

January 17 2010: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. — Jn 2:10-11

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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, January 17 (Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11)

8:00 am- John Jalufka

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Monday, January 18 (1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22)

7:00 am- Oscar Barta

10:00 am- Maggie Volcik (Hallettsville Rehab)

Tuesday, January 19 (1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28)

7:00 am- Dennis Smirak

Wednesday, January 20 (1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6)

7:00 am- Gilbert Janecek & Laura Bordovsky

8:05 am- Raymond & Judith Ohnheiser & Jonathan Shimek

Thursday, January 21 (1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12)

7:00 am- Albert Jr., Albert Sr. & Frances Klekar

10:00 am- Loraine Sengelmann (Stevens Nursing Home)

Friday, January 22 (1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19)

7:00 am- Victor & Christine Rivera

8:05 am- Willie & Lillie Wagner

Saturday, Jan. 23 (2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21)

5:30 pm- Grace Ann Liska

Sunday, January 24 (Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21)

8:00 am- Russell Grahmann

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Bulletin & Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In honor of Joe N. & Magdalene Steffek's 69th anniversary by their children.

Vigil Light: In memory of Victor Buzek.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$6,426.50; Christmas-\$357; Solemnity-\$129; Initial-\$741; Loose-\$795; Children-\$59.

Anniversaries:

Delbert & Emilie Henry 40 years Jan. 17

Promise of Marriage: Kayla Grahmann & Justin Pearson on January 30th.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Elden Schaefer*, brother of Sarah Jansky & Calvin Schaefer; and, *Agnes Michalec*, mother of Frances Michalec. *May they & all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

SHCS Extravaganza, February 6, KC Hall. Social begins at 6:00 p.m., steak dinner 7:30 p.m. & evening dance 9:00 p.m.– Midnight. Music by Cactus Country. Tickets are \$125/couple & available for purchase at the school office, Rectory, Beauty Boutique, & S.H. Credit Union.

Candlelight vigil & prayer service, Friday, January 22, 6:00 p.m., Welhausen Park, Shiner to mark the 37th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in our country. For more information, call Jennifer Peters at 594-3881 (evenings).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

-St. Wenceslaus Church, Beasley, Chicken Fried Steak Dinner 10:30 a.m. Raffle & silent auction.

-*Respect Life Novena*, 7:00 p.m. in the church.

MONDAY, JANUARY 18

-Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.

-Catholic Daughters Meeting, **6:30 p.m.**, Family Center.

-*Respect Life Novena*, 7:00 p.m. in the church.

-Parish Finance Council Mtg., 6:00 p.m., Mary's House.

-Parish Advisory Council Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Mary's House

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.

-*Respect Life Novena*, 7:00 p.m. in the church.

-RCIA Class, 7:00 p.m., Family Center.

-Serra Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Jalisco's Café.

-KC Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., KC Hall.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

-CCD: Grades K–11th, 6:00 – 7:10 p.m.

-Spiritual Book Study will not meet this evening.

-*Respect Life Novena*, **6:15 p.m.** in the church.

-*Eric Genuis Concert*, 7:00 p.m. in the church. No admission charge – only free will offering.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21

-*Respect Life Novena* will be held at the KC Hall with the *Respect Life Prayer Service & Vigil* at 7:00 p.m. (includes Chaplet of Divine Mercy, procession with the Blessed Sacrament, and other prayers & reflections.)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22

-*Respect Life Novena*, 7:00 p.m. in the church.

-Wild Game Supper, KC Hall. Doors open 5:00 p.m.

Meal begins at 5:30 p.m. Outdoor Show on the Pavilion.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

-Baptism Preparation Class, 9:00 a.m. in the Rectory.

Please call the Rectory in advance to register.

