

Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Message from Fr. Niall

Dear Friends,

A special note of thanks from Sergio and Olga his wife who run Lone Star Breakfast Grill, the little breakfast café on the corner as you turn off or onto the Beltway access road on your way to or from Sunday morning Mass:

"... My wife and I appreciate your help and I think if this goes well for the next 4 weeks, we will consider opening every Sunday moving forward. Like many small businesses, we sometimes struggle to stay afloat but our prayers and faith help us to stay strong. Your sermon on Thursday was about asking and knocking on doors. If we don't ask, we don't receive and if we don't knock on doors, they won't open. That's what motivated us to knock on St. Catherine's door and seek your support. We are very grateful for your generous response last Sunday."

I am so glad that many of you responded to Sergio's request for a little help at this time. He will be open right after the two Sunday morning Masses. Sergio dropped in here later last Sunday afternoon with a very appreciative beaming smile because of your patronage and kind outreach to him and his family.

And yes, every now and then someone listens to my homily and takes hold of his/her own destiny, and with faith and hope move forward to make a better future with a little help from neighbors and friends.

I know some of you are already wondering if we are planning on having the "Trunk and Treat" again; it has been so successful in celebrating Halloween for these past few years. Alas, the Young Moms who organized and planned this terrific event are getting more and more overwhelmed with the ever-growing responsibilities of parenting; they have decided to take a break from it for a while. But, if there are others among us who would like to plan and organize something for Halloween of next year (2020), now might be the perfect time to put on your witch's hat and start doing some serious thinking and planning. It doesn't have to be the same – new and creative ideas are always welcome. But, for this year at least, we will be taking a break and leaving you to haunt your own neighbors and families instead.

Have a great week - God bless,

Fr. Niall

Catholic HS Open Houses

Are you looking at Catholic High School for a student in your family? Check out some of the upcoming Open Houses for Houston area high schools.

Frassati Catholic High School - Sunday, October 20th, 2-4pm. Register on the school website.

St. Agnes Academy - Wednesday, October 23rd, 7pm. No registration needed.

Incarnate Word Academy - Sunday, November 3rd, 1:30-4:30pm. Register on the school website.

St. John XXIII College Preparatory - Sunday, November 10th, 1-3pm. Register on the school website.

St Pius X High School - Wednesday, November 20th, 6pm. Register on the school website.

Strake Jesuit College Preparatory - Thursday, December 5th, 7pm. Register on the school website.

St. Thomas High School - Sunday, December 8th, 1-4pm. Register on the school website.

Bulletin Art

We invite our parish CCE students and youth to submit art for our bulletin cover. There are 3 submission opportunities upcoming on November 10th, November 24th and December 15th- See the table at the entry to the Parish Hall for more information. We hope to feature an in-house artist soon!

Club 55+ Bus Trips

As a replacement for the Houston Holocaust Museum trip, we have scheduled the following events for **October 30** - Tour of the McGovern Centennial Gardens in Hermann Park, lunch at Cleburne Cafeteria, and a craft workshop and tour of the Contemporary Arts Museum. We will depart at 8:15 am and return by 4 pm. Cost is \$10 not including lunch.

Please mail your check payable to Henry Goyette, 5607 Summer Snow Drive, Houston, TX 77041. Include your email and phone number so we can provide you with trip details. For questions contact Henry at 281-684-7030 or Diane 713-540-7884.

As always, the bus trip is open to everyone age 50 and over.



Club 55+ Lunch Out

Our restaurant luncheon for this month will be on October 21st at Kim Son Restaurant, 12311 Kingsride Lane, on the south side of the Memorial City Hospital complex. Arrival time is 1:15 PM. Please advise by phone (713-939-8880) or email (kwvarjm@aol.com) if you plan to attend, for the head count.

Come out and join us. - Bob Mitchell

Parish Calendar

For full calendar, visit stcatherine-houston.org

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| SAT 19 | 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM Confirmation Class Retreat 5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass 2nd Collection - Propagation of the Faith |
| SUN 20 | 8:30 AM Sunday Mass 9:30-10:30 AM CCE 11:15 AM Sunday Mass 2nd Collection - Propagation of the Faith |
| MON 21 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open No Daily Mass |
| TUE 22 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 12:15 PM Weekday Mass |
| WED 23 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 12:15 PM Weekday Mass 7:00 PM Bible Study |
| THU 24 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 10:30 AM Bible Study 12:15 PM Weekday Mass |
| FRI 25 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open 12:15 PM Weekday Mass |
| Next Week | Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| SAT 26 | 5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass |
| SUN 27 | 8:30 AM Sunday Mass 9:30-10:30 AM CCE 11:15 AM Sunday Mass |

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| Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) | | | |
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| DSF Summary Report - 2019 | | | |
| Parish | | Activity Thru: | 10/14/2019 |
| 7433 | St. Catherine of Siena - Houston-DSF19 | | |
| | Parish Goal: | | \$53,900.00 |
| | Total Amount Paid: | | \$47,783.99 |
| | Total Amount Pledged: | | \$50,559.99 |
| | Total Number of Participant: | | 127 |
| | * Total Number of Households: | | 1299 |
| | Average Participant Pledge: | | 398.11 |
| | Paid Over (Under) Goal: | | (\$6,116.01) |
| | Pledged Over (Under) Goal: | | (\$3,340.01) |
| | Percent Paid: | | 88.65% |

