

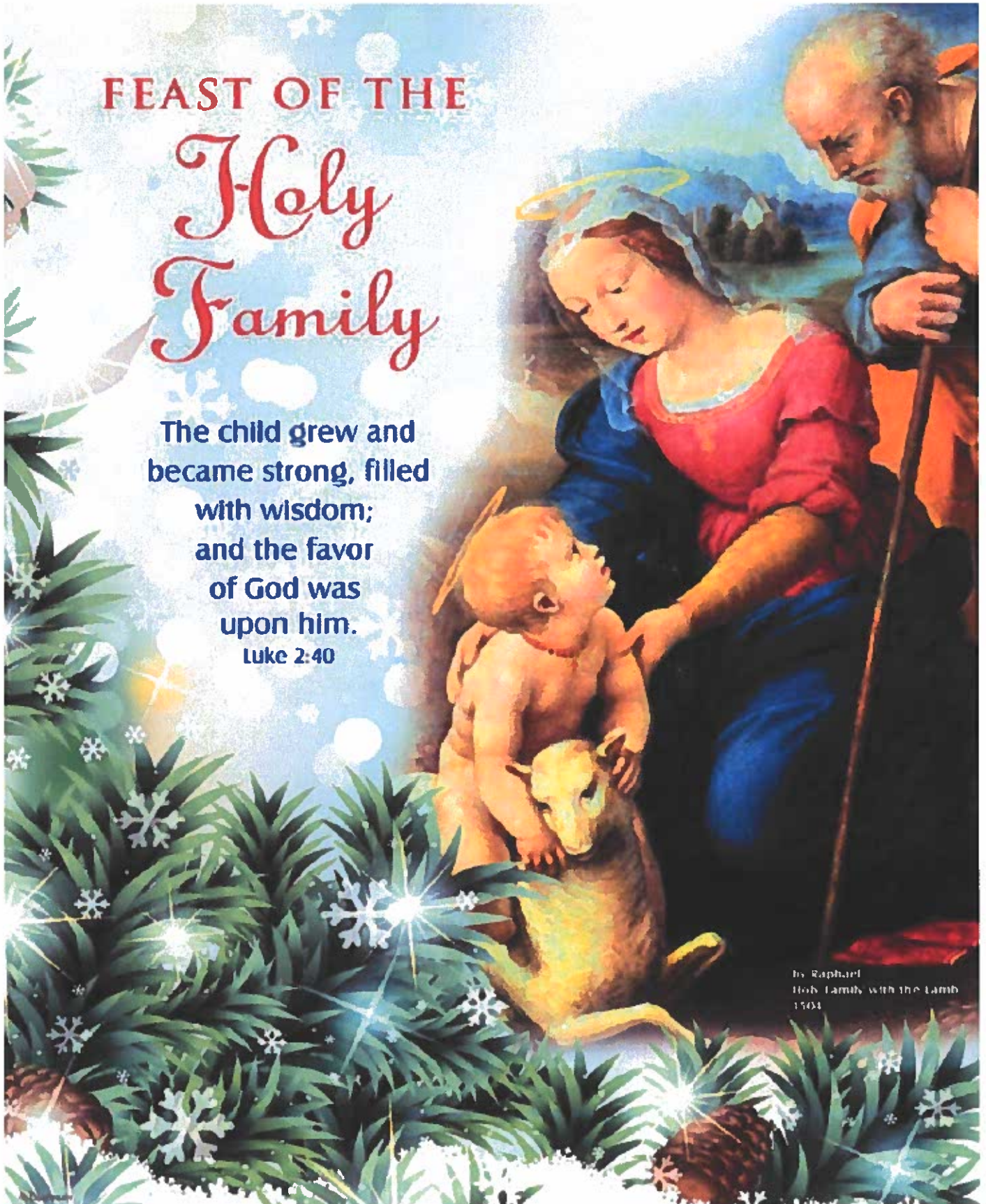
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church

FEAST OF THE
*Holy
Family*

The child grew and
became strong, filled
with wisdom;
and the favor
of God was
upon him.
Luke 2:40

by Raphael
Holy Family with the Lamb
1504



December 31, 2023

Imitate the Holy Family, the true model of life

In the first reading, Abram puts his faith in God's promise of a child despite his and Sarah's old age. In the second reading the author emphasizes all that Abraham did was by faith. In the Gospel, Joseph and Mary present Jesus at the temple, and meet Simeon and Anna who prophesy about the child.



