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

Nov.29 & 30, 2025: Regular Collection: \$2,112.00, Christmas flowers: \$95.00, Building Fund: \$100.00.

Thank you for your generosity

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES Best Wishes and Congratulations to:

Margaret/Darrin Zwerneman, Dec.2—25th Anabel/Robert Gomez, Dec.5—38th Peggy/Ronnie Husky, Dec.10—42nd Wendy/Tracy Martin, Dec.11—26th Constance/Frankie Koteras, Dec.13—62nd Vicki/Joseph Degioanni, Dec.16—51st Karen/Frank White, Dec.21—25th John/Carolyn Kopycinski, Dec.23—58th Linda/Matt Levis, Dec.23—19th

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

Monday, Dec.8: Virginia Malinowski, Ronnie Husky, Sally Jozwiak, Bernice Lewandowski.

Monday, Dec.15: Peggy Husky, Charlene Raday, Evelyn Williams, Judy Willitzer.

Let us pray for our sick, our cherished elderly & their families: Kelly Allison, Herbert Beerwinkel, Gertrude Burleson, Dan Busa, Deanna Callahan, Terry Church, Grazyna Czupryn, Bennie Daricek, Eloise Degioanni, Henry Derkowski Jr, Adam Falk, Elizabeth Falk, Joe Eddie Gurka, Josh Gurka, Jack Hoffart, David Horton Sr., Jody & Sarah Kent, Ken & Nora Kettler, Kathy Kitowski, Kathy Kmiec, Annette Kopech, Johnny & Carolyn Kopycinski, Frankie & Connie Koteras, Albin Krolczyk, Keith Mikolajchak, Barbara Moszkowicz, Guadelupe Olguin, Mary Pitchford, Michelle Prather, Janie Sanchez, Zachary Schulke, Ann Skweres, Janice Skweres, David Stegent, Delores 'Dee' Turner, Bibian Wisnoski. NOTE: Please inform us if you know of someone who is ill and needs prayers



### The 'Giving Tree' is now available in the narthex of the church this weekend.

Please consider participating by choosing gift tags and donation envelopes from the tree.

Wrapped gift packages should be returned to the tree with gift tag attached, by December 14th. Donation envelopes can be placed in the collection basket at Mass, also by December 14th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! For questions, please contact Diane at 210-823-0495.



There will be a second collection at next weekend's Masses, for Retired Clergy and Religious. Please be generous.

Please pick up your Collection Envelope Boxes for 2026, which are available at the rear of the church.

At the same time, you may also take one of the new 2026 Calendars, which were graciously donated by Brenham Memorial Chapel.

The Altar Rosary Society will have a Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 9th at 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. All members/spouses or a guest are invited to attend. The society will provide Fried Chicken and each one is asked to bring a covered dish or dessert. Please call Gertrude (979-830-8373) or Virginia (979-836-0080) by December 1st if you plan to attend so we know how much chicken to order.

Remember that St. Stanislaus will participate in the Chappell Hill Garden Club Christmas Home Tour on December 13 from 10am to 5pm.

Tickets to the other homes on the Tour are available at www.chappellhillgardenclub.com and from Virginia Malinowski or at the Bluebonnet House in downtown Chappell Hill. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased day of the event.

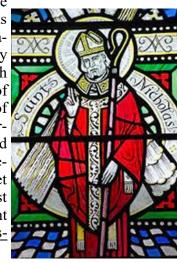


THE MEANING OF ADVENT. The word 'Advent' is from the Latin 'Adventus,' meaning 'coming.' Advent marks the beginning of a new Church year and lasts from the fourth Sunday before Christmas, until the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord. Advent is a period of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to the time when Christ will come again and to the remembrance and celebration of the first coming of Christ to us at Christmas.

The advent wreath has a rich meaning. The circle of the wreath, with no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God. The evergreen reminds us of the everlasting life we have in Christ. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. Purple is traditionally a color of penance and prayer while the rose pink candle that is lit on the Third Sunday marks our joy as we

move ever closer to Christmas.

In today's Gospel, we hear the words from the first reading quoted. We see the ultimate fulfillment of those words in John the Baptist and the person of Jesus Christ. God's full presence has come to dwell with His people through the Incarnation. John the Baptist was the precursor to Jesus, the Messiah. He prepared the way for His coming. In particular, we see Him announcing the coming of the Messiah and helping people prepare their hearts to meet Him by "proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins." What follows this passage is the baptism of Jesus by John, which began Jesus' public ministry. Thus, we see here John preparing the people to encounter the living God as He would walk among them and minister to them through His preaching and healing. So, too, we are called to prepare to encounter Jesus. We are to open our hearts everyday to receive Him and let Him be the king of our lives. How do we do this? Just like in the Gospel, the first step is repentance of our sins so we can receive God's forgiveness. Pictured: Saint John the Baptist & Saint Nicholas. https://stjoesmarion.org/news/readingsreflections-for-the-second-sunday-of-advent



