

## **Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Parish and Saint Patrick Mission in San Patricio**

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**Holy Day Vigil @ St. Thomas:** 6:30 PM

**Saturday Vigil Mass @ St. Thomas:** 5:30 PM

**Weekday Masses @ St. Thomas:** 12:05 PM Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

**Saturday Vigil Mass @ St. Patrick:** 4:00 PM

**Holy Day Mass @ St. Thomas:** 7:00 PM

**Sunday Masses @ St. Thomas:** 8 AM & 11 AM

**Holy Day Mass @ St. Patrick:** 8:00 AM

**First Friday Mass @ St. Patrick:** 8:00 AM

**Confession:** 30 Minutes before Masses or by appointment



“Blessed are you  
who fear the Lord.”  
- Psalm 128:1a



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2017**

**4:00 PM: VIGIL MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**  
†Leslie Rychetsky & †Mattie Rychetsky & †Willie Mae Allison  
by Jerry & Carmen Rychetsky  
**5:30 PM: VIGIL MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
†David Tajchman, Jr. by David & Susie Tajchman

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**

**8:00 AM: Parishioners**  
**11:00 AM: Gabe and Prissy Peña (Wedding Anniversary)** by Yolanda Peña

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2017 - NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**

**12:05 PM: †Maria C. Bosquez** by Rosario Gonzalez

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**

**12:05 PM: †Deacon Alan K. Borse** by His Children  
**7:00 PM: ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**

**8:00 AM: Thanksgiving Day Mass**  
*In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received* by Charlie & Jean Chapman

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**

**12:05 PM: †Remembrance of Mom** by Ramon Rodriguez

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2017**

**4:00 PM: VIGIL MASS @ St. Patrick Mission**  
†David McCown by Harold & Lillian McCown  
**5:30 PM: VIGIL MASS @ St. Thomas the Apostle**  
**COLLECTIVE MASS**  
†Harlew Conally by Betty Conally  
†Bobbie Hans by Mary Ann Hans  
†Boone Hans by Mary Ann Hans  
†Geneva Strmiska by Georgia Foster

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017 @ St. Thomas the Apostle**

**8:00 AM: Parishioners**  
**11:00 AM: †Proxey K. Prukop** by Liz Leeper

St. Thomas the Apostle Website: [www.christon624.com](http://www.christon624.com)

**12 FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

As we strive to live by the seven gifts, the Holy Spirit gives us the first glimpse of eternal blessedness in the form of special fruits. Traditionally, these “Fruits of the Holy Spirit” are identified as: (see Gal 5:11-23)

<b>Joy</b>	<b>Chastity</b>	<b>Goodness</b>	<b>Self-Control</b>
<b>Peace</b>	<b>Modesty</b>	<b>Patience</b>	<b>Gentleness</b>
<b>Charity</b>	<b>Kindness</b>	<b>Generosity</b>	<b>Faithfulness</b>

Just as fruit grows on a tree, well-nourished by the sun and water, so these fruits grow in the souls of those who are nourished by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. - Our Sunday Visitor

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday — Friday 8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

**LECTORS for NOVEMBER 25-26, 2017**

**Saturday, 5:30 PM:** Patricia Bryant  
**Sunday, 8 AM:** Michelle Williams  
**Sunday, 11 AM:** Frank Wilson



**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS for NOVEMBER 25-26, 2017**

**Saturday, 5:30 PM:** Trish Yaklin, Tanya Whitehead  
**Sunday, 8 AM:** Deacon Bill, Sandy Guillen, Yolanda Hominick  
**Sunday, 11 AM:** Paul & Melana Silva, Barbara Rychetsky, Dr. Julio Rangel, Karen Vaughan

**ALTAR SERVERS for NOVEMBER 25-26, 2017**

**Saturday, 5:30 PM:** Amanda & Kendall & Taylor Dusek  
**Sunday, 8 AM:** Adan & Andres Trevino, Jace Compton  
**Sunday, 11 AM:** Reid & Katelyn Wilson, Miranda Pilarczyk

*Please Pray for ...*



- Emil & Mary Jo Prukop, Conrad & Christine Prukop,
- Hattie Kotara, Kenneth Haunschild, Charlie & Jean Chapman,
- John Quinn, Jerry & Margie Vogel, Alex Barrera, Jayla Silva,
- Leonard & Leona Logue, Glenda Tvrdik, Mason Leibham,
- Geneva Lintner, Don Ermis, Aida Deases, Gracie Herrera,
- Stephanie Landreth, Jim Landreth Sr., David Tajchman,
- Marty Douglas, Mary Heany, Patrick Nemecek, Diane Saenz,
- David Rowden, Rene Canales, James Light, Andrew Arevalo,
- Ron Kelley, Brock Pratt, Tommy Morgan, Vicki and Phillip
- Leon-Guerrero, David Cole, Helen Bisaha, Joe Hominick,
- Mr. and Mrs. Nick Linenberger, Juliet Johnson, Nikki Brown,
- Fr. Gabriel Franks, Elizabeth Blaylock, Nina Riebschleager,
- Margarita Marquez, Delma Tamez, Julia Jonse, John Floyd,
- Pablo De Leon, Dalia Gutierrez, Elva Rosas, Joe Puente,
- Jessica De Los Santos, Meliyah Loa, Margaret Shackleton,
- Karen Lee, Pauline Clarke, Rose Gwosdz, Amanda Villarreal,
- Frances Raska, Sam Longoria, Larry Fuhrken and
- Taylor Berry.

