be Not Afraid. God wants to forgive our sins. Come to confession and experience his mercy and forgiveness.

Please Register. Blessed with so many people, it is important that all of our wonderful parishioners are registered in the parish. This is essential to good communication and parish planning.

Disconnect. Deliberately reduce the amount of time you spend on technology. Digital devices are wonderful inventions, but they can steal time, imagination, attention and opportunities from personal encounters of the real kind. They can also corrupt and toxify our relationships, thinking and attitudes.

Faith Seeking Understanding. We should be life-long learners of our faith. Religious education and formation do not stop at 1st Communion, Confirmation or graduation. Seek to continually grow in deepening your knowledge and understanding of our beautiful Catholic Faith.

Parental Help. Please remember that we have a wonderful nursery (recently expanded) and cry rooms for when little ones get cranky during Mass.

Money, Money, Money. Please tithe in thanksgiving for what the Lord has given you. It takes a half million dollars to run our parish each month. All of us need to do our part. To make it easy, you can give your contributions electronically or by envelopes. If you forget your checkbook, you can always text to give or scan the QR code in the bulletin. For information call our offices.

Don't Settle. Be the best Catholic. Don't be an 80% or 50% or 10% Catholic. Be 100% Catholic. Give God your best and you will know the peace, joy, assurance, and comfort of the truth of the Catholic Faith.

Reverence. Please remember to show your reverence by always genuflecting when you pass the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle.

Rest in Peace. Please make sure that your family knows that you want to have a Catholic Funeral Mass when the time comes for the Lord to call you home. Don't leave them guessing or doing something less than what you and the Lord deserve.

Pray together. Praying for people is good. Praying with people is great! Pray together as a family and especially as a married couple.

Catholic Schools. Consider sending your children (or grandkids) to one of our great Catholic Schools (elementary, high school and college). It is a sacrifice worth making and a gift that lasts a lifetime.

Planned Giving. Please remember SJV in your will and in your estate planning. You can also make gifts to our SJV Endowment Fund by making a gift from an IRA or in donating appreciated stock.

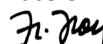
Hail Mary. Carry your rosary with you and pray it often. Don't forget to pray to the saints either. They are praying for you! Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us. St. John Vianney, pray for us!

Let Go! None of us are perfect. God desires to forgive us our sins and failures, so we too must learn to let go and forgive others and ourselves. Don't hang on to old hurts and grudges, sins and failures. Give them to God. Just as God forgives us, so we must forgive others.

Make friends. Get to know the people around you at Mass. Make church friends and make your church friends your best friends! Socialize with fellow parishioners and they will be friends for life. Pray, eat, laugh, cry, serve, celebrate, and live life with your fellow parishioners.

Don't Stop – learning, praying, loving, trusting, serving, laughing, working, forgiving, thanking, praising celebrating, or believing.

In Pace Christi,



Mass Intentions

Monday, September 23, 2019

9:00 a.m. † John Ottenweller

Tuesday, September 24, 2019

9:00 a.m. Alma Biediger
7:00 p.m. † Jackie Rinaldi

Wednesday, September 25, 2019

9:00 a.m. † Ruperto Medina

Thursday September 26, 2019

9:00 a.m. † Irene Lutz
7:00 p.m. † Doris Purgatorio

Friday, September 27, 2019

9:00 a.m. † Daniel Raia

Saturday, September 28, 2019

5:30 p.m. † Jim and Alice Edelmann

Sunday, September 29, 2019

8:00 a.m. † Marvin Tran
9:30 a.m. Missa Pro Populo
11:00 a.m. † John Bigando
12:30 p.m. Tania Rodriguez
2:00 p.m. † Wally Attisha
5:30 p.m. † Ralph Brigantino
7:00 p.m. † Lorenzo Martinez

Other Remembrances

S. Bockholt, † Ursuline Smith

Mass Readings

Monday Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6;
Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20;
Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21

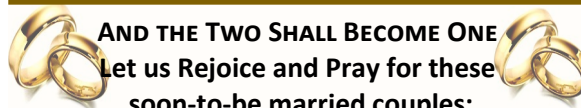
Wednesday Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2-4,7-8;
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a and
9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:-4;
Lk 9:18-22

Saturday Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a;
Jer 31:10-13; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10;
1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31



AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE
Let us Rejoice and Pray for these
soon-to-be married couples:

Jennifer Brune and Javier Martinez
Jennifer Haro and Cesar Mendez-Blanco
Maria Delia Romero and Alexander Brady

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
5:30 p.m.

