

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

Apr.24 & 25, 2021: Regular Collection: \$2,245.00, Building Fund: \$170.00, Initial envelope: \$5.00, CCE: \$1.00, Easter: \$20.00 *Thank you!*

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

Patsy Barrett, Miranda Bohack, Pat Derkowski, Frank Gurka, Joe Gutkowski, Johnnie Jezierski, V.J. Jozwiak, Kathy Kitowski, Jerry Kmiec, Johnny/Carolyn Kopycinski, Christine Kuciemba, Willie Lewandowski, Jerry Novak, David J. Stegent, Dorothy Stegman, Steve Valdez..

May Little Therese of the Child Jesus be your example of faith and confidence that God's loving touch will heal you and give you new life.

MONEY COUNTERS (Note your day):

Monday, May 3: Virginia Malinowski, Ronnie Husky, Sally Jozwiak, Bernice Lewandowski.

Monday, May 10: Clara Jozwiak, Peggy Husky, Gene Malinowski, Judy Willitzer.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Best Wishes and Congratulations to:

Elizabeth/Larry Gurka, May 4— 47th
Janie/Albin Mikolajchak, May 6— 49th
Janice/Marty Kubeczka, May 18— 36th
Diane/Brennan Peterson, May 18— 36th
Virginia/Alvin Malinowski, May 21 — 55th
Janis/Edward Kmiec, May 23 —40th
Patricia/Gerald Novak, May 24—52nd
Bebe/Joe Gurka, May 26—59th
Jenny/Kieran Tobin, May 27—20th
Susan/Joe Gutkowski, May 31—35th

Please let the Parish Office know if you have a new address, phone number, etc. Keeping our parish roster up to date is an ongoing daily process. Please send us a note, email, or call the Parish Office at 979-836-3030. *Thank you!*

The Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be pleased to provide Marriage Certificates, signed by Bishop Joe Vasquez, to any of our parishioners who, in the year 2021, are celebrating a milestone anniversary of 25 years, 50 years, or 60-plus years (60 plus any year greater than 60). If you wish to have one of these certificates, please call our Parish Office during normal office hours (8:30 am to 3 pm on Thursdays or Fridays).

CASINO NIGHT

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on Saturday May 15 in the parish hall. Doors open at 6:00 PM.

Tickets are still available: Contact Eddie Kmiec 979-277-8815

BAZAAR INFORMATION

We are now accepting donations for items on the Raffle Ticket (Virginia-979/836-0080) and Live Auction (Crystal-979/251-4048). We are thankful for donations already received, and donor names will be published at a later date. We are in need of 'gift cards' (\$5-\$25) for the Target the Card Booth, and hunting/fishing/outdoor items for the Outdoor Booth, as well as sponsorships. September will be here before we know it, so think about an item for the Bazaar when you are out shopping! You may place your gift cards in an envelope with your name on it and mark it "Target the Card" and drop it in the collection basket. All donations and sponsorships are greatly appreciated! All monies raised on Bazaar Day benefit everyone in our Parish so let's all work together to make it successful!

Thoughts for Your Meditation

"I am the vine, you are the branches." What does this mean for our relationship with Christ, the incarnate God? Jesus is not simply an inspiring teacher to whom we listen. He is a force in which we participate, a body in which we are cells and molecules, a river in which we swim. (Fr. Robert Barron)

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: *Remain in me, as I remain in you.* [John 15:4]

This means we have to immerse ourselves in his Word, and constantly invite the Holy Spirit to invade our minds with His thoughts. If we do this, suddenly we find that the whole orientation of our life changes. We start to desire what God desires as our minds become moulded and grafted onto God's. We want to fit in with his Divine Plan, instead of dictating to him what we think his Divine Plan ought to be.

"Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned." [John 15:6]

Our culture today would interpret the above words of Jesus as being 'judgmental' and not at all 'inclusive'. How can God create us, just to throw us away? God in fact doesn't want to throw us away. That is why he is asking us to listen to him, to remain in him, because if we in our arrogance, ignorance or laziness don't even take time to do those things, we will end up throwing ourselves away. Everything we do is a choice – closer to him or further away from him. Here's Fr. Barron again, in a 2009 article titled 'What the Hell':

