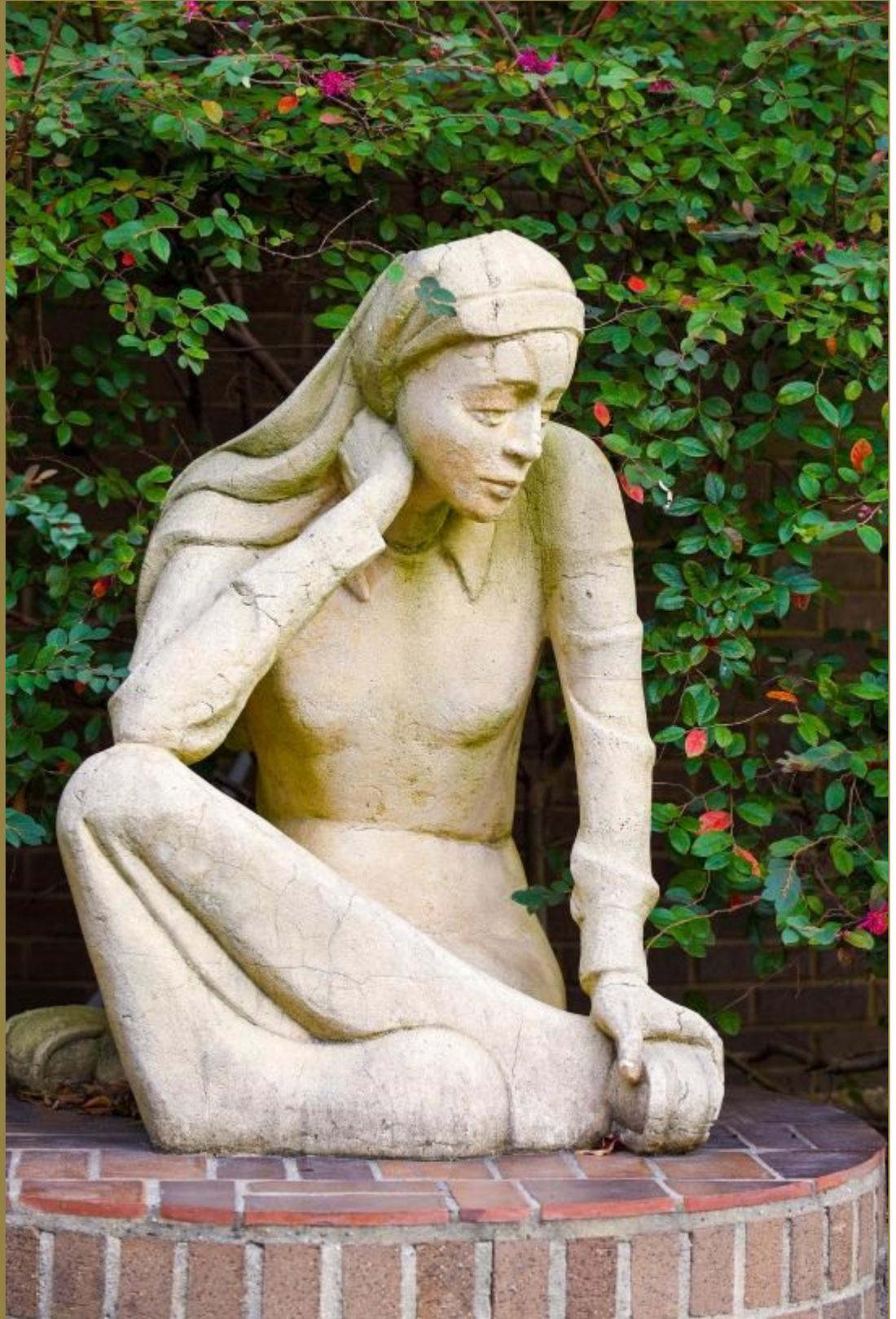




# ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2017



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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,

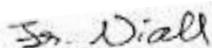
Please note that there are a few new pieces of information regarding our parish's Hurricane Outreach further on in the bulletin. As you know, this is going to be an on-going ministry to parishioners and non-parishioners alike for the foreseeable future. Some of our families are about to settle back into their empty homes, and others are not going to be so fortunate; their estimated "homecoming" will be between April and June of next year. We are very fortunate to have so many generous parishioners here at St. Catherine's and friends from all over the country who have reached out to those in need; and there are many still who are contributing in countless ways to these people's rebuilding of their lives.

Thanksgiving, which is not too far away now, is going to be a little different for everyone. Some of you, because of circumstances beyond your control, have no choice but to be a guest this year. Still others of you will serve as gracious hosts to those who have no home of their own. These are the things that make us better people and all-the-more appreciative of our families, good neighbors and friends.

Now let's think about a little forward planning for Christmas! Yes, Christmas! If you plan to donate to the Christmas Flowers (often in memory or honor of a loved one), please make sure you have your envelopes into the parish office by the 17th of December. Be sure to **print** the name(s) of your loved ones on the envelope. That way we can decipher what sometimes looks like a secret code, thus avoiding any mistakes like renaming someone or misspelling their names.

Have a great week and start planning the best Thanksgiving ever despite your circumstances.