Sunday
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
11:00 a.m.,
12:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
Spanish: 2:00 p.m.,
7:00 p.m.

Weekdays
Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday
7:00 p.m.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS
Monday - Friday
6:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

NOVENA & ROSARY
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
Novena of the Sacred Heart
1st Fridays following
9:00 a.m. Mass
Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary after 9:00 a.m. daily Mass

CONFESSIONS
Saturday
10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS
Classes offered monthly.
Please contact the Parish Office

MARRIAGE
Please contact the Parish Office at least eight months prior to desired date

ANointing OF THE SICK/COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND
Please contact the Parish Office

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday
8:30 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.

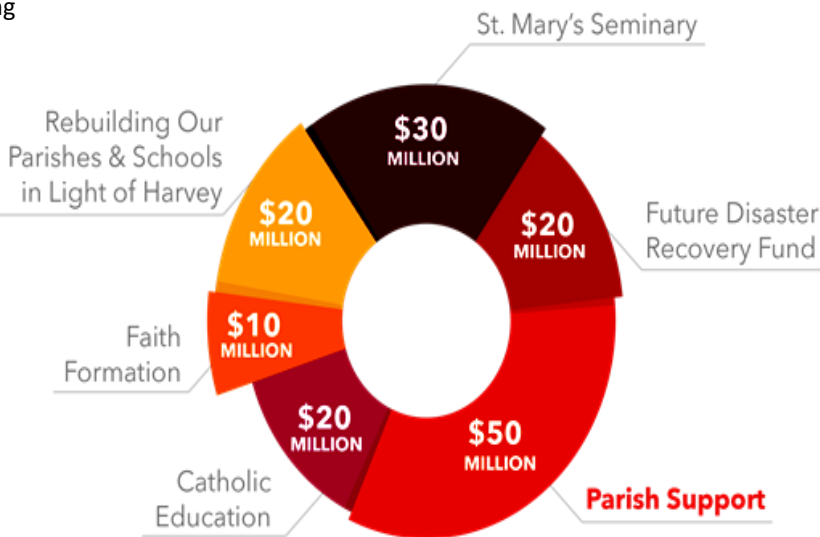


All parishes in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston are joining together for the **IGNITE** Campaign. The campaign seeks to raise \$150 million over the next 4 years to prepare our faith family for the future. **At its heart, this campaign is about supporting our future by focusing on our parishes, our future priests, Catholic Education and Faith Formation as well as Rebuilding in Light of Harvey and ensuring a Future Disaster Fund.** The \$150 million will be used for the following purposes:

Please Attend a Campaign Reception!

We are asking all families to attend one of the following IGNITE receptions:

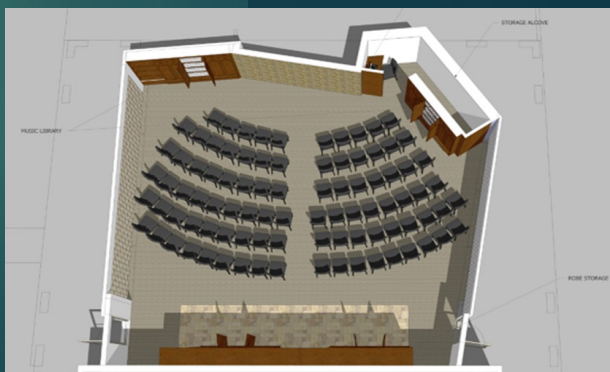
Date	Time	Location
Sept 16	7:00pm	Activity Center
Sept. 17	12:00pm	St. Jude Hall
Sept. 22 (SP)	Following 2:00pm Mass	St. Jude Hall
Sept. 22 (SP)	Following 7:00pm Mass	St. Jude Hall
Sept. 23	7:00pm	Activity Center
Sept. 25	7:00pm	Activity Center
Sept. 26	12:00pm	Activity Center
Sept. 26	7:00pm	Activity Center