Mass Time & Intentions

New Year's Day 10:00

George Bienski, Ed & Ann Szymczak
Louis & Jerold Walkowiak, Barbara Szymczak

Wednesday January 3rd noon

Elizabeth & August Nowak, Joe & Mary Sechelski
Brosig Sechelski & all family members, Charlie Pasket

Friday January 5th noon

Living & deceased member of the
Larry Sechelski family

Saturday January 6th 4:15

Adam & Margaret Szymczak

Sunday January 7th 10:00

Charlie & Patrick Busa

Father Giovanni Nguyen

duyanhungnguyen@yahoo.com

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

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Website: www.saintstans.org



Liturgical Ministers Schedule



Saturday January 6th 4:15 pm

Lectors:

Susan Wisnoski & Shirley Hesse

EMHC:

James & Shirley Hesse

Rosary:

Joan Pushee'

Altar Servers:

Claire Borski, Evan Borski, William Borski

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

Sunday January 7th 10:00 am

Lectors:

Brian Burzynski & Ian Campbell

EMHC:

Rosanna Molina, Margaret McClosky, Dominic & Sara Adamo

Rosary:

Evelyn Szymczak

Altar Servers:

Ben Leman Jr., Luke Leman, James Leman

Ushers:

Gary Klodzinski, Dennis Sechelski, Roger Vezurk, Ben Leman

If you cannot be present, please find a replacement

Welcome to St. Stanislaus Kostka

Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions December

For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

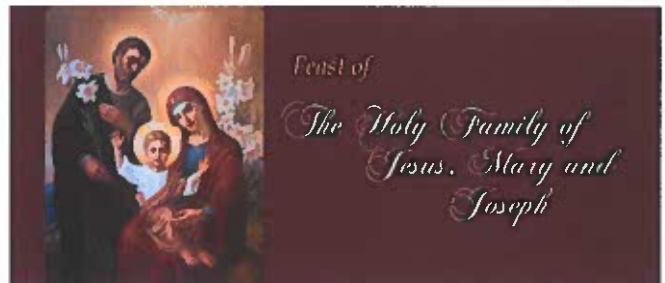
Adoration

1st Adoration of 2024 will be on January 8th. If you would like to get involved with adoration, please talk with Charles or Delores Posinski.

Christmas Eve Meal

Thank you to everyone who has graciously volunteered to help with the Christmas Eve Meal, it has been a true blessing! Whether you made donations, volunteered your time, or helped spread the word, we appreciate all that you did. We delivered close to 120 plates this year! It was a great day of fellowship and feeding those in need, homebound, or sick. We look forward to continuing this tradition again next year. Merry Christmas and may God bless you all!

New Years Day **Mass at 10:00am**



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Pledged \$118,445

Received \$99,575



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Even in their holiness, Mary, Joseph, and their child Jesus were not exempt from suffering, and the difficulties of life. Yet they never wavered in their commitment to God or to each other. Theirs was a home where *the child [Jesus] grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.* Let us strive to make our homes a haven for others to grow in love, virtue, and favor.

The Church is open for daily prayer during office hours.

Tuesday—Friday 8:00 to 4:00

Mail donation to :
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You will be taken to our online donation portal,

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

Laverne Backhus, Barbara Dibello, 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, Barbara Szymczak,
LaNell Szymczak, Melissa Vargas, Dana Wagner, Dennis Wehmeyer, Joanne Wehmeyer,
Joanne Willis, Gene Yanchak, Michael Yanchak

All names will be removed at the end of the year. Please let me know if you would like to stay on the list.

