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### *Living Faith*

### *Changing Lives*

### *Making a Difference*

Dear Friends in Christ,

We again embark on our annual spiritual journey to Easter, the Feast of the Resurrection of Jesus, which is part of our life-long journey to heaven. A principle of Catholic life and culture is that we fast before we feast. Prior to celebrating our two greatest feasts, Easter and Christmas, we prepare ourselves spiritually, mentally and physically by periods of penitence marked by fasting, praying and almsgiving. These actions are disciplines that we undertake personally and communally. We discipline our thoughts and our appetites so that we may rid ourselves of sinful habits and tendencies and increase virtue and holiness in order to more fully experience the joy of the feast. The way to have a happy Easter is to have a holy Lent! The three disciplines of Lent (fasting, praying and almsgiving) each require sacrifice. The word "sacrifice" does not mean to give up as most would say, but rather it means to make holy (sacra – holy, facere – to make). Through the disciplines of fasting, prayer and almsgiving we learn about God, ourselves and others. By fasting we can reflect on how delicate we are. Deprive us of a little food and we can quickly become weak or obsessed with thinking about food. People who seldom eat hamburgers get huge cravings for hamburgers on Lenten Fridays! What does this tell us about ourselves and God's bountiful goodness to us? Communally, we fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent. It is a good practice to fast or abstain from other foods or pleasures during this season as well as a daily reminder. This Lent, consider abstaining or fasting from technology. Put the cell phone down, stay away from the computer or turn off the TV and instead spend the time in prayer, spiritual reading or having one on one time with a family member.

Through the discipline of prayer, we can see how we strengthen our relationship with God. Prayer is the oxygen to our souls. Getting up early to pray, taking up a few extra minutes in prayer each day rearranges our lives. Praying more focuses our attention on God and increases our awareness of our desire for God. In prayer, offer prayers of adoration, expressing to God how much you love Him, prayers of contrition – tell God that you are sorry for your sins. Confession is perfect for this. Offer thanks to God for the multitude of blessings in your life and humbly place your needs and those of others before Him. Praying for others before ourselves strengthens our faith and our love. A beautiful way to pray is praying with the scriptures. Pick up your Bible and pray using the Psalms or meditate on a passage from the gospels. When we don't have the words, the Lord will often provide them in Scripture.

Almsgiving stretches us. Giving away money and time disciplines our attitudes and enriches our perspective. Giving away from what we have allows us to appreciate how much we do have. It allows us to discover a new appreciation of our own blessedness, and to recognize our abundance of blessings. Generosity can aid us with humility and help us in overcoming pride. As we let go of money, time and stuff, we can also let go of self. It can be a struggle, but it is one that stretches us. Like all good disciplines, it has to be practiced with repetition and deliberation. Practicing generosity over time changes us to where we do not think first about pleasing ourselves but others.

These spiritual disciplines of Lent, fasting, prayer and almsgiving are not just for Lent. These disciplines help us remember our true goal in this life is a perfect union with God in the next life!

Have a holy Lent!

In Pace Christi,

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, March 2, 2020**

9:00 a.m. † Mary Lou Gaudin  
 12:00 p.m. † Ted Kaleel  
 7:00 pm † Graciela Pulgar

**Tuesday, March 3, 2020**

9:00 a.m. † Bob Bonin  
 12:00 p.m. † Elizabeth Dolge  
 7:00 p.m. † Juan Bautista Gil

**Wednesday, March 4, 2020**

9:00 a.m. † Rosalind Tan  
 12:10 a.m. † Janet Lee  
 7:00 p.m. † James M. Gomes

**Thursday, March 5, 2020**

9:00 a.m. † Pepa Salinas  
 12:10 p.m. † Madelon and William Gabel  
 7:00 p.m. † Geraldine Wieman Townsend

**Friday, March 6, 2020**

9:00 a.m. † Irene Lacerra  
 12:10 p.m. † Bill Brennan  
 7:00 p.m. † Xea Clare Allen

**Saturday, March 7, 2020**

5:30 p.m. † Anton Valenta

**Sunday, March 8, 2020**

8:00 a.m. Eleanor and Joel Paseman and Family  
 9:30 a.m. Missa Pro Populo  
 11:00 a.m. Garrett Graham  
 12:30 p.m. † Otilia Boutin  
 2:00 p.m. † Embajador Rene Malagon Morel  
 5:30 p.m. The Canny Family  
 7:00 p.m. † La Santidad de las familias y Benditas Animas del Purgatorio

**Other Remembrances**

† Ursuline Smith, S. Bockholt,  
 Deceased Members of Legion of Mary

**Mass Readings**

**Monday** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46  
**Tuesday** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15  
**Wednesday** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32  
**Thursday** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12  
**Friday** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26  
**Saturday** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48  
**Sunday** Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9



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

Gricelda Vargas and Alberto Sanchez  
 Jennifer Borja and Eriberto Betancourt

**DIOCESAN**  
 Catholic Life Every Day

**Print The Heart of your Community**

Your print ad puts your business at the heart of your community.

Every week your neighborhood Catholic church is filled with your friends, neighbors and fellow business owners. They are potential and current customers who actively visit businesses that support the local Catholic Church.

Every week your print ad is there too. In full color and in the hands of your customers.

**John Hardwick, Diocesan Sales Manager, will be at SJV**

**Monday, March 2 thru Thursday, March 5**  
**Monday, March 9 thru Thursday, March 12**  
**Mobile 512-422-3949; Phone: 800-633-1122**

**Let us Pray**



For the soul of the recently deceased, David James Marlborough. May Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.

**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.



Want to donate but you don't have cash or a check to write?

How about donating by texting?  
 It's easy!

Text a dollar amount to **281.884.3212** or scan QR Code



# LENT

Return to me with your whole heart, ~Joel 2:12

## Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 7:00 p.m.

Confessions in the Chapel

20 minutes before all daily masses

Stations of the Cross - Fridays

12:45 p.m., 5:00 p.m. (Children)

7:30 p.m.



Saint  
Katharine Drexel

## Katharine Drexel's Story

If your father is an international banker and you ride in a private railroad car, you are not likely to be drawn into a life of voluntary poverty. But if your mother opens your home to the poor three days each week and your father spends half an hour each evening in prayer, it is not impossible that you will devote your life to the poor and give away millions of dollars. Katharine Drexel did that.

Born in Philadelphia in 1858, she had an excellent education and traveled widely. As a rich girl, Katharine also had a grand debut into society. But when she nursed her stepmother through a three-year terminal illness, she saw that all the Drexel money could not buy safety from pain or death, and her life took a profound turn.

Katharine had always been interested in the plight of the Indians, having been appalled by what she read in Helen Hunt Jackson's *A Century of Dishonor*. While on a European tour, she met Pope Leo XIII and asked him to send more missionaries to Wyoming for her friend Bishop James O'Connor. The pope replied, "Why don't you become a missionary?" His answer shocked her into considering new possibilities.

Back home, Katharine visited the Dakotas, met the Sioux leader Red Cloud and began her systematic aid to Indian missions.

Katharine Drexel could easily have married. But after much discussion with Bishop O'Connor, she wrote in 1889, "The feast of Saint Joseph brought me the grace to give the remainder of my life to the Indians and the Colored." Newspaper headlines screamed "Gives Up Seven Million!"

After three and a half years of training, Mother Drexel and her first band of nuns—Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored—opened a boarding school in Santa Fe. A string of foundations followed. By 1942, she had a system of black Catholic schools in 13 states, plus 40 mission centers and 23 rural schools. Segregationists harassed her work, even burning a school in Pennsylvania. In all, she established 50 missions for Indians in 16 states.

Two saints met when Mother Drexel was advised by Mother Cabrini about the "politics" of getting her order's Rule approved in Rome. Her crowning achievement was the founding of Xavier University in New Orleans, the first Catholic university in the United States for African Americans.

At 77, Mother Drexel suffered a heart attack and was forced to retire. Apparently her life was over. But now came almost 20 years of quiet, intense prayer from a small room overlooking the sanctuary. Small notebooks and slips of paper record her various prayers, ceaseless aspirations, and meditations. She died at 96 and was canonized in 2000.

