

NOVEMBER 17, 2019

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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.....361-217-0624

HALL RENTAL

St. John the Baptist Church

Frank Forestier
Barbara Appelt832-643-4590 (cell)
..... 361-865-2446 (home)

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

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	November 16	6:00 p.m.	Joe Barcak & Irene Drozd Barcak	Moravia
Sunday	November 17	9:30 a.m.	Alvin Besetzny	St. John

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Saturday	November 23	6:00 p.m.	Larry, Lebert, Leona & Donald Berger	St. John
Sunday	November 24	9:30 a.m.	Larry Kocich	Moravia

Thanksgiving

Thursday	November 28	9:30 a.m.	For Our Country & All Our Blessings	St. John
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First Sunday of Advent

Saturday	November 30	6:00 p.m.	Royce & Jeanette Chudej-60 th Wedding Anniversary	Moravia
Sunday	December 1	9:30 a.m.	Alphonse Berger	St. John

November 17: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Mal 3:19-20a, Ps 98:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Jesus teaches that disciples will be persecuted as a necessary prelude to the Parousia. Through their perseverance, they will emerge victorious when the Lord comes again. As we await the Day, let us conscientiously fulfill our Christian obligations.

November 24: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Readings: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

In Heron, David is hailed as king by all the tribes of Israel. Jesus is anointed king on the wood of his cross, a sign of paradox, of defeat yet final victory. Through his cross we have passed from darkness into the kingdom of light.

December 1: First Sunday of Advent

Readings: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Let us rejoice in the Lord's peace., let us live honorably as we await his return.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 16 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Harley Wilson, Heather Wilson

Sunday, November 17 – 9:30 p.m. – St. John – Wade Shimek, Bryce Machicek, Dylan Orsak

Saturday, November 23 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Wade Shimek, Mary Beth Krischke

Sunday, November 24 – 9:30 p.m. – Moravia – Carson Pustka, Carter Pustka, Bryce Machicek

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

Sunday, December 1 – 9:30 p.m. – St. John – Wade Shimek, Bryce Machicek, Dylan Orsak



ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Next Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King. In Hebron, David is hailed as king by all the tribes of Israel. Jesus is anointed king on the wood of the Cross, a sign of paradox, of defeat, yet final victory. Through His cross, we have passed from darkness into the kingdom of light.

Next Saturday, November 23rd, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass, we will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Dedication of our present Church building. Bishop Cahill will celebrate the Mass with us. All organizations are asked to set up a table (card table or any other table) outside the Church with their information for people to see what organization they might want to know more about.

Refreshments will be served in front of the Church after Mass. If there is inclement weather, we will go to the hallways in the school after Mass.

We congratulate Cherise Klekar, as she prepares to take her Religious Vows in College Station on Saturday, December 7th. She will be here to celebrate with her family and the parish at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 8th. Please keep her in your prayers.

ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR NOVEMBER: Judy Grones, Mary Kendall

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR NOVEMBER: Dale Halata, Glen Cernik

ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR NOVEMBER: Carol Siegel, Donna Lux

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FRIENDLY REMINDER TO PARISHIONERS

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



PRO-LIFE CORNER—The Saints Speak to Us.

“The child is God’s gift to the family. Each child is created in the special image and likeness of God for greater things—to love and to be loved. We must bring the child back to the center of our care and concern. This is the only way that our world can survive because our children are the only hope for the future. As older people are called to God, only their children can take their places.”

[Mother Teresa of Calcutta—now St. Teresa—at National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., February 3, 1994.]

“America, your very future as a nation depends on your willingness to protect the Right to Life of the most defenseless in your society.” [St. John Paul II]

L.A.M.B. Thrift Shop. 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).

We are still in need of a **Youth Director** and a **Religious Education Director at Sacred Heart**. Please pray about this! Please call the Rectory at 798-5888 if you are interested in either position.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS (CDA) #797

The Thanksgiving Feast is Monday, November 18, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the Family Center. Bring your spouse or guest. If you would like to bring a covered dish, please contact Joyce Janak at 361-596-4868 or 281-794-7930.