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

All names will be removed at the end of the year. Please let me know if you have someone that is still in the active military!

2nd Collection

January 28th

Latin America

February 14th

Social Ministries

DSF 2023

Goal \$24,000

Paid \$16,720

**Under goal
\$7,280**

55 Donors

As of 12/19/23

**Weekly
Collections**

December 23rd & 24th

\$4,305.28

Christmas \$3,816.00

December online

\$5,045.00



Family Gifts

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

I asked some folks what they carried with them as their most treasured gift from their parents. One spoke of the gift of freedom. As an adult he always felt loved and welcomed by his parents. Although he was not always able to visit them as frequently as his life would allow, he was never made to feel guilty about it. It was an atmosphere unpressured by any "have-tos" whether it concerned choices for marriage or profession or simply for occasional family visits.

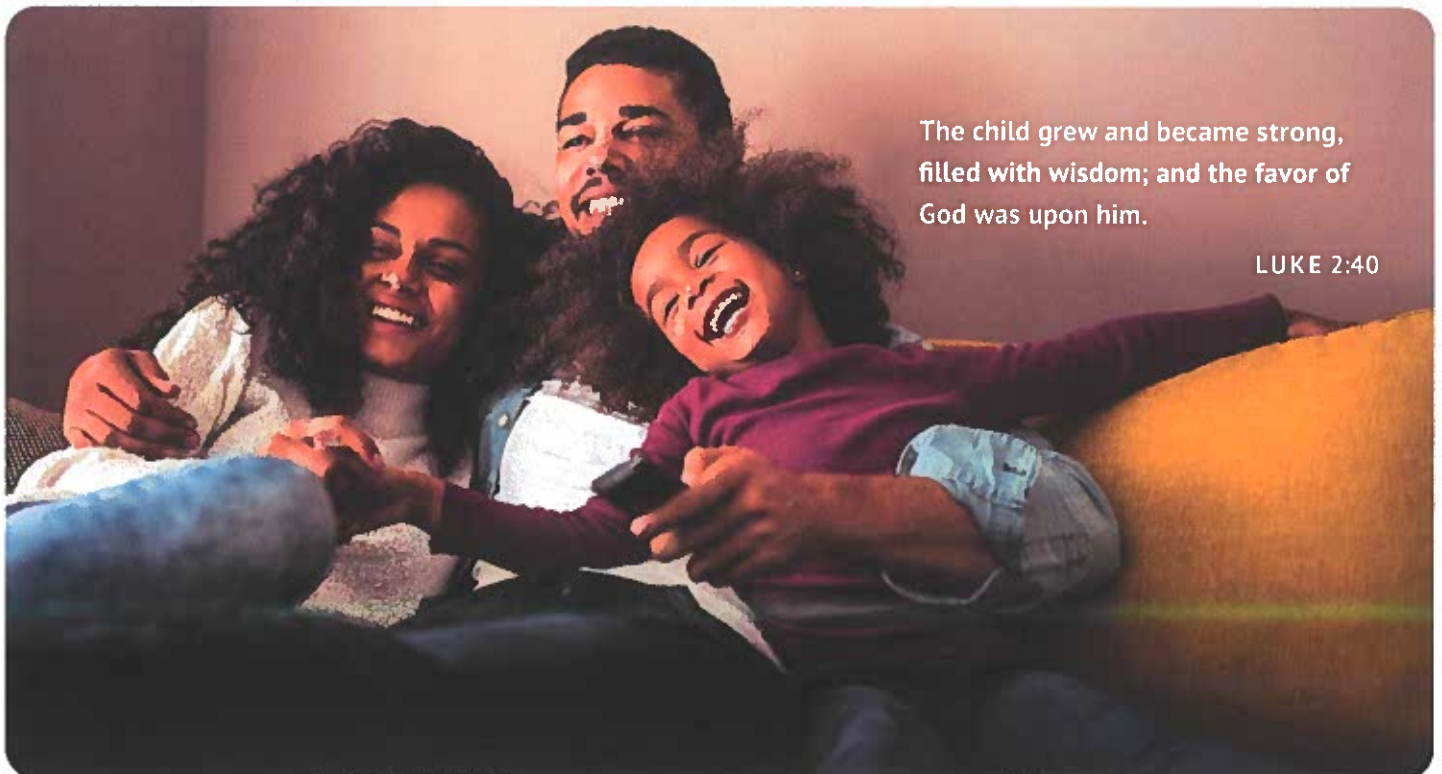
Another spoke of being taught by example that love in a family always extends to welcoming the stranger, caring for the unfortunate, opening one's home to those in pain. She learned to live that way because that was how her parents lived.

