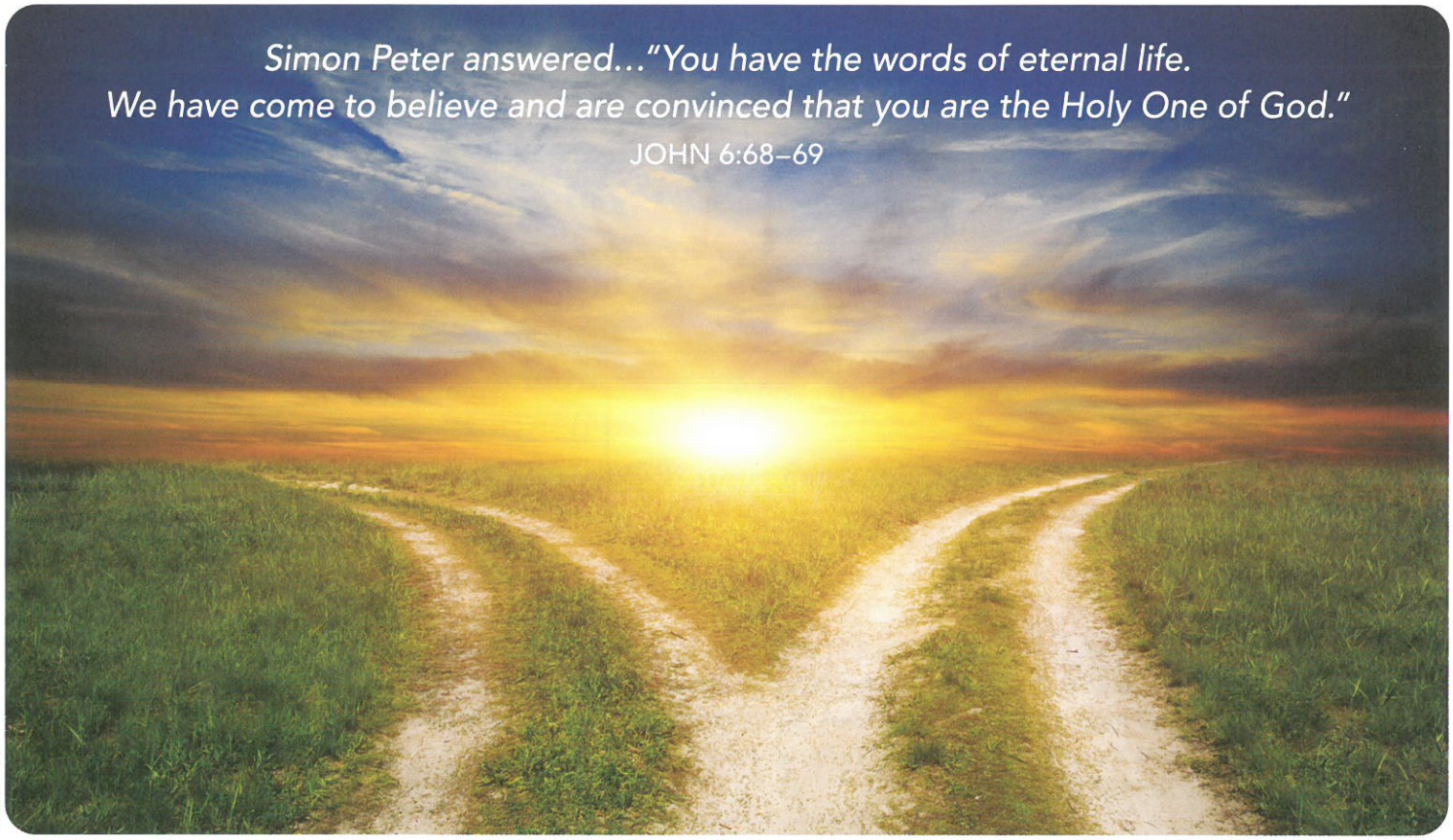
Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 22, 2021

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Jos 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b
Eph 5:21–32 or 5:2a, 25–32
Jn 6:60–69



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Make Up Your Mind

One can say that life is a series of choices. You have to make up your mind; which shall it be? Some of these choices are insignificant: red or green? Others are much more important: To what shall I commit my life? Shall I get married? There are some choices that are even more momentous: What kind of a person do I want to be—trustworthy or crafty? Should I even bother with God and religion?

