



*May the  
Month of the  
Blessed  
Mother*

## **St. Anthony de Padua Catholic Church**

PO Box 299 – 1523 Main Street, Danbury, TX 77534

**Archdiocese of Galveston – Houston**

**6th Sunday of Easter — May 17, 2020**

**Mass Schedule: Weekend Masses:** Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Sunday 8:00 am / 10:30 am

[Livestream Mass at 10:30 am Sunday Mornings on St. Anthony's Facebook or Churches Website @ [www.saopdtx.org](http://www.saopdtx.org)]

**Weekday Masses:** Mon, Wed: 6:00 pm

Tues, Thurs: 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment only: call 979-922-1240

### **Devotions in the Church**

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday: Canceled until further notice*

**His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo** Archbishop

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**Altar Servers** Deacon Gerald Peltier

**Bazaar** Gene Roberts — Chairperson Shay Roberts — Co-Chair

**Funeral Dinner Ministry** Bobbye Peltier

**Music Ministry** Evelyn Boeker

Thank you for the beautiful music.

**Legion of Mary** Cecilia Bernshausen

Next meeting will be announced.

**Women of Worship** Connie Peltier

Next meeting will be announced.

**Pastoral Council** Charles LeCompte

Next meeting will be announced.

**Finance Council** Emil Prihoda, Chair

Next meeting will be announced.

**Liturgy Committee** Carol Peltier

**Art & Environment Committee** Anne Starr

**Cemetery Committee** Anne Starr

**Pro Life Coordinator** Peggy Keillor

**Disaster Committee** Deacon Gerald Peltier

**Samaritan Ministry** (Parish Office)

**Knights of Columbus**

Robert Fief, Grand Knight

Albert Priselac, Deputy Grand Knight

Next meeting will be announced.

### **Continuing Christian Education [Out until further notice]**

Primary Gather Time:

Classes: K to 5th grade:

6th to 12th grade:

Youth Group:

Youth Group Leaders: Will Peltier / Nicole Herron

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Contact either Father Joseph Nguyen or Deacon Gerald Peltier to make arrangements. Preparation classes are required.

### **Marriage Preparation**

Diocesan regulations require that pre-marital preparation must begin at least six months before the tentative marriage date. Contact Father Joseph Nguyen or Deacon Gerald Peltier to make arrangements.

### **Annulments**

Contact either Father Joseph Nguyen or Deacon Gerald Peltier.

### **Communion and Anointing of the Sick**

Anyone who is ill or who is homebound and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the parish office. Hospital and Nursing Home visits can also be arranged. If you know of someone in the Hospital or Nursing Home and would like Fr. Joseph to visit them, please contact the Parish Office at 979-922-1240.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) or Children (RCIC)**

Contact Laura Davenport or Deacon Gerald to make arrangements or for more information.

**Look for St Anthony's on: [www.saopdtx.org](http://www.saopdtx.org) / Facebook**

**Mass Times for Travel: [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org)**

**Prayer Group:** Every Thursday a prayer group meets in the church at 7 pm to say the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet & read the latest message from Medjugorje. All are invited!

**FORMED.ORG** (Parish Code 8WHKMK)

Movies, Videos, Talks, Studies

All available at no cost to you.

**God Bless Our Military! We pray for their safety & families!**  
**God Bless the USA! We pray for Peace throughout the world!**

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That we recognize that things don't always go the way we plan and God has a better plan in store for us.

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." 1 Peter 3:17

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly.

Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises.

Many times we may respond negatively and ask,

"Why me? I did everything right!"

Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance.

Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

*Message from the desk of the Pastor.....*

My dear people of God,

***"The Counselor will be with you for ever"  
How do we know that God truly loves each one of us?***

In the Cross we see the proof of God's love for each of us and the incredible price God was willing to pay to redeem us from slavery to sin, death and Satan. Jesus gave up his life that we might have life—abundant, everlasting life with God. A life of love and unity with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit forever.

Through the cross Jesus opened a new way of relationship for us as the adopted sons and daughters of God—his beloved children. Jesus calls his disciples to walk in his way of love through obedience to the will of the Father. True love is more than sentiment, emotion or good intention. True love for God is expressed in obedience and obedience is expressed in love.

Jesus promised to give his followers the best of gifts, the Holy Spirit as their Counselor and Helper.

***How does the Holy Spirit help us as the Counselor?***

The Holy Spirit is our Advocate and Helper who guides and strengthens us and brings us safely through the challenges and adversities we must face in this life. The Holy Spirit is also the Giver of life, the abundant life which comes from God and which sustains us forever. The Holy Spirit also guides us in the way of truth, wisdom and goodness.

Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you with the knowledge of Christ's immense love and with his gift of peace.

May God bless you all.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Joseph

**Just a gentle reminder for those who are starting to come back to church:**

*Per the Archdiocese of the Galveston-Houston*

- 1) Please wear a Mask [2yrs and up]
- 2) Social Distance
- 3) 25 % Capacity until further notice
- 4) If you are not feeling well, please stay at home
- 5) If you are 65 years or older to stay at home. It is up to you if you feel safe in coming to mass.
- 6) Communion is only to be taken in the hand and not on the tongue until further notice.
- 7) If you have a book with the mass in it at home, bring it, but please take it back home. It will be thrown away if left.
- 8) The Sunday 10:30 am Mass is Livestream on St. Anthony's Facebook Page and on the St. Anthony Website @ [www.saopdx.org](http://www.saopdx.org).
- 9) Fr. Joseph is celebrating the Weekday Daily Masses also. Senior Citizens welcomed!
- 10) Fr. Joseph is hearing Confessions on Saturday's from 4pm to 5pm. Please wear your mask for yours and fathers safety. Confessions can be by appointment. Please call the Church Office to set up the appointment.

As with every true prayer, the Magnificat does just that: it magnifies the Lord, focuses on the Almighty, who does great things among us, the One whose name is holy. We begin to change when our own plans scatter us, bring us down; God's plans replace them—God's plans, in the case of the mystic, are revealed in a vision or a voice speaking to the soul. God's plans work a revolution in our lives. We begin to change because of what we have seen and heard. Mary's life, like that of her son, will be a living out of her own canticle. Franciscans pray a seven-decade rosary, the Franciscan Crown, that for me summarizes what it means to enter into the mystery of how we are transformed by and into Christ. Each decade invites us to meditate on one of the seven joys of Mary. The mystic knows in a uniquely graced way these mysteries that we believe and live out as we try to be true to the mystery of our baptism.

Danbury Knights of Columbus is still waiting to hear when the Senior Mass will be scheduled. They are still giving those who have not submitted an application for the Scholarship a little time. So you still have time. They need to be signed by Fr. Joseph. Applications can be picked up at the church office or in the back of the church. If you have questions contact Robert Fief @ 979-922-1629 or Kent Bollich @ 979-236-5633.

Parenting Help? The office of Family Life Ministry have trained eight professionals around the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston to provide services to parents who are willing and need help raising their children. The program is designed to offer advice, support and formation to parents with common developmental and behavioral problems in children. To obtain more information please contact us at 713-741-8739 or 713-741-8711.

God is talking to one of his angels. He says, "Do you know what I have just done? I have just created a 24-hour period of alternating light and darkness on Earth. Isn't that good?" The angel says, "Yes, but what will you do now?" God says, "I think I'll call it a day."

**Kylie's Corner**

*"Make sure you don't start seeing yourself through  
the eyes that don't value you.  
Know your worth even if they don't." -Thema Davis*

Sometimes we tend to change our appearance because of something someone said to you or how the person made you feel. I don't know why we change to gain the acceptance of others. We should strive to be on God's side because in the end, it is up to Him if we are going to Heaven or not. It's so easy to get caught up in how others perceive you, but we need to focus on how God sees us - that is what matters the most. Knowing that you deserve better and you think about what is best for you, shows that you love yourself. Love yourself more than your insecurities. Love yourself just how God created you - stop trying to change something about yourself because in God's eyes He created a masterpiece. Please listen to the song, "Stand In Your Love" by Bethel Music. "Shame no longer has a place to hide. I am not a captive to the lies. I'm not afraid to leave my past behind. Oh, I won't be shaken, no, I won't be shaken!" Kylie

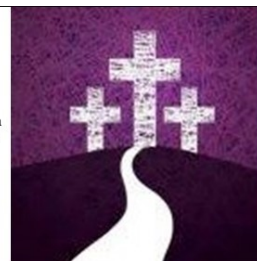
*If you want to read more of Kylie's inspirational writings, please feel free to check out her  
blog: <https://inspirationalwritingsbykylieceline.com>*

**Lenten Silent  
Retreat**

**June 26-28, 2020**  
Begins Friday @ 5:30 pm  
Ends Sunday @ 11:00 am

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Kim Brown  
Spiritual Director, Retreat  
Facilitator, CRC Director,  
Speaker & Author

**Cost Includes:**

- 2 nights lodging (in private or shared rooms)
- 5 meals
- Guided Meditations
- Personal time with spiritual director

Register online at  
[www.retreatcentercrc.org](http://www.retreatcentercrc.org)  
Due to social distancing, space is limited!

