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MASS SCHEDULE

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	Aug. 30	6:00 P.M.	Charles B. & Emilie Halata	Moravia
Sunday	Aug. 31	9:30 A.M.	Marvin Kocich	St. John

First Friday

Friday	Sept. 5	8:00 A.M.	Healing for those most in need	St. John
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Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	Sept. 6	6:00 P.M.	Bohumil & Lillian Bohuslav	Moravia
Sunday	Sept. 7	9:30 A.M.	Frank & Hattie Berger	St. John

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday	Sept. 13	6:00 P.M.	Julius & Frances Hrcek	St. John
Sunday	Sept. 14	9:30 A.M.	Ray Tupa (Recovery)	Moravia

THE WORD OF GOD

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jeremiah 20:7-9 Psalm 63:2-6,8-9 Romans 12:1-2 Matthew 16:21-27

Following the Lord means nothing less than the cross: offering ourselves with Jesus as a living sacrifice and not conforming ourselves to this world. Following him will entail derision and scorn, yet the Lord is our help.

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Ezekiel 33:7-9 Psalm 95:1-2,6-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20

May our hearts not be hardened, but may we turn from our sin. In our love for one another, we may be called to confront our brother and sister for the wrong they may be doing.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Readings: Numbers 21:4b-9 Psalm 78:1b-2,34-38 Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent, so must the Son of Man be lifted up”, “God highly exalted him” and made him Lord! How unforgettable are his deeds!

Today’s feast celebrates a double anniversary. In Jerusalem, Constantine erected a round church, the Anastasis, above the empty grave of Jesus, and a basilica, the Martyrium; in the square between the two churches, a shrine, Calvarium, marking the place of the crucifixion. Dedicated in 335, they were destroyed by the Persians in 614. The two churches were rebuilt by Patriarch Modestus of Jerusalem Century 626, but were later destroyed by the Muslims in 1009. The present church of the Holy Sepulcher, rebuilt by the Crusaders, was dedicated in 1149. Today also commemorated the discovery of the Lord’s cross by the empress, St. Helena (18 Aug.) in 320.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM DESK OF MSGR. JOHN

Now that school has started many things are beginning to happen.

Pastoral Institute Classes will begin Tuesday, Sept. 2nd from 9:15-11:30 a.m. and 7:00-9:15 p.m. in Sacred Heart Family Center. (For info, call Sherry Kainer at 573-0828). This is a good Bible study being offered in the morning and evening.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin on Thursday, October 2. If you or someone you know is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith with the possibility of joining the Catholic Church, please call the Rectory to register. If you are already Catholic and are interested in helping with the RCIA process as a Sponsor or Team Member, please call the Rectory. There are a variety of ways you can be of service.

Welcome back! Our year of youth group events is about to begin again starting with our bi-annual picnic fundraiser. We will be selling squares for the “Pig Plop”, as well as Nachos, lemonade, tea and candy. We welcome all youth of the parish to attend the picnic and fit in some time with us. The more the merrier. If you would like to confirm a time please call or text Troy at 361-772-1797! God bless!

CHRISTIAN MOTHER’S SOCIETY MEETING

Christian Mother’s Society meeting, Monday, Sept. 8, 6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Family Center. A program will be presented by Fr. Barnabus. All members are encouraged to attend.

ST. JOHN APPRECIATION DINNER

The St. John Appreciation Dinner will be held on September 6 at 6:00 p.m. under the pavilion.



Ascension Church Cleaners for September: Dolores Janak & Gladys Pucciarello

Ascension Church Ushers for September: Ronald Technik & Phil Guenther

St. John Church Cleaners for September: Pam Besetsny, Peggy Mendel and Cheryl Brossmann

St. John Church Ushers for September: Gary McBride, Brad Lux

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 30 - 6:00 p.m. - Moravia - Joshua Becan, Seth Eckhardt

Sunday, August 31 - 9:30 a.m. - St. John - Dylan Goldberg, Miranda Shimek, Blaine Besetzny

Saturday, Sept. 6 - 6:00 p.m. - Moravia - James Lofland, Joshua Becan, Alex Lozano

Sunday, Sept. 7 - 9:30 a.m. - St. John - Miranda Shimek, April Brossmann, Dylan Goldberg

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - Rylie & Regan Lux, Blaine Besetzny

Sunday, Sept. 14 - 9:30 a.m. - Moravia - Seth Eckhardt, Kenna Kubenka, Caitlin Deem

PRO-LIFE CORNER

...A sperm is a cell, it is alive but it isn't a living organism. Ditto an egg. When they join, they cease and a new, distinct human organism - complete with its own genetic makeup different from his or her parents - has come into being, e.g. a new human life... {by Wesley J. Smith, August 2014 LifeLine, a publication of The Life Legal Defense Foundation}

FALLING LEAVES GALA

The Falling Leaves Gala featuring The Original Triumphs, Saturday, Oct. 11, 5:30-11:00 p.m.,

Knights of Columbus Hall, Hallettsville. Tickets on sale now! \$100 per couple includes a rib-eye steak dinner for two, open bar, dance and prizes (Grand prize \$4,000). Tickets may be purchased at the K.C. Hall or online www.kchall.com and click on the Falling Leaves tab. For more info, please call 361-798-2311.

CONFERENCE FOR CATECHESIS & MINISTRY

XXVII Annual Conference for Catechesis & Ministry, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday, October 4, Holy Family Church, Wharton. The conference is open to all adult Catholics. There will be presentations and a variety of workshops in both English and Spanish. Do not miss the 'early bird' registration-now through September 4th. Registration forms are online! For more information, call 361-573-0828 or visit www.victoriadiocese.org.

Please pray for the blessing of beneficial rain!! Heavenly Father, We believe that is You Who created our world with all of its beauty and life. We believe that it is You Who put into place the systems of nature that sustain, nurture and renew this work of Your hands. We believe that it is You Who hears Your children when they call upon You. Hear then, this prayer which comes from a heart filled with confidence and trust. Grant to us and to all who seek it, the gift of a bountiful rain. Water our lands so that they may once again spring to life and reflect the beauty of Your creation. Fill our lakes and rivers with sufficient rain so that they may continue to provide life giving and refreshing water to all who depend upon it for their livelihood and well-being. Please do not let many more days pass without sending us this most needed blessing of rain. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Your Son Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. Amen.

MEMORIALS IN MEMORY OF AGNES KRHOVJAK

Ascension Cemetery Fund: Benny & Doraine Morgan, Weldon & Delores Schulte, Dennis & Joyce Eberly, Del & Marcie Garza-\$80; Adolph & Anita Proske-\$30; Leo & Joyce Janda-\$10; Ben & Bernice Barborak-\$25; Jerome & Georgia Pavliska-\$25; Sharon & Lonnie Dittert-\$15; Dyrel & Arlene Holmes-\$20

Moravia Church Fund: Patsy & Ted Jahlanski-\$20; Elroy & Barbara Holik-\$20

Moravia CCD Program: Gilbert & Patricia Felfe-\$25

Msgr. John C. Peters Seminary Burse : Willie Barborak-\$10; Richard & Wilma Schaefer-\$15

Ascension of Our Lord Altar Society: James & Dana Daughtry-\$100

Moravia Building Fund: Albert & Debbie Jozwiak-\$25; Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky-\$10; Perry & Roxanne Deem & Family-\$10; Kubena Funeral Home-\$20; Henry & Ann Kostelnik-\$20

Dorothy Henneke Scholarship Fund: Tommy & Elsie Grahmann-\$10

MEMORIALS IN MEMORY OF MARVIN KOCICH

St. John Building Fund: Mary A. Henson-\$20

St. John Cemetery Fund: Eugene Krupala-\$40

MEMORIALS IN MEMORY OF MARTHA HERMIS

Msgr. John C. Peters Seminary Burse: Richard & Wilma Schaefer-\$15

Wishing you a blessed, safe & happy Labor Day Holiday!!

Next Bulletin: Sunday Sept. 14, 2014
Bulletin Deadline: 12:00 p.m. on Thursday Sept 11, 2014

