

# ST. ANN'S

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

605 38TH STREET Canyon, TX 79015

### Parish Office

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday-9:00 a.m. - Noon

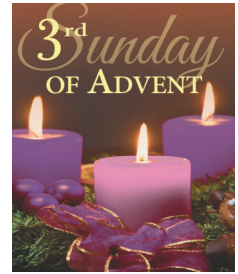
Phone: (806)655-3302

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parish@stannsofcanyon.org

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www.stannsofcanyon.org



St. Ann's Parish Family is a dynamic Catholic community in Canyon, Texas that serves God and neighbor by knowing and sharing our gifts through Christ-centered liturgy, faith formation, spirituality, and intentional togetherness in the sacramental life.

### This Week at St. Ann's December 15 - 21

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

#### Monday, December 15

#### Tuesday, December 16

9:00 a.m. Quilting Ministry  
5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
(For +Sam Albracht by Fr. Scott)  
6:00 p.m. Rosary after Mass  
6:30 p.m. CHILDREN'S Choir Practice  
7:00 p.m. *Where is That in the Bible?* w/ Dcn. Joe

#### Wednesday, December 17

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
(For All Fathers by The Ladies of St. Ann's)  
10:00 a.m. Senior Book Study w/ Criss Murdoch  
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Senior Enrichment Program  
6:30 p.m. SAY (7-12 grade)

#### Thursday, December 18

1:00 p.m. Senior Ladies Small Group  
5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
(For +Deceased Kelly Family Members by Joe & Pam Shehan)  
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

#### Friday, December 19

12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
(For +Bill & Dollie Bell by Manuel & Debbie Vega)

#### Saturday, December 20 Baptism Registration Meeting After Mass

#### \*\*Last Weekend to Bring Family Ornaments\*\*

6:30 a.m. Men's ACTS Prayer Group  
8:00 a.m. Exodus Men's Group  
3:30 p.m. Confession  
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist  
(For +A Special Intention by Vernon Wilhelm)

#### Sunday, December 21 Baptism Registration Meeting After Each Mass

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
(For +John & Beverly Eltzroth by The Kolath Family)  
10:15 a.m. NO Faith Formation  
11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
(For The People of God)

#### Looking Ahead..

December 22 Hanging of the Greens (Decorating the Church)  
December 23 Parish Office Closes at Noon  
December 24-26 Parish Office Closed  
December 27-28 NO Faith Formation

Stewardship of Treasure: December 6-7, 2025

Cash/Checks: \$14,599.01

Online: \$8,442.29

Total: \$23,041.30

Maintenance Fund: \$4,096.97

Thank you for your faithful tithing- your generosity sustains our parish's mission.



### Our Parish History

One of the opportunities during our diocese's centennial year is for our parish to reflect on, organize, and share the narrative of our own history. We have a closet in the Parish Office full of historical material, some of it organized and some of it needing to be organized. I would like to have a small committee of parishioners who enjoy history, research and archiving to get our history updated and in order. Please let me know before the end of December if you'd like to help — frscott@stannsofcanyon.org

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### Advent/Christmas Cards

Our parish Advent/Christmas cards will be in the mail this next week. If you don't receive one, please call the Parish Office, (806)655-3302. Perhaps we need to update your information??

Fr. Scott

### Centenary Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank You for one hundred years of grace in our diocese. We praise You for the deep Faith and the outstanding example of our founders, for the dedicated service of our bishops, priests, deacons, and religious, and for the witness of countless Faithful. Pour out Your Spirit upon us, that we may live as one family in Christ, proclaiming the Gospel with joy and serving the poor with love. Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Laurence, our patrons, guide us into the next century of faith, hope, communion, and mission. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

100 Years



1926 - 2026

### Christmas at St. Ann's

#### Christmas Eve (Wednesday, December 24)

4:00 p.m. Eucharist with Children's Homily & Children's Choir  
Carols Begin at 3:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Solemn Christmas Eve Eucharist  
Carols Begin at 6:00 p.m.

#### Christmas Day (Thursday, December 25)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

#### Holy Day of Obligation/Celebration

Mary, Mother of God

December 31- Vigil Mass at 6:30 p.m.

