

St. Anthony Church
1602 Bowie / P.O. Box 669 ~ Columbus, Texas 78934
(979)732-2562 ~ www.stanthonycolumbustx.net

Pastor: Rev. Augustine Nsiah Asante **Youth Minister: Jonathan Dooley 733-7740**
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Nelson Gonzalez **Bible Study: Lorraine Novosad 733-3872**
Deacon Bennie Holesovsky **Religious Education: Lorraine Novosad 733-3872**
Deacon Charlie Novosad
Secretary: Tracey Lanham: (979)732-2562, sec.stanthony@gmail.com
Church Office: 635 Bonham; Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8am-3:30pm

St. Anthony Catholic School
(979) 732-5505
stanthonycolumbus.net
John O'Leary, Principal

Weekday Masses: Mon, Wed & Fri 5:30pm - Tue & Thurs 7:30am
Weekend Masses: Sat. Vigil - 6:00pm; Sun. 8:00am, 10:00am, & 12:00noon (Spanish)
Confessions: Sat. 4:30pm-5:30pm in the Church & 15 min before Weekday Masses in Church Office

Liturgies for the Week

Mon	Sept 28	5:30pm	+John & Frances Marusik, Johnnie Marusik
Tues	Sept 29	7:30am	a Special Intention
Wed	Sept 30	5:30pm	+Steve Potter
Thur	Oct 1	7:30am	+R.L. Schuck
Thur	Oct 1	8:15am	+Walter Berckenhoff
Fri	Oct 2	8:15am	+Ernest M. and Louis Besch
Fri	Oct 2	5:30pm	+Lois Jennings (Jimmy Mikulenska's sister)
Sat	Oct 3	6:00pm	+G.E. and Margaret Drescher
Sun	Oct 4	8:00am	+Martha Stancik
Sun	Oct 4	10:00am	+Nottie and Emma Schneider
Sun	Oct 4	12:00noon	All Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, September 27, 2020
 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves" (Philippians 2:3).
 From the fall of our first parents to the most recent family squabble, the world has held onto one philosophy when it comes to relationships: make sure you get your way, no matter what. Stand your ground. Even if you discover you were wrong, don't give in. Do not submit.

How different is the way of the Lord! Take today's second reading. St. Paul tells us that Jesus didn't demand that we submit to Him. Instead, *He* submitted to *us*. He who is Lord of all took "the form of a slave," pouring Himself out in miracles of healing and deliverance (Philippians 2:7). He who is the wisdom of God patiently taught the way of forgiveness and holiness. And He who is Pure and undefiled stooped to wash dirty, dusty feet.

And in His final act of submission, He offered no resistance when we mocked Him, beat Him, and crucified Him. Not because He was weak, but because He was strong. Not because He had lost, but because He knew that this was the way to win. And God proved Him right. Because Jesus chose humility over pride and service over force, His Father raised Him up and exalted Him as Lord.

Jesus didn't come to win an argument; He came to win our hearts. By humbling Himself like this, He showed that His love is real, solid, and eternal. Now He asks us to follow His example. Just as He came not to be served but to serve, He asks us to serve each other. He asks us to win each other's hearts rather than try to break each other's wills.

This isn't always easy. Sometimes it means caring for a fussy in-law, cooperating with an unhappy coworker, or cleaning your teenager's bedroom--again. Neither is it always successful. There's no guarantee that you will win the other person's heart. But you will be pleasing Jesus, and that is its own reward.

"Lord, teach me how to become a servant after Your own heart."
(from "The Word Among Us")

"Remember Your word to Your servant, O Lord, by which You have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low."

cf. Psalm 119 (118):49-50

PLEASE NOTE:
The Church Office has a new email address:
sec.stanthony@gmail.com.
 You can email the office to make sure that we have your current email address on file.

Meat Donation Envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church. Please use these envelopes to help defray the cost of the meal at our church picnic. Every little bit helps!

Don't forget about donating to the Fathers' Cakes!! Envelopes for your donations are at the back of the church!!

Registration Forms for the XXXIII Annual Catholic Conference can be found at the entrance of the church. This year's conference will be on Saturday, October 17.

