

St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston



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Tuesday—Friday 8:00 to 4:00

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WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil: 4:15pm

Sunday: 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASS

Wednesday & Friday noon

ROSARY

Saturday: 3:45pm

Sunday: 9:30am

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

Wednesday & Friday noon mass

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00

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November 12th 2023 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2023

Always be prepared to welcome Christ, for we know neither the day nor the hour of his arrival.

The first reading speaks of the attributes of wisdom, and the importance of the love of wisdom, as it is the *perfection of prudence*. In the second reading, Paul encourages people of faith to hold on to hope in the Resurrection. In the Gospel, Jesus tells a parable where five virgins were ready for the bridegroom and five were not. Those who were not ready missed out on the wedding feast.

Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

Matthew 25:13



Mass Time & Intentions
Wednesday November 15th noon

Edward Pasket

Friday November 17th noon

Sammy Sopchak,
Leon & Ophelia Ketkoski

Saturday November 18th 4:15

John & Christine Demny

Sunday November 19th 10:00

Tony & Alice Szymczak

Father Giovanni Nguyen

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Please contact the parish office if you wish to become a register member

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Liturgical Ministers Schedule



Saturday November 18th 4:15 pm

Lectors:

Delores Posinski & Joan Pushee'

EMHC:

Gary Klodzinski & Susan Wisnoski

Rosary:

Delores Posinski

Altar Servers: Maggie Borski, Myles Borski, Dominic Walker

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

Sunday November 19th 10:00 am

Lectors:

Brian Burzynski & Ian Campbell

EMHC:

David Borski, Kelley Bohnert, Linda LaSalle, Diane Sechelski

Rosary:

Linda LaSalle

Altar Servers: William Abraham, Jessica Abraham, Morgan Moriarty

Ushers: Marcus Klawinsky, Darrin Pasket, Carl Schroeder, Lance Schroeder

If you cannot be present, please find a replacement



The Light of Wisdom

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

[Jesus said,] "Stay awake,
for you know neither the day nor the hour."

MATTHEW 25:13



The dark of night can unsettle and frighten children, but darkness can disturb adults, too. It's not so much the feeling when the lights go off that unsettles us grownups as it is the dark of uncertainty. We graduate from school and wonder what to do with our lives. Should we stay in a relationship? How do we find meaning again in the midst of grief and the loss of someone we love? And sometimes most of all, where is God when we need God? We may even wonder whether to believe. At such times, we bump and bruise our way through the obstacles that life's darknesses cause.

Leonard Cohen's song "Anthem" echoes a note of hope when we feel lost in the dark as he sings about how light always seems to find a way to seep in between the cracks of our everyday living. Like stars that are visible only at night, new opportunities are often most readily recognized when we find ourselves stumbling through the dark.

Long before Leonard Cohen, Jesus told the parable of ten virgins, some wise and some foolish. In the midst of that story, he tells of a bridegroom who comes to the waiting virgin attendants at midnight. In other words, it is the Lord God who comes into our lives in the darkest times, if only we are wise enough to recognize such a coming.

How then to negotiate the darkness? Stay the course. In time, wisdom reveals a path. Trust that light will come, all in God's time and not ours. Finally, wisdom always comes in the darkest of times, seldom when our lives are bright as day. ●

Reflect

***When and how has God entered into
your darkness?***

Dear Padre,

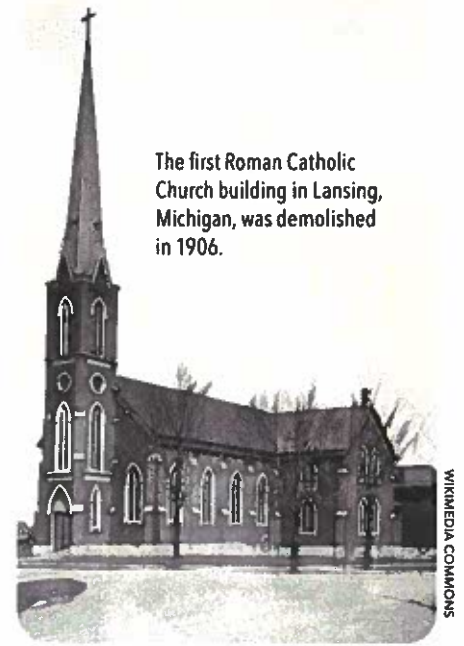
I was taught that Catholic churches are built on consecrated ground. How can a church be torn down and replaced by a shopping mall if it's sacred ground?

