

WE THANK everyone who shared a portion of their blessings to God through your church.

Jan.22 & 23, 2022: Regular Collection: \$1,859.00, Building Fund: \$500.00.

*Thank you !*

**MONEY COUNTERS (Note your day):**

Monday, Jan.31: Doug Elder, Joanie Correll, Elizabeth Korpe, Jenny Tobin.

Monday, Feb.7: Virginia Malinowski, Ronnie Husky, Sally Jozwiak, Bernice Lewandowski.

Let us pray for our sick, our cherished elderly & their families:

*Elizabeth Falk, Stella Mikolajczak, Shirley Moszkowicz, Virginia Moszkowicz Meschwitz.*

NOTE: *Please inform us if you know of someone who is ill and needs prayers.*

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**  
*Best Wishes and Congratulations to:*

Elizabeth/Gary Korpe, Jan.14—39th  
Marilyn/Florian Pawlak, Jan.17—41st  
Betty/Oscar Becker, Jan.18—53rd  
Lisa/Daniel Krolczyk, Jan.20—27th  
Jennifer/Andy Faist, Jan.22—17th

Our collection envelopes for 2022 have not yet arrived. Until we receive them, please put your donations in a plain white envelope, and write on it your name, your envelope number (#\_\_\_) and donation amount.

**The Altar Society will meet on Tuesday, February 8.  
Please attend, as we will be taking a group photo for the Parish Directory.**

**Altar Society members: your dues should be paid in January.  
Please give your payment to Virginia Malinowski, Treasurer.  
New members are always welcome! Call Virginia if you're interested!**

**IMPORTANT: If you will require a statement of 2021 donations for tax purposes, please contact the parish office.**

**Condolences to Ashlie Derkowski and family, on the passing of her father Jinx Matthies, on January 26.**

**Condolences to the following, on the passing of their mother, Dorothy Stegmann, on January 27:**

Mary Malinowski (Donald/Mary), Diane Roesse, Daniel Krolczyk (Daniel/Lisa), Melvin Krolczyk (Melvin/Tammy), and extended Family.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.*

***Thoughts for your Meditation***

The Gospel reading is taken from St. Luke (Lk 4:21-30). This rejection of Jesus by his own townfolk must have sincerely grieved him, but his words show that he must have expected it. It was only the beginning of similar rejections. Their attempt to murder him was an indication of what was yet to come. "To his own he came but his own did not accept him" as St. John says (1:11). The reason was that they were looking for a Messiah who would be a political leader who would make Israel a political power not only among the nations but over the other nations. Nearly all the messianic prophecies had references to the universality of the messianic kingdom—this universality they interpreted in a political, worldly sense. Their interest in things spiritual was then at a very low ebb and therefore the message of Christ had little interest for them. They did not want a spiritual kingdom.

For seventeen centuries they had been God's Chosen People, and they were proud of their superiority over the sinful Gentiles who did not know the true God. That very pride of theirs was their undoing. The Gentiles were God's children too, and they also were to share in the new kingdom which the Messiah would establish, but the very thought of this was abhorrent to the vast majority of the Jews.

In spite of all this opposition from his own people, however, Jesus spent his public life amongst them. He gave them the first offer of entering the new kingdom. They could still continue to be God's Chosen People together with, and alongside, the other nations of the earth. They refused. And their refusal went so far as to call in the aid of the hated Gentiles to crucify the One—their own fellow Jew—who had come to bring them the message of the true kingdom and the offer of being its first citizens.

There were many exceptions, of course. Christ founded his Church on the Apostles, who were Jews, and most of their initial converts were Jews. Through the noble sacrifices and efforts of the Apostles and later disciples, the kingdom then spread to all the Gentile nations of the earth. Because of their sacrifices, we are Christians, members of Christ's kingdom on earth and heirs to his eternal kingdom in heaven. Through our Christian teaching we have learned that our life on this earth is but a period of preparation, a period during which we should look towards the true life for which we were created: as citizens of his eternal kingdom. How often do we, like the Jews of Christ's day, forget this and bend all our efforts to building for ourselves a kingdom of power or wealth in this world, a kingdom which we will have to leave so soon?

We would not, of course, openly deny Christ, and we are aghast at the actions of his neighbors in Nazareth, who wanted to throw him to his death over a cliff: but how often in our private actions, and in our dealings with our neighbors, do we push him and his doctrine quietly aside and act as if we know him not? In this we are no better than Christ's neighbors of Nazareth and we grieve his loving heart as much as they did on that sad day. Am I one of those (each one of us can ask himself)? Do I really love Christ? And, to put it in a more personal way, do I really care for myself, as God cares for me? If so, why would I risk losing my place in the eternal kingdom for the sake of some paltry pleasure or gain in this present life which will end for me so very soon?

--Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

## THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

"Faith makes us taste in advance the light of the beatific vision, the goal of our journey here below. Then we shall see God 'face to face,' 'as he is.' So faith is already the beginning of eternal life:

"When we contemplate the blessings of faith even now, as if gazing at a reflection in a mirror, it is as if we already possessed the wonderful things which our faith assures us we shall one day enjoy." *St. Basil, De Spiritu Sancto 15,36: pg 32, 132*

*(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 163)*

## **FOURTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME**

***Save us, Lord our God, and gather us together from the nations, that we may proclaim your holy name and glory in your praise.***

Sat. Jan.29	6:00 PM	+V.J. JOZWIAK by Family
Sun. Jan.30	9:00 AM	+MIKE KOPYCINSKI by Denise/Katie/Tim Murski
Wed. Feb.2	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS—Feast of the Presentation of the Lord; Candlemas and blessing of candles. (Mass in church).
Thur. Feb.3	8:00 AM	+BEN LIBON by Jenny/Kieran Tobin Blessing of Throats (Mass in church).
Fri. Feb.4	8:00 AM	+MARGUERITE CARRAWAY by Jenny/Kieran Tobin

## **FIFTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME**

***Come, let us worship the Lord. Let us bow down in the presence of our maker, for he is the Lord our God.***

Sat. Feb.5	6:00 PM	+FLORENCE JOZWIAK by Clara Jozwiak
Sun. Feb.6	9:00 AM	+V.J. JOZWIAK by Family
Wed. Feb.9	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. Feb.10	8:00 AM	+JOHNNIE JEZIERSKI by Betty/David Skweres
Fri. Feb.11	8:00 AM	+EDWINA KAMINSKI by Kim Randall

Please note that Fr. Jozef's Wednesday evening study sessions on the Catholic Faith and doctrine are suspended until further notice.

## **ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**CHAPPELL HILL, TEXAS 77426**

**JANUARY 29TH & 30TH, 2022**

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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### **Regular Mass Schedule:**

Saturday :	6:00 PM
Sunday:	9:00 AM
Wednesday:	6:00 PM
Thursday & Friday:	8:00 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Sat. 5-5:45 PM/ Sun. 8- 8: 45 AM and  
30 minutes before weekday Masses

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Call at least 6 months before the planned wedding.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Contact Parish Office at least 2 weeks in advance.

**To Register in the Parish:** Forms are available in the narthex (near entry of the church).

### **Parish Boards and Councils / Chairpersons:**

Parish Council: Mark Bilski  
Financial Committee: Doug Elder  
Cemetery Board: Kenneth Kettler  
Building & Maintenance: Lloyd Stelter  
Altar Society: Gertrude Nowak  
Religious Education: Peggy Husky  
Knights of Columbus: Randall Stockton  
Hall Committee: Janie Mikolajchak

