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*August 23, 2020*

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***August Mass  
Schedule***

***Tuesday Noon***

***Wednesday Noon***

***Thursday Noon***

***Friday Noon***

***Saturday 4:15***

***Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am***

**August 23, 2020**

*"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord." John 6:56*

**Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.**

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The Lord tells Shebna, the scribe, I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station and replace you with the honorable Eliakim. In the second reading, Paul writes to the Romans about the inscrutable judgments and unsearchable ways of God: For from him and through him and for him are all things. In the Gospel, Peter answers Jesus' question, saying, You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus blesses Peter and proclaims him as the rock upon whom he will build his Church.

## **Mass Intentions**

### **Tuesday August 25th noon**

Annie Mae Coffman &  
Clara Wischnewsky

### **Wednesday August 26th noon**

David & Pearl Busa  
John & Agnes Busa

### **Thursday August 27th noon**

Trey Barnett

### **Friday August 28th noon**

Helen & Richard Silence

### **Saturday August 29th 4:15**

Doris Warzon  
Rudolph & Hermina Franta

### **Sunday August 30th 8:00 am**

Helen & Richard Silence

### **Sunday August 30th 10:00 am**

Arch & Kenneth Walkoviak

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## **Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

### **Saturday August 29th 4:15pm**

**Lectors:**

Delores Posinski & Carolyn Kimich

**Rosary:** Dorothy Pasket

**Ushers:**

Stephen Pasket, Darrell Wagner, Johnny Pasket Jr., Michael Wisnoski

**NO E.M.H.C. or Altar Servers**

### **Sunday August 30th 8:00am**

**Lectors:**

Volunteers

**Rosary:** Barbara Dibello

**Ushers:**

Volunteers

**NO E.M.H.C. or Altar Servers**

### **Sunday August 30th 10:00am**

**Lectors:**

Blake Vezurk & Mandi Wroblewski

**Rosary:** Rosanna Molina

**Ushers:**

Don Sowell, James Busa, Stan Sechelski, Ben Leman

**NO E.M.H.C. or Altar Servers**



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**Sunday, September 13  
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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 23, 2020

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 22:19–23

Rom 11:33–36

Mt 16:13–20

## Who's in Charge?

**T**here are lots of reasons one could be in charge. You might be the only one left to do the job. Or, in the case of babysitting, you might simply be older. You could be in charge because you are a bully with the biggest fists, sticks, or guns. Or you might be in charge because you are the best qualified for the job. Today's readings offer us two stories about being chosen for leadership.

In the Old Testament reading, Shebna, an official in King Hezekiah's court, overreached his position of authority. He was demoted and replaced by Eliakim. Carrying the key symbolizes authority over the entire household. Placing it on the shoulder suggests an investiture ceremony. In the Gospel, entrusting Peter with the keys to the kingdom of heaven suggests similar authority, though in a significantly different household.

In both instances the position of authority is meant to be exercised for the benefit of the members of the

respective household. It was precisely because of his failure in this matter that Shebna was demoted and Eliakim placed in charge. What about Peter? The Gospel tells us that the choice of Peter followed his remarkable statement of faith: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:16).

These stories tell us that God chooses very ordinary people for positions of leadership. Why them? Are they the only ones left? Are they the oldest? Were they the best qualified? It was not because they were bullies. Obviously God thought they could do the job.