## MUSIC MINISTRY



**The Seven Last Words  
and Triumph of Christ:  
A Lenten Organ Recital  
by Dr. Jacob Benda**  
Thursday, March 12, 2020  
7:30pm  
St. John Vianney Catholic Church

## Upcoming Music Events at St. John Vianney

**Monday, April 6th (8:00pm; Chapel)**

**Tenebrae Service** featuring the Vesper Choir  
Director, Dr. Michael Ging

**Thursday, April 16th (7:30pm; Church)**

**Piano Concert** featuring, Pablo Martinez  
SJV Spanish Choir Director

**Tuesday, April 21st (7:30pm; Church)**

**Vernet-Meckler Organ Duo Concert**  
featuring Olivier Vernet and Cedric Meckler from France.

**Friday, May 8th (7:30pm; Church)**

**ECHO Concert (Energy Corridor Houston Orchestra)**  
featuring the St. John Vianney Sanctuary Choir. *Ticketed event*

Please contact the Music Ministry Office for more information about these upcoming events.

PARISH LIFE

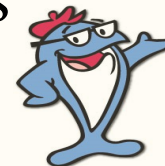
**COFFEE & DONUTS**



**TODAY, March 1**  
**Served after**  
**All Morning**  
**Masses**  
**Activity Center**

**TUNA FISH FRIDAYS**

Fridays during Lent  
St. Jude Hall



*Free Tuna Sandwich, Chips & Drink*

Following 12:10 p.m. Mass &  
Stations of the Cross

Take Out or Dine-In!



**HONEYMOONERS AT HEART**

*Married couples  
who seek community,  
social activities and fun!*



*Honeymooners at Heart*

Join us this Saturday, March 7  
6:30 pm  
Activity Center Adult Lounge

Pot Luck Dinner followed by our guest speaker,  
Susie Murray of Susie Murray & Associates,  
Home and Office Organization.

For information, call Charlotte 713-466-8656

**SJV NIGHT AT THE BALLGAME!**

**Houston Astros vs. Oakland A's**

*Friday Night Fireworks*

**Friday, April 24, 7:10 pm**

Limited amount of tickets - \$33 each  
(Terrace Deck - Section 332)

No Bus Transportation for this outing

For Information & to reserve your ticket  
281-497-1555 or [rfairly@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:rfairly@stjohnvianney.org)

**CAMP SJV**

**St. John Vianney  
Summer Day Camp 2020**

**Ages 4 - 12**

**Monday - Friday**

**June 1 - July 31**

*Information now available!*

*[sjvcamp@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:sjvcamp@stjohnvianney.org) or visit our website [stjohnvianney.org](http://stjohnvianney.org)*



PARISH LIFE

# Lenten Dinner - Fish Tacos This Friday, March 6



**Catered by Café Benedicte**

**Grilled Fish on Corn Tortillas with Cilantro Lime Slaw served with Black Beans, Cilantro Rice and Dessert Tea & Lemonade Included**  
**\$10 per person**

**Free Homemade Cheese Pizza Meal for Kids 8 and Under (Cheese Pizza served with carrot sticks and applesauce)**  
**The Cheese Pizza Meal is available for ages 9 and up for \$5**

**5:30 - 7:30 pm Activity Center**  
**Please RSVP by Wednesday, March 4**

**For your convenience you may Reserve & Pay Online by visiting [stjohnvianney.org](http://stjohnvianney.org) or reserve and pay at the door by calling 281-497-1555 or emails [sjrvsvp@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:sjrvsvp@stjohnvianney.org)**

*Dinner served by Women's ACTS*

*Desserts provided by our Choir*

## ANNOUNCEMENT

### FREE TAX PREPARATION February 1 - April 15, 2020

**Tax Return Preparation, Electronic Filing & Tax Questions Answered.**  
**Social Security Cards & Photo IDs Required.**  
**Wednesdays, 12 - 4 pm**  
**Saturdays, 10 am - 2 pm**  
**St. Basil the Great Greek Orthodox Church**  
**1100 Eldridge Pkwy, Houston, 77077**



For a stalk to grow or a flower to open there must be time that cannot be forced; nine months must go by for the birth of a human child; to write a book or compose music often years must be dedicated to patient research... To find the mystery there must be patience, interior purification, silence, waiting....