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Alvin Rosenauer, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Josie Ohnheiser, Mason Leibham, Riley Mika, Mary Bonorden, Annette Krupala, Anthony Corte, Amanda Conniff, Margaret Timm, Helen M. Appelt, Michael Kutac, Rosalie Simpson, Ed Aulick, Paige Haas, Anita Kallus, Jeff Zavesky, Renae Ross, Alma Jurena, Kate Kopecky, Michael L. Drozd, Bill Biehunko, Lindal Finley, Frank Fishar, Pam Dornak, Clayton Patek, Suzanne Romano, Mary Agnes Grahmann, Alice Kocian, Anita Bohuslav, Betty Toman, MacKenzie Fogle, Henri Mae Patek, Louise Pesek, Doyleen Drozd, Bryce Saldi, Travis Klmitchek, Judith Koerth, Thelma Mikulenska, Louise Tesch, Sharon Grahmann, Sandra Henneke, Mary Ann Koenig, Ronald Kanak, Marcella Henke, Helen Mitchon, Tillie Schott, Robert Vasek, Georgia Schaefer, Geraline Morgenroth, Joseph Ilardo, Anthony Petru, Dolores Ludwig, Denise Lewis, Evelyn Kutac, Barbara Tesch, John D. Henneke, Emil Grahmann, Lillie Demny, Henry Morris, Theresa Hemmi, Bruce Fritz, Henrietta Jansky, nursing home residents, & the homebound.

From the Desk of Father John

This past week I have been on the annual priests' retreat for the Diocese of Victoria along with 25 other priests. This coming week Fr. Michael will be on retreat with the rest of the priests in the Diocese. Please keep your priests in your prayers.

The *Respect Life Novena* continues this week. It is being held in conjunction with novenas from all over the country marking the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion. We made some changes to the original schedule to accommodate other scheduled events. Please check the Calendar of Events in this bulletin for the correct scheduled times of the Novena.

We ask you to please come and pray the rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for an end to abortion. We ask you to come and show your support for *Respect for Life* and to invite your family and friends.



The Youth Connexion



Discount Cards are now \$5.00 each & offer discounts at various local businesses & can be used repeatedly through Sept. 30, 2010. Cards are available at the Rectory.

Proceeds benefit Sacred Heart Youth.

Music Practice: Mondays, 6:00 p.m., Youth House.

Religious Education (CCD) ~ Office 798-3124

Janice Busselman, Coordinator

Angela McConnell, Assistant

January 17: 9th Grade youth involvement, 8:00 am Mass.

January 30: First Penance practice, 9:00 a.m. in church.

January 31: First Penance at 2:00 p.m. in church.

Sacred Heart Catholic School (798-4251)

January 18: Student holiday; Faculty retreat.

School Advisory Council Meeting, 6:00 pm, Teacher's Work Room.

January 20: Spaghetti Supper, 5:00 -7:00 p.m., KC Hall. Tickets \$7.00. Available at school office, Beauty Boutique, Hallettsville Pharmacy, Hoffer's Drive In, SH Credit Union, The Hair Shop & Rectory.

January 25: School holiday.

Vocational Ag/Shop Wish List: 1 AC/DC Arc welding machine (\$1,700); 1 wire welding machine (\$1,875); 1 plasma Arc cutting machine (\$1,600); 2 dry cut steel chop saws (\$450 each); 1 oxyacetylene cylinder cart (\$190).

The increased students' interest in welding has necessitated the need for additional equipment in our shop class. Donations for these items may be dropped off at the school office. Thank you for your support.

The Sisters of the Incarnate Word & Blessed Sacrament are hosting "Come and See" weekends on Jan. 23 - 24 and Feb. 27 - 28 at Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria for single Catholic women up to 50 years. If interested in learning more about the life of a Sister or in discovering if God might be calling you to consecrated life, please call 575-7111, email iwbsvoc@yahoo.com or check www.iwbsvictoria.org for more information.

Gabriel Project Angel Workshop & Training, January 26, Holy Family Church Education Building, Victoria, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. RSVP by January 22 to Becca (361) 564-3887 or Martha (361) 571-7130. Monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church, Victoria. Next meeting: January 12.

Recently an insert was placed in the bulletin regarding the Sacred Heart Catholic School Annual Fund. We thank everyone that has contributed and ask that others prayerfully consider making a gift. Donations may be dropped off at the school, rectory or placed in the collection basket.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's the miracle that always captures the attention! Sight restored. Lambs healed. Hearing brought back. The dead raised. Water changed into wine. When you think about it, the first four are often routine today. Granted, the miracle doesn't happen every time. But many have their sight restored through cataract surgery. Broken bones that would have led to incapacitation are mended. Cochlear implants help some who did not hear. And even some people who were in cardiac arrest have been brought back. These medical miracles happen so regularly that we don't even advert to them as "miracles" anymore. They are "procedures." It's when things don't work that we get disappointed - and maybe even pray for a miracle.