Yet another spoke of her father's gentleness and faithfulness as treasured gifts. And in truth she herself had become gentle and faithful, both with life and with God. Yet another took note of his parents' acceptance and openness to differing cultures and traditions and value systems. It was a way of living he now took to himself and his own family.

Not every family may seem as graced as these individuals remember their own families, and no doubt these families had flaws, too. Yet those qualities of a believer, enumerated by St. Paul in his Letter to the Colossians, make for good family life as well: "heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another. And over all these put on love" (Colossians 3:12-14). ●

Reflect

What gift from your family do you hope to pass to the next generation?



The child grew and became strong,
filled with wisdom; and the favor of
God was upon him.

LUKE 2:40

Dear Padre,

How much should we support our adult children? We have a niece and a daughter who are both healthy, capable, and in their twenties. We have set boundaries and continue to give to them but they just can't seem to get their act together. Would it be unchristian to cut them off?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes in detail the duties of family members toward each other (CCC 2214–33). Parents are responsible to ensure that their children grow up in faith and to meet their basic needs. Children should show respect toward their parents and, as they grow older, assist them as needed. As children become adults, they should take on responsibility for themselves and parents are not to pressure them into choices of a profession or a spouse, while at the same time, “giving their children judicious advice....” (CCC 2230). At some point, children need to become responsible adults, which brings us to your point.

You seem to have done what is required as parents. At the same time, you would not want to abandon young adults if physical, mental, or emotional factors prevent them from assuming the responsibility of adulthood. If they are healthy, capable young people they should be able to progress in life without your financial assistance. To help them toward this goal, you may want to set very specific limits, perhaps with the help of a counselor, and then consistently follow those limits. ●



SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. John K. Schmidt, CSsR / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
January 1 <i>Mary, Holy Mother of God</i> Nm 6:22–27 Gal 4:4–7 Lk 2:16–21	January 2 <i>Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church</i> 1 Jn 2:22–28 Jn 1:19–28	January 3 <i>Christmas Weekday</i> 1 Jn 2:29–3:6 Jn 1:29–34	January 4 <i>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious</i> 1 Jn 3:7–10 Jn 1:35–42	January 5 <i>St. John Neumann, Bishop</i> 1 Jn 3:11–21 Jn 1:43–51	January 6 <i>Christmas Weekday</i> 1 Jn 5:5–13 Mk 1:7–11 or Lk 3:23–38 or 3:23, 31–34, 36, 38	January 7 <i>Epiphany of the Lord</i> Is 60:1–6 Eph 3:2–3a, 5–6 Mt 2:1–12

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Leading Catholic voices inspire the faithful with daily reflections & prayers for Advent and Lent. Including: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, Dr. Mary Katharine Deeley, Sr. Dianne Bergant, Fr. Paul Turner, and more at Liguori.org.



