

**MARCH 8, 2020**

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
7026 FM ROAD 957  
SCHULENBURG, TX 78956  
**ST. JOHN, TEXAS**



**ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CHURCH**  
11134 FM 957  
SCHULENBURG, TX 78956  
**MORAVIA, TEXAS**



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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Saturday..... 6:00 p.m.  
(on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>)  
Sunday ..... 9:30 a.m.  
(on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup>)  
First Friday .....8:00 a.m. followed by Holy Hour

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

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

**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](http://www.victoriadiocese.org)  
(Click on “Catholic Cemeteries”)  
Safe Environment: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://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 Appelt .....832-643-4590 (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 Guenther .....979-562-2124  
..... 979-562-2328 (work)  
.....979-743-0369 (cell)

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## MASS SCHEDULE

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### Second Sunday of Lent

Saturday	March 7	6:00 p.m.	Dorothy Tykal	Moravia
Sunday	March 8	9:30 a.m.	Henry R & Julia Olsovsky and Rebecca Patterson	Moravia

### Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday	March 14	6:00 p.m.	Frankie Chaloupka	St. John
Sunday	March 15	9:30 a.m.	Nerissa Cahal	St. John

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday	March 21	6:00 p.m.	Joe Barcak & Irene Drozd Barcak	Moravia
Sunday	March 22	9:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of Moravia KJZT #44	Moravia

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### March 8: Second Sunday of Lent

Readings: Gen 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Abram places trust in God's promise of making his name and descendants great on earth. In Jesus' transfigured glory is revealed that life and immortality will rob death of its power.

### March 15: Third Sunday of Lent

Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or :5-15, 119b-26, 39a, 40-42

Jesus satisfies our thirst for eternal life. Through his Spirit his grace has been poured into our hearts. God satisfies the thirst of the Israelites whose hearts had become hardened and rebellious.

### March 22: Fourth Sunday of Lent

Readings: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Samuel does not see as God sees in the choice of David, who is anointed with oil. As Jesus cures the blind man, so too are we brought from darkness into light through the grace of baptism.

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 7 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Harley Wilson, Heather Wilson  
Sunday, March 8 – 9:30 p.m. – Moravia – Carson Pustka, Carter Pustka, Bryce Machicek

Saturday, March 14 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Wade Shimek, Mary Beth Krischke  
Sunday, March 15 – 9:30 p.m. – St. John – Bryce Machicek, Dylan Orsak

Saturday, March 21 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Harley Wilson, Heather Wilson  
Sunday, March 22 – 9:30 p.m. – Moravia – Carson Pustka, Carter Pustka, Bryce Machicek

## MEMORIALS

**Ascension of Our Lord (Moravia) Building Fund**

**In Memory of Larry Kocich by Edwin Knezek-\$20**

## From the Desk of Msgr. John

*Due to the Coronavirus, we will be suspending the use of the following until further notice:*

*--No Precious Blood to the Congregation.*

*--No shaking hands at the Sign of Peace—you may nod or smile to each other or say “Peace be with you.”*

*--Holy Communion will be given in the **hand only**, not on the tongue.*

*--No holy water in the holy water fonts, as you enter or leave Church.*

*Let us pray for a swift end to this current situation, recovery of all affected by it and for God’s peace upon all who have died, as a result of it.*

**ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR MARCH:** Kathy Guenther, Dorothy Henke

**ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR MARCH:** Anthony Hrcir, Thomas Brosch

**ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR MARCH:** Agnes Berckenhoff, Sarah Berckenhoff, Jan Morin

**ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR MARCH:** Glenn Lux

FRIENDLY REMINDER TO PARISHIONERS

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



**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).

**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](http://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com) or call 361-212-0830.

For personal counseling and family counseling from a Catholic perspective.



Every 10 years, the US Census Bureau undertakes a mammoth task: counting all the people residing in the United States. This count affects the allocation of funding for our community’s public resources (e.g. roads, hospitals, schools), how we plan for the future, and our voice in government. Learn more about the importance of the #2020Census and how to participate: [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov).

*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.*

St. John’s Altar Society will have their annual meeting on March 15, 2020 after the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass. All members please attend. Thank you!

