ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Tyler October 3, 2021: *Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time* 1379 N. Frankston Hwy, Frankston, TX 75763 Office: 903-876-3309





As needed, determined by pastor

Parish Pastoral Council

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PARISH AND DIOCESAN NEWS

- The parish welcomes Pappy, the newest member of Father Mark's household! Pappy is an eight-year-old black Labrador.
- October is the month dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. We will pray the Rosary after each weekday Mass. We will also pray the Rosary beginning *20 minutes before each weekend Mass*. Please come early and join us in this beautiful and very powerful prayer!
- <u>BLESSING OF THE PETS</u> will take place this weekend, on Sunday, October 3, from 11am -1pm.
- <u>THE LIFECHAIN</u> will take place this **Sunday**, **October 3**, **from 2-3pm at the intersection of 155 and 175**. You are encouraged to come, bring a friend, and a chair. Signs and bottled water will be provided.



- Join the Diocese of Tyler for the Sixth Annual East Texas <u>Sanctity of Life Banquet</u> with featured speaker Ashley Bratcher. The banquet will take place <u>October 11</u> at Holiday Inn Conference Center in Tyler. For more information, go to www.stphilipinstitute.org/events.
- LOSC will meet on Tuesday, October 5, at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. We will recite the rosary at 5:40 pm in the Marian Garden. Appetizers will be provided. We will space out and urge everyone to wear a mask in the building when not eating. All women of the parish are invited.
- The East Texas Food Bank work day is scheduled for Friday, October 8, from 9am to noon. For more information, please contact Sandy Nichols.
- The Parish Liturgy Committee applied for a grant from OCP, the publisher of our missalettes. The parish was awarded a \$600 grant. Part of the money will be used to purchase a new altar cloth for the main altar. Part of it will be used to pay for new books for the choir.



FORMED Here is a way for you to *learn more about your Catholic Faith in your home for free*. On your computer or smart tv search for FORMED.ORG. Here is all you have to do to sign up (there is no cost) and begin Browsing the many great titles for children, youth, and adults. The subjects are almost limitless. If no title grabs you, search for the series "Symbolon."

There are 3 easy steps for new parishioners to Sign Up on FORMED: **1.** Visit http://signup.formed.org **2.** Enter our parish zip or name (our zip is 75763). **3.** Enter your name and email.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO FINANCES YOUR GIFTS ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO US

Donations for September 21-27, 2021

General Fund Collection\$	5,191.00
Church in Central & Eastern Europe.\$	339.00
Bell To Date\$	2,784.00

ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS:

www.stcharlesfrankston.com or www.dioceseoftyler.org/offertory Online gifts will be deposited directly to our parish.

<u>Prayer to St. Michael</u>: St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, Cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



MASS INTE	ENTIONS:			
Saturday	Oct. 2	5:00 pm	Pro Populo	A
Sunday	Oct. 3	9:00 am	+Gary House by C & C Sibley	
Tuesday	Oct. 5	8:00 am	+Ramona Jimenez by J & P Jimenez	YEAR
Wednesday	Oct. 6	8:00 am	+William Gasch by H Freeman	ST. JOSEPH
Thursday	Oct. 7	8:00 am	+Lucille Bozewicz by T Bozewicz	SI. JUSEPH
Friday	Oct. 8	8:00 am	+William Dodson by H Freeman	
Saturday	Oct. 9	5:00 pm	Jim Parker by C Parker	
Sunday	Oct. 10	9:00 am	Pro Populo	
Mass Dates a	re available.	A small monetar	y offering is appropriate. We will be glad to sen	<u>d a card at no charge.</u>

Mass Attendance for September 25-26: September 25: 5pm– 44; September 26: 9am – 85 (total: 129)

Sanctuary Lights:

Dates are available; \$10 per week

Flowers: Dates are available: \$100 per week

Please remember these friends and family members who are in need of prayers:

Kamilla Chavez Mike McCarten	John Jimenez Jimmy Nichols	Scott Jurecka David Taggart	Kathy Kennedy Anthony Vrba	Karen McCarten Evelyn Weems
Jim Bryan	Albany Gifford	Natalie Johns	Peter Johns	Nathan Krasner
Greg Kutach	Jeanne Labuda	Debbie Matter	Linda Moore	Sue Moulton
Stephen Parker	Billy Pitre	Glenda Pitre	Mike Taber	Chris Terry
Julie Terry	Peter Terry			- y
		ston James, great-neph	ew of Mary Ann Cluley, w	ho died suddenly.

