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JULY 14, 2019



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MISSION STATEMENT

We, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the beliefs and traditions of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Through a passion for righteousness and consciousness of duty to God, we uphold the faithful worship of God in our mission to our church family and the Sunnyside Community.

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sat: Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sun: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 7:00 a.m.

First Friday: 6:30 p.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:15p.m. - 4:45p.m.

Sundays: 6:45a.m. - 7:15a.m.

9:20a.m. - 9:45a.m.

11:35a.m. - 12:00p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT:

First Friday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS:

Adult Choirs

Judah Choir:

Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.

God's Chosen Choir:

Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

Youth Choir:

Saturday-12:00pm (Harris Center)

Thursday before the 4th Sunday-7:00pm (In Church)

BIBLE STUDY/

ADULT CATHECHISM:

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m.

CHOIR DIRECTORS:

Jerry Givens 281.772.9276

Daniel Guerrero 281.723.9948

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Communion for the sick and shut-in is available. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the parish office for information. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest a minimum of six months prior to proposed date.

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MASS INTENTIONS

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| SAT. | 07/13/19 | 5:00PM |
| | <i>People of the Parish</i> | |
| SUN. | 07/14/19 | 7:30AM |
| | <i>Kristina M. Chaney (D)</i> | |
| | Family & Friends | |
| | <i>O'Neal & Alice Duplechain (D)</i> | |
| | Family | |
| | <i>Earlene Duplechaine (D) – Viola Johnson</i> | |
| | <i>T.S. & Helen Oliver (D)</i> | |
| | Margaret Chaney & Family | |
| | <i>Bessie Swindle (D)</i> | |
| | M. Chaney & L. Stewart | |
| SUN. | 07/14/19 | 10:00AM |
| | <i>Jennie Harris (D) – The Harris Family</i> | |
| | <i>Ella Reed (D) – Donald R. Chambers</i> | |
| | <i>Jermaine Walker (D)</i> | |
| | Donald R. Chambers | |
| SUN. | 07/14/19 | 12:15PM |
| | <i>Wesley Wiltz (D) – The Wiltz Family</i> | |
| MON. | 07/15/19 | 7:00AM |
| | <i>Mercedes Byas (D)</i> | |
| | Shirley & Belinda Foreman | |
| TUE. | 07/16/19 | 7:00AM |
| | <i>Marie Louise Allen (D) – Marie White</i> | |
| | <i>Anita M. Bailey (D) – Tywana Navy</i> | |
| WED. | 07/17/19 | 7:00AM |
| | <i>Bryan Guerrero (L) – Special Intention</i> | |
| | <i>Willie Mae Henderson (L)</i> | |
| | Cheryl & Family | |
| THUR. | 07/18/19 | 7:00AM |
| | <i>Josephine Ama Buckman (D)</i> | |
| FRI. | 07/19/19 | 7:00AM |
| | <i>John & Mary Buckman (D)</i> | |
| | <i>Elizabeth Nyankah (D)</i> | |



Deacon Alfred Abram, Algy Alfred, Robert Biagas, Mary Clara Barras, Margaret Cadoree, Mable Chavis, Mary Augustine Chenier, Mary Collins, Gayle Farrow, Tanya Green, Ursula Gross, Willie Mae Henderson, Helen Kennison, Michael LaMothe, JoAnn LaSane, Cynthia Ann Malone, Barbara Martin, Shannon Martin, Dorothy Milstead, Kathy Moore, Vy. Rev. William L. Norvel, SSJ, Patrick Nwokobia, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsort, Cynethia Pichon, William Pierre Sr., Marcelle Prevost, Oliver Rose, Evelyn Smith, Simon Smith, Jeanette Steptoe, MacKenzie Swanks, Kennedy Swanks, Erma Taylor, Pamela Thibodeaux, Agnes Williams, Patricia Williams, and all the sick and shut-in in our parish family.

Let us Know

Please let us know when you or a family member are ill, in the hospital, or having a surgery, especially if the illness or surgery is serious. Call the Parish Office so that we can put the name on the sick list for prayers and/or visitation if needed. **After 30 days, please call the office to remain on the prayer list.**

Lord, we pray for all our current military service members and first responders who put their own lives on the line every day in order to protect our families and our country.