St John Vianney goal: \$4.3 Million
\$2.9 MM for Archdiocese
\$1.4 MM for SJV

SJV Case Statement

- ▶ **Refurbish Activity Center and Youth Lounge**
 - ▶ Totally re-clad the exterior
 - ▶ Re-surface and upgrade the basketball court
 - ▶ Replace and upgrade the HVAC
 - ▶ Re-model Youth Lounge
- ▶ **Re-model Library/Den**
 - ▶ Increase meeting space
 - ▶ 4 work stations
- ▶ **Re-model Music Lecture Hall**
 - ▶ Music Library
 - ▶ Coffee bar
 - ▶ Additional closet and storage space for robes and materials
- ▶ **Resurface South and West Parking Lots**



ADULT FORMATION

Blessing of the Animals

God's care extends to the human family and to the whole of creation!



Celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis, loving friend to all creatures.

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Bring your animals (gerbils, hamsters, birds, goldfish, rabbits, horses) and pets (dogs and cats, properly restrained) for a

special blessing bestowed through Fr. Chuck and Fr. Richard Friday, October 4, 2019, 4:30pm , on the lawn, in "the scout area"



ADULT FORMATION



The Lord Has Need of Your Hands...

...To serve as an

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMs) assist with the distribution of Holy Communion in Mass—on the weekends and/or in daily Mass—and also have the opportunity to bring Holy Communion to those who are homebound, hospitalized, or in a care facility.

Training Session: Saturday, Sept. 28, 9-11am

(in the Church—choose the session most convenient for your schedule)

To attend send your name to: ygill@stjohnvianney.org

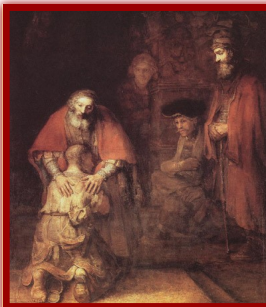
Serving At the Table of The Lord



If you are 12 years, or about to be, you are invited to serve at the Table of the Lord.

An Altar Server Training Session will be held on October 6th in the Church.

For more information on the session and to add your name to the training roster contact Mike McDonnell at mike@mcbeesupply.com or 713/724-8191.



Re-Membering Church

Welcoming back Catholics who have been away from the Church.

A series of five sessions designed to “catch you up” on what’s been happening while you’ve been away.

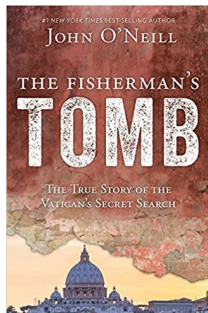
They also offer a wonderful opportunity to ask questions, be heard, and heal wounds.

November 4, 11, 18, December 2, 9

6:30pm—8pm Monday evenings

Welcome Home!

The Author Speaks!



John O'Neill, author of *The Fisherman's Tomb...*

Monday, October 28, 6:30pm—7:30pm

Activity Center Dining Room

...tells the story of the search for St. Peter's tomb.

ADULT FORMATION

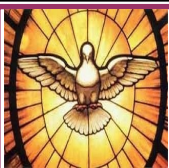


***Catholic?
Thinking about it?
Know someone who is?***

Weekly sessions are now in progress; join us!

For information on the RCIA
(Rite of Christian Initiation) process contact:

Yvonne Gill: ygill@stjohnvianney.org



The Legacy Series

A Continuing Christian Education for
Baptized Catholic adults

Session I: *Genesis To Jesus*

Session I: Sunday mornings 9:30am—10:30am
A/V Room

Session II: *Bringing Virtues To Life*

Session II: Sunday mornings, 11-11:45am
A/V Room

No fee for either session; all materials provided



TEXT MESSAGES

Text Messages

An examination of some
of the more puzzling texts
in Sacred Scripture.

Presented by

Fr. Chuck Talar

Tuesday evening, 6:30pm—8pm

Concluding session:

September 24

Audio/Visual Room



The JoyFull Women's Guild

Joy....from Jesus's words in scripture;

Full....of inspiration from encyclicals, lives of the saints,
guest speaker presentations!

Next meeting: Sept. 26th

9:45am-11:45am

Room C-25

The Guild is a wonderful way to meet new friends.

Women of all ages are welcome!

