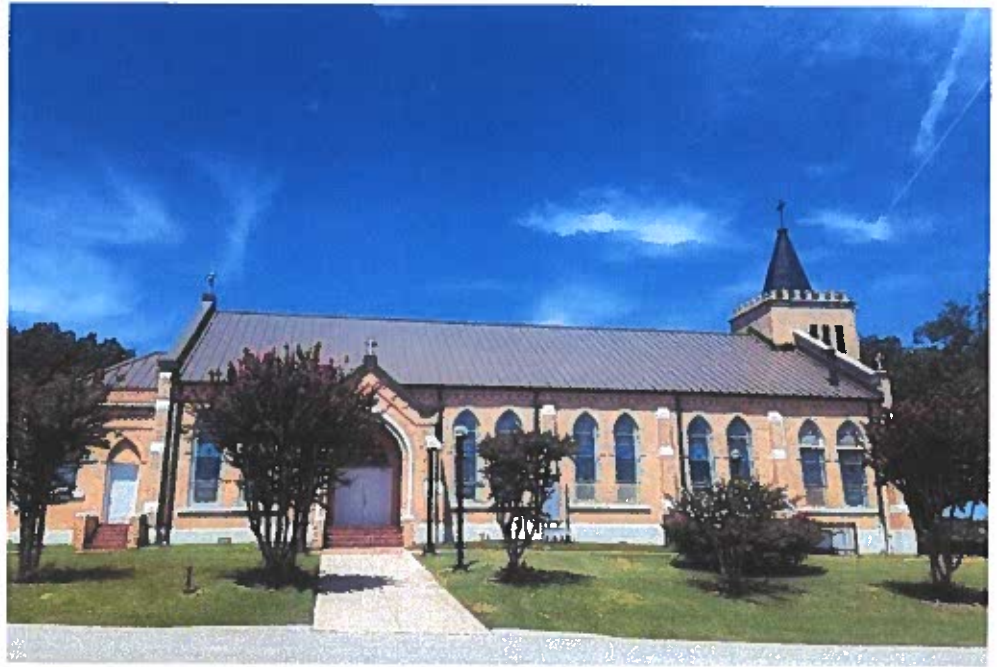


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September 13, 2020

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***Mass Schedule***

***Tuesday Noon***

***Wednesday Noon***

***Thursday Noon***

***Friday Noon***

***Saturday 4:15***

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

**September 13, 2020**

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

**Forgiveness is a choice that leads to life.**

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Sirach tells the people, Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. Thus, they are to forgive their neighbor as they wish to be forgiven by the Lord. Paul tells the Romans, None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord. In the Gospel, Jesus answers Peter's question of how often he must forgive by telling him the parable of the unforgiving servant.

## ***Mass Intentions***

**Monday September 14th 6:00**

Healing of the sick

**Tuesday September 15th noon**

Faye Faust

**Wednesday September 16th noon**

Living & Deceased members of the  
John & Frances Wisnoski family

**Thursday September 17th noon**

Trey Barnett and family

**Friday September 18th noon**

Laura & Sylvester Sechelski

**Saturday September 19th 4:15**

Mike & Agnes Smith family

Connie & Amelia Moriarty family

**Sunday September 20th 8:00 am**

**Sunday September 20th 10:00 am**

Sylvester & Laura Sechelski

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## **Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

**Saturday September 19th 4:15pm**

**Lectors:** Delores Posinski & Carolyn Kimich

**Rosary:** Susan Wisnoski

**Ushers:** Michael Wisnoski, Darrell Wagner, Stephen Pasket, Danny Pasket

**Altar Servers:** Andrew Borski, Jacob Borski, Evan Borski

**Sunday September 20th 8:00 am**

All Volunteers

**Sunday September 20th 10:00am**

**Lectors:** Bryan Burzynski

**Rosary:** Linda LaSalle

**Ushers:** Ben Leman, Carl Schroeder, Lance Schroeder, Ed Marek

**Altar Servers:** Zane Moriarty, Morgan Moriarty, Haden Sechelski



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please find a replacement

## Limitless Forgiveness

**W**hat makes seven such an important number?

It's the symbolism. It signifies wholeness, completeness, and totality. So, seventy-seven (or seventy times seven in some Bible translations) suggests infinity. Peter was exaggerating when he suggested that he might forgive his brother seven times. He presumed that if he acted in this way, his behavior would demonstrate the immeasurable extent of his personal graciousness. Jesus' response implied that there should be no end to our forgiving another. To underscore the significance of this magnanimity, Jesus offered God (in the guise of the king who forgave a huge debt) as the exemplar of forgiving.