At a time like this we are all facing this virus, in our lives in our own way and the ways that are mandatory.

We all are struggling and just want to get back to normal. If you really thought about it right now, what would normal be. I think I would still be Social Distancing. I still would think about whether to hug that person I hadn't seen in a long time. I still wouldn't want to hug my 97 year old mother-in-law or my 87 year old mother due to the virus. *"I really would love to give them a BIG HUG!"* I saw on Facebook a guy went up to visit his mother on Mother's Day and put a clear plastic bag over himself just to give his mom a hug. You just don't know if you are a carrier and what if!!!! I still would want my grocery basket wiped down. Wash my hands how many times. Leave my shoes outside. Have a hard time taking a deep breath around a crowd of people or being in a crowd. We will all be different when this ends if it ever will. "OCD" All the new Drive-by's..... Used to be a drive by meant "Hey lets drive by mom's house and see what's going on, stop by and visit. Then on the news the drive-by shootings." Now it's a Drive-by because of Social Distance. Drive by, honk, shout, dress up your vehicle with signs and balloons to wish someone a Happy Birthday from a distance. Drive by and show support for the young man who is going into the Service. Drive by and support the Graduating 2020 Seniors. Support and encourage the students as they Homeschool. Show appreciation for the Teachers that are missing their students. Now our Grandbaby is due in July and we are going to have a Drive-by Baby Shower. Won't get to hold that little one for a month after she is born so her immune system can build due to the virus and new parents concerned about their baby. Can't blame them ☺ People are trying to support each other and we are trying to not let this virus get the best of us. I heard on the radio that basically we are going to have to learn to live with this virus. We are going to have to figure out our day to day lives without getting the virus. We are learning how to go to church a different way for now. People are ordering out more. One of Robert's Cousins passed away here recently in a tragic accident. Not everyone could attend the funeral due to COVID-19 so we watched the Funeral Service Livestream. How sad is that. Those in the nursing homes can't have visitors. Just visits by phone and seeing them thru the window. Just keep praying for the Caregivers and the residences who don't understand. We hear the stories of the people having to be dropped off at the hospitals and left by themselves. Those masks. I said I hope all of our ears aren't going to be bent forward. I guess we can make this situation depressing or try to make lite of everything and just be as safe as we can be and keep our loved ones safe. We can criticize in saying why do we have to follow these rules. It's for the safety of all... not just ourselves. In a time like this we cannot just think about ourselves. We can't think of ourselves as invincible. It's a changing world. Working from home, losing jobs, hours cut. I don't care to listen to the news. I think the world is going wacko. Control – Control- Control is basically the word. Who is and wants to be in control. Basically we have to trust in God and know he is in control. Trust that St. Michael put a bubble over our families and protect us to the end. This appears not going to end soon. So keep praying because God only knows. Love your family. Hold them close even if it's at a distance. Put that clear garbage bag over you. We know that life isn't forever but we pray that we find our peace in this time.

**Young Adults:** Join us every Wednesday for a short webinar (30 minutes) to enrich young adults in the Houston area. These webinars are designed to give us hope and help us rise during these times. We will cover topics such as relationships, tips to stay mentally healthy, grieving, decision making, resume building, prayer ideas while at home, etc. We start with a great national speaker Fr. Agustino Torres on May 13. Every Wednesday we will have different speakers. Register for FREE at <http://Tinyurl.com/GoodNewsYoungAdults> List of topics and dates can be found at [www.archgh.org/yacm](http://www.archgh.org/yacm)

*Please remember the sick, their families, all who suffer in body and mind, in your daily prayers*

Amelia (child) & Family	Jacko Garrett
Camilla Adiles	Kerrie Gore
Kyle Atkins	<b>Maria Gutierrez *</b>
Mary Jo Atkinson	Henry Hearn
Mike Bachus	Tom Herron
Tracy Bazaar	Landin Hoffman
Barbara Beer	Brook Jeter
Larry Blasuis	Libby Jez
Larelle Bockhoff	Dorothy Prihoda Jones
Eleanor Boeker	Scott Kidwell
Lorenda Baldwin	Charles Kolafa
Marvin & Rosemary Bozarth	Traci Kroll
Francis Buchta	Jamie Larson
Jane Carlile	Evelyn Lassman
Luke Carrillo	Mary F. LeCompte
Mark Clifford	Adan Lewis
Richard & Dolores Clinton	Fiona Lewis
Kathy Coiro	Thomas Lewis
Lula Corona	Claudette Innville
Bernadette Dawn	Dean Lowry
Joyce Dixon	<b>Mike Loy *</b>
Lupe Estrada	Henrietta McAdams & Family
James Fief	Al McEndree
Tennie Fief	Doug McKay
Veronica Gardner	Guy McNeil

