

# ST. ANN'S

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Parish Office**

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Youth Ministry

**Cindy Good**  
Choir Director

**Garet Rocha**  
Music Director

**Roman Asbill**  
Maintenance

**This Week at St. Ann's**  
**August 10 - August 16**

*(Any changes to this schedule will be announced via Flocknote)*

**Monday, August 10**

*Office Closed—Summer Hours*

**Tuesday, August 11**

2:30 p.m. - 7: 00 p.m. Blood Drive

5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
*(For +Carol Killingsworth)*

**Wednesday, August 12**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
*(For +Mildred Palmentera)*

7:00 p.m. High School Discipleship Groups

**Thursday, August 13**

5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
*(For +Nancy Aragon)*

7:00 p.m. Building Needs Assessment Meeting

**Friday, August 14**

12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
*(For +Betty Dietz)*

**Saturday, August 15**

10:30 a.m. **Diaconate Ordination Mass**  
*(at St. Mary's Cathedral)*

3:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Confession

5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
*(For +Susan Wied)*

**Sunday, August 16**

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
*(For +Karen Berry)*

11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
*(For the People of God)*

**Upcoming Events**

- August 17 Knights of Columbus Meeting
- August 20 Finance Council Meeting
- September 6 Faith Formation Registration Begins

**Pastor's Corner**

A parish's clutter might just be a parishioner's treasure — or something like that in this case. We have three classrooms on the south side of our parish hall full of stuff removed from our parish closets and corners during last week's decluttering project. You are free to stop by after this weekend's Masses (masks and social distancing, please) to claim an item or two for yourself. You may also come up during office hours this week to take a look. Items not taken will be given away to the thrift store at Downtown Women's Center in Amarillo. **\*Thanks to our staff and volunteers who showed up this last week to help us sift through things!**

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We will recommence after-Mass doughnuts next weekend following the 9:00 a.m. Mass with a limited lineup of doughnuts under the white tents in front of the church. We are holding off on coffee and juice as it seems challenging for folks to juggle too many things as we head for our cars towards home. I'm sure we'll figure it out and tweak the procedures as we move forward.

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Please see in this bulletin more information about next weekend's ordination to the Permanent Diaconate of St. Ann's parishioner, Joe Roder. Deacon Joe will preach at all the St. Ann's Masses next weekend and we'll have a basket for cards in the narthex of the church. If you are not yet confident of coming to Mass due to the pandemic, Deacon Joe will be available in our "drive-through" lane at the front of the church to offer his diaconal blessing to all who want to swing through. Prayers for Joe and his wife Karen in this coming sacred week!

**Fr. Scott**

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - AUGUST 1-2:**

Envelopes/Cash: \$6374.00  
Online Giving: \$7,447.50  
Weekly Total: \$113821.50 (Weekly Goal: \$10,000)  
Month of August: \$113821.50 (Monthly Goal: \$50,000)

Building Fund: \$1,829.50

Thank you for your generosity!

Parishioners can make weekly one time payments or automatic payments at [stannsofcanyon.org/give](http://stannsofcanyon.org/give). Envelopes can be dropped off at the collections baskets at the entrance or exit in the Church, in the curbside mailbox in front of the Rectory, or be sent to the parish, P.O. Box 59, Canyon, TX 79015.



## Deacon Joe Roder Ordination

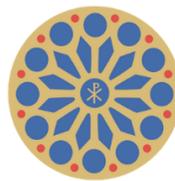
August 15, 2020  
10:30 a.m.  
At St. Mary's Cathedral

*\*Due to social distancing measures, attendance at the ordination is limited to individual invitees and diocesan clergy. You may view the livestream of the ordination on the diocesan website: [amarillodiocese.org/live](http://amarillodiocese.org/live)*

### NOTE FROM DEACON CANDIDATE JOE RODER:

We are wonderfully blessed and I have everything I need at the moment. You can always send a card of congratulations—that would be wonderful. If you desire to celebrate with a gift, it is not necessary, but if adamant:

1. Pray for us, Karen and Joe. Pray for all of our deacons and their wives. If you want to give a gift—put a specific time each day or week in your calendar and pray for us. We all will be blessed many times over because of your prayers.
2. If you want to do more.... Your gift could be inviting someone to Mass this Sunday. It could be a family member that has walked away or it could be a friend or acquaintance. Ask them to come to worship with you—let the Holy Spirit do the rest!
3. If you are determined to “do something” then please send a donation to Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle or the Catholic Student Center Foodbank. There are so many folks that need food and in the near future may need our help more than ever.



ST. ANN'S 5:00 P.M. SATURDAY MASS

# LIVESTREAMING

<http://WWW.STANNSOFCANYON.ORG/LIVE>

[WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/C/STANNSCATHOLICCHURCH](http://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/C/STANNSCATHOLICCHURCH)

# BE A HERO DONATE BLOOD.

## St. Ann's Catholic Church Blood Drive

Tuesday, August 11  
2:30 - 7 p.m.  
In Parish Hall

To schedule an appointment, call  
806-331-8833 or visit  
[yourbloodinstitute.org](http://yourbloodinstitute.org).

**EVERY DONOR CAN RECEIVE A FREE COVID-19 ANTIBODY TEST\*.**

Appointment needed to participate. Masks required for all donors. Masks will be provided, if necessary.

*Blessings*  
TO OUR  
NEWLY MARRIED!



Congratulations to **Josh Backus & Deann Frausto**, who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony here at St. Ann's this weekend. May God bless your lives together as husband and wife!

### Blessings and More Blessings

- Blessing of College Students and Young Adults Leaving Home. August 8-9 and August 15-16 at all Masses.
- Blessing of Students and Teachers Beginning School. August 15-16 at all Masses



## AROUND THE PARISH

**High School Small Groups** - Our high school discipleship groups will meet Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

**Parents' Day Out** - St. Ann's Parents' Day Out will begin Wednesday, September 2. We are in the process of coming up with a procedure for a safe return. Those procedures will be handed out to the parents before PDO starts.

### GOSPEL MEDITATION

August 9, 2020

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God's mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more “yours” and “mine” but only the oneness of “ours.” There is no longer a need to “figure things out,” and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God's greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God's hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace.