

February 16, 2014

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	February 15	6:00 P.M.	L. A. Wenglar	Moravia
Sunday	February 16	9:30 A.M.	Frank & Hattie Berger	St. John

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	February 22	6:00 P.M.	George Vasek	St. John
Sunday	February 23	9:30 A.M.	Henry & Julia Olsovsky & Rebecca Patterson	Moravia

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	March 1	6:00 P.M.	Living & Dec. Members Moravia KJZT #44	Moravia
Sunday	March 2	9:30 A.M.	Parish Families of St. John & Moravia	St. John

Ash Wednesday

Friday	March 5	7:30 P.M.	Deceased Priests Who Have Served in St. John & Moravia	Moravia
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First Friday

Friday	March 7	8:00 A.M.	Deceased Members of Janik & Hermis Families	St. John
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THE WORD OF GOD

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Sirach 15:15-20 Psalm 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a,27-28,33-34a, 37

In Jesus is revealed a new wisdom, a new law, a new way of living. Happy are they who choose to keep his commandments and follow his ways.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 Psalm 103:1-4,8,10,12-13 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48

Offer no resistance to one who persecutes you. Rather, love your neighbor as you love yourself. As the Lord is gracious and merciful, treat others in the same way, humbling yourself before the Lord.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 49:14-15 Psalm 62:2-3,6-9 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 Matthew 6:24-34

Our heavenly Father is with us, ever providing for our needs. He is always mindful of us; in him we shall never be disturbed. All should regard us as servants of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM DESK OF MSGR. JOHN

I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting Him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfailingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since “no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord.”

In his first apostolic exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium* (“The Joy of the Gospel”), Pope Francis offers his sweeping vision of our Church and a “call to action” for the world’s believers. The document covers a wide range of topics, including evangelization, the priesthood and preaching, Catholic opposition to abortion, an increased openness to the roles of women and the laity, economic injustice, and more.

At the heart of his vision is a powerful invitation for each of us to embrace Christ’s call to spread the good news of the gospel through evangelization and missionary discipleship. He notes that the joy of the Gospel and our encounter with Christ should lead us to “the delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing.”

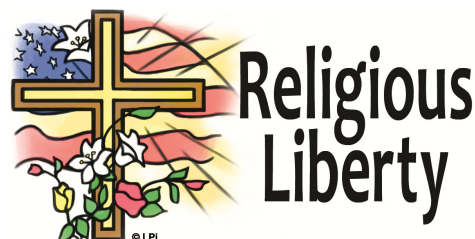
Becoming missionary disciples means that we live and share our faith through our words and, most importantly, our actions. The pope encourages us to begin by renewing our relationship with Jesus Christ.

Thank you to all who had your pictures taken for the Church Directory. If you did not yet have it taken, please contact Linda Pavliska at 798-3253 or go to www.shcatholicchurch.org to schedule an appointment at Sacred Heart in Hallettsville.

MARCH USHERS FOR MORAVIA: Anthony Hrcir and Tom Brosch

MARCH CHURCH CLEANERS FOR MORAVIA:

Kathy Guenther and Dorothy Henke.



PRO-LIFE CORNER

“We are not some casual and meaningless product of evolution. Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary. Pope (Emeritus) Benedict

DISCIPLES ON THE JOURNEY

As explained on page one of the Catholic Lighthouse, this Lenten resource booklet published by Sisters of Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament is offered throughout the U.S. using Disciples on the Journey as a study guide. St. John/Moravia will have these faith-sharing sessions on the Lenten Sunday Scripture readings. Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m. at St. John on March 7th followed by Disciples on the Journey. Call Elsie Farek (979-562-2159) a.s.a.p. to reserve books or to get details.

KJZT DISTRICT MEETING

St. Agnes Ammansville Society #24 cordially invites you, your society members and families to join us for the Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas KJZT District II Meeting and Social on Sunday, March 9, 2014. Registration begins at 1:30 with the meeting at 2:00 p.m. Memorial service and awarding of pins will be held. Luncheon and door prizes at the Ammansville KJT Hall.

GENERATIONS OF FAITH

Generations of Faith (GOF): Please remember, our March GOF will be at the Ash Wednesday Mass in Moravia on March 5th at 7:30 p.m. After Mass, please check in with one of the catechists.

ST. JOHN PICNIC RAFFLE

As most of you know we are going to offer two raffles this year at the St. John Picnic. We will have the regular \$1 tickets (6 tickets for \$5) along with a \$20 ticket for an ATV and a few larger prizes. We are currently asking for monetary gift commitments from parishioners to go towards the raffle of your choice. We would like to get the \$20 tickets printed in early March so we can begin selling them right away. Please contact Ann McBride at 561-6261 or mcbride@cvctx.com or Theresa Eckhardt at 743-4435 ASAP with your gift commitment so we know how many prizes we will be able to offer. We appreciate your immediate response so we can get the ball rolling!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEAL

The Catholic Daughters of St. Rose Court 1597 will hold their annual fried chicken meal Sunday February 16 starting at 11:00 a.m. There will also be a silent auction, cake walk, country store, and sweepstakes. Plates are adults: \$8.00 Children's \$4.00 Drive through available.

YOUTH

We are now going to be working heavily on our summer trip to **Stuebenville on the Bayou June 26-29!** Students currently in 8-12 Grades interested in attending need to call Troy Spring at 772-1797 or by emailing troy@splashwaywaterpark.com. Space is limited for the conference, and we wouldn't like to turn anyone down. Therefore, we would love to get all our commitments in place by March 1st. Total cost for the retreat is \$300. Keep in mind we will be providing fundraising opportunities. If money is a problem, we will be willing to offer scholarships for those in need. The total amount is due by May 23, giving us plenty of time to fundraise. Many blessings!!

SACRED HEART PREK-3

Sacred Heart Catholic School is considering offering a Pre K-3 educational program for 3 year old children beginning the 2014-15 school year. A child would need to be 3 years old by Sept. 1 in order to be eligible. Please call the school office at 798-4251 by March 1 if you are interested. A decision will be made based on the number of persons interested in the program.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, Feb. 15 - 6:00 p.m. - Moravia - James Lofland, Blaine Besetzny, April Brossmann
Sunday, Feb. 16 - 9:30 a.m. - St. John - Alex Lozano, Seth Eckhardt, Miranda Shimek
Saturday, Feb. 22 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - Alex Lozano, April Brossmann, James Lofland
Sunday, Feb. 23 - 9:30 a.m. - Moravia - Kenna Kubenka, Caitlin Deem, Joshua Becan
Saturday, March 1 - 6:00 p.m. - Moravia - Miranda Shimek, Seth Eckhardt, Blaine Besetzny
Sunday, March 2 - 9:30 a.m. - St. John - Rylie & Regan Lux, Dylan Goldberg

MEMORIALS

Ascension Building Fund

In Memory of Dorothy Tykal

Harvey & Shorty Barton	\$20	Ryder & Lisa Ervin Family	\$20
Diana Wick	\$10	Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky	\$10



“Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow. But I say to you, do not swear at all. Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’” — Mt 5:33-34a, 37

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