

**APRIL 26 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**



*“I am the Good Shepherd, and I know Mine and Mine know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I will lay down My life for the sheep.” – Jn 10:14-15*

**LITURGY**

**MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 26 (Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18)**

8:00 am- Our Parish Family  
10:30 am- Louis & Tillie Schott  
5:00 pm- Paula Loya (Spanish Mass)

**Monday, Easter Weekday (Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10)**

7:00 am- Lucy Vana  
10:00 am- Adela Pohl, Benefactor (H'ville Rehab)

**Tuesday, Easter Weekday, St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Monfort, Priest (Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30)**

7:00 am- Anita Pesek

**Wednesday, Easter Weekday, St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church (Acts 12:24--13:5a/Jn 12:44-50)**

7:00 am- Marvin Patek  
8:05 am- George Koncaba, Sr.

**Thursday, Easter Weekday, St. Pius V, Pope (Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20)**

7:00 am- Lilly Nilsson  
10:00 am- Andrew Leopold, Sr. (Stevens)

**Friday, Easter Weekday, St. Joseph the Worker (Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Mt 13:54-58)**

7:00 am- Mary Butschek  
8:05 am- Living & deceased members of Guntram & Annie Janak Family

**Saturday, May 2, St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14)**

5:30 pm- Living & deceased members of Joe & Mary Smolik Family

**Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 3 (Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8)**

8:00 am- Our Parish Family  
10:30 am- Living & deceased members of Adolf & Josephine Zappe Family (*First Holy Communion*)



**Bulletin Sponsor:** Bob Kubena in memory of Louis & Tillie Schott.

**Radio Broadcast Sponsor:** In memory of Ludvik Svetlik.

**Vigil Light:** In memory of Trista Sevcik & Annabelle Anzaldo.

**Our Gift to God:** Envelopes-\$6,314.50; Loose-\$1,408; Children-\$55; Rice Bowl (Confirmants)-\$440; Rice Bowl (SHCS)-\$1,142; Catholic Education-\$3,160.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Sylvin Olsovsky, Sr.* and *Felipa Hernandez* of our parish family. *May they rest in the peace of Christ.*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 26**

-Baptism Preparation Class, 9:00 a.m., Family Center.  
-Covered dish supper after Spanish Mass, Family Center.  
-Mandatory Freshmen & Parents Confirmation meeting, 6:00 p.m., Cafeteria.

**MONDAY, APRIL 27**

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

**TUESDAY, APRIL 28**

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

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29**

-CCD: K-12<sup>th</sup> Grade, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 30**

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins 6:00 p.m., Church. *Intention: Living & deceased mothers and expectant mothers.*

-Holy Hour for Priestly Vocations, 7:00 p.m., Church.

**FRIDAY, MAY 1**

-CDA Adoration, 5:00-6:00 p.m., Church.  
-First Friday Benediction, 6:00 p.m., Church.

**SATURDAY, MAY 2**

-Serra Club Mass for Vocations, 8:30 a.m., Ascension of Our Lord Church, Moravia (Rosary 8:00 am)  
-First Holy Communion Practice, 9:00 a.m.

**SUNDAY, MAY 3**

-First Holy Communion, 10:30 a.m. Mass.



Among our sick: Donna Avant, Lorene Christ, Josephine Muniz, Wilbert Kalinec, Barbara Kubena, Kathy Davis, Elrose Ehler, Marilyn Palmquist, Doug Blumberg, Becky Pekar, Amanda Gutierrez, Karen Kahanek, Harvey Drozd, Monte Staha, Marie Hermes, Karen Perez, Georgie Meyer, Doris Anders, Jack Crandall, Gary Trojcek, Brian Wisnoski, Jeanne McClain, Frances Kutach, Sweet Hrcir, Henry Konvicka, Leo Haas, Jr., Clorisa Hartensteiner, Betsy Brown, Marcella Henke, Mark Henneke, Kirk Remmers, Richard Grahmann, Margie Becker, Dollie Parr, Joyce Tesch, Msgr. Celestino Say, Steve Grasshoff, Buddy Boehm, Sr. Rosalyn Henke, John Moore, Jr., Victor Roeber, Tommy Kanak, Rose Thumann, Rita Zaruba, nursing home residents & the homebound.

