

St. Anthony of Padua • CATHOLIC CHURCH

" When you are here you are with Friends"

HELLO! From The President's Desk

Last Year on Ash Wednesday, my wife and I experienced a heartwarming moment during a late lunch at a local restaurant. A friendly young man, while cleaning tables approached us with curiosity about the "stuff" on our foreheads. I warmly explained our Catholic tradition of receiving ashes, a solemn reminder of our mortality and fasting.

To my pleasant surprise, rather than a snarky remark, the young man found them "cool"! after admitting he initially thought they were tattoos. With a shared smile I couldn't help but echo his sentiment, acknowledging that indeed they were "cool" Later that evening as I reflected on our exchange, I initially

wondered if my response was somewhat inadequate. Yet upon further thought, I realized it might have been precisely the right message for that young soul.

In last month's letter from the President's Desk, I emphasized that Lent can be a time of shared support through prayer, kind words, or simply being present for each other.

If you haven't already done so, I encourage you to seize the moment to reconnect with someone you haven't spoken to in a while. And if no one comes to mind, consider speaking to a fellow Senior Pal whom you haven't spoken to in a while, or consider meeting a new Senior Pal. I have a strong sense that such encounters will leave you with that same sense of "coolness,"

Speaker for this meeting will be Jason Higham about reverse mortgages. He and Kevin Williams will be providing lunch also.

 May Speaker Deacon Scott Broussard will be speaking about Catholic Funerals

NOTE:At the April meeting We will be raffling off the queen size quilt that Jim Meyer's wife made for our group activities to raise funds for Senior Pals. Last chance! The raffle will take place today.

Chance for \$5.00 now. You have to be in it to win it!

Saturday, March 22, 2025, Cross Catholic Outreach teamed up with St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church. to pack 80,000 meals to be shipped to impoverished children and families in dire need

Two shifts of St. Anthony's members including Senior Pals and others volunteered to put together packages for the Honduras Mission.









Naskila Casino-Bus trip on Naskila Express. Sign up online \$10.00 Cash for bus get a \$25.00 credit for play Wednesday, April 30 bus leaves from Woodlands Mall at 9:15 am and departs from Naskila at 4:00 pm. See Art Dominguez for information.



OAKLAND ATHLETICS HOUSTON ASTROS

MAY 28

BUSTRIP-**Tickets are \$85.00 @**



APRIL 12, 2025

Includes a bus ride from the church campus to and from the gate at Daiken Field (Formerly Minute Maid Park) Tickets must be paid in advance.

Please pay with check if possible. Beginning today

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stricket sales will be after the March 8th meeting.

Tickets will be available after this meeting. Bring
the Grandkids who may be out of school: So hurry and get your tickets

ie Shoes of the Fisherman

@ The Conservatory -6203 Alden Bridge Dr, The Woodlands, TX. (832) 400-6577

Wednesday April 13th @ 1:00 pm Doors open 12:30 pm. FREE Admission, Popcorn, Candy and bottled



Prayers and best wishes for Elaine Wilson who had rotator cuff surgery on her left arm March 14th. She is doing PT and is doing well.

Two other members, Virginia Mansour and Sharon Bowen suffered bad falls and are currently in rehab. God Bless them and keep them in your prayers.



NOTE!! Mercer Arboretum date changed to 05/14, CAR POOL! Leaving from Church, 10:30 am drivers needed!! FREE! 22251 Aldine Westfield Rd. Houston

Art Dominguez Richard Robinson 07 Martha Britton 11 13 Jim Meyer Nidia Drewery Diane Weynand Gloria Ellis

BIRTHDAYS

Diane Carrol	21
Susan Bradley	22
Maureen Nicka	22
Ginger Otto	23
Arlene McGuire	26
James Dolan	28
Julie Baca	30

Happy Birthday! ★★★★★ ***



2626 Research Forest Blvd The Woodlands, TX 77381. Come join us-Thursday, April 24th @ 1:00 pm. Sign up at the meeting!

Senior Pals Luncheon April



SENIOR PALS Happy Hour THURSDAY APRIL 17TH 4PM Adriatic Cafe Italian Grill

17825 I-45 Shenandoah located on feeder road off highway 45 North just past SAM Moon on the right side. Lots of good reviews and reasonable prices. Sign up at the meeting! See Linda Sauceda Mangia!

STACE & SCREEN

First Methodist Church 4308 W. Vavis St. Conroe

Senior Warning!!

Snake season in Texas typically runs from March to November, with activity peaking in spring and fall when temperatures are warm but not scorching.

During this time, snakes like rattlesnakes, copperheads, cottonmouths, and coral snakes become more active, especially at dawn and dusk.

Keeping grass short and sealing home entry points can help you stay one step ahead of these slithery visitors and under stand the importance of being prepared during snake season in areas width warm weather.

"Not all snakes are dangerous but it pays to be aware," You can search online for more information to be knowledgable about them and protect yourself.'

Below are a few of the most common venomous snakes in Texas Texas Coral Snake Rattlesnake Cottonmouth





Most Dangerous!

SENIOR PALS MEETING SCHEDULE

*** - 12th April - 10th May - 14th

July -No Meeting

August - 9th September-13th

All meetings begin @10:00 am. until 12:00 pm.@ Sheltz Hall Web site: ap.church/senior pals to access newsletter
If you have internet access be sure to

check the website prior to the meeting, If you receive "Flock Notes" check for any additions or changes- or call Art Dominguez A current copy of the newsletter is normally posted online the Wednesday/Thursday prior to the meeting.

Welcome New Trip Committee members!

3 NEW Trip committee Members joining us now! Sandra Warhol - Bob Heckel - Gloria Basan Thank you for your fresh ideas.... Our next Trip Committee meeting will be 5/27/25 at 10:30 am in the St. Theresa Center "We still need additional members"

Interest sheets will be put out to see if we can run future trips to the following:

1. Federal Reserve Bank & Co-Cathedral 2. Bush Library & St. Mary's @ Texas A & M 3. Port Tour by boat from ship Channel (Sept)

Note! Bus trips generally run \$40.00 per person - plus the costs of the activity with a 30 person minimum

MAY LUNCHEON! MAY 22nd at 1:00 pm RED LOBSTER- 20 openings - sign up @ Meeting

18446 Interstate 45 S, Shenandoah, TX



936-271-2700



Art Pominguez has arranged for Senior Pals to attend the <u>September 7fh - 9:00 am Mass</u>. We will sit together and receive a special blessing. Hope to see you there

SENIOR PALS. Anyone 50+ IS INVITED TO JOIN OUR COMMUNITY! We meet one Saturday per month, to have lunch and make friends. We host a number of events such as cruises. trips, luncheons and other activities. For more information you can read our newsletter at ap.church/senior pals or call Art Dominguez at 281-622-7703. Our next meeting is-Saturday, May 10th, 10:00 AM -12:00 PM

SENIOR PALS OFFICERS 2025

Art Dominguez- 281-622-7703-H Vice President Treasurer Secretary Membership Greeter **Hospitality** Senior Pals Newsletter **Program Chair** Happy Hour/ Luncheon Raffle for faith formation

Cathy Landry Linda Sauceda Carla Chambers **Gladys Gordon** William Lessman **OPEN** Al Sabino Joan Sabino **OPEN Sharon Bowen**