

January 16, 2022

# St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church

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Anderson, TX 77830
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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

# Mass Schedule

Wednesday Noon
Friday Noon
Saturday 4:15 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

Office hours

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 to 4:00

# **Pastoral Staff**

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Kim Ritchie

#### **RCIC**

Dana Wagner

# **January 16, 2022**

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

God intends to make each one of us a new creation in Jesus Christ.



In the first reading, Isaiah prophesies Zion's reversal of fortune. Saint Paul writes to the Corinthians that all have been endowed with different gifts and charisms, each generated by the same God - Father, Son, and Spirit. In the Gospel, Jesus and his mother attend a wedding at Cana in Galilee. When they run out of wine, Mary instructs the servers, do whatever he tells you. Jesus turns water into wine.

# Mass Intentions

Wednesday January 19th noon Harold, Dorothy & Bobby Borski Friday January 21st noon Daniel Sicinski, Deaven Szymanski Deacon Anton & Geneva Sicinski Saturday January 22nd 4:15

Felix Kimich, Patrick Busa Walter & Agnes Kimich and Agnes & Stash Sechelski Sr. families Sunday January 23rd 10:00

Deceased members of the Frank & Sally Szymczak family Building

# Father Eli

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Lectors:

Rosary:

**Ushers:** 

# **Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

Saturday January 22nd 4:15 pm

Leonard Szymczak & Dana Wagner

**Dorothy Pasket** Rosary:

Jillian Wisnoski, Zoey Smith, Wyatt Marek Altar Servers:

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

# Sunday January 23rd 10:00 am

TEEN MINISTRY Lectors:

Janet Bienski

James Leman, Ben Leman Jr., Luke Leman Altar Servers:

TEEN MINISTRY

If you cannot be present, please find a replacement



# Owr Parish GOMMUNITY

#### January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Is 62:1-5 1 Cor 12:4-11 In 2:1-11



# What's New?

ew parties are more enjoyable than a wedding celebration. While the elegance of the flowers and the extravagance of the food and beverages captivate our senses, the real excitement is the love and promise of newness. New relationships are forged, a new family is created, and there's the possibility of new life. No wonder the relationship between God and the people is often described in marriage imagery, as we see in today's first reading.

This Old Testament passage is post-exilic. The alienation from God is over; the people and God are now reconciled. Much of the language suggests relationship: no longer *forsaken* or *desolate*, but now a *delight* and *espoused* (see Isaiah 62:4). Despite having been betrayed, God's mercy has transformed the nation back to its virginal state: "As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you" (62:5). This newness is something to celebrate.

The messianic character of the Cana story has long been recognized. All the newness I mentioned earlier is there, but newness now pertains to the entire community of believers and not simply to the marriage couple, who have no idea what is happening. An important detail of this story is the nature of the wine. What was originally water for ceremonial cleansing was transformed into wine, the quality of which was outstanding. This imagery tells us that there is a messianic banquet awaiting us, one that celebrates our intimate union with God. The joy we experience then will be intoxicating.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

# FOR Reflection

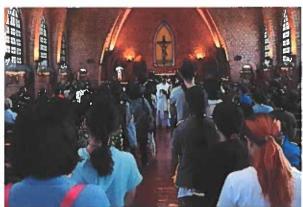
- \* How might you describe your relationship with God?
- Do you feel alienated from God? Remember, God's mercy can change that.

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# Dear Padre,

# I work hard all week and look forward to sleeping in on Sundays. Why should I get out of bed and go to Mass?

imagine that your parish provides suitable Mass times, even for late sleepers. But there are overpowering reasons for attending Mass. First, I'll discuss how the Mass is our present-day connection with the Last Supper, the Passover meal Jesus celebrated with his apostles. As observant Jews, they commemorated their ancestors' escape from slavery in Egypt. Jesus used his



final Passover meal to teach us how to escape a bondage crueler than the Jews experienced in Egypt—the enslavement of sin.

The next day, Good Friday, Jesus would die on the cross. Think of it: Jesus, the second person of the Trinity, became human to teach us about God's love for

us. The people's reaction to this goodness was to kill Jesus in an inhuman way.

In response, God would have been justified in destroying the world, as he did in reaction to the people's depravities during Noah's time. Instead, God gave us further evidence of his patience and forgiveness. There is nothing our Father would not forgive, including the sin of killing Jesus. At the Last Supper, Jesus said: "This is my blood..., which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins" (Matthew 26:28).

Jesus' death, which we remember during the Mass, liberates us from sin. It also liberates us from death itself. Because Jesus in his mortal body was willing to die, he shows us the plan God the Father has for each of us—a resurrection like Jesus'. The Eucharist is our thanksgiving for these gifts from God.

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

# A WORD FROM Pope Francis

We go to Mass because we are sinners and we want to receive God's pardon, to participate in the redemption of Jesus, in his forgiveness. The confession which we make at the beginning is not pro forma. It is a real act of repentance! I am a sinner and I confess it—this is how the Mass begins!