For more information contact Denise: denise.joyfull.guild@gmail.com



YOUTH FORMATION

**CCE Classes have started.
It's not too late to join us.**



CCE - 2019-2020

CCE Registration forms are available
in the Youth Formation Office and on the parish website.
www.stjohnvianney.org/cce/

Bible Story Time



Bible stories, crafts, prayers and fun
for children 5 years old &
younger. Join us this
Wednesday, September 25
Room E-8 at 10:30 am.
No registration required, just come!

Parents' Night Out

Friday, September 27th, 5-9pm

You plan a date night,
we provide the childcare.

Children 1-10 Years Old Welcome

\$25 for one child, \$10 for second, \$5 for any additional

Registration Available in Youth Formation Office
Deadline to Register is Tuesday, September 24th

Sacrament Preparation



**Registration
2019-2020**

First Reconciliation and
First Eucharist . Registration is
separate from CCE registration
and forms are only available in
the Youth Formation Office.

Sacrament Registration deadlines:

Reconciliation/Eucharist - September 22



**SEPT 27
5-9PM**

\$10

RSVP ONLINE / FOR QUESTIONS EMAIL SEAN
STRASNA AT SSTRASNA@STJOHNVIANNEY.ORG

SJV TRIPS

July 8—19, 2020

11-days

Camino de Santiago

Hike the way of St. James

Registrations have begun



December 27, 2020—January 3, 2021



Celebrate New Year's Eve 2020 with your SJV
family and friends . Come join SJV on a Royal
Caribbean Cruise—all are welcome!
Registrations have begun - it's not too early to
reserve your cabin.

Contact River Oaks Travel for pricing
& cabin selection
Julia or Kristie at (713) 807-0722,
Julia@riveroakstravel.com

For more information , please contact
Carolyn Greene cgreene@stjohnvianney.org



SAINT JOHN VIANNEY YOUNG ADULTS

In your 20s or 30s?
Check out SJV'S Young Adult Ministry!

Email: TCooper@stjohnvianney.org
Website: www.stjohnvianney.org/youngadults
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SJVYoungAdults
Instagram: SJVYA

For we walk by faith not by sight. -2 Cor 5:7

Saturday, September 28th

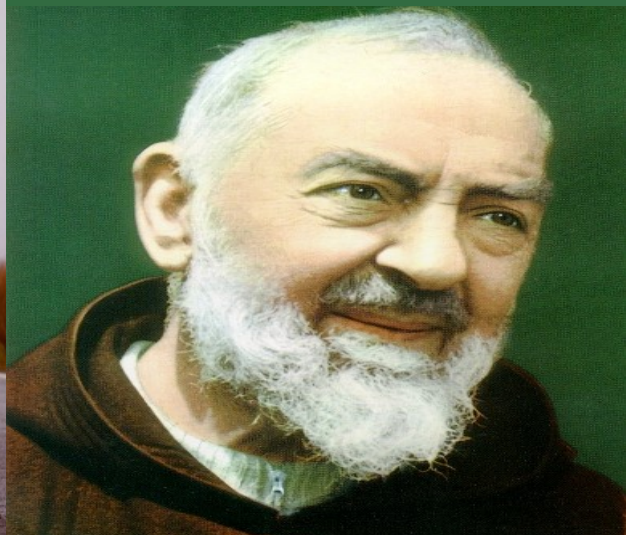
Noon – 5:30pm St Jude Hall
Followed by 5:30pm Mass at a Group



A Young Adult Day Retreat

Online Registration \$30
Registration Includes Lunch and Materials
Register Today at www.stjohnvianney.org/ya

September Spiritual Book Club:
Padre Pio: A Man of Hope
By Renzo Allegri



Discussion: Sunday, September 22nd
7pm at Doux Café (865 Dairy Ashford)
Reading Guides and Online Content Available
Join Book Club by Emailing
TCooper@stjohnvianney.org

Balancing Career and Faith for the Young Professionals of Today



Join us for a fabulous evening as three area Catholics business men and women share their insight into how they have successfully balanced their careers and their faith.

