

**JULY 5 – FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them.
- Mk 6:4-5



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Sunday, July 5, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

(Ez 2:2-5/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a)

8:00 am- For Our Parish Family

10:30 am- John D. Henneke

Monday, July 6, (Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and

Martyr (Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26)

7:00 am- Jo Erlene Lanik

10:00 am- Anton Steffek (Hallettsville Rehab)

Tuesday, July 7, Weekday, (Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38)

7:00 am- Henry Jalufka

Wednesday, July 8, Weekday, (Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a,

17-24a/Mt 10:1-7)

7:00 am- Bill Adair

8:05 am- Living & Deceased Members of Alfons & Cecilia Grahmann Family

Thursday, July 9, Weekday, (Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and Companions, Martyrs) (Gn 44:18-21,

23b-29; 45:1-5/Mt 10:7-15)

7:00 am- Roy Kalisek

10:00 am- Eddie Belcik (Stevens)

Friday, July 10, Weekday, (Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23)

7:00 am- Andrew Leopold, Sr.

8:05 am- Weldon Schaefer

Saturday, July 11, (Saint Benedict, Abbot)—(Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17)

5:30 pm- Henry & Annie Etzler

Sunday, July 12, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

(Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13)

8:00 am- James Grahmann

10:30 am- For Our Parish Family

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Henry Jalufka by Moulton Senior Class of 1978.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In Memory of Henry Jalufka

Vigil Light: In Memory of Leon Brown

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$5,552.50; Loose-\$1,107.; Children-\$30; Manna & Food Pantry-\$1038; Peter's Pence-\$278

Promise of Marriage:

Kenneth Kopecky and Amber Hermes on July 11

Raymond de la Rosa and Maria Alcalá on July 18

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, JULY 7

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

-KC General Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

-Divine Mercy Prayer Group, 7:30 p.m.; Church

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, Harvey Drozd, Monte Staha, Marie Hermes, Karen Perez, Georgie Meyer, Doris Anders, Jack Crandall, Gary Trojcak, 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., Tommy Kanak, Rose Thumann, Rita Zaruba, JoAnn Zapalac, Gage Pilat, Vernell Macik, William P. Hermes, Bradley Perkins, Adela Grahmann, Leona Maupin, nursing home residents & the homebound.

Happy Anniversary!

Raymond and Agnes Johnson 54 years

July 7

Harvey & Vivian Janak 54 years

July 9

Happy Anniversary

SHCS Mini-Cheerleader



Camp, July 27-29, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. PreK and up. Camp \$15. T-Shirt \$12. Supervision 3 Hour-\$3.



Registration forms are in the Church foyer and must be returned to Debi Bludau by June 16. Call Debi (798-6842) for more information.

BLUEBONNET YOUTH RANCH needs energetic Christian couple to serve as houseparents. Excellent benefits!!! Have a hand in shaping the life of a child. Call 293-3546 for more information.



Meet and Greet

Bishop Brendan J. Cahill



on

Wednesday, July 15, 2015

7:00 p.m.

at the Knights of Columbus Hall

Hallettsville, Texas

Snacks and Refreshments

will be served.

You may take pictures with our new Bishop if you wish.

This is one of four such events in the Diocese of Victoria.

This is an excellent opportunity to meet our new bishop.

First Communion and Confirmation Pictures are in. Please pick the pictures up at the Rectory!

From the Desk of Msgr. John

The Supreme Court decision of June 26, 2015, *Obergefell v. Hodges*, does not change the undeniable, God-given truth that marriage is between a man and a woman. The issue the Supreme Court attempted to settle is not an issue regarding the civil rights of any particular group. In fact, the Catholic Church does not advocate the mistreatment or abuse of any individual or group, including those of same sex attraction. Instead, this is an issue about upholding what the Catholic Church believes is defined by God, regarding the institution of marriage itself. The Diocese of Victoria in Texas firmly believes we cannot alter, either legislatively, judicially or by cultural demand, what God has given to humankind for the good of all. God's truth cannot be redefined or changed. Again, the Catholic Church does not seek to exclude any individual or group. Christ came for the salvation of all, but the Church equally believes Christ does not offer us a truth which can be altered any time and in any way we find it expedient to do so.