Having spent a lifetime in the wilderness, the Israelites were poised in the land of the Amorites, ready to enter the land promised to them by God. Before they moved forward, a pressing decision had to be made. Which god were they going to worship? A Canaanite god who presumably made the land before them fertile and inviting? Or the God who delivered them from Egypt, fed them in the wilderness, brought them safely to this point, and yet with whom they quarreled throughout their wilderness sojourn? Joshua voiced his decision: "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD" (Joshua 24:15).

Jesus' declaration of himself as "the bread of life" (John 6:35) troubled many people. It was then, and still is today, a difficult saying. It was repulsive to many, and they thought that Jesus sounded blasphemous. Those who could not accept his claim, left him. He asked his closest followers, as he asks us today: "Do you also want to leave?" Speaking for all, Peter replied: "Master, to whom shall we go?" (John 6:67–68). How might you answer?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- *What decisions of conscience has life placed before you? How did you decide?*
- *Trust in God's care and protection even if you might have chosen better.*

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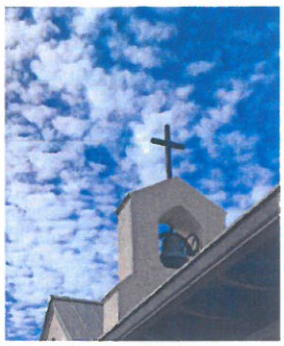

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Saint Day Celebrations for the Week

Mon	Aug 23	Weekday
Tue	Aug 24	Saint Bartholomew
Wed	Aug 25	Weekday
Thu	Aug 26	Weekday
Fri	Aug 27	Saint Monica
Sat	Aug 28	Saint Augustine

We have to rise form lukewarm water and static life to a life that is fervent, holy, spontaneous: "If you have risen with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God" Alleluia!

- St. Joseph Calasanz

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 6:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM

Weekday Masses:
Thurs & Fri 9AM Mass
(9:30 Prayer-List Rosary)

Mon & Tues 9AM
Communion Service

Wednesday's
No Service
(Fr. Rudy's Day Off)

Confession Schedule

After Mass Saturday Vigil , Thurs & Fri

Nocturnal Adoration

Mondays
3:00PM – 8:00PM

Public Rosary

Saturday 5:30PM
Sunday 8:35AM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATTION
2021 – 2022

CCD begins September 12th from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Enrollment packets are now ready and located at the entrance of the Church, online website and parish office. Enrollment is not complete until all require documents are received, reviewed and found to be in order by the parish office. Please do not bring your child to CCD if required documents have not been turned in and reviewed.
We are seeking Volunteer Substitute Catechist. Please call the parish office if you are interested in serving in this capacity. Thank you.

C.H.R.I.S.T. YOUTH MINISTRY

Open now to all school aged students

Wednesday evenings
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Contact Sandra Richardson
christyouthforGod@gmail.com
830-644-8281

Fellowship! Food! Games!

GENERAL DISCLAIMER – ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO

Dear Parents of CCD Students,
St. Anthony Catholic Church is dedicated to preventing the transmission of COVID-19. Even with these precautions, infections are still possible and may result in serious illness or even death. If you have concerns about your child's safety, or your child or someone in your household is in a vulnerable population, you may opt to have your child participate in religious education/youth group on-line or by correspondence.

Today we hear Joshua ask the tribes of Israel which god they will serve. They had other options, for their neighbors worshiped other gods. We have other options as well. We could choose to serve wealth or status or power or pleasure, allowing somehing else to lead us and drive us in another direction. But we come here today, along wth our famlies, our friends, our neighbors, as a sign or our commitment to serve the Lord. Let us recommit ourselves to serve God, to follow Christ on our journey through this life to the life promised to us in baptism.

