

## Welcome New Families!

We are very glad you are here and pray that you become active in our vibrant church community where we love God, one another, our community, and our world with our thoughts and actions. We invite you to come by the parish office to register or by visiting our web page for more information at [www.stmhouston.org](http://www.stmhouston.org)

## Bienvenidos Nuevas Familias!

Estamos muy contentos de que estén aquí y oramos que se conviertan en miembros activos en nuestra comunidad vibrante en la que amamos a Dios, el uno al otro, nuestra comunidad y nuestro mundo con nuestros pensamientos y acciones. Los invitamos a pasar por la oficina para registrarse o visita nuestra página de web para mayor información: [www.stmhouston.org](http://www.stmhouston.org)

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PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS  
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**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE SAFE RETURN OF AUSTIN TICE TO HIS FAMILY.**

Favor de continuar orando por Auntin Tice para su pronto regreso a casa con su familia.

## BULLETIN:

The ads on the back of the bulletin allow the bulletin to be of no charge to our parish. Our bulletin is read by hundreds of people each weekend. This is your opportunity to secure a space to promote your business to our parishioners or a space In Memory of a love one.

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## Mass Intentions

### Intenciones de Misa

#### Sunday/ Domingo 10-16-2016

7:30am Dakono Children  
9:00am † Rosa Coronado Villegas  
11:00am Thanksgiving  
1:00pm All Souls in Purgatory  
5:00pm No Mass  
7:00pm No Mass

#### Monday/ Lunes 10-17-2016

6:30am -Aminata S. Doumbia  
5:30pm Special Intention

#### Tuesday/ Martes 10-18-2016

6:30am Ma Awa  
5:30pm Ronnie Zipgrove

#### Wednesday/ Miércoles 10-19-2016

6:30am Bernadette Sidibe  
5:30pm † Emil Bednar

#### Thursday/ Jueves 10-20-2016

6:30am Dennis & Joan Clifford-50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
5:30pm † Enrique Luis Cubero

#### Friday/ Viernes 10-21-2016

6:30am Carlos Joshed & Jennifer Herrera  
8:15am --STM Teachers  
5:30pm Assetou Keita

#### Saturday/ Sabado 10-22-2016

8:00am Ruth Figueroa  
5:00pm All souls

#### Sunday/ Domingo 10-23-2016

7:30am Sister Evelyn Morales  
9:00am † Henry Hill  
11:00am Bulletin Sponsors  
1:00pm † Filemon Hurtado Muñoz  
5:00pm † Paul Ayi  
7:00pm ---† Mario Garza

**FOR MASS INTENTIONS PLEASE COME BY THE PARISH OFFICE.  
PARA INTENCIONES DE LA MISA FAVOR DE PASAR POR LA OFICINA**

In Luke 18:1-8, our attention is shifting from the judge to the widow. Let us be clear that the widows and orphan are often abandoned and neglected in the ancient world. The Bible regularly listed orphans and aliens as those people deserving special protections. (see Exodus 22:22-24; Proverbs 15:25; Proverbs 23:10; Luke 7: 11-17; 1Timothy 5:3-16)

In Luke 18:1-8 the Judge asserts that he neither fears God nor respects any human being, but because of widow's relentless badgering, he relents not because he has changed his mind but simply to shut up this dangerous widow.

Read this way, the parable serves to encourage those suffering injustice to continue their complaints and calls for justice. And, the point that St. Luke wants his listeners to do is this: God gives special attention to those who are most vulnerable; therefore, we should persist in our complaints, prayers, and petitions. Know that God will answer and render his mercy. Remember what Jesus is telling us: "to pray always without becoming weary." (Luke 18:1)

Fr. Hai

En Lucas 18:1-8, está cambiando nuestra atención del juez a la viuda. Debe quedar claro que las viudas y huérfanos son a menudo abandonados y descuidados en el tiempo antiguo del mundo. La Biblia regularmente figura a los huérfanos y extranjeros como esas personas que merecen protecciones especiales. (ver Éxodo 22:22-24; Proverbios 15:25; Proverbios 23:10; Lucas 7: 11-17; 1Timoteo 5:3-16)

En Lucas 18:1-8 el juez afirma que no teme a Dios ni respeta al ser humano, pero debido a la insistencia implacable de la viuda, cede no porque él cambió su mente sino simplemente para callar esta viuda peligrosa.