Calendar for the Week

Sun	Sept 27	KC Drive Thru Dinner to Benefit SAS Divine Mercy and Adoration, 3:00pm in Church
Tues	Sept 29	TNT Quilters, 8:00am at Columbus Hall Rosary led by SAS 3rd Grade, 9:30am in Church
Wed	Sept 30	Youth Group, 6:30-7:45pm at St. Roch Hall in Mentz
Thurs	Oct 1	SAS Mass for ECH, 1st, 2nd, & 4th grades, 8:15am in Church
Fri	Oct 2	SAS Mass prepared by the 6th grade, 8:15am in Church
Sun	Oct 3	St. Roch Church Picnic, Mentz

Last Weekend's Collection

\$ 3500.00 Envelopes
 \$ 672.00 Loose

Donations Made Last Week

\$ 832.00 Capital Campaign Donations & Pledges
 \$ 655.00 Capital Campaign Memorials
 \$ 190.00 Legacy Memorials
 \$ 382.00 Picnic Meat Donations (Total Donated: \$1172)
 \$ 275.00 Donations for new Liturgical Vestments
 (Total Donated: \$1,315; \$13,000 Needed)

Donations for New A/C in the Church

\$ 57,488.00 (\$130,000.00 Needed)

"Thank you for your generosity!"

The second collections next weekend will be for the Paving the Way Fund in support of St. Anthony School and the Peter's Pence Collection. The Peter's Pence Collection is usually taken up during the summer but was rescheduled due to COVID-19. If you dropped your Peter's Pence envelope in the basket this past June, it is not necessary to donate again.

"Building on our Legacy, Building for Christ!"

Your donations are appreciated. Construction of our beautiful school is complete, but we still have a loan with the Diocese, which to date totals **\$1,201,598.23**. (The loan started at \$1,300,214.50, with an interest rate of 4%.) If you would like to make a donation, please see Tracey in the church office. No gift is too small! Thank you!

CANONICAL BANNS in Anticipation of ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE for the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

After the proper period of formation and discernment, the following men have presented themselves to Bishop Brendan Cahill to be considered for Ordination as Permanent Deacons:

John Glueck & Rusty Theut

Before these candidates are called to the Order of the Diaconate by Bishop Cahill, the People of God are to be asked about their worthiness. Therefore, if you are aware of a reason why any of these men should not be ordained, you are asked to

please contact:

Deacon Chuck Glynn, Ed.D.

Director of Formation, Office of the Permanent Diaconate
 Diocese of Victoria in Texas

979-253-9616 ~ cglynn@victoriadiocese.org

The names of those expressing concerns will not be shared with any of the candidates, though the nature of the concern may be shared with them as part of the discernment and evaluation process.

Father Augustine and Fr. Nelson are working on their cakes again this year!! There are Cake Donation Envelopes in the back of the church. Any amount is appreciated. You could even consider donating the amount of money you would have normally spent on items for the picnic and the day of the picnic. Just a thought! The success of our picnic every year depends on the time, talents, and treasures of our parish family, but this year more than ever!!Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

CHURCH PICNIC RAFFLE TICKETS

Please pick up an envelope of raffle tickets at the back of the church and sell or buy them. Feel free to take more, but we are asking every family to sell at least one packet. ***This year, more than ever, selling raffle tickets is essential as it is the only picnic event not affected by the COVID restrictions, so sell as many as possible!!*** Return your packet(s) in the Sunday collection, to the church office, or the drop box outside of the office with the money and filled-out tickets inside and put your name on the outside.

The croton on Joseph's altar this weekend were donated by Miss Pete Mikulenska in memory of Jimmy Mikulenska.

The Emmaus Center in Victoria provides individual, marital and family counseling services from a Catholic perspective. The counseling staff devotes themselves to assisting those in need regardless of their religious affiliation, gender, race or age. To schedule an appointment or for information call (361) 212-0830.

LOCAL CHURCH PICNICS THIS WEEKEND :

Weimar KCs BBQ Chicken Dinner ~ September 27
 Immaculate Conception, Sealy ~ September 27
 Queen of the Holy Rosary, Hostyn ~ Online Auction October 2-9

Did you know? We have a Lost and Found in the Church Office. If you have accidentally forgotten something in the church, please call the Church Office. We might have it!

If you would like to have a Mass said for a loved one, living or deceased, please see Tracey in the Church Office.