

## From the Pastor

(ON THIS DSF {DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND} COMMITMENT SUNDAY, A LETTER FROM OUR CARDINAL ARCHBISHOP WILL BE READ IN ALL MASSES. WE ARE REPRINTING IT BELOW FOR YOUR PERUSAL.)

My dear friends in Christ, Pope Francis has urged all of us to not fall into indifference, but to become active instruments of mercy. Our Holy Father asks us to reflect on the life of Christ who is our model for corporal works of mercy. Through the Diocesan Services Fund (DSF) we are able to be instruments of mercy to thousands in our Archdiocese who are sick, poor, imprisoned, elderly or facing a crisis in their lives, such as the one caused for so many by Hurricane Harvey.

During and after this devastating storm, many of you were instruments of mercy to your neighbors, friends, and even strangers, offering comfort and compassion. I know many of you rolled up your sleeves and helped people rebuild their homes and businesses. I am proud of all of you for being God's hands to perform gestures of great love and compassion. Supported by DSF, Catholic Charities served as the Archdiocese's major disaster response organization, serving more than 15,000 people in the immediate aftermath of the storm. They are still at work offering long-term recovery services. San José Clinic, also supported by DSF, provided medical care to over 1,800 people.

The day-to-day operations of DSF also need our support, and a few of the programs highlighted this year are Pro-Life Activities, Apostleship of the Sea and the Office of Vocations. Many of you may not be familiar with the mission of the Apostleship of the Sea, but it has been a vital ministry of our Archdiocese for more than a half century. Some 300,000 seafarers come into the Port of Houston each year and 60% are Catholic. They bring 80% of our goods that we consume into our city. Offering the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion along with pastoral counseling and compassionate support for those who often spend months at a time at sea, often more than two months, is part of our responsibility to welcome the stranger.

The mission of Pro-Life Activities is to protect the most vulnerable among us, recognizing the dignity of each human person from the unborn child, to the elderly at the end of their lives, to the prisoner on death row. Human life above all belongs to God and we should make every effort to defend it. This Office is offering a new program scheduled to launch this year, called Jerome's Hope, which will assist parents who have received a difficult pregnancy diagnosis or who have lost a baby and need counseling and pastoral direction. It is because of your DSF contributions that we are able

to respond to needs like these and compassionately help those who are searching for answers, healing and hope.

When he was Pope, Saint John Paul II, wrote a document called *Pastores Dabo Vobis* (in English I Will Give You Shepherds). This message helped to shape programs for priestly formation and vocational discernment. Our local Office of Vocations fulfills part of this important vision of increasing the number of men who are discerning to be our future shepherds. Through the celebration of the sacraments and pastoral ministry, these fishers of men become instruments of mercy for all of us.

I thank you for your gracious commitment to the DSF. With gratitude to God for your faithful discipleship and praying for God's abundant blessing upon you, I am

Your faithful Shepherd,  
Daniel Cardinal DiNardo  
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston

## This Week in Our Parish

--Sunday, Feb. 4- 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass at 7:00a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (English)

1:00 p.m. (Spanish), -5:00 p.m. (English)

**DSF COMMITMENT SUNDAY**

BLESSINGS FOR FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIV.  
COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP BY THE GROUP MOTHER OF  
PERPETUAL HELP @ THE COMMUNITY CENTER

--2:15 p.m. Catholic Daughters-Parish Hall

--3:00 p.m. Daughters of the Holy Spirit-Meeting Room

Monday, Feb. 5, Mass at 6:15 a.m., & 7:00 p.m.

### CCE CLASSES

--5:00 p.m. Mondays with Mother Mary-Parish Hall

--8:00 p.m. Scriptural Rosary-Chapel

--Tuesday, Feb. 6-Mass at 6:15 a.m., & 6:30 p.m.

### CCE CLASSES

--7:00 p.m. Choir Practice-Church

--7:00 p.m. Sharing the Faith-Bishop Odin

--7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts-St. Maria Goretti Room

--7:45 p.m. St. Joseph Novena-Chapel

--Wednesday, Feb. 7- Mass at 6:15 a.m., and 7:00 pm

--6:30 p.m. Holy Hour for Vocations-Chapel

--6:30 p.m. Youth Ministry-St. Maria Goretti Room

--7:00 p.m. That Man is You-Parish Hall

--7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts-Community Center

--7:30 p.m. Neo Cats-Meeting-Alleluia-Noah's Ark & "A"

--8:00 p.m. Our Mother of Perpetual Help-Church

-Thursday, Feb. 8- Mass at 6:15 a.m., & 7:00 p.m.

--6:30 p.m. Youth Ministry-St. Maria Goretti Room

--7:00 p.m. FTCM-Community Center

--7:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer-Bishop Odin

--7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus-Parish Hall

--7:30 p.m. Legion of Mary-Room "B"

--8:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer-Chapel

11:00 p.m. Precious Blood-Chapel

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

-Friday, Feb. 9- Mass at 6:15 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

--7:00 p.m. Sacred Heart-Room "F"

--7:30 p.m. Divine Mercy-Chapel

--7:30 p.m. Lord's Flock-Alleluia Room

--8:00 p.m. Sacred Heart-Chapel

--8:00 p.m. Totus Tuus Prayer Group-Parish Hall

-Saturday- Feb. 10- Mass at 8:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

-10:00 a.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Mass-Church

-12:00 p.m. USCAT-Alleluia Room

--2:00 p.m. Wedding-Anyanwu/Chime Chapel

-4:00 p.m. Confessions-Church

--7:00 p.m. Neocatechumenate-Welsch Center

--Sunday, Feb. 11- 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass at 7:00a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (English)

1:00 p.m. (Spanish), -5:00 p.m. (English)

"SICK COME FORWARD" - \*WORLD DAY OF SICK

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR CONFIRMATION RETREAT

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP BY THE NEOCATECHUMENATE & TACO BREAKFASTON SALE BY THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

--2:00 p.m. Bible Study-Meeting Room

--3:00 p.m. Daughters of the Holy Spirit-Parish Hall

# Marian Pilgrimage

Switzerland – France – Germany – Netherlands - Belgium

June 11 to 23, 2018

\$3,790.00 per person from Houston

**SEATS ARE LIMITED**

Spiritual Director:

**Msgr. Rolando Diokno**

Tour Coordinator:

**Linnie Drilon 281-686-8915**

**Notre Dame Catholic Church**

**Houston TX 77072**

## FARE INCLUSIVE OF THE FOLLOWING

- Round Trip Air Fare via British Airways from Houston
- First Class Hotels \*Double Occupancy \*Breakfast and Dinner (where indicated in the itinerary)
- First Class Motor Coach \*Catholic Guides \*Masses
- Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges (subject to change)

## DREAM VACATIONS

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Feb. 4- 5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

*Jb 7: 1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23; Mk 1: 29-39*

--7:00 a.m. + Felicisimo & Evangelina Cusi

--9:00 a.m. All Parishioners

-11:00 a.m. + Josie Lowell

--1:00 p.m. + Ivan Flores

--5:00 p.m. + Pedro Fabugais

Monday, Feb. 5- St. Agatha\* V.M. *Obl. Mem.*

*1 Kgs 8: 1-7, 9-13; Mk 1: 29-39*

--6:15 a.m. + Caroline Ikazoboh

--7:00 p.m. + Miguel Arriola, Sr. & Jr.