**St. John Paul II**

## PASTORAL CARE AND SPIRITUAL

### Ministry to the Sick

Do you know someone that is ill, homebound, in the hospital, or in an assisted living center in need of pastoral care? For those in need of prayer, Holy Communion, and a pastoral visit, please contact the **Parish Office at 281.497.1500** Interested in visiting those in need of prayer in care centers, hospitals and homebound?

Call to volunteer: **281.752.2470**



## Eucharistic Adoration

**Can you not spend one hour with me?**  
**Adoration and Prayer**



**24 hours a day**  
**7 days a week in the Adoration Chapel**

For more information or to sign up please contact Jeff Willard 281-752-2423 or email: [jwillard@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:jwillard@stjohnvianney.org)

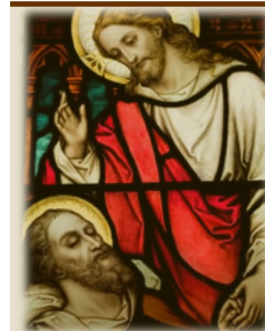
## PASTORAL CARE AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

### ACTS Retreat for Women

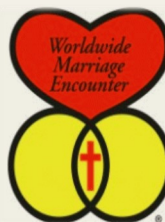
The goal of this retreat is to deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ, renew ourselves spiritually and give new meaning to our prayer life. Come build lasting friendships with members of our parish and faith community.



**When:** Thursday, July 23 to Sunday, July 26  
**Where:** St. Agnes Le Thi Thank (LTT) Retreat Center  
20303 Kermier Rd, Waller, Texas 77484  
**Contact:** Patty Wirfs 281-381-7827  
**Register:** [www.stjohnvianney.org/retreats](http://www.stjohnvianney.org/retreats)  
You may also register and pay online  
via WeShare  
**Cost:** \$250



**Mass**  
for the  
**Anointing of the Sick**  
**Thursday,**  
**March 12**  
**9:00am and 7:00pm**



**World Marriage Encounter**  
puts the spark back in your marriage  
Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming  
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend  
March 13-15 or May 15-17.  
Contact Brian and Tina Little at 281-773-4014 or  
go on-line to [www.houstonme.org](http://www.houstonme.org)

### SJV Men's Lenten Parish Retreat

In sports, a timeout is called to give players a rest or  
to change momentum.  
In life, you can accomplish the same thing with a  
Lenten retreat experience!



## Time Out For Prayer

**March 20-22, 2020**  
**Holy Name Retreat Center**

Theme: *Standing on Holy Ground:  
The Call to Holiness in Today's World*

Registration: <https://holynameretreatcenter.com/catholic-men-retreat-march-20-22-2020/>



Space is limited...register to hold  
your spot!

For information please contact  
David Cole (713-562-2932,  
[coledavidw@gmail.com](mailto:coledavidw@gmail.com)) or  
Tom LaFaver (281-221-5551,  
[tomlafaver@gmail.com](mailto:tomlafaver@gmail.com))

## SJV TRIPS

It's a BIG world out there – come join us!  
Check out where we're going and  
what we're working on...

### 2020

*Young Adults France* December 4-12, 2020 (Singles/Couples Ages  
21-39 please) *Registration ongoing*  
*New Year's Eve Cruise* on Royal Caribbean Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
(Eastern Caribbean) *Registration ongoing*

### 2021

*SJV Choir with Friends & Family Austria & Italy*  
(mid to late June) *Planning Stages*  
*Spain: Barcelona & Madrid* (late October/November)  
*Planning Stages*

### 2022

*Holy Land* (late January/February) *Planning Stages*  
For more information or to be placed on an "Interested List",  
please email Carolyn Greene at [cgreene@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:cgreene@stjohnvianney.org)

# YOUTH FORMATION

## I AM THE LORD'S TEMPLE

A ministry for parents and caregivers of children struggling with mental illness



First Meeting March 4th 7-8:15pm Room C-24

Join the conversation, you are not alone!