Forgiving another's offense against us could well be one of the most difficult things we are asked to do. To ask for forgiveness does not seem as difficult. After all, when we bump into a perfect stranger in an elevator, we say, "Forgive me." But to forgive someone who has

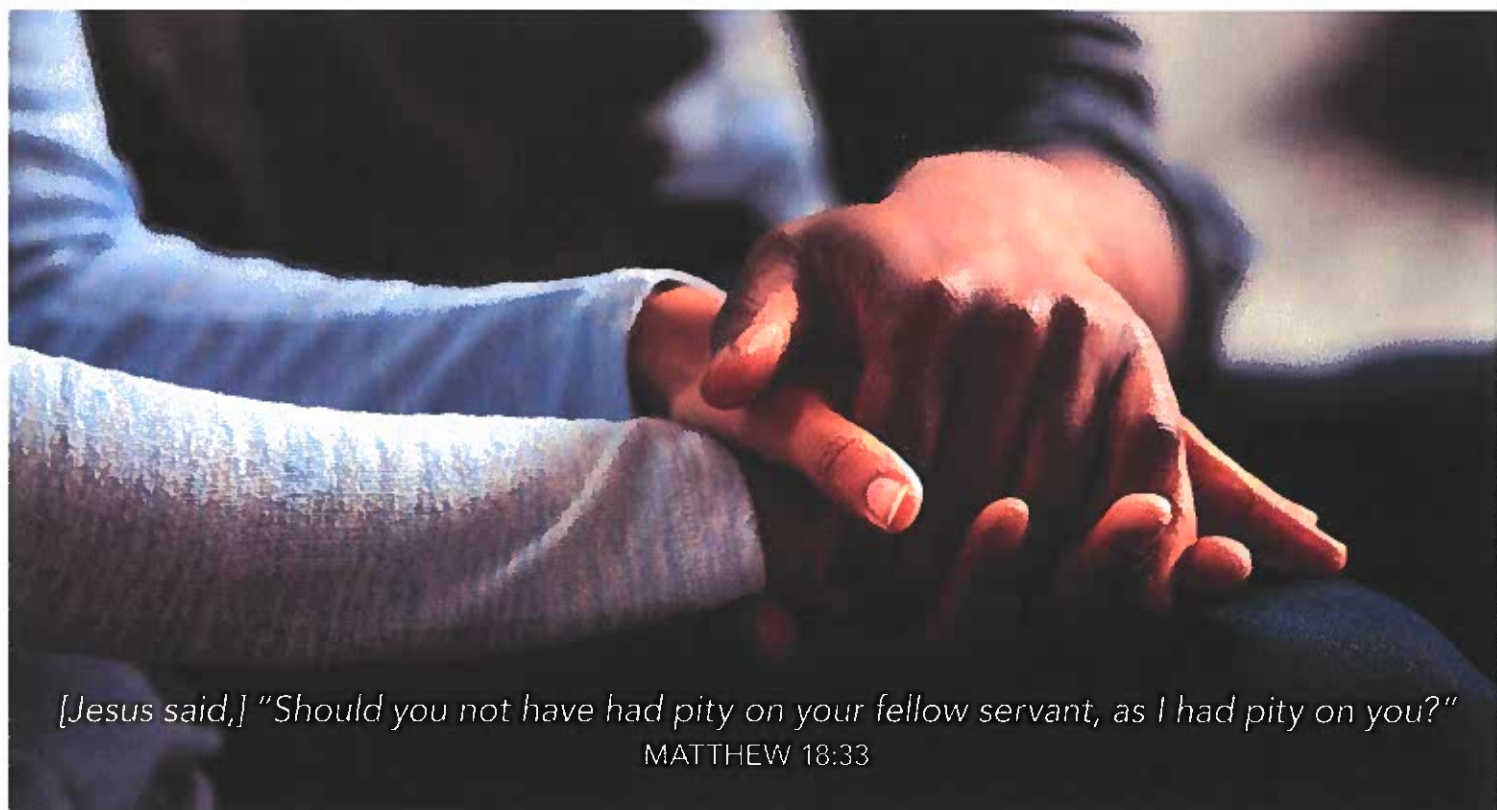
deliberately offended us, who has dishonored our sense of personal dignity, as slight as that offense might be, is neither as easy nor as casual a gesture. And yet, we must.

We all carry debts to others. Both the first reading and the Gospel passage remind us that the debts owed to us by others in no way compare with the debt we owe God, and yet God shows us compassion and forgives us. If we are grateful children of a compassionate God, we will want to be like God and we will forgive others.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR *Reflection*

- ★ Say the Lord's Prayer slowly, reflecting on "forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us."
- ★ Do you carry resentment in your heart? Does clinging to it lessen its burden in any way?



[Jesus said,] "Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?"

