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September 27, 2020

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***Tuesday Noon***

***Wednesday Noon***

***Thursday Noon***

***Friday Noon***

***Saturday 4:15***

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

**September 27, 2020**

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

In love, God waits for us to turn to him.

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In our first reading, the Lord speaks to Israel through the prophet Ezekiel and tells them that the wicked who turn from sin shall live. In today's Epistle, Paul exhorts the Philippians to live in unity, taking Jesus as their example of humility. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons whose father asks them to work in the vineyard; the first son refuses, but later obeys.

## **Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday September 29th noon**

Living & deceased members of the John & Martha Seigle family

**Wednesday September 30th noon**

Living & deceased members of the  
John & Frances Wisnoski family

**Thursday October 1st noon**

Living & deceased members of the  
Pool, Mountain & Portesi families

**Friday October 2nd noon**

John, Maggie & Raymond Pasket,  
Dorothy Feehery

**Saturday October 3rd 4:15**

Anton & Geneva Sicinski,  
Daniel Sicinski & Deaven Szymanski

**Sunday October 4th 8:00 am**

Trey Barnett and family

**Sunday October 4th 10:00 am**

Living & deceased members of the  
Lewis & Verna Sechelski family

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If you cannot be present,  
please find a replacement

## **Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

### **Saturday October 3rd 4:15pm**

**Lectors:** Leonard Szymczak & Dana Wagner

**Altar Servers:** Christina Hluchan & Wyatt Marek

**Ushers:** Michael Wisnoski, Stephen Pasket, Johnny Pasket Jr., Danny Pasket

**Rosary:** Delores Posinski

### **Sunday October 4th 8:00 am**

**Volunteers**

**Rosary:** Barbara Dibello

### **Sunday October 4th 10:00am**

**Lectors:** Gail Sowell & Jamie Diehl

**Altar Servers:** Tyler Abraham, Hannah Abraham & William Abraham

**Ushers:** Stan Sechelski, Jerome Klawinsky, Ian Campbell, Ben Leman

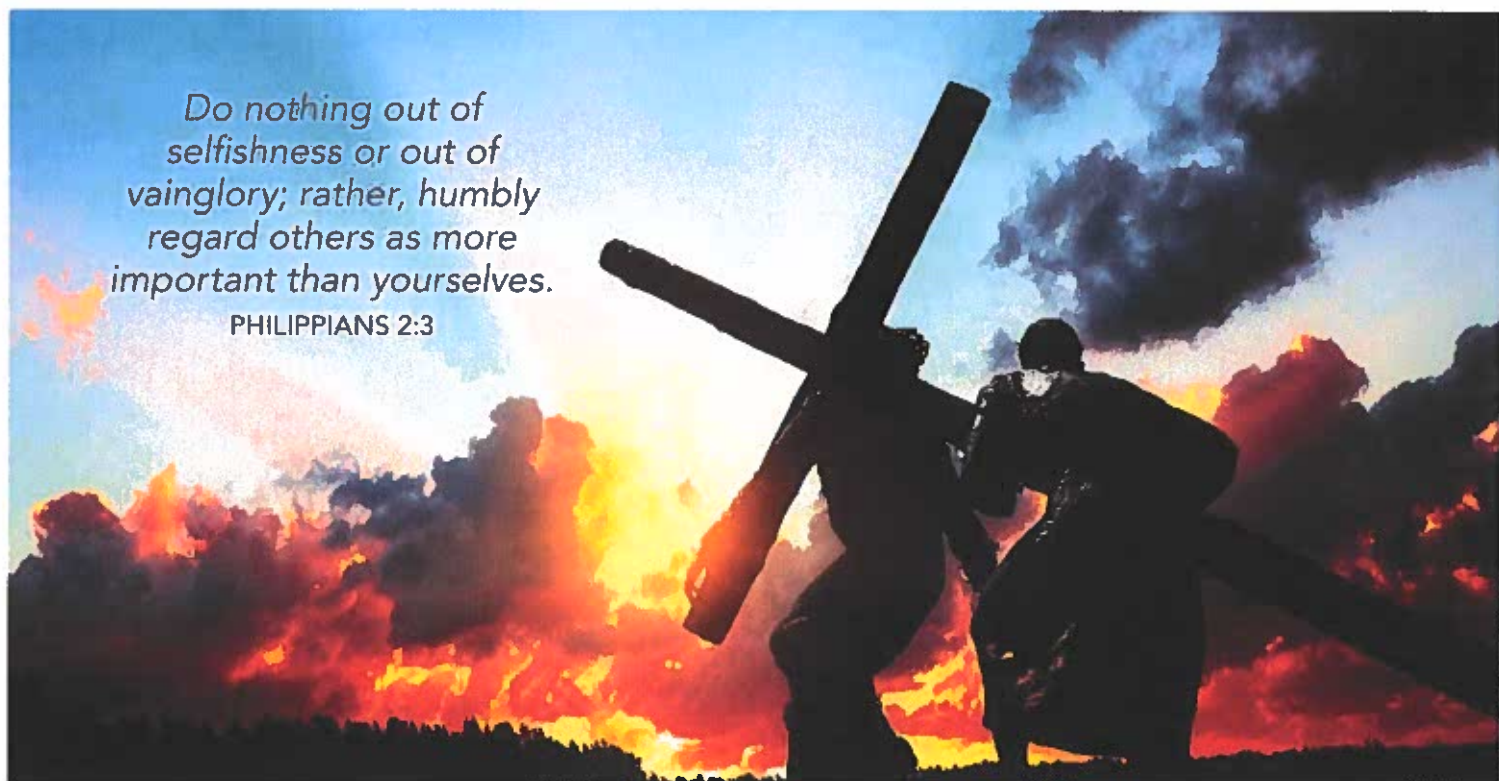
**Rosary:** Eugene Yanchak



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*Do nothing out of  
selfishness or out of  
vainglory; rather, humbly  
regard others as more  
important than yourselves.*

PHILIPPIANS 2:3



## He Emptied Himself

**I**n the Gospels, Jesus seldom teaches doctrine. Rather, the stories themselves provide examples of how we are to model our lives after him. He was a man for others, a compassionate healer, an understanding friend. As clear as such stories might be, because we can be selfish people, the example they offer us is difficult to follow. If it is hard to follow a man who lived a human life with others, how are we to follow the example sketched by Paul in today's second reading?

Paul declares in Philippians: "Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus" (2:5). What attitude is he talking about? Jesus emptied himself of the preeminence that was rightly his as possessing "equality with God" (2:6). He did not demand that they treat him with the reverence and veneration that was due him. Rather, "he emptied himself...he humbled himself" (2:7, 8).