The Pope's Intention for October: Missionary disciples. We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE for October 9-10, 2021

Please have someone take your place if you cannot be here. The Ministry Schedule is also available on our website and in the church narthex.



Saturday, October 9:

Mary Endres Mo Watkins Mary LaRoux John & Patricia Jimenez Therese Burgamy October: Ramona Chance

Sunday, October 10:

Charlotte Sanders Carolyn Seifert Dan & Linda Duffy Lynn Andrews; Suzanne House Charlotte Sanders

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>: Week of Oct. 3-9: Oct. 3: James & Ruth Hawley (29 years)

<u>BIRTHDAYS:</u>

Oct. 5: Martin Cameron

Oct. 7: Ben Wieberg; Priscilla Hoffman; Marisela Nava

Oct. 8: Sandy Taggart

Oct. 9: Robert Kennedy

Holy Hour & Remembrance Mass for Pregnancy & Infant Loss: There will be a Holy Hour and Remembrance Mass on Friday, October 15th at the Chapel of Sts. Peter & Paul. This is for anyone who has experienced the loss of a child whether by miscarriage, stillbirth, or early infant death. Holy Hour begins at 5 pm and Mass will begin at 6pm. All are welcome!

<u>Together in Holiness Marriage Conference</u> Saturday, October 23, 2021 St. Matthew Catholic Church in Longview, TX Presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the St. Philip Institute Registration: \$59/couple and \$35/individual. Scholarships available upon request. On-site childcare (2-12yrs); pre-registration required. For more information, please visit **to-getherinholiness.org** or email *TH@forlifeandfamily.org*.

Family Night Apologetics: This short course is designed to introduce the topic of apologetics and distinguish its different branches as they relate to varying audiences. It provides the participant with sample objections for each branch and introduces ways to respond. This event will be online. It will take place every Monday starting November 1 to November 29 at 7:30pm. Register online at *www.stphilipinstitute.org*. The cost is \$49.95.

PREVENT ABUSE: The Diocese of Tyler is committed to provide help to anyone who may have been hurt or abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Concerns about the conduct of Church personnel can be directed to the Promoter of Justice: Very Rev. John Gomez, JCL, by email at promoter@dioceseoftyler.org., at our old line which is 903-266-2159 or at the 24/7 helpline at 1-877-415-6423.







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 + Please pray for the repose of the souls of our loved ones who died in 2020: Charles Taggart Cindy Adams Harold LaRoux Mike Westbrook Jean Johnson Ellison Leichty Charlie Hoffman June Eubank Walter Griffin Nickie Robles 	Frankston Tax Service P.O. Box 778 • 600 State Hwy 155 Tax Preparation Electronic Filing Bookkeeping Phone: (903) 876-4835 Fax: (903) 876-2274 email: frankstontax@live.com
Scott Thurman Quality Concrete Work P.O. Box 266 Frankston, TX 75763 (903) 780-3035 (903) 876-3553 Fax scott_thurmanconcrete@yahoo.com	St. Charles Men's Club * Parish Service Opportunities * First Monday Monthly Meetings Sept May (Dinner Served) * Last Sunday Pancake Breakfast (Donations taken to support service projects) * All Men of the Parish are invited to join.
MIKE HEINE owner © 1903-339-0990 C: 993-574-0648 © 5380 Old Bullard Rd Suite 600-257 Tyler, TX 75703-1312 @ mheine@freshcoatpainters.com freshcoatpainters.com/tyler	Pray For Our Troops and May God Bless America Priscilla Hoffman



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Angels and Their Hierarchies

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The Bible frequently mentions Angels, Archangels, Cherubim and Seraphim, and as we recall at Christmas even names some of the most important angels such as Gabriel, who carried God's message to a virgin named Mary in a little town in Galilee called Nazareth. An angel counseled Joseph in a dream to flee with the Holy Family into Egypt, and in another dream when to come back again.

Paul's Epistles to the Ephesians and Colossians mention five other "choirs" – Thrones, Dominions (or Dominations), Powers, Virtues, and Principalities. In order to understand these entities, Aquinas consulted "Dionysius the Areopagite," who throughout the middle ages was thought to be St. Paul's convert, mentioned in Acts 17:34 – but during the Renaissance was proven to be a neo-Platonist philosopher/theologian from the 5th century.

