

We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son: "You are with me always, and everything I have is yours." What is my response to such remarkable generosity? Do I give joyfully and generously as God gives to me?



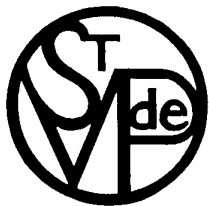
MONDAY 1Cor 11:17-26,33; Lk 7:1-10
TUESDAY Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
WEDNESDAY 1Cor 12:31—13:13; Jn 19:25-27
THURSDAY 1Cor 15; 1-11; Lk 7:36-50
FRIDAY 1Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3
SATURDAY 1Cor 15:35-37,42-49; Lk 8:4-15
SUNDAY Amos 8:4-7; 1Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13
 Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>



**Give Blood.
Give Life.**

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Blood Drive here at St. Michael's, THIS SUNDAY, September 12, from 8:30am to

1:00pm. GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!



The St. Vincent de Paul Society will have their monthly collection of food to help feed the needy of our area next Sunday. The especially need tomato paste, canned tomatoes, canned vegetables, canned soups, canned fruit,

cooking oil and rice. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



When a family returned from Sunday Mass, the father criticized the homily, the daughter said the choir's singing was off-key and mother found fault with the organist's playing. They dropped the subject when the young son said, "But it was a good show for a nickel, don't you think Dad?"



**SEPTEMBER 14 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19
MASS INTENTIONS**

TUESDAY 5:30P.M. †Ed Sablatura
WEDNESDAY 8:30A.M. †Rosario Iglesias
THURSDAY 5:30P.M. †Mary Fant
FRIDAY 8:30A.M. †Betty Wolf
SATURDAY 5:30P.M. †Cindy Grisham/
 †Gerald O. Duane
SUNDAY 8:00A.M. †Mark Klockentager
9:30A.M. †Albert & Rosa Romano
11:00A.M. †Mary Latino



Ed Ahlrich, Nick Alfano, Brad Armintor, Charlie Arnold, Weldon Bailey, Bennie Paul Bono, Don Brawley, John Buettner, David Butler, Maria Castillo, Larry Cavaness, Ruth Cleaver, Dorothy D'Augusta, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Irene Dirba, Terry Ditges, Lenora Duval, Maria E. Martinez Espinoza, Marcella Ezell, Linda Felsing, Clark Flournoy, Marcia Flournoy, Emil Galetka, Emily Garcia, Craig Garrison, Kathy Goolsby, Barbara Grant, Henry Gretschel, Arthur Haas, Brandon Habis, Belia Hardesty, Dorothy Harnden, Lorraine Hayes, Wanda Henry, Bobbie Jasek, Vickie Kaatz, Angeline Klekar, David Kubala, Jerry LaCoume, Mary LaCoume, Ray Langston, Sarah Langston, Tristan Cade Lawson, Gene Matus, Mary McClintock, Eileen McDonald, Irene McGaughey, Michael Merritt, Karen Moran, Jean Newport, Adrian Nye, Doris Perryman, Carolyn Peterson, Cecelia Peterson, Pat Prebys, Paula Price, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Vince Rowan, Mary Rogers, Marilyn Sayes, Ray Schoppe, Billie Stricklin, Pat Van Dragt, "Vinnie", Amelia Volz, Helen Walls, Allen Williams, Patricia Williams, Stephanie Thomas Wilson, Ed Windler, Nancy Windler..

(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, September 14, 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 Lisa Ondrey, 297-3043, for more information.



**Youth Ministry
September Calendar**

- 12 Teacher Training 1-3pm Social to follow
- 14 Virtus Workshop 6:15-9:30pm FLC
- 26 Youth Ministry "Kick Off" w/Tx A&M **The Rock**
6:30-8:30pm. Praise and Worship!



IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR YOUTH MINISTRY CLASSES (GRADES 6TH – 12TH)! Parents, to ensure class placement and to make sure your youth does not miss out on anything, please register your youth for religious education for the 2004-2005 year, if you have not already done so. We have a full and exciting year planned, so please come be a part of us! **Youth ministry Kick-off is September 26th** – Praise & Worship with "The Rock". Forms can be found in the hallway outside of both offices and can be left in the mail slot or box on table. Question? Please call the Youth Office.

Please consider sharing your gifts with the youth of our parish on Sunday evenings. Teachers and aides needed in Jr. High and High School Youth Ministry (**grades 6th-12th**). Big hearts and a desire to serve required. **Call the Office of Youth Ministry to volunteer.**



THE 2004 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE MASSES Honoring Golden (50th) and Silver (25th) Anniversary

marriages for couples with weddings in 1954 or 1979 will be held on Saturday, October 16 at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Houston and on Sunday, October 17 at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica in Galveston. Whether or not couples attend a ceremony, they are eligible to receive a special certificate from Bishop Joseph Fiorenza.

Couples wishing to participate are asked to please call the parish office at 297-3041 and register their name, address, home telephone number and wedding date with the secretary. **Deadline for registration is September 15.** Soon after receiving the couples' names, the diocesan Office of Family Life Ministry will send registered couples a letter with detailed information about the Masses. They will then have the opportunity to RSVP.



"BINGO"

Senior Friends (65 & older) meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 10am in the "F" Wing. Bring a covered dish! No charge...prizes! Come join us! Questions? Call Alice Jasek, 297-6863.



St. Mary's Star of the Sea K.J.Z.T. #115 will meet at 103 Oleander in Lake Jackson on September 21st at 10a.m.



C.C.E. Registration for Fall 2004:

Please register your student NOW. We are taking registration for Beginners (age 4 as of September 1, 2004) through 12th grade. We cannot guarantee placement in classes if you wait to register late. Come by the office Tuesday-Friday 9am -3pm or mail the registration form and fee to the office. **NO STUDENTS (Beginners through 5th grade) WILL BE PLACED IN CLASSES BETWEEN FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, AND TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT UNREGISTERED STUDENTS ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES. After September 14, students will be placed in class if space is available.**



KJT will meet on Tuesday, September 21 at The Center at St. Jerome's in Clute after attending the 6:30pm Mass. All members urged to attend.



Attention Senior Citizens – Make plans to attend our Senior citizen appreciation dinner, Saturday, September 18th, after the 5:30 Mass, in the Family Life Center. This dinner in your honor is sponsored by the Pastoral Council. Your guests are welcome, but will be asked for a small donation. Please make reservations by calling **Sharon Land at 480-0402** by September 13th.



St. Jerome's Parish Mission September 19-23 2004

St. Jerome will host an English Mission with Fr. Bernie Weber, a priest with the Passionist community, famous for its retreats and missions. The mission opens Sunday evening at 7pm with Mass and mission and continues through Thursday. Monday through Thursday sessions will be at 10am and 7pm – all in the church. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the Family Life Center for additional details.



If you enjoy playing bridge and would like to join a St. Michael's Bridge Group which meets the 2nd Thursday of each month in the Angelina Room from 9-12noon, please call Lena Jarvie, 297-1446.



Family Life will sponsor a fun-filled evening with dinner and entertainment on Saturday, September 25th after the 5:30 Mass. Everyone is welcome; sign up in the hall after Mass the weekends of September 11th and 18th.



Come join us for Friday morning Bible Study, beginning Friday September 10, at 9:15a.m., in Room 202 in the Spiritual Learning Center. We will study Women in the New Testament. Questions? Call Pam Walker, 287-9746.