Larry Mercado	Jackson Sanders
Catherine Moore	Charles & Mildred Scott
Valentina Morales	Christopher Shepherd
Randy Newton	Bill Siegel
Mary & Henry Novak	Betty Smith
Peggy Novak	Brenda & Louie Smith
Johnny Olsovsky, Jr.	Josef Sterzinger
Scott Osborne	Karen Summers
Chuck Pate	Rey & Paula Tenorio
Judy Pate	Will Thomson
Sarah Filipp Peel	Benjamin Thompson
Irene Peltier	Charles Tousek
Randy Peltier	Carol Unsicker
<b>Robyn Peltier</b>	Nancy Veselka
Tricia Wollam Perk	Jeanette Vrazel
Butch & Sharon Peterson	Mildred Vrazel
John Peterson	Pat & Louis Vrazel
Betty Ann Plander	Hudson Walker
Judy Priselac	Michael Ward
Deone Raschke	Dinah Weil
Joe Rivera	Eli Wendel
Betty Jo Ritz	Marianne Whitley
Gene Roberts	David Wilson
Janice Roberts	Gerald Wittman
Walter Barret Robinson	Charlotte Wollam
Joe & Amanda Romero	

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**6th Sunday of Easter Word Search:** Accord, Advocate, Ask, Baptized, Clear, Commandments, Crippled, Defame, Explanation, Father, Gentleness, Hope, Knows, Laid Hands, Love, Maligned, Observes, Paralyzed, Peter and John, Philip, Possessed, Proclaimed, Reveal, Reverence, Samaria, Sanctify, See Me, Signs, Truth, Unclean Spirits  
**[ 16 ] Remaining letters spell out what?**



**Pro-life:** Any woman who has felt a baby stir inside her and any man who has seen the tiny heart pulsing on an ultrasound screen, knows that baby is alive and abortion will destroy that life. Choose life.

"And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him." Invite Jesus into your marriage on an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, June 26 -28, July 24-26 or July 31-Aug 02. Contact Brian & Tina Little at 281-773-4014 for more information. Or go on-line to [www.houstonme.org](http://www.houstonme.org).

**For more Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Order!**

*[Please keep in your prayers:]*

*Sr. Evelyn Korenek, Sr. Anna Marie Vrzal, Fr. John Fr. Joseph Nguyen, Msgr. Boli Zientek, Cardinal DiNardo*

*\* Peace of Our Nation & Prayers for the President & All Leaders*

*\* For Our Young Adults Attending College!*

*\* For all the Babies & Children in the Hospitals and for their parents!*

*\* For All Mom's To Be & Their Unborn Babies!*

*\* For women considering Abortion, that their hearts be open to life!*

*\* Our Men & Women in the Military!*

*\* For those prayed for Daily in our prayers!*

*\* For Those Who Are Quick to Judge!*

*\* For those in the Nursing Home, the Homebound , Orphanages and the Hospitalized and the Homeless!*

*\* We pray for all The Poor Souls in Purgatory —  
—May their Souls rest in peace!*

*\* God Bless the Farmer — Pray for their needs*

*\* For those with Idle minds—the Devil's Workshop*

*\* For Flood Victims & All Disasters*

### Mass Intentions:

Saturday, May 16th

5:30 pm † Deceased of the Veselka Family

Sunday, May 17th

8:00 am † Alma Martinez

10:30 am The Parish Family of St. Anthony's

Monday, May 18th

6:00 pm † William Lieske

Tuesday, May 19th

9:00 am † Ronald & Blondina Peltier

Wednesday, May 20th

6:00 pm † Tom Bielstein

Thursday, May 21st

9:00 am † Nancy Garrett & Blessings for the Family

Friday, May 22nd

No Mass

Saturday, May 23rd

5:30 pm † Charles & Jan Herbst

Sunday, May 24th

8:00 am † Tillie Svoboda

10:30 am The Parish Family of St. Anthony's

### Scripture Readings For The Week:

Monday Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

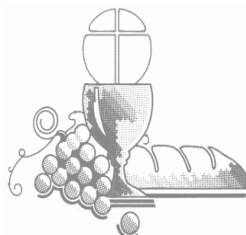
Wed Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15

Thurs Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Friday Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