In *On the Divine Hierarchies*, Dionysius arranges the choirs in great detail. The highest are the Seraphim, Cherubim, and Thrones, associated with the specific functions of love, knowledge, and power. In the middle are Dominations, Virtues, and Powers, associated with the universal governance of creation. And the lower hierarchy consists of Principalities, Archangels, and Angels, concerned with the direct administration of creatures in the world.

Years ago, I wrote my master's thesis on Aquinas' analysis of angelic faculties, which eventually morphed into a book. And I've published articles and given lectures on angels in academic contexts since then. But besides my academic interests, over the years, I have found that a number of saints, or candidates for sainthood, have reported extraordinary encounters with angels.

Some of them have even experienced frequent or lifelong companionship with angels – including St. Frances of Rome, St. Faustina, St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, St. Gemma Galgani, Blessed Dian Belanger, and the Brazilian nun, Ceci Cony. They all received spiritual instruction from their angels (answers about relationships, decisions to be made, etc.) – but in major decisions the angels always referred them to priests who served as their spiritual directors.

The most prolific revelations (very much connected with the traditional angelic *hierarchies*) are found in the notebooks of the German stigmatist, Mechtilde Thaller-Schönwerth (1868-1919).

Mechtilde was treated harshly by her mother, who almost died giving birth to her. As a child she began to be accompanied visibly by her guardian angel. At five she was gifted, in addition, with the occasional presence of an archangel. As a teenager, she wanted to enter religious life, like her sister, but was told by her spiritual director that her vocation was marriage.

An Adoring Angel by Moretto da Brescia, c. 1540 [National Gallery, London]At sixteen, she was married to a cruel, adulterous, and often tyrannical husband. She received the stigmata, but the wounds were visible only to her director. She became the spiritual mother of many in her community through personal contacts and letters, and was gifted with

bi-location, even visiting battlefields in World War I to care for the wounded. After her death, her husband and his mistress converted.

She not only received practical instructions from her angels – but in typical German speculative fashion – entered into periodic discussions with them about their types and duties. This led to her theological instructions concerning the nine choirs of angels. Her notebook and spiritual diary have not been translated, but in 1935 Frederick von Lama made excerpts from them, available in English as *The Angels, Our God Given Companions and Servants*.

Here are some of her comments, coinciding with Aquinas in major points, but going beyond the tradition in specific details:

Seraphim are the supreme choir, and "were made for one thing alone – to love the God of Love."

Cherubim are the "swords of God. . . .Four of the Cherubim stand before the throne of the Holy Father. . . .One of these angels is often stationed at very holy sanctuaries."

"The seventh choir, the **Thrones**, is the choir of authority. Every diocese, every kingdom, every religious community has its own angel taken from this choir." They are mentioned in the "Preface" of many Masses, along with Dominations, Powers, and other orders.

In the middle hierarchy, the sixth choir is called the **Dominations** or **"Dominions**." "God assigns angels of this choir to persons who must give spiritual guidance as teachers in higher schools of learning, from the pulpit, or in the confessional."

"Some great sinners receive **Virtues** after their conversion. . . . All persons inclined to the contemplative life should call on this choir."

Powers "*are assigned to priests* who are confessors of very devout souls. Confessors in monasteries have such a helper, other confessors only when they must guide privileged souls especially beloved by God. . . .If a priest has an angel of this choir, it is almost certain that later he will be given one of the Dominations in place of the Power. It has occurred that at their ordination, certain priests have received in addition to their regular guardian angel an angel from the choir of the Powers, because they were destined to do much extraordinary work in the confessional."

"Each parish has its own angel, who is taken from the choir of the Principalities."

"All who belong to the Confraternity of. . .Mary, Queen of Hearts, have two angels, the ordinary angel and an **Archangel** taken from the company of St. Gabriel."

Guardian Angels will always "be at our side in heaven." Characteristics: "Some appear more active and energetic than others. Some are more reserved, I might almost say, more timid, and these are assigned to persons who are called to suffer much." If souls are lost, their guardians are reassigned to a "special Guard of the Queen of Angels."

These are "private revelations," but come with an Imprimatur and Nihil obstat from episcopal authorities, so contain nothing contrary to the faith. They may help to encourage appreciation of the spirits just above us – not least their role at Christmas time and far beyond.