Tuesday, Feb. 6- Sts. Paul Miki & Comps., Mm

*Obl. Mem.*

*1 Kgs. 8: 22-23, 27-30 Mk 7: 1-13*

--6:15 a.m. + Guia Sanchez (Death Anniversary)

--6:30 p.m. + Rosa Gonzalez

Wednesday, Feb. 7 – St. John Bosco, Priest *Obl. Mem.*

*1 Kgs 10: 1-10; Mk 7: 14-23*

--6:15 a.m. + Ellen Pareja Zerrudo

--7:00 p.m. Vocations

Thursday, Feb. 8– Thursday of 5<sup>th</sup> Week in OT

*1 Kgs 11: 4-13; Mk 7: 24-30*

--6:15 a.m. Unborn Babies

--7:00 p.m. + Jacob Michael Alvarez

Friday, Feb. 9 – Friday of 5<sup>th</sup> Week in OT.

*1 Kgs. 11: 29-32; 12: 19; Mk 7: 31-37*

--6:15 a.m. + Leonor de Vega

-10:00 a.m. + Isaura Alegria

--7:00 p.m. + Fred & Jann Burger

Saturday, Feb. 10- St. Scholastica, V.. *Obl. Mem.*

*1 Kgs 12: 26-32; 13: 33-34 Mk 8: 1-10*

--8:00 a.m. + Maura Perez

--5:00 p.m. + Felipe Velasquez

Sunday, Feb. 11- 6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

*Lv 13: 1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10: 31 --- 11: 1; Mk 1: 40-45*

--7:00 a.m. + Amelia D. Abuegi

--9:00 a.m. All Parishioners

-11:00 a.m. + Juan Bautista (Death Anniv.)

--1:00 p.m. + Eduardo Cobarrubias

--5:00 p.m. + Thelma Richardson

Sanctuary Candles burning in Memory of:

**Ellen Pareja Zerrudo +**

From: Teloy Zerrudo & Family

## Maria Goretti Support Group

New support group for those afflicted with any type of abuse (physical, sexual, emotional, spiritual or mental) will begin to meet at 7:00 pm on the third Monday of every month in downtown Houston at the Cathedral Centre (1701 San Jacinto Street, Houston, TX 77002). For more info about the Maria Goretti Network that is sponsoring this support group, go to [www.mgoretti.org/](http://www.mgoretti.org/) or call 713-851-3708.



Barbara Collier, Cary Kearns, Francisco Saiza, Alfred Mikula, Mike Rios, Joel Castro, Antonio Macrohon, Becky Navarro, Mary Lou Walker, Ianne P. Quila, Anthony & Maria Tran, Sally Wittmer, Sue Zientek, Jesus de Mora, Mike Trimborn, Trisha Lovetro, Mel Gayao, Sondra Robertson, Severo Zapata, Trish Coch, Ma. Dolores D. Zapata, Madelaine Zenaida, ..  
and ALL sick members of our parish community.

**Homebound: Visited by our Ministers of the Sick ...**

Lydia Agustin, Sam Barletta, Dolly Cyganski, Elizabeth Misri, Carolyn Starrette, Francisca Salaria, Rosa Waguespack, Don Wenglar, Stephen Mustafa Kroma, Joan Holder, Florence Otorra, Shuri Ngomba, Lawrence Carter...

Confraternity of Our Lady of Lourdes  
invites you to join us in  
Celebration of the 160<sup>th</sup> Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes



On February 10, 2018, Saturday, 10:00 a.m.  
at Notre Dame Catholic Church  
*The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes marks the observance of the*

*"World Day of the Sick"*

**9 days Novena Schedule for  
Our Lady of Lourdes is as follows**

Thurs, Feb 1	at 6:00 pm in the Chapel	Minda Bautista
Fri, Feb 2	at 6:00 pm in the Chapel	Zeny Riel
Sat, Feb 3	at 8:30 am in the Chapel	Gloria Young
Sun, Feb 4	at 2:30 pm in the Chapel	Susan Endriga
Mon, Feb 5	at 6:00 pm in the Chapel	Violy Panis
Tues, Feb	at 5:45 pm in the Chapel	Bee Bigtacion
Wed, Feb 7	at 6:00 pm in the Chapel	Charina Gonzalez
Thur, Feb 8	at 6:00 pm in the Chapel	Ernie Malixi
Fri, Feb 9	at 6:00 pm in the Chapel	Pat Lengyel

