# **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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# ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

### Message from Fr. Niall

Dear Friends,

You will be receiving an itemized statement shortly in the mail, detailing your financial contributions to St. Catherine of Siena Church for 2019. The statement does not reflect any Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) payments made to the Archdiocese. You will receive a separate statement from them if you contributed to DSF in 2019. While pondering things financial, put on your "thinking caps" to propose a charity to benefit from the parish's 10% donation of total annual income which would hopefully be announced by Easter Sunday, April 12. Do a little homework and give the Financial Council and me some good reasons why we should consider your proposed charity; make a good case, and it will be given serious consideration. Over the past years, we have given to small local (i.e. the City of Houston region) non-government funded charities where we felt the parish's donation would have the most impact. Thank you all for your continued generosity, support and big heartedness that makes St. Catherine's the very special parish it is.

Be sure and mark your calendars for the Mingle next Saturday, the 1st of February, and Breakfast the following morning after the 8:30am Mass.

God bless,

J. Diall

#### **Club 55+ Bus Trips**

Please join us on our bus trip on Wednesday, January 29th, for a Tea and Tour at the Archway Gallery. The tour will include a presentation by the featured artist, Joel Anderson. We will then proceed to the Charity Guild Resale Shop followed by lunch at the beautiful Kitchen at Dunlavy overlooking Buffalo Bayou Park. We start the day at the church at 9:30 am and should be back by 3:00 pm. There is no cost for this trip except for lunch, so to reserve your spot, please call Diane at 713-540-7884.

On Monday, February 10th, we will visit the Holocaust Museum Houston including a docent-led tour and time to tour on your own. We will then have an early dinner at a restaurant on the way back to the church. The trip starts at 12 pm and should be back by 7 pm. The cost is \$10 not including dinner. To reserve a spot, mail your check payable to Henry Goyette, 5607 Summer Snow Drive, Houston, TX 77041.

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





## **Dinner Groups**

Do you want a fun, relaxing way to engage with fellow parishioners and deepen your sense of community here? Are you hesitant to entertain guests because all that cooking seems overwhelming? Here's a chance to meet new people and discover new foods without all the work of preparing an entire meal.

St. Catherine's Dinner Group invites adult couples comprised of any two people, whether single, married, relatives, friends or those otherwise defying definition, to enjoy the company of other members of St. Catherine's community. Each dinner group consists of four randomly selected couples that meet at each other's homes (or other sites selected by the host) four times during the year – once as hosts and three times as guests to the others. The host provides the main course and beverages and the guests bring appetizers, soup/ salad and dessert. Many hands make light work!

If you are interested in joining or rejoining or would like more information about the Dinner Group, please call John (281-467-1621) or Miriam (832-618-7848) or e-mail John Fairchild at john@aestimo.com by February 6, 2020. A happy hour social will be held at John and Miriam Fairchild's home (11404 Pecan Creek Drive) at 6:30 p.m. on the evening of Saturday, February 8, 2020 for returning members as well as all others who sign up to join our friendly and festive group.

## **Upcoming CRC Retreats**

Join us at the Christian Renewal Center in Dickinson for these upcoming events:

Mar. 20-22 : Lenten Silent Retreat Mar. 27-29: Mother/Daughter Retreat (7th-12th grade) April 17-19: Family Eucharist Retreat May 1-3: Bible Conference with Dr. John Bergsma July 10-12: Catholic Family Vacation

Register at www.retreatcentercrc.org or call 281-337-1312.



## **Parish Calendar**

For full calendar, visit stcatherine-houston.org

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| SAT 25       | <b>5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass</b><br>Bishops' Fund for Latin America   |
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| SUN 26       | 8:30 AM Sunday Mass<br>9:30 - 10:30 AM CCE Class<br>11:15 AM Sunday Mass<br>Bishops' Fund for Latin America   |
| MON 27       | OFFICE CLOSED No Daily Mass   |
| TUE 28       | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open<br><b>12:15 PM Daily Mass</b><br>6:00 - 8:00 PM 1st Eucharist Meeting  |
| WED 29       | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open<br><b>12:15 PM Daily Mass</b><br>7:00 - 8:30 PM Bible Study  |
| THU 30       | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open<br>10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Bible Study<br><b>12:15 PM Daily Mass</b>   |
| FRI 30       | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Office Open<br><b>12:15 PM Daily Mass</b>  |
| Next<br>Week | Feast of the Presentation of the Lord   |
| SAT 1        | <b>5:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass</b><br>6:00 PM Parish Mingle<br>DSF Sunday<br>Mission of Yahweh Food Drive   |
| SUN 2        | 8:30 AM Sunday Mass<br>9:30 AM Parish Breakfast<br>9:30 - 10:30 AM CCE Class<br><b>11:15 AM Sunday Mass</b><br>DSF Sunday<br>Mission of Yahweh Food Drive |
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