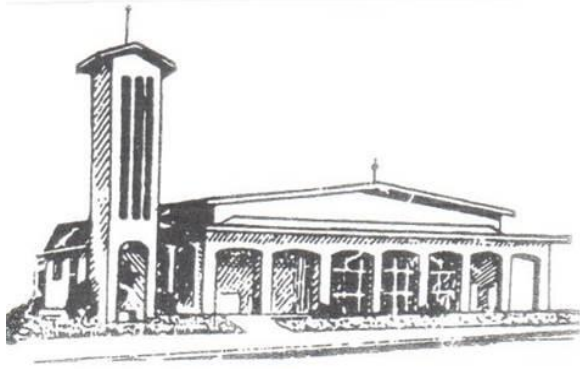


Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. John C. Peters, V.G.

PAROCHIAL VICAR: Rev. Barnabas Kyeah

DEACONS: Joseph (Joey) Targac
Linard Harper

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS:

Dorothy A. Jansky, Phyllis Steffek, Beverly Janak and Jackie Pettus

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS:

Saturday: Vigil Mass at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

SPANISH MASS:

Last Sunday of every month at 5:00 p.m.

WEEKDAYS:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday – 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday and Friday – 7:00 a.m. and 8:05 a.m.

NURSING HOME MASSES:

Hallettsville Rehab. – 10:00 a.m., every Monday

Stevens – 10:00 a.m., every Thursday

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Confessions are heard on Saturdays beginning at 4:30 p.m. and by appointment at any time.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE & BAPTISM

Contact the Rectory well in advance of anticipated date.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASSES

4th Sunday of every month at 9:00 a.m. in the Family Center. Please call the Rectory in advance to register.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. and continues through Friday at 6:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

RIGHT TO LIFE CONTACT NUMBER: (888) 735-3448

EWTN – Cable Channel 71 or Dish Channel 261.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

CATHOLIC ACTION: Alta Brown, Brenda Henneke, Mary Polasek

CEMETERY: Aaron Machac

EDUCATION: Renae Harper, Patricia Klesel

LITURGY: Mike Johnson, Bobi Shimek

MAINTENANCE: Wilbert Etzler, Matthew Motal

FINANCE: John Henke, Jr.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

John Henke, Jr., Frank Janecek, Dennis Matula, Roman Shimek & Debra Technik

SACRED HEART SCHOOL (798-4251)

Grades Pre-K - 12, fully accredited by the Texas Catholic Conference Education Department and the Texas Education Agency.

Principal: Kevin Haas; Secretary: Kathy Haas

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Lisa Dworsky, Michael Grahmann, Allen Machicek, Cheryl Pavliska, Carol Rother, Chris Shimek, and Kathleen Chovanetz

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) (798-3124)

Grades K-12, Sacramental Programs, Adult Education. For information, call Angela McConnell (798-3124 or 741-8730) or the Rectory. Classes for Grades K-12 are on Wednesdays, 6:15–7:30 p.m. Like us on Facebook – www.facebook.com/SacredHeartReligiousEducation

YOUTH MINISTRY: Troy Spring (772-1797)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Notify the Rectory for address or other changes.

PARISH WEBSITES:

Parish: www.shcatholicchurch.org

School: www.shschool.org

Cemetery: www.victoriadiocese.org

Safe Environment: www.victoriadiocese.org

ADORATION CHAPEL:

Charlene Bradbury—(798-3224)

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesdays by noon.

JANUARY 10, 2016
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc



Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Sunday, January 10, *The Baptism of the Lord, Is 40:1-5, 9-11 or Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22*

8:00 am- John & Lucille Jalufka and Ben & Eleanor Huser

10:30 am-Parish Family

Monday, January 11, *Weekday, First Week in Ordinary Time Begins, 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-19/Mk 1:14-20*

7:00 am- Arthur Voelkel

10:00 am- Lucille Etzler (Hallettsville Rehab)

Tuesday, January 12, *Weekday, 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-8/Mk 1:21-28*

7:00 am - Georgia Bohuslav

Wednesday, January 13, *Weekday, Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10/Mk 1:29-39*

7:00 am- Living and Deceased Members of Fred and Pauline Schindler Family

8:05 am- David Bludau

Thursday, January 14, *Weekday, 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45*

7:00 am- Pete Steinberg

10:00- Eugene Vasek (Stevens)

Friday, January 15, *Weekday, 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-19/Mk 2:1-12*

7:00 am - Bernie and Stephen Bludau

8:05 am - Living and Deceased Members of Joe and Lela Mae Brezik Family

Saturday, January 16, *Weekday, 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-7/Mk 2:13-17*

5:30 pm- George Koncaba, Sr.