God bless,




**WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS,  
WE THANK ALL OF OUR  
VETERANS!**



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**Saturday, Nov. 25th  
9:00 am-4:00 pm**

**Enjoy a peaceful shopping experience at the  
Spirit of Christmas Market.**

**Unique gifts, homemade crafts, and other items  
for your holiday shopping needs.**

**Food and drink will be available for purchase.**

**Admission is FREE!**

**However, please bring a new or gently used, unwrapped,  
toy, coat, blanket, or food pantry item to donate.**

**Call for info to be a vendor!**

# NOVEMBER 12, 2017 • THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## THANKSGIVING SHARING

**Looking for a way to serve those in need this Thanksgiving?** Please consider picking up a bag with a specific grocery list after mass on November 4th and 5th. Filled bags can be returned to the church the following weekend, November 11th and 12th. The food will be used as part of East Spring Branch Food Pantry's Thanksgiving distribution to families in need. If you have any questions, contact Wanda Peters at [wdpeters@comcast.net](mailto:wdpeters@comcast.net).

## CLUB 55+

### November Club 55+ Meeting

Our next Meeting will be on Sunday, November 12. It's time once again for Bingo. If you have something to bring as a prize, please do so. Looking forward to a good turnout for this one, so please join us and you may be a winner!

### CLUB 55+ NOVEMBER LUNCHEON

Our November luncheon will be on Monday, November 20 at 1:15 PM. The location has been changed from Texas Land & Cattle Company to the Olive Garden. This will be explained at our November 12 Meeting & Luncheon at Church. This has always been one of our most popular places so hopefully we will get a big turnout. Plan to come out and join us. Bring a 55+ relative, friend or neighbor, too.

### December Club 55+ Bus Trip

On **Tuesday, December 5** we will head to the Gulf Greyhound Park to view the **Magical Winter Lights**. The festival area contains seven themed sections including Magical Wonderland, Mystical Forest, Santa's Christmas Village, and the festival's newest section: The Lone Star State. The festival also includes a Holiday Market Square, acrobatic performances, authentic arts and crafts created by skilled Chinese artisans, amusement rides and games, and live entertainment. To prepare for the large amount of walking needed to view the festival, we will have an early dinner at a **Cracker Barrel** nearby. We will leave the church at 3:00 pm and return by about 10:00 pm. The cost is **\$14** per person not including dinner for persons age 65+, and **\$22** for persons age 50-64. 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 Jan 17, Feb 22, and Mar 10 – details to follow. Contact Diane at [diane@goyette.info](mailto: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.

## MEN'S RETREAT

**ALL MEN OF ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH** are invited to attend our annual retreat at Holy Name Passionist Retreat Center, 430 Bunker Hill Road, on January 5-7, 2018. The theme for this year's retreat is "Hail to the Cross, Our Only Hope." This is a great way to begin the new year! Registration information can be found in the brochures on the bulletin board. For more information please call Charles Hrachovy at 713-468-0259.

## PARISH CALENDAR

### THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<b>SAT</b>	<b>11/11</b>	<b>5 PM Mass</b> †Gene Even
<b>SUN</b>	<b>11/12</b>	<b>8:30 AM Mass</b> 9:30 - 11 AM CCE <b>11:15 AM Mass</b> †Deceased SCCC Seniors 12:30—2 PM Club 55+ November Luncheon/Mtg
<b>TUE</b>	<b>11/14</b>	<b>12:15 PM Weekday Mass</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>11/15</b>	<b>12:15 PM Weekday Mass</b> †Chuck Bayens 7-8:30 PM Bible Study, John Chapter 7
<b>THU</b>	<b>11/16</b>	<b>12:15 PM Weekday Mass</b> †Joan Zwernemann 10:30 AM-12 Noon Bible Study, John Chapter 7
<b>FRI</b>	<b>11/17</b>	<b>12:15 PM Weekday Mass</b> †Zoie Eleazar
<b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>		
<b>SAT</b>	<b>11/18</b>	<b>5 PM Mass</b> †Paul Pavlik
<b>SUN</b>	<b>11/19</b>	<b>8:30 AM Mass</b> NO CCE <b>11:15 AM Mass</b>

## HARVEY RELIEF EFFORTS

### Practical Ways to Help - Retail gift cards

Help displaced families recover—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, Generic VISA gift cards

All are grateful for your generosity. Contact Fr. Niall if you have questions or email Betty Vitek if you can help with these needs, [betty.vitek@sbcglobal.net](mailto:betty.vitek@sbcglobal.net)

### HARVEY RELIEF/RECOVERY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Houston Furniture Bank** is looking for help with incoming furniture donations. Volunteers are needed to organize, evaluate, and distribute furniture at their facility. Check out their website at [houstonfurniturebank.org](http://houstonfurniturebank.org). Or, call 713-842-9771.
- **Catholic Charities** needs bilingual volunteers to help return a backlog of in-take phone calls from families needing help in recovery from Harvey. If interested, send email to [smireles@catholiccharities.org](mailto:smireles@catholiccharities.org)



With Thanksgiving and the Season of Advent coming up, enrolling in Faith Direct is a great way to ensure your gifts to St. Catherine of Siena are received even while you are traveling for the holidays. Already using Faith Direct? Don't forget to add your Christmas or End-of-Year contributions to your account. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: **TX536**. Thank you for supporting our parish family!