**45<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas State Championship Fiddler's Frolics, April 25-26, K.C. Hall. Saturday Night:**

Scott Taylor Band and The Washers. **Sunday:** Lunch – Fried Chicken (3 pcs.), Giblet Rice & Green Beans (\$9/plate). Free live music under the pavilion. For more information go to [www.Fiddlersfrolics.com](http://www.Fiddlersfrolics.com).

**Happy Anniversary!**

Chris & Julie Kubena 25 years Apr. 27  
Jessie & Elrose Kahanek 59 years Apr. 28



**Calendar Membership: Apr. 16:** Roger Wulf, Berclair-\$100; **Apr. 17:** Edward & Patty Grahmann-\$100; **Apr. 20:** Lindy Honish, Shiner-\$100; **Apr. 21:** Dorothy Bujnoch-\$100; **Apr. 22:** Kenneth Barton-\$100.

*From the Desk of Msgr. John*

We are continuing to celebrate the Easter Season until Pentecost. Let us rejoice in the Resurrection of our Lord and truly give witness to our Faith.

Our Bishop David Fellhauer has retired at the age of 75. He is now Bishop Emeritus and will continue to live in Victoria. Our new Bishop is Bishop-elect Brendan Cahill from the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. He is 51 years old and 25 years ordained.

Bishop-elect Cahill will be ordained a bishop and installed as our third bishop on June 29<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Victory Cathedral in Victoria. There will be an administrator chosen to oversee the diocese until June 29<sup>th</sup>.

We will be having a retirement celebration for David Smolik as Principal of Sacred Heart Catholic School on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. We will honor him at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, followed by a reception at the K.C. Hall. We will give more details as we get closer to the date.

**Sacred Heart Religious Education News** ~~

**Apr. 29:** Regular CCD Class.

**May 6:** Closing Mass 6:15 p.m. – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade participates.

**Sacred Heart School News** ~~

**Apr. 27:** Senior Scholarship Banquet, 7:00 pm, Family Center.

**Apr. 29:** K-4<sup>th</sup> Spring Musical, 6:30 p.m., Gym.



~~ Sacred Heart Parish Spring Picnic News ~~

**Our Spring Picnic is on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>** – just around the corner! We need your help for a successful picnic!

**Auction:** We are in need of cattle, antiques, interesting or unusual items. Please call the Rectory at your earliest convenience so we may begin advertising.

**Committee Chairmen:** Please call the Rectory if you are in need of workers so that we can post it in the bulletin.

**Country Store:** Please be working on handmade aprons, potholders, embroidered pillow cases, cup towels, or any other craft items.

**Tickets for a 2015 Polaris Ranger Crew 570 (seating for 4) with 12 ft. Maxey Single Axle Trailer along with 13 additional prizes are available for purchase at the Rectory (\$35 each or 3 for \$100). The drawing will be held at the Sacred Heart Parish Spring Picnic on Sunday, May 24 at the K.C. Hall.**

“To Love as God Loves” Marriage Preparation Program for couples 40 and over seeking convalidation or a second marriage will be held on May 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Holy Family Parish Activity Center in Victoria. The cost is \$125 per couple, and is sponsored by the Diocese of Victoria. Registration Forms are available at the Rectory or may be downloaded from our Parish Website from the April 26 Bulletin.

**Area Picnics & Events:**

**April 26:** St. Michael Church Spring Festival, Veterans Memorial Park, Weimar. Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner begins 11am. Auction, bingo, booths, kiddy rides/games. Music by Czechaholics & Red Ravens 11am-8:30 pm.

**April 26:** San Luis Church Jamaica, Yorktown.

**May 3:** Holy Family Festival, Victoria Community Center. BBQ Beef & Sausage Dinner 11am-2pm. Auction, cake wheel, country store, children’s games & booths.

**Fourth Sunday of Easter –**

“And I will lay down My life for the sheep.” Jesus Himself gave us the image of Himself as the Good Shepherd. In trying to teach us about Who He was, His love for us, and His mission

to save us, He chose to speak in these terms. The picture is a comforting one.