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

#### Calendar

Monday JANUARY 17 St. Anthony, Abbot

1 Sm 15:16-23 Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday JANUARY 18 Weekday 1 Sm 16:1–13 Mk 2:23–28

Wednesday JANUARY 19 Weekday 1 Sm 17:32–33, 37, 40–51 Mk 3:1–6

Thursday JANUARY 20 *Weekday* 1 Sm 18:6–9; 19:1–7 Mk 3:7–12

Friday
JANUARY 21
St. Agnes,
Virgin and Martyr
1 Sm 24:3–21
Mk 3:13–19

Saturday
JANUARY 22
Day of Prayer for
the Legal Protection
of Unborn Children
2 Sm 1:1–4, 11–12,
19, 23–27
Mk 3:20–21

Sunday
JANUARY 23
Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Neh 8:2–4a, 5–6, 8–10
1 Cor 12:12–30
or 12:12–14, 27
Lk 1:1–4; 4:14–21

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# 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 January**

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

# **Announcements**

ALL flowers in the cemetery will be removed the 1st week of February, weather permitting.

Please remember our neighbors in need with your food or cash donations to our local St. Vincent de Paul



"All those who love the poor in life, will have nothing to fear from death."

St. Vincent de Paul

#### NO GREATER LOVE, A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH CHRIST'S PASSION

A 5 Week Study on Christ's Passion Narrated by Edward Sri, and Filmed in the Holy Land.
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Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and continue until Monday, March 7. 2022 6:00 pm – 8:00pm St. Patrick's Hall 510 Manley Street, Navasota TX

To register please contact Helen Kimball at <a href="helen.kimball@outlook.com">helen.kimball@outlook.com</a> or call 832-771-3001.

Helen will order the study guides, and will be available for pick up the first class night.

The cost for the study guides is \$27.00.

Flowers on the altar are in memory of Joyce Ostermann

Isaiah encourages the people, giving them hope for the future and reminding them of God's love for them. We can take encouragement from these same words, especially since Christ has come for us. The Lord longs to breathe his divine life into each of us, making us new and whole.

<u>Altar Society:</u> Meets the first Thursday September to May. The next meeting will be Thursday <u>February 3rd at 6:00</u> in the rectory. All Catholic ladies are welcome.

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

<u>Birthdays & Anniversaries:</u> 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.

<u>Cemetery Guidelines:</u> If you have any questions of concerns pertaining to the cemetery, please contract Charles Posinski at 936-873-2113. If work needs to be done you must call Charles Posinski first. *The first week of February and August, <u>ALL flowers will be removed.</u>* 

**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 <a href="www.gratiaplenacounseling.org">www.gratiaplenacounseling.org</a> or call (832) 532-0129, or email <a href="mailto:info@gratiaplenacounseling.org">info@gratiaplenacounseling.org</a>

**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. Next blood drive March 6th. Tamale sale on January 30th after mass.

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

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: Next meeting to be announced. For Help the number is 936-873-5002

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.

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit."

(1 COR 12:4)

January 16, 2022

# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5 | 1 Cor 12:4-11 | Jn 2:1-11

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

It was several years ago now, but the scene is still vivid in my mind. My son stood confidently in front of the altar as the music rose in a crescendo and his bride stepped into sight. The love and joy he felt trickled down his cheek as she walked down the aisle. He broke into a smile as she joined him, and proudly took her hand to promise to become one with her forever. Isaiah writes: "As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you." Isaiah was talking about the nation of Israel. but God loves and rejoices in each of his children and wants us to know the joy of being loved by him. He generously shares his gifts with us, "different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit," St. Paul explains to the Corinthians. All spiritual gifts come from God, and all are important and necessary: "To each individual, the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." God's gifts are distributed uniquely to each person to use in our own unique way to "announce his salvation, day after day," and invite others to discover the joy of his great love.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

You are a masterpiece! This message was conveyed at the camp our diocese held each year to help teens recognize that they are God's beloved sons and daughters, called and gifted by the Holy Spirit to be missionary disciples. Discerning what our gifts are and how to use them can be challenging. The Gospel about the wedding at Cana offers an interesting guide. Mary tells the waiters, "Do whatever he tells you." By reserving time for listening and not speaking during prayer, we can hear what Jesus is "telling" us. Jesus then says to the waiters, "Fill the jars with water." We can "fill our jars" with the knowledge of how to live as disciples by reflecting on Scripture. Finally, Jesus tells the waiters, "Draw some out." We can "draw" on his love for strength and courage when we need it, but more importantly, we are called to "draw some out" to share with others. In sharing the "good wine," the Good News of Jesus Christ, others will begin to believe in him, too.

**PRAYER** As the new year gets under way, devote time to discerning the unique spiritual gifts, or charisms, you have been given. Make time for silent prayer and reflecting on Scripture each day.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections

1-23-22 Bishops' Fund for Latin America

# **Weekly Collections**

January 8 & 9 \$5,391.00 St Vincent de Paul (Local) \$759.00

# 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

Sam Bova, Marilyn Frenzel, Dolores Holler,
Henry Ostermann, Adam Pasket, Charlie Pasket, Tina Pasket,
Dave Pierce, Laura Pursley, Avery Russell, Charles Russell,
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