



September 19, 2021

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Mass Schedule

Wednesday Noon

Friday Noon

Saturday 4:15pm

Sunday 10:00

Office hours are Tuesday-Friday

8:00 to 4:00

September 19, 2021

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

Jesus calls us to humble service



In Wisdom, the wicked speak of testing *the just one* until he sins or until God intervenes. In the second reading, James says that *the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace*. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus teaches about his passion but the disciples do not understand; he then demands humble service of his followers.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday September 22nd noon

Stella Bronikowski

Friday September 24th noon

Alex Kimich Sr., Ralph Spradlin

Alex & Shirley Kosteck

Saturday September 25th 4:15pm

Sally & Louis Sechelski

Ignatius & Sofie Sechelski

Sunday September 26th 10:00 am

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Liturgical Ministers Schedule



Saturday September 25th 4:15 pm

Lectors:

Susan Wisnoski & Shirley Hesse

Rosary:

Delores Posinski

Altar Servers: Christina Hluchan, Wyatt Marek, Maggie Borski, Myles Borski

Ushers: Danny Pasket, Darrell Wagner, Johnny Pasket Jr., Stephen Pasket

Sunday September 26th 10:00 am

Lectors:

Marion Szymczak & Larry Sechelski Jr.

Rosary:

Linda LaSalle

Altar Servers: Owen Otto, Evan Otto, Jonathon Ritchie

Ushers: Gene Yanchak, Dennis Sechelski, Roger Vezurk, Marcus Klawinsky

If you cannot be present, please find a replacement

Sept. 19, 2021

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20 | Jas 3:16—4:3 | Mk 9:30-37

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

I have a competitive nature. As an older runner, I strive to place high in my age group (maybe even pick off runners older than I one at a time as we near the finish of a race – of course, I can neither confirm nor deny that). Oh, to be first! There is nothing inherently wrong with healthy competition. However, constantly striving to be the “best” or the “first” in other areas of life – career, parenting, even holiness – can quickly lead to frustration and burnout. As the disciples jostled for “first place,” Jesus gently but directly corrected them: “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” Like the Apostles, we tend to focus on our achievements as a measure of our worth, forgetting why we are here: to serve others. We can ask Jesus to help us gain the “wisdom from above” and the characteristics so beautifully described by Saint James: pure, peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Reading today’s Gospel from Mark, I am struck by the image of Jesus embracing a child: “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” Most of us picture our own children, grandchildren, godchildren, nieces, or nephews. Of course we would embrace them! However, Scripture scholars point out that for Jesus, the child symbolized the *anawim*, a Hebrew word for the poor, the lowly, the vulnerable, the oppressed. Picture, then, not just children but those we might be less eager to immediately embrace: ragged men on the corner, immigrants at the border, the neighbor’s son with schizophrenia, prisoners or ex-convicts. Jesus challenges us not to avert our eyes but to “embrace” them – whether that means offering a cup of coffee, becoming a pen pal, stopping to chat, or finding another way to accompany them. Scholars tell us that the *anawim* share a total dependence upon God, something we all have in common regardless of our life’s circumstances.

ACTIONS Seek “wisdom from above” at the beginning of each day. In the evening, reflect on the ways God has held you in his loving embrace through the kindness of others, moments in nature, simple pleasures. Say thank you.



The Price of Goodness

We all know genuinely good people. Somehow they are able to live the virtues of their religious tradition. It might even appear that it is easy for them to do so. One would think that such good people would be valued. Well, yes and no. While we might truly value the goodness of others, that goodness can also shame us. And there is the rub. People are uncomfortable with the realization that they are not as good as they think—or not as good as others might view them. Today's readings underscore the price we might have to pay for such goodness.

The first reading describes a plot being devised to get rid of a righteous person whose goodness has become “annoying” (Wisdom 2:12). This is not someone who flaunts goodness; it is a genuinely good person, one who is referred to as “the righteous one” (2:18). (Here “son of God” simply means someone belonging to the people of God.) The plotters insist

that God will come to the rescue if the righteous one is truly good. The petitions in the psalm response are placed on the lips of that righteous one. Like many good Bible stories, this story is open-ended. We do not know what happens. The price paid for righteousness is found in the Gospel passage as well. Here the righteous one is Jesus. Though we know how his story ends, here the disciples did not.

