

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 25, 2026	
Saturday, January 24	3:00-3:45 p.m. - Confession 4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass - Jerome & Dorothy Wicke ✠ 5:00 p.m. - Confession - St. Anthony 6:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass - St. Anthony
Sunday, January 25 <i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. - Mass - St. Anthony 10:00 a.m. - Mass - Valentina Sebesta ✠ 12:00 p.m. (Spanish) - Mass - St. Anthony
Monday, January 26	5:00 p.m. - Confessions - St. Anthony 5:30 p.m. - Mass - St. Anthony
Tuesday, January 27	7:30 a.m. - Mass - St. Anthony
Wednesday, January 28	5:00 p.m. - Confessions - St. Anthony 5:30 p.m. - Mass - St. Anthony
Thursday, January 29	7:30 a.m. - Mass - St. Anthony 5:00-5:20 p.m. - Confession 5:30 p.m. - Mass - Otis & Georgie Ann Maertz ✠
Friday, January 30	8:15 a.m. - Mass - SAS 5:00 p.m. - Confessions - St. Anthony 5:30 p.m. - Mass - St. Anthony
Saturday, January 31	3:00-3:45 p.m. - Confession 4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass - Reinhard Brod ✠ Sacristan - Evelyn Orange Lector - Tammy Noe Usher - Brain Fitzgerald, Oliver Weishuhn Altar Servers - Theresa, Laura, Sarah Henneke Comm. Minister - Tammy Noe 5:00 p.m. - Confession - St. Anthony 6:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass - St. Anthony
Sunday, January 1 <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. - Mass - St. Anthony 10:00 a.m. - Mass - Janet Koehl ✠ Sacristan - Jean Condra Rosary Leader - Charles Glueck Lector - Sammy Condra Usher - Trey Jurica, Brent Nelson Altar Servers - Juricas Comm. Minister - Chris Glueck 12:00 p.m. (Spanish) - Mass - St. Anthony

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<h2 style="margin: 0;">St. Roch Catholic Church</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">1600 Frelsburg Rd. Alleyton, TX 78935</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">PARISH OFFICE HOURS</p> <p>Monday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Tuesday: Closed Wednesday: Closed Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Friday: Closed</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Office: (979) 732-3460</p> <p>Website: www.saintrochparish.org hannah@saintrochparish.org arielle@saintrochparish.org</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS:</p> <p>Bobbie Brod (979) 732-3151 or Deacon Doug & Mary Beth Tromblee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Bible Readings</p> <p>Mon: 2 Tim 1:1-8; Ps 96:1-10; Mk 3:22-30</p> <p>Tues: 2 Sam 6:12-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35</p> <p>Wed: 2 Sam 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-30; Mk 4:1-20</p> <p>Thurs: 2 Sam 7:18-29; Ps 132:1-14; Mk 4:21-25</p> <p>Fri: 2 Sam 11:1-17; Ps 51:3-11; Mk 4:26-34</p> <p>Sat: 2 Sam 12:1-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41</p> <p>Sun: Zeph 2:3-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Reverend James Dvorak, Pastor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Phone: (979) 732-2562 jdvorak@victoriadiocese.org</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Reverend Nelson Gonzalez, Parochial Vicar</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Phone: (979) 732-2562 ngonzalez@victoriadiocese.org</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deacon Doug Tromblee cell: (979) 733-4430 doug@thetromblees.com</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deacon Andy Nunmaker <i>Spiritual Director</i> cell: (713) 504-6744 andynunmak@gmail.com</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deacon Chuck Glynn, OFS cell: (979) 253-3233 deaconchuck@saintrochparish.org</p>
<p>ROSARY Recited 30 minutes before each 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass</p> <p>CONFESSIONS: Thursday 5:00-5:20 p.m, Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.</p> <p>BAPTISM: Baptismal instructions are required; please contact the Parish Office (979) 732-3460.</p> <p>MARRIAGE: Couples should notify the pastor before setting a wedding date to allow time for the required marriage preparation (no weddings during Lent or Advent).</p> <p>REGISTRATION: We welcome with joy all new members of the community and invite you to register online at http://saintrochparish.org/parish-registration or stop by during office hours to fill out the forms.</p> <p>HALL RENTAL: Contact the Parish Office for availability and pricing information.</p>		

COLLECTION

January 18, 2026

\$2,607

Thank you and God bless you through your generosity!

