

I Give You A New Commandment:



In today's Gospel, Jesus gives His disciples—and us—a new commandment: “Love one another”. Good stewards who spend their time and talents in service to others are well on their way to fulfilling this commandment.

I will praise your name forever,
MY KING AND MY GOD.

MAY 11 THROUGH MAY 16

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Danny Bell
WEDNESDAY	8:30A.M.	✠Mary Latino
THURSDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Charlotte Lesnau
FRIDAY	8:30A.M.	✠A.J. Richter
SATURDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Rosario Iglesias
SUNDAY	8:00A.M.	✠Jack Cranley
	9:30A.M.	✠Rob Mitchell
	11:00A.M.	✠Mary Latino

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Ouida Mulhollan, mother of Renalde Mulhollan, grandmother of Jonathan and Aaron; also for the soul of P.J. Jacob, father of Maria Poothullil, grandfather of Tony; also for the repose of the soul of L.J. Hluza, father of Brian Hluza.**

MONDAY	Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26
TUESDAY	Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:21-26
WEDNESDAY	Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8
THURSDAY	Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:19-11
FRIDAY	Acts 1:15-17,20-26; Jn 15:9-17
SATURDAY	Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21
SUNDAY	Acts 15:1-2,22-29; Rv 21:10-14,22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>



Parent to Parent meeting for parents of children or dependents with disabilities will be offered on Saturday, May 22nd from 10am to noon at Corpus Christi Access Parish, 9900 Stella Link, in the school library. Topic – Listening that Facilitates: Attitudes and Skills that Encourage Healing. Presented by Maureen Bacchi, LMSW-ACP. Cost is \$5 per parent. Child/adult care provided. Financial assistance is available. Please contact Charleen Iannucci in the continuing Christian Education Office at 713-741-8793 or iannucci@diogh.org to register.



Summer Festivals for children with Disabilities will be offered at four parishes. Dates and locations are: June 12th at St. Monica Parish (N.W. Houston) and Christ the Good Shepherd Access Parish (Spring); June 19th at Most Holy Trinity Parish (Angleton); and June 26th at St. Frances Cabrini Parish (S. Houston). Cost is \$10 per participant. Siblings are welcomed and financial assistance is available. Please contact Charleen Iannucci in the Continuing Christian Education Office at 713-741-8793 or iannucci@diogh.org to volunteer or for additional registration information.



**++CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH++
WOMEN'S WEEKEND**

St. Michael's upcoming Christ Renews His Parish weekend for women will be held June 12-13. Please stop by the table and sign up. If you have any questions, call Cassis Tijerina, 299-6308 or 236-7609; Peggy Robinson, 265-6883 or 236-0204.



Ed Ahlrich, Nick Alfano, Brad Armintor, Weldon Bailey, Bennie Paul Bono, Don Brawley, John Buettner, David Butler, Jennifer Cary, Maria Castillo, Larry Cavaness, James Christie, Ruth Cleaver, Dorothy D'Augusta, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Terry Ditges, Lenora Duval, Marcella Ezell, Linda Felsing, Clark Flournoy, Marcia Flournoy, Emily Garcia, Craig Garrison, Muriel Gates, Kathy Goolsby, Barbara Grant, Arthur Haas, Brandon Habis, Belia Hardesty, Dorothy Harden, Lorraine Hayes, Wanda Henry, Vickie Kaatz, Angeline Klekar, David Kubala, Jerry LaCoume, Mary LaCoume, Ray Langston, Sarah Langston, Tristan Cade Lawson, Sarah Marcotte, Mary McClintock, Eileen McDonald, Irene McGaughey, Karen Moran, Melda Neely, Jean Newport, Adrian Nye, Doris Perryman, Carolyn Peterson, Cecelia Peterson, Pat Prebys, Paula Price, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Joe Reyes, Jr., Vince Rowan, Mary Rogers, Billie Stricklin, Pat Van Dragt, "Vinnie", Amelia Volz, Allen Williams, Patricia Williams.