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

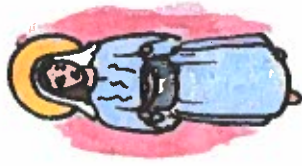
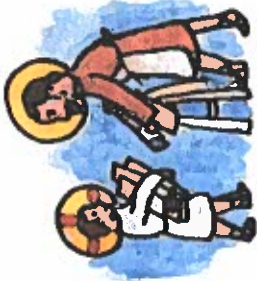
In imitation of the Holy Family, we are called to rediscover the educational value of the family unit: it requires being founded on the love that always regenerates relationships.... [I]f you quarrel within the family, do not end the day without making peace.... And do you know why? Because a cold war, day after day, is extremely dangerous.

ANGELUS, ROME, DECEMBER 27, 2020

HOLY FAMILY WITH SAINTS ANNE AND JOHN THE BAPTIST (DETAIL), ANDREA MANTEGNA / WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

The Holy Family

When we talk about the Holy Family we are talking about Jesus and his mother Mary and his foster-father, Saint Joseph. Mary became the mother of Jesus when she was betrothed (formally engaged) to St. Joseph, and Jesus' real father was God the Father Himself. So Saint Joseph acted as the Father of Jesus on earth.



Saint Joseph was a carpenter and worked hard to provide for his family. Mary loved Jesus and Joseph and cooked and cleaned for them. When Jesus was old enough Saint Joseph trained Him to be a carpenter as well. Because they all loved each other with generosity and selflessness they were really the happiest and holiest family that ever lived.

We can imitate the Holy Family by loving our parents and siblings and putting others before ourselves. What can you do today to make your family happier and holier?



Answer to puzzle on front: the Mother of God.
Answers to Word Find: Love each other!

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The Kids' Bulletin

December 31st, 2023: Feast of the Holy Family
January 1st, 2024: Feast of Mary the Mother of God



Mary,

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Under what title do we honour Our Lady on January 1st?
Use the code to find out!

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Saint Gregory Nazianzen

January 2



SAINT GREGORY LIVED A LIFE OF SACRIFICE AND PENANCE, AND THOUGHT NOTHING OF ALL WORLDLY RICHES AND PLEASURES. HE WROTE AND TAUGHT ABOUT THE FAITH SO ELOQUENTLY THAT MANY WERE BROUGHT BACK TO THE FAITH. BECAUSE OF ALL HE DID TO TEACH THE FAITH HE IS CALLED A DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH.

Holy Family Word-Find



See if you can find all these words about the Holy Family in the puzzle!

Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end!

