

JULY 27, 2008

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
ST. JOHN, TEXAS

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CHURCH
MORAVIA, TEXAS

DIOCESE OF VICTORIA IN TEXAS



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MASS SCHEDULE

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday | July 26 | 6:00 P.M. | Joe & Irene Drozd Barcak | St. John |
| Sunday | July 27 | 9:30 A.M. | Fred Hermis | St. John |

First Friday

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| Friday | Aug. 1 | 8:00 A.M. | Edgar Besetzny | St. John |
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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday | Aug. 2 | 6:00 P.M. | L.A. & Vera Wenglar | Moravia |
| Sunday | Aug. 3 | 9:30 A.M. | Eddie Pilat | St. John |

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday | Aug. 9 | 6:00 P.M. | Hulda Kainer | St. John |
| Sunday | Aug. 10 | 9:30 A.M. | Victor & Hermina Rybak | Moravia |

THE WORD OF GOD

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130 Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

The person with true wisdom, like Solomon, will seek the reign of God and treasure it above all else. It is more precious than gold and silver. Thus one becomes conformed to the image of Christ, the Son.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 55:1-3 Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-18 Romans 8:35, 37-39 Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus has pity on the crowd and miraculously feeds them. In his compassion, the Lord answers all our needs, thus renewing his covenant of love with us. Nothing can ever separate us from the love of Christ.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a, Psalm 85:9-14 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33

In the midst of our trials and tribulations, the Lord extends his hands to us and saves us. He calms our frightened hearts through his quiet presence. May our faith in the Lord draw God's chosen people to the new covenant in Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Thank you to all who helped in any way to make the Moravia Picnic such a great success. As a parish we also thank all those from outside the parish who helped. Without their help we could not be so successful.

Both St. John & Moravia Picnics were very successful. Thank you all for your spirit of cooperation.

We continue reflecting on this year of St. Paul-June 28, 2008 to June 29, 2009. Did you know?

- Paul was born about A.D. 8, in what is now Turkey.
- Paul was a Pharisee and the son of a Pharisee.
- Saul was his Jewish name; Paul was his Roman name.
- Paul was a tentmaker by profession.
- The letters, or epistles, of St. Paul make up one-third of the New Testament.
- Fourteen letters are attributed to Paul: Romans, 1 & 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus and Philemon
- Paul was beheaded outside the walls of Rome during the reign of Nero, probably between A.D. 65 & 67.
- Tradition has always maintained that Paul was buried where the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls now stands. Current archaeological evidence confirms this tradition; the chapel of relics in the basilica contains a set of chains said to be those which bound Paul in the last days before his execution.

MORAVIA CHURCH CLEANERS & USHERS

August Church Cleaners - Sharon & Collette Lapham

August Church Ushers - Leo Henke Sr & Sylvester Janak

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH CLEANERS

St. John's Church cleaning list for the month of August are Lillian Besetzny, Bernice Pauler & Kim Lofland.

ST. JOHN PICNIC WORKERS APPRECIATION DINNER

The Appreciation Dinner for the picnic workers will be held at St. John Pavilion on July 27, 2008 after 9:30 AM Mass.

There will be a short meeting before the meal is served. Dinner will be served at 12:00 noon. Bring your favorite dessert

THANK YOU

Thanks to Mildred Hajek for crocheting the beautiful new cover for the Credence Table (table for water, wine & chalice) in the Sanctuary at Moravia Church.

THE YOUTH CONNECTION

July 27: Splashway "Fun Day" - Incoming 8th Graders - High School (Young Adults)

August 23 - 24: DECLARE VICTORY - All Diocesan High School Youth at KC Hall - Hosted by Sacred Heart Youth Group

We would like to thank Josh Neskora & his brothers for the wonderful BBQ. There were 32 hungry mouths to feed after all the cleaning on Sunday. We would also like to thank Frances Kallus for everything she does for the Youth Group. She is always ready & willing to do whatever we need.

PRO LIFE CORNER

Did you work hard this week? You would be sixty dollars richer if your congressman had not given away your hard earned money to Planned Parenthood. Last year Planned Parenthood received \$336,000,000.00 (that's million) dollars of our tax money and dismembered 289 thousand 750 babies and made a gross profit of \$114 million. And they are classified by congress as a charity. WHAT IS NEEDED? People mad enough to call their congressman. (Life and Family Advocates NEWS, July, 2008).