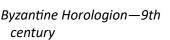
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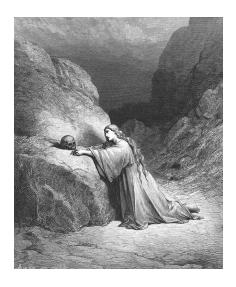
## ADVENT CONFESSION IN OUR AREA

Somerville—St. Ann Church Monday December 15, 2025 at 6:00 PM (3 priests) Chappell Hill—St. Stanislaus Church Wednesday December 17, 2025 at 6:00 PM (3 priests)



Give me tears, O God, as Thou once gavest them to the sinful woman, and let me wash Thy feet therewith, Thy feet that saved me from the path of sin. And let me cleanse my life with penitence, and so bring Thee fragrant myrrh. And let me hear Thy sacred words, Go in peace, thy faith hath made thee whole.





### This Week's Message:

"We can therefore hope in the glory of heaven promised by God to those who love him and do his will. In every circumstance, each one of us should hope, with the grace of God, to persevere 'to the end' and to obtain the joy of heaven, as God's eternal reward for the good works accomplished with the grace of Christ."

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1821)



# SECOND WEEK IN ADVENT, AND SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Sat. & Sun. Masses: see pages 1004 in red Worship book Immaculate Conception Mass: see page 1229



# People of Zion, the Lord will come to save all nations, and your hearts will exult to hear his majestic voice.

Sat. Dec.6	9:00 AM	+TOM & THERESA STOLARSKI, BILLY POLASEK by Cathy Polasek (First Saturday)
Sat. Dec.6	6:00 PM	+KENNETH 'KEN' WINKLER by Karen/Ed Hoffart
Sun. Dec.7	8:00 AM	DANA DYBDAL-HARGREAVES by Diane/Brennan Peterson
Mon. Dec.8	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS (Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, in the church)
Wed. Dec.10		(no Mass today in parish)
Thu. Dec.11	8:00 AM	+THADDEUS MOSZKOWICZ & FAMILY by Pauline Moszkowicz
Fri. Dec.12	8:00 AM	KINLEY PETERSON by Diane/Brennan Peterson



### THIRD WEEK IN ADVENT

Sat. & Sun. Masses: see pages 1007 in red Worship book





Sat. Dec.13	6:00 PM	+DOROTHY JOZWIAK by Family
Sun. Dec.14	8:00 AM	+FRANK BIELSKI by Dorothy Bielski
Wed. Dec.17	6:00 PM	(Penance Service and Confessions; no Mass today in parish)
Thu. Dec.18	8:00 AM	GLORIA PETERSON by Diane/Brennan Peterson
Fri. Dec.19	8:00 AM	+KENNETH 'KEN' WINKLER by Virginia/Alvin Malinowski

Please pray for our CCE Catechists, that they will have a spiritually fruitful Retreat on January 3rd.

CCE Classes this month on: Dec. 7, 14 (no classes on Dec.21, 28) CCE Classes next month on: Jan.11, 18, 25 (no class on Jan.3—Catechist Retreat) If you have any questions, please feel free to call Peggy at (832) 928-3301.

# Family Life Center Capital Project payments made to date:

Planning and preparation: \$26,400

 Construction:
 \$80,000

 Construction:
 \$69,700

 Construction:
 \$35,645

 Construction:
 \$69,540

 Construction:
 \$78,647

Please continue to be generous with your prayers and support! God bless you!





# ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

CHAPPELL HILL, TEXAS 77426

December 6th & 7th, 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

- Saint Stanislaw -

Regular Mass Schedule:

Thursday & Friday: 8:00 AM

Saturday:

Wednesday:

First Saturdays:

Sunday:



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- Saint Kazimierz -

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

Office hours: Thursdays & Fridays 8:30 am—3 pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sat. 5-5:45 PM/ Sun. 7–7: 45 AM and 30 minutes before weekday Masses

### Sacrament of Marriage:

Call at least 6 months before the planned wedding.

6:00 PM

8:00 AM

6:00 PM

9:00 AM

#### 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:

Pastoral Council & Maintenance: Mark Bilski

Financial Committee: Doug Elder Religious Education: Peggy Husky

Cemetery Board: Kenneth Kettler, Michael Bronikowski

Altar Society: Gertrude Nowak
Hall Committee: Janie Mikolajchak

Organist: Linda Zientek

Knights of Columbus: Doug Elder

KJT: Henry Wilganowski

## ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH MISSION - CHURCH 1889 / BUILT 1894 /

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### REPORT ABUSE

Report abuse of a minor, elderly adult, or an adult with a disability to local law enforcement or the Texas Abuse Hotline at www.txabusehotline.org or (800) 252-5400 and the diocese at www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse or (512) 949-2447.