THE EMMAUS CENTER—*Counseling in the Catholic Tradition*—Sponsored by the Diocese of Victoria—1508 E. Airline, Victoria, Texas 77901. For an appointment, go to www.emmauscounselingcenter.com or call 361-212-0830. *Extending a Listening Heart to Those in Need.*

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



Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

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

Adoration – Adorer Needed

An Adorer is needed for 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Noon) on Monday. Please contact Charlene Bradbury at 798-3224.



Tamale Time! The orders will be ready for pick up at the Hallettsville KC Hall drive thru line on Thursday, November 21, 2019, between 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Church, or if you are missing the Sacrament(s) of Holy Eucharist or Confirmation, please contact the Sacred Heart Rectory to sign up for the RCIA Classes. RCIA Classes are being taught by Father Scott Hill at Sacred Heart.



JCDA November Meeting – Sacred Heart Family Center

We will have the installation of new members at our November 23, 2019 meeting after 5:30 p.m. Mass.

If you have any questions or would like to join the JCDA, you may contact:

Cheryl Pilat

361-772-0059

cpilat@riceraiders.net





Did you know that Christmas will be here before you know it? You can get some of your early Christmas Shopping done at the Sacred Heart Church Rectory. We have added many new items, such as Children's Christmas Books, Coloring Books, ornaments and so much more. Don't forget we also have Advent Wreaths and candles.

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:

2020 Ford F-150 Truck or 2020 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 Friday, February 14, 2020

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact:
Sacred Heart Catholic School—361-798-4251



THE MESSY FAMILY PROJECT IS COMING TO THE DIOCESE OF VICTORIA! This seminar for married couples and parents is an exciting opportunity for those who want to deepen their marriage and strengthen their parenting skills. Michael and Alicia Herson, the parents of 10 children, travel throughout the world offering insights and practical guidance on parenting, marriage and how to grow a family culture. This free event will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2019 from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at The Cathedral Center, 3102 N. Laurent, in Victoria, Texas. Lunch will be available for purchase. This event is endorsed by the Diocese of Victoria and sponsored by KJZT Family Life. Call 1-888-253-2338 or go to www.kjzt.org to register. Advance registration is required.

Ascension Choir Practice

Choir practice for the Ascension of our Lord Christmas Eve Mass will be held following the Sunday, November 24th Mass. We will practice the Czech Christmas carols. All singers are welcome!



MORAVIA ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

There will be a Moravia Altar Society Meeting on Monday, November 18, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall.

MEMORIALS

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD (MORAVIA)

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

In Memory of Larry Kocich: David & Karen Pavlock-\$25; Anton & Leona Machicek-\$10

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD BUILDING FUND

In Memory of Larry Kocich: Gladys Machicek-\$10; Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky-\$25; Robert & Pam Besetsny-\$40; Leo C. & Dorothy Henke-\$20; Mike & Frances Rychlik-\$20; Gayle Kocich-\$100

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CEMETERY FUND

In Memory of Larry Kocich: Kubena Funeral Home, Dan, Eugene, Andy & Alison-\$25; Joyce Rybak-\$10

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CCD PROGRAM

In Memory of Larry Kocich: Daniel & Shirley Steffek-\$15

ST. JOHN SEMINARY BURSE

In Memory of Larry Kocich: Randy & Alda Haas-\$25

Perpetual Adoration continues through Thanksgiving. If you are unable to fulfill your normal Adoration hour, please find a replacement.

