

ST. ANTHONY DE PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH — P.O. 299 — DANBURY, TEXAS 77534

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NEWS LETTER FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020 [Masses Livestream @ 10 am Sunday]

Message from the desk of the Pastor.....

My dear people of God,

Today's Gospel account teaches us some important lessons. In each event of Christ, following his resurrection we see some doubts and concerns expressed by those who saw Jesus.

The two disciples on the road to Emmaus were confused and distressed over the death of the Lord. Today, many people may have the wrong idea about who Jesus is. He was not a powerful earthly man. While he walked this earth, he was merciful, humble, gentle and simple.

It was not until the disciples sat down at the table and broke bread with Christ, that their eyes were opened and they recognized him. ***Do you recognize the Lord in his Word and in the breaking of the bread?***

How often do we fail to recognize the Lord when he speaks to our hearts and opens his mind to us? The Risen Lord is ever ready to speak his word to us and to give us understanding of his ways. ***Do you listen attentively to the word of God and allow his word to change and transform you?***

Lord Jesus Christ, open the eyes of my heart to recognize your presence with me and to understand the truth of your saving word.

Nourish me with your life giving word and with the bread of life.

May God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Joseph

The Vocation Ministry has launched an international campaign called ***Uplift Your Priest*** that runs from ***April 20th—May 1st*** that encourages parishioners to show LOVE to their Priests. We are including Deacon in this Uplifting. It is a great way to thank them for all of their sacrifices, especially during Holy Week, to keep all of us connected with our parishes. You can pick one item or five items to do for your priest / deacon, just be the light in this dark time as your priest / deacon misses you, his flock. Please pray for them and their families.

In the back of the church are two posters [one for Fr. Joseph / one for Deacon Gerald] to write an encouraging and inspirational note.



Also a list for ideas:

Daily Deed Ideas

- Send a card
- Call/text/email your priest or deacon [*Fr. Joseph does not email or text*]
- Send him drawings or painting by children
- Pray, fast, and offer sacrifices for him
- Send restaurant gift card
- Create a sidewalk message in front of church / rectory
- Send financial support to the parish, if able
- Pray the Rosary for him
- Be creative in your ideas

Kylie's Corner

And I saw another angel flying through the sky, carrying the eternal Good News to proclaim to the people who belong to this world to every nation, tribe, language, and people. -Revelation 14:6 NLT

I can imagine the Angels in Heaven are all around us on Earth and even though we are unable to see them, I believe our loved ones we lost are guiding us and keeping each of us safe. I first thought about how through this epidemic, our Angels in Heaven are all on this Earth somewhere fighting this battle with us during the most peaceful Easter I have ever experienced on April 12, 2020. On this day, I ended up going to the cemetery with my Grandparents and I'm so thankful I did because I witnessed something I have never experienced before. We stayed in the car while driving around looking at our loved ones' graves and we prayed over them. I looked up and I noticed a parked truck. The individual got out of his truck and sat down next to a grave. He sat there for a while. Mind you, this was Easter Day and from the distance, he looked like he was a teenager. He could have done something other than going to the cemetery to visit his loved one for Easter, but he didn't. As I was watching him, I felt the pain he felt and it made me so sad. I also prayed over him the entire time as he was sitting in the grass talking to his loved one. It honestly made my heart hurt for him and I still can't stop thinking about that moment. I didn't know who he was or the loved one he was seeing at the cemetery - that's not for me to know and it's for God to know. It's the fact that God brought me there and He wanted me to witness what I saw, which I'm forever blessed by it. I wanted to share this special event with all of you and hopefully, it touches your heart like it did mine! Anyways, Angels are near and they are fighting our battles on the sidelines with us. Please listen to the song, "Touch of Heaven" by Bethel Music. "And how I live for the moments where I'm still in Your presence. And all the noise dies down. Lord, speak to me now. You have all my attention." Kylie

If you want to read more of Kylie's inspirational writings, please feel free to check out her blog:

<https://inspirationalwritingsbykylieceline.com>

We are so excited to let Parishioners know that we have a **"DROP BOX"** on the front door to the Church Office. You will now be able to drop off your weekly donations in the "Drop Box". So try it out.



We want to extend the invitation to CONNECT 2020, a welcome retreat at St. Mary's Catholic Center in College Station, Texas for incoming freshmen and transfer students coming to Texas A&M and Blinn. It is an opportunity to connect with new friends and be welcomed into the community at St. Mary's. In the past, over 500 students have attended these retreats. We want your incoming freshmen and transfer students to come to this retreat to experience their new home away from home here at St. Mary's.

Come and experience what it means to be an Aggie Catholic with other freshmen and transfer students at Connect 2020! It is a two-day conference for incoming students to help them meet new friends, become familiar with St. Mary's, and be a part of St. Mary's faith community.

There are 2 Connect Retreats.