Today we are faced with the starkness of these stories. Are we willing to pay the price of goodness?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *Where in your life do your religious values conflict with social norms?*
- ★ *Do you ever resent the goodness of others? If so, what might you do about it?*

*[Jesus said,] “If anyone wishes to be first,
he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.”*

MARK 9:35



Dear Padre,

In Bible times why did people sacrifice animals, children, and other living beings for their own sins?

The practice of human and animal sacrifice is at least as old as written history, including in our own Scripture. Few stories are more chilling than when God asks Abraham to sacrifice his son, or when Jephthah sacrifices his daughter (Genesis 22; Judges 11). In scriptural theology, one's sins merited punishment and even death, but an animal or other person could be chosen to take one's place. God, in his mercy, instituted this animal sacrificial system as a symbol, foreshadowing Jesus' sacrifice for our sins (Genesis 8:20; Hebrews 10:1-18). In the New Testament, Jesus understood his mission as sacrificing his own life as a ransom for many (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was at the cost of death. However, to say that Jesus' death was payment for



our sins is not to say that a vengeful God was appeased by the sacrifice of his own innocent Son. Rather, Christ was willing to liberate us when he "bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that... by his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24).

Thus, "it is love 'to the end' (John 13:1) that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus' death was a payment—not one to be exacted—but a unique sacrifice that "completes and surpasses all other sacrifices" (CCC 614).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

The Catechism firmly states that human power has limits and that "it is contrary to human dignity to cause animals to suffer or die needlessly." All such use and experimentation "requires a religious respect for the integrity of creation."

ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME (LAUDATO SI'), MAY 24, 2015

Calendar

Monday

SEPTEMBER 20

Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

Ezr 1:1-6

Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 21

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13

Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 22

Weekday

Ezr 9:5-9

Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

SEPTEMBER 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Hg 1:1-8

Lk 9:7-9

Friday

SEPTEMBER 24

Weekday

Hg 2:1-9

Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 25

Weekday

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a

Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday

SEPTEMBER 26

Twenty-sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Nm 11:25-29

Jas 5:1-6

Mk 9:38-43,

45, 47-48

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St. Stanislaus Kostka



Sunday October 10th, 2021

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David & Pearl Busa, Lee & Hattie Pavlock

Lowe's Gift Card - \$500 \$250 Joe & Linda Vitanza

\$250 In honor of Father Eli

Academy Gift Card - \$500 Jo Ella & Bob Dixon

Home Depot Gift Card - \$500 Glenn & Doris Michalak

\$10.00 per ticket (need not be present to win)

Tickets courtesy of the First National Bank of Anderson, Member FDIC

We are asking for partial or full donations for the prizes, your support is very much appreciated.

We are collecting items the follow booths for this year's bazaar.
Items can be dropped off at the office.

Outdoor Booth

\$15 to \$20 NEW Items

Fishing ~ Hunting

Camo ~ Coolers ~Sports Items

Baked Goods Booth

Kolaches, Cakes, Pies, Breads

Cookies, Spicy crackers, etc.

(Foil pans will be available in church)

Babusha's Porch

Handmade and Homemade Items

Jelly, jams, pickles, crafts.

(Foil pans available)

Restaurant Booth

(New booth to St. Stanislaus)

Donations of restaurant

gift cards. \$10 min value

- 2nd Collection for grocery booth September 18 & 19
- Bazaar workdays Sept. 25th, Oct. 2nd and 9th starting at 8:30
- This year we are adding homemade coleslaw to the dinner.
Prep day Friday October 8th at 6:00pm. Volunteers needed.
- Presale of dinner tickets starting after mass Sept. 18 & 19
 - Presale of t-shirts starting after mass Sept. 18 & 19
- Ladies of the parish, we are requesting homemade desserts to sever with meals & for the Baked Goods Booth. Foil pans available.

