August 14, 2016

St. Stanislaus Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Sunday: 10 AM Saturday: 6 PM Holy Days: See Bulletin

Weekdays: See Bulletin Other Parish Information

Confessions: See Bulletin & By Appointment Baptisms: By Appointment

Weddings: Arrangements at least six months in advance

Funerals: Arrangements at the Rectory
Annual Homecoming & Bazaar.
2nd Sunday in October

Dear Padre

The Gospel rises above crass political posturing Who says the Church isn't political? Don't they endorse bills and candidates all the

time? I'm not sure that anyone has ever claimed that the Church is not political. As long as there are moral implications to political decisions, the Church will always give guidance to voters and politicians. I believe that the quality the Church is looking for is to be non-partisan. We cannot wed ourselves to party platforms or individual candidates. The Gospel rises above crass political posturing. Whenever the Gospel supports or corrects the politics of the day, we must be faithful to the teachings of Jesus and call all in power to account. In fact it is supremely sad that some moral issues are even politically controversial. When the Church speaks up for the unborn or the poor, when we try to protect the environment or the freedom of religion, it is tragic that there is any political opposition at all. The Church is a prophetic voice to our society and has been historically in many societies. The goal of influencing elections and supporting candidates is far too small for the disciples of Christ. Our hopes are to evangelize voters, leaders, and all people in Gospel values. As a priest I am not allowed to endorse candidates from the pulpit, but I am required by the Church to faithfully preach our values, even if they are political or unpopular.

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus will strengthen us to persevere in our faith. We will share in his suffering, but also in the joy of his victory.



The first reading tells of the prophet Jeremiah being thrown into a cistern and left to die as a result of being faithful to the Lord. The second reading reminds us to keep our eyes on Jesus – the leader and *perfecter* of faith. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches that living as one of his followers will cause us to experience persecution and resistance from others.

Mass Intentions

Monday August 15th 12:00

Floyd & James Pasket

Wed. August 17th 12:00

Brosig Sechelski

Friday August 19th 12:00

Harold & Helen Walkoviak George Bienski

Saturday August 20th 6:00

Doris Warzon

Sunday August 21th 10:00

Kenneth Walkoviak

Father Jojo frjojo@embargmail.com

Father Jojo requests that you visit the following website:

www.churchmilitant.tv



Liturgical Ministers



Lectors:

Delores Posinski & Carolyn Kimich

Rosary: Delores Posinski

E.M.H.C:

Charles & Delores Posinski, Kellyane Kitkoski

Altar Servers: Andrew Borski, Brant Werner & Jacob Borski

Ushers:

Danny Pasket, Darrell Wagner, Stephen Pasket & Chet Sicinski

Sunday August 21st-10:00am

Lectors:

Margaret McClosky

Rosary: Theresa Guidry

E.M.H.C:

Don & Gail Sowell, Diane Pasket, EJ Maupin, Marlene Pool

and Robert Maggio- (Choir)

Altar Servers:

Rilee Szymanski, Haden Sechelski & McKenna Holloway

Ushers:

Daniel Klawinsky, Kyle Klawinsky, Jerome Klawinsky & James Busa





Readings

Monday August 15 Saturday August 20 St. Bernard Assumption of the Ez 43:1-7a Blessed Virgin Thursday August 18 Weekday Mt 23:1-12 Mary Rv 11:19a; 12:1-Ez 36:23-28 Mt 22:1-14 6a, 10ab 1 Sunday August 21 Cor 15:20-27 Twenty-first Lk 1:39-56 Sunday in Friday August 19 **Tuesday August 16 Ordinary Time** Weekday Ez 28:1-10 Is 66:18-21 Ez 37:1-14 Mt 19:23-30 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Mt 22:34-40

Our Church will be open daily for prayer at 8am until 4 pm provided the office is open. The church office is closed on Mondays. For information on renting the parish hall contact the church office.



Please pray for our parish family who are ill and/or homebound.

