

June 30, 2013: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." — Lk 9:51-62

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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, June 30 (1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62)

8:00 am- John, Sophie, Gladys, Betty, John & Matthew Henneke

10:30 am- Living & deceased members of KJT No. 5

5:00 pm- For our Parish Family (Spanish Mass)

Monday, July 1, Bl. Junipero Serra, Priest (Gn 18:16-33/Mt 8:18-22)

7:00 am- Willie Bohac

10:00 am- Adela Pohl (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, July 2 (Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27)

7:00 am- Marcus, Larry & Reinhold Koenig

Wednesday, July 3, St. Thomas, Apostle (Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29)

7:00 am- Henry Pavliska

8:05 am- Joe N. Steffek

Thursday, July 4 (Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8) *Independence Day (Fourth of July)*

7:00 am- Paula Loya

10:00 am- Augustine Smolik (Stevens)

Friday, July 5, St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal (Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Mt 9:9-13)

7:00 am- George & Anita Kallus

8:05 am- Aline Zappe Carson

Saturday, July 6, St. Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr (Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17)

5:30 pm- Wilbert Roznovsky

Sunday, July 7 (Is 66:10-14c/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9)

8:00 am- Vincent Gaitan, Sr. & Annie Orosco

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Bulletin Sponsor: Lillian Haas and family in memory of Carl Haas.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: K.J.T. Society No. 5.

Vigil Light: Special intention for health (W.F.).

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$4,533.50; Loose-\$838; Children-\$25; Manna-\$1,155; Church Endowment Env.-\$110; School Endowment Envelopes-\$358.

The Green Plant in the foyer of the church is in memory of Ronald Brown.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of *Ronald Brown* of our parish family. *May he rest in the peace of Christ.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

-Catholic Daughters 90th Anniversary Celebration, 10:30 a.m. Mass followed by reception in Family Center.

-Covered dish supper, Family Center after Spanish Mass

MONDAY, JULY 1

-Rosary & Evening Prayers will not be held June-July.

TUESDAY, JULY 2

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

-K.C. General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., K. C. Hall.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

-“Fortnight for Freedom” Holy Hour to pray for the conversion of our Country & her leaders, 7 pm in church



THURSDAY, JULY 4

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 p.m. in church. Intention: *In thanksgiving for our freedom & asking God's continued blessing of freedom, especially our religious freedom.*

-Holy Hour for priestly vocations, 7:00 p.m. in church.

FRIDAY, JULY 5

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concludes with Benediction at 6:00 p.m. in church.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

-Serra Club Mass, 8:30 a.m., Sacred Heart, Flatonia. Holy Rosary recited at 8:00 a.m.

Among our sick: Edna Key, Frank Fishar, Faith Del Castillo, Michael Gerdes, Renae Ross, Doug Blumberg, Ed Aulick, Rose Thumann, Sterlin Ritchie, Ricky Skelton, Larry Appelt, Milissa Zamora, Chris Layton, Hank Morris, Frank, Patrick & Robben Nemec, LaNora Konvicka, Delores Grahmann, Donna Coldewey, Benedict Bujnoch, Lorene Christ, Matt Pohler, Donna Avant, Wilbert Kalinec, Mary Bonorden, Rev. Lundy Hooten, Josephine Muniz, Vivian Janak, Rose Mary Etzler, Helen Kresta, Bobbie Lee Drozd, Donna Steffek, Frank Gutierrez, Glenn Rabel, Jonathon Drozd, Lisa Grissom, Henry Joe Henke, Jr., Rachel Davis, George Meyer, Leonard Lamza, Richard Grahmann, Colin Grahmann, Marie Hermes, Emil Hermes, Georgia Schaefer, John & Alec Chong, Pat Hanslik, nursing home residents & homebound.

Anniversaries:

Wilton & Alma Hrncir	64 years	July 4
Royce & Elizabeth Rother	52 years	July 4
Charles & Frances Franta	40 years	July 6

Last week, the basket of mixed flowers were in memory of Magdalene Kristek.

Bishop David Fellhauer Annual Charity Banquet, Thursday, July 11, 6:30 p.m., Victoria Country Club. Please call the Rectory 798-5888 for ticket information.



The Rectory will be closed Thursday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Happy Fourth of July!!

From the Desk of Msgr. John

It is hard to believe that summer has started and is moving so quickly. Our young people are involved in many things. We had a very successful Vacation Bible School. A number of junior high and high school students of the parish have attended Camp David and Disciples Week, and will be attending the Rocky Mountain High Retreat in Colorado, a study tour in Europe, Just 5 Days Mission work in Austin, the altar server outing, the Teen ACTS Retreat and Young Adult Retreat, and other activities around the parish and various sports camps.

