

JANUARY 24, 2021

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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 **RADIO:** 99.9 FM & 94.3 FM

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

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	January 23	6:00 p.m.	Nerissa Besetsny Cahal	St. John
Sunday	January 24	9:30 a.m.	Willie, Albina, Irene & Willie E. Barborak	Moravia

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	January 30	6:00 p.m.	Marvin Filip	Moravia
Sunday	January 31	9:30 a.m.	Mildred Fojtik Dixon	St. John

First Friday

Friday	February 5	8:00 a.m.	Frankie Chaloupka	St. John
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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	February 6	6:00 p.m.	Bohumil & Lillie Bohuslav	Moravia
Sunday	February 7	9:30 a.m.	Daniel Spies	St. John

January 24: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

The Ninevites heard the preaching of Jonah and repented of their evil ways, thus experiencing the Lord's compassion. Do we repent when we hear the preaching of Jesus? Do we invest our lives in the world rather than in God's kingdom?

January 31: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

Jesus came as one who spoke in the name of the Lord, teaching with authority. Let us listen to his voice and adhere to him above anything else.

February 7: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23, Mk 1:29-39

Job's cry of hopelessness stands in marked contrast to the hope of those who put their trust in Jesus, who "heals the broken hearted and binds up their wounds." Such are the blessings of the good news.

Ministry Schedule has been made. If there is a change, you will be notified. The Mass is live-streamed at Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Facebook. The link for the Mass is: <https://www.facebook.com/SacredHeartCatholicChurchHallettsville> and also on the Radio Stations FM 99.9 & FM 94.3 on Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JANUARY: Barbara Janak, Connie Burton

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR JANUARY: Allen Machicek, Robert Kendall

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

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

ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR FEBRUARY: Arlene Becan, Janis Hrncir

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR FEBRUARY: Hilbert Henke, Jr., Dale Janak

ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR FEBRUARY: Grace Sumbera, Josie Hermis

ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR FEBRUARY: Daryl Kutac, Leo Janda

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, we continue to institute various modifications, regarding the celebration of the Sacraments and sacramentals, which includes the upcoming Memorial of St. Blaise and Ash Wednesday. The particular paragraph in the Book of Blessings (Cf. No. 1628) permits the celebrant, when warranted for pastoral reasons, to impart the blessing of throats by extending his hands over the liturgical assembly, while reciting the prayer of blessing only once. This is the manner in which throats will be blessed in this year of 2021, in the Diocese of Victoria. We will do this on the weekend of January 30 and 31 and again on Wednesday, February 3, 2021.

Regarding Ash Wednesday. *The Holy See published a directive (cf. Prot. N. 17/21), that ashes will be imposed by sprinkling. The celebrant blesses the ashes in the manner set forth in the Roman Missal, and imposes them by sprinkling a small portion of the ashes on the crown of each person's head, without the use of any type of words or wording.*

In light of the directive cited above, ashes will be distributed this year, in the Diocese of Victoria, by sprinkling a small amount of ashes on the crown of each person's head, without any words or wording, and NOT imposed on the forehead of the faithful.

We do so to continue to provide protection to both clergy and laity alike, in the midst of this pandemic.

DIOCESE OF VICTORIA MEN'S GATHERING

There will be Diocese of Victoria Men's Gathering on Saturday, February 20, 2021, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory, 1309 E. Mesquite Ln., Victoria, Texas 77901. This dynamic event for men ages 18 and up will feature inspiring talks, prayer, group discussions, resources, great food, and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession. Join us to be strengthened in your faith and equipped to lead your families and communities alongside a band of brothers. Register Early for \$25 at www.victoriadiocese.org/arise. Buy 4 tickets, get 1 free.

FRIENDLY REMINDER TO PARISHIONERS

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



ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 23– 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Dylan Orsak, Brant Redman

Sunday, January 24 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia – Wade Shimek, Bryce Machicek, Dylan Orsak

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

Sunday, January 31 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Dylan Orsak, Brant Redman, Dillon Goedrich, Bryce Machicek

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

Sunday, February 7 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Dylan Orsak, Brant Redman, Dillon Goedrich, 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.

PRO-LIFE CORNER—

Home Security starts in the womb. Give peace a chance—pray to end the war on the unborn.

ATTENTION TO ALL PARISHIONERS

A mask must be worn to Church at all Masses and any event that is held in the church. Social Distancing is required until further notice.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Prayer for our Country: First Sunday of the Month at 6:00 p.m. Under the St. John Pavilion to pray the Patriotic Rosary. The prayers and songs are provided. Social distancing is used and you may sit as far back as needed for your comfort. Families are welcome.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) Court #797 Mass

Please take note that on Sunday, January 31, 2021, (Fifth Sunday of the Month), Catholic Daughters will gather as a body to attend 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass at Sacred Heart. Please note that the "Blessed Sacrament" side of the Church will be reserved for CDA members.