Church buildings are blessed and considered by the Church to be sacred places. But when they're damaged and can no longer be repaired or their repair is impractical or they no longer effectively serve their purpose for the faithful of God, the bishop can remove that blessing. By doing this, the bishop opens them for nonsacred use. Subsequently, they can be torn down or sold, as long as the new purpose is not scandalous to the people of God.

In the end, what is truly sacred is not the brick and mortar or even the soil, but the purpose for which they were built. Churches are blessed and declared sacred because we perform sacred rituals within them. When those rituals are no longer being performed in that location, there is no longer a need for them to be declared sacred.

When a church is closed, it is often a sad event. Many people carry deep emotional ties to their parish churches. But a diocese cannot always maintain all of its churches. Catholic populations shift, local needs change. Money is limited, and good stewardship demands that bishops sometimes make the difficult decision to close or merge parishes. Remember what is truly important and of ultimate and sacred value—our worship and service of God. ●

Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR / DearPadre.org



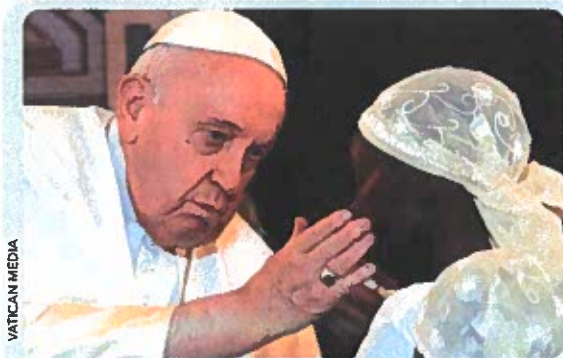
The first Roman Catholic Church building in Lansing, Michigan, was demolished in 1906.

WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
November 13 <i>St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin</i> Wis 1:1-7 Lk 17:1-6	November 14 <i>Weekday</i> Wis 2:23-3:9 Lk 17:7-10	November 15 <i>Weekday</i> Wis 6:1-11 Lk 17:11-19	November 16 <i>Weekday</i> Wis 7:22b-8:1 Lk 17:20-25	November 17 <i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i> Wis 13:1-9 Lk 17:26-37	November 18 <i>Weekday</i> Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Lk 18:1-8	November 19 <i>Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

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

Jesus wants to tell us that we must be prepared for the encounter with him. Not only for the final encounter, but also for the everyday great and small encounters, with a view to that encounter for which the lamp of faith is not enough; we also need the oil of charity and good works.

ANGELUS, ROME, NOVEMBER 8, 2020

Welcome to St. Stanislaus Kostka

Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions November

For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Church calendars are here and ready for pickup in the church.

S.A.L.T. Ministry at St. Mary's

Inviting all singles to the Annual Jingle & Mingle Christmas Market & Party on Saturday December 2nd, shopping starts at 2:30, dinner starts at 4:00 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, S.A.L.T. Ministry. It ought to be a fun time shopping, eating and mingling with everyone & making new friends. We are asking that folks bring a toy or canned goods that will be distributed to our needy in Grimes and Montgomery county. You will get an extra prize ticket if you bring food or a toy, RSVP with your name and number of people in your party by the 21st of November for early bird & for attending. That's a total of 4 chances to win one of our fabulous door prizes. Please text or call Barbara at 936-443-6320 to RSVP for the event. Come join us for this "*Wonderful Time of the Year*" event. Hope to see you there!

Remember that our church bulletin is added to the website each week. www.saintstans.org

Fundraising Goal \$2 million

Pledged (29) \$117,445

Received \$95,621



To donate online, please scan this QR code that will take you to St. Stanislaus online giving, select CCE Building Fund. You will be able to make a one donation or setup a recurring donation.

The Gospel parable reminds us to keep vigil for Jesus. It is easy to get distracted by the details of work, family life, and other responsibilities so that we forget the real purpose and mission of our lives. Let's each take a moment to contemplate how we can live out our vocation in life, readying ourselves for the Lord's coming.

The Church is open for daily prayer during office hours.

