



## ***St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church***

*Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston*

***March 17th 2024***

***Fifth Sunday of Lent***

### **Parish Office Hours**

**Tuesday—Friday 8:00 to 4:00**

**Website: [www.saintstans.org](http://www.saintstans.org)**

**1511 Hwy 90 S \* Anderson, TX 77830**

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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**

### ***Pastoral Staff***

***Pastor Rev. Giovanni Hung Nguyen***

***Russell Pasket, Permanent Deacon***

***Garry Janota, Permanent Deacon***

***Secretary / Bookkeeper : Carol Serres***

***Altar Society President : Ella Richmond***

***Baptism Classes : Thomas Sechelski & Crockett Womack***

***Cemetery : Charles Posinski & Susie Homeyer***

***Coordinator of Religious Education : Kirby Borski***

***Finance Council : David Borski, Susie Homeyer,  
Russell Pasket, Larry Sechelski Jr.  
Susan Wisnoski, Wayne Weaver***

***Music Coordinator : Leo Hock***

***Pastoral Council: Deacon Russell Pasket, Jamie  
Diehl, Tim Diehl, Mark Knox, Ella Richmond,  
Gail Sowell, Linda Toler.***

***RCIA : Jaime Diehl***

***RCIC : Dana Wagner***

***St. Vincent de Paul President : Brett Holtey***

**March 17, 2024**

Choose the path of surrender in service to the Lord.

Jeremiah prophesies the Lord will one day establish a new covenant with his people whereby he will write his law *upon their hearts*. The author of Hebrews says that Jesus' *prayers and supplications* were heard because of his reverence. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that the time for him to fulfill his purpose is upon him.

*I will put my law in their minds  
and write it on their hearts.*



Jeremiah 31:33b

*I will be their God,  
and they will be my people.*

## **Mass Time & Intentions**

### **Wednesday March 20th Noon**

Arch Kitkoski Sr.

### **Friday March 22nd Noon**

August & Elizabeth Nowak,  
John & Frances Nowak,  
and all family members

### **Saturday March 23rd 4:15**

Barbara Szymczak,  
Tony & Alice Szymczak

### **Sunday March 24th 10:00**

Marion & Bettie Wroblewski

**Father Giovanni Nguyen**  
duyanhungnguyen@yahoo.com

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**NEW email:**  
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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 March 23rd 4:15 pm**

**Lectors:** Delores Posinski & Joan Pushee'  
**EMHC:** Charles & Delores Posinski  
**Rosary:** Ella Richmond  
**Altar Servers:** Maggie Borski, Myles Borski, Anna Prado  
**Ushers:** Stephen Paskett, Michael Wisnoski, Darrell Wagner, Johnny Pasket Jr.

### **Sunday March 24th 10:00 am**

**Lectors:** Blake Vezurk & Mandi Wroblewski  
**EMHC:** Tim & Marie Diehl, Jarl Renn, Christine Harris  
**Rosary:** Linda LaSalle  
**Altar Servers:** Kyle Buenger, Nolan Womack, Juan Rodriguez  
**Ushers:** Roger Vezurk, Gary Klodzinski, Daniel Klawinsky, Don Sowell

If you cannot be present, please find a replacement



## Learning How to Die

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**I**t has been pointed out that one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well, that is, to go where we would rather not go, to love when we know it will cost, to offer ourselves even when we know we will be used. If we die a bit every day, sometimes with struggle and sacrifice in those situations that may call for such, then at our final moment we will be able to stand before that specter face to face and not run, simply because we have met before and have been able to walk away the victor.

Dying well does not mean we do so without fear. Courage blossoms when we stand in a field of fear. Even the Lord Jesus “offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears” to God, as the Letter to the Hebrews notes. Dying well does not mean we do so cleanly. Dying is often messy, and it is always an uprooting that disrupts and scatters everything nearby.