Czech Heritage Cookbook

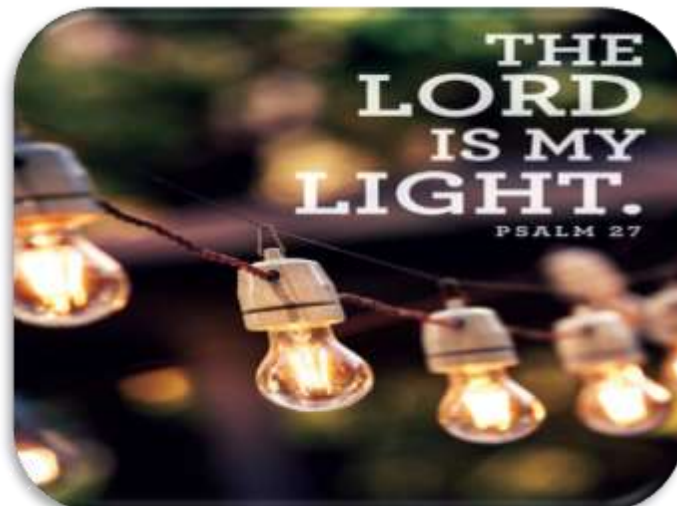
Need a gift for someone? Buy a *Moravia Czech Heritage Cookbook*! Only \$10 each. Available at Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church (Moravia) or at Found Antique (306 N. LaGrange St., Hallettsville).



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Mary Magdalene Prison Ministry

Mary Magdalene Prison Ministry is looking for women volunteers for two upcoming retreats in Gatesville. Dates for the retreats are March 25-28, 2020 and April 22-25, 2020. Team members must be practicing Christians and must have attended an ACTS Retreat. If you are interested, please call Christie Steffek at 361-798-0841 or Karen Kahanek at 361-772-4748 for more information.



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EXTRAVAGANZA

The
ROARING 20s
to benefit Sacred Heart Catholic School

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2020
Hallettsville Knights of Columbus Hall

TICKET FOR ONE \$65.00 or
TICKET FOR TWO \$125.00

TICKET PRICE INCLUDES

Hors d'oeuvres & Social	6:00 PM – 7:30 PM
Steak Dinner & Desserts	7:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Music by Texas Dream	8:30 PM – 12:00 AM

*Enjoy an Elegant Fun-Filled Evening of Great Company,
Great Food & Music along with Amazing Silent Auction Items*

Contact Any of the Following to Get Your Tickets Now:

Sacred Heart Catholic School 361-798-4251	Rectory 361-798-5888	Peoples State Bank 361-798-3237
Sacred Heart Credit Union 361-798-4361	Hoffer's Drive-In 361-798-5843	Morton's Drive-In 361-798-4800



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Where would you go if the world was ending? What would you do? The last decade has seen a rise in doomsday prepping, the marketing of survival techniques, and a sea of products designed for you to weather the apocalypse. *“The days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another that will not be thrown down,”* Jesus warns in today’s Gospel. On the one hand, he is referring to the literal downfall of the city of Jerusalem. Indeed, many of his prophecies here have come true over the last few millennium. Nations have indeed *“rise[n] against nation[s],”* kingdoms against kingdoms. Surf any world news website today alone, and you will see stories of *“powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues.”* Jesus’ advice to his disciples, however, isn’t to build a bunker. It’s to persevere in faith ... which won’t be easy.

“They will seize and persecute you ... you will be handed over ... you will be hated because of my name.” This warning, too, has come to pass in the Church throughout history in state-sponsored persecutions and martyrdoms. Jesus is the Messiah, but his first coming was not a coming of earthly victory. Any disciple of his can expect a challenge. The coming of Christ didn’t disrupt our free will. Evil still exists and sometimes even appears to triumph. This does not mean God has abandoned His people!

Jesus reminds the disciples — and us — of his constant presence. *“I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking.”* In other Gospel passages, Jesus promises and sends the Holy Spirit upon his followers. The presence of God is real in our lives, no matter what trials come our way. It’s tempting to be distracted or dismayed by natural destruction and moral evil in the world. But the Church has weathered greater storms. The sacredness of the human person endures. We can have hope! This day and every day, we can persevere in hope and trust in God.



Next Bulletin: Sunday, December 1, 2019

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 Monday, November 25, 2019