

January 1, 2017

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Saturday ..... 6:00 p.m.  
(on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>)  
Sunday.....9:30 a.m.  
(on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup>)  
First Friday..... 8:00 a.m. followed by Holy Hour

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

Saturday ..... 6:00 p.m.  
(on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup>)  
Sunday.....9:30 a.m.  
(on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>)

**MARRIAGES**

Consult the Pastor six (6) months in advance before making any plans or decisions.

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Welcome to our parish family. Please stop by the rectory or call to register.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Please call the rectory.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Saturday Evening—5:30 p.m.

**GENERATIONS OF FAITH (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)**

Dana Daughtry 713-822-3019-cell or 979-562-2381  
EWTN ..... Cable Channel 71 or Dish Channel 261

**WEBSITES**

Cemetery: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org)  
(Click on “Catholic Cemeteries”)  
Safe Environment: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org)  
(Click on “Safe Environment Program,” then on “eAppsDB”)

**PARISH CONTACTS**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Elsie Farek..... 979-562-2159

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

Robert & Mary Kendall ..... 361-798-9467

**HALL RENTAL**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Frank Forestier  
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..... 361-865-2446 (home)

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

Kathy Guenther ..... 979-562-2124 (home)  
..... 979-562-2328 (work)  
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**CEMETERY**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Dorothy Berger ..... 979-562-2187

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## MASS SCHEDULE

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### Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Saturday	December 31	5:00 p.m.	Peace – especially in families and In Our Country	Moravia
Sunday	January 1	10:00 a.m.	Peace – especially in families and In Our Country	St. John

### First Friday

Friday	January 6	8:00 a.m.	Edgar & Kenneth Besetzny	St. John
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### The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday	January 7	5:00 p.m.	Arthur W. & Lillie Spies, Sr.	Moravia
Sunday	January 8	9:30 a.m.	Grace Konvicka	Moravia

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	January 14	5:00 p.m.	Larry Berger	St. John
Sunday	January 15	9:30 a.m.	David Kubenka	St. John

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### January 1, 2017, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Readings: 18: NM 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

We seek God's blessings as did Mary. Because of her Son, we can confidently call God, "Abba"!

### January 8, 2017, Epiphany of the Lord

Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

All nations are invited to sing the Lord's praises for they have been called to hear the good news and worship the long-awaited Messiah and King with the gift of their lives.

### January 9, 2017, Monday, The Baptism of the Lord

Readings: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17

Jesus is the beloved Son of the Father. He is the light of the nations and Lord of all creation. To him be all glory and praise!

### January 15, 2017, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Jesus, the Lamb of God, is the light of the nations who came to do the Father's will. In Christ we have been called to be a holy people.

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31 – 5:00 p.m. – Moravia –Dylan Goldberg, Dylan Orsak, Mary Beth Krischke  
Sunday, January 1 – 10:00 a.m. – St. John –Alex Lozano, Wade Shimek

Saturday, January 7 – 5:00 p.m. – Moravia –Harley Wilson, Heather Wilson  
Sunday, January 8 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia - Dylan Goldberg, Mary Beth Krischke, Dylan Orsak

Saturday, January 14 – 5:00 p.m. – St. John –Dylan Goldberg, Dylan Orsak, Mary Beth Krischke  
Sunday, January 15 – 10:00 a.m. – St. John –Alex Lozano, Wade Shimek

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*From the Desk of Msgr. John*

*Thank you to all who helped in any way with the Christmas Masses and all that surrounded our celebrations of Jesus Birth.*

*Today, January 1<sup>st</sup>, we begin a new year. As we begin this new year, let us look ahead with faith and a positive attitude.*

### **TODAY IS A NEW DAY!**

You can start fresh.

Wipe the slate clean.

BEGIN AGAIN.

EMBRACE Kindness.

Practice COMPASSION.

Stand Up for JUSTICE.

Talk to strangers.

ASK FOR HELP.

LISTEN with your whole heart.

OFFER HOPE.

Work for the common good.

LOVE WELL.

Be the change you wish to see in the world.

**ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JANUARY:** Barbara Janak, Connie Burton

**ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR JANUARY:** Phil Guenther, Robert Kendall

**ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JANUARY:** Darlene Duffin, Barbara Appelt

**ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR JANUARY:** Marcus Bujnoch, Robert Besetsny

**THE EMMAUS CENTER**-*Counseling in the Catholic Tradition*—Sponsored by the Diocese of Victoria—1908 N. Laurent Street, Suite 140, Victoria, Texas 77901. For an appointment, go to [www.emmauscounselingcenter.com](http://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com) or call 361-212-0830. *Extending a Listening Heart to Those in Need.*

**PRO-LIFE CORNER**—The greatest destroyer of peace is ABORTION... because it is war against the child.

[St. Teresa of Calcutta]

Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

Please pray for the Veterans who have served Our Country and have sacrificed and given so much for our freedom.

**The Moravia KJZT Society #44 will have a meeting on January 7, 2017, after 6:00 p.m. Mass in the Church. All members are asked to attend.**

**Barbara Appelt and Frank Forestier** will take over management of St. John the Baptist Hall beginning January 1, 2017. The phone numbers are listed on the front of the Bulletin.

A Blessed  
New Year 

## MEMORIALS

### Ascension of Our Lord Church

In Memory of Grace Konvicka by Tim Callan - \$100

### Ascension Cemetery Fund

In Memory of Grace Konvicka by Riley and Mary Alice Ondruch-\$25; Jerome & Georgia Pavliska-\$20; Kubena Funeral Home-\$20

### Ascension Building Fund

In Memory of Grace Konvicka by Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky-\$15

In Memory of Romaine Crawford by William & Melissa Eckert-\$25; Jana Lisle Parham-\$100

In Memory of Alvin Polasek, Jr. by Peoples State Bank-\$10

### St. John Building Fund

In Memory of Edward Hermes by Ronnie & Sharon Mascheck-\$50

In Memory of Charles Brossmann by Gary & Sandra Mendel-\$100

### Msgr. John Peters Seminary Burse

In Memory of Grace Konvicka by Richard & Wilma Schaefer-\$15



Next Bulletin: Sunday, January 15, 2017

All announcements can be sent by email to the Rectory at [rectory@shcatholicchurch.org](mailto:rectory@shcatholicchurch.org)

Or can be called in to the Rectory to 361-798-5888.

Any announcements after the due date and time, will be published in the next bulletin, if applicable.

Bulletin Deadline: 12:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2017