

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

**Oct. 10 & 11, 2020: Regular Collection: \$1,394.00, Building Fund: \$165.00.**

*Thank you all so much.*

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

*Suzie Anger, Frank Gurka, Patricia Jozwiak, Kathy Kitowski, Johnny/Carolyn Kopycinski, Christine Kuciemba, Willie Lewandowski, David J. Stegent.*

*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, Oct.19: Virginia Malinowski, Ronnie Husky, Sally Jozwiak, Bernice Lewandowski.**

**Monday, Oct.26: Clara Jozwiak, Peggy Husky, Gene Malinowski, Judy Wilitzer.**

**WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARIES**

***Best Wishes and Congratulations to:***

**Lillian/Lloyd Stelter, Oct.6—36th  
Pauline/Pete Mazurkiewicz, Oct.9—66th  
Jeanette/David Willis, Oct.10—38th  
Connie/Jerome Kmiec Oct.19—46th  
Diana/Mike Reed, Oct.20—47th  
Bernice/Willie Lewandowski, Oct.20- 64th**

**“No public official, especially one claiming to be a faithful and serious Catholic, can responsibly advocate for or actively support direct attacks on innocent human life.”** *The Catholic Bishops of the United States*

**“This past November, the U.S. bishops reaffirmed that ‘the threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed.’”** *Bishop Joseph F. Naumann, Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities*

**The Parish is grateful to the late Dorothy Kitowski, who died on Aug.5, 2020, for her generous bequest of \$15,000 to St. Stanislaus Catholic Church. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.**

***A funeral Mass will be offered for Verna Demny on Saturday Oct.31 at 10 am, preceded by the Rosary at 9:30 am.***

***A special Mass will be offered for Living and Deceased members of the Altar Society on Tuesday, Oct.20 at 6:00 pm. \* The Altar Society will meet immediately after Mass. \****

**KJT Society #142 will hold its meeting on Monday October 19, 2020 in the Parish Hall. A light meal will be served. If possible please bring a dessert. For more information contact Pat Novak at 979-525-1715 or Joan Wilganowski at 281-414-0028.**

***Thoughts on Today's Readings for Your Meditation***

This Sunday's Gospel (Mt 22:15-21) presents to us a new face-to-face encounter between Jesus and his adversaries. The theme addressed is that of the tribute to Caesar: a “thorny” issue about whether or not it was lawful to pay taxes to the Roman Emperor, to whom Palestine was subject in Jesus' time. There were various positions. Thus, the question that the Pharisees posed to him — “Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” (v. 17) — was meant to ensnare the Teacher. In fact, depending on how he responded, he could have been accused of being either for or against Rome.

But in this case too, Jesus responds calmly and takes advantage of the malicious question in order to teach an important lesson, rising above the polemics and the alliance of his adversaries....On the one hand, suggesting they return to the emperor what belongs to him, Jesus declares that paying tax is not an act of idolatry, but a legal obligation to the earthly authority; on the other — and it is here that Jesus presents the “thrust” of his response: recalling the primacy of God, he asks them to render to Him that which is His due as the Lord of the life and history of mankind.

The reference to Caesar's image engraved on the coin says that it is right that they feel fully — with rights and duties — citizens of the State; but symbolically it makes them think about the other image that is imprinted on every man and woman: the image of God. He is the Lord of all, and we, who were created “in his image” belong to Him first and foremost. From the question posed to him by the Pharisees, Jesus draws a more radical and vital question for each of us, a question we can ask ourselves: to whom do I belong? To family, to the city, to friends, to work, to politics, to the State? Yes, of course. But first and foremost — Jesus reminds us — you belong to God. This is the fundamental belonging. It is He who has given you all that you are and have. And therefore, day by day, we can and must live our life in recognition of this fundamental belonging and in heartfelt gratitude toward our Father, who creates each one of us individually, unrepeatable, but always according to the image of his beloved Son, Jesus. It is a wondrous mystery.

Christians are called to commit themselves concretely in the human and social spheres without comparing “God” and “Caesar”; comparing God and Caesar would be a fundamentalist approach. Christians are called to commit themselves concretely in earthly realities, but illuminating them with the light that comes from God. The primary entrustment to God and hope in him do not imply an escape from reality, but rather the diligent rendering to God that which belongs to him. This is why a believer looks to the future reality, that of God, so as to live earthly life to the fullest, and to meet its challenges with courage. May the Virgin Mary help us to always live in conformity with the image of God that we bear within us, inside, also offering our contribution to the building of the earthly city.

*Pope Francis – Reflection on the 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Remember that October is the month of the Most Holy Rosary.**

**As Pope John Paul II wrote in his Apostolic Letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, “... it can be said that the Rosary is, in some sense, a prayer-commentary on ..... the wondrous presence of the Mother of God in the mystery of Christ and the Church.”**

[This Apostolic Letter can be read at <http://scborromeo.org/docs/apostlrrosary.pdf> ]

***Explore these resources...***

***<http://anticatholicticket.com/archives/1510>***

***<http://biblechristiansociety.com>***

***<https://chnetwork.org/story/from-lds-deacon-to-catholic-deacon/>***

## THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

*"It is the duty of citizens to contribute along with the civil authorities to the good of society in a spirit of truth, justice, solidarity, and freedom. The love and service of one's country follow from the duty of gratitude and belong to the order of charity. Submission to legitimate authorities and service of the common good require citizens to fulfill their roles in the life of the political community."*

*(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2239)*

## **THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, "A"**

***I call upon you, God, for you will answer me; bend your ear and hear my prayer.  
Guard me as the pupil of your eye; hide me in the shade of your wings.***

Sat. Oct.17	6:00 PM	+PAUL BILSKI by Family
Sun. Oct.18	9:00 AM	+HELEN NOWAK by Deacon Dan Nowak
Wed. Oct.21	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. Oct. 22	8:00 AM	+ESTHER SKWERES by Shirley/Richard Kaucher
Fri. Oct. 23	8:00 AM	+ESTHER SKWERES by Betty/Terry Dorcz

*The flowers on the altar were donated for the greater glory of God and in remembrance of the victims of abortion.*

## **THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, "A"**

***Let hearts rejoice who search for the Lord. Seek the Lord and his strength, seek always the face of the Lord.***

Sat. Oct.24	6:00 PM	+Living and Deceased members of the Bilski family by Family
Sun. Oct.25	9:00 AM	+PAUL BILSKI by Family
Wed. Oct.28	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. Oct. 29	8:00 AM	+ESTHER SKWERES by Betty/Davin Skweres
Fri. Oct. 30	8:00 AM	+ESTHER SKWERES by Shirley/Richard Kaucher

## **ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**CHAPPELL HILL, TEXAS 77426**

**OCTOBER 17TH & 18TH 2020**

**THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**



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### **Regular Mass Schedule:**

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

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

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

**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  
Financial Committee: Bill Anger  
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