La intención de esta parábola sirve para animar a aquellos que sufren injusticia y enseña la persistencia con sus quejas y peticiones de justicia. Y, lo que San Lucas desea que sus oyentes hagan es esto: Dios da su atención especial a las personas más vulnerables; por lo tanto, debemos persistir con nuestras quejas, oraciones y peticiones. Sabemos que Dios responde y nos da su misericordia. Recuerda lo que Jesús nos está diciendo: "oren siempre sin desanimarse ." (Lucas 18:1)

Padre Hai



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—TEACH ENGLISH

St. Thomas More Catholic parish provide ESL (English as a Second Language) classes for the COMMUNITY on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 7-9pm.

This Community operation is a non-religious teaching of English to Adults, without regard to race, religion, church affiliation, citizen or immigration status.

If you can Volunteer at least one evening a week for this worthwhile endeavor, or be a Substitute, please contact Norman Palms at 713-726-0513 or normpalms@aol.com



You do not need to speak Spanish to teach English.

## OUR CHAPEL—24/7

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

JESUS WAITS FOR US IN THE SACRAMENT OF LOVE

*Come and spend time as frequently with our Lord.*

#### ADORACION EUCARISTICA

JESUS NOS ESPERA EN EL SACRAMENTO DEL AMOR

*Vengan a la capilla frecuentemente para pasar tiempo con el Señor*

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Nos gustaría agradecer a nuestros anunciantes presentes por renovar su anuncio, y ayudarnos a hacer este boletín posible para nuestra parroquia.

## Readings for the week of October 16

<b>Sunday</b>	Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14—4:2; Lk 18:1-8
<b>Monday</b>	Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5; Lk 12:13-21
<b>Tuesday</b>	2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
<b>Wednesday</b>	Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 12:39-48
<b>Thursday</b>	Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53
<b>Friday</b>	Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59
<b>Saturday</b>	Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 13:1-9
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

## Lecturas de la semana del 16 de Octubre

<b>Domingo:</b>	Ex 17:8-13; Salmo 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14—4:2; Lc 18:1-8
<b>Lunes:</b>	Ef 2:1-10; Salmo 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 4-5; Lc 12:13-21
<b>Martes:</b>	2 Tm 4:10-17b; Salmo 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lc 10:1-9
<b>Miercoles</b>	Ef 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Lc 12:39-48
<b>Jueves:</b>	Ef 3:14-21; Salmo 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lc 12:49-53
<b>Viernes:</b>	Ef 4:1-6; Salmo 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lc 12:54-59
<b>Sabado:</b>	Ef 4:7-16; Salmo 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5; Lc 13:1-9
<b>Domingo:</b>	<b>Trigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario</b> Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Salmo 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lc 18:9-14

## PAM Ministry



Welcome our New Parishioner Assistance Ministry Intern, Layla Torres!

St. Thomas More Community, My name is Layla Torres, and I am very excited to be joining the Saint Thomas More Church Family. I am currently a student at the University of Houston working on a Master's in Social Work. I am the new intern and will be here through May. I am a Houston native, and I recently received a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Southwestern University in Georgetown, TX. I

have experience working with children and families, and I have volunteered with at-risk youth for the Georgetown Project. As an intern, I will work primarily with the Parishioner Assistance Ministry and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference, and hope to work with the other Saint Thomas More Ministries as well. The intern office is located in the Youth Center, and my office hours through December are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. I am grateful for the learning opportunity Saint Thomas More will provide me, and I look forward to meeting you over the next few months.

Sincerely,  
Layla Torres

¡Démosle la Bienvenida a nuestra nueva Interna del Ministerio de Asistencia al Feligrés, Layla Torres!

Comunidad de St. Thomas More, Mi nombre es Layla Torres, y estoy muy contenta de unirme a la familia de la Iglesia de Saint Thomas More. Actualmente soy una estudiante de la Universidad de Houston haciendo una Maestría en Trabajo Social. Yo soy la nueva Interna y estaré aquí hasta mayo. Yo soy nativa de Houston, y recibí mi Licenciatura en Psicología de la Universidad de Southwestern en Georgetown, TX. Tengo experiencia trabajando con niños y familias, y he sido voluntaria con jóvenes en riesgo para el Proyecto de Georgetown. Como Interna, voy a trabajar principalmente en el Ministerio de Ayuda al Feligrés y la Sociedad de St. Vicente de Paul, pero espero participar también en los demás ministerios de Saint Thomas More. La oficina de pasantía se encuentra en el Centro de la Juventud, y mis horas de trabajo hasta diciembre son los martes y los jueves de 9:00 am a 4:00 pm. Estoy muy agradecida por la oportunidad de aprendizaje que Saint Thomas More me ofrece y espero conocerlos en los próximos meses.