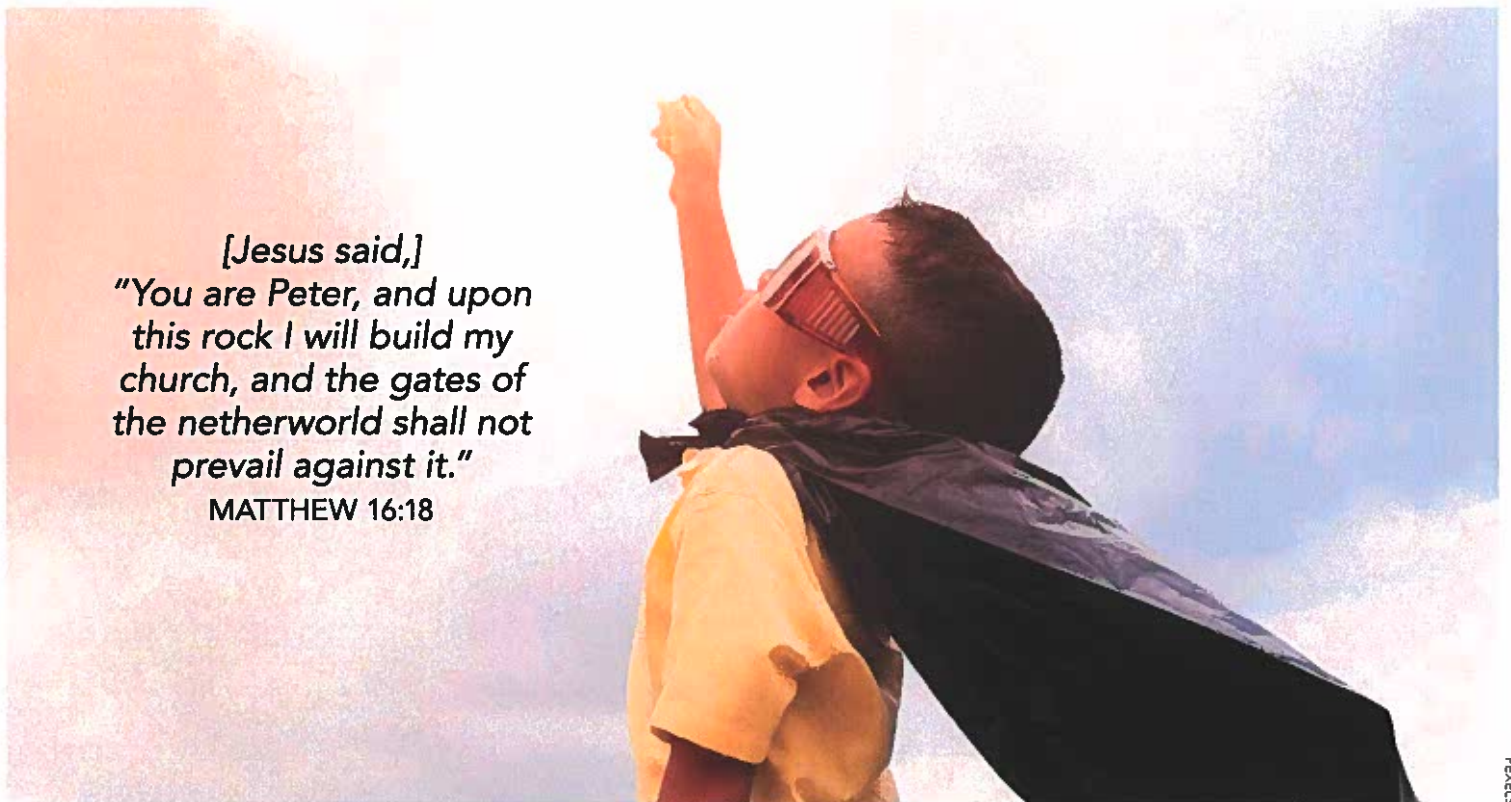
—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *It's not easy being a leader of God's people. Pray for those who have been called to that role.*
- ★ *Have you ever thought of volunteering to serve on a church committee?*

[Jesus said,]  
"You are Peter, and upon  
this rock I will build my  
church, and the gates of  
the netherworld shall not  
prevail against it."

MATTHEW 16:18



# Dear Padre,

## What does the Church teach about body art?

I'm a bit squeamish when I see a piercing in a place other than an ear, and when I see a tattoo covering a large part of a person's body I wonder what that person will think about that tattoo in twenty years. But these things are a matter of taste; for example, I don't think there is anything wrong with earrings, but others might.



The Church has no teaching on tattoos, piercings, or shaping (when a body part is purposely reshaped to fit a cultural ideal). "Do not lacerate your bodies for the dead, and do not tattoo yourselves," say Leviticus 19:28, clearly outlawing piercings and tattoos. But it also says, "Do not...spoil the edges of your beard" (Leviticus 19:27). I broke that law this morning when I shaved.