Of course, we still haven't been able to crack that water-into-wine thing. It is still a bona fide miracle. Relying on the miraculous misses the point that John is trying to make in today's Gospel. The "sign" is not about how much wine we can get out of Jesus, but rather that he was revealing his glory, leading his disciples to belief. The signs in John's Gospel are again and again about faith, about coming to believe in Jesus.

Praying for the miraculous can lead to an increase of faith. But we can't let the miracle - or lack thereof - get in the way of faith. Instead, we can let our faith uncover the miraculous that already takes place each day: the healing that goes on in hospitals; the amazing production of food that feeds so many; the growing ability of humankind to understand this created world; the wonder of a child who grows from just a few cells to an adult in the span of two decades. It's these miracles that can capture our attention and deepen our faith!

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SACRED HEART SCHOOL OPERATING FUND

In honor of Olga Haas' 95th Birthday:

John & Charlene Pillow	25.00
The children of Olga Haas	1,000.00

Parish Financial Report – December, 2009

Church Income:

Sunday Collection	\$ 43,541.00
Other Donations	2,511.00
Religious Articles	1,486.42
Religious Retirement Collection	841.00
Family Center Rental	1,025.00
Interest	479.33
Total Church Income	<u>\$ 49,883.75</u>

School Income:

Pre-K Tuition	\$ 6,300.00
K – 12 th Tuition	47,242.50
Field Trips	113.00
Bus Fees	150.00
Extended Care	2,410.00
Catholic Education Envelopes	2,727.00
Friends for Catholic Education	6,700.00
Memorials	295.00
Shop Donations	20.00
Athletics	2,500.00
Extravaganza/Golf	5,920.39
Library	20.00
Donations	100.00
K. C. General	3,165.00
Miscellaneous	457.00
Grants	6,675.00
Total School Income	<u>\$ 84,794.89</u>

Church Expense:

Salaries	\$ 8,506.17
Utilities	1,322.51
Church Expense	1,635.78
Rectory Expense	618.49
Office Expense	1,224.47
Religious Articles	711.26
Family Center Expense	236.77
Medical Insurance & Retirement	2,715.00
Repairs & Maintenance	293.20
Religious Retirement Collection	841.00
Building Insurance	1,650.19
Total Church Expense	<u>\$ 19,754.84</u>

School Expense:

Salaries	\$ 76,544.48
Contracted Services	616.74
Office/Teaching Expense	746.53
Textbooks/Instructional Materials	4,052.95
Utilities Expense	3,969.16
Plant Repairs	1,300.21
Custodial Supplies	950.56
Bus/Vehicles Expense	3,739.47
Payroll Taxes	5,701.69
Medical Insurance, Retirement	15,811.45
Property Insurance	2,597.13
Convent Expense	571.94
Technology	1,129.30
Extravaganza	89.40
Alumni Gifting Expense	450.69
Miscellaneous	111.93
Postage	143.25
Staff Development/Public Relations	295.00
Total School Expense	<u>\$ 118,821.88</u>

Parish Income	\$ 134,678.64
Parish Expense	<u>(138,576.72)</u>
Parish Deficit	<u>\$ (3,898.08)</u>

SACRED HEART CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Gus Werner:

Marvin & Barbara Koehne	10.00
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In memory of Jimmy Sanchez:

Judy Renger	30.00
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In memory of Mary Kutach:

Peoples State Bank	10.00
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Don & Barbara Rainosek	20.00
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Judith & Edmund Koerth	10.00
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SACRED HEART CHURCH MUSIC FUND

In memory of Mary Kutach:

Kubena Funeral Home	20.00
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In memory of Frank Mikes, Sr.:

