

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 30, 2017



ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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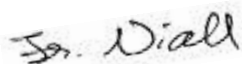
Dear Friends,

This weekend, July 29 and 30, is our annual mission appeal; in fact, it is our only financial appeal during the whole year. It is part of the Mission Co-op Program of our Archdiocese. **Fr. Jesús Mata SVD (Divine Word Missionaries)** will be the speaker/homilist at all the weekend Masses; he will tell you all about their missionary work here and abroad and will be asking you to support his community's work. Please be as generous as you can in the second collection to help support the works of the Divine Word Missionaries. If you are writing a check, please just put a notation on the memo line "for mission," and make the check out to St. Catherine of Siena.

Mark your calendar for next Saturday, August 5 (Can you even believe that it is August already?!), and cancel any miscellaneous or "not so worthwhile" activities you may have planned. **Join us for our monthly "Mingle" (meet and greet)** to visit with your fellow parishioners and welcome our summer visitors with a nice glass of wine and some tasty finger food. We will have some of our "regulars" back from their vacations with tales to regale us and recommendations to make – you just never know what might end up on your bucket list!

Continue to enjoy your summer and God bless,

God Bless,




Learn more about
Divine Word Missionaries
by visiting their website
svdvocations.org

As a parish, we extend our sincerest condolences to Jeanne Alsmeyer and her family on the passing of her husband, Ray, last weekend. We pray for God's grace to be with them at this sorrowful time.

"Come, you whom my Father has blessed, says the Lord; inherit the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world." - Matthew 25:34

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PARISH NOTES

MINISTRIES

We invite you to consider enriching your faith life and join in fellowship by participating in one of our many ministries. Details are available on the parish website, stcatherine-houston.org, or by phoning the parish office. **See Ministry listing below**, there is something for everyone and all are welcome!

Altar Care	Hospitality
Altar Servers	Mission of Yahweh
Art and Environment	Moms' Group
Caring Hearts	Music
CCE Teachers	Prayer List
Club 55+	Readers
St. Catherine's Crafters	Women's Group
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Young Adults

Love cannot remain by itself -- it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action, and that action is service. - Mother Teresa

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Looking for something to do that directly serves the poor?

East Spring Branch Food Pantry needs you! We have many ways you can volunteer, help is need for the following:

- Assist those in need directly by accompanying them through the pantry
- Transport food to the pantry from a donor location with your truck once/month
- Interview guests that come to the pantry to learn about them, their needs, how we can serve them best.
- Special Projects
- Sorting and Stocking food donations, and more!

Call Mary White, 281-799-6752

PARISH CALENDAR

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
<i>Jesus Mata, SVD, Mission Appeal</i>	
SAT 7/29	5 PM Mass +Thomas Flaherty
SUN 7/30	8:30 AM Mass 11:15 AM Mass
TUE 8/01	12:15 PM Weekday Mass + Mary Gaffigan
WED 8/02	12:15 PM Weekday Mass
THU 8/03	12:15 PM Weekday Mass
FRI 8/04	12:15 PM Weekday Mass + Rowley (Sonny) Hymel
FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	
<i>Mission of Yahweh Food Collection</i>	
SAT 8/05	5 PM Mass Sl Esmeralda Gonzalez 6-7:30 Saturday Mingle
SUN 8/06	8:30 AM Mass + Steve Luzbetak 11:15 AM Mass

NEWS FROM MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

What: WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Where: St Ignatius Loyola Parish in Spring Texas
When: August 4 - 6, 2017

I believe that God brought us together, so, **WHY IS MARRIAGE SO HARD?** Is there a way to be close like when we were first married? Does our love always fade? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next scheduled weekend this year will be Aug. 4 – 6, 2017. Find out more or sign up at: www.houstonme.org or call (713) 482-1791.



 Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston DIOCESAN SERVICE FUND (DSF) Summary Report for St. Catherine of Siena - Houston	Parish Goal:	\$53,900.00	Average Participant Pledge:	\$334.54
	Total Amount Paid:	\$46,611.16	Paid Over (Under) Goal:	(\$7,288.84)
	Total Amount Pledged:	\$54,864.50	Pledged Over (Under) Goal:	\$964.50
	Total Number of Participants:	164	Percent Paid:	86.48%
	Total Number of Households:	1185	<i>For your convenience, DSF Monthly Giving Available through Faith Direct for our Parish</i>	