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MASS SCHEDULE

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Saturday	Nov. 8	6:00 P.M.	Ervin & Irene Mendel	St. John
Sunday	Nov. 9	9:30 A.M.	Willie & Albina Barborak & Irene	Moravia

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	Nov. 15	6:00 P.M.	Joe Barcak & Irene Drozd Barcak	Moravia
Sunday	Nov. 16	9:30 A.M.	Lillie Besetzny's 90 th Birthday	St. John

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Saturday	Nov. 22	6:00 P.M.	August Kubos	St. John
Sunday	Nov. 23	9:30 A.M.	Sylvester Janak & Sheryl Janak	Moravia

THE WORD OF GOD

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Readings: Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 Psalm 46:2-3,5-6,8-9 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11,16-17 John 2:13-22

The waters flowing from the temple, the dwelling place of the Lord, bring forth life and growth. Jesus is the living sanctuary and we his living body in the Spirit.

Today marks the anniversary of the dedication of the cathedral church of Rome, on land owned by the Laterani family, by Pope St. Sylvester I, 9 Nov. 324; honored as the Episcopal seat of the pope as bishop of Rome; according to an inscription which Pope Clement XII (reigned 1730-1740) placed on the façade, this basilica is the "mother and head of all churches of Rome and the world" (*"omnium ecclesiarum Urbis et Orbis mater et caput"*); residence of the popes from the 4th century until their moving to Avignon (1309); site of five ecumenical councils; Pope Innocent X commissioned the present structure in 1646; beneath its high altar rests the remains of the small wooden table on which according to tradition, St. Peter celebrated mass; dedicated to the Savior, later to St. John the Baptist.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 Psalm 128:1-5 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30 or 25:14-15,19-21

They are happy who fear the Lord, who use their gifts and talents in the service of one another, especially the poor and the needy. They shall be known as children of the light, and will be ready for the Lord's return.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Readings: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 Psalm 23:1-3,5-6 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28 Matthew 25:31-46

The Lord Jesus is our shepherd. At the end, at his coming, he will hand over the kingdom to his Father. He will "judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats", between those who have lived their lives for others, and those who have lived for themselves.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM DESK OF MSGR. JOHN

Let us pray for all of our newly elected officials that they will always strive to maintain Christian principles in our society. We are so blessed in our country to be able to vote and to speak up for what is right. Let us pray that we will continue to be able to do that for generations to come for the sake of the future of the children.

Veteran's Day is this coming Tuesday. We should make every effort to thank our veterans for their service to our country. They have given generously of themselves for our country.

On Sunday, November 23, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. We will have a Procession in Hallettsville beginning at Sacred Heart Church at 2:00 pm, going around the Courthouse Square and returning to Sacred Heart for closing prayers. Everyone is invited to join us to honor Christ the King.

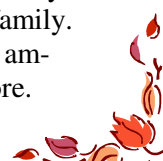
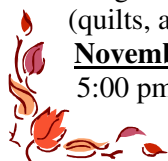
THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE

The *Community Thanksgiving Prayer Service* will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 25 at First United Methodist Church, 206 S. Dowling Street, Hallettsville.

AREA CHURCH FESTIVALS & BAZAARS

November 9: Our Lady of Lourdes Fall Festival, Victoria Community Center. Doors open 10:00am. Turkey & Dressing Lunch-\$8 (serving begins 11:00 am). Live auction 12:30 pm. Silent Auction 10:00am-3:00pm. Country Store (quilts, antiques, crafts, collectibles, Kolaches & baked goods). Raffle. Booths and games for the entire family.

November 15: St. Mary's Church Harvest Bazaar, Activity Center, 401 S. Liberty St., Victoria, 9:00 am-5:00 pm. Tasty noon meal \$5. Handcrafted holiday items, home baked goods, live plants and much more.



ST. JOHN ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

St. John Altar Society will have their annual meeting on November 16 in Church following the 9:30 Mass. All members please attend.

MORAVIA ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Moravia Altar Society meeting will be held Monday, November 10th starting a 7:00 P.M. Members are please asked to attend.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 8 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - Alex Lozano, April Brossmann
Sunday, Nov. 9 - 9:30 a.m. - Moravia - Kenna Kubenka, Miranda Shimek, Blaine Besetzny
Saturday, Nov. 15 - 6:00 p.m. - Moravia - Caitlin Deem, Joshua Becan, James Lofland
Sunday, Nov. 16 - 9:30 a.m. - St. John - Rylie & Regan Lux, Alex Lozano
Saturday, Nov. 22 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - April Brossmann, Dylan Goldberg
Sunday, Nov. 23 - 9:30 a.m. - Kenna Kubenka, Miranda Shimek, Blaine Besetzny



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Everyone is invited to help celebrate Lillian Besetzny's **90th** birthday on Sunday, November 16 at St. John Parish Hall from 1-5 p.m.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

If we remember that God loves us and that we can love others as He loves us, America can become a sign of peace for the world. From here, a sign of care for the weakest of the weak-the unborn child-must go out to the world to become a burning light of justice and peace in the world. Then, really, you will be true to what the founders of this country stood for. God bless you all. {St. Mother Teresa, page 99 in *Where There Is Love, There Is God*}

GABRIEL PROJECT MEETINGS

Gabriel Project Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m., 101 W. Convent (behind St. Mary Church), Victoria. A light meal is served. For information, call Barbara 361-649-1612 or email barbaramccain85@yahoo.com.

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE

Golden Crescent Workforce Solutions offering child care assistance for parent(s) who meet income guidelines, are employed, attending school/college or in an approved training component. For information, call 798-1046 or go to www.gcworkforce.org.

2015 DATES FOR "TO LOVE AS GOD LOVES" MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM

March 1, May 17, and Sept. 27. Updated information, and the brochure with the registration form, can be downloaded from the diocesan website under the Marriage tab. Visit www.victoriadiocese.org.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER DATES FOR 2015

January 30-February 1; April 17-19; June 5-7; August 28-30; and October 16-18. The 2015 Engaged Encounter brochures and registration forms are posted on the website (Marriage tab). For more information, call (361) 573-0828 or visit www.victoriadiocese.org.

MEMORIALS

Ascension Building Fund: In memory of Bernice Trlica Machicek by Richard & Wilma Schaefer-\$15

St. John Cemetery Fund: In memory of Marvin Kocich by George & Marguerite Hagens-\$25

Msgr. John C. Peters Seminary Burse: In memory of Willard Lookabill by Willie Barborak-\$10

Please pray for the blessing of beneficial rainfall!



Heavenly Father, We believe that it is You Who created our world with all of its beauty and life. We believe that it is You Who put into place the systems of nature that sustain, nurture and renew this work of Your hands. We believe that it is You Who hears Your children when they call upon You. Hear then, this prayer which comes from a heart filled with confidence and trust. Grant to us and to all who seek it, the gift of a bountiful rain. Water our lands so that they may once again spring to life and reflect the beauty of Your creation. Fill our lakes and rivers with sufficient rain so that they may continue to provide life giving and refreshing water to all who depend upon it for their livelihood and well-being. Please do not let many more days pass without sending us this most needed blessing of rain. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Your Son Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

Bluebonnet Tours Day Trip to San Antonio, Tuesday, November 18, visit Mission San Jose & other points of interest. For more info., contact Judy Klesel 979-562-2306 or jdklesel@cvctx.com or Nancy 979-561-5092 or njhay@cvctx.com.



"What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." But he was speaking about the temple of his Body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this.

— Jn 2:18b-19, 21-22b

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