

December 31, 2017

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
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MASS SCHEDULE

St. John the Baptist Church

Saturday..... 6:00 p.m.
(on 2nd and 4th)
Sunday 9:30 a.m.
(on 1st, 3rd, and 5th)
First Friday8:00 a.m. followed by Holy Hour

Ascension of Our Lord Church

Saturday..... 6:00 p.m.
(on 1st, 3rd, and 5th)
Sunday 9:30 a.m.
(on 2nd and 4th)

MARRIAGES

Consult the Pastor six (6) months in advance before making any plans or decisions.

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the rectory.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday Evening—5:30 p.m.

GENERATIONS OF FAITH (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)

Dana Daughtry 713-822-3019-cell or 979-562-2381
EWTN..... Cable Channel 71 or Dish Channel 261
Direct TV Channel 370

WEBSITES

Cemetery: www.victoriadiocese.org
(Click on “Catholic Cemeteries”)
Safe Environment: www.victoriadiocese.org
(Click on “Safe Environment Program,” then on “eAppsDB”)

PARISH CONTACTS

St. John the Baptist Church

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Ascension of Our Lord Church

Robert & Mary Kendall.....361-798-9467

HALL RENTAL

St. John the Baptist Church

Frank Forestier
Barbara Appelt832-643-4590 (cell)
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Ascension of Our Lord Church

Kathy Guenther 979-562-2124 (home)
..... 979-562-2328 (work)
.....979-743-0369 (cell)

CEMETERY

St. John the Baptist Church

Dorothy Berger.....979-562-2187

Ascension of Our Lord Church

Kathy Guenther979-562-2124
..... 979-562-2328 (work)
.....979-743-0369 (cell)

MASS SCHEDULE

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Saturday	December 30	6:00 p.m.	Charlene Krupala	Moravia
Sunday	December 31	9:30 a.m.	David Kubenka	St. John

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord (New Year's Day))

Sunday	December 31	5:00 p.m.	Charles & Emilie Halata	Moravia
Monday	January 1	10:00 a.m.	For Peace	St. John

The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday	January 6	6:00 p.m.	Agnes Schramek	Moravia
Sunday	January 7	9:30 a.m.	Evelyn Novosad	St. John

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	January 13	6:00 p.m.	Jerome Kristek	St. John
Sunday	January 14	9:30 a.m.	Carolyn & Frank Okruhlik	Moravia

December 31, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Readings: Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Family life is rooted in the unconditional love of God as witnessed by the Holy Family. Mindful of his covenant, God blesses the faith of Abraham and Sarah in their son, Isaac. The child Jesus and his parents are blessed by Simeon.

January 1, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord (New Year's Day))

Readings: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

We seek God's blessings as did Mary. Because of her Son, we can confidently call God, "Abba!"

January 7, The Epiphany of the Lord

Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

All nations are invited to sing the Lord's praises for they have been called to hear the good news and worship the long-awaited Messiah and King with the gift of their lives.

January 8, The Baptism of the Lord

Readings: Is 55:1-11 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mk 1:7-11

Jesus is the beloved Son of the Father. He is the light of the nations and Lord of all creation. To him be all glory and praise! All who are thirsty, come to the waters, to the Lord, the fountain of salvation. Jesus Christ came through water and blood. He is the Son in whom the Father is well pleased.

January 14, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c, 15a, 17-10; Jn 1:24-31

Through baptism we have been joined to the Lord who calls us to be his disciples. How well do we listen to his voice? How willing are we to do his will?



ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 30 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Heather Wilson, Harley Wilson

Sunday, December 31 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Dylan Goldberg, Alex Lozano

Sunday, December 31 - 5:00 p.m. – Moravia – Mary Beth Krischke, Dylan Orsak

Monday, January 1 – 10:00 a.m. – St. John – Dylan Goldberg, Alex Lozano, Wade Shimek

Saturday, January 6 - 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Heather Wilson, Harley Wilson

Sunday, January 7 - 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Wade Shimek, Alex Lozano

Saturday, January 13 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Carson Pustka, Carter Pustka, Dylan Goldberg

Sunday, January 14 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia – Wade Shimek, Mary Beth Krischke

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph. Family life is rooted in the unconditional love of God as witnessed by the Holy Family. Mindful of his covenant, God blesses the faith of Abraham & Sarah in their son Isaac. The child Jesus and his parents are blessed by Simeon. Let us pray that family life can grow stronger in our Country under the guidance of the Holy Family.