Bob & Lou Kubena	20.00
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SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Joseph & Dorothy Etzler	10.00
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Frankie & Lucille Klekar	10.00
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John & Marilyn Kovalcik	10.00
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Elsie Steffek	10.00
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Leon Smirak	5.00
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Robert & Louise Pesek	20.00
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Phillip & Evelyn Bujnoch	25.00
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Lawrence & Mildred Dornak	20.00
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Georgia Bujnoch	20.00
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Dorothy Bujnoch	30.00
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Mary Jo & Tommie Holt	75.00
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David & Noralee Janak	10.00
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In memory of Mary Kutach:

Billy & Frances Moore	10.00
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SACRED HEART SCHOOL ALUMNI FUND

In memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Diane & Ronnie Bollom	25.00
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Elaine & Gene Schindler	20.00
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Jim Bujnoch	100.00
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Marcus & Marjorie Grahmann	20.00
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Bob & Carol Franks	10.00
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SACRED HEART SCHOOL OPERATING FUND

In memory of Jody Kridler:

Ella Mae Bludau & Family	75.00
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Margaret Bludau	10.00
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Frank & Bernadette Bludau	15.00
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In memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Larry & Doris Grubert	20.00
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Paul & Theresa Voelkel	5.00
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Ella Mae Bludau	10.00
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Margaret Bludau	10.00
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Frank & Rita Zaruba	15.00
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Leroy & Alice Janak	15.00
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Hamilton Redmon	25.00
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Godfred & Virginia Berger	50.00
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In memory of Mary Kutach:

Roger & Beverly Janak	20.00
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SACRED HEART SCHOOL LIBRARY FUND

In memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Mr. & Mrs. Louis J. Franta	20.00
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SACRED HEART SCHOOL ATHLETICS FUND

In memory of Frank Mikes, Sr.:

Laurence & Carol Bludau & Brandon	25.00
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Pat & Gayle Henke	15.00
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Keith & Loueva Hatfield & Family	40.00
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Everett & Pam Bludau	25.00
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SACRED HEART SCHOOL CAFETERIA FUND

In memory of Mary Kutach:

John & Margaret Henneke	10.00
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URGENT: USCCB NATIONWIDE BULLETIN INSERT

Stop Abortion Funding in Health Care Reform!

Protect Conscience

Ensure Affordable Health Coverage

Allow Immigrants to Purchase Private Health Insurance

As long-time advocates of health care reform, the U.S. Catholic bishops continue to make the moral case that genuine health care reform must protect the life, dignity, consciences and health of all, especially the poor and vulnerable. Health care reform should not advance a pro-abortion agenda in our country.

- On November 7, the U.S. House of Representatives passed major health care reform that reaffirms the essential, longstanding and widely supported policy against using federal funds for elective abortions and includes positive measures on affordability and immigrants.
- On December 24, the U.S. Senate rejected this policy and passed health care reform that requires federal funds to help subsidize and promote health plans that cover elective abortions. All purchasers of such plans will be required to pay for other people's abortions through a separate payment solely to pay for abortion.
- Outside the abortion context, neither bill has adequate conscience protection for health care providers, plans or employers.
- These two bills must now be combined into one bill that both the House and Senate will vote on in final form. Provisions against abortion funding and in favor of conscience protection, affordability, and immigrants' access to health care must be part of a fair and just health care reform bill, or the final bill must be opposed.

ACTION: Contact your Representative and Senators today by e-mail, phone or FAX.

- **To send a pre-written, instant e-mail to Congress go to www.usccb.org/action.**
- Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at: 202-224-3121, or call your Members' local offices. Contact info can be found on Members' web sites at www.house.gov & www.senate.gov.

MESSAGE—HOUSE:

"I am pleased that the House health care bill maintains the longstanding policy against federal funding of abortion. I urge you to work to uphold essential provisions against abortion funding, to include full conscience protection and to assure that health care is accessible and affordable for all. Until and unless these criteria are met, I urge you to oppose the final bill."

MESSAGE—SENATE:

"I am deeply disappointed that the Senate health care bill fails to maintain the longstanding policy against federal funding of abortion and does not include adequate protection for conscience. I urge you to support essential provisions against abortion funding, similar to those in the House bill. Include full conscience protection and assure that health care is accessible and affordable for all. Until and unless these criteria are met, I urge you to oppose the final bill."

WHEN: Votes in the House and Senate on the final bill are expected in January.

Act today! Thank You!