January 1- Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

## Wednesday Night Youth

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.



SAY Christmas Schedule:

Wednesday, December 17- Christmas Fun Night

Wednesday, December 24 & 31- No SAY

**SAVE the Date:** January 31, 2026, Mandatory Confirmation Retreat

## Faith Formation

Sundays, from 10:15am - 11:15am



**Reminder: First Reconciliation is this Saturday, Dec. 13 at 2:00 p.m.**

A friendly reminder there will be NO classes on December 21 or December 28.

Congratulations to our Year II First Communion students who recently received their First Reconciliation.

Please pray a prayer of Thanksgiving for all those students as well as their parents and catechists for the time spent in preparing and encouraging these young people for such a special day.

## Baptism Registration Meeting

After each Mass: December 20-21

Those seeking Baptism for their child or who have been asked to be a Godparent at our parish or another should attend this quick, informational meeting! It is required by the church and only takes a few minutes.

## Let's Trim the New Tree!!

With our new space comes the need for a new tree!

This year, when we "hang the greens," we will be adding a Christmas tree to our new Narthex near the Holy Family Room. We invite each family of St. Ann's to bring one ornament that represents your family to hang on the new tree.

When choosing your ornament, please keep the following in mind:

- Nothing too fragile or sentimental (for example, not Great Aunt Betty's "First Christmas" ornament)
- Nothing too large, as many ornaments will be added
- Please write your family's name and the year somewhere on the ornament

We hope these ornaments will become treasured decorations for years to come!

Please place your ornament in one of the baskets in the Narthex before the last Sunday of Advent, December 21.

## YOUR YEAR-END GIVING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Both the season of Advent and the end of the year invite us to reflect upon the many blessings bestowed on us, even in the midst of so many challenges. The end of the year also provides a great opportunity to thank God for our blessings by gifting to St. Ann's Parish. The benefits of income tax deductions, capital gains savings and other financial benefits are significant advantages that provide an incentive to make a gift at the year-end. May God bless you for your continued generosity!

## Fr. Scott's Retirement Annuity

The members of St. Ann's Knights of Columbus want to extend a gracious thank-you to everyone who gave so generously to Father Scott's retirement annuity in the past. Once again, we appeal to all fellow parishioners to consider contributing to Fr. Scott's retirement annuity this year. As our parish priest, he is the one who leads us in Mass and administers the sacraments. Your support is appreciated and a clear sign of solidarity with our parish priest. Knights of Columbus investments have been steadily gaining in value. You can be confident that every dollar invested will gain interest and be there for Father's withdrawal. Thank you in advance for your generosity. May God bless you abundantly for your thoughtful gift.

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Mail your contribution to:

Knights of Columbus Council 7840

605 38th St Canyon, TX 79015



## Landings

### Catholics Come Home!

If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church, know that we have missed you! One way to explore returning to active participation is through the LANDINGS program here with our church community. LANDINGS is an eight-week program that offers "a safe place to land," a place for listening and for being heard, a place for asking questions and for reconnecting with the faith as an adult. We begin our next session at St. Ann's in January. If you are interested in joining the program or serving on team, please contact Kendra Backus at 806-206-0868.



## Confirmation for Adults



St. Ann's is offering a 10-hour catechesis class for adults who already receive the Eucharist but have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you fall into this category and are interested in participating please contact Jennifer Sperry at [dre@stannsofcanyon.org](mailto:dre@stannsofcanyon.org) or call 806-655-3302 by Friday, January 23, 2026.

Please note in order to participate in this program and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation the candidate must:

- Contact the Parish Office for an interview with our DRE., Jennifer Sperry
- Be out of High School and at least 18 years old
- Be able to commit to 10 hours of catechesis before Confirmation and at least 3 hours after reception of Confirmation.
- Provide a copy of their Baptismal Certificate
- If married, provide a copy of the Church's certificate of the Sacrament of Matrimony
- Understand the person he/she has chosen to be the sponsor fulfills all the requirements as stated in Canon Law.

Fr. Scott is offering extended Confession times during the Advent season.

Saturday, December 13 & 20

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.