Hoy escuchamos a Josue preguntarles a las tribus de Israel a que dios quieren servir. Tenian otras alternativas, pues sus vecinos adoraban otros dioses. Tambien nosotros tenemos otras alternativas. Podemos escoger servir a la requeza o a la posición social, al poder o al placer y asi permitir que esas cosas nos lleven por otra dirección. Pero hoy venimos aquí junto a nuestras familia, amistades y vecinos como signo de nuestro compromiso de servir al Senor; Renovemos nuestro compromiso de servirá Dios y de seguir a Cristo en nuestro caminar por la vida hasta llegar a la vida prometida en el Bautismo.

Thank you!
***Gloria Valdez** for keeping the memory of God alive!*

Gloria will be teaching RCIA

PARISH WEBSITE

Please visit our website at stanthonyharper.org for bulletins, photos, forms, online payments, and much more updated information.

A bilingual Mass will be celebrated every Saturday beginning September 4th at 6:00 PM. Please invite your Spanish-speaking friends, neighbors, family to come celebrate a bilingual Mass as one body in Christ.

Se celebrara una misa bilingue todos los Sabados a partir del 4 de Septiembre a las 6:00 PM. Invite a sus amigos, vecinos y familiares que hablan español, que vengan a celebrar una misa bilingüe como un solo cuerpo en Cristo.

MASS INTENTIONS

Masses are offered for many reasons, for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased or in honor of a birthday, ill or a special intention. Please place your Mass Intention with a small donation of $5.00 in the collection basket or stop by parish office. Envelopes are located at the entrance of the church.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE	WEEKLY INCOME	RCIA
Saturday (6:00 PM) 46 Sunday (9:00 AM) 118	Offertory ..... $2337.81 Cemetery ..... - Building Fund ..... $120.00 CCD ..... $130.00 Flowers ..... -	(Rite of Christian Initiation) We are offering classes for all adults who have not made their sacrament of Baptism, First Communion and/or Confirmation. These will be in Spanish and English. Classes will begin September 12th from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Please contact the parish office for more information.

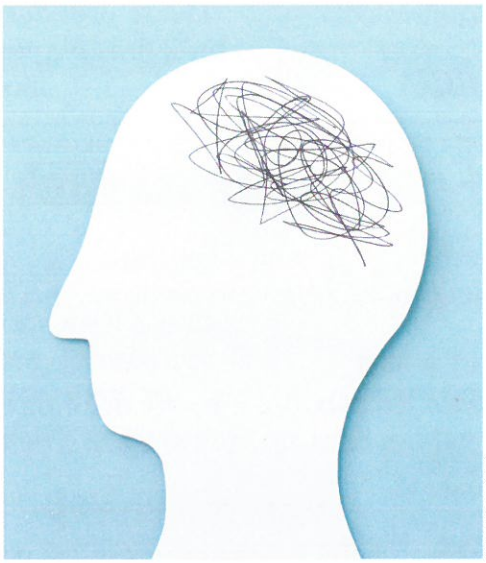
DATE	ALTAR SERVER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTOR	USHERS
Sat, Aug 28 6:00 PM MC: Paulette Leyendecker	George Seargeant	Paulette Leyendecker	Art Hansen	Tommy Leyendecker
Sun, Aug 29 9:00 AM MC: Sharon Kasper	Jack Grider Kylie Wolsey	Frances Klein Sharon Kasper	Mary Krebs	Wes & Brenda Hollis

Dear Padre,

My husband has vascular dementia and is unable to make an examination of conscience. Part of the anointing of the sick involves the confession of sins, so will it be valid when he receives it?

If circumstances permit, the sacrament of anointing of the sick may be preceded by the sacrament of penance and followed by the sacrament of the Eucharist (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1517).