Sinceramente,  
Layla Torres

## Sacramental General Information

### Baptism Information

Next **Baptism Preparation Class (English): November 19, 2016**

Adult Education Building, St Peter Room; 8:45am-12:00pm. For more information contact the Church Office, 713-729-0221

### Marriage Preparations

Engaged couples please contact the parish office 713-729-0221 for more information at least 6 months to a year ahead of the wedding.

### INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

This process is known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). It begins with informal question and answer sessions. Inquiry sessions are held on Sunday mornings, 9:30am-11am and Wednesday evenings, 7:30-9:00 p.m. For more information contact Deacon John Krugh on Sunday or call the church office, 713-729-0221.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This Sacrament is offered bilingual on Saturdays after the 8:00am mass

### Nursery

The nursery is available during the 9am Mass for newborns to 4 years. There is no charge nor reservations needed

## CATECISMO—CLASES PARA PADRES

Formación más avanzado – un equipo de catequistas de adultos dirige temas para profundizar la fe y facilita un programa de padres de familia que se llama *Compañeros en la Crianza*. Se lleva a cabo los domingos por la mañana de 11:00 a.m.—12:30 pm en el Prinster Hall.

Todos están invitados.

No pierdan esta oportunidad para conocer sus raíces Catolicas.

**Coordinador: Luis Angel Hernandez**

## Spotlight from a former Youth Choir member:

Daniel Ramirez - "I began singing with the STM youth choir my 7th grade year. To me, I knew that this was a great choice. I felt that it was a real plus to not only to be able to sing, which I love doing, but to also be able to sing to the Lord. I do recommend joining if you enjoy singing and enjoy worshipping the Lord at the same time. It's a real two in one!"

Come join the Youth Choir it is open to students 4th graders through 8th graders. Must be available for a one hour practice on Wednesdays at 6pm. The Choir sings about once a month on Sunday morning and participates in the Pueri Cantores Choir Festival annually. Not too late to join, but please contact Ms Mary Endres to reserve a spot for your student at 713-980-3111

## HOLY HOUR BEFORE ELECTION

The Respect Life Committee will have a Holy Hour to pray before Election Day asking for God's blessing for our country on Saturday, November 5th in the evening from 7-8 pm.

“We know that this election is in God's Hands and we pray His Will be done”

## Información General Sacramental

### Información de Bautismos

Próxima Clase para preparación Bautismal será el Sabado, 19 de Noviembre del 2016 en El Salón Prinster de 9:45am-1:00pm. Para mas información, favor de llamar a la oficina de Educación Religiosa, 713-729-3435.

**NOTA: PADRES SI TOMAN LA CLASE AQUI, BAUTIZARAN AQUI, NO SE LES DARA UNA CARTA.**

### Unción de los Enfermos

El sacramento de Unción de los Enfermos se ofrece todos los sábados después de la misa de 8 am.

### BENDICIONES PARA TRES AÑOS Y CELEBRACION DE QUINCE AÑOS

Para que su hijo/hija reciba una Bendición o celebración de los quince años debe registrarlo/a en la Oficina del Catecismo o para mayor información contactéase al 713-729-3435



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Mission—THANK YOU

Medical mission update: We want to thank all those who supported the Taste & See dinner held on September 10th. A wonderful meal was prepared by Chef Arturo Macias and his team, a great dance band with the band Crosswind, fellowship and fun was experienced by all. Importantly, we raised much needed funds to purchase medications and supplies for the poor of El Salvador. Thank you. The mission team heads to El Salvador on October 21st through October 29th, please keep them in your prayers as they offer much needed service from your hands through helping hands to the poor of El Salvador. God bless.