CDA #797 DUES

Catholic Daughters dues for 2021 of \$25.00 are now due. Dues can be mailed to: Anita Steffek. 549 CR 186, Hallettsville, TX 77964, 361-798-6938.

Please make checks payable to: CDA Court #797. **All dues are due by Sunday, January 31, 2021.** If you are interested in being a Rosary Leader, please contact the Rectory (361-798-5888).



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For more information or to purchase tickets, contact:

Sacred Heart Catholic School

361-798-4251

DONATION: \$5.00 EACH

TICKET SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021

GABRIEL PROJECT

The Gabriel Project of the Crossroads is having a fund raiser to promote Pro-Life options and help provide assistance for crisis pregnancies. Yard signs are a great way to make a Pro-Life statement and provide contact information for the Gabriel Project of the Crossroads. If you would like to get a yard sign, please call the Bethlehem Maternity Home at (361) 649-5782 or Collette Burroughs (281) 217-2118. Donations are greatly appreciated for this important ministry. 100% of donations go to the Gabriel Project of the Crossroads and Bethlehem Maternity Home.





The Emmaus Center provides individual, couple, family, adolescent and children's counseling as well as specialized support groups from a Catholic perspective. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call (361) 212-0830.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL--"WINTER EXTRAVAGANZA"

The Annual Sacred Heart Winter Extravaganza is going virtual in 2021 due to COVID. There are several ways that you can participate: buy a raffle ticket, bid in the online auction, donate auction items, donate money, and/or become a sponsor.

The auction will start on **February 18, 2021**, at 5:00 p.m. and end on **February 21, 2021**, at 5 p.m. Please visit the auction website to buy raffle tickets, become a sponsor, donate, or bid on items. The website is: charityauction.bid/sacredheartedextravaganza
You can also reach the site by scanning this QR code with your phone camera.



For more information, you can contact Ann Slatter or Bobby/Amy Machicek. ann.m.slatter@gmail.com or amy.machicek@gmail.com

ANNUAL MEETING CANCELLATION

Sacred Heart Federal Credit Union's 2021 Annual Meeting that was scheduled for February 1 has been cancelled due to Covid. A virtual meeting will be announced at a later date.

NEW! PODCAST FOR FAMILIES!

Download the Diocese of Victoria Family Podcast on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify or Stitcher. More information at www.buzzsprout.com/11404520

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Repent, and believe in the gospel." Some type of honest and sincere repentance is necessary for any type of authentic growth and maturity. We have to come to the realization, unless we are happy wallowing in immaturity and superficiality, that the way we have been doing things is not the best or the healthiest. There isn't a human being alive who hasn't acted foolishly or erratically at the cost of almost losing a treasured relationship. "Why did I act that way?" is a question we often ponder after some reflection and enlightenment. Faith works the same way. Stumbling through life and bumping up against meaninglessness, a person can begin to see that something significant is missing. They see that there is merit to a relationship with God and an embrace of faith. Before these can take root, sincere sorrow for past wrong doing, missed opportunities, errors in judgment, and short sightedness is necessary. Repentance is necessary. Then having realized that we were walking in darkness, we can rejoice that by God's grace we now see the light.

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

It was a normal day by all accounts, but John just wasn't feeling himself. He was a little lightheaded and out of sorts. Later in the afternoon, he experienced a sharp pain in his chest and arm. Quick thinking and action brought John to the emergency department with a diagnosis of a significant heart attack. Surviving this ordeal, he found himself face to face with his cardiologist, having an honest conversation about things that needed to change. "I came close to death," John found himself thinking. Then came the remorse. He was a young man with a loving wife and children who were very close to facing life without him. John found himself with intense sorrow for living an unchecked and self-indulgent life that almost brought him to his demise. He wanted to change.

We all have our wake-up calls. We have experiences and encounters that force us to really think twice about choices we have made and directions we have taken. Often, we find ourselves looking at those we have hurt square in the eye and wallowing in our foolishness. We regrettably realize that we have allowed our needs to lure us into making some cruel mistakes. We impulsively say things and flippantly do things that reveal our unredeemed and unhealed self. It is a self we stumble over and try to tame but can't quite seem to master and control. Help!

We spin our wheels, naively thinking that we will somehow, perhaps through persistence, get ourselves unstuck. But, we don't. We just get out of the car, feeling very helpless, and ignorantly look at the mess we got ourselves into. Did we ever think to ask someone for help? Or, taken the advice of One who is wiser and avoid this route altogether? "Come after me," are words that Jesus says to all of us. In order to heed his invitation, we must leave our ego-self behind and follow.