Connect 2020 will be held on **August 19-20** the Wednesday and Thursday of Howdy week which is the week following freshman move-in before classes start.

Early Arrivals* Connect 2020 will be during **August 1-2**.

This retreat is for corps and sorority/fraternity students since they cannot attend the larger Connect Retreat during Howdy week.

Registration for both of these retreats will open April 20, 2020! For more information, go to the connect retreat's website: www.stmarysconnect.com

We ask that you please forward this email to any students you know who will be starting at Texas A&M or Blinn as a freshman or any transfer student you know. In the near future, we will email you a flyer that we ask that you please include it in your bulletin or post on your website. We are hoping to reach all Catholics in Texas to welcome them to their journey in College Station. If you have any questions, please email us back at connectleadership2020@gmail.com or call St. Mary's front desk at (979) 846-5717.

This last week we started a daily Challenge on Facebook. Just something at a time like this to encourage people and put their thoughts in other places maybe. So even if your not on Facebook this is something you can do and share with others.

Day 1—Monday: Share a Meal or Recipe Idea with others. We did get a few yummy recipes posted under this Challenge.

Mini Bell Pepper Nachos

By Lisa Mitchell

24 sweet mini bell peppers, cut in half and seeded

1lb 93% lean ground turkey

1/4 onion, minced

1 Tbsp. chopped fresh cilantro

1 tsp. garlic powder

1 tsp cumin

1 tsp salt

1/4 cup tomato sauce

1/4 cup chicken broth

1 cup cheddar cheese

2 Tbsp. light sour cream, thinned with

1 Tbsp. water

1 jalapeno, sliced thin

Directions: Preheat oven to 400 degrees and line a large baking sheet with parchment or aluminum foil. Lightly spray with oil. Spray oil in a medium nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add onion, garlic and cilantro and saute about 2 minutes. Add ground turkey, salt, garlic powder, cumin and cook meat for 4 to 5 minutes until meat is completely cooked through. Add 1/4 cup of tomato sauce and chicken broth, mix well and simmer on medium for about 5 minutes, remove from heat.

Meanwhile, arrange mini peppers in a single layer, cut-side up close together. Fill each with cooked ground turkey mixture, then top with shredded cheese and jalapeno slices, if using. Bake 8 to 10 minutes, until cheese is melted. Enjoy.

Cherry Dream Pie

Ingredients:

By Mellissa Rayl

3 egg yolks

1 can (14oz) sweetened condensed milk

1/3 cup lemon juice

1 Keebler Ready Crust Graham Pie Crust

1 can (21 oz.) cherry pie filling, chilled

Directions:

- 1) In medium bowl beat egg yolks. Stir in sweetened condensed milk and lemon juice. Pour into crust.
- 2) Bake at 325 degrees for 25 minutes. Cool for 1 hour. Refrigerate at least 3 hours or until set.
- 3) Top with pie filling. Garnish as desired. Store in refrigerator.

*NOTE: For a delicious change of pace, substitute your favorite flavor of fruit pie filling.

Day 2 Challenge: Leave a kind note for someone. Lift someone up during this time.

Day 3 Challenge: Earth Day. Share a beautiful picture of your favorite flower / rose / tree / birds share joy with someone and uplift.

Day 4 Challenge: Clean your closets / pantry / office..... Put aside items that can be donated later.

Day 5 [Friday] We want to encourage everyone to do at least one of these challenges. And thank those who did participate this week.

Next week our Challenges will be: Monday, April 27th to Friday, May 1st

Day 1 Challenge: Give a compliment to everyone you see or meet today. Put a smile on. Be upbeat. Make someone laugh.

Day 2 Challenge: Pay it Forward. Do something kind for someone today. Maybe have a meal sent to someone who is alone.

Day 3 Challenge: Tell a coworker, teacher, front line worker, Medical Team, Caregiver or family member how you appreciate them.

Day 4 Challenge: Send someone a card, for no reason! Use e-cards or good ole fashion snail-mail.

Day 5 Just have fun with all of this. Don't stop here, keep it up and going.

I would like to thank Jackie Kocurek for dropping off the Churches Newsletter to the Elderly and those that do not have the internet around town. She is a blessing. We do have a list we do mail out to. As of right now, everything is the same with the church per the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. We continue to keep everyone in prayer.

This coming weekend would have been our Annual Bazaar, Sunday, May 3rd. We had to cancel. Please keep the Parish in your prayers. Help all to figure out another Fundraiser for the year. Lets all pray about it and come up with ideas.