Army:

Barbara Baber, Sade Beck, Wadie Troy Butler, Shanta Charles, Josiah Charles, Stephen Jones, LaTroy King, Gary Christian Robertson, Anthony Lamar Smith II, David Stagnoli

Navy:

Alvin Balthazar, Debreaanna Brown, Jermaine Ceaser, Kevin Crockett, Courtney Harris, Nia D. Hawkins, Randolph J. Navy III, Anthony N. Russell

Air Force:

Hayden Jacob Jr, Roderick Jones, Joffre Lander, Bena Sellers, Terrance J Valiare, Thomas Q Valiare II

Marines

Alyssa Dugar, Reginald Ward

NEW OFFICE SCHEDULE

THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON THURSDAYS EFFECTIVE JULY 11, 2019.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sometimes rules appear to be arbitrary and capricious, designed to trip us up

The Good Samaritan and get us in trouble. God's laws, however, are given out of love and designed to help us inherit life. The good Samaritan shows that obeying the greatest commandment leads one to exercise compassion and mercy. As we listen to today's reading, let us think of how we can more closely follow the example of the good Samaritan.

READINGS

FOR THE WEEK

Sunday – July 14

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Deuteronomy 30:10-14
Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37
Colossians 1:15-20
Luke 10:25-37

Monday – July 15

Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Exodus 1:8-14, 22
Psalm 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8
Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday – July 16

Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Exodus 2:1-15
Psalm 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34
Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday – July 17

Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7
Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday – July 18

Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest
Exodus 3:13-20
Psalm 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27
Matthew 11:28-30

Friday – July 19

Exodus 11:10-12:14
Psalm 116:12-13, 15, 16, 17-18
Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday – July 20

Saint Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr
Exodus 12:37-42
Psalm 136:1, 23-24, 10-12, 13-15
Matthew 12:14-21



Café Catholica - College Night Monday, July 15th

Young adults are invited to attend and wear an item of clothing from their university or alma mater.

Rev. Josh Johnson, the rapping priest, will speak about how **"The Struggle is Real: Continual Conversion."** Café Catholica will be held at St. Michael Church, 1801 Sage Road, Houston, TX 77053. **Confession at 5:15 pm, Mass at 6:15 pm, Dinner at 7:15 pm, and Talk at 8:15 pm.** Come for all or part of the night. No registration needed to attend. Donations are accepted. Fr. Johnson is an African American Priest from the Diocese of Baton Rouge, La. He is a Nationally known speaker at Youth and Young Adults events around the country. He tells his story of being a gang member and the transformation of his life to priesthood.



The Josephite Pastoral Center, represented by Denise Bogans, and Josephite Parishes were a major part of the **2019 Archbishop Lyke Conference** in Washington D.C. The 2019 conference theme was "Every Knee Shall Bend". Workshops were held with focus on various Ministries in the Black Catholic Church. St. Francis Xavier sent a representative, Edwin Vallery, to participate and return with ideas to share. Please call the parish office if you wish to learn more about The Archbishop Lyke Conference.

RCIA

RCIA INQUIRY

Thinking of becoming Catholic?

Inquiry is an opportunity for adults who are discerning entering RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) in the fall to come together to hear about the process and spend time discerning if this is the step for them now.

Thursday, August 22nd, 6:00pm in the Harris Center Auditorium. Please call the Parish Office to REGISTER at 713-738-2311



Sick and Shut-In Meeting



KPC Knights and Ladies Sick and Shut-In meeting is scheduled for

Thursday, July 18th at 6:00pm in the Harris Center Auditorium. The Annual Prayer Service/Luncheon is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 24th at 11:00am** in the Parish Hall.



IT'S BAZAAR TIME AGAIN!!!

The Bazaar Team will meet **Monday, July 15th at 6:00pm**. All Booth Representatives are needed.

Bazaar King & Queen Contest

We are accepting contestants, ages 3-8 years old, for the *Bazaar King & Queen Contest*. Each participant is required to sell ads for the souvenir booklet. Contestants must raise a minimum of **\$600.00** to qualify for the King/Queen positions. Sign-up ends this weekend. The contest will run thru **September 20th**. Call Elaine Mathews at (713) 733-3762 for additional information.