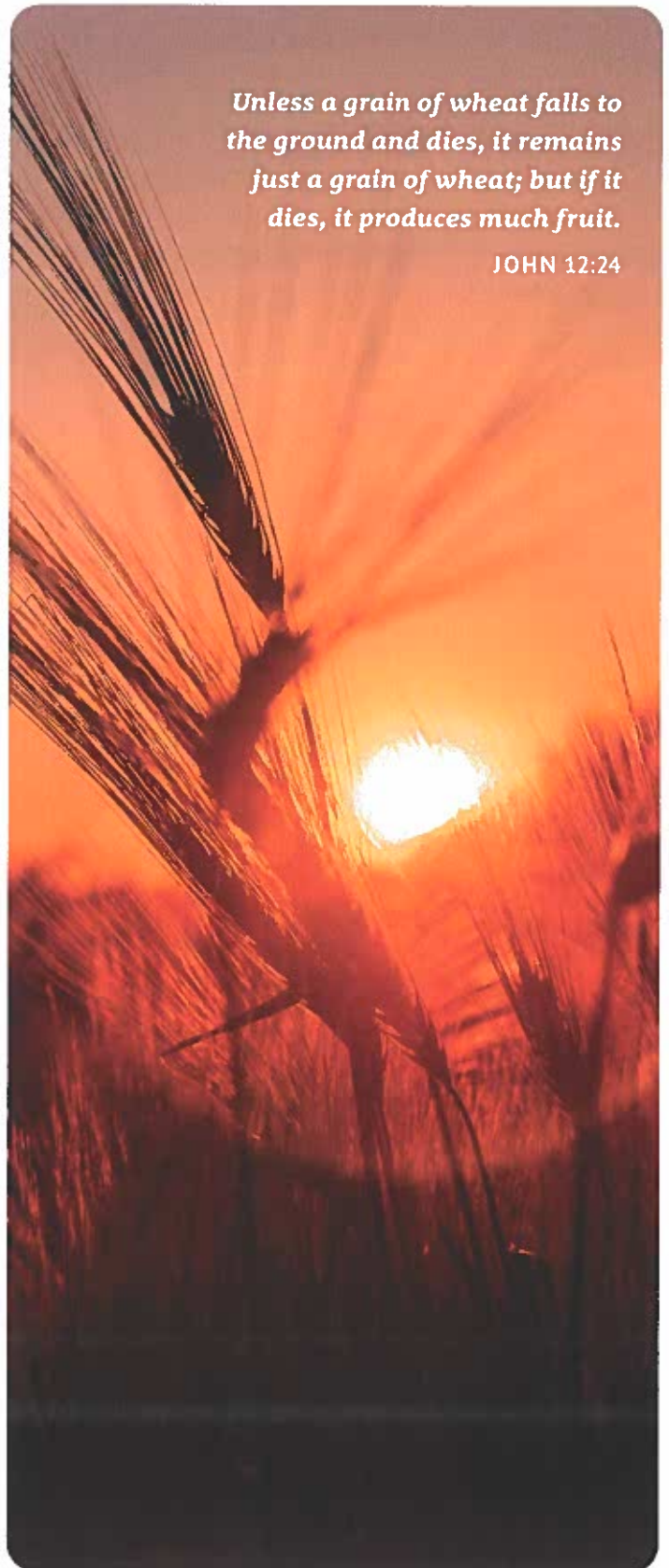
Nor does dying well mean we do so in control of the event. That is what is so devastating about death. It has complete and total control. At its best and at its worst the only way to die well is to say “yes” to it every time it demands our submission. And like the eye of stillness at the center of the hurricane, it is at the heart of death where we embrace resurrection and where the holy offers life. It is where we can have a deep encounter with the Lord Jesus. ●

### Reflect

***Can you accept the little deaths  
along the way as preparation  
for the final passing from this life?***

*Unless a grain of wheat falls to  
the ground and dies, it remains  
just a grain of wheat; but if it  
dies, it produces much fruit.*

JOHN 12:24





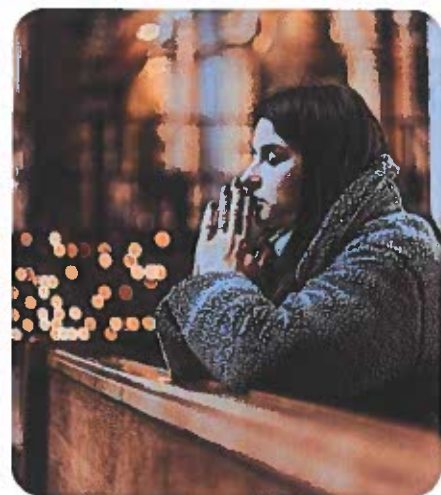
# Dear Padre,

## *What is the difference between temptation and sin?*

The temptations of Jesus, as they are recorded in the Gospels (Mark 1:12, Luke 4:1, and Matthew 4:1), give us the proper direction with regard to sin and temptation. Jesus was tempted three times, but he did not sin. More than that, Jesus put his trust in God during the temptations. Jesus' message is clear: if you feel tempted, call out to God!

