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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	Oct 5	5:30pm	+Valerie Guthman
Tues	Oct 6	7:30am	a Special Intention
Wed	Oct 7	5:30pm	The People of the Parish
Thur	Oct 8	7:30am	+Lawrence Jendrzey
Thur	Oct 8	8:15am	+Catherine Wilems
Fri	Oct 9	8:15am	+John Krueger
Fri	Oct 9	5:30pm	+John Polach, Sr.
Sat	Oct 10	6:00pm	+Edbert and Mark Henneke
Sun	Oct 11	8:00am	+Agnes Laake
Sun	Oct 11	10:00am	+Henry Schneider
Sun	Oct 11	12:00noon	+Teodora Hernandez

*"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
make your requests known to God. Then the
peace of God that surpasses all
understanding will guard your hearts and
minds in Christ Jesus."
(Philippians 4:6)*

Sunday, October 4, 2020
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Let me now sing of my friend . . . concerning his vineyard" (Isaiah 5:1). Vineyards appear in Scripture time and again. In fact, they are in three of today's four readings. Usually, as today's psalm response says, a vineyard is "the house of Israel," which belongs to God.

Isaiah's song of the vineyard seems to be a gloomy tale for Israel--a carefully cultivated vineyard bearing only wild grapes, and an owner who allows it to fall to ruin. While Isaiah doesn't guarantee what God will do with His people, it's pretty certain that if nothing changes and they continue in their sin, they will experience the effects of cutting themselves off from God.

But even in the midst of this grim story, there is hope. Don't forget that the landowner tirelessly cultivates his vineyard. He doesn't give up! Yes, God expects to see fruit from His people, but only because He knows we *can* bear fruit. And yes, when we separate ourselves from God, we experience the consequences. But God constantly calls us back and offers us His help. That's cause for hope.

Think about the way Isaiah's landowner took great pains to prepare and protect his vineyard. He planted it in fertile, well-cleared soil. He planted a hedge around it and built a tower to watch for enemies. Similarly, God plants us in His grace and gives each one of us all the nourishment we need to flourish under His care.

Baptism makes you His own. The Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation nourish and restore you. The Holy Spirit lives in you and, like living water, helps you grow in holiness. What's more, your brothers and sisters in the Lord, like the other vines in the vineyard, support and encourage you along the way.

God takes great pains to cultivate you like a precious vine. The grace for you to grow to love Him more and bear fruit for His kingdom--it's all there waiting for you. Take hold of it!

*"Heavenly Father, help me to respond to your relentless grace and to bear fruit for you!"
(from "The Word Among Us")*

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!!
Please consider donating the amount of money you would normally spend on picnic donations and on the day of the picnic to help our "non-picnic picnic" be the biggest success possible!!

Calendar for the Week

Sun	Oct 4	St. Roch Church Picnic, Mentz
Mon	Oct 5	CDA Meeting, 6:30pm KC Meeting, 6:30pm
Tues	Oct 6	TNT Quilters, 8:00am at Columbus Hall Rosary led by SAS 2nd Grade, 9:30am in Church
Wed	Oct 7	Youth Group, 6:30-7:45pm at St. Roch Hall in Mentz
Thurs	Oct 8	SAS Mass for ECH, 1st, 2nd, & 4th grades, 8:15am in Church 24 Hour Adoration begins (Rosary Congress), 6:00pm in Church
Fri	Oct 9	SAS Mass prepared by the 5th grade, 8:15am in Church Adoration ends (Rosary Congress), 5:00pm in Church
Sun	Oct 11	OUR FALL FESTIVAL!!

Last Weekend's Collection

\$ 4537.00 Envelopes
\$ 1152.00 Loose

Donations Made Last Week

\$ 173.00 Capital Campaign Donations & Pledges
\$ 390.00 Capital Campaign Memorials
\$ 270.00 Legacy Memorials
\$ 490.00 Picnic Meat Donations (Total Donated: \$1167)
\$ 2510.00 Donations for new Liturgical Vestments (Total Donated: \$3,825; \$13,000 Needed)
\$ 1100.00 A/C Donation

Donations for New A/C in the Church

\$ 58,588.00 (\$130,000.00 Needed)

"Thank you for your generosity!"

The second collection next weekend will be for the Legacy Fund.

"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 BANNNS 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.

The sign up sheet for Adoration during the Rosary Congress (October 8 & 9) is at the entrance of the church. Please consider spending an hour with our Lord.

Our picnic is NEXT WEEKEND!!

There are so many things you can do to make our Fall Festival successful between now and next Sunday:
* Pick up some raffle tickets in the back of church and **SELL * SELL * SELL!!**
* Register as a bidder for our online auction. The auction will be open Tuesday - Sunday. To register, donate an auction item, and see the auction items already listed, go to www.auctria.com/auction/StAnthonyFallFestivalColumbusTX.com. (This will also be the website to go to to bid on items.) **The deadline to list an item has been extended to Oct. 6.**
*Contact Tracy Theut to sign up to work a shift.
*Sign up to bake a cake!! Call Sandy Glueck (732-1085)

The flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by Pat Mackey in memory of G.E. and Margaret Drescher.

LOCAL CHURCH PICNICS THIS WEEKEND :

(see bulletin board in back of church for more info)
St. Roch, Mentz

All Souls Day Novena Envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church.

Please join the **2020 Public Square Rosary Crusade!** Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance, and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Join us in praying for our nation on **October 10 at noon** at the Colorado County Courthouse lawn (on the opposite side of the Farmer's Market. This rally, sponsored by America Needs Fatima, will be one of over 20,000 rallies that will take place all across the USA. Bring a lawn chair! Call Genevieve Batchelor (732-1892) for more information.

*We welcome
Mary Fe Tupue Katz,
daughter of Robert and Charmaine Katz, and
Elliana Rae Tupue Garcia,
daughter of Erik and Stephanie Garcia
who were Baptized this weekend,
into the Body of Christ!*



CCE Families: Return and pick up lesson in family envelope (in church) from October 6 - 11.