When we really see and understand the freedom, peace, justice, and love he offers, we find ourselves with such sorrow in our hearts for how foolish and silly we have been. All the misguided choices and sinful actions come full view and we see how risky our random impassioned behaviors really have been. Repentance is beautiful. When done with a sincere and contrite heart, it directs us to the glory that can be ours, ignites us with the challenge of living a life in service of others and reminds us that all is well.

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ST. JOHN CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS

	In Memory In Honor
Kubos Family	August & Adela Kubos
Leo & Joyce Janda	Deceased Members of the Janda & Berger Families
Glen & Donna Lux	Albin, Gladys & Judy Lux
	Frank Stastny
Harvey & Evelyn Hermis	Frank & Ludimala Janik
	Fred & Martha Hermis
	Frank Janik, Jr. & John Janik
	Morris Voelkel
Eddie & Agnes Kosh	Albert J. Berckenhoff
	Rudolph & Rosie Berckenhoff
	Selven & Clare Zapalac & Family
Gary & Ann McBride	Mr. & Mrs. George Robinson
	Bo Robinson
Jeff & Adrianna Machac	Marvin Machac
	Ray Giovannini
Claudette, Darrell & Ella Lynn Demel	Evelyn Novosad & Donnie Siegel
Denise Pauler	Eugene & Bernice Pauler
Diane Kutac	Adela & Adolph B. Kutac
	Anna Kutac
Walter & Josie Hermis & Dylan Goldberg	Ross, Diane & Devan Goldberg
	Fred & Martha Hermis
	Amos & Erlinda Menchaca
	Amos Menchaca, Jr.
	Carmen Rodriguez
James & Dana Daughtry	Our Deceased & Living Family Members
Marcus & Sharon Bujnoch	Alvin Besetzny
	Victor & Cecelia Bujnoch
Eugene & Josephine Krupala	Deceased and Living Members of the Krupala & Sitka Family
Daryl & Laura Kutac	Tessie James,
	Julius & Frances Kutac
	Ervin & Olga Klesel
Barbara Appelt	Gene & Jeff Slavik
	Martha & Edward Appelt
	Les Beasley
Elsie Farek	Tom Farek
Robert & Pam Besetsny	Vernon Havrda, Nerissa Cahal, & Debbie Bujnoch
Thomas & Vicky Kainer	Alfred & Hulda Kainer
	Olen & Mary Gibson
Alphonse, Jr. & Tracy Kristinik	Laurie Kristinik
	Alfonse & Lillian Kristinik
Arnold & Dorothy Berger	Deceased and Living Members of Berger & Schmidt Family
Caroline Mazoch	George & Bernice Vasek
	Barbara & Stephen Snowden
	Peter, Emma & Julius Vasek

2020
ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATIONS

In Memory of Evelyn Barcak by Gail Zambie
In Memory of Julius Krause by Shirley A. Dormire
In Memory of Henry Tupa and Ray Tupa by Emma Tupa
In Memory of Marvin Filip John H. and Mary Young John, Jr. and Leon Young and Mildrid Browns
by David and Dorothy Young
In Memory of Marvin Filip, Edmund and Julia Filip, Bill and Stacy Siegel, Bill, Jr. Robert Siegel by
Adela Filip
In Memory of Allison Dittrich, Henry and Agnes Wyatt and Elgin Dittrich by Vernon and Connie
Dittrich
In Memory of Timothy and Mark Olsovsky and Bethany Rerich Simon by Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky
In Memory of L.A. and Vera Wenglar by Phil and Kathy Guenther
In Memory of Alex and Lillian Hrcir and Charlie and Mary Hrcir by Dennis and Barbara Janak
In Memory of Joe N. and Magdalene Steffek and Leo T. and Viola Henke by Leo C. and Dorothy
Henke
In Memory of Al Becan, Arthur Spies, Thelma and Ann Spies by Alan and Arlene Becan
In Memory of Clarence and Evelyn Haas by Barbara Haas
Living and Deceased Family and Friends by Glen and Sophia Cernik
In Memory of William and Loretta Kendall, Robert and Mary Dodge by Robert and Mary Kendall
In Memory of Larry Kocich, Clarence and Evelyn Haas by Gayle Kocich
In Memory of Emith and Irene Orsak, Martha Orsak, Daniel Orsak and Imelda Orsak by Emith
Orsak
In Memory of Holmes and Konvicka Family, Huges and Barborak Family by Arlene Holmes

YEAR OF THE FAMILY

Pray. Pray a Hail Mary for all Moms.
Eat. Take pictures while making a meal together.
Play. Celebrate Jesus' Baptism in a fun way.

MEMORIALS

Ascension of Our Lord Cemetery Fund

Ascension Cemetery Fund --\$200.00 By Henrietta Vanek

Next Bulletin: Sunday, February 7, 2021

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, February 2, 2021