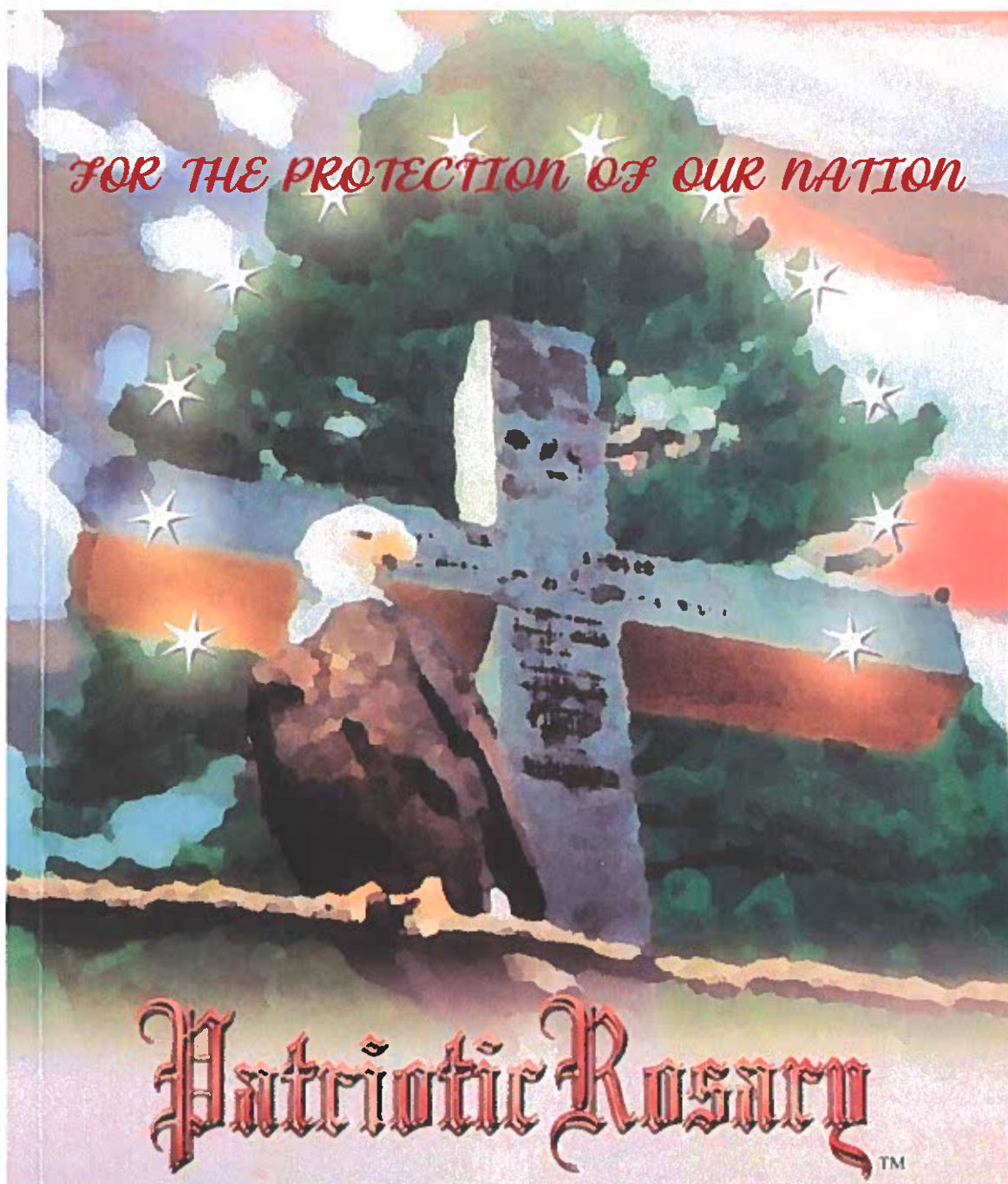
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The best way to be like the Holy Family:

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024 FOLLOWING THE 10:00 AM MASS AT ST. STANISLAUS



Please join the Knights of Columbus, Council #4054 in praying the Patriotic Rosary on Monday, January 1, 2024, following the 10:00 am Mass at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church. The Patriotic Rosary implores our Blessed Mother to heal our nation. This special prayer quickly captured the hearts and attention of millions when first heard and prayed. Inspired by Our Lady of Madjugorje, the Patriotic Rosary is a powerful prayer asking for Gods divine protection and mercy for our nation and its rebirth. Booklets will be available for those in attendance.

January 2024

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4	5 Preaching Schedule January 06 - 07 Fr. Giovanni January 13 - 14 Dcn. Garry Janota January 20 - 21 Fr. Giovanni January 28 - 27 Dcn. Russell Pasket January 01 Fr. Adam McClosky					

January 07 Dcn. Rafael Miller
January 14 Dcn. Jose Lauro Huerta - Spanish Mass
January 21 Dcn. Jose Lauro Huerta - Spanish Mass



Happy New Year

Therefore if any man
be in Christ, he is a new
creature: old things are
passed away; behold, all
things are become new.

—2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

Altar Society:

Meets the first Thursday,
September to May.

The next meeting will be
January 4th 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 February 11th 2024

in the parish hall

Counseling:

Gratia Plena is a nonprofit
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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:

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assistance to women
experiencing difficult
circumstances. Please call Wanda
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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

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For more information call 936-873-5002

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

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Wednesday at noon.

Announcements deadline is

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Bulletin are on the website weekly



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