Enjoy the dream trip of a lifetime! Come and experience the history and culture of the Motherland! Highlights include Johannesburg, Soweto, Cape Town Peninsula, the Cape of Good Hope and much more. Packet includes roundtrip airfare, land transportation, hotel accommodations in 4/5 star hotels, airport transfers, tours and entrance fees. Approximate cost is \$4,550.00/person. The next meeting is July 6th at 11:30am at Good Hope Baptist Church. For more information contact Ronald Ward 713-520-8095 or heavenly-matched@hotmail.com



Bible Study Classes are **canceled** this week and will resume **Tuesday, July 23rd**.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

We encourage all parishioners to take the chalice home for a week and pray for vocations. The sign-up sheet is located in the vestibule of the church.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on July 6th and 7th was **521**. Please come worship with us and bring a friend



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE BIBLE SEMINAR

The Book of Revelation

Many who read the Bible agree that the Book of Revelation is a somewhat difficult book. Rev. Christian-Mary Alimaji, MSP, is hosting a seminar on the Book of Revelation on July 20th from 9:00am to 2:00pm at St. Philip Neri Church, 10960 MLK Jr. Blvd. The purpose of the seminar is to help the bible student and reader and those who meditate on the words of Scripture to read this portion of scripture with clarity, understanding and ease. Light refreshments will be provided at no cost to you.

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Come try your luck and win a Buck! Join **OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH 90TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION (FUNDRAISER)** For a Casino Day @ CASINO Coushatta Saturday, July 20, 2019. Departure time 8:30am – Returning 8:00pm. Enjoy lots of fun, food, & FELLOWSHIP. Price: \$20.00 per person- No Refunds; pick up and drop off FROM OMOM PARKING LOT. Reserve your seat today cash, check, or money order payable to **OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH**. Pre-Sale tickets are available from: Lydia Thomas 281-415-1181 Alicia Yancy 713-672-0026 Autrea "Tootie" Davis 832-228-2337



Community Round Table

Meet with AJ Crabill from the Texas Education Agency (TEA). This will be a small round table that involves community leaders, parents, and businesses leaders who want to take proactive steps towards bettering campuses academically and behaviorally. Other Topics include Campus Programming & Monitoring. **Monday, July 22, 2019 from 6:30pm-8:00pm** in the Harris Center Auditorium.



TURKEY LEG & CHICKEN WING SALE!!!!
Saturday, July 20th and
Sunday, July 21st

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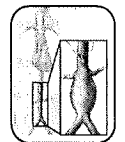
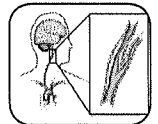


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Vascular and Organ Wellness Screenings on July 27

Stroke Scan Plus will be bringing its stroke-prevention, ultrasound team here for early detection and prevention of:

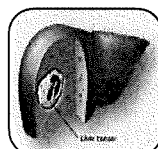
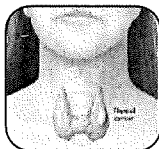
- **Stroke** - Carotid artery scan to look for blocked arteries in the neck
- **AAA** - Sudden death due to ruptured **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm**
- **Atrial Fibrillation** - A 2-lead, handheld EKG screens for irregular heart beat which increases stroke risk by 5X. Only detects if you are in AFib at the time of screening.



Do you have any of these **RISK FACTORS?**: High blood pressure, high cholesterol, a family history of stroke, heart attack or aortic aneurysm? Or **LIFESTYLE RISK FACTORS?**: Smoker, diabetic, overweight, physically inactive, etc.? Identify a potentially serious disease that may be life threatening. Availability is limited and these screenings are not part of a routine physical. Call today to schedule your appointment at 832-437-7355 or TF 866-935-7226.

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- A1c (Diabetes) - \$25
- Cholesterol - \$25
- PSA (Prostate) - \$45
- TSH (Thyroid) - \$45
- CRP - \$45



*These tests are not available in all states or regions and incur an additional cost.

Screening Preparations:

- Wear a two-piece comfortable outfit.
- No big meals or caffeine 4 hours prior to screening.
- If you are diabetic, make sure to eat a light meal.
- **If you are taking medication, continue to take it.**



Results read by a Board Certified Radiologist and mailed directly to you in 3-4 weeks. Life threatening results expedited. Unless you are symptomatic, typically, your doctor will not order diagnostic versions of these screenings and insurance companies may not pay for them. Please note that there is a 350 lb. weight limit on the medical screening tables. Stroke Scan Plus www.strokescan.com (ENG 02219)



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