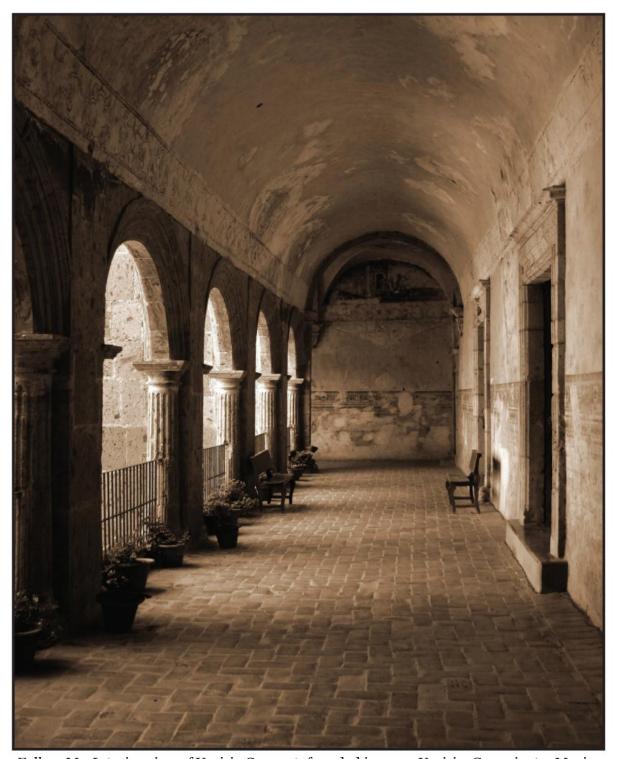
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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 **PRELUDE** 

### INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Mass begins with the Processional Hymn.

The celebrant and other ministers enter in procession and reverence the altar with a kiss.

The altar is a symbol of Christ at the heart of the assembly and so deserves this special reverence.

Stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Now Thank We All Our God

Heritage

Hymn 197

Entrance Antiphon (10:30 am only)

Pew Missal, page 233

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.The Lord be with you.And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Pew Missal, page 4

The Penitential Act follows the greeting. At the very beginning of the Mass, the faithful recall their sins and place their trust in God's abiding mercy.

**KYRIE** 

Sancta Maria Magdalena Pew Missal, page 30

The Act of Penitence includes the Kyrie Eleison, a Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy."

GLORIA

Pew Missal, back page

The Gloria begins by echoing the song of the angels at the birth of Christ:
"Glory to God in the highest!"
In this ancient hymn, the gathered assembly joins the heavenly choirs
in offering praise and adoration to the Father and Jesus through the Holy Spirit.

COLLECT

The Introductory Rites conclude with the Opening Prayer, also called the Collect.

The celebrant invites the gathered assembly to pray and, after a brief silence,
proclaims the prayer of the day. The Opening Prayer gives a context for the celebration.

O God, by whom we were redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Sit

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the Liturgy of the Word, the Church feeds the people of God from the table of his Word.
The Scriptures are the word of God, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.
In the Scriptures, God speaks to us, leading us along the path to salvation.

READINGS Pew Missal, page 233

HOMILY

STAND

Creed Pew Missal, page 9

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL V. Let us pray to the Lord. R. Lord hear our prayer.

The Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Prayer of the Faithful.

The gathered assembly intercedes with God on behalf of the Church,
the world, and themselves, entrusting their needs to the faithful and loving God.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Pew Missal, back page

Sit

Announcements

### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Liturgy of the Eucharist begins with the preparation of the gifts and the altar.

As the ministers prepare the altar,

representatives of the people bring forward the bread and wine that will become the Body and Blood of Christ. The celebrant blesses and praises God for these gifts and places them on the altar.

OFFERTORY HYMN Take Up Thy Cross

Hymn 253
STAND

ORATE FRATRES

Pew Missal, page 11

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and peace, graciously grant that, through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Pew Missal, page 11

After a brief introductory dialogue, the celebrant begins the Preface. The Preface tells of the wonderful actions of God, both throughout history and in our lives, giving thanks to God for all these things.

SANCTUS

Sancta Maria Magdalena

Pew Missal, page 35

Kneel

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER** 

*Prayer I* - page 11; *II* - page 14; *III* - page 15

We have entered the most important part of the Mass. This sequence of prayers contains the **consecration** which is the heart of the Mass. By the power of the Holy Spirit, through the words and actions of these prayers, the priest accomplishes the great work of the Mass: bringing Christ Himself down upon our altar, so that we may offer Him to God. Our gifts of bread and wine, representing ourselves, are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. Then the priest offers Christ, and ourselves in union with Christ, to God.

MEM. ACCLAMATION ICEL Chant-Save us...

Pew Missal, page 39

STAND

### **COMMUNION RITE**

The Communion Rite begins with the Lord's Prayer. Jesus taught this prayer to his disciples when they asked how to pray. In this prayer, the people join their voices to pray for the coming of God's kingdom. We ask God to provide for our needs, forgive our sins, and bring us to the joy of heaven.