## **PRO-LIFE CORNER—Ten Texas Cities Ban Abortion**

*Communities like yours are stepping up to ban abortion. How? They are declaring themselves Sanctuary Cities for the Unborn.*

*This grassroots movement spread like wildfire after the Texas Legislature failed to ban any abortions last year. We know the fight is up to you and me!*

*Local ordinances like these declare abortion to be murder and prohibit the abortion industry from setting up shop in your backyard.*

*In September I reported our first sanctuary city, and now, TEN Texas towns (and counting) are Sanctuary for the Unborn: Waskom, Naples, Joaquin, Tenaha, Gilmer, Westbrook, Rusk, Colorado City, Gary City, Big Spring!*

*These victories occurred because Folks like YOU took a stand against Roe v. Wade and the abortion industry. We can't back down now. No preborn child is safe until the ENTIRE NATION is a Sanctuary for the Unborn!*

[by Jim Graham, President, Texas Right to Life, 4500 Bissonnet St., Suite 305, Bellaire, TX 77401, Phone-(713) 782-LIFE or TexasRightToLife.com]

## **MORAVIA KJZT SOCIETY #44 -THE ANNUNCIATION**

**Is Sponsoring**

### **A BAKELESS BAKE SALE AS A COMMUNITY FUND RAISER**

Please submit your donation by April 1, 2020. This community fund drive is being held to benefit the Hallettsville, Moulton and Schulenburg Fire Departments.

Your donation maybe made in cash or check. All checks should be made payable to Moravia KJZT Society #44. Please forward your donation by **April 1, 2020 to:**

Dorothy Olsovsky

1721 CR 248

Schulenburg, Texas 78956

## **AREA EVENTS**

- **Evening of Recollection for Women** at Featherock Conference Center, 934 Holub Road, Schulenburg, on March 9, 2020 beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- **Men's Gathering** Sponsored by the Diocese of Victoria. Guest Speaker: Damon West. Saturday, March 21, 2020, 8:00 a.m.-Noon. Our Lady of Victory Cathedral Center, 1309 E. Mesquite Lane, Victoria, Texas. Tickets: \$10 (Breakfast included). Register at [www.victoriadiocese.org/get-in-the-game](http://www.victoriadiocese.org/get-in-the-game)
- **"Veni Sancte Spiritus: Rediscovering the Power and Purpose of the Holy Spirit!"** – A Fullness of Truth Lenten Catholic Family Conference – Held March 27-28, 2020 at Most Precious Blood Catholic Church in Corpus Christi.
- **Moravia KJZT Society #44 -The Annunciation Is Sponsoring a Bakeless Bake Sale as a Community Fund Raiser--** Please submit your donation by April 1, 2020. This community fund drive is being held to benefit the Hallettsville, Moulton and Schulenburg Fire Departments. Your donation maybe made in cash or check. All checks should be made payable to Moravia KJZT Society #44. Please forward your donation by **April 1, 2020 to:** Dorothy Olsovsky, 1721 CR 248; Schulenburg, Texas 78956
- **St. Michael Catholic Church Spring Festival**, Weimar, Texas, Sunday, April 16, 2020; Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner, 11:00 a.m., Plates-\$10



Donations are currently being accepted for the big raffle for St. John picnic. It can be cash, gift cards, or items. **Deadline is March 13<sup>th</sup>.**

**Stations of the Cross during Lent are as follows:**

Sacred Heart – Each Friday of Lent at 6:00 p.m.

St. Mary – Each Friday of Lent at 6:30 p.m.

St. John & Moravia –Fridays of Lent at 7:00 p.m.

March 13 (St. John)

March 20 (Moravia)

March 27 (St. John)

April 3 (Moravia)

April 10 (St. John)

\*At 1:00 p.m. Service

**CREIGHTON MODEL Fertility Care System Service—An authentic Language of a Women’s Health and Fertility Introductory Sessions**

**2020 Group Introductory Sessions:**

January & February - private appointment only

March 23                      April 27

May 11                        June 22

July 20                        August 24

September 21              October 19

November 16                December 14

Mary’s House, 300 South Dowling, Hallettsville, Texas

6:00 p.m. or call to make an appointment for a private introductory session.

Lara Haas, FCPI

361-772-1410

Larahaas.fertilitycare@gmail.com

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS #797**



**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS #797 DUES**

The CDA will have their next monthly meeting on Monday, March 16, 2020, beginning at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to join.

Please take note that on **Sunday, March 29, 2020, (Fifth Sunday)**, we will gather as a body to attend **8:00 a.m.** Holy Mass at Sacred Heart.

Know that your participation in Mass as a Catholic Daughter, serves as witness to the congregation of our commission to serve Christ and as an invitation to other women to join us.