The Church teaches that sin is a deliberative process. Temptation is something that happens to you without your consent: a thought or desire pops into your mind. For temptation to become a sin, you have to entertain that thought or desire, or plan to act on it, or do it. That's when temptation "turns a corner" and becomes sin.

Although the sacrament of penance is available throughout the year, the Church places a special emphasis on it during Lent. There may be a communal penance service in your area. Perhaps you can commit now to participating in the service. If it's been a while since you've been to confession or you're not sure what to do or say, just tell the priest. He will show you. ●



ANNA MASS / SHUTTERSTOCK

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### MONDAY

March 18  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62  
Jn 8:1-11

### TUESDAY

March 19  
*St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16  
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22  
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or  
Lk 2:41-51a

### WEDNESDAY

March 20  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95  
Jn 8:31-42

### THURSDAY

March 21  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Gn 17:3-9  
Jn 8:51-59

### FRIDAY

March 22  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Jer 20:10-13  
Jn 10:31-42

### SATURDAY

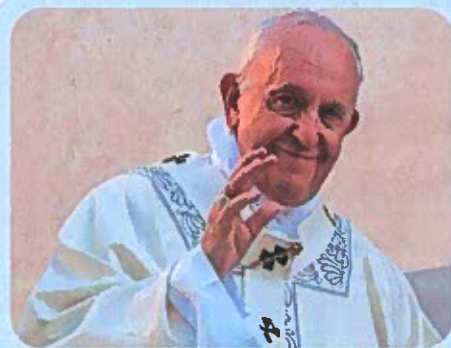
March 23  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Ez 37:21-28  
Jn 11:45-56

### SUNDAY

March 24  
*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*  
Mk 11:1-10 or  
Jn 12:12-16  
Is 50:4-7  
Phil 2:6-11  
Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

#### **Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?**

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' *Scrupulous Anonymous* free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit [ScrupulousAnonymous.org](http://ScrupulousAnonymous.org).



### **A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS**

***We are called to take on the paschal law of losing life in order to receive it renewed and eternal. And what does losing life mean?... It means to think less about oneself, about personal interests and to know how to "see" and to meet the needs of our neighbors, especially the least of them.***

**ANGELUS, ROME, MARCH 18, 2018**

# **Welcome to St. Stanislaus Kostka**

## **Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions March**

### **For the new martyrs**

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

**Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent, after the noon mass and at 7pm**

## **EASTER Sunday Mass**

We will have an extra Mass on Easter Sunday to help alleviate the overflow crowd at the 10 AM Mass. We will have Mass @ 8 AM and 10AM on Easter Sunday Morning.

## **Fish Fry - Knights of Columbus Council # 4054**

Friday March 22nd at KC Hall in Anderson

Serving starts at 5:00

## **St. Vincent de Paul**

Our next St. Vincent de Paul meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 6:00 p.m. at the K.C. Hall Anderson. We are beginning to receive an increased need for assistance. Groceries are being requested. As prices rise our Friends are finding it difficult to provide for their needs. The following items would be greatly appreciated: Microwaveable macaroni, cheese/peanut butter crackers, cereal, microwaveable oatmeal packets, canned meats (Vienna sausages, canned ham, spam), Fruit snacks, Clorox wipes, snacks. We have a freezer for hot dogs and lunch meat which is greatly appreciated by our Friends. We are grateful for the support of our Church family for the contributions to our brothers and sisters in need.

## **Growing Into Our Future ~ With Faith and Grace**

**Campaign for a new education and administration building.**

**Fundraising Goal \$2 million**

**Pledged \$119,045**

**Received \$111,315**

**As of 2/29/2024**



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.

We want to serve and follow the Lord, but we also want to enjoy our lives and ensure that our children and grandchildren have a good life. In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us to choose the Lord first, and the Father will honor whoever serves him. Choosing the path of surrender in service to him glorifies God and allows us to produce much fruit, including care for our own families.