Our Father Pew Missal, page 17

THE PEACE Pew Missal, page 18

AGNUS DEI Sancta Maria Maqdalena Pew Missal, page 36

KNEEL

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD Pew Missal, page 18

Guidelines for the Reception of Holy Communion are inside the front cover of the Pew Missal.

Communion Antiphon Pew Missal, page 234

COMMUNION HYMN I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say Hymn 161

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

STAND

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

**CONCLUDING RITES** 

BLESSING & DISMISSAL Pew Missal, page 19

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL Pew Missal, page 535

MARIAN ANTIPHON Salve Regina Hymn 236

POSTLUDE

# The Shape of the Liturgy

Processional Hymn: Now Thank We All Our God

Now Thank We All Our God was written by Martin Rinkart (1586-1649) who was the Lutheran Bishop of Eilenberg, Germany during the Thirty Years' War\*. Since Eilenberg was a walled city it became a place of refuge for fugitives of the war, and a place of famine and disease due to overcrowding. In 1637 at the height of the war's destruction, Rinkart was the only clergyman left in the city who could perform the 40 or 50 necessary burial services daily -- one of which was for his wife. As if that were not enough, the city was sacked three times by Catholic invaders, who imposed a large tribute payment upon the people. During this time, Rinkart managed to find the time to write 7 dramas and 66 hymns.

This hymn was originally titled "Tisch-Gebetlein," or a "little prayer before the meal." This humble prayer of thanksgiving is laid out simply and beautifully in the first verse, but it is the next two verses that expand the hymn's focus and have given it its lasting appeal. You can see the Thirty Years' War pressing on his mind in verse two:

Preserve us in His grace, And guide us in distress, And free us from all sin, Till heaven we possess.

The last verse basically paraphrases the doxology as if to say, "The Lord gives, and the Lord takes away, may the name of the Lord be praised."

Yes, sadly disasters like the Thirty Years War took place back in the 1500's during the religious revolution (as Bishop Sheen called it). Although we no longer have that level of conflict, conflict has returned in our own country in our own day. We need only remember the threats made recently against Supreme Court Justices, and especially against the six Catholic Justices over Roe vs Wade. Like Bishop Rinker, may you and I have the strength of mind and character to be patient, kind, forgiving, and merciful to those who mistreat and mock us for our Catholic Faith. Our Lord does remind us, "Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you." (Matt. 5:44). And "persecution" is not just physical, it can also be emotional and spiritual – and sometimes condescending.

\*FYI: The Thirty Years' War from 1618 to 1648 was one of the most destructive wars in European history. An estimated 4.5 to 8 million soldiers and civilians died as a direct result, while some areas of present-day Germany experienced population decline of over 50%. This war was basically a struggle for control between Catholics and Protestants.

-Fr. James Ramsey



### ST. MARY'S RUMMAGE SALE

This Friday and Saturday
September 9th & 10th

Come shop at the Activity Center on:

Friday, September 9 from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Saturday, September 10 from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Bring items to donate to the Activity Center during these times:

Monday, September 5 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday, September 6 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Wednesday, September 7 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Thursday, September 8 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

## GABRIEL PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Gabriel Project of the Crossroads is looking for a special volunteer to help coordinate volunteer activities. The person needed would be responsible for the database of volunteers and would help recruit and train new volunteers. This is currently one of the greatest needs of this pro-life non-profit that has been helping mothers and their babies for more than 20 years. Anyone who wants to help the organization with this type of work and also help convey the Gabriel Project's purpose to the public – standing up for a woman in a crisis and protecting the unborn – can find more information on the website www.victoriagabrielproject.org/volunteer. If filling out the online form, check "other, refer to the volunteer coordinator opportunity, and the executive director will contact you.

# GRIEF SUPPORT RETREAT SEPTEMBER 30TH - OCTOBER 2ND

If you are a parent whose child has died at any age, you are invited to join a Weekend Retreat, Sept. 30 thru Oct. 2 at the Spiritual Renewal Center, Victoria, Tx. Coping with the death of a child is very difficult and grief does not end in a certain amount of time. The Strength For The Journey Team is here to accompany you on your personal journey of renewed hope and healing. For more information contact: victoriadiocese.org/grief-support or Pat Hoelscher at 979-257-9984 or phoelscher@victoriadiocese.org.

# ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

INVITATION: Saturday, September 10, 2022 10:00 A.M. Join in the celebration of the Silver Jubilee of Priestly Ordination of **Father Gabriel Oduro Tawiah** at - ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH - NEW TAITON, TEXAS - 1843 COUNTY ROAD 469 - EL CAMPO, TEXAS 77437.Reception and meal will follow. **Contact Georgia West @ 361 935-6701 by Sunday night September 4th, 2022 if you plan to attend.** 

# SAFE ENVIRONMENT / CODE OF PASTORAL CONDUCT WORKSHOP

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH
IN THE ACTIVITY CENTER

Safe Environment / Code of Pastoral Conduct Workshop will be held on Thursday September 15 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at St. Mary's Activity Center. To register, call Cynthia Brewer at 361-571-6510 or email sec@stmvictoria.org. For any questions, call the rectory at 361-573-4328.

# INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Classes for RCIA will start on Tuesday, September 13th at 7:00 pm in the Activity Center. Contact Karen Evans for more information: rcia@stmvictoria.org or 361-550-9809.

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### THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S OFFERTORY GIFTS **Memorial of Saint Gregory** Saturday, Sept. 3 Aug. 22-28 9:00 am 1st Saturday Mass Sunday Collection......\$6,156.85 9:30 am Drop off Items for Rummage Sale On-line giving......975.00 4:30 pm Vigil Mass Mass Intention: Earl & Freda Kolle † 5:30 pm Confession Total.....\$7,131.85 Matthew Bednorz † Amount needed weekly to meet budget: 8:00 am Sunday Mass Sunday, Sept. 4 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time \$8.085.00 Mass Intention: Ninfa Hernandez † MASS ATTENDANCE 9:15 - 10:00 am Confession Theresa Wearden † 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 am Holy Face Devotions - Chapel 10:30 am Sunday Mass Mass Intention: People of the Parish Sat., Aug. 27th at 4:30 pm......122 Sun., Aug. 28th at 8:00 am......92 Mon. of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time Monday, Sept. 5 Sun., Aug. 28th at 10:30 am......150 No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel Total......364 Parish Office Closed 9:30 am - 4:00 pm Drop off Items for Rummage Sale THE FLOWERS IN THE Intention: Hannah Immenhauser 12:05 pm Daily Mass 12:05 pm Daily Mass Intention: Ham 12:35 pm Confession and Communal Rosary SANCTUARY this weekend are given Tues. of the 24rd Week in Ordinary Time Tuesday, Sept. 6 in loving memory of 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel Leona & Walter Berckenhoff 9:30 am - 4:00 pm Drop off Items for Rummage Sale and Mass Intention: Adriene Bonorden † 12:05 pm Daily Mass **Jason Seiler** 12:35 pm Confession and Communal Rosarv 3:00 - 4:30 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle in the Chapel by Joanie Lytle & Family 6:30 pm Choir Practice in the Church Wednesday, Sept. 7 Wed. of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time THE SANCTUARY CANDLE 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel in the church burns this week 9:30 am - 4:00 pm Drop off Items for Rummage Sale in memory of 11:45 am Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in the Church **Adriene Bonorden** Mass Intention: Susan & Gary Valenta & Family 12:05 pm Daily Mass bv 12:35 pm Confession and Communal Rosary Paul Bonorden 6:00 pm CCD (Religious Education) Mass in the Church THE ADORATION CANDLES Feast of the Nativity of the B.V. Mary Thursday, Sept. 8 burn this week in honor of 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel **Bernice Tipton** 8:10 am Nazareth Academy Mass Intention: Stephanie Petrash Sekula † by 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Quilt and Craft Corner in the Activity Center Patrick Tipton 9:30 am - 1:00 pm Drop off Items for Rummage Sale 12:05 pm Daily Mass Mass Intention: Michael Vahalik † THE CANDLE 12:35 pm Confession and Communal Rosary IN COMMEMORATION OF THE DECEASED Friday, Sept. 9 **Memorial of Saint Peter Claver** 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel burns this week in memory of **Stephanie Petrash Sekula** 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Rummage Sale by Mass Intention: IWBS Sisters 12:05 pm Daily Mass Family 12:35 pm Confession and Communal Rosary THE CANDLE Saturday, Sept. 10 Sat. of the 23d Week in Ordinary Time 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Rummage Sale AT JOSEPH'S ALTAR burns this week in memory of 4:30 pm Vigil Mass Mass Intention: Steven Gardner † **Michael Tipton** 5:30 pm Confession Amos & Emilie Hosek † by Patrick Tipton Sunday, Sept. 11 Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross

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burns this week in honor of
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by
Joseph Frazer

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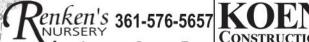
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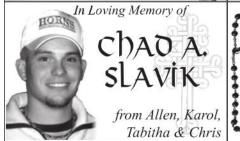


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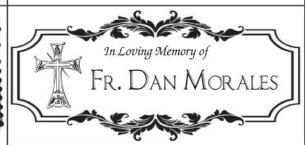


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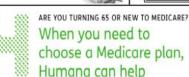
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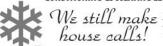
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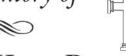
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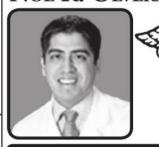
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