Therefore, the Diocese of Victoria concurs with the statement of Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, who has stated: "Regardless of what a narrow majority of the Supreme Court may declare at this moment in history, the nature of the human person and marriage remains unchanged and unchangeable. Just as *Roe v. Wade* did not settle the question of abortion over forty years ago, *Obergefell v. Hodges* does not settle the question of marriage today. Neither decision is rooted in the truth, and as a result, both will eventually fail. Today the Court is wrong again. It is profoundly immoral and unjust for the government to declare that two people of the same sex can constitute a marriage."

AREA PICNICS

Ascension of Our Lord Church, Moravia, Texas, Sunday, July 19. Mass: Moravia: Sunday 10:00. Dinner—11:00 a.m. Stew & Kettle Fried Chicken & Trimmings. Plates: \$9; Drive-Thru Plates To Go From 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Country Store, Cake Walk, Plant Walk & Games & Bingo. Auction Sale at 1:00 pm. Music by *Mark Halata & Texavia* and *The Czechaholics* during the day & night.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He was amazed at their lack of faith." The citizens in Jesus' hometown just couldn't bring themselves to believe in him. Even though they "were astonished" when they beheld his wisdom and learned about his mighty deeds, nonetheless, "they took offense at him." What right did one of their local boys have to run around claiming he was a prophet? Prophets come from other places. Prophets are sent by God. The son of the village carpenter would never fit that bill.

So in spite of clear evidence to the contrary, the established modes of thinking and the built-in prejudices of the townspeople led them to conclude that Jesus was not who he said he was. Because of this stubborn hardness of heart, Jesus' "own kin" missed out on the gifts that perfect strangers were receiving: "He was not able to perform any mighty deed there."



How often are we like these small-minded villagers? How often do we stay trapped in the regular routine of our daily existence and fail to have the faith to believe that God is right here in our own hearts and our own homes? As Christians, we may know about the wisdom and power of God, but we too often hesitate to acknowledge that this same power can be at work here in our very midst. Just as in Nazareth, our failure to believe can prevent God from working the mighty deeds he would otherwise perform in our lives. If we don't give him the freedom of our faith, if we don't call upon his Spirit to move us and lead us, then we are closing ourselves off from the real miracle right in front of us. Instead, let us open our hearts and our minds to recognize the presence of God, not just in other places, but right here, right now.



**Attention All Parishioners:
Yes, it's that time again. Fall
Prizes are needed for the Fall
Picnic held on September 6,
2015. Please call the Rectory.**

THANK YOU FROM DAVID SMOLIK, RETIRING PRINCIPAL OF SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

First, I want to extend a special thank you to everyone who was able to join with me and my family at my retirement celebration on June 7. It was a heartwarming and overwhelming experience to see so many in attendance. God has indeed filled my life with bountiful blessings in the form of family and friends. I deeply appreciate the kind words spoken, and the beautiful retirement cards and gifts. I want to give a special thank you to the planning committee. The display of memorabilia and decorations were awesome and, of course, the food was delicious.

Thank you to the Sacred Heart Catholic School family for your support and kindness to me and my family during the past 30 years as your principal at Sacred Heart Catholic School. It has been a beautiful experience with great memories lasting for a lifetime. Each of you have touched my heart in a special way—students, faculty, staff, parents, school advisory council members, alumni, grandparents, priests, support groups, parishioners, all supporters, etc.

A special thank you also to the Sisters of Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament for guiding me during my formative years as a student here at SHCS and then proving me the opportunity to serve as the first lay principal of the school they founded in 1882.

I can honestly say that I never awoke in the morning feeling that I didn't want to come to work here at school. I thank God for placing me here at Sacred Heart Catholic School and at this time of my life. I sincerely love all of you and will continue to pray for the continued success of SHCS. I ask for your prayers as I begin a new adventure in my journey of life.

May the good Lord to continue to bless you and your families as He has blessed mine through my relationship with each of you.

Free Drive-thru Medication Disposal Sponsored by the Health Ministries of Hallettsville and Lavaca Medical Center. **July 9th from 9 am-1 pm, in the Parking lot of The Lavaca Medical Center.** For further information, contact **Barb Koehn—798-4674.**