



ST. ANN'S

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S MARCH 15 - 21

(Any changes to this schedule will be announced via Flocknote)

Monday, March 15

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, March 16

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Ladies Quilting Ministry
5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
(For Juana Vega)

Wednesday, March 17

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
(For †Fr. Carlos C. Castillo, CMF)

Thursday, March 18

10:00 a.m. Balance Matters Class (Room C)
1:00 p.m. Balance Matters Class (Room C)
5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
(For Quade Salazar)

Friday, March 19

12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist
(For †Jacque Vail)
1:00 p.m. 60+ Potluck & Bingo
6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 20

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
(For Fathers)

Sunday, March 21

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
(For Belinda Scott)
11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
(For the People of God)

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 23 Ladies Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
March 24 First Reconciliation - 6:30 p.m.
March 25 Choir Practice - 6:30 p.m.
March 26 Fish Fry - 6:30 p.m.
March 27 Confirmation Retreat - 12:00 p.m.
March 30 Chrism Mass - 7:00 p.m.
(@ St. Mary's Cathedral)
April 1 Holy Thursday - 6:30 p.m.
April 2 Good Friday - 6:30 p.m.
April 3 Holy Saturday - 8:30 p.m.
April 4 Easter Sunday - 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.



Děkujeme! Thank you! At least that's how Microsoft Translator translates "thank you" into Czech. Whether the translation is right or wrong, there was so much right about this year's Czech Sausage Dinner: 1,469 meals served; over 60 volunteers signed up, but many others showed up; a profit of over \$12,000 made (only a couple of thousand below our usual take which is pretty impressive considering we weren't able to have in-person dining with our country store); 60 dozen fruit kolaches made and sold. As much as we appreciate everybody's precious time and service, we need to offer a special thanks to our coordinators, **Jonathan and Amanda Lawson**. They bore the heaviest burden of organization and anxiety to make the dinner a go in the extraordinary circumstances of this pandemic time.

Spring Break has broken, and you deserve a break today (old fast-food chain slogan). I pray that many of you have an opportunity to get out of town or at least do some fun or relaxing things here at home this week. Please be safe and cautious as we all look forward to the day that is hopefully coming soon when we fully see each other's faces again and not have to think about the Covid cloud over our heads. Quite a few of our parish staff will be taking advantage of the break, so we ask for your patience if you need something or someone at the parish office this week.

Please take a look at our adjusted pandemic protocols printed on the back of this bulletin. They are based on Bishop Zurek's instructions printed in last week's bulletin and subject to be further adjusted as the situation changes. Again, we urge everyone not to lose sight of the immunity goal on the horizon and continue to be laser-beam focused on the power of communal action to vanquish the foe. Please remember to continue to wash hands, wear masks, and act responsibly in gatherings with others. Also, to echo the urgings of Pope Francis and our leaders in the Church, get vaccinated as soon as possible as an act of compassion and love!

Fr. Scott

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE - MAR. 6-7:

Envelopes/Cash: \$5,108.00
Online Giving: \$6,357.50
Weekly Total: \$11,465.50 (Weekly Goal: \$10,000)
Month of March: \$11,465.50 (This Month's Goal: \$40,000)
Building Maintenance Fund: \$2,786.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Parishioners can make weekly one time payments or automatic payments at stannsofcanyon.org/give. Envelopes can be dropped off at the collections baskets at the entrance or exit in the church, in the curbside mailbox in front of the Rectory, or be sent to the parish, P.O. Box 59, Canyon, TX 79015.



First Communion:

The next First Reconciliation opportunity for students preparing to receive First Communion is scheduled for Wednesday, March 24 at 6:30 p.m. If you have not signed up your child, please contact Adrian Johnson at 655-3302 or ajohnson@stannsofcanyon.org.

The First Communion Mass is scheduled for Saturday, May 22 at 2:00 p.m. Please pray for our First Communicants as they approach the reception of the most Blessed Sacrament!