In their introduction to the Book of Leviticus in the *New American Bible*, revised edition, the bishops teach that the laws in this book are "not merely legislative." They were designed to instill "a way of life in the book's hearers and readers."

We may not have the same obligation to adhere to those rules, but it is important for Catholics to remember 1 Corinthians 3:16: "You are the temple of God." We should do nothing to deface the temple of God. So if you do get a piercing or a tattoo, remember that you're God's temple.

—Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR  
[Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)

## Calendar

### Monday

AUGUST 24  
St. Bartholomew,  
Apostle  
Rv 21:9b–14  
Jn 1:45–51

### Tuesday

AUGUST 25  
Weekday  
2 Thes 2:1–3a, 14–17  
Mt 23:23–26

### Wednesday

AUGUST 26  
Weekday  
2 Thes 3:6–10, 16–18  
Mt 23:27–32

### Thursday

AUGUST 27  
St. Monica  
1 Cor 1:1–9  
Mt 24:42–51

### Friday

AUGUST 28  
St. Augustine,  
Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church  
1 Cor 1:17–25  
Mt 25:1–13

### Saturday

AUGUST 29  
The Passion of  
St. John the Baptist  
1 Cor 1:26–31  
Mk 6:17–29

### Sunday

AUGUST 30  
Twenty-second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Jer 20:7–9  
Rom 12:1–2  
Mt 16:21–27

## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

*The acceptance of our body as a gift from God is vital for welcoming and accepting the entire world as a gift from the Father...Thinking that we enjoy absolute power over our own bodies turns, often subtly, into thinking that we enjoy an absolute power over creation.*

—ADDRESS TO PONTIFICAL ACADEMY FOR LIFE, JUNE 26, 2018







August 23, 2020

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23 | Rom 11:33-36 | Mt 16:13-20

### **GROW** AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Imagine being in Peter's shoes. We have listened to the Sermon on the Mount and been comforted and sometimes challenged by Jesus' teachings. We have watched him heal the sick and forgive sinners. We've faltered at times and seen Jesus face down skeptics. Then Jesus turns to us and asks: "Who do you say that I am?" How would we answer? Peter, not yet knowing that Jesus will suffer, die, and rise, proclaims: "You are Christ, the Son of the Living God." For Peter, this would be the beginning; he would devote his life to building up the Church. Centuries later, we proclaim his words in the Nicene Creed that Jesus is the Son of God. As with Peter, this is just our starting point. Knowing who Jesus is compels us to devote our lives to building up the kingdom of God on earth.

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We know more about learning styles now, but most of us can remember two kinds of students: The front-row students who shot up their hand before a teacher finished asking the question ("Call on me, please!"), and the back-row kids who avoided eye contact, wishing they were invisible. Peter seems to have been one of those front-row students. When Jesus asked, "Who do you say that I am?" he didn't hesitate. If Jesus asked that question today, would we hold back, check Google, or speak boldly as Peter did? As Jesus goes on to say, God put those words in Peter's heart. God speaks to us, too, through the Scriptures, silent prayer, and the examples of saintly men and women who have touched our lives. We don't have to worry about being "called on," but we are all called to answer by sharing Jesus' saving message with those around us. Like Peter, none of us is perfect; we don't have to be. If we open our hearts and minds to Jesus and his words, we, too, can build up the Church through service, welcome, and generosity.

**PRAY** Jesus, you called and chose Peter, with his strengths and his weaknesses, to be the rock on which your Church was built. You call and choose me, with my unique strengths and weaknesses, to build your kingdom in the world I live in today. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and help me to speak boldly as Peter did, proclaiming your Good News to the world. Amen.



**St. Stanislaus Catholic Church**  
**Annual Homecoming and Bazaar**  
**Sunday October 11, 2020**  
Anderson, TX

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**Raffle Prizes**

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|---|---|
| 1. 2020 John Deere Gator 560E - \$9,250                           | In memory of Father James Moore \$1,000 |
| 2. Howard Miller Wall Clock - \$600                               | In memory of Larry Sechelski Sr \$1,000 |
| 3. Visa Gift Card - \$500   | Donated by Buckner's Jewelry            |
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|   | Donated by the Pete Paskett Family      |
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## Welcome to St. Stanislaus Kostka

Please contact the parish office if you wish to register or know someone who would like to become a member of our parish.