Why does Paul insist on this? It seems the Philippians were having internal problems that were threatening their unity. Various forms of arrogance were tearing them apart: *Don't you know who I am? I am a celebrity. I have more money. I know the right people. And who are you? Who do you know? What can you do?* These attitudes of arrogance infect our communities even today. To this Paul proclaims: If Jesus, who "though he was in the form of God" (2:6) could empty himself of such dignity for the sake of others, you certainly should be able to put aside your trivial vainglory and be "united in heart" (2:2).

Can we?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR *Reflection*

- ✱ *In what circumstances does your arrogance raise its ugly head? What do you do about that?*
- ✱ *What might you do to strengthen the bonds of unity in your family? Your workplace? Your parish?*



# Dear Padre,

**Where does the tradition of praying with your hands together originate? I pray with my fingers intertwined. Is that acceptable?**

**A**ccording to the *Caeremoniale Episcoporum* (The Ceremonial of Bishops, 1985), “palms extended and joined together in the front of the breast, with the right thumb over the left in the form of a cross” (CE 107, n. 80) is the correct Catholic hand posture at Mass and prayer.

The origin of praying with hands folded is not known, but there’s mention of it in the Jewish Talmud. Historians have also asserted that it’s modeled on the practice of citizens in ancient Rome who joined their hands in the presence of rulers to communicate loyalty and submission to that higher authority.

Gestures and postures should allow our whole body to pray, as well as our heart and mind. Moreover, they are expressions of our faith. For example,

like the early Christians, we stand during prayer and worship to express our readiness for Christ’s return, and as a sign of reverence to hear the gospels. Kneeling and striking the breast are expressions of penitence, humility, and our lowliness before God.

Likewise, at Mass the priest assumes the ancient posture of outstretched arms and hands, slightly elevated, to symbolize surrender in a gesture that reverences Christ’s outstretched arms on the cross. When we join hands together in prayer, it’s a gesture of supplication and a symbol of total submission to God, our supreme authority.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR  
[Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)



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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Today let us look at our hands, so often empty of love, and let us try to think of some free gift that we can give without expecting anything in return. That will please the Lord. And let us ask him: “Lord, let me rediscover the joy of giving.”*

—EPIPHANY SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2018

## Calendar

### Monday

SEPTEMBER 28

Weekday

Jb 1:6–22

Lk 9:46–50

### Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 29

Sts. Michael, Gabriel,  
and Raphael,  
Archangels

Dn 7:9–10, 13–14

or Rv 12:7–12a

Jn 1:47–51

### Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 30

St. Jerome,  
Priest and  
Doctor of the Church

Jb 9:1–12, 14–16

Lk 9:57–62

### Thursday

OCTOBER 1

St. Thérèse of the  
Child Jesus, Virgin and  
Doctor of the Church

Jb 19:21–27

Lk 10:1–12

### Friday

OCTOBER 2

Holy Guardian Angels  
Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5  
Mt 18:1–5, 10

### Saturday

OCTOBER 3

Weekday  
Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17  
Lk 10:17–24

### Sunday

OCTOBER 4

Twenty-seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Is 5:1–7  
Phil 4:6–9  
Mt 21:33–43