However, when conditions such as your husband's don't allow this, judgment on the suitability for anointing is to be made prudently and without scruple (*Pastoral Care of the Sick*, 8). For example, anointing is conferred on people who have lost consciousness or the use of reason if, as Christian believers, they would have "at least implicitly asked for it when they were in control of their faculties" (*PCS* 14). Therefore, because of the degree of brain-function loss in this circumstance, the sacrament of anointing also absolves any sins.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When a habitual desire to die as a faithful Catholic is implied before a person's illness, the special grace of the sacrament of anointing has this as one of its effects: "the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of Penance" (*CCC* 1532).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR | Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to submit your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre.*

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

When someone is sick, we at times think: "Let's call for the priest to come"; "No, then he will bring bad luck. Let's not call him."...The idea is floating about that the undertakers arrive after the priest, and this is not true....It is Jesus himself who comes to relieve the sick person...and also to forgive his sins.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 26, 2014

Calendar

Monday
AUGUST 23
Weekday
1 Thes 1:1–5, 8b–10
Mt 23:13–22

Tuesday
AUGUST 24
St. Bartholomew, Apostle
Rv 21:9b–14
Jn 1:45–51

Wednesday
AUGUST 25
Weekday
1 Thes 2:9–13
Mt 23:27–32

Thursday
AUGUST 26
Weekday
1 Thes 3:7–13
Mt 24:42–51

Friday
AUGUST 27
St. Monica
1 Thes 4:1–8
Mt 25:1–13

Saturday
AUGUST 28
St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
1 Thes 4:9–11
Mt 25:14–30

Sunday
AUGUST 29
Twenty–second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 4:1–2, 6–8
Jas 1:17–18, 21b–22, 27
Mk 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

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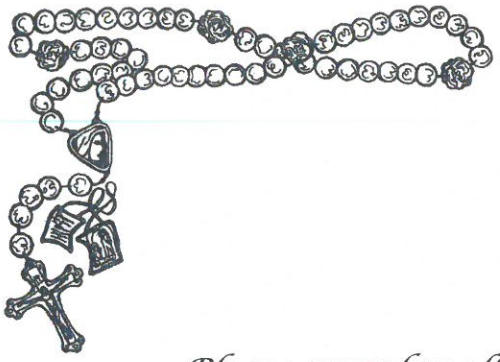


BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Weekday Rosary

Please pray for all parishioners especially the following:

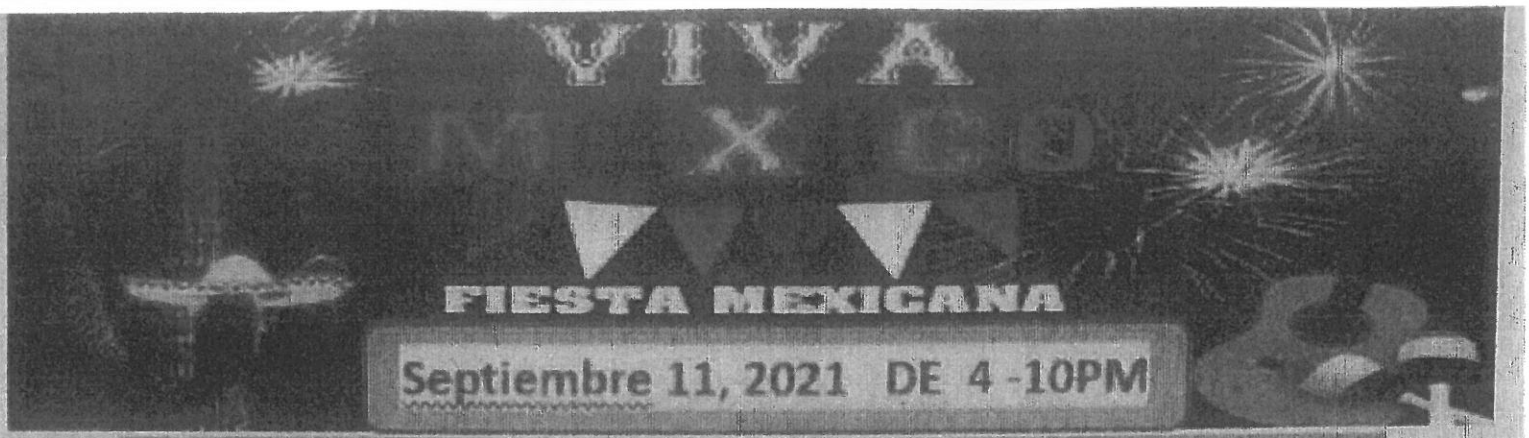
**Marilyn Lange*
**Camryn Robertson*
**Werner Schumpelt*
**Alice Schumpelt*
**Danny Longoria*
Crystal Schlueter
**Emilio Rendon*
**Lynn Douglas*
**Danny Priess*
Karen Conway
Juanita Coonrod
Armando Jimenez
**Danny Kunz*
Stanley Feller
Teresa Hartmann
Scott Mills
Santos Flores III
Alfredo Garcia
Blanca Garcia
Melissa Caldwell
William Blake Caldwell
Bam Bam Munoz
Jedica Gonzalez
Rael Gonzalez
Tavo Pulido