*The Church is open for daily prayer during office hours.*

*Tuesday—Friday 8:00 to 4:00*

Mail donation to :

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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, Andrew Borski, Susan Brak, Stephanie Burzynski, Barbara Dibello, John Faust, Mary Fontaine, Dolores Holler, Preston Irwin, Sheri Jankowski, Barbara Kurtin, Patrick Malek, Linda Moore, Henry Ostermann, Adam Pasket, Tina Pasket, Marcus Ray Reaves, Robin Reaves, Christy Smythe, LaNell Szymczak, Melissa Vargas, Dana Wagner, Joy Walkowiak, Tommy Williams, Joanie Willis

**Please pray for those in active military duty**

Andrew Anderson, Lukas Diorio, Hayden Fontaine, Stash Kurten

*For **I** am the **LORD** your God, Who holds your right hand, and says  
**Don't be afraid I will help you.** ISAIAH 41:13*

**2nd Collection**

**Good Friday March 29th**

Holy Land

**April 14th**

SVDP-local

**April 28th**

Home Mission

**Weekly  
Collections**

March 9th & 10th

\$4,115.00

**St. Stanislaus Catholic Church  
Spring Festival  
Sunday April 14, 2024  
11 am to 2 pm  
Raffle Prizes**

1. Visa \$500 Gift Card
2. Visa \$400 Gift Card
3. Visa \$300 Gift Card
4. Walmart \$250 Gift Card-Donate by Serres & Son Plumbing
5. Academy \$200 Gift Card-Donate by Mike Kurtin
6. Walmart \$200 Gift Card

**Need not be present to win.**

Tickets Compliments of Don and Gail Sowell

\$5.00 per ticket

*If you would like to sponsor one of the prizes, please let the office know. 936-873-2291*

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Items are needed for the CCE Silent Auction. Please drop your items off at the office before April 13th. Please include your name and phone number. For information contact Gail Sowell 936-870-6842 or Joan Pushee 979-777-3474.

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Thank you for supporting the St. Stanislaus CCE Program



# HOLY WEEK

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**At St. Stanislaus Kostka**  
**Catholic Church**

## **Holy Week Schedule**

**March 24<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday 10:00am**

**March 27<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at noon**

**March 28<sup>th</sup> Holy Thursday 7:00pm**

**March 29<sup>th</sup> Good Friday 3:00pm**

**March 30<sup>th</sup> Holy Saturday at 8:30pm**

**March 31<sup>st</sup> Easter Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am**



*Unless a grain  
falls to the ground and dies...*



Jesus knew He was going to die soon.

It made Him sad, but He knew that He had to do it. He told the apostles,

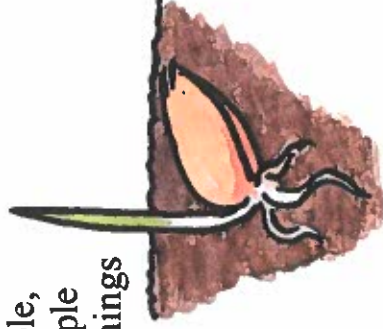
"Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." Because Jesus died, we can be freed from our sins and live!

Have you ever tried planting seeds? The little seeds are hard and dry and seem to be dead. We put them into some damp soil, and cover them up. After a few days you can see little sprouts coming out of the soil, and soon there are little plants growing! Maybe your Mom or Dad can help you plant some seeds this spring.



Our Lord was telling His friends that He had to be like a seed. He would die and be buried, and then after a few days, come back to life! And like a plant that grows and produces more seed, the Church would grow from Jesus and bring other holy people, saints, into the world. Saints are people that are ready to give up their good things and even their lives for love of God, just like Jesus.

Are you ready to be a saint?



Answer to Word Find:  
Salvation.

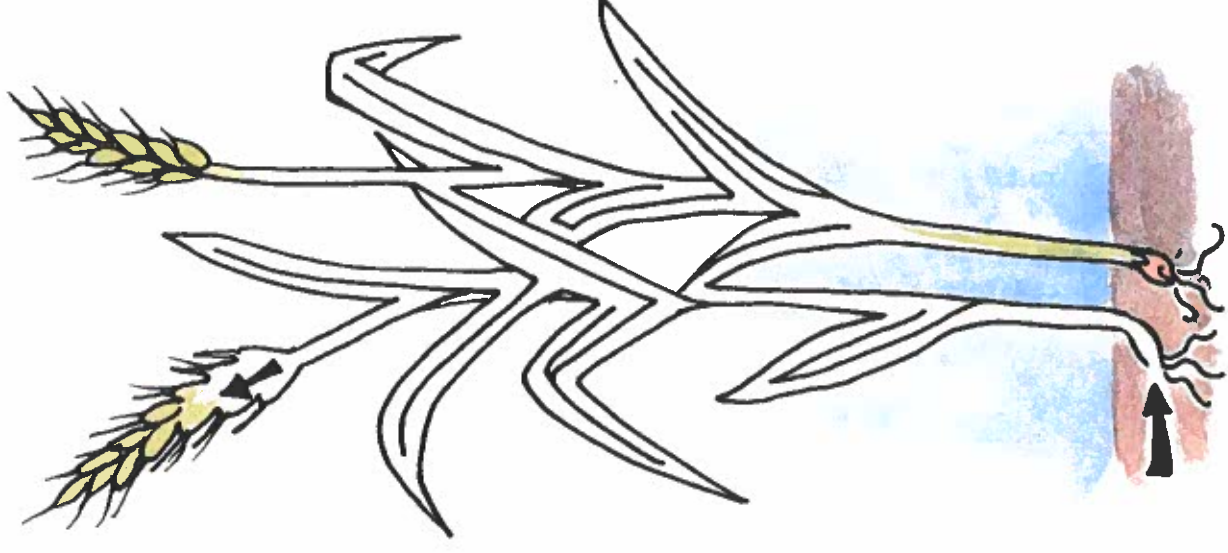
[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

# The Kids' Bulletin

Fifth Sunday of Lent  
March 17th, 2024

In today's  
Gospel reading  
Jesus says,  
"Unless a grain  
of wheat falls  
to the ground  
and dies, it  
remains alone;  
but if it dies, it  
bears much  
fruit."

Can you find  
your way from  
this grain of  
wheat to the  
new seeds at  
the top?



# Saint Joseph

March 19



JOSEPH WAS A HOLY JEWISH MAN BETROTHED TO THE VIRGIN MARY WHEN SHE BECAME THE MOTHER OF JESUS. AN ANGEL TOLD HIM THAT HER SON WAS FROM GOD.



SAINT JOSEPH WAS HONORED TO CARE FOR THE SON OF GOD AND HIS MOTHER MARY.



HE WAS FAITHFUL IN HIS DUTIES TO GOD AND HIS FAMILY.



WHEN THERE WAS DANGER HE PROTECTED JESUS.



JOSEPH CARED FOR JESUS AS IF HE WAS HIS OWN SON.



JESUS GREW UP IN A LOVING FAMILY AND LEARNED TO WORK WELL FROM JOSEPH'S EXAMPLE.



SAINT JOSEPH SPENT HIS LIFE IN A HIDDEN WAY, PROVIDING FOR MARY AND JESUS BY HIS WORK. HE DIED WITH JESUS AND MARY AT HIS SIDE.

SAINT JOSEPH HAD ONE OF THE BEST JOBS THAT ANYONE COULD POSSIBLY HAVE: TO LOOK AFTER GOD THE SON! STILL, HE LIVED A QUIET AND HUMBLE LIFE, JUST DOING HIS WORK AND BEING A GOOD AND JUST MAN. SAINT JOSEPH IS READY TO CARE FOR US AS WELL- WE JUST NEED TO ASK HIM FOR HELP!

# Psalm 51 Word-Find

S A G R E A T N E S S  
S C O M P A S S I O N  
T G O D L V H M Y F R  
E I N C L E A N S E  
D L E A M E R C Y N S  
F T S S O U T W I C E  
A O S T C R E A T I N C  
S N R E N O U G H L Y E

See if you can find the words from today's psalm that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle!

The leftover letters tell what the author of the Psalm was asking God for!

Have MERCY on me, O GOD,  
in your GOODNESS;  
in the GREATNESS of your COMPASSION  
wipe OUT my OFFENCE.  
THOROUGHLY WASH me from MY GUILT  
and of my SIN CLEANSE me.

A clean HEART CREATE for me, O God,  
and a STEADFAST spirit RENEW within me.  
CAST me not out from your PRESENCE,  
and your Holy Spirit TAKE not from me.

### Altar Society:

Meets the first Thursday,  
September to May.

The next meeting will be  
April 4th at 6:00 in the  
rectory. All Catholic ladies are  
welcome.

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

### Maintenance of Church Ground

Please let the office know if you see  
something that needs to be repaired.  
We have a great team to help us.

### Counseling:

Gratia Plena is a nonprofit  
organization that provides  
mental and spiritual health  
services for mental illnesses,  
addictions, and marriage/  
family problems. All counse-  
lors are Catholic and provide  
services in a way that is faith-  
ful to the teachings, values  
and traditions of the Church.  
Their closest office is near  
The Woodlands, but counse-  
lors 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)

### 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  
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### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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  
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Announcements deadline is  
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Bulletin are on the website weekly





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