October 2020

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September 27, 2020

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28 | Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 | Mt 21:28-32

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

I've always had a bit of a recalcitrant streak. Ask me to do something, and I'll happily oblige. Order me to do something, and I'll set my jaw. So, I can relate to the first son's knee-jerk reply when told (not asked) to work in the vineyard. "I will not." Yet, despite this initial reaction, the first son obeyed his father's command. He "changed his mind and went." I didn't see it at first, but this parable is not about a clash of wills but obedience – not blind obedience, but choosing to turn over our lives to the will of the Father. The longer version of Paul's Letter to the Philippians illustrates this beautifully, challenging us to imitate Jesus: "He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." As human beings, we have the freedom to choose to place God's will and the needs of others before our own. It doesn't mean being a doormat, but rather having a healthy humility and willingness to "change our minds (and hearts)" to better conform to the example of Jesus. As the *catechism* reminds us in this gem about obedience: "The more one does what is good, the freer one becomes. There is no true freedom except in the service of what is good and just." (1733)

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Have you ever kicked a bad habit, such as eating too many sweets, falling down the social media rabbit hole, or failure to floss? I've occasionally pulled it off (well, for a few days anyway), but I find it's much tougher to change habits of my mind and heart. In today's Gospel, the first son *changes* his mind, and his heart. This is what Jesus asks of us as well: a change of heart and mind toward love and obedience, wherever it is needed in our lives. For starters, it could mean taking a few moments to pray for guidance each morning before jumping full-speed ahead into our personal agenda. We can ask God to show us how to align our lives more closely with his will for us – through prayer, reading the Scriptures, and reflecting on areas in our lives that need an overhaul. Our "yes" to working in the vineyard begins by attending to what God has shown us, and leads us to even greater freedom in Christ.

**PRAY** Need a spiritual jump-start? Pray the Daily Examen, an ancient practice from St. Ignatius Loyola of peacefully reflecting on the events of the day in order to detect the presence of God's Spirit and discern his will for you.

**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.

**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 .  
Spaghetti Dinner Oct. 16th

**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.



## 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

### **Bazaar News**

#### **Raffle tickets**

With a modified bazaar this year the selling of raffle tickets by each parish family is **CRITICAL** to our success.

If you did not receive your raffle ticket, please come to the office to pick some up.

If you have sold all of your ticket, you can pickup more in the office.

If you do not plan to attend the bazaar, please turn in your raffle tickets as soon as possible.

Dinner tickets, Brisket by the lb. tickets and Sausage by the lb. tickets will be presold after weekend Masses.

Dinner Tickets will be \$10/plate

Brisket by the lb. will be \$15 and Sausage will be \$10 per lb.

We ask that the ladies of the parish to bake at least one or more cake, pie, batch of cookies or pan of kolaches for the bazaar. Foil pans are available.

We are collecting items and/or cash for Babusha's Porch and the Toy Booth.

You can drop off at the office Tuesday to Friday or in the parish hall on Saturday and Sunday before and after masses.

Work days in preparation for the Bazaar will begin on October 3th and October 10th at 8:30 am, your help is greatly appreciated.

The Father calls each of us, daughters and sons, to participate in his work. Will we go to his vineyard? Even if we have said "no" 10 times, we can turn around! With the Father's help, we can turn from disobedience to obedience – from sinfulness to grace. The Father waits patiently, and is always welcoming.





**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<br>In memory of Larry Sechelski Sr \$1,000<br>Donated by Gary & Bonnie Klodzinski \$500<br>Donated by Ed & Linda Marek \$500<br>Donated by D & R Specialties, Inc \$500<br>Donated by Anderson Mini Storage \$350<br>Donated by Buckner's Jewelry<br>Donated by Serres & Son Plumbing<br>Donated by Michael & Susan Wisnoski<br>Donated by Mark & Bridget Kelley<br>Donated by Joe & Linda Vitanza \$250<br>Donated by Jim & Shirley Hesse \$250<br>Donated by the Pete Paskett Family<br>Donated by David & Jesslyn Borski |
| 2. Howard Miller Wall Clock - \$600                               |   |
| 3. Visa Gift Card - \$500   |   |
| 4. Visa Gift Card - \$500   |   |
| 5. Wal-Mart Gift Card - \$500                                     |   |
| 6. Lowe's Gift Card - \$500                                       |   |
| 7. Academy Gift Card - \$500                                      |   |
| 8. Barton 6 Piece Wicker Rattan Outdoor Rocking Chair Set - \$350 |   |

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**\$10.00 per ticket**

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

**The following have generously donated a total of \$7,200 toward  
the cost of our meat this year:**

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  - Thomas Ranch - Bill Thomas
  - Tom & Jeanette Upton

**A huge “THANK YOU” FROM Fr. Eli and all the St. Stanislaus  
Parishioners!**

### Weekly Collections:

September 19th & 20th

\$3,270.67

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

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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