Confirmation:

The Confirmation Mass has been scheduled with the bishop's office for Saturday, May 15 at 2:00 p.m. Please pray for our *Confirmandi* as they approach the reception of this sacrament!

The Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, March 27, from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. ending with Saturday night Mass. This retreat is mandatory for all students (8th grade and above) seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation. If anyone cannot make this retreat, please contact Adrian Johnson, DRE, as soon as possible!

The Sacrament of Reconciliation for the Confirmation class is scheduled for May 12, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the church.



We will have choir practice in preparation for our upcoming Palm Sunday and Triduum Masses. We would like to invite our current choir members and anyone who would like to join us for these celebrations. The practice will be **Thursday, March 25th at 6:30pm** in the church.

We are very excited to be able to come together to have choir practice and ask that you please wear a mask. We also will be observing social distancing guidelines. It will be so great to be able to celebrate Holy Week this year! Please call the music office at (806) 655-3302 Ext 3 or Cindy Good (806) 679-2883 if you have any questions or concerns.

AROUND THE PARISH

60+ Potluck & Bingo - Join us for our next Potluck Luncheon and Bingo for parishioners ages 60+ on Friday, March 19, at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall! On the menu will be soup, bread and fruit! A great opportunity for food, fellowship, and lots of fun! No charge, call to reserve a seat! 655-3302 or 557-4755.

Steubenville Mid-America (8 - 12 grades) - All high school youth are invited to a Steubenville Conference trip this summer! The Conference will take place July 9-11, at Missouri State University in Springfield, MO. Cost of the conference is \$250, which includes lodging, transportation, and meals during the 3-day conference. There is a \$50 deposit and registration form due no later than March 22. Scholarships are given to youth who have been active through various activities at St. Anns throughout the year. Forms can be found online and on the youth bulletin board. Please contact Joshua Dutchover for more information.

Pastoral Council Members Needed and Wanted! - We will have an election/selection of new Parish Pastoral Council members in May. A good selection process involves a good runup period of formation and discernment for possible candidates. If you or someone you know who is a faithful Catholic and member of St. Ann's would like to learn more about this important ministry in our community of faith and discern whether you may be called to give your gifts in this capacity, please attend one of the following Pastoral Council information sessions:

- Sunday, April 11, 10:15 a.m.
- Wednesday, April 14, 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, April 18, 10:15 a.m.

Locations for these sessions will be shared as those dates approach.

Changes to Weekend Liturgies and Other Gatherings at St. Ann's per Bishop Zurek's New Instructions - March 13-14, 2021

- Masks will continue to be worn at all indoor parish occasions. The wearing of masks makes all other changes possible. Where possible, we will still encourage the practice of social distancing, including at parish gatherings like small groups, youth, meetings, and other activities.
- All doors can now be used for ingress and egress.
- Confessions will now allow for penitents to wait in the narthex area for their turn, taking care not to crowd close together and avoiding entering the main church before or after their confession. Penitents will be asked to use gel on their hands before and after their confession time.
- Hand gel will still be available and encouraged.
- Sanitizing the pews and other places will still be done after each usage.
- Most pews will now be available for open seating. The exception will be the reservation of half of the pews on the south side of the church. These will continue to be marked with signs as before for those who feel uncomfortable with the lack of social distancing.
- In the meantime, we will continue to livestream and archive on our website the Saturday 5 p.m. Mass. Also, we will continue to provide an overflow space and simulcast at the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass in the parish hall for those who don't yet feel comfortable and/or safe with the closer seating arrangement.
- Deacons and altar servers will go back to their normal duties.
- The bread and wine will be set up again on a small table near the doors to the church. The Ushers will recruit a household or group to bring up the gifts with the instruction that they are to sanitize their hands before touching the vessels and then wear their masks in the procession.
- The crucifer will escort the gifts (along with the offering basket) to the front to be received by the priest and deacon. We will not pass the basket for children or adults just yet, and a spare basket will be kept in the narthex for those who give after Mass.
- We will begin to schedule five Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for the Sunday Masses and three for the Saturday Mass. There will be three Communion stations on each side, with one minister going to the back and then back to handle the side seating area. Two lines will come to the front in procession, with everyone reminded to wear their masks. At this time, there will be no offering of the Communion cup to communicants.
- The Sign of Peace will continue to be in the form of bowing or nodding instead of shaking hands and/or embracing.
- The ministers of Holy Communion will now say "The Body of Christ" to each communicant and invite their response of "Amen."
- People will still be invited to dispose of their liturgical aids after Mass and help us sanitize the pews. People may leave from the door of their choice.