Thursday, September 26th

6:30-8:30pm St. Jude Hall

Tickets \$5 Online (only 40 available)

Appetizers and Beverages Provided

Tickets Available Online at www.stjohnvianney.org/ya

SOCIAL SERVICE MINISTRY

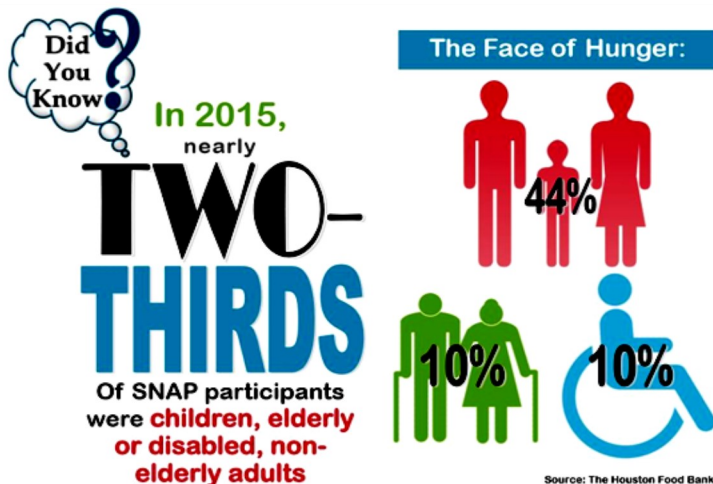
FOOD DRIVE THIS WEEKEND! SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER ACTION MONTH

We offer fresh produce and non-perishable food, as well as many other items such as toiletries, paper products, cleaning supplies, and more at our pantry.

Families and individuals select what they will eat and use, rather than receive pre-packaged grocery bags. We are always in need of nonperishable food items, toiletries, paper products, baby items, cleaning supplies, and reusable grocery bags.

Drop off your donations to Food Drive volunteers outside the church before and after each mass this Saturday & Sunday. **Please check expiration dates. We cannot distribute expired food or food that has been opened.**

If you forgot to bring your donation today, that's OK! You can drop it off Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Social Service Ministries Building. You can also donate via our **Amazon Wish List** at <https://amzn.to/2Nfs6aQ>



"For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35)

**JOSEPH'S COAT
SEPTEMBER SALES
CONTINUE!
9/23 - 9/28
SEPTEMBER SWEEP
Sale on Art, Fall Décor, Lamps, Books,
Vases, Frames, Baskets & more!**

Proceeds benefit our Social Service Ministries, including our Food Pantry and Emergency Assistance Services for families in our community who are in need.

**Open Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™
SPEAK UP FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES
-PROVERBS 31:8

September 25—November 3

SJV's Respect Life Ministry invites you to pray with them **every Thursday** during this legal prayer event outside the largest abortion facility in the Western Hemisphere (4600 Gulf Freeway). As people pray and fast for forty days, **more than one hundred women choose life** for their unborn child during each prayer campaign just in Houston!

We know that through the power of prayer and the grace of God, hearts are touched and lives are saved.

To carpool from SJV, contact Diane at dianecdavis@comcast.net

"It is God who gives life. Let us respect and love human life, especially vulnerable life in a mother's womb." ~ Pope Francis

MUSIC MINISTRY



ECHOchestra
presents

MUSIC OF THE AMERICAS

Orchestral Music from
North & South America featuring
Venezuelan Violin virtuoso Eddie Marcano

Friday, October 4, 2019

7:30pm

St. John Vianney Catholic Church

625 Nottingham Oaks Trail
Houston, TX 77079

Tickets and Info: www.ECHOchestra.org



ECHO is funded in part by the City of
Houston through Houston Arts Alliance

NEW VOCAL GROUP

TEEN CHOIR

Rehearsals starting
October 6th
2pm - Music Lecture Hall
(Open to 7th—12th
Grades)

Come have fun, socialize and
share your faith with music.
Limited Rehearsals

For more information contact
Michael Madrid 281-584-2041
mmadrid@stjohnvianney.org



Could God be calling you?



Dominican Sisters of Mary
Mother of the Eucharist

4597 Warren Road • Ann Arbor, MI • 48105
(734) 930-4222 • www.sistersofmary.org



Texas Vocations Retreat

October 12, 2019

8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Priory
5505 East State Highway 29
Georgetown, TX 78626

Meet the Sisters and learn about Religious Life!