MATTHEW 18:33



# Dear Padre,

## We knew a beloved priest whose death was self-inflicted. What is the Church's stance on suicide?

**I** offer my heartfelt sympathy to you and the faith community for this tragic loss. "We are stewards, not owners, of the life God has entrusted to us. It is not ours to dispose of" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2280). Those who take their own life to end personal suffering assume a decision-making that belongs to God alone. However, the Church also acknowledges that "grave psychological disturbances, anguish, or grave fear of hardship, suffering, or torture can diminish the responsibility of the one committing suicide" (CCC 2282).

At the same time, the Church relies on the compassion of God, who fully knows the intensity of suffering that triggers suicide. Therefore, the Church pastorally states: "We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives. By ways known to him alone, God can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance. The Church prays for persons who have taken their own lives" (CCC 2283).

How, then, does the Church specifically pray for those who've committed suicide? Generally they're not deprived of full burial rites in the Church, which consoles the living and commends all of the dead "to God's merciful love and pleads for the forgiveness of their sins" (*Order of Christian Funerals*, 6). Nor are they deprived of burial in a Catholic cemetery—a sacred place that helps bring peace to those confronted by the sudden death of a suicide.



—ILARY SUSAN OSMAN / PEXELS

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR  
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### A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*The increase in the rates of suicide in your cities, as well as bullying and various kinds of neediness, are creating new forms of alienation....I ask you to pay special attention to [the young] and their needs. Try to create spaces...of generous and selfless love...to everyone, and not only to those who have "made it."*

—MEETING WITH BISHOPS, TOKYO, NOVEMBER 23, 2019



## Calendar

### Monday

SEPTEMBER 14

*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

Nm 21:4b–9

Phil 2:6–11

Jn 3:13–17

### Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 15

*Our Lady of Sorrows*

1 Cor 12:12–14, 27–31a

Jn 19:25–27 or

Lk 2:33–35

### Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 16

*Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

1 Cor 12:31–13:13

Lk 7:31–35

### Thursday

SEPTEMBER 17

*Weekday*

1 Cor 15:1–11

Lk 7:36–50

### Friday

SEPTEMBER 18

*Weekday*

1 Cor 15:12–20

Lk 8:1–3

### Saturday

SEPTEMBER 19

*Weekday*

1 Cor 15:35–37, 42–49

Lk 8:4–15

### Sunday

SEPTEMBER 20

*Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Is 55:6–9

Phil 1:20c–24, 27a

Mt 20:1–16a



## 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 September**

#### **Respect for the Plant's Resources**

We pray that the plant's resources will not be plundered,  
but shared in a just and respectful manner.

### **Announcements**

Special Mass on September 14th at 6:00 for the *Healing of the Sick*

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Adoration will start on Monday Sept. 14th 8:00 to 6:00

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On the weekend of September 19<sup>th</sup>, **Altar Servers** will resume serving at the Saturday 4:15 and Sunday 10:00 am mass. Please pick up a schedule today.

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### **CCE Registration**

CCE will be starting at home in September with the hope to begin in person in October at St. Stanislaus! Please register online at the link below ASAP so that the appropriate materials may be ordered.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe6hKQ-xeVKjPCq9wanJWPUPMENN5cvOI50pPM6RORt9eKc5w/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

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The office will be closed Friday Sept. 18th

Life always offers us choices – will we hold onto anger or choose to forgive? Will we live with a spirit of compassion or withhold mercy? Will we hold onto hurts and grievances or extend a hand in peace? Living out the commands of God is no easy task, but if we show mercy and forgiveness to others, we are assured of the same from our heavenly Father.

**Altar Society :** Meets the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be Thursday October 1st 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.