For more information, please feel free to call  
Sis Madel Martinez @ (832) 641-6284

**PARISH SUPPORT**

**Financial Results for Church Operations  
Six Months: July - December, 2017**

Receipts .....	\$ 473,006
Expenses .....	\$ 518,069
3 Month Deficit.....	\$ 45,063

**PARISH WEEKLY NEEDS \$17,500**

Collection 01/21/2018

Regular Collection.....	\$12,190.74
Faith Direct.....	\$1,645.75
<b>Total Sunday Collection.....</b>	<b>\$13,836.49</b>

Santo. Niño de Cebu.....	\$1,052.00
March for Life.....	\$2,138.27

Novena .....	\$-----
Poor Box .....	\$55.11

**Capital Campaign IV "Our Lady - Our Commitment"**  
Collection 01/21/2018

Capital Campaign:.....	\$5,551.12
Faith Direct:.....	\$757.25
<b>Total Sunday, .....</b>	<b>\$6,308.37</b>

Collection 01/28/2018

Regular Collection.....	\$12,078.10
Faith Direct.....	\$1,645.75
<b>Total Sunday Collection.....</b>	<b>\$13,723.85</b>

Bishops Latin America, N.I. ....	\$1065.00
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Novena .....	\$281.06
Poor Box .....	\$30.91

**Capital Campaign IV "Our Lady - Our Commitment"**  
Collection 01/28/2018

Capital Campaign:.....	\$6,153.33
Faith Direct:.....	\$757.25
<b>Total Sunday, .....</b>	<b>\$6,910.58</b>

**Service Project with Young Adults**

Come be the "hands and feet of Christ" with hundreds of young adults ages 18-39 at the Archdiocesan Young Adult Day of service, prayer and fellowship on **Saturday, March 17**. Teams will help serve those in need like Harvey victims, the sick, the poor, the hungry, homeless, prisoners and immigrants. **The Day begins with 8:30 a.m. Mass** celebrated by Bishop Sheltz, followed by breakfast then head out to serve in teams all over the city. Online registration required [www.archgh.org/yaacm](http://www.archgh.org/yaacm) or call 713-741-8778. Participants can choose from a list of available service projects. **\$10 includes t-shirt/breakfast.**

## Del Pastor

(En este Domingo de Compromiso al DSF, una carta de nuestro Arzobispo Cardenal DiNardo será leída en todas las Misas. La estamos publicando aquí abajo para su atenta lectura.)

Mis queridos amigos en Cristo, El Papa Francisco nos ha instado a todos a no caer en la indiferencia, sino a convertirnos en instrumentos activos de misericordia. Nuestro Santo Padre nos pide que reflexionemos sobre la vida de Cristo, quien es nuestro modelo de obras de misericordia corporales. A través del Fondo de Servicios Diocesanos (DSF) podemos ser instrumentos de misericordia para miles en nuestra Arquidiócesis que están enfermos, pobres, encarcelados, ancianos o que enfrentan una crisis en sus vidas, como la causada por el huracán Harvey.

Durante y después de esta tormenta devastadora, muchos de ustedes fueron instrumentos de misericordia para sus vecinos, amigos, e incluso extraños, ofreciéndoles consuelo y compasión. Sé que muchos de ustedes se remangaron sus camisas y ayudaron a las personas a reconstruir sus hogares y negocios. Estoy orgulloso de todos ustedes por ser las manos de Dios para realizar gestos de gran amor y compasión. Con el apoyo de DSF, Caridades Católicas fungió como la principal organización de respuesta ante desastres de la Arquidiócesis y prestó servicio a más de 15,000 personas inmediatamente después de la tormenta. Todavía están trabajando ofreciendo servicios de recuperación a largo plazo. La Clínica San José, también apoyada por DSF, brindó atención médica a más de 1,800 personas.