“By waiting and by calm you shall be saved, in quiet and in trust shall be your strength” -Isaiah 30:15

Registration for our Spring Break Mission Trip is now open!



High School Spring Break Mission Trip to Eagle Pass, Texas is now open

March 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

Cost: \$360

The number of spots is limited to 10.

We are going to be joining a number of the local Catholic schools on this Mission Trip to Eagle Pass.

Please register online for this trip.

Spring Break Mission Trip: [www.stjohnvianney.org/hs-mission](http://www.stjohnvianney.org/hs-mission)

## Save The Date



### Vacation Bible School

9:30 am—12:30 pm

Week 1: July 27—31

Week 2: August 3-7

On-line Registration Coming Soon



### Bible Story Time

Bible stories, crafts, prayers and fun for children 5 years old & younger. Join us again this Wednesday, March 4 Room E-8 at 10:30 am. No registration required, just come!



## 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: March 7**

**9-11am**

(in the Church)

To add your name to the training roster send to:  
[ygill@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:ygill@stjohnvianney.org)



**The Great Adventure continues with a walk through the book of**

**Revelation:  
The Kingdom Yet To Come.**

The Apocalypse or, Revelation to John, the last book in the Bible, is one of the most difficult to understand due to the unfamiliar and extravagant symbolism contained within. This Book cannot be properly understood except against the historical background that occasioned its writing. It is resistance literature written to address a crisis!

**The 11 week study begins March 9,  
7:00pm - 9:00pm,  
A/V Room;  
\$27.00 for study materials**

Register on the parish website or in the  
Adult Formation Office



## *Lord, For Your Faithful People Life Is Changed Not Ended!* **Planning a Catholic Funeral**

Nothing can quite prepare us for the death of a loved one. In a similar way, nothing can prepare our loved ones for our death.

It is never too soon to consider and attend to the practical and financial arrangements for a Catholic funeral. In doing so you can provide your loved ones and yourself with peace of mind.

You are invited to attend a free informational seminar about planning ahead which will also include a presentation by *Fr. Richard Hinkley* on Catholic Funeral Liturgies.

**Wednesday, March 18, 2020, 11:30 am, in the Audio/Visual (A/V) Room**

Lunch will be provided by *Ciro's Italian Grill*, courtesy of **Dignity Memorial Funeral Home**

To ensure ample materials and refreshments RSVP to 281/989-9958 or register on the parish website:

**[www.stjohnvianney.org/funeral-planning](http://www.stjohnvianney.org/funeral-planning)**

Hosted by Adult Formation, Pastoral Care and Spiritual Life, and Social Services Ministry



ADULT FORMATION



*Women’s Lenten Day of Reflection*  
*Find Something More!!*

**March 2, 10am—2:30pm, Activity Center**

**\$15 includes breakfast refreshments & Box Lunch**  
**Childcare available @ \$5 per child**

**A day of reflection and renewal facilitated by**  
**Kendra Von Esh,**  
**Speaker, TV News Anchor, Radio Host, and Author**  
**“Walk-ins” welcome!**



**RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Pray for the women and men going through the RCIA process in our parish. They will celebrate the Rite of Sending on Sunday, March 1, in the 11am Mass, and the Rite of Election/Call to Continuing Conversion, at Christ the Redeemer Church at 7pm that same evening. These Rites transition the Elect and Candidates to the third phase in the Initiation process, the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. Remember also in prayer their godparents, sponsors, and RCIA team members, who journey with them as they look forward to Full Initiation and Communion with the Catholic Church.



**Adult Confirmation Preparation**  
*For Baptized Catholic Adults*

Tuesday evening classes, in English:

March 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12; **7-9pm Audio/Visual Room**

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Thursday evening classes, in Spanish

March 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7 **7-9pm St. Jude Hall**

The celebration of Confirmation occurs on Pentecost weekend (50 days after Easter).