Please call/email the rectory office to include a person on the 2017 PRAYER LIST

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Tuesday:** Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Wednesday:** St. Cecilia  
**Thursday:** St. Clement I, St. Columban, Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro  
**Friday:** St. Andrew Duñg-Lac and Companions  
**Saturday:** St. Catherine of Alexandria

**7 GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

The Holy Spirit exercises a powerful influence on believers. Those open to his promptings receive the “Gifts of the Holy Spirit.” They are rooted in Isaiah 11:1-3 and include **wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord.** - Our Sunday Visitor

**LITURGY OF THE DAY**

**INTRODUCTION.** Jesus in today's Gospel tells the parable of the three servants and how they dealt with the talents given to them. Perhaps it is just a coincidence that our word "talent," which means a gift or skill, is used in this story to refer to a very large amount of money. But the connection works for us. As we continue our prayer together today, this may be a good time to reflect on the talents that we have been given and how we have used them in the service of God's reign.

Our first reading introduces us to a woman of extraordinary skills, who uses her gifts both at home and out in the world, where she reaches out her hands to the poor. When we listen to the Gospel that follows, we can more easily visualize how God expects us to use the talents we have been given, not just to enrich ourselves or our employers, but to make the world a better place.

**REFLECTION.** Wise and foolish investments, banks, even interest rates—today's parable permits no escape from life in the real world or from the fact that it will one day end. Those planning to be ready for the Lord's return can't just hang around waiting. Again, today's Old Testament illumines the Gospel. Proverbs' worthy wife is praised neither for good looks nor gracious manners, but for her industry, skill, conscientious development of God-given gifts, and generosity in serving others with them. The contrast with the parable's cautious servant could hardly be more striking. Thus, Proverbs' wife confirms the first two servants' resourcefulness in developing their "talents."

Note that while "talent" in Proverbs means what we mean by the word, Matthew's "talent" refers to an astronomical sum of money, equivalent to twenty years' wages! Today, when so much hard earned, carefully invested money has evaporated, our true wealth is more clearly defined by Proverbs' "talents:" our abilities, natural or acquired, skills studiously perfected, generously shared.

Let's we, like the lazy servant, think our Master too demanding, note that there is no mention of the Master taking back the sum entrusted to the first two servants or the profit they made with it. Rather, the cautious servant's fate serves to jolt us out of the "peace and security" complacency Paul warns against (1 Thessalonians 5:3). Rather than caution, the Christian community and individual disciples must undertake creative, even daring initiatives for the Kingdom, take a chance on the wealth the Master has invested in us, and encourage others to do the same.

*From the Desk of Fr. Phillip*



*"Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind. -Psalm 107:8"*

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

*How am I investing those talents entrusted to me by the Master?*

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

This weekend, the flowers for the altar are being donated by the Gomez Family in honor of the birthday of Christian Gomez.

**INFORMATION CORNER**

**Altar Flowers:** Call the parish office to donate flowers for the altar.

**A.P.O.S.T.L.E.:** Meets on CCD Sundays from 9:15-10:30 AM in the K.C. Building.

**Baptism Class:** Call the parish office to register for this class. All paperwork must be completed before attending class or scheduling Baptism. See website for more information.

**Bulletin:** Bulletin announcements due on Tuesday by 10:00 AM.

**Catholic Daughters Court #2290:** Next meeting is November 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the I. C. Hall foyer.

**Knights of Columbus:** Next meeting is on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the K.C. Building.

**R.C.I.A.:** On CCD Sundays at 9:15 AM in the KC Bldg.

**SALT Youth Music Ministry:** Meet on Sunday before Mass. Practice every Tuesday from 7:30-9:00 PM in the Church.

**Walking with Purpose:** Meets on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 AM in the I. C. Hall.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Check the schedule for specific information on classes.

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE: SUNDAYS**

CGS (4 yr. olds, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) — 9:15-10:30 AM in the RE Building

CCD (4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>) — 9:15-10:30 AM in the RE Building

R.C.I.C. — in the RE Building

EDGE (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>) — 9:15-10:35 AM in the I. C. Hall

CONFIRMATION — 5:30-7:30 PM in the I. C. Hall

LIFETEEN (9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>) — 5:30-7:30 PM in the I. C. Hall

**ST. PATRICK MISSION: WEDNESDAYS**

CCD — 5:15-6:30 PM in the Parish Hall

**LIFETEEN Mass**

November 19, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

On November 18-19, 2017, the second collection is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country.

**OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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