Sunday, January 17, *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-3, 7-10/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11*

8:00 am- Ludwig Lanik

10:30 am- Parish Family

Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Gene Szwarc

Radio Sponsor: In Memory of Russell Grahmann by Marvin & Annette Grahmann

Vigil Light: In Memory of James Kouba

Our Gift to God: Christmas Envelopes-\$1,001; Sunday Envelopes-\$16,090.50; Loose-\$2,375; Children-\$66; Initial-\$594; Solemnity of Mary-\$2,452; Building Repair Fund-\$617.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

-Rosary & Evening Prayer-5:30, Church

-Catholic Daughters (CDA) Meeting - Family Center--7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

-Quilting Circle—9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room

-Pastoral Institute Classes—9:15 -11:30 a.m. and 7:00-9:15 p.m., Family Center

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

-CCD Classes—K-12, 6:15-7:30 p.m.

-Divine Mercy Prayer Group, Church Cry Room—7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

-RCIA-7:00 p.m.—School

-Novena for Life—Holy Hour—7:00-8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

-Novena for Life—Holy Hour—7:00-8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

-Novena for Life—Holy Hour—6:45-7:45 p.m. (immediately after Mass)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

-Novena for Life- Holy Hour with Eucharistic Procession around the Courthouse and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament—2:00 p.m.

Among our sick: Donna Avant, Lorene Christ, Josephine Muniz, Wilbert Kalinec, Kathy Davis, Marilyn Palmquist, Becky Pekar, Amanda Gutierrez, 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, Steve Grasshoff, Buddy Boehm, Sr. Rosalyn Henke, Tommy Kanak, Rose Thumann, Rita Zaruba, JoAnn Zapalac, Gage Pilat, Vernell Macik, William P. Hermes, Leona Maupin, Maryann Grahmann, Cliff Labay, Ronnie Leck, Christine Wanjura, Loraine Butschek, Steve Cornelius, Rebecca Junker, Matt Dalton, Cindy Spanihel, Ruby Ann Bozka, Hubert Janak, Gene Schulte, Cameron Eledge, Paul Leininger, Franklin Billimek, Mary Z. Steffek, David Lee Bujnoch, Kristen Brooks, Alvin Mikush Jr., Leon Steffek, Sr., Ben Kopecky, Bobby Bucek, Nate Boehl, Frances Tarrillon, nursing home residents & the homebound.

Happy Anniversary!

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| Pat & Gayle Henke | 40 years | January 10 |
| Max & Frances Henrichs | 50 years | January 15 |
| Paul & Theresa Voelkel | 55 years | January 15 |

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Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life!



From the Desk of Msgr. John

Today in wonder, we give witness to a great mystery: Jesus rises from the waters of the Jordan River. The Holy Spirit descends like a dove. The heavens rend apart, and the Father thunders forth his approval: This is my beloved Son! Rejoice this day, that, by our baptismal adoption, we too are the beloved children of God. We, too, rise from the waters and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Today, we officially end the Christmas Season.

From this Sunday until Thursday afternoon, Father Barnabas will be on the Annual Priest Retreat. He will be with half of the priests of the Diocese and next week, I will be on retreat with the other half of the priests at the Spiritual Renewal Center.

Please try to attend the Novena for Life beginning on January 14.



SHCS 2016 Extravaganza "A Sunset in

Tuscany," Saturday, February 6, 2016, 6:00 p.m.—12:00 a.m. at the KC Hall, Hallettsville. Tickets are \$125 per couple (includes socials with hors d'oeuvres, refreshments all evening, steak dinner and dance with live music by **Southern**

Express. There will be a Silent Auction. Tickets can be purchased at Sacred Heart Catholic School, Sacred Heart Credit Union, or the Church Rectory.