Catholic Daughters dues for 2020 of \$25.00 are now past due. Payment can still be mailed to: Anita Steffek 549 CR 186, Hallettsville, TX 77964.

Please make checks payable to: CDA Court #797



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Look who's in the hot seat!

Coming  
May 8  
to the Cathedral  
Center  
in Victoria



Make plans now  
to attend.  
Information about  
table sponsorships  
will be coming  
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*Msgr. John Peters will be the honoree*  
*During the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Roast and Toast to benefit*  
**THE EMMAUS CENTER**  
*...providing counseling and spiritual direction in the Catholic tradition*  
**SAVE THE DATE!**  
*The Diocese of Victoria in Texas*



A Roast and Toast honoring Monsignor John Peters will take place at the Our Lady of Victory Cathedral Center, Victoria, on May 8 to benefit the Emmaus Center. The Diocese of Victoria-sponsored counseling center opened in November of 2015 to provide professional therapy from a Catholic perspective as well as spiritual direction. The main office is at 1508 E. Airline in Victoria and a satellite office in Bay City. It provides therapy for individuals, married couples and families, as well as play therapy for children. Its mission "... assisting others on their journey of life, especially during times of hurt, spiritual discouragement, psychological distress and relational instability," is based on the story found in Luke 24, 13-35.

More information about its services can be found at [www.emmauscounselingcenter.com](http://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com).

For ticket information, call Wendy Eggert or Shannon Thomas, 361-573-0828, Ext 2229 or 2250. For sponsorship information, call Justin Reyes, 361-573-0828, Ext. 2265.

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# Lent



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**FOOD  
DRIVE**

"**FORTY CANS FOR LENT**", a successful program promoted by the Knights of Columbus Council #2433 will be continued again for the **2020 Lenten Season Pantry** to help those in need. Drop off your food products at the K of C Hall during business hours or at Sacred Heart, St. Mary, St. John the Baptist, or Ascension of Our Lord--Moravia Churches. Look for drop boxes. Monetary donations will also be accepted. If giving a check, make it out to the K of C #2433. Praise God for our giving community.

Michael Wick, Chairman

**Please donate only canned goods or non-perishables as stated on available flyers.**

**The Moravia Altar Society** will hold a meeting on Monday, March 9, 2020, at the Parish Dining Hall. Meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. Members are asked to attend.

## Get in the Game! Men's Gathering

Sponsored by the Diocese of Victoria

Featuring Bishop Cahill and Damon West

Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 8 a.m. to noon. Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory in Victoria

Register in one of three ways:

1. Text 321-21-1117 with name, email
2. Email [jreyes@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:jreyes@victoriadiocese.org) with name, number
3. Visit [www.victoriadiocese.org/get-in-the-game](http://www.victoriadiocese.org/get-in-the-game)

Tickets are \$10. Breakfast included. Walk-ins welcome.

**This is a reminder that you can purchase Easter gifts, Communion, Confirmation Gifts, Wedding Gifts and other Religious Articles and books at the Rectory. Come by and see the latest items for sale.**



## 2nd Sunday of Lent

Psychology has taught us a great deal about family dynamics and how we have come to be the person we find ourselves to be. We are comprised of such a mixed bag of blessings and obstacles with their graced moments and sinful ones. Think back on the journey of your life and how the many different and varied choices that you made influenced the direction your life. If you didn't go on that first date with your spouse, who would be beside you today? If you chose to be in one place rather than another, what would have happened to the course your life has taken? We are on such a wonderful, exciting journey. What is most incredible and awesome is that we are not alone! God is with us. He inspires, heals, opens doors, and calls us every moment of our lives. The very life we have is due only to Him.

We can all sit down and list adjectives describing who we are. One may find him or herself more artistic than another or quicker with wit. We have unique gifts and talents and have the great gift of free will, which we treasure. Our histories come with more baggage for some and less hurdles for others, but we all have to find our way through the path we are on. However, have you ever given much thought to who you really are? That question has more merit than may at first appear.

We know ourselves as we live out our earthly journey. But do we know our heavenly self? What we know here is only one small part of who God has made us to be. The disciples really thought they knew Jesus until they went up the mountain. We also may think we know our true selves, too. We know that in eternal life we shall not only see God, but become like Him. Who will you be? What surprise do you think God has for you?

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**Next Bulletin: Sunday, March 22, 2020**  
All announcements can be sent by email to the Rectory at [rectory@shcatholicchurch.org](mailto: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, March 16, 2020