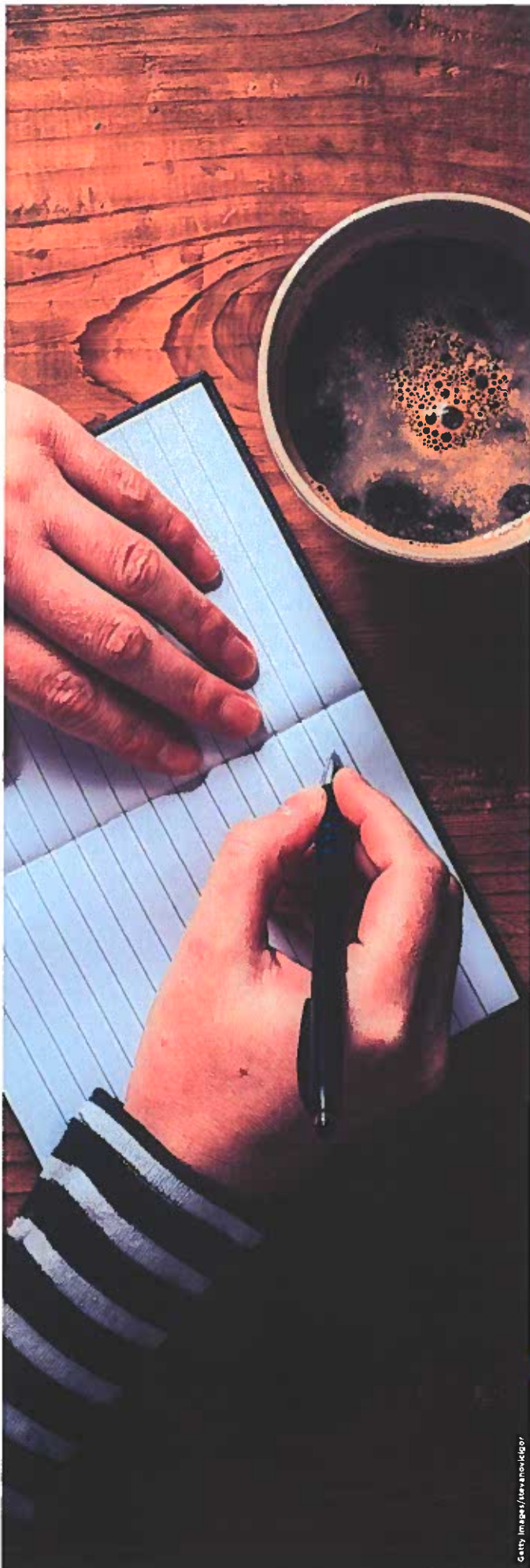
**Marriage:** There is a required preparation process that must be completed prior to one being married in the Catholic Church. Please call the office for more information.

**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.





September 13, 2020

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30–28:7 | Rom 14:7–9 | Mt 18:21–35

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

It's part of human nature to focus on the negative "headlines" on any given day. For example, after encountering a traffic delay due to a harmless fender bender on an otherwise uneventful commute, we are more likely to be upset and angry at the delay – and the people who caused it – rather than forgiving of the situation, and aware of the concurrent fact that we made it home safely! The author of the Book of Sirach seems to have this insight into humanity, for he describes wrath and anger as "hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight." I, too, have "hugged tight" to my anger at times over offenses real or perceived, and so I love the way Matthew's Gospel challenges us to not only let go of past hurts, but to forgive: forgive, forgive, forgive. It doesn't mean glossing over the human fender benders that can wreck relationships, but Jesus cautions us to prevent them from becoming the headlines of our lives. Instead, by opening our ears and our hearts to the Good News of God's forgiveness, we can, in turn, extend it to those who have hurt us.

### GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

When Jesus taught his disciples how to pray the *Our Father* in an earlier verse in Matthew's Gospel, he used these words: "forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors." Not, "maybe I'll think about forgiving tomorrow," or "I might forgive *this* but I can't forgive *that*." Because when we open our hearts to the Good News of God's forgiveness, we must forgive "from the heart," as Jesus says at the end of today's passage. Is there someone in our lives whom we need to forgive? What's holding us back? Are we "holding tight" to our anger, or hurt, or resentment? Think about a relationship in your life that could use some healing. Perhaps a first step involves a phone call, a letter, an email, or an embrace. In prayer, ask for God's help; seek forgiveness and ask for the grace to forgive others.

**ACTION** Think of someone or something that has caused you to hang on to anger or resentment. Write a letter [you're not going to send it!] to that person, or to the "event," as if it were personified. Spell out factually what caused your anger. Then write that you forgive them. Put the pen down, pray that God would help you with the grace to truly forgive, then shred the letter. And let the anger go.

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*Katelyn, blood drive organizer*



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**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 \$2,000   |
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| 7. Academy Gift Card - \$500                                      | Donated by the Pete Paskett Family        |
| 8. Barton 6 Piece Wicker Rattan Outdoor Rocking Chair Set - \$350 | Donated by David & Jesslyn Borski         |

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## **Bazaar News**

- Next Bazaar meeting is Wednesday September 16th at 6 pm in the Parish hall.  
All booth chairpersons are encouraged to attend.
- Raffle tickets
  - With a modified bazaar this year the selling of raffle tickets by each parish family is CRITICAL to our success.
  - If you have not picked up your raffle tickets, they will be mailed to you this week.
  - If you do not plan to attend the bazaar, please turn in your raffle tickets as soon as possible.
- Dinner tickets and Meat by the lb. will be presold after Mass starting the weekend of September 19-20, 2020
  - Dinner Tickets will be \$10/plate
  - Brisket by the lb. will be \$15 and Sausage will be \$10 per lb.

## **St. Stanislaus 2020 Bazaar “Bar-B-Q Benefactors”**

**The following have generously donated a total of \$7,200 toward  
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**A huge “THANK YOU” FROM Fr. Eli and all the St. Stanislaus  
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### Weekly Collections:

September 5th & 6th

\$4,723.00

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

September 26th & 27th Grocery booth

October 18th Propagation of Faith

### 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 Walkoviak



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

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