**Register on the parish website or in the Adult Formation Office**

**No fee for sacrament preparation**

# SAINT JOHN VIANNEY YOUNG ADULTS

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

Email: [TCooper@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:TCooper@stjohnvianney.org)  
Website: [www.stjohnvianney.org/youngadults](http://www.stjohnvianney.org/youngadults)  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SJVYoungAdults>  
Instagram: SJVYA

This Lent Explore  
Christ's Call  
to Love in Scripture



**CALLED TO GRACE:  
LOVING LIKE CHRIST**  
A Lenten Bible Study

Mondays' 7-8:30pm  
St. Jude Hall  
March 2 - April 6

Registration \$15 Online  
To Join, email [tcooper@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:tcooper@stjohnvianney.org)

## France is Calling You

Fri, Dec 4 - Sat, Dec 12, 2020

Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Paris with Free Days  
to Explore on Your Own Too

Join the trip of a lifetime #SJVYAFrance2020

Informational meeting March 10<sup>th</sup>  
For more details email  
[CGreene@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:CGreene@stjohnvianney.org)

## Pizza, Poker, & Prayer



Thursday, March 5 7pm Room C-11  
RSVP Appreciated to Ensure Enough Food  
[TCooper@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:TCooper@stjohnvianney.org)

## Macarons & Meditations

Young Adult Women's Group

Tuesday, March 5th  
7-8:30pm SJV Library

RSVP Appreciated to Ensure  
Macaron Supply

[TCooper@stjohnvianney.org](mailto:TCooper@stjohnvianney.org)



## SOCIAL SERVICE MINISTRY



## NOVENA OF GRACE TO ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

SJV's Mission Team invites you to pray this Novena to the patron saint of missionaries from **Wednesday, March 4** through **Thursday, March 12**.

Join us in praying for the Church, for Christian unity, for missions and missionaries throughout the world, and for an increase in missionaries from our parish.

To access each day's intention, visit the Missions page on SJV's website at [www.stjohnvianney.org/service-missions](http://www.stjohnvianney.org/service-missions) or visit our Facebook page: SJV Social Service Ministry

**You are also invited to participate in our upcoming Service Mission Trips:**

**March 15 - 21:** we will lead teams of high school youth in home repair projects.

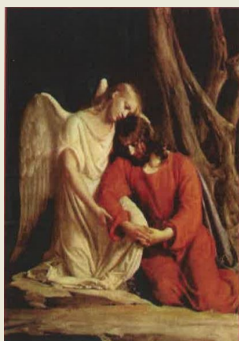
**March 31 - April 5:** adult/family spring Mission Trip; all skill levels are welcome.

SJV's Service Missions focus on home repairs for the elderly and handicapped poor, visiting the homes of the poor and homebound, community outreach and evangelization, and mission spirituality. **Everyone** is invited to participate. For additional information or to sign up, contact the Social Service Ministry office at 281.497.4434 or email Clay at [cdfryer@gmail.com](mailto:cdfryer@gmail.com).

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE - HOUSTON

February 26 - April 5, 2020

At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love. The presence of an illness, disability, or other challenging situation never diminishes the value of a human life. Abortion tragically rejects the truth that **every life is a good and perfect gift, deserving protection**. Join SJV's Respect Life Ministry members and Christians from all over Houston in praying outside the biggest abortion facility in the Western Hemisphere that our culture experience the power of God's transforming love, and that all eyes are opened to the incredible beauty of every human life. This legal, peaceful witness has helped save thousands of lives in Houston and over 17,000 lives around the world!



The days sponsored by SJV are **each Thursday between February 26 - April 5, from 10:00 a.m. to Noon**. To participate in this peaceful 40 Days for Life campaign, contact our office at 281.497.4434 or email Diane at [dianecdavis@comcast.net](mailto:dianecdavis@comcast.net)

**Will you not watch one hour with me?**  
Matthew 26:40

*Pierced by Sorrow,  
Released into Joy*

A single day, Catholic retreat for parents following miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss.



**Saturday, March 28, 2020**

Cost: \$25/person

Retreat location in Northwest Houston  
(address provided at registration)

For more information or to register, contact the  
Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713.741.8728 or  
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