MEMORIALS

Ascension Cemetery

In memory of Frederick C. Sparks, Jr.

Carol Hanacek \$35 Mary Jo Rebeck \$20

CORRECTION: CHARLES KRUPALA WAS SUPPOSED TO BE CHARLENE KRUPALA \$25

LOCAL FAMILY NEEDS YOUR HELP & SUPPORT

Marvin & Charlene Tobola suffered a great loss on Saturday, June 21, 2008 when a tornado blew the roof off on their home located on 1834 CR 121 (Phillips Road), Edna, TX. If you can assist in any way (repairs, moving boxes, clearing debris, donating tools, etc.) Please contact: Marvin 361-235-0961 or Charlene 361-782-1242.

Charlene is the former Charlene Valicek, daughter of Laddie & Delores Valicek of St. John. There is an account set up at Prosperity Bank.

LECTOR AT ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Helen Chaloupka was inadvertently left off the list.

MORAVIA PICNIC RAFFLE WINNERS 2008

DONORS

1. \$500 Cash Certificate Robert & Mary Kendall
2. \$500 Cash Certificate Anonymous
3. \$200 Cash Certificate Wenglar's Pipe & Iron Supply
4. \$200 Cash Certificate Bohuslav Feed Mill, Inc.
5. \$100 Cash Certificate Neskora Dairy
6. \$100 Cash Certificate J.G. & Janis Hrcir
7. \$100 Cash Certificate Fr. John Peters
8. \$100 Cash Certificate Leo Henke Custom Hay Baling
9. \$100 Cash Certificate Eugene & Dorothy Tykal
10. \$100 Cash Certificate Farm Bureau Insurance - Hallettsville
11. \$100 Cash Certificate Leroy & Lillie Loth
12. \$100 Cash Certificate Sacred Heart Federal Credit Union - Hallettsville
13. \$100 Cash Certificate Many Ann Spies
14. \$100 Cash Certificate Allen & Arlene Becan & Family
15. \$100 Cash Certificate Dale Janak
16. \$50 Cash Certificate Arthur Spies
17. \$50 Cash Certificate Janet Spies
18. \$50 Cash Certificate Anders Electronics, James & Patricia Anders
19. \$50 Cash Certificate Moravia KJZT Society #44
20. \$50 Cash Certificate Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky
21. \$50 Cash Certificate Stardust Cleaning, Michael Lapham Family
22. \$50 Cash Certificate Catholic Life Insurance, High Hill-S'burg Branch
23. \$50 Cash Certificate Catholic Life Insurance, High Hill-S'burg Branch
24. \$100 Savings Bond Peoples State Bank - Hallettsville
25. \$100 Savings Bond Well's Fargo Bank - Hallettsville
26. \$50 Gift Certificate Leon's Electric & Plumbing
27. Soft Cooler, Texas Quarter Key Chain & Spirit of America Coin Lone Star Bank - Moulton
28. \$30 Cash Certificate Moravia Store, Franklin & Henrietta Filip
29. \$25 Cash Certificate St. John KJT #32
30. \$25 Cash Certificate Vrana's Well Service
31. \$25 Cash Certificate Fayette Savings - Schulenburg
32. \$25 Captain's Camping Chair Gift Package Community Bank - Moulton
33. 20 lb. Red Flannel Dog Food Bohuslav Farm & Ranch

WINNERS

- Jim Kusy
- David Marcak
- Helen Rybak
- Mary Stary
- Gladys Seifert
- W.J. Rybak
- David Demny
- Arthur Etzler
- Anton Bujnoch
- James Machicek
- G.R. Berckenhoff
- Harlan Hilscher
- Katherine Kahanek
- Cindy Nelson
- Clayton Brossmann
- Kennedy Spies
- Cade Agee
- Pat Matula
- Travis Etzler
- Eddie Vrana
- Kelly Bludau
- Cathy Phelps
- Many Ann Pesl
- Lynn Nevlud
- Doyleen Drozd
- Jay Pugh

- Dyrel Holmes
- Willie Barborak
- Mary Leck
- Stephen Lev
- Tommy Grahmann, Jr.
- Bonnie Baker
- Paul Voelkel