

**St. Anthony Church**  
**1602 Bowie / P.O. Box 669 ~ Columbus, Texas 78934**  
**(979)732-2562 ~ www.stanthonycolumbus.net**  
**Church Office: 635 Bonham; Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am - 5:00 pm**

**Pastor: Rev. Augustine Nsiah Asante**

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**Deacon Bennie Holesovsky**

**Deacon Charlie Novosad**

**Deacon John Glueck**

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**Weekday Masses: Mon, Wed & Fri 5:30pm - Tue & Thurs 7:30am, Fri 8:15am during School Year**

**Weekend Masses: Sat. Vigil - 6:00pm; Sun. 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon (Spanish), 6:00pm (Youth Mass)**

**Confessions: Sat. 4:30pm-5:30pm & 15 min before the Evening Weekday Masses**

**Liturgies for the Week**

Mon	Nov 1	8:15am	+Encarnacion and Sabina Sanchez, and Teodora Rosales
Mon	Nov 1	6:00pm	+Michael Miksch
Tues	Nov 2	7:30am	All Souls Novena, Mass #1
Wed	Nov 3	5:30pm	All Souls Novena, Mass #2
Thurs	Nov 4	7:30am	All Souls Novena, Mass #3
Fri	Nov 5	8:15am	All Souls Novena, Mass #4
Fri	Nov 5	5:30pm	All Souls Novena, Mass #5
Sat	Nov 6	6:00pm	All Souls Novena, Mass #6
Sun	Nov 7	8:00am	All Souls Novena, Mass #7
Sun	Nov 7	10:00am	All Souls Novena, Mass #8
Sun	Nov 7	12:00noon	All Souls Novena, Mass #9
Sun	Nov 7	6:00pm	Noelia Gonzales (S.I.)

**Sunday, October 31, 2021**

**Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“You shall love . . . “ (Mark 12:30, 21). What does it mean to love God and our neighbor? How do we keep these two great commandments, especially when we aren’t feeling the love? Let’s look to the greatest Lover of all time, Jesus, to find some answers.*

How did Jesus love God? His relationship with His heavenly Father was the focus of His life. Jesus spent hours—and even whole nights—praying so that He could converse with His Father. Every action and decision He took reflected His Father’s will. Out of this loving relationship flowed Jesus’ love for His neighbor. No matter what He was feeling at each moment, Jesus did what God asked of Him. He taught and healed people. He forgave His persecutors. Ultimately, He gave His life out of loving obedience to His Father and deep love for each of us.

There are—and will be—many times when we don’t feel particularly loving. But as Jesus showed us, love is more than an emotion; it’s a series of actions and decisions that reflect God’s will. When we make our relationship with our Father the focus of our lives, He will give us the grace to love, even when our emotions don’t fall in line.

So how do you love your heavenly Father? Spend time in prayer and Scripture each day. Seek His grace and mercy in the sacraments. Try to fulfill the unique mission you believe God has given you. And how do you love your neighbor? Care for the people God has put in your life. Build up rather than tear down. Forgive those who have hurt you. Tell people about Jesus.

Today, think about all the opportunities you will have to love God and your neighbor. Then go ahead and do these little things. Don’t worry if you don’t “feel the love.” What matters is that you are obeying the two most important commandments—and reflecting God’s love into the world.

*“Jesus, show me how to love today.”  
 (from “The Word Among Us”)*

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**John O’Leary, Principal**

“Spread love  
 everywhere you go.  
 Let no one ever come  
 to you without  
 leaving happier.”  
 -Mother Teresa

**Masses:** If you would like a Mass said for a loved one, living or deceased, see Tracey in the Church Office

**Prayer Chain:** If you are interested in volunteering to be a part of the St. Anthony Prayer Chain, please call Tracey or Chrissy in the Church Office.

**EWTN:** EWTN delivers faith-filled content, thought-provoking content, dynamic speakers, Catholic news, discussions, and promotes the Catholic Faith. Visit their website ewtn.com.

**If you are new to the parish,** please register your family in the church office or fill out a form from the back of church and drop in the collection basket. Please let your previous parish know.

