

**February 23, 2014: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary
Time**



"You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father." — Mt 5:43-45a

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, February 23 (Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-3/Mt 5:38-48)

8:00 am- Louis R. Kallus & Carolyn Steffek
10:30 am- For our Parish Family
5:00 pm- Serapo "Chapo" DeLaRosa (Spanish Mass)

Monday, February 24 (Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29)

7:00 am- Joseph R. Curley
10:00 am- Magdalene Kristek (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, February 25 (Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37)

7:00 am- In thanksgiving for answered prayers

Wednesday, February 26 (Jas 4:13-17/Mk 9:38-40)

7:00 am- Ray Earwood
8:05 am- Kenneth Rother

Thursday, February 27 (Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:41-50)

7:00 am- Frank & Jo Nell Janecek's 54th Anniversary
10:00 am- Edna Liebham, Benefactor (Stevens)

Friday, February 28 (Jas 5:9-12/Mk 10:1-12)

7:00 am- Alton & Bea Heinzl
8:05 am- Billy J. Sitka

Saturday, March 1 (Jas 5:13-20/Mk 10:13-16)

5:30 pm- David Etzler

Sunday, Mar. 2 (Is 49:14-15/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34)

8:00 am- Elaine Rogers
10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Church Bulletin Sponsor: Andy & Mary Chapman in memory of Gus Cudlum Werner.

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Vigil Light: Special Intention.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$6,599.50; Loose-\$1,070; Children-\$30; School Endowment Envelope-\$20; Catholic Education Envelopes-\$2,867.

Pray for the repose of the soul of *Frances Jurena*, mother of Robert Jurena. *May she and all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

Anniversaries:

Frank & Jo Nell Janecek	54 years	Feb. 27
Melvin & Mary Ann Jurica	54 years	Feb. 28



Please pray for vocations to the priesthood & religious life!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

-Baptism Preparation Class, 9:00 a.m., Family Center.
-Covered dish supper after Spanish Mass, Family Center

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

-Evening Praise, 5:30 p.m., Church.
-Parish Finance Council Mtg., 6:00 pm, Mary's House.
-Parish Advisory Council Mtg., 6:30 pm, Mary's House.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

-CCD: K-12th Grades, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

-RCIA, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Youth House.

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

-Serra Club Mass for Vocations, 8:00 a.m., St. Michael Church, Weimar.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

-KJZT #2 Meeting, 3:00 p.m., Mary's House.

Among our sick: Donna Avant, Lorene Christ, Matt Pohler, Wilbert Kalinec, Mary Bonorden, Josephine Muniz, Vivian Janak, Bobbie Lee Drozd, Donna Steffek, Glenn Rabel, Lisa Grissom, Richard Grahmann, Colin Grahmann, Emil Hermes, Georgia Schaefer, Pat Hanslik, Leroy Loth, Barbara Kubena, Kathy Davis, Yvonne Muska, Russell Janak, Elrose Ehler, Marilyn Palmquist, Doug Blumberg, Terry Mitchon Bludau, Amanda Gutierrez, Melissa Pilat, Becky Pekar, Kyle Stellige, Victor Vasek, Kassia Kubena, Barbara Gummelt, Louise Tesch, Robert Butschek, Karen Kahanek, Harvey Drozd, Monte Staha, Marie Hermes, nursing home residents, & the homebound.

Catholic Daughters 2014 Dues: Please make your \$20 check payable to CDA & mail to Anita Steffek, 549 CR 186, Hallettsville. For more information, call Anita Steffek 798-3771.

PARISH DIRECTORY: *Don't forget!* Pictures will be taken **February 25 - March 1** in the Family Center. Please come **no more than 5 minutes before** your scheduled time. There is no need to wait – come in, take the picture, view your portrait and it's done! For information, please call Linda Pavliska 798-3253.

Our Troops: We will have a page in the directory saluting our military who are members of Sacred Heart Parish. Please bring to the Rectory a picture of your loved one who is serving our country so we can include them on our page honoring our troops.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Friday, March 7. Drive-thru 5:00-6:30 p.m. Dine-in 5:00-7:00 p.m. Tickets \$8 each and available for purchase at Hoffer's Drive-In Grocery, Sacred Heart Credit Union, Beauty Boutique, Rectory and SHCS Office. Benefits K.C. Charities.