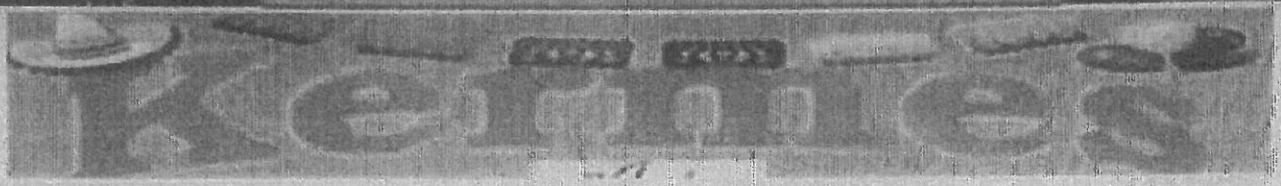
Please join us after weekday Masses as we pray the Rosary

The Prayer List will be renewed every month. If you wish to keep a loved one on the list please call the parish office. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS
2021

DATE	INTENTIONS	REQUESTED BY:
Sat Aug 21	+ Jack & Mary Caldwell All living & deceased members of Allen & Hart families	Catherine Caldwell Lucy Hart
Sun Aug 22	Bobby Schlueter & family For all those who are ill in our parish community	~ Parish
Thur Aug 26	The Clergy of the Archdiocese of San Antonio Ann Conner (Recovery)	Archdiocese John O'Shea
Fri Aug 27	+ Ray Hummer	John O'Shea
Sat Aug 28	+ James & Josephine O'Conner	John O'Shea
Sun Aug 29	+ Ado S. O'Shea	John O'Shea





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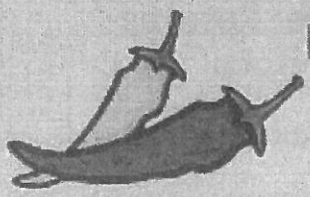

EN EL PATIO DE LA ANTIGUA IGLESIA

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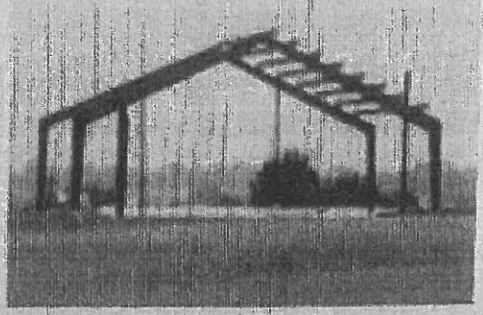
Todo lo recaudado sera para la construccion de nuestro esperado pavellon.



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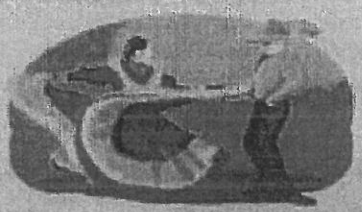

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~Silver Rose & Pro-Life Rosary Presentation~

Saturday, September 4th at 4:00 P.M.

Please join us for this special devotion

The Silver Rose, a devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe, represents our commitment to uphold the sanctity of all human life, born and unborn.

The Knights of Columbus sponsors this annual tour of the Silver Rose, as the Rose travels to parishes in Canada, throughout the United States, and Mexico, ending at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City.

The Silver Rose will be on display for veneration during the Pro-Life Rosary and the Mass, which follows at 5:00 P.M. Informational handouts will be available in the Narthex.