Tuesday—Friday 8:00 to 4:00

Mail donation to :

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go to www.saintstans.org

Click on Stewardship, Then click online giving.
You will be taken to our online donation portal,

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

Laverne Backhus, Sam Bova, John Faust, Marilyn Frenzel, Dolores Holler,
Sheri Jankowski, Linda Moore, Helen Moriarty, Henry Ostermann, Matthew Oliver,
Adam Pasket, Tina Pasket, Ray Reaves, Robin Reaves, Christy Smythe, Travis Stewart, Barbara
Szymczak, LaNell Szymczak, Melissa Vargas, Dana Wagner, Dennis Wehmeyer, Joanne
Wehmeyer, Joanne Willis, Gene Yanchak, Michael Yanchak

Please pray for those in active military duty

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

Please let the office know when someone should be removed or add to the prayer list.

2nd Collection

November 19th

Campaign for Human
Development

December 10th

Retirement Fund for the
Religious

DSF 2023

Goal \$24,000

Paid \$14,355

**Under goal
by 40% \$9,645**

53 Donors

As of 11/6/23

**Weekly
Collections**

November 4th & 5th

\$5,046.00



St. Stanislaus Kostka Altar Society

Annual Bake Sale Fundraiser

Saturday, November 18, 2023

Navasota Livestock & Auction Barn

(7846 SH-90, Navasota, TX 77868)

The ladies of the Altar Society are asking help from Parish bakers to make this fundraiser a successful one.

We need: homemade cookies, pies, cakes, kolache's and/or anything else delicious.

Please package cookies 3 per Ziplock type bag, and please make note if any of your baked goods contains nuts.

Please drop off your goodies at:

the Church office by 3:00 pm on Friday, November 17th.

the auction barn between 8:30 and 9:30 am on Saturday, November 18th.



Congratulations
to our
New Acolytes
Tim Diehl and
Larry Sechelski



Always be Ready

Have you ever thought to yourself that it would be better to have fun and be bad now, and then be good later? That's what some of the bridesmaids in today's parable were like. They only brought enough oil for their lamps, and didn't bother to bring any extra. But the other bridesmaids had been wise and took along extra flasks to refill their lamps when it got late. When the bridegroom came, those who hadn't brought extra oil were gone, getting more oil, and missed the feast!



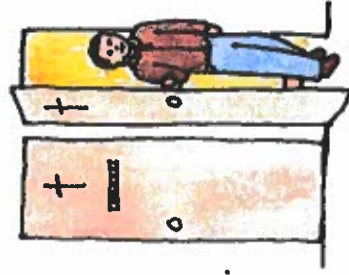
Sometimes people say that they have lots of time to change from their evil ways, so they don't repent right away. This parable shows us that it is very foolish to leave important things until later. Nobody knows when they will die, so we should always be ready.

The oil of the bridesmaids is like the grace in our souls. We need to make sure that our soul always has sanctifying grace, which we need to get into Heaven.

We lose that grace when we do a serious sin. That is why if we ever commit a serious sin, we should go to confession as soon as we can so that we will always have grace and be ready for when we die.

Answer to front puzzle: 5 had extra oil. Answer to Word-find: My soul thirsts for Thee.

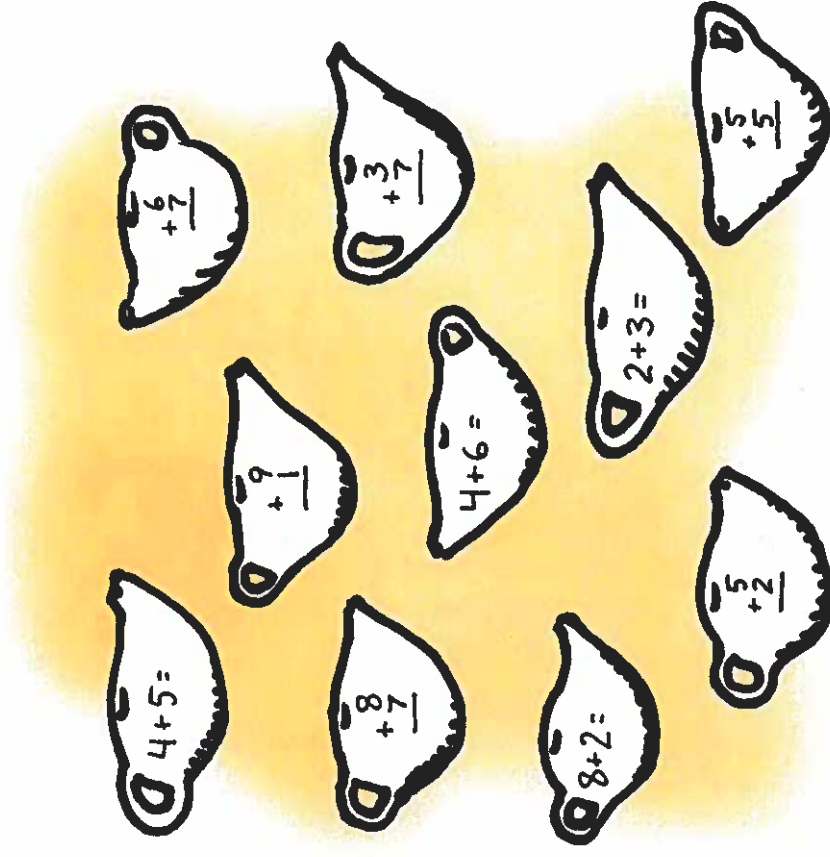
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The Kids' Bulletin

