



ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

CATHOLIC CHURCH



28th
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

Oct 15, 2017

"I can do all
things
through Him
who
strengthens
me."

-Philippians 4:13



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SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am and 11:15 am

DAILY MASSES
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 12:15 pm

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm

OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday, 9 AM to 3 PM

Dear Friends,

All our timetables, or any semblance of normality, has been thrown off kilter completely, post Hurricane Harvey. As someone told me "no one knows what day of the week it is, but everyone knows their house elevation"! Getting back to so called "normality" is taking its own sweet time. At least with school back up and running, we are going in the right direction, and all in good time!

Our usual monthly Sunday breakfasts and Saturday Mingles have been affected too. So many of you were wondering why we didn't have either last weekend. Well, we just got finished with the Confirmation Celebration with Cardinal DiNardo, which had a reception thereafter for everyone. Additionally, some members of our Hospitality Committee were unavailable, along with multiple other distractions, so we decided to leave "well enough alone". However, please mark your calendar to support our "Trunk or Treat" in two weeks' time (Saturday, October 28th)! This will double as our Saturday Evening Mingle with Breakfast the following morning (Sunday, October 29th). This year's "Trunk or Treat/Saturday Evening Mingle" will be a Fish Fry to support medical research for a child of one of our young families in the parish, who has an extremely rare illness. You may read more about his condition on the posters in the narthex. This "Trunk or Treat / Saturday Evening Mingle" is not just for families with children; everyone is welcome to participate, and expand your ever-widening-circle of friends and acquaintances. It is just what happens here at St. Catherine's. This year the little ones dressed in their costumes and fanciful dress will join us for the 5:00 pm mass, to make sure you don't forget! This is for the whole parish, irrelevant of age or anything else. So, please cancel everything unessential and join us for lots of fun, with plenty of good food and candy!

Since we will be doing this at the end of October, we will not be back to our regular schedule of Sunday Breakfasts and Saturday-Evening Mingles until the beginning of December. Christmas and the New Year will soon be upon us – aren't we glad, in many ways that 2017 is coming to a close.

Please note that our Christmas Mass timetable is already on the parish calendar on our webpage. The only change from previous years will be the Sunday Mass which is on Christmas Eve this year. Therefore, the only Sunday morning mass on the 24th of December will be at 10:00 am. Sunday evening (Christmas Eve), we will have our two usual Christmas Eve Masses at 5:00pm and 7:00pm. I will certainly remind you of the dates and times again, and we will start publishing the Christmas timetable in the bulletin at the beginning of December. Would you like to start putting money on the amount of people who will turn up Christmas Eve morning (which is Sunday this year) for the regular schedule? I will start taking all bets soon. I may end up "very well off" by Christmas Day!

Remember to get your Halloween attire dusted off, and join us in two weeks for a very worthy cause, and another good reason to meet more of your fellow parishioners. Have a great week and let's look forward to a much better 2018, which is just around the corner.

God Bless,

Fr. Niall



A RAVEN GOOD TIME

St. Catherine of Siena
TRUNK OR TREAT and CAJUN FISH FRY BENEFIT DINNER

6-8PM **SATURDAY OCTOBER 28TH**
FOLLOWING THE 5PM MASS

BENEFICIARY FOR THE EVENT IS THE HUBER FAMILY (PARISHIONERS) VIA JORDAN'S GUARDIAN ANGELS.

50/50 RAFFLE, SILENT AUCTION, STORY TIME WITH "THE GOOD WITCH", GAME STATIONS, PHOTO BOOTH, AND CRAFT TABLE

WANT TO HELP, OR HOST A TRUNK, email: scsmomsgroup@gmail.com

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TRUNK-OR-TREAT & FISH FRY

3rd Annual TRUNK-OR-TREAT & CAJUN FISH FRY BENEFIT DINNER Saturday, October 28th 6-8pm

*What kind of mistakes do spooks make?
Boo boos*

Costumes, candy, Cajun fish! Don't miss out on SPOOKtacular fun. Bring family and friends to our annual parish benefit. Trunk or Treat, 50/50 Raffle, Silent Auction, Story Time with "the Good Witch", Game Stations, Photo Booth, Costume Contest and Craft Table. See the display in the narthex, the church Facebook page, or email scsmomsgroup@gmail.com

CLUB 55+

November Club 55+ Bus Trip

Be one of the first to visit the **Lone Star Flight Museum** in its new location at Ellington Field. On **Wednesday, November 1** we will leave immediately **after the 12:15 pm Mass** to take a docent-led tour of the museum. It displays more than 40 historically significant aircraft and many hundreds of artifacts related to the history of flight. After the tour, we will go to the Kemah Boardwalk where you can have an early dinner at a restaurant of your choice and enjoy the shops and the view afterward. We will return to the church by about 8:30 pm. The cost is **\$13** per person not including dinner. Please mail your check to Diane Goyette, 5607 Summer Snow Drive, Houston, TX 77041 as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

Save the dates: Upcoming bus trips are scheduled for Dec 5, Jan 17, Feb 22, and Mar 10 – details to follow.

Contact Diane at diane@goyette.info or 713-540-7884, or Henry at 281-684-7030. As always, the bus trip is open to everyone age 50 and over.

HARVEY RELIEF EFFORTS

Practical Ways to Help - Retail gift cards

Help displaced families recover household goods, clothing, and items for daily living. Gift cards from these retailers are particularly useful:

- Lowe's and Home Depot
- Target and Walmart
- Kroger and HEB
- Macy's, Kohl's, or other clothing retailers
- Best Buy or other electronics retailers
- Sears, Conns or other appliance retailers
- Restaurant gift cards (fast food or dine-in)
- Generic VISA gift cards

All are grateful for your generosity. Contact Fr. Niall if you have questions or email Betty Vittek if you can help with these needs, betty.vitek@sbcglobal.net

PARISH CALENDAR

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT	10/14	5 PM Mass †Ray Alsmeyer
SUN	10/15	8:30 AM Mass 9:30 - 11 AM CCE 11:15 AM Mass
TUE	10/17	12:15 PM Weekday Mass †Amelia Segura
WED	10/18	12:15 PM Weekday Mass 7 - 8:30 PM Bible Study
THU	10/19	12:15 PM Weekday Mass St Maximus Evan 10:30 - 12 noon Bible Study
FRI	10/20	12:15 PM Weekday Mass

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME PROPOGATION OF FAITH COLLECTION

SAT	10/21	5 PM Mass †Paul Pavlik
SUN	10/22	8:30 AM Mass St Nancy Romagnoli 9:30 - 11 AM CCE 11:15 AM Mass

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - OPEN HOUSE



Open House! Sunday November 5, 2017 from 1pm-3pm

Please plan to attend and see why it's a great day to become a Lion!

You will have the opportunity to learn more about our college preparatory curriculum, tour the campus, meet faculty & administration as well as current students & parents.

For more information: visit www.sj23lions.org, call the Main Office at 281.693.1000, or email admissions@sj23lions.org.

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ST. AGNES ACADEMY invites all interested prospective students and their families to attend the annual **Open House on Wednesday, October 18th at 7 PM**. St. Agnes Academy is an all-girls Catholic college preparatory high school located at 9000 Bellaire Blvd. in southwest Houston. **For more information, visit st-agnes.org**