From the Desk of Msgr. John

We welcome Fr. Daniel back after his five week visit to Ghana. He had a good trip, visiting with his family and getting his paperwork done for his immigration status.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. Disciples on the Journey is an excellent resource book for faith-sharing during Lent. Since the sharing focuses on the scriptural readings for each Sunday, the faith-sharing session opens up the Word of God and prepares individuals for Sunday Mass where Scripture becomes alive and applicable to daily living. The Liturgy of the Eucharist is anticipated with joy.

Deacon Harper will be leading a study group each Tuesday during Lent from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at Mary's House using Disciples on the Journey. Please call the Rectory this week if you are interested in participating in this group. You may also want to start your own group. Just let us know this week.

CCD News ~~

March 2: 7th Grade participates at 8:00 a.m. Mass.

March 5: Ash Wednesday Mass, 10th Gr. participates.

March 12: Spring Break – no CCD class.

March 26: Penance for 3rd-5th Grade.

Sacred Heart Catholic School News ~~

Help Wanted: Worker/Cook in the Cafeteria. Call 798-2122 for information or to apply.

Youth Group ~

We had an awesome time with our Youth last Sunday at the Diocesan Youth Spectacular! Approximately 50 students from our parish attended this day of prayer, praise and education.

We now look to our next **Youth Night** taking place on **March 9th**, and our summer trip to **Steubenville on the Bayou** taking place **June 26th-29th**. Interest has been building but we are in need of solid commitments. If you are interested, please contact Troy Spring via email at troy@splashwaywaterpark.com. Cost for the conference is \$300 with an early deposit of \$40 due upon registration. Please note that fundraising and scholarships will be made available to those in need. We hope to have all our commitments in stone by the first of March. Thanks and God bless!

Amor Meus Spirituality Center Lenten Vespers, Incarnate Word Convent Chapel, 1101 N.E. Water St., Victoria. Join us for Vespers on the Sundays of Lent (March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6, 13), 5:00-6:00 p.m. This liturgical prayer of the church focuses on praying the psalms, giving thanks for the day and offering evening praise to God. This Prayer can prepare us for the great feast of Easter.

Sacred Heart Catholic School is considering offering a PreK-3 educational program for 3 year old children beginning the 2014-15 school year. A child would need to be 3 years old by Sept. 1 in order to be eligible. Please call the school office at 798-4251 by March 1 if you are interested. A decision will be made based on the number of persons interested in the program.



“Come and See” weekend on March 1st-2nd at Incarnate Word Convent, 1101 N.E. Water St., Victoria for single Catholic women 18-50. For information or to register, call 575-7111 or email iwbsvoc@yahoo.com. If you are interested in learning more about who we are and what we do, please check us out at www.iwbsvictoria.org.

Still Time to Register!! Pastoral Institute Extended Program - Six-week **Liturgy** course taught by Deacon Chuck Glynn – Tuesdays, Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 18, 25 & April 1. Classes available at three sites: Holy Cross, East Bernard, via distance learning at the Chancery, & St. Ann's, Point Comfort. Course held in the morning 9:15–11:30 am or evening 7:00–9:15 pm. To register, call (361) 573-0828 ext. 2223 or email Sherry Kainer at pisecretary@victoriadiocese.org.

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time –

"Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow." At first glance, we might think this instruction refers only to money or possessions. Jesus would surely want us to be generous with our finances, and in the spirit of today's Gospel, to give without seeking to receive. However, the principle also applies to our time and our talents.

Most likely, some of the people God has placed in our lives are "asking" for our time: children in need of care; elderly parents; neighbors or friends experiencing sickness, etcetera. Often, the needs of others do not coincide perfectly with our own plans. Rather, serving our families and communities frequently requires a change in our normal program of life. When such interruptions occur, do we share our time and attention freely, handing over our "cloak" as well without a grumble or a grudge?

And what about the use of our God-given talents? We have all been blessed in different ways with gifts that can strengthen our communities. When our abilities could be useful to others, are we willing to share them without seeking recompense? Gifts of organization or artistry, culinary or mechanical skills, musical or ministerial talents...what we have received can be a blessing to those in our parish, our workplace, our neighborhood, and our family. Rather than being stingy with the treasures God has given us, may we be willing to follow the Lord's command to go the extra mile.

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