

Society of St. John DeMatha
Education Committee
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We are so happy and excited that you have offered to teach one of our four courses for The Society of St. John De Matha. We would like to share some information to help you with making decisions on the courses to teach and the ministry as a whole.

Mission Statement of Ministry

The Society of St. Joh DeMatha exists to reveal the love of God to offenders and their families, by helping them to prepare for and make the transition from prison to a productive life.

- First Step-** **Contact Carlos Ludert** -Fill Out Forms and Return to Carlos Ludert
Second Step – Go to Training for Prison that **3rd Saturday** of the Month at Carol Vance Unit
Third Step – Call us as soon as you get Approval to enter Prison
Fourth Step - Pick up Facilitator Guides – for Course to teach (write in Pencil- any notes)

Please review the courses below and Email us and let us know which Course you would like to teach **1st & 2nd choice**

If you are able to teach **any** course- note this as well and put your

****Substance use course may only be taught by Counselor or person in 12 step program**

Courses Available to Teach :

Social Values

This Journal focuses on addressing risks related to antisocial values. Participants identify their values, where they came from and the impact on themselves and others. The development of positive life values and roadblocks to incorporating healthy values are explored.

Peer Relationships

This Journal focuses on addressing risks related to criminal peers. Participants consider their past and present peer relationships, learn the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships, practice handling social peer pressure and learn how to build a positive support network

Skills for Successful Living

This Journal offers a jump-start for participants to start thinking about the life areas of education, finances, employment and physical health. Practical tips are offered on each topic and participants are encouraged to develop long-term goals

Substance Use

The Substance Use Journal helps participants evaluate their substance use and the consequences of using and develop a plan to help them maintain their recovery.

(Note – this course is only taught by a counselor or person active in 12 step program)

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Volunteer Training

Every Third Wednesday of the Month

9:00 am to 1:00pm (may only last till noon)

You will be notified by mail after taking the training by the Texas Department of Corrections

Call Sally Flowers when you get approval

Carol Vance Unit
2 Jester Road
Richmond Texas 77469
281-277- 3030

Park in back – Security Guard will direct you to the Volunteer Training in Chapel

Be sure and be there by 8:45!!

1. Wear Proper attire- No shorts and flip flops
2. Attending Training does not guarantee you will be approved
3. If concerned about eligibility you are encouraged to contact
Volunteer Services 936-437-3026
4. Bring Drivers License
5. Pen
6. Completed Volunteer Application (They will provide at Meeting)

FORMS TO FILL OUT: *(They will provide forms at the meeting)*

- 1.) Texas Department of Criminal Justice Volunteer Application
- 2.) Criminal History- *Volunteer applicants with previous felony convictions are not necessarily excluded from participation*

Facilitators need to call and set up phone Orientation with the Change Company

This is the Company that provides the Books for the Prison Ministry

Please have your facilitator guides available for this call.

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Directions to Prison and House

Prison - Jester 3

Take **59 South Richmond Exit 99 turn Right** – Go to Exit **Sand Hill Dr.** stay on feeder and go past Hwy 90 – Go to 1st stop light **turn right FM 1464** – Go past Windsor Estates take **left on Owens**. **SPEED BUMPS**. Go down till you go under Freeway – Go to stop sign turn left – Go to Jester 3 Parking Lot – Go to Guard House – Sign in- Give Guard Drivers License.
No Cell Phones allowed in prison.

House

Magnificat House / St. John DeMatha Rosary House

3308 LaBranch.

Take 59 to the downtown spur and exit at Louisiana. The second Light is Elgin turn right and go about ten blocks turn right on LaBranch the house is half way down the block on your right.