Our main speaker will be the Community's Vocations Director:
Sr. Joseph Andrew Bogdanowicz, O.P.

**Lunch will be provided but those with special dietary needs
(food allergies) will need to bring their own sack lunch**

Please register at : [https://www.sistersofmary.org/
events/2019-texas-vocational-discernment-retreat/](https://www.sistersofmary.org/events/2019-texas-vocational-discernment-retreat/)

NEW VOCAL GROUP

THIS GROUP IS OPEN TO PEOPLE OF
ALL SKILL LEVELS.
NO EVENING REHEARSALS AND SING
THE MASS AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH.

Starting Thursday, October 3rd

9:45 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

Music Lecture Hall

For inquiries, call Michael Madrid

281-584-2041

mmadrid@stjohnvianney.org

PARISH LIFE



1st Friday Breakfast

Friday, October 4
St. Jude Hall

Following the 9:00 am Mass

Join us for a FREE delicious breakfast

SJV WOMEN'S CLUB



Welcomes all ladies to our
October gathering!
Wednesday, October 2
Activity Center
Adult Lounge
9:45 am

Our guest, psychologist, Nick Lopez will be inspiring us to "Live Joyfully" amidst the stresses in our world.

For more information email us at
SJWomensClub@gmail.com



We welcome all mothers of school aged children to join us on Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 11:30-1:00 in St. Jude Hall.

Fr. Richard Hinkley will be speak about his faith journey.

RSVP for complimentary lunch on Member Planet.

RSVP for free childcare at sms.childcare@gmail.com by 9/18. For more info, contact stmonicassociety@gmail.com

19th Annual Charity

Golf Tournament

Monday, October 21, 2019

Willow Fork Country Club - 21055 Westheimer Pkwy, Katy

Benefitting our SJV Seminarians

4 Player Scramble

Mulligans, long drive and closest to pin contests included.
Lunch, dinner and drinks are provided.



Please support our Seminarians by becoming a sponsor and/or player!

5 Levels of Sponsorship Entry Fee: \$125 per golfer

For tournament or registration details,
visit www.kofc6527.org/golf

For questions, call David Cole at 713-562-2932
or email to golf@kofc6527.org

Presented by the Knights of Columbus Council 6527



BUS TRIP to the
Painted Churches
in Schulenberg
Wednesday, October 23
Departs SJV at 8:30 am

\$30.00 per person

Includes luxury bus transportation and admission

All are Welcome! RSVP by October 10 to
Geraldyn Hageman 281-558-9278
Limited space to the first 55 sign-ups

PARISH LIFE

**COFFEE &
DONUTS**

**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 6**

**After All Morning
Masses**

Activity Center



**Don't Forget to
Sell or Purchase
your Raffle Tickets
Take a Chance & Win!!**

Grand Prize - \$10,000.00 in Visa Cards

2nd Prize - 7 Night Carnival Cruise

3rd Prize - \$2,500 in Visa Gift Cards

4th Prize - 75" LG 4K Smart TV

5th Prize - \$1,000 in Visa Gift Cards

6th Prize - iPad Air (256 GB)

7th Prize - \$500 in Visa Gift Cards

All Bazaar Proceeds Benefit our Parish Charities

BAZAAR 2019 Just a Month Away!!

Sunday, October 13

11:00 am - 6:00 pm



Cakes & Desserts Needed: We are in need of lots of homemade cakes for the Cake Wheel Booth; as well as cakes, pies, cookies, brownies for our Dessert Booth. Due to allergies, please label your dessert. No refrigerated items. Please drop off on Friday & Saturday before the Bazaar, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, and the morning of the bazaar by 9:00am in the Youth Lounge of the Activity Center.

Raffle Tickets: Please purchase or sell your raffle tickets. Our raffle is the biggest source of income for the bazaar.
Fun Note - If every family in the parish purchased at least one book of tickets, we would raise close to \$250,000 just from the raffle.

Most Of All We Need YOU!: Have fun and volunteer your time and help *Make a Difference!* On the Saturday before the bazaar, we need everyone's help from 8:30am - 1:00 pm and all day on Bazaar Sunday. To sign up contact Haidee in the Parish Life Office, hbucher@stjohnvianney.org or 281-497-1555. This is a great service opportunity for our high school teens.