## FOOD PANTRY

### STM FOOD PANTRY IS HANDING OUT THANKSGIVING DINNER BAGS THE WHOLE MONTH OF NOVEMBER TO OUR CLIENTS.

Can you provide a bag to our clients who are excited about getting a bag full of all the trimmings needed for a wholesome Thanksgiving dinner? We are teaming with Wal Mart Neighborhood Market this year to make it easy for any family that wants to donate a Thanksgiving bag full of ingredients for a complete dinner to pick it up and bring to SVDP Food Pantry at STM. We start giving out bags November 1 and have many grateful clients who look forward to this time of year. Please consider stopping by The Neighborhood Market and choosing one or a couple bags to donate to our pantry clients. The food pantry at STM is located in Prinster Hall and open Tues and Thursday from 9-11:45AM and 1:00-3:00pm OR you can leave your bag in the Parish Office and we can pick those up anytime. Please do not leave your bag or any food by the Chapel. Next weeks bulletin will include the list of ingredients we are providing and feel free to shop for the ingredients at your favorite store and put together your own Thanksgiving bag for our clients. We are including a \$10 gift card for the purchase of a turkey and you can purchase that with our complete bags or choose to purchase the bag without donating the gift card. We appreciate the generosity of our parishioners who love to help us give Thanks for all God has provided us to share with others.

## FUN FOR SENIORS

### 2016 - Streamliners'— October

**Oct. 20, Thurs.** Coshatta Casino in Kinder, LA  
\$15pp cash includes (\$10 Freeplay)  
Coffee, donuts & Hot Kolaches at 6:30am.

Bus leaves at 7.00am from the rear parking area in the back near Prinster Hall. Call Frances Landry-713-723-2035

Streamliners' trips are open to all of STM's families and friends!!!!!!!



Senior Citizens,  
Come and join us for some  
Bingo fun, on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th  
Tuesday of the Month.

Next Bingo Tuesday November 8th and Tuesday November 29th  
in the Scout House at 9:30am.  
See you there!

## This week around STM....

### Sunday, October 16

7 10AM TO 6PM OKTOBERFEST  
NO 5PM MASS  
NO 7PM SPANISH MASS

### Monday, October 17

6:00 pm PACK 99, Scout House  
6:30 pm Legion of Mary, AE-St. Peter  
7:00 pm Danza Tonantzin, Rehkopf Gym  
Troop 99, Scout House  
Apostleship of the Cross, AE-St. Paul

### Tuesday, October 18

3:15 pm Girl Scouts. Scout House  
**6:15 pm Confessions / Confesiones (Praise and Worship)**  
7:00 pm ESL, School

### Wednesday, October 19

10:00am Bible Study, Doors of Mercy, Servant Hall  
3:00 pm Girl Scouts  
6:00 pm Pack 99, Scout Scout  
**6:15 pm Confessions / Confesiones**  
**6:30 pm** KofC, Prinster Hall  
7:00 pm Youth Confirmation I & II, Youth Center & Servant  
Our Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer Grp—Chapel  
Danza Tonantzin, Rehkopf Gym  
RCIA (Spanish), Prayer Rm Youth Center  
RCIA (English), AE-St. Peter  
7:30 pm Legion of Mary— AE-St. Paul Rm.  
Spanish Choir, Church

### Thursday, October 20

10:00am Craft Guild, Donovans Den  
6:00 pm Pack 99, Scout House  
6:30 pm Bill Ledbetter (Band Pract.)-Donovan's Den  
Gabriel Project, Rectory  
7:00 pm Combined Choir, Church  
ESL, School  
Bible Study, AE-St. Peter  
7:30 pm Troop 99—Scout House

### Friday, October 21

**8:15 am Parish School Mass, Church**  
5:00 pm Legion of Mary Junior (Spanish), AE-St. Paul  
7:00 pm Danza Tonantzin, Rehkopf Gym  
Jubileo de la Misericordia Spanish Choir, Church

### Saturday, October 22

**3:30 pm—4:45pm Confessions / Confesiones**  
5:00 pm Vigil Mass

### Sunday, October 23

7:00 am—1:00pm—CCE, School  
2:00 pm Spanish Baptism, Church  
6:30 pm Youth Ministry, Youth Center



**Our help is from the LORD  
who made Heaven & Earth.**

**STM Financial Stewardship for October, 2016**

Week Offering for 10/09/16 ..... \$ 30,545.00  
Online Giving ..... \$ 5,674.00  
Total Offertory ..... \$ 36,219.00  
Weekend Budgeted Goal ..... \$34,650.00  
Difference..... **+1,569.00**

**Building Fund: \$168.00**

*Thank you for your continued generosity!  
¡¡Gracias por su continua generosidad!!*

**Moms & Tots**

*STM is starting a Moms & Tots playgroup on November 1st* in the Youth Center from 9:30am to 11:30am. Please consider donating gently used or new toys to the STM Moms & Tots Playgroup. They can be dropped off at any time at the parish office or contact Maria Pia Turner at STMmomgroup@gmail.com for information.

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