Nativity Pilgrimage—Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus—A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land—10 Days— May 2-11, 2016, **Spiritual Director: Rev. Barnabas Kyeah.** St. John the Baptist, St. Mary's, Ascension of our Lord, and Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Hallettsville, Texas. \$3,099 per person. Round Trip from Houston, Texas. (Includes First class Hotels, Double Occupancy, 2 Meals a day, Breakfast and Dinner, Daily Sightseeing, Daily Mass, Airport Taxes, and Fuel Surcharges). Registration forms are located in the back of the Churches, or you can contact Rev. Barnabas Kyeah at the Church Rectory—798-5888. **Presentation January 13, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Church.**

CATHOLIC SCHOOL SWEEPSTAKES RAFFLE

Once again, Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring the Catholic School Sweepstakes Raffle that will benefit Sacred Heart Catholic School (SHCS). Tickets are only \$5.00 each and all money collected stays at SHCS.

Prizes are as follows:

Grand Prize:

2016 Ford F-150 Truck or 2016 Ford Fusion Sedan or \$20,000 Prepaid Visa Credit Card

Participating School Prize:

Each participating school will have a \$1,000 prepaid Visa Credit Card Individual Winner drawn from tickets sold by their school.

Tickets are available at the school, the rectory, or any SCHS student. Drawing to be held Saturday, January 23, 2016



Novena for Life

Join us at **Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Hallettsville** for a Novena (nine days) of Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration in reparation for the sin of abortion and to pray for the protection of all human life from the moment of conception. **The Novena will begin on:** Thursday, January 14 and conclude on Friday, January 22 with a special Pro-Life Mass.

Thursday, January 14 through Friday, January 15—
Holy Hour – 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 16—Holy Hour--6:45-7:45 p.m.—
(immediately after Mass).

Sunday, January 17— Holy Hour with Eucharistic
Procession around the Courthouse and Benediction
of the Blessed Sacrament—2:00 p.m.

Monday, through Thursday, January 21—Holy Hour—
7:00-8:00 p.m.

Friday, January 22—Mass for Giving Thanks to God
for the Gift of Human Life—7:00 p.m.

Baptism of the Lord

"After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened." What a treat to be in that crowd! Just imagine the experience of witnessing this manifestation of divinity! To SEE the Holy Spirit "in bodily form like a dove" and to hear the voice that "came from heaven"

announcing Jesus' true identity. Don't we all long for this kind of miraculous clarity? Wouldn't it do wonders for our faith if we had such unmistakable certainty about who Jesus really is?

It's easy to imagine that the first Christians had it easier than we do. They got to be with Jesus in person, and to witness the miracles that went along with his years on earth. Because of this, we can quickly forget the benefits we enjoy that they did not. We live on the other side of the Resurrection, for example. The first followers of Christ believed in him BEFORE he rose from the dead. We, on the other hand, have the confidence of knowing that this man literally conquered death. We also have two millennia of Christian witness through the saints to pull upon. The first Christians had no idea what this new religion would produce, how many people would embrace it, or how it would change the world for the better. We know that Christianity has been fruitful beyond measure.

Today's Gospel informs us that it was only after they were baptized that the people witnessed the opening of heaven. Even Jesus himself was baptized before he heard this earthly confirmation of his heavenly origin. We who have been baptized, following the example of Christ, also have "access" to the voice of God. In the silence of our hearts, and through God's word in the Bible (another advantage we enjoy), heaven is "opened" for us as well.



Youth Group

Our Monthly Youth Night will be taking place on Sunday, January 17, from 5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Also we will be traveling for the Annual Rally for Life in Austin, Texas, on Saturday, January 23. Registration forms will be distributed through the CCD program and Sacred Heart School.