Annual Catholic Student Center Fundraiser



The Catholic Student Center at West Texas A&M University will host their annual auction fundraiser with dinner and a live auction on April 17, 2021 at St. Ann's Catholic Church, 605 38th St. Canyon, Texas.

Tickets are available at www.wtcsc.org/annual-auction-1. In addition the CSC will host a Cornhole tournament during the day, for more information please go to www.wtcsc.org or contact Betty Aragon at 806-655-4345 for more information.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY, MARCH 19
6:00 P.M.
IN THE CHURCH

**Recorded Stations can be viewed at www.stannsofcanyon.org/live or on our YouTube channel.*

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH
DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021

THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH



MARCH 19, 2021

Visit the St. Joseph Table in the St. Ann's Daily Mass Chapel to honor him on the Solemnity of St. Joseph in this Year of St. Joseph in the Universal Church. At the table, you will find...

- *Blessed cookies for each visitor
- *Holy card of St. Joseph for each visitor
- *Opportunity to give thanks to God and contribute to the care of the poor with a box for the poor present

ST. JOSEPH TABLE

The St. Joseph Altar or St. Joseph Table is an old tradition from Sicily. Legend has it that in a difficult part of the island's history, the people of Sicily prayed. For too long there had been no rain to nourish the crops that sustained life for most of the island.

The dried out wheat stalks cracked beneath the feet of the poor farmers as they walked through their barren fields. Only a sea of dust and withered vines remained from what had once been row upon row of brightly colored fruits and vegetables. And so the people prayed.

They pleaded for the intercession of St. Joseph, their patron, for relief from the famine that gripped the island. At last the skies opened, sending down the life-giving water. The people rejoiced. Some time later, to show their gratitude, they prepared a table with a special assortment of foods they had harvested. After paying honor to St. Joseph, they distributed the food to the less fortunate.

The first St. Joseph Altar set up on the Island of Sicily was a small one, of course. But as time went on and the tradition took hold, the flamboyant nature and creative spirit of the Italians caused the altars to grow larger and more ornate as symbols of gratitude, petition, and God's care for the poor. Italians brought this beautiful custom with them when they immigrated to America and the practice took hold as another beautiful manifestation of the faith and piety of Catholic people. Today, the artistic quality of the breads, cookies and pastries, which are baked in such shapes as chalices, staffs and pyramids, often rivals the exquisite flavor of the food offerings.

*Excerpted from catholicculture.com

Activity Source: Viva San Giuseppe by St. Joseph Guild, St. Joseph Guild, 1200 Mirabeau Ave, New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

God our Father in heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary,
Saint Joseph,
Noble son of the House of David,
Light of patriarchs,
Husband of the Mother of God,
Guardian of the Virgin,
Foster father of the Son of God,
Faithful guardian of Christ,
Head of the Holy Family,
Joseph, chaste and just,
Joseph, prudent and brave,
Joseph, obedient and loyal,
Pattern of patience,
Lover of poverty,
Model of workers,
Example to parents,
Guardian of virgins,
Pillar of family life,
Comfort of the troubled,
Hope of the sick,
Patron of the dying,
Terror of evil spirits,
Protector of the Church,

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
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God made him master of his household,

Let us pray.

O God, who in your inexpressible providence were pleased to choose Saint Joseph as spouse of the most holy Mother of your Son, grant, we pray, that we, who revere him as our protector on earth, may be worthy of his heavenly intercession. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy*

*have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.*

*pray for us.
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*have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.
have mercy on us.*

*And put him in charge
of all that he owned.*