Lk 13:22-30

Jannie Abbott, Lois Barton, Virginia Bova, Bernice Briers, Betty Busa, Francelle Busa, Michael Busa, Pearl Busa, Christine Bush, Annie Cooper, Margaret Creel, Patricia Dobyanski, John Faust, Ruben Garcia, Claudia Gurrola, Meb Hartman, Mark Heymen, George Janacek, Rosalee (Pat) Janacek, Kaudia Johnson, Helen Kimich, Betty Kitkoski, Kacy Kitkoski, Darby Kurtin, Kathy Lang, Florence Lara, William Lett, Russell Mattern, Rosemary Molina, Helen Molitor, Thomas Noble, Joseph Obell, Matthew Oliver, Reagan Oliver, Mary Pasket, Barbara Perry, Mary Joel Phillips, Gwen Russell, Marvin Sechelski, Geneva Sicinski, Crista Chiles Skalsky, Lane Smith, La Nell Szymczak, Tonya Taylor, Steve Vezurk, Joanie Willis, Janette Yanchak, Michael Yanchak, Jenna Zientek

Please let the office know of anyone who should be added or removed from these lists.

Wed. August 17
Ez 34:1-11
Mt 20:1-16

Please pray for those in active military duty.

Austin Barnes, Andrew Burzynski Don Fontaine, Airman Cody Klawinsky, Matthew Macejewski, Tech Sgt. John McKnight, & Deavan Szymanski



Collections

August 6th \$1,408.25

August 7th \$2,476.00

Upcoming 2nd Collections:

September 11, 2016 Catholic University of America

Welcome to St. Stanislaus Catholic Church!

Please contact the parish office if you wish to register or know someone who would like to become a member of our parish. Current members are asked to update your contact information as well.

Legion of Mary

Monday Night at 6:30 in CCE Building. For info. Contact Diane Sechelski 936-873-2255 after 5:00

Altar Society

St. Stanislaus Altar Society meets the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be

September 1st at 6:30

Catholic ladies are welcome to join us!

FLOCKNOTE

To improve our Church's communication. Father Jojo is requesting all parishioners to update their contact information by giving the parish their email address and smartphone/mobile/cellphone number by signing up to FLOCKNOTE. Here's how to do it.

From your smartphone/mobile/cellphone, text <u>STSTANS</u> and send it to <u>84576.</u>
You will get a text back with instructions on how to sign up and subscribe to any of the GROUPS Father Jojo has set up for St. Stanislaus Parish Church.

That's all!

Thank you for your cooperation.

We are looking for someone to take the 10:00 and 7:00 Hour of Adoration on Mondays. Please call the office at 873-2291 if you would like to signup for one of the times.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

On the 1st weekend of every month (Sunday Masses), Fr. Jojo will bless anyone with a birthday or wedding anniversary during that month.

Knights of Columbus

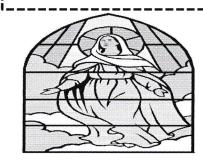
KC Council #4054 meets at the KC Hall every 2nd & 4th Monday at 7pm. Please join us. All Catholic men are welcome. Contact Dean Miller at 936-524-1700 for more information.

Cemetery Guidelines

If you have questions or concerns pertaining to the cemetery contact Charles Posinski at 873-2113.

If work needs to be done to a headstone or grave you must first contact Charles Posinski.

Following Jesus is not easy. In striving to live out our faith, we may at times find ourselves at odds with other people – even those who are closest to us. But we can turn to Jesus, who also suffered opposition and rejection, to give us the strength and grace needed to remain steadfast in faith and not lose heart.



Masses At St. Stanislaus

Saturday-Mass will be here at 6pm with confessions beginning at 5pm. Sunday- Mass will begin at 10 am. / Wed. & Friday – Mass at 12 noon

Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August 2016

<u>Universal:</u> Sports That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world. <u>Evangelization:</u> Living the Gospel That Christians may live the Gospel, giving witness to faith, honesty and love of neighbor.

Choir practice

Thursdays 6:30 in the church. Everyone is welcome to join!

12 Hour Adoration

Our church is open every
Monday beginning at 8 am
until 8pm. Everyone is
welcome to join in the worship
with the scheduled persons.
September to May

Divine Mercy & Rosary

Held on Friday following the noon mass. All are welcome to join us in the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.



St. Stanislaus Kostka, Pray for us.

Anointing of the Sick

Every 3rd weekend of the month, anointing of the sick will be held in the church following the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass

Anointing of the sick is for people who are seriously ill or preparing to undergo surgery. It is also for the elderly who are suffering from the infirmities of age.

Eucharistic Adoration and Mass

First Friday of every month begins at 5pm and Mass at 6pm No noon Mass

RCĪĀ

Anyone seeking the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) or adult confirmation, please call the church office at (936) 873-2291

Baptism

Classes are necessary for baptisms.