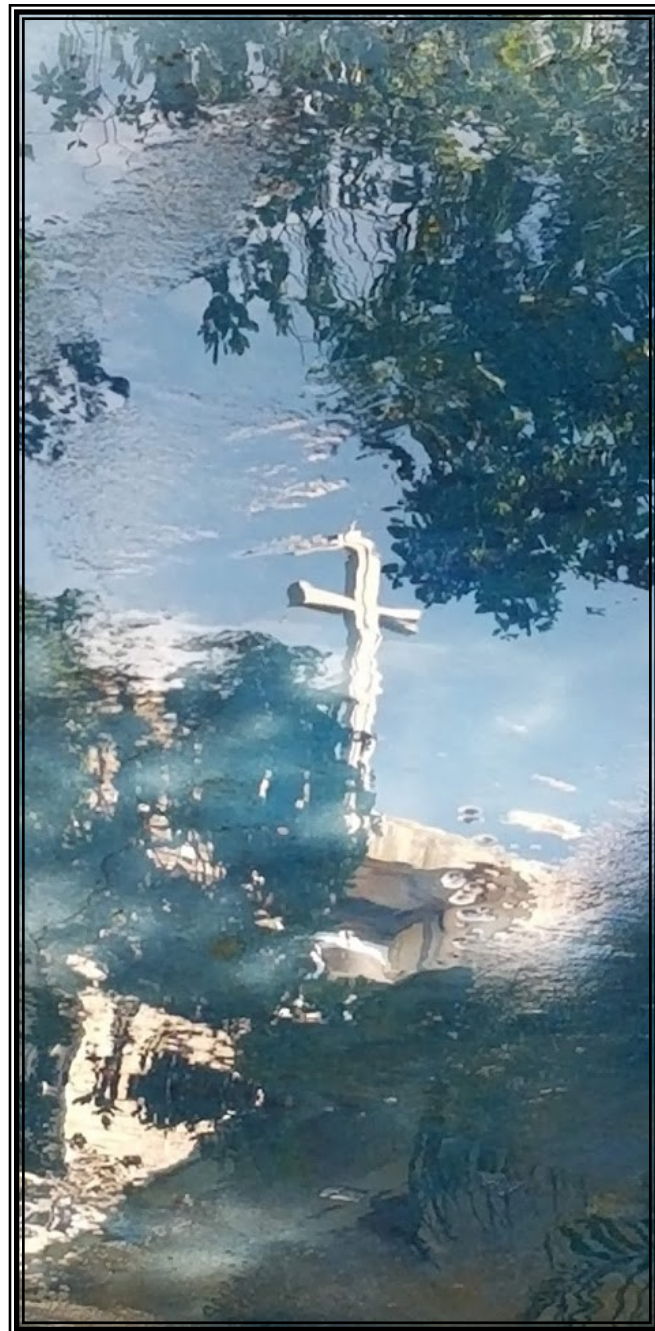
Saturday Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday Acts 1:12-14/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a



### Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston Prayer in the Time of the Coronavirus

Comfort us, O Lord, for we are like your disciples on the storm tossed seas, unsettled by what lies ahead. We turn to You, our Healer and Guide, To still our hearts in our time of need and hear our prayer: Heal those whose are sick with the coronavirus and protect the elderly and most vulnerable. Give strength to all who tend to our health and wisdom to researchers who work toward a cure. Open our eyes and hearts, as you did during Hurricane Harvey, that we may look beyond our immediate needs to care for others who need help. Through the Holy Spirit, guide our leaders to make wise decisions for the welfare of all the people they serve. Grant eternal rest to those who have died from the virus. May Mary, Our Mother, who has heard our pleas in the storms of our lives, Intercede to her Son, that we may find healing and a prompt end to this illness. Mary, Star of the Sea, pray for us. Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior, heal us.



A flipped picture of the church reflection in water in the grotto....  
Looks like a water color painting.

Seek & Find Answer:

*"all you who fear God...."*

### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My JESUS, I believe that YOU are TRULY present in the Blessed Sacrament.

#### Collection Totals for: May 9th / 10th, 2020

Regular Weekend Offerings	\$3,850.00
Children's Part	\$
Additional On-Line Giving Donations	\$2,295.00

Thank you for your generous donations. God bless!  
Online Giving: [www.osvonlinegiving.com/1880](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1880)  
Or visit the Website @ [www.saodptx.org](http://www.saodptx.org)  
Or mail to PO Box 299, Danbury, TX 77534

I love YOU above all things,  
and I long for YOU in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive  
YOU

sacramentally, come at least  
spiritually into my heart.

As though YOU have already come, I embrace YOU  
and unite myself entirely to  
YOU, never permit me to be  
separated from YOU.