Danbury Knights of Columbus Scholarship
Applications are available at the Church Office for
2020 Graduating Seniors
 For questions or comments please contact
 Kent Bollich, KC Scholarship Chairman
 @ (979)236-5633
 Robert Fief, Grand Knight @ (979)922-1629

Catholic Daughters Court 2135 is offering two
 Scholarships to 2020 Graduating Seniors. The award
 can be used for Trade School or School Tuition.
 Applications are available. Contact by email: Linnet
 Orlik @ Orlik.linnet@gmail.com or by mail: 725
 Newman, Angleton, TX 77515

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3rd Sunday of Easter Word Search: Cleopas,
 David, Debating, Deeds, Eleven, Emmaus, Flesh,
 Foreknowledge, Foresaw, Futile, Gold, Israelites,
 Jesus, Jews, Midst, Nazorean, Netherworld, Oath,
 Patriarch, Peter, Precious Blood, Signs, Silver,
 Sojourning, Spoke, Throes, Throne, Tongue, Vil-
 lage, Wonders
 [29] Remaining letters spell out what?

Amelia (child) & Family
 Mary Achille
 Camilla Adiles
 Kyle Atkins
 Mary Jo Atkinson
 Mike Bachus
 Tracy Bazaar
 Barbara Beer
 Larry Blasuis
 Larelle Bockhoff
 Eleanor Boeker
Lorenda Baldwin
 Marvin & Rosemary Bozarth
 Francis Buchta
 Jane Carlile
 Luke Carrillo
 Mark Clifford
 Richard & Dolores Clinton
 Kathy Coiro
 Lula Corona
 Bernadette Dawn
 Joyce Dixon
 Lupe Estrada
 James Fief
 Tennie Fief
 Veronica Gardner
 Jacko Garrett

Pray for
 all on the
 prayer
 list !

We pray
 for all in
 our daily
 prayers!

Kerrie Gore
 Josie Gutierrez
 Henry Hearn
Charles Herbst
 Tom Herron
 Landin Hoffman
 Brook Jeter
 Libby Jez
 Dorothy Prihoda Jones
 Scott Kidwell
 Charles Kolafa
 Michael & Terri Korenek
 Traci Kroll
 Jamie Larson
 Evelyn Lassman
 Mary F. LeCompte
 Adan Lewis
 Fiona Lewis
 Thomas Lewis
 Claudette Linville
 Dean Lowry
 Henrietta McAdams & Family
 Al McEndree
 Doug McKay
 Guy McNeil
 Larry Mercado

Catherine Moore
 Valentina Morales
 Randy Newton
 Mary & Henry Novak
 Peggy Novak
 Johnny Olsovsky, Jr.
 Scott Osborne
 Kirk & Stacy
 Oswald Family
 Chuck Pate
 Judy Pate
 Sarah Filipp Peel
 Irene Peltier
 Randy Peltier
Robyn Peltier
 Tricia Wollam Perk
 Butch & Sharon Peterson
 John Peterson
 Betty Ann Plander
 Deone Raschke
 Joe Rivera
 Betty Jo Ritz
Gene Roberts
 Janice Roberts
 Walter Barret Robinson
 Joe & Amanda Romero

Jackson Sanders
 Brandie Schwertner
 Charles & Mildred Scott
 Christopher Shepherd
 Bill Siegel
 Betty Smith
 Brenda & Louie Smith
 Josef Sterzinger
 Karen Summers
 Rey & Paula Tenorio
 Will Thomson
 Benjamin Thompson
 Charles Tousek
 Carol Unsicker
 Nancy Veselka
 Jeanette Vrazel
 Mildred Vrazel
 Pat & Louis Vrazel
 Hudson Walker
 Michael Ward
 Dinah Weil
 Eli Wendel
 Marianne Whitley
 David Wilson
 Gerald Wittman

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My JESUS, I believe that YOU are TRULY present in the Blessed Sacrament.
 I love YOU above all things, and I long for YOU in my soul.
 Since I cannot now receive YOU sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my
 heart.
 As though YOU have already
 come, I embrace YOU and unite
 myself entirely to YOU;
 never permit me to be separated
 from YOU.

Collection Totals for: April 18th / 19th, 2020
 Regular Weekend Offerings \$1,570.00
 Additional On-Line Giving Donations \$3,875.00

Thank you for your generous donations.
 God bless!

Seek & Find Answer:
*"keep me O God for
 in you I take refuge"*

**Private Masses for the Week of
 April 27th—May 1st:**

Monday, April 27th:
 + Edmund, Catine & Ronnie Peltier
 Tuesday, April 28th
 + Adrian Gubert
 Wednesday, April 29th
 + Leo Fief & Family Blessings
 Thursday, April 30th
 + Joe & Veronica Siegel
 Friday, May 1st
 + Don & Mary Babin

**These Masses are not open to the
 Public. It is Fr. Joseph's obligation
 as a Priest to fulfill his duty by cel-
 ebrating mass daily, but by himself.
 Thank you.**

Livestream Masses:
****10am Sunday Mornings****
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 St. Anthony's Facebook Page
 Or
 Join us on St. Anthony's
 Website
 www.saopdtx.org
 God bless!
 Donations can be made Online:
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[Our Sunday Visitor]
 Or
 St. Anthony's Website
 [www.saopdtx.org]
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