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12th, 2023



In today's parable, ten bridesmaids are waiting with their lamps.

How many of them brought extra oil?

Figure out the problems on each lamp.

Colour in the ones that equal 10

to find out the answer!

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

November 17

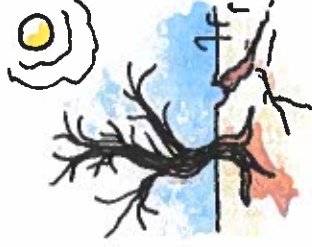


SAINT ELIZABETH DID NOT LET BEING RICH AND IMPORTANT IN THE WORLD GET IN THE WAY OF LOVING GOD AND OTHERS. SHE USED HER MONEY AND TIME TO CARE FOR THE POOR AND SICK, AND WHEN SHE HAD NO MONEY SHE STILL CARED FOR THEM. CAN YOU PRAY FOR THE POOR AND SICK PEOPLE TODAY?

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Psalms 63 Word-Find

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in this part of today's Psalm. The leftover letters will spell out a little prayer to God when you write them in the blanks at the end.



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M W Y S B A N Q U E T W
O I T H I R S T O W A R D I
S L I P S T O W A R D S H
A L T H P H U F L E S H
N A M E I G L O R Y I O
C A L L N O I R S T W U
T G A Z E S E M O U T H
U B L I F E S H A N D S E R
A R I C H E S G O O D R E T
Y H E E K I N D N E S S

O GOD, you are my God whom I SEEK;
for you my FLESH PINES and my soul THIRSTS
like the EARTH, PARCHED and WITHOUT WATER.

Thus have I GAZED TOWARD you in the SANCTUARY
to see your POWER and your GLORY,
for your KINDNESS is a greater GOOD than LIFE;
my lips shall glorify you.

Thus WILL I BLESS you while I LIVE;
lifting up my HANDS, I will CALL upon your NAME.
As with the RICHES of a BANQUET shall my SOUL be
satisfied,
and with exultant LIPS my MOUTH shall praise you.

Altar Society:

Meets the first Thursday,
September to May.

The next meeting will be
December 7th at 6:00 in the
rectory. All Catholic ladies
are welcome.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

On the 1st weekend of every
month Fr. Giovanni will
bless anyone with a
birthday or wedding
anniversary that month.

Next Blood Drive

December 17th
in the parish hall

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

Anointing of the Sick

The anointing of the sick will
be held after the 3rd Sunday
mass each month.

Choir Practice:

Choir practice is on
Thursday evenings at 6:15pm
in the church.

Divine Mercy:

Every Friday after the noon Mass

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

12 Hour Adoration:

Our church is open every
Monday 8 am to 8 pm.
September 11th to the end of
May. Everyone is welcome to
join in the worship with the
scheduled persons.

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
the fall.

Baptism:

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

Cemetery Guidelines:

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 ALL
flowers will be removed, and in
August, a light cleaning.*

Knights of Columbus:

KC Council #4054 meets at the
KC Hall every 2nd Tuesday at
7pm. Please join us.
Contact Deen Miller
936-524-1700 for membership
And James Moran
936-306-9663 for rental
information .

Marriage:

There is a required preparation
process that must be completed
prior to one being married in the
Catholic Church. Call the office
for more info.

Reconciliation:

30 Minutes before Wednesday
& Friday Masses (When the
Priest is available) and 3:00
to 4:00 on Saturdays

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference

"Christ the Good Shepherd of Navasota and Anderson"

For more information call **936-873-5002**

Thank you for your continued generosity, prayers, and support of our neighbors in need.

Bulletin deadline is
Wednesday at noon.

Announcements deadline is
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