(Bold denotes new on prayer list this week)

Protecting God's Children Workshop for Adults
Preventing child sexual abuse is the goal of a new program

selected by the Diocese of Galveston-Houston. "Protecting God's Children for Adults" educates clergy, staff and volunteers who work with children. The 3-hour session includes videos and facilitated discussions. All Clergy, staff and volunteers who have regular contact with children and youth are required to attend training. The session does start promptly so please be on time. The session will be held on the following date:

Tuesday, May 11, 2004, in the hall of the Family Life Center 6:15-9:30p.m.

Tuesday, August 24, in the hall of the Family Life Center 6:15-9:30p.m.

Please go to www.virtusonline.org to register; the password is "trust". Call Marsha Jacklitsch, 297-3043, for more information.





Attn: Graduating Seniors:
The Graduation Mass and Luncheon will be on May 16th – 11:00 am Mass with Luncheon to follow.



Camp Creation VBS 2004



Time is running out! Vacation Bible School will be the week of June 21. Register for Camp Creation VBS 2004 before the deadline of Friday, May 14! No late registrations! We still need volunteers! Call the Religious Ed Office at 297-3043.



Please Join Us After 9:30 Mass!

We would like to invite you to join us in a discussion of the Sunday readings after 9:30 Mass. Join fellow parishioners each Sunday as we break open God's Word. The group is open to men and women of all ages. While Religious Education is in session, the group meets upstairs in the Spiritual Learning Center. When Religious Ed is not meeting and during the Summer, the group will meet in Room 149-150 of the Family Life Center. You are always welcome and we look forward to your insight and participation. For further information contact Gary Forse at 299-3145 or gtforse@swbell.net.



.KJT District 6 Family Day and Fishing Contest Sunday May 23 at Touvar Lake, between East Bernard and Eagle Lake, TX. Begins at 12 noon. All KJT members are welcome to attend.



ATTENTION ALL JR. HIGH STUDENTS AND TEACHERS
 Thank you for your efforts to help support life. You as a group raised \$164.12 for the Pregnancy Help Center. Thank you for being a group that chooses life, who continues to grow and move in the Spirit.

The Office of Youth Ministry



St. Mary: Star of the Sea Church, Parish Picnic, Sunday, May 16th, 11:00a.m. -5:00p.m. at Freeport Municipal Park. Serving from 11:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. Live Auction, plant booth, Games, Silent Auction for Families, Religious Article Booth, Sweets Booth, Silent Auction for Children and Bingo. Come join the fun!



A Five Finger Prayer

1. Your thumb is nearest to you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C.S. Lewis once said, a "sweet duty".
2. The next finger is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.
3. The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the president, leaders in business and industry, and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.
4. The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger, as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.
5. And lastly comes our little finger; the smallest finger of all, which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, "The least shall be the greatest among you." Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively. Should you find it hard to get to sleep tonight, just remember the homeless family who has no bed to lie in.



Financial News:

Things are looking up! We have paid off all Cathedral tax bills and Building Fund Tax bills. The only debt left after 4/28/04 is \$7,800 to DSF for the previous year's goal. We will again take the loose money (mainly \$1's and \$5's) and use it as a second collection for the next six months. Our present DSF is running \$12,066 short of goal. Have you pledged yet?

Our Building Fund Savings Account at the Diocese is as follows:

- \$586,830.54 from money collected
- 15,728.80 from Picnic profits
- 20,565.91 interest earned
- \$623,125.25 savings for new church

The other \$5,849.26 of the picnic profit was sent to pay the building fund tax which amounted to \$14,195.25 since last July 1st. I know it's a bummer, but the Bishop needs money to operate, too.

After paying all of these bills, it is a good thing that Fr. Leo can fish and hunt for his food – jrmatzke 4/28/04