Please contact the parish office to make needed arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

~30 minutes before weekday Masses (Please call ahead so the priest knows.) ~5pm on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays

Planning a Marriage?

There is a required preparation process that must be completed prior to one being married in the Catholic Church. Start Early!

Please contact the parish office for more information.

Mission and Vision Statements

The Pastoral leadership Team is excited to present to you the following Mission and Vision statements for our Parish. We have worked hard creating these documents that give all members common goals. Please review the documents and email us at jpushee7@gmail.com if you have any suggestions or changes. Deadline for submissions is September 16th. Thank you!

Mission Statement

We the Catholic parish of St. Stanislaus Kostka in Anderson, TX are a welcoming Catholic parish centered in the Eucharist, grounded in prayer, learning, and teaching our faith. We strive to help spread the word of God through our day to day lives and in the parish. We are committed to cultivating and advancing the same love and dedication to Jesus Christ our church ancestors possessed.

The mission of St. Stanislaus Catholic Church is to provide and promote an environment for the spiritual well-being and growth of all our parishioners. We promote Christian fellowship, family values, Christian education and worship of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through the intercession of St. Stanislaus Kostka, our patron saint, and with our Pastor's guidance and leadership, and through our faithful celebration of the Eucharistic liturgy, we work to help complete God's mission here on earth through worship, education, leadership, service, fellowship and stewardship, as we strive for eternal salvation.

Vision Document

VISION

Our vision for the next five years is to be a Eucharist centered community of disciples that serves as a guiding light, inspiring others and bringing all to Jesus for the salvation of souls.

PURPOSE

Our parish purpose is to use our strong faith in God and passion for learning about our faith to teach and nurture so that every parishioner has the safety and security to live and share our faith and encourage others to do the same.

CORE VALUES

Prayer

We are committed to a life of prayer. Prayer is the top priority in our lives. Through prayer we communicate with God by talking and listening.

Catholic Knowledge

Through our Catholic knowledge, we learn, practice and share our faith.

Fellowship

Our fellowship allows us to spend time together at church functions, participating and listening to each other.

Evangelism

We evangelize by living, teaching and professing our faith, and spreading the word about Jesus to others.

St. Stanislaus Catholic Church Annual Homecoming and Bazaar Sunday October 9, 2016

Anderson, TX

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- 14. Black & Decker 20V Cordless Trimmer and Blower Set \$200
- 15. Grand Station Gift Card -\$200 Tony & Betty Pavlock
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We are asking for donations to cover all of the raffle prizes.

If you would like to make a donation to cover all or part of one of the prizes,

Please call the office at 936-873-2291

All donors will be recognize with a banner displayed in the raffle ticket booth on bazaar day.

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August 2016

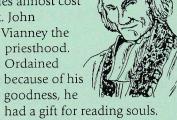
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Rev. Rodolfo "Jojo" Cal-Ortiz, Jr., Pastor

St. John Vianney

Difficulties with his studies almost cost St. John

> priesthood. Ordained because of his goodness, he



had a gift for reading souls. As the Curé (pastor) of Ars, France, he was faced with people who were indifferent to Christ and comfortable in their lifestyles. To remedy this, he fasted and prayed for hours daily. He often spent as many as sixteen hours a day hearing confessions. His spiritual insight and example reclaimed thousands of lapsed Catholics.

A source of grace

Prayer isn't a luxury—it's a vital source of grace and strength. Making time for daily prayer is especially important when we're busy. In the morning, commit your day to God's care and service. Whether something causes you worry, anger, or happiness, say a quick prayer. Thank God for his help at the end of the day.

"Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive" (Matthew 21:22).



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You can make the world a better place

Each of us has the ability to make a difference in the world. In fact, for Catholics, acting for the common good

is a requirement. "It is the duty of citizens to contribute along with the civil authorities to the good of society in a spirit of truth, justice, solidarity, and freedom" (Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), #2239).

Be informed, be decisive, and be heard. Pope Francis said, "...good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by

offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." Government is meant to be a partnership between citizens and those they elect. Look past the newsy gossip about candidates and

do your research of upcoming local, state, and national elections so you can make excellent, informed decisions in the voting booth.

> Be the best at what you do. No matter what you do for a living, whether vou feel vour efforts make a difference or go unnoticed, always do your best.

> > "Whatever your task, work heartily, as serving the Lord and not men" (Colossians 3:23). Our actions cannot be defined by others, but by what God asks of us

and what we owe to ourselves.