Second Collection this Weekend Church in Latin America (CLA)

This weekend is the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection, which strengthens the faith of our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your support is bringing the faith to people in remote villages that would otherwise not have access to church programs and outreach. Share your faith! Support the second collection. To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



2026 Graduating High School Seniors



If you are related (son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild) to a Catholic Daughter member, pick up a Catholic Daughter of the America Texas State Court 2025 State Memorial Scholarship application located in the narthex, online or scan the QR code.

You can fill out the application online or print it out. **Review the special requirements before you apply for the CDA St. Roch Court #2328 local scholarship.**

Visit www.texasda.org for more information about other scholarships available from the CDA.

Deadline is January 31!

If you have any questions please contact Tammy Noe at 281-460-6672 or tammynoe@gmail.com

Please pray for all of those who are ill or in need of our prayers:

Rose Marie Thuman, Paul Henschke, Deacon Andy Nunmaker

We ask for your prayers for all those in our parish and community who are in need of healing. We pray to the Lord.

Catholic Schools Week across the nation: Jan. 25-30

Let us join them in prayer and thanksgiving for the gift of Catholic Education. For all those involved, as well as, for the wonderful opportunity it gives our future in growing and learning. May we with your servant, St. Anthony, thank you for our school. Amen.

There will be a second collection for St. Anthony Catholic School, Paving the Way, Jan. 31/Feb.1.

Texas Education Freedom Accounts (TEFA)

Texas Education Freedom Accounts will provide eligible families with financial support to help cover educational expenses for private schools, including St. Anthony Catholic School. To learn more about what TEFA is, who may qualify, and how to apply, please visit our school website at

www.stanthonycolumbus.net/tefa

(scan QR code) or

www.choosecatholicschools.org/tefa



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS AND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

TURKEY & DRESSING DINNER

SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 1, 2026
11:00 A.M.

DINE-IN AND DRIVE THRU
ST. ROCH PARISH HALL
MENTZ, TX

\$15.00 PER PLATE

Tasty Treat
Live Auction

Silent
Auction

The flyer features a turkey illustration at the bottom and icons for a plate and a bid sign.

The Beauty and Meaning of Votive Candles

Upon entering a Catholic Church, notice that a candle burns at all times. The sanctuary lamp is a candle, traditionally red (or sometimes white), located in the sanctuary, usually near the Tabernacle. This candle burns without ceasing to remind us of Christ's constant presence in the Blessed Sacrament. It is the visible sign that symbolizes His light in the world and this holy place.

There are other candles that you may see burning in the church. These are called votive candles. The word *votive* comes from the Latin *votum*, meaning "promise" or "prayer." We burn these candles for specific intentions of our prayers. A lit votive candle gives off its light and visibly represents an extension of our prayer before God, even after we leave the church. The flame becomes a symbol of our faith and our trust that the Lord continues to hear us.

In front of the Sacred Heart Altar, you can find votive candles available for your prayer. The small donation required for a votive candle also has meaning. It is a sacrifice—an offering we make along with our prayer. In this way, our prayer is not only with words, but with action.

There are no wrong prayers to offer as you light a votive candle.

Some suggestions are noted below:

- For a loved one who is sick or struggling
- For the soul of someone who has died
- For guidance in making an important decision
- In thanksgiving for a blessing received

Throughout Scripture, light is a powerful image of God's presence. Jesus Himself said, "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). By lighting a candle, we unite ourselves to Christ, offering Him our prayer in hope and faith. Even in the darkness of difficulty or uncertainty, the candle is a constant reminder that Christ's light endures.

Next time you are in church, consider lighting a votive candle. Pause for a moment, say a prayer, and leave the light burning. Teach your children this beautiful tradition of the votive candle and offering to God. Even when you are no longer physically present, that small flame continues to lift your prayer to God, a reminder of the Lord's constant presence and our enduring hope in Him.

May these little lights draw us ever closer to the Light of Christ, who shines in the darkness and whom the darkness cannot overcome.