**Calendar for the Week**

Sun	Oct 31	World Priest Day RCIA, after the 8:00am Mass
Mon	Nov 1	All Saints Day (Mass times: 8:15am, 6:00pm) CDA Meeting, 6:30pm in SAS Cafeteria KC Meeting, 6:30pm
Tues	Nov 2	All Souls Day, Graveside Service at 12:00 noon TNT Quilters, 8:00am at Columbus Hall Rosary led by SAS 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Altar Society Meeting, 1:30pm in Chapel
Wed	Nov 3	St. Joseph Rosary, after the 5:30pm Mass CCE, 5:30pm-7:00pm in SAS Building Youth Group, 6:30pm in SAS Cafeteria
Thurs	Nov 4	24 Hour Adoration begins, 6:00pm in Church
Fri	Nov 5	SAS Mass prepared by the 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade, 8:15am 24 Hour Adoration ends, 5:00pm in Church
Sun	Nov 7	Daylight Savings Time Ends

**Last Weekend’s Collection**

\$ 3336.00	Envelopes
\$ 1312.00	Loose
\$ 868.00	World Mission Sunday Collection

**Donations Made Last Week**

\$ 50.00	Capital Campaign Donations
\$ 410.00	Capital Campaign Memorials
\$ 20.00	Legacy Fund Memorials
\$ 15.00	Donations for A/C Fund

**Donations for New A/C in the Church**

\$ 63,843.00 (\$130,000 Needed)

**“Thank you for your generosity!”**

*The second collection next weekend will be for Paving the Way in support of St. Anthony School.*

**“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 **\$942,324.20**. (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!

**Grupo Guadalupana** will be selling gordita and salsa plates from 11:00am – 2:00pm next Sunday outside the SAS Cafeteria in the breezeway. Plates will cost \$12 and will come with a drink. Proceeds will go towards the festivities for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

<b><u>Ministers serving this weekend</u></b>	<b><u>Ministers to serve next weekend</u></b>
<b>6:00</b> A & L Potter <b>C/L</b> Y Wagner	<b>6:00</b> A Medrano <b>C/L</b> M Stavinoha
<b>8:00</b> K & K Glueck, J Neal <b>C/L</b> T Wostarek	<b>8:00</b> E & K Lanham, KB Glueck <b>C/L</b> T Lanham
<b>10:00</b> A & Ivan Hernandez, & A Rodriguez <b>C/L</b> T Theut	<b>10:00</b> H & T Schobel, M Walla <b>C/L</b> K Kleimann
<b>12:00</b> E & J Tovar, M Aguilar <b>C/L</b> M Ortiz	<b>12:00</b> S Gonzales, A & M Garcia <b>C/L</b> Ma A Sanchez
<b>TLC</b> J & S Glueck	<b>TLC</b> J Huebel, T Wostarek

On this World Priest Day, we pray:

Heavenly Father, We come before you today to ask your blessing on our brothers whom you have called to the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Lord Jesus, We ask that you support them with your presence and fill them with grace to serve You faithfully. Gracious Spirit, Unite us in service with those whom you have called. Open our hearts to encourage our brothers and sons to pursue your calling, and open their hearts to hear Your call to this most Holy Sacrament. Amen.

**CDA Mini Garage Sale!!** The CDA will have a mini yard sale on Nov 12-13 from 9:00am - ? Please bring items to 709 Front Street from Nov 1 – 10 for pricing. Leave on porch if no one is home. No big items. Accepting fall and Christmas items. Call Robin Garcia with any questions (979-733-7105). Thank you!!

**2021 Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA):** St. Anthony's DSA goal for 2021 is **\$36,759**. To date, parishioners have pledged \$14,345 towards the DSA, leaving a balance of \$22,414. We ask that you prayerfully consider your gift. Donations can be mailed directly to the Diocese or brought to the church office. No gift is too small and we earnestly thank you for your generosity.

***The Church is looking for temporary help  
 to clean the church from Nov 15-Feb 1.  
 If interested, please call the church office  
 at 732-2562.***

**Help Wanted!!** Fr. Robert at Parish of the Nativity in Eagle Lake is looking for a church secretary. If you are interested in learning more, please call him at his office (979-234-2842).

**All Souls Day Novena** envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church. Please return to the church office or in the collection basket.

**The flowers on the altars this weekend** were donated by the Altar Society for All Souls and All Saints Days.

**November Altar Decorators:** Suzy Boettcher, Darice Miksch, Wanda Leopold, Cecilia Ybarra, Jenny Heffley, Letty Delgado, Marilyn Moeller, Amber Becerra, Fausta Kaiser

**Happenings around the Diocese:**  
 (go to [victoriadiocese.org](http://victoriadiocese.org) for more info)

**\*St. Andrew’s (Hillje) Altar Society Turkey Dinner,**  
 October 31