"Now rocks, trees, planets, animals, and stars respond to the divine love just by being what they are. But God made human beings in his own image and likeness, which is to say, he endowed them with mind and will and thereby invited them to respond to his love, not simply by the goodness of their being but by the integrity of their freedom. He wanted them to have the opportunity to participate personally in the love that he is. But this freedom carried with it, necessarily, a shadow, namely, the possibility of abuse. We who have been made in God's image, can decide not to live in accord with that image; we who have been invited to answer God's love with our love can answer it instead with resistance. To stand athwart the divine love, to run counter to the image of God within us, to turn away from the sun that shines on us whether we like it or not, is to suffer. It is like a furnace; it is a kind of torture; it is to be in a place of tears and the gnashing of teeth. I'm purposely using imagery for Hell here, because the definitive state of this resistance to God, the final No to God from the depths of one's being, is precisely what the church means by Hell. And perhaps now we can begin to see why this doctrine hasn't a thing to do with God "sending" anyone to a terrible place or "condemning" anyone to an eternal prison. As C.S. Lewis put it, "the door to Hell is always locked from the inside," for it is always our perverse freedom, and not the divine choice, that locks us away from God. Lewis offered another extremely helpful point of clarification when he said that the love of God lights up the fires of Hell. He meant that the suffering of Hell is caused by the very same power that produces the delight of Heaven, namely, the love that God simply is. The difference between Heaven and Hell is a function of our freedom: in the first case, it opens itself to God, and in the second case, it turns away from God."

"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you." [John 15:7].

When a soul aligned with Him in obedience and love asks for a favour, God will satisfy the deepest longings his or her heart. What are your hearts deepest longings, and do they fit in with God's Word?

Deirdre Fleming

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

"By this power of the Spirit, God's children can bear much fruit. He who has grafted us onto the true vine will make us bear 'the fruit of the Spirit...love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.' 'We live by the Spirit'; the more we renounce ourselves, the more we 'walk by the Spirit'. Through the Holy Spirit we are restored to paradise, led back to the Kingdom of heaven, and adopted as children, given confidence to call God 'Father' and to share in Christ's grace, called children of light and given a share in eternal glory."

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 736)

THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous deeds; he has revealed to the nations his saving power, alleluia.

Sat. May 1	6:00 PM	+BARBARA GURKA by Christine/Joe Kuciemba
Sun. May 2	9:00 AM	+BARBARA GURKA by Irene Konieczny
Wed. May 5	6:00 PM	+LEONARD NOWAK by Gertrude Nowak and family
Thur. May 6	8:00 AM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Fri. May 7	8:00 AM	+BILL & OLGA BOYER by Karen/Ed Hoffart

THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER

Speak out with a voice of joy; let it be heard to the ends of the earth: The Lord has set his people free, alleluia.

Sat. May 8	6:00 PM	+VINCENT P. & DOROTHY KITOWSKI by Family
Sun. May 9	9:00 AM	+CLAUDIA BRONIKOWSKI by Justin Kubicek
Wed. May 12	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. May 13	8:00 AM	+THE HOLY SOULS by Patricia/Michael Huse
Fri. May 14	8:00 AM	+Deceased members of the PINKNEY FAMILY by Patricia/Michael Huse

Thank you to the KJT for their generous donations: \$500 to St. Stanislaus Church, \$250 to the parish CCE program, and \$200 to the church Bazaar Raffle.

"Christ's manner of life was shaped to the purpose of His incarnation. He came into the world first, that He might proclaim the truth....Secondly, He came that He might free men from sin...Thirdly, He came that we might have access to God (Rom.5:2)"
St. Thomas Aquinas: Summa Theologica, 3,40,1

Father Jozef is continuing the ongoing study on the Catholic Faith, each Wednesday at 6:30 pm (following the 6 o'clock Mass) in the rectory. This is a great opportunity to increase your knowledge of the Bible and the riches of our Catholic Tradition and doctrine.

ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

CHAPPELL HILL, TEXAS 77426

MAY 1ST & 2ND, 2021

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Pastor: Fr. Jozef Musiol, SDS, JCD

**Parish Secretary:
Karen Hoffart (832-814-2418)**

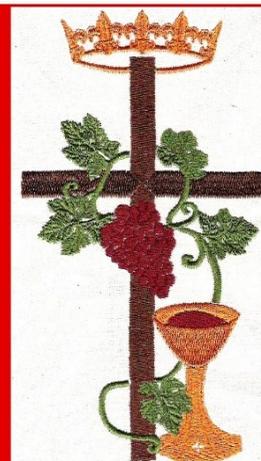
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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

**I am the
vine you
are the
branches,
remain
in Me!**



Regular Mass Schedule:

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

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

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

Parish Boards and Councils / Chairpersons:

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