936-873-2291

### **Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August**

#### *The Maritime World:*

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families

### **Announcements**

Raffle ticket are available to pickup in the church.

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If you would like to make a donation to this years Bazaar raffle prizes, please let the office know.

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We are reminded in the reading from Romans that God is the ultimate authority. It is God who gives all, who creates all, and for whom all exists. Let us, then, through prayer and deeds, humbly and confidently acknowledge Jesus as the Son of the Living God.



**Altar Society :** Meets the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be Thursday September 3rd at 6:00 in the rectory. All Catholic ladies are welcome.

**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

**Baptism:** Classes are necessary for baptism. Please contact the parish office to make needed arrangements.

**Birthdays & Anniversaries :** On the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of every month Fr. Eli will bless anyone with a birthday or wedding anniversary during that month following each Mass.

**Cemetery Guidelines:** If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to the cemetery, please contact Charles Posinski at 936-873-2113. If work needs to be done you must call Charles Posinski first.

**Choir Practice:** Do to COVID-19, No practice at this time.

**Counseling:** Gratia Plena is a nonprofit organization that provides mental and spiritual health services for mental illnesses, addictions, and marriage/family problems. All counselors are Catholic and provide services in a way that is faithful to the teachings, values and traditions of the Church. Their closest office is near The Woodlands, but counselors are also available by video session. For more information, see their website at [www.gratiaplenacounseling.org](http://www.gratiaplenacounseling.org) or call (832) 532-0129, or email [info@gratiaplenacounseling.org](mailto:info@gratiaplenacounseling.org)

**Divine Mercy:** Every Friday after the noon Mass . Everyone is welcome to join us.

**Gabriel Project:** Pregnant. Scared. Need to talk! Gabriel Project offer assistance to women experiencing difficult circumstances. Please call Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328 or St. Mary's Catholic Church 936-894-2223

**Knights of Columbus :** KC Council #4054 meets at the KC Hall every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7pm. Please join us. All Catholic men are welcome. Contact Deen Miller 936-524-1700 for membership information. And James Moran 936-825-7866 for rental information .  
Next blood drive Sept. 13th in the parish hall.

**Marriage:** There is a required preparation process that must be completed prior to one being married in the Catholic Church. Please call the office for more information.

**RCIA & RCIC:** Anyone seeking the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults / Children or adult confirmation. Please call the church office at 936-873-2291

**Reconciliation:** 30 Minutes before Wednesday & Friday Masses ( Please call ahead to let the Priest know) and 3:00 to 4:00 on Saturdays

**12 Hour Adoration:** Our church is open every Monday 8 am to 8 pm.  
Everyone is welcome to join in the worship with the scheduled persons.

### Weekly Collections:

August 15th & 16th

\$2,553.00

### Upcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:

September 6th University of St. Thomas

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

Andrew Anderson, Austin Barnes,  
Andrew Burzynski, Don Fontaine,  
Travis Hayes, Cody Klawinsky,  
Travis Klawinsky, Joe A. Lopez,  
Matthew Macejewski,  
John McKnight, Phillip Walkowiak



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

Aria, Laverne Backhus, Janet Bienski, Ralph Cervantes, Pat Davis, Don Dobiynski, Margaret & Praslin Fann, John Faust, Dolores Holler, Mae Dell Izard, John Koch, Caroline Kolbasinski, Barbara Kurtin, Helen Molitor, Kellyanne Katkoski, Tammy Kitchen, BiBean Loukins, France Loukins, Desiree Oliver, Mathew Oliver, Regan Oliver, Henry Ostermann, Ashley Paskett, Charlie Pasket, Kenny Sechelski, Katie Smith, Chris Szymczak, LaNell Szymczak, Bobby Torres, Philip Vezorak, Anna Mae Vezurk, Ann Wesolick, Rocky Weller, Fr. Richard Hinkley, Fr. Louis Sikorski

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