January 2016 Eucharist Ministry Schedule

| December 31 & January 1 | | 6:00 p.m. & 11:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | |
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| Altar Servers: | 6pm-Emilie Griffin, Sydney Migura, Heidi Ortolon 11:30pm-Volunteers | Tori Dornak, Dalton Grahmann, Elizabeth Grahmann, Kara Immekus | | |
| Cantor & Organist: | 6pm-Kelly Schimcek & Roger Janak; 11:30pm-Pat Mladenka | Candy Hines & Debi Sevcik | | NO 10:30 MASS |
| Lector: | 6pm-Debra Technik; 11:30pm-Henry J. Henke | R.L. Orsak | | |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | 6pm-Tommy Sitka, Susan Tolson, Karen Janak; 11:30pm-Volunteers | Glenda Trlicek, Daniel Wagner, Karen Bludau | | |
| Rosary Leader: | 6pm-Janice Hill | Joyce Machicek | | |
| Ushers: | 6pm-Larry Korenek, Andrew Kutac, Daniel Melnar; 11:30pm-Volunteers | Wink Bludau, Franklin Bohuslav, Anthony Etzler | | |
| January 2 & 3 | | 5:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. |
| Altar Servers: | Emilie Griffin, Sydney Migura, Heidi Ortolon | Austin Kutac, Madison Kutac, Myles Machicek, Lani Pilat | Blake Hermes, Brett Hermes, Garrett Matura, Joseph McConnell | |
| Cantor & Organist: | Kelly Schimcek & Charlene Pillow | Anna Neumeyer & Ida Bludau | Denise Drozd & Pat Mladenka | |
| Lector: | John Henke, Jr. | Terry Patek | Robert Kubena | |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | Georgia Haas, Diane Kainer, Mary Leopold, Andrew Pesek, Harry Cull, Linda Cull, Rosemary Hemmi, Karen Janak | Jimmy Appelt, John Barton, Ruth Barton, Pat Henke, Donald Shimek, Bea Wyatt, Renee Bludau, Steve Bludau | Kevin Busselman, Janice Busselman, Rosanne Gallia, Robert Pohl, Gene Schott, Joann Schindler, Todd Schindler, Maureen Schott | |
| Rosary Leader: | Janice Hill | Monica Holik | Pat Mladenka | |
| Ushers: | Don Rainosek, Kevin Shimek, Clarence Wenske | Edward Grahmann, Lawrence Grahmann, Marvin Grahmann | Brian Popp, Roman Shimek, Bruce Wesson | |
| January 9 & 10 | | 5:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. |
| Altar Servers: | Hayden Grahmann, Kyle Pettus, William Pettus, Morgan Machac | Dylan Fishbeck, Quade Henneke, Grace Henneke, John Wysocki | Emma Hawkins, Austin Kraatz, Tyler Kraatz, Victoria Kraatz | |
| Cantor & Organist: | Marjorie Grahmann & Georgia Haas | Anna Neumeyer & Bea Wyatt | Candy Hines & Tim Hines | |
| Lector: | Karen Janak | Daniel Wagner | Robert Pohl | |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | Bill Byrd, Fran Byrd, Rosemary Hemmi | Renee Bludau, Steve Bludau, Rhonda Brown | Anita Barrera-Rocha, Michael Johnson, Pat Kessler | |
| Rosary Leader: | Helen Motal | Joyce Machicek | Anita Barrera-Rocha | |
| Ushers: | Kenneth Barton, Chris Hermes, Gene Janak | Tom Foyt, Robert Grahmann, Kenneth Henneke | Bill Bludau, Ervin Bludau, Jr., Joe Cash | |
| January 16 & 17 | | 5:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. |
| Altar Servers: | Kaylin Dworsky, Erin Fawbush, Jacob Fawbush, Alisyn Pardo | Sam Brown, Ann Estelle Brown, Jillian Brown, Cole Kubicek | Luke Bludau, Garrett Ridgeway, Trey Ridgeway, Luke Scherer | |
| Cantor & Organist: | Kelly Schimcek & Roger Janak | Anna Neumeyer & Ida Bludau | SonDay Morning Boys | |
| Lector: | Cheryl Leopold | John Barton | Kelly Ross | |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | Harry Cull, Linda Cull, Pat Fawbush | Barbara Grahmann, Robert Grahmann, Jr., Julie Kubena | David Smolik, Joyce Smolik, Maureen Schott | |
| Rosary Leader: | Loretta Hardcastle | Margaret Steffek | Josephine Leopold | |
| Ushers: | Larry Korenek, Andrew Kutac, Daniel Melnar | Charles Haas, Dennis Haas, Frank Janecek | Michael DeLaRosa, Kenneth Etzler, Bill Grafe | |
| January 23 & 24 | | 5:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. |
| Altar Servers: | Allie Bludau, Sadie Bludau, Justin Klesel, Bailey Schindler | Bailey Haas, Abby Clark, Carley Haas, Shelby Haas | Ty Hynes, Madelyn Hynes, John Cesarz | |
| Cantor & Organist: | Marjorie Grahmann & Jo Ann Shimek | Anna Neumeyer & Monica Holik | Candy Hines & Lisa Adams | |
| Lector: | Amy Machicek | Ruth Barton | Kris Allen | |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | Henry Joe Henke, John Henke, Jr., Connie Janak | Kathy Haas, Margaret Kallus, Larry Korenek | Angela McConnell, Bruce McConnell, Maggie Pustka | |
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