St. Stanislaus Catholic Church - 67th Bazaar T-shirt Order Form



SIZE (circle)	TYPE (circle)	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
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2XL	Bella Canvas Navy	\$20		
	Men's Gildan Dri Fit Navy	\$20		
3XL	Bella Canvas Navy	\$22		
	Men's Gildan Dri Fit Navy	\$22		
Grand Total				

-All orders due by September 20, 2021 and make checks payable to St. Stanislaus Catholic Church

-Any questions please call or text Jesslyn Borski @936-577-5072

St. Stanislaus 2021 Bazaar “Bar-B-Q Benefactors”

**The following have generously donated a total of \$8,000 toward
the cost of our meat this year:**

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

Welcome to St. Stanislaus Kostka

Please contact the parish office if you wish to become a member register 936-873-2291

Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions September

Universal Intentions: An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our people who are resolutely committed to this.

Announcements

Together in Holiness Marriage Conference

Saturday, September 25, 2021

St. Theresa in Sugar Land and Sts. Simon and Jude in The Woodlands

Presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation

Registration: \$59/couple and \$35/individual Early Bird discount available until August 2.

Scholarships available upon request; please inquire. On-site childcare (2-12yrs); pre-registration required.

For more information, please visit togetherinholiness.org or email th@forlifeandfamily.org.

We now have a signup sheet for altar flowers. Please call the office to sign up.

Today's altar flowers are in Celebration of
Gerald and Mary Catherine Schroeder 50th wedding anniversary.

Wednesday Devotional Group

Called to Grow. Meeting each Wednesday at 10:30 am at St. Stanislaus CCE building.

Children Welcome. Studying the book The Lamb's Supper by Scott Hahn.

A common thread in today's readings is that the marks of faithfulness are humility, peacemaking, and service to the lowliest among us. In the midst of cynicism, which is so often the reality of our modern world, how can we better witness to the world the peace of Christ?

Altar Society: Meets the first Thursday September to May. The next meeting will be Thursday October 7th 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 1st 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: Choir practice is on Thursday evenings beginning at 6:15pm in the church. Contact Leo Hock at 713-435-9949 for more information.

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 or call (832) 532-0129, or email 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 2nd Tuesday at 7pm. Please join us. All Catholic men are welcome. **Next blood drive November 14th**
Contact Deen Miller 936-524-1700 for membership information.
And James Moran 936-825-7866 for rental information .

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

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

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

St. Vincent de Paul: The 3rd Wednesday of the month (September 15th) 5:00 p.m. *at Knights of Columbus Hall Anderson.*

12 Hour Adoration: Our church is open every Monday 8 am to 8 pm. September 13th to end of May. Everyone is welcome to join in the worship with the scheduled persons.

Upcoming 2nd Collections:

9-26 St. Vincent de Paul (Local)

10-3 DSF

10-17 DSF

DSF Update

Parish goal

\$21,500

As of Sept. 12

\$18,476

Weekly Collections:

September 11 & 12

\$3,601.00



Please pray for those in active military duty:

Andrew Anderson, Austin Barnes, Andrew Burzynski, Lukas Diorio, Don Fontaine, Travis Hayes, Cody Klawinsky, Travis Klawinsky, Stash Allen Kurten, Joe A. Lopez, Matthew Macejewski, John McKnight, Shelby Seale, Phillip Walkoviak, Travis Watson

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

Dody Abbott, Mandi Alford, Dana Briers, Timothy Busa, Valerie Busa, Pat Dave, Donna Emmette, Margaret Fann, John Faust, Briley Gladney, Dolores Holler, Kyle Klawinsky, Elizabeth Kojis, Florence Lara, Andy McCleney, Desire Oliver, Matt Oliver, Henry Ostermann, Charlie Pasket, Tina Pasket, Laura Pursley, Marcus Reaves, Veronica Sewell, Sherrie Shiflett, Josephine Schwenke, Dennis Sechelski, Chris Szymczak, LaNell Szymczak, Philip Vezorak, Anna Mae Vezurk, Joe Vitanza, Dennis Wehmeyer, Johnny Wisnoski, Fr. Louis Sikorski

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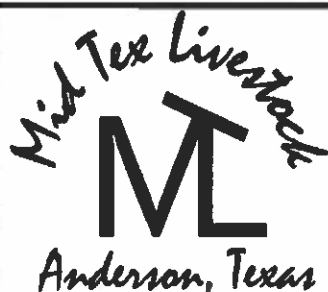
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