Be active. When Jesus was among us, he comforted those who were sad, fed people who were hungry, gathered close friends, shared love, alleviated suffering. Do the same.

Why Do Catholics Do That

Is the pope infallible?

Jesus named St. Peter as the head of his Church, and promised to send an Advocate to guide the Church. "The Advocate...will teach you everything and remind you of all that (I) told you" (John 14:26).

St. Peter's successor, the

pope, is preserved from error by the Holy Spirit when he teaches by virtue of his supreme authority on a matter of faith and morals to the whole Church. That teaching, considered infallible, is then binding on the whole Church.

We are happiest when God comes first

God's love for each of us is personal, individual, and never ending - and there is no lasting happiness without him. Yet without our intending, our relationship with God can fade into the background of a busy life. Try these tips for staying centered:

Make time with God a priority. Try not to skip devotions. For example, if you miss your morning prayer, make it up later in the day. If called away from your time with Scripture, pray a rosary later instead. Stay connected

with the one who loves you most.

Attend Mass every Sunday and do whatever is necessary to receive Holy Communion. It is in the Liturgy that Jesus is truly present to us.

Benefit from your time together.

Pay God first. It takes money to do God's work in the world and the top funding source for the Catholic Church's ministries is her generous people. Set aside a portion of every paycheck for charity just as you do for your rent or mortgage. Write that check first.

from cripture

Luke 14:1, 7-14, **Unreciprocated kindness**

Jesus was under close and careful scrutiny by the Pharisees who were watching for a misstep in order to discredit him. They were afraid that his "radical" ideas would undermine the religion and tradition they protected. Nonetheless,

he never let this critical scrutiny by his opponents keep him from saying and doing the right things.

As Christians, we must never succumb to pressure to do what is politically or socially correct at the expense of our spiritual beliefs and obligations. For example, there is a cultural value to "networking" -

entertaining people who can further our personal or professional goals. There is usually an exchange of favors

implied in this kind of a relationship, "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours." In this parable, however, Jesus urged us to forget about obtaining benefit or admiration and instead serve people in need.

He said that doing favors for and being kind to the disadvantaged can be very rewarding and will bring blessings to the host. The guests won't be able to reciprocate, but God will certainly repay the kindness.

Feasts & Celebrations

August 6 - Transfiguration of the Lord (1st Century). Tradition says that Mt. Tabor was the site of the Transfiguration during which Christ showed his disciples the splendor of his beauty. The Lord appeared radiant in the company of Moses and Elijah, and a voice said, "This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him" (Matthew 17:5).

August 14 – St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe (1941). A Polish Franciscan, St. Maximilian was arrested by the Nazis in 1941 and imprisoned at Auschwitz. When the jailers chose ten people to execute as punishment for an escape attempt, he substituted himself for a man with a family. He and nine others were stripped, starved and killed by lethal injection.

August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The

Assumption celebrates Mary's being taken up into Heaven body and soul at the end of her life. Although already a common belief, it was declared a dogma of our faith in 1950 by Pope Pius XII.

What do we get from prayer?

What do we get from spending time with someone we love? Prayer is spending time with God, our beloved,

and learning to receive, experience and return his love in a genuine relationship. There is nothing more lovely or fulfilling than God.

We are told to "pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17), not because God needs

our prayers, but because it's good for us. "Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God" (CCC, #2559). However, prayer is about more than asking God for goodies.

In prayer, we thank God for his blessings, praise him for his goodness, and express sorrow for our sins. Through prayer, we find strength, peace, and comfort in difficult times.

In addition to God, prayer also connects us to each other. Intercessory prayer—praying for someone else—is powerful. Jesus responded in amazing ways to people who prayed for their friends (Mark 2:5, Matthew 15:28, Matthew 8:13). It starts with a personal relationship and prayer.

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Sunday, August 14, 2016

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Show Time: 2:00 p.m.

Catered Lunch Served: 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Cost at Door: Meal & Show: \$18.00

Cost for: Music Show only: \$10.00

Take Out: *Meal only*: \$10.00

Silent auction will be on-going until intermission

Live auction will begin at intermission

Bingo (full card) will be played for one prize starting at 1:00 p.m.

Music Show will include: 50's, Country, Gospel, and Cajun Featuring: Bill Mock, Amanda Peevler, Neil Kolhanek, and Keith Junot

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