Many spiritual and other activities are provided for the youth of the parish. Please pray for our young people that they will always strive to learn more about their faith and live it.

As we approach Independence Day, let us pray in thanksgiving for our freedom in our country and let us pray for a continued right to religious freedom. Please join us on Wednesday, July 3rd from 7:00-8:00 p.m. for a special holy hour to pray for the protection of our religious liberties.

Mini-Cheerleader Camp, July 29-31, 9am-12noon, SHCS Gym for girls in PreK-6th Grade. To register, please call Debi Bludau, 798-6842.



Area Picnics-

June 30: Sts. Peter & Paul, Plum. Mass 10am. Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner 11am. Auction, bingo, booths, games. Music by Ken Bros. & Charles & Fab. 4.

July 4: St. John Church, St. John. Mass 9am. Flag Raising Ceremony 10am. Fried Chicken & Stew Dinner 10:30am. Auction, bingo, booths, & games. Music by Shiner Hobo Band, Dujka Brothers, Red Ravens & Texas Dream. Fireworks 9:30 p.m.

Young Men's Vocation Retreat – The Diocese of Victoria **Quo Vadis Vocation Retreat** for young men who completed their 8th grade year this Spring through 21 years old will be held at Coopers Farm near La Grange on Sunday, July 14 through Wednesday, July 17. Spaces are limited. A \$10 non-refundable deposit by July 1 guarantees your spot. Registration forms are available in the church office and in the back of the church. The week will include discussions on discerning God's call in your life. The retreat will be facilitated by priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Victoria.

1430 AM Catholic Radio now on the air in Houston.

The Guadalupe Radio Network operates 16 Catholic Radio stations in the U.S., reaching a population of 5,000,000 people 24/7 with *Radio for your soul!* For information, visit www.grnonline.com or call Joe McClane at 832-786-4500.

Mini-Twirl Camp, July 22-25, 9 am-12 noon, SHCS Gym, K-8th Grade. To register, please call Becky McElroy at 798-2831 or 772-6674.

West Disaster Recovery Benefit, Saturday, July 13, 2:00-6:00 p.m., Knights of Columbus Hall, 2547 Jerry Mashek Dr., West. Authentic Czech Meal – potato leek soup, green salad, pork loin, dumplings, cabbage & desserts served 3:00-5:30 p.m. Music by Kovanda Czech Band of Houston. Silent auction. Donation \$26. Ticket must be purchased before July 9. Call Happy Almaguer 512-892-1385, James Van Bibber 512-255-6994 or email texasczechnumber1@gmail.com.

Is your marriage in trouble? Consider a **Retrouvaille** (retro-vi) weekend, September 6th-8th. This program has helped thousands of couples at all stages of misery or disillusionment in their marriage. This program can help you, too. For information, call John or Jennifer Vincent 361-580-2770 or email jbvjob@sbcglobal.net or visit the website at www.retrouvaille.org.

Altar Server Party: All altar servers who serve for the weekend Masses of Sacred Heart Church & St. Mary's are invited to a bowling & pizza party on Wed., July 31 at the Tenth Frame Bowling Alley in Schulenburg from 11am-2pm. If you plan to attend this event, please call Fr. Tommy (798-5888) to sign up no later than Sunday, July 28. The parish will provide the rounds of bowling, shoe rental, & pizza. Parents will be responsible for the transportation of their children to & from the event.

Teen ACTS Retreat - July 25-28. Registration forms are now being accepted for the retreat. All forms & fees must be mailed to Therese Ferry in Yoakum. Approx. 20 boys & 20 girls will be accepted throughout the Hallettsville Deanery, so spaces are very limited. Acceptance is on a first-come-first-served basis.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – In this weekend's Gospel, James and John certainly weren't happy that a Samaritan village was not very welcoming to Jesus and His band of disciples. Recall that Samaritans believed that the place to worship God was on Mt. Gerizim, and because Jesus and His disciples were on the way to Jerusalem, the Samaritans were not interested in aiding His mission. Almost like five-year-olds at the candy display in the grocery checkout line, James and John were ready to call down fire from heaven to wipe out the Samaritans. Jesus did not hesitate to rebuke them for their outburst. On the other hand, even Jesus seemed to express His own sense of disappointment when He says in the Gospel to someone who wants to follow Him, "The Son of Man has nowhere to rest His head" (Lk 9:58).

How we deal with disappointment is a sign of maturity. Jesus makes the point in the Gospel that we have to move forward. Letting go of regrets and looking to the future is wholesome everyday advice. But putting those ideas into the realm of faith means that we confess our sins and seek absolution (the letting go) and direct our lives to God's kingdom. It is looking toward our ultimate future, which is eternal life in heaven.