Las operaciones diarias de DSF también necesitan nuestro apoyo, y algunos de los programas destacados (resaltados, relevados) este año son Actividades Pro-Vida, Apostolado del Mar y la Oficina de Vocaciones. Muchos de ustedes pueden no estar familiarizados con la misión del Apostolado del Mar, pero ha sido un ministerio vital de nuestra Arquidiócesis durante más de medio siglo. Unos 300,000 marinos llegan al Puerto de Houston cada año y el 60% son católicos. Traen el 80% de nuestros productos que consumimos a nuestra ciudad. Ofrecer los sacramentos de la Reconciliación y la Sagrada Comunión junto con asesoramiento pastoral y apoyo compasivo para aquellos que a menudo pasan muchos meses consecutivos en el mar. Es parte de nuestra responsabilidad de recibir al extraño.

La misión de Actividades Pro-Vida es proteger a los más vulnerables entre nosotros, reconociendo la dignidad de cada persona humana desde el niño no nacido, a los ancianos al final de la vida, hasta el preso en pena de muerte. La vida humana, sobre todo, pertenece a Dios y debemos hacer todo lo posible para defenderla. Esta oficina está ofreciendo un nuevo

programa proyectado para este año, llamado Jerome's Hope, que ayudará a los padres que han recibido un diagnóstico de embarazo difícil o que han perdido un bebé y necesitan consejería y dirección pastoral. Gracias a sus contribuciones a DSF, podemos responder a necesidades como estas y ayudar compasivamente a quienes buscan respuestas, sanación, y esperanza.

Cuando era Papa, San Juan Pablo II, escribió un documento llamado Pastores Dabo Vobis (en Español Os Daré Pastores). Este mensaje ayudó a formar programas para la formación sacerdotal y el discernimiento vocacional. Nuestra Oficina de Vocaciones local cumple parte de esta importante visión de aumentar la cantidad de hombres que están discerniendo para ser nuestros futuros pastores. Mediante la celebración de los sacramentos y el ministerio pastoral, estos pescadores de hombres se convierten en instrumentos de misericordia para todos nosotros.

Les agradezco por su amable compromiso para con el DSF. Con gratitud hacia Dios por su fiel discipulado y orando por la abundante bendición de Dios sobre ustedes, soy

Su fiel Pastor,  
Daniel Cardenal DiNardo  
Arzobispo de Galveston-Houston

## EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA

Lunes, 5 de Febrero 2018-

--9:00 a.m. AMSIF-Parish Hall- Varios Salones

--7:00 p.m. RICA-Centro Comunitario

--7:00 p.m. Legión de Maria-Bishop Odin

Martes, 6 de Febrero-

--7:00 p.m. Taller para Servidores-Centro Comunitario

--7:00 p.m. Estudio Bíblico-Salón de Conferencias

Miércoles, 7 de Febrero-

--6:30 p.m. Rosario en Español-Capilla

--7:00 p.m. Coro en Español-Salón "F"

--7:00 p.m. Jesús de Nazaret-Salón "G"

--8:00 p.m. Apostolado de la Cruz-Salones Odín y Conferencias

Jueves, 8 de Febrero-

--7:00 p.m. ELI Grupo de Oración-Salones "F" y "G"

Viernes, 9 de Febrero-

--6:00 p.m. Legión de María Jóvenes- Salón "E"

--7:00 p.m. Preparación Matrimonial-Salón "Conferencias"

--7:00 p.m. Grupo ELI-Salones B C E G

--7:00 p.m. Solo para Parejas-"Meeting Room"

--7:00 p.m. Jesús de Nazaret-Salón "A"

Sábado, 10 de Febrero-

--4:00 p.m. Confesiones-Iglesia

--7:00 p.m. ELI- Salón "C"

--7:00 p.m. Baile de San Valentin-Centro Comunitario

--7:00 p.m. Jesús de Nazaret- Meeting Room

Domingo, 11 de Febrero-

SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

--1:00 p.m. Misa en Español -Iglesia

--6:30 p.m. Jesús de Nazaret-Parish Hall