Monday, January 1, is New Year's Day as well as the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. We seek God's blessings as did Mary. Because of her Son, we can confidently call God, "Abba." We give thanks to God for all the blessings of the past year and ask his continued blessings for the New Year.

Father Max and I thank everyone for helping make this Christmas such a wonderful and joyful celebration. Thank you to everyone who helped with all the decorations, the music and the ministries at the Masses. Thank you also for the many cards, gifts, prayers, and Christmas wishes for all of us. Thank you for your very generous donations during the Season. You continue outdoing yourself in the service of the Lord and His Church.

May you and your families have a very blessed, healthy and Happy 2018!

Around January 5, the window people will be here to remove a couple of the windows in the Ascension of Our Lord Church that need repairing. They should have them back in three weeks.

For the Feast of the Epiphany, on January 7, remember to change the year as a blessing of the home. This is also a sign of welcome as the Holy Family welcomed the Three Kings.

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ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JANUARY: Barbara Janak, Connie Burton

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR JANUARY: Phil Guenther, Robert Kendall

ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JANUARY: Darlene Duffin, Barbara Appelt

ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR JANUARY: Marcus Bujnoch, Robert Besetsny

THE EMMAUS CENTER—*Counseling in the Catholic Tradition*—Sponsored by the Diocese of Victoria—1908 N. Laurent Street, Suite 140, Victoria, Texas 77901. For an appointment, go to

www.emmauscounselingcenter.com or call 361-212-0830. *Extending a Listening Heart to Those in Need.*

THE EMMAUS CENTER has a change of address and information.

New Address: 1508 E. Airline St, Victoria, TX 77901

For appointments call – 361-212-0830

Now offering some services in Spanish: Mrs. Valeria Dubourdieu has joined the staff on a part-time basis.

Satellite Offices: Annie Coffey is now working in two satellite offices (Hallettsville & El Campo) several times a month.

Please pray for the Veterans who have served Our Country and have sacrificed and given so much for our freedom.

Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life!

PRO-LIFE CORNER—

“I think the world today is upside-down, and is suffering so much, because there is so very little love in the homes and in family life. We have no time for our children, we have no time for each other; there is no time to enjoy each other. If we could only bring back into our lives the life that Jesus, Mary, and Joseph lived in Nazareth, if we could make our homes another Nazareth, I think that peace and joy would reign in the world.”

[St. Theresa of Calcutta in her book “*A Gift of God*,” Page 11]

St. Theresa of Calcutta’s book was published by Harper & Roe in 1975 and is in the Library of Congress.

AREA NEWS

✦ **Vysehrad School Annual PTO Stew Dinner;** Stew, German potatoes, Green Beans, Sauerkraut, Bread Dessert, Sunday, January 14, 2018, St. Mary’s Church Parish Hall, Serving 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.--\$9 a ticket; Stew by the Pound - \$9 per pound. Also, a Raffle with 100 Chances to Win! \$5 a Book. Contact: Judy Opela - 798-2738 or Jill Opela – 798-2738, Vysehrad School Or any Vysehrad Student.



The St. John Christmas Crib and Church Decorations will be removed and stored **AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018**. Helpers are asked to stay.

NEW YEAR 2018

NEW YEAR’S MASS SCHEDULE SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

New Year’s Eve

6:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

New Year’s Day

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

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Hallettsville, Texas

NEW YEAR 2018

NEW YEAR’S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year’s Day

9:15 a.m.

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NEW YEAR 2018

NEW YEAR’S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year’s Eve

Moravia: 5:00 p.m.

NEW YEAR’S DAY

St. John: 10:00 a.m.

MEMORIALS

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD BUILDING FUND

In Memory of Marvin E. Filip: Thomas & Rose

Ann Brosh; Michael Brosh, Heather, P.J., Ava, & Ella Ring-\$300

In Memory of Leroy Etzler: Phil & Kathy Guenther-\$15

In Memory of Maurice Krause: Steve & Jo Dein Roznovsky & Family-\$50

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

ST. JOHN CCD PROGRAM

In Memory of Dolores Valicek: Theresa Martin & Family-\$25

ST. JOHN BUILDING FUND

In Memory of Agnes Schramek: Gene & Rose Eggert-\$20

ST. JOHN SEMINARY BURSE

In Memory of Agnes Schramek: Eugene & Jo Marie Krupala-\$20; Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky-\$20

Next Bulletin: Sunday, January 14, 2018

All announcements can be sent by email to the Rectory at

rectory@shcatholicchurch.org or can be called in to the Rectory to 361-798-5888.

Any announcements after the due date and time, will be published in the next bulletin, if applicable.

Bulletin Deadline: 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8, 2018