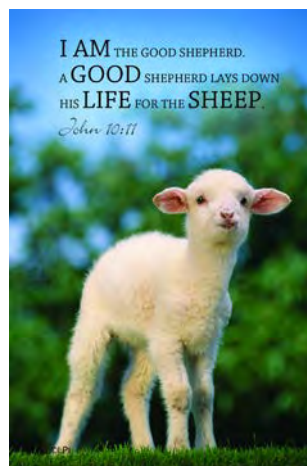
We can imagine the natural beauty of a shepherd on a hillside, gently leading and guiding his sheep to the places where all their needs are met. The shepherd makes sure they are fed, watered, rested, and, of course, safe. This last element is what separates a good shepherd from a bad one.

When a threat approaches his flock, the good shepherd will do whatever is necessary to save them, even at risk of his own safety. The bad shepherd, on the other hand, thinks only of himself and abandons the sheep in order to protect his own skin.

It’s important, in understanding the analogy, for us to realize that we, the sheep of Christ’s pasture, do face real threats, though they may be the kind that are hard to recognize. The wolves that prowl around our souls are the vices of anger, jealousy, lust, greed, gluttony, vanity, and laziness. We traditionally call these the seven deadly sins, and they are truly deadly. When we give in to them, we cut off our souls from the source of real life: God. But Jesus is the Good Shepherd, who lays down His life for us, literally. Jesus suffered and died on the cross, taking away



the deadly consequence of sin. This selfless act has saved us by offering the forgiveness and reconciliation that our souls, weak and weary from the attacks of evil, desperately need. What a gift to be in the care of such a shepherd. What a joy to be in this flock where, as Jesus says, “I know Mine and Mine know Me.”



I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD.  
A GOOD SHEPHERD LAYS DOWN  
HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP.  
*John 10:11*

## 2015 Schedule

March 1, 2015

May 17, 2015

September 27, 2015

9:00 am—5:00 pm

Holy Family Parish Activity Center  
704 Mallette Victoria, Texas

Cost is \$125.00 per couple

Please make check / money order  
payable to the

Diocese of Victoria

Credit card payment accepted by  
contacting the Diocese of Victoria

361-573-0828 X-2215

Babysitting will be provided  
on request: please indicate if  
needed on the attached registration form

### Topics to be covered:

Marriage and Faith  
Marriage and Communication  
Marriage and Sexuality  
Marriage and Stewardship  
Natural Family Planning

**To Love  
as God Loves**

Diocese of Victoria  
1505 E. Mesquite  
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*Love is patient, love is kind. It is not  
jealous, is not pompous, it is not  
inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek  
its own interests, it is not quick-  
tempered, it does not brood over injury,  
it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but  
rejoices with the truth It bears all  
things, believes all things, hopes all  
things, endures all things. 1 Corinthians 13:4*

# To Love as God Loves

A MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM  
FOR COUPLES 40 AND OVER,  
SEEKING CONVALIDATION,  
SEEKING A SECOND MARRIAGE  
AND BEYOND.

**SPONSORED BY THE DIOCESE OF VICTORIA**



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APPROVED PROGRAM

## Registration Form—To love as God loves

Please Print Clearly

March 1, 2015  May 17, 2015  September 27, 2015

Groom's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name/Number \_\_\_\_\_

*Check all that apply*  Over 40  Not first marriage  Convalidation

Bride's Full Name (maiden): \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name/Number \_\_\_\_\_

*Check all that apply*  Over 40  Not first marriage  Convalidation

Pastor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Wedding Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Babysitting  yes  no If yes, how many children \_\_\_\_\_ ages \_\_\_\_\_

**Spaces are limited**

**Please make check/money order payable to: Diocese of Victoria**

**Mail To: Diocese of Victoria Office of the Chancellor 1505 E. Mesquite Lane Victoria, Texas 77901**

**To pay by Credit Card Please contact the Diocese of Victoria at 361-573-0828 Ext-2215.**

To email your form please email to: [imarler@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:imarler@victoriadiocese.org)

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For Office use only:

Because Christian marriage is a sacrament, the Catholic Church wants couples to be well-prepared. Marriage preparation assists the couple in developing a better understanding of the sacrament; to evaluate and deepen their readiness to live married life; and to gain insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple.

### *Preparing for this program*

This is an interactive preparation facilitated by priests, deacons and couples who are deeply committed to the Sacrament of Marriage.

Please come prepared to fully participate in the process. Mass will not be celebrated as part of the program, so please plan accordingly.

One hour will be allowed for lunch on your own. Please be prompt and respectful by being on time.

All materials will be provided and comfortable dress is recommended.

*This is a **Twogether in Texas** approved program.* 