

December 2, 2018

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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

Elsie Farek.....979-562-2159

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)
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CEMETERY

St. John the Baptist Church

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

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

MASS SCHEDULE

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday	December 1	6:00 p.m.	Evelyn Haas	Moravia
Sunday	December 2	9:30 p.m.	Rita Brossman	St. John

First Friday

Friday	December 7	8:00 a.m.	Father Brian Crookes & Father William Halata	St. John
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Feast of the Immaculate Mary

Saturday	December 8	8:00 a.m.	For the Unborn	Moravia
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Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday	December 8	6:00 p.m.	George & Bernice Vasek	St. John
Sunday	December 9	9:30 a.m.	Special Intention	Moravia

Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday	December 15	6:00 p.m.	Julius Drozd & Annie Holub Drozd	Moravia
Sunday	December 16	9:30 p.m.	Anna Kutac	St. John

December 2, First Sunday of Advent

Readings: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 These 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

We must be on guard for the Day which is to come when all will be fulfilled. As we await the coming of Christ, let us love one another, observing his covenant and decrees.

December 8: Feast of the Immaculate of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 11:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Chosen by God, Mary reverses the sin of Eve. Because of her obedience, God's salvation is made known to all the nations.

December 9: Second Sunday of Advent

Readings: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

The Lord has done great things, leading his people out of slavery to the glorious splendor of Jerusalem. Let us make ready the way of the Lord by abounding in love and in works of justice.

December 16: Third Sunday of Advent

Readings: Zep 3:14-18a; (Ps) Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

Rejoice in the Lord always! Great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel, a mighty savior. It is he whom John foretold; it is he who will baptize in the Holy Spirit.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 1 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Heather Wilson, Harley Wilson

Sunday, December 2 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Mary Beth Krischke, Carson Pustka, Carter Pustka

Saturday, December 8 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Carson Pustka, Carter Pustka, Bryce Machicek

Sunday, December 9 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia – Mary Beth Krischke, Bryce Machicek, Dylan Orsak

Saturday, December 15 - 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Heather Wilson, Harley Wilson

Sunday, December 16 - 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Wade Shimek, Bryce Machicek,

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!

L.A.M.B. Thrift Shop has opened at its new location. The hours are Tuesday & Wednesday from 9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. The location is 1429 U.S. Hwy. 90A East. (361-217-0119)



FRIENDLY REMINDER TO PARISHIONERS

If you have information for the Bulletin, please be reminded that the Deadline for Bulletin entries is Tuesday at Noon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Today we begin a new Liturgical Year on this Sunday of Advent. As we begin the New Year in the Church, let us resolve to improve our relationship with God. Even if we are in a good relationship, we can improve and grow in our spiritual lives. During this Advent Season, as we prepare for the Birth of Christ, let us take a little extra time for prayer, self-sacrifice and extra works of charity.

PRAYER FOR ADVENT

As we begin our Advent journey, guide us, dear God of Love. Help us to recognize the great gift You have given us in Jesus, and may we prepare well for His rebirth in our hearts.

On each day of this journey, may we move closer to Jesus, the Prince of Peace, the Light of the World. Shine the light of Your grace upon us that we may follow Him faithfully.

In all our preparations for Christmas, may we always remember that Jesus is the reason for this blessed season.

Thank you loving God, for this time of joy and expectation. Walk with us and show us the way today and every day of Advent.

Amen.

For the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation, Masses at Sacred Heart are Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. If you wish to attend Mass Saturday evening for the Feast, then you need to go again on Sunday for Sunday Mass.

Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception is Saturday, December 8, at 8:00 a.m.

PRO-LIFE CORNER—Chapter One, Paragraph One:

"Biology 101 tells you when the sperm and ovum come together to make one cell that then becomes two cells, then becomes four cells. You're dealing with a separate individual from the mother. You're not "potentially" this. You're not "almost" this. You're 100% human at the time the sperm and the egg come together. That's basic embryology."

[Dr. Haywood Robinson, 40 Days for Life Board Member]

AREA NEWS

+ **Stevens Nursing & Rehab** is hosting a Community Bingo on the last Friday of each month. Everyone is invited, prizes will be given—2:00 p.m. in Dining Room A.



ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR DECEMBER: Roxanne Collen, Caitlyn Deem

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR DECEMBER: J. G. Hrncir, Allen Becan

ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR DECEMBER: Sharon Bujnoch, Vicky Kainer, Tracy Kristinik

ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR DECEMBER: Scotty Brossman, Nathan Redman

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.
For appointments call – 361-212-0830
Now offering some services in Spanish: Mrs. Valeria Dubourdieu has joined the staff on a part-time basis. For personal counseling and family counseling from a Catholic perspective.



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 as follows:

2019 Ford F-150 Truck or 2019 Ford Focus 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 at their school.

Tickets are available at the school, the rectory, or any SHCS student. Drawing to be held Thursday, February 14, 2019

RAFFLE

St. John the Baptist Flower Donations

The Christmas flower envelope is in your Offering Box for December 9. (It has a space for “memory/honor of your loved ones.”) Please place the envelope in the Collection Basket on December 9 or give your donation to Patricia Berger or Dianne Roeder.



St. John Christmas Decorating

The St. John Christmas Crib and decorations will be put up on December 16 after the Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass. Do stay to help make our Church more beautiful for Jesus!

Ascension of Our Lord/Moravia Church Flower Donations

Persons wishing to make monetary donations towards the Christmas poinsettias at Moravia Church in memory of loved ones may do so by putting envelope in collection basket or seeing Dorothy Olsovsky.



Please make sure and note who the donation is in memory of.

Ascension of Our Lord/Moravia Choir

Ascension of Our Lord/Moravia Choir will rehearse the Christmas Eve Mass Czech hymns on Sundays, December 9, 2018, and December 23, 2018, after Mass. We welcome all singers!



MEMORIALS

St. John's Seminary Burse

In Memory of Anna Kutac: Sherry Hale-\$15; Dennis & Patricia Otto-\$20; Leo & Joyce Janda-\$20; Robert & Mary Ann Poppe-\$10

St. John Cemetery Fund

In Memory of Anna Kutac: Patricia A. Berger-\$10; Jim Bob Hercul-\$10; Diane Kutac-\$40; Gary & Sandra Mendel-\$30; Lorine Machicek & Family-\$10; Evelyn Kusy-\$10

St. John Building Fund

In Memory of Anna Kutac: A.J. & Gladys Kutac-\$20; Jessie & Barbara Mendel-\$20

St. John CCD Program

In Memory of Anna Kutac: Agnes J. Berckenhoff-\$10

Next Bulletin: Sunday, December 16, 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, December 10, 2018