

December 18, 2016

## ***St. Stanislaus Catholic Church***

Founded 1866  
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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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.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in October*

## ***Dear Padre***

***Why is St. Joseph called "the  
Worker?" Shouldn't he be  
honored primarily as the  
father of Jesus?***

Devotion to St. Joseph has developed along an interesting path. It was not until the eighth century that Joseph, underneath the title "Spouse of Mary," was even publicly acknowledged—except perhaps as an afterthought or silent participant in the Christmas story. The Church has always acknowledged that Joseph's relationship with Jesus was unique, but there was, and continues to be, reluctance to call him the father of Jesus. We understand the father of Jesus is not Joseph but rather God the Father.

A consensus about Joseph's role in the plan of salvation seems to be in place by the early fourteenth century. In 1870, Pope Pius IX declared Joseph the patron of the universal Church. By the early twentieth century, worldwide devotion had found a home at St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal.

The title of "the Worker" was used most often by Pope Pius XI in his references to Joseph as the patron of the Church's battle against atheistic communism. Pope Pius XII established the May 1 feast in 1955 to emphasize the Catholic teaching concerning the dignity of labor.

Saint Joseph could be summarized best as a man who did the best he could when God's will became clear. This image and model seems the best and most helpful for deepening our understanding of and devotion to him.

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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.

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

St. Stanislaus Altar Society  
meets the first Thursday of  
every month. The next  
meeting will be **Thursday**  
**January 5th at 6:30**  
Catholic ladies are  
welcome to join us!

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## **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 December 2016**

**Universal**: End to Child- Soldiers: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

**Evangelization**: Europe: That the people of Europe may rediscover the Beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

#### **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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

~30 minutes before weekday Masses

(Please call ahead so the priest knows.)

~5pm on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays

#### **RCIA**

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.

#### **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.



# December 18th, 2016

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

God is with us, and we are called to live in his presence  
and take that joy out into the world.



The first reading reminds us that the promised Messiah was to be born of a virgin, and was to be named Emmanuel. The second reading exhorts us, as followers of Jesus, to lead lives which are holy and pleasing to God. Today's Gospel tells of Joseph being faithful to the command he received from the angel of the Lord to take Mary into his home as his wife.

### ***Mass Intentions***

|                                       |                                                  |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Wed. Dec. 21st 12:00</u></b>    | Joe & Frances Sechelski                          |
| <b><u>Friday Dec. 23rd 12:00</u></b>  | Geneva Klapesky,<br>Mary Goode<br>June Sechelski |
| <b><u>Saturday Dec. 24th 4:00</u></b> | Floyd & James Pasket                             |
| <b><u>Sunday Dec. 25th 10:00</u></b>  | Frank & Alice Grupa                              |

### **Father Jojo**

[frjojo@embarqmail.com](mailto:frjojo@embarqmail.com)

Father Jojo requests that you  
visit the following websites:

[www.houstonvocations.com](http://www.houstonvocations.com)

[www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org)  
Enter Parish code:  
MVMZKF to register

### **Liturgical Ministers**

#### **Saturday December 24th –4:00pm**

|                              |                                                                   |                       |                |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| <b><u>Lectors:</u></b>       | Susan Wisnoski & Russell Pasket                                   | <b><u>Rosary:</u></b> | Susan Wisnoski |
| <b><u>E.M.H.C:</u></b>       | Charles & Delores Posinski, Kellyane Kitkoski                     |                       |                |
| <b><u>Altar Servers:</u></b> | TBD– Christmas                                                    |                       |                |
| <b><u>Ushers:</u></b>        | Darrell Wagner, Stephen Pasket, Chet Sicinski & Johnny Pasket Jr. |                       |                |

#### **Sunday December 25th –10:00am**

|                              |                                                                                              |                       |                  |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| <b><u>Lectors:</u></b>       | Tommy & Barbara Szymczak                                                                     | <b><u>Rosary:</u></b> | Barbara Szymczak |
| <b><u>E.M.H.C</u></b>        | David Borski, Marion & Evelyn Szymczak, Joan Pushee, Tommy Szymczak & Robert Maggio- (Choir) |                       |                  |
| <b><u>Altar Servers:</u></b> | TBD- Christmas                                                                               |                       |                  |
| <b><u>Ushers:</u></b>        | James Busa, Daniel Klawinsky, Kyle Klawinsky & Jerome Klawinsky                              |                       |                  |



## Readings

### Monday Dec. 19

Advent Weekday  
Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a  
Lk 1:5-25

### Tuesday Dec. 20

Advent Weekday  
Is 7:10-14  
Lk 1:26-38

### Wed. Dec. 21

Advent Weekday  
Sg 2:8-14  
or Zep 3:14-18a  
Lk 1:39-45

### Thursday Dec. 22

Advent Weekday  
1 Sm 1:24-28  
Lk 1:46-56

### Friday Dec. 23

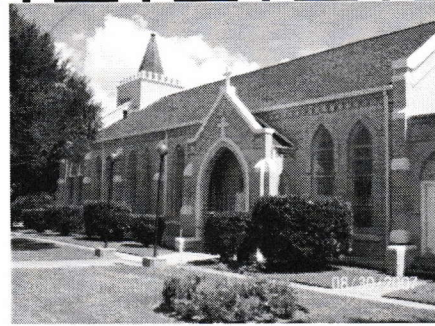
Advent Weekday  
Mal 3:1-4, 23-24  
Lk 1:57-66

### Saturday Dec. 24

Advent Weekday  
2 Sm 7:1-5,  
8b-12, 14a,  
16  
Lk 1:67-79

### Sunday Dec. 25

The Nativity of  
the Lord  
Is 52:7-10  
Heb 1:1-6  
Jn 1:1-18 or  
1:1-5, 9-14



Our Church will be open daily for prayer at 8 am 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.**

Jannie Abbott, Lois Barton, Bernice Briers, Betty Busa, Francelle Busa, Michael Busa, Pearl Busa, Christine Bush, Annie Cooper, Margaret Creel, Patricia Dobyanski, John Faust, 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, Leona Lunsford, Russell Mattern, Rosemary Molina, Helen Molitor, Thomas Noble, Joseph Obell, Matthew Oliver, Reagan Oliver, Edward Pasket, Mary Pasket, Barbara Perry, Mary Joel Phillips, Gwen Russell, Marvin Sechelski, Geneva Sicinski, Crista Chiles Skalsky, Lane Smith, La Nell Szymczak, Tonya Taylor, Joanie Willis, Janette Yanchak, Michael Yanchak, Jenna Zientek

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



### Please pray for those in active military duty.

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



## Collections

December 10th  
\$ 2,531.00

December 11th  
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## Upcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:

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