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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

HALL RENTAL

St. John the Baptist Church

Frank Forestier.....713-501-9860 (cell)
Barbara Appelt832-643-4590 (cell)

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

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	June 25	6:00 p.m.	Parishioners of Both Parishes	St. John
Sunday	June 26	9:30 a.m.	Gladys Barcak	Moravia

First Friday July 1 8:00 a.m. – Followed by Holy Hour – For Rain St. John

First Saturday

Saturday	July 2	8:30 a.m.	For Vocations	Moravia
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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 2	6:00 p.m.	L. A. & Vera Wenglar	Moravia
Sunday	July 3	9:30 a.m.	Tom Farek	St. John

July 4

Monday	July 4	9:00 a.m.	All Picnic Workers	St. John
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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 9	6:00 p.m.	David Kubenka	St. John
Sunday	July 10	9:30 a.m.	Andre Kainer	Moravia

June 26: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62

Elisha is summoned to follow the prophet Elijah and to succeed him. Jesus insists that those who follow him must abandon all material or psychological securities, walking ever forward without looking back. It is the Lord alone who is to hold fast our lot. Paul distinguishes between true freedom and license.

July 3: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Let us boast of nothing but the cross of Christ. Through it his grace and power are made known to his servants. Tremendous deeds shall be performed in his name: the reign of God is proclaimed, peace is given as gift, and the forces of sin are overcome.

July 10: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

The law of the Lord, the great commandment of love is not something “mysterious” or “remote.” Indeed, it is “very near” to us. Yet how difficult it is to fulfill, being neighbor to whoever is in need. But if we seek God, we must “go ahead and do the same” for we have been created in, for, and through Christ.

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 broadcast on the Radio Stations FM 99.9 & FM 94.3 on Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

❖ **AMONG OUR SICK** – Please pray for Tim Shimek, nursing home residents & the homebound.

ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JULY: Diane Halata, Janet Spies

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR JULY: Dallas Canada, Greg Kubenka

ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR JULY: Eugene Krupala, Leonard Sumbera

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 25 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Kullen Kutac, Brant Redman

Sunday, June 26 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia – Layne Sevcik, Trent Sevcik

Saturday, July 2 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Dylan Orsak, Kullen Kutac

Sunday, July 3 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Alaina Halata, William Halata

Saturday, July 9 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Brant Redman, Dillon Goedrich

Sunday, July 10 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia – Bryce Machicek, Wade Shimek

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Fr. Christopher will be leaving us this week. He will be going home to Ghana to serve in his diocese. We are grateful to Fr. Chris for his help this past year. We wish him well as he returns to his home diocese.

Next weekend, our new associate, Fr. James Dvorak, will begin his new assignment with us. He is from Frelsburg and is coming to us from Port Lavaca. He has been ordained two years.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Show me the man and wife who truly reverence God, and I shall show you the nucleus of a happy home... If there is trouble in some families it is because the parents do not respect God or each other and in consequence the children do not respect their parents.

If little ones are brought up from the very beginning to love God and obey Him, they will also love and obey their parents.

[Fr. Martin J. Scott, S.J. – from the book You and Yours: Practical Talks on Home Life]

The **Moravia KJZT Society #44** will have a meeting on Saturday, July 9, 2022 at the Moravia Dining Hall at 8:30 a.m. After the meeting members are asked to help clean the Moravia Dining Hall in preparation for the upcoming annual Moravia Church Picnic which is scheduled for July 17, 2022. A lunch will be served to all workers.

St. Pio's Vocation Club welcomes everyone to the First Saturday Mass for vocations on July 2 at Ascension of Our Lord Church in Moravia. Rosary and Fatima prayers will be at 8:00 a.m. and Mass at 8:30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – are needed Sunday mornings to distribute the Holy Eucharist to the Catholic Residents at Hallettsville Rehab & Nursing. This takes about 45 minutes and can be done after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. With four ministers each could serve once a month. Please call David Smolik 361-772-5463 or the Rectory.

ADORATION CHAPEL – An Adorer is needed at the Sacred Heart Perpetual Adoration Chapel on Wednesday at 7:00 a.m. Contact Charlene Bradbury at 361-798-3224 if you are interested.

AREA EVENTS:

→ **Sts. Peter & Paul, Plum** – Parish Feast, Sunday, June 26 – Fried Chicken & Plum Sausage Dinner, Auction, Bingo, Music, Raffle

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.

Next Bulletin: Sunday, July 10, 2022

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, July 5, 2022

Ascension of Our Lord Church Picnic, Sunday July 17

Our church picnic will be held Sunday, July 17. The picnic cleanup day for the kitchen and grounds will be held, Saturday July 9th starting at 8:00 a.m.

Parishioners and anyone interested in helping are asked to please come out for this general cleanup in preparation for the picnic. Lunch will be served for the workers. Cleanup after the picnic is Monday July 18th starting at 7:30 a.m.

For the picnic, items for the auction are needed, please bring them early that morning or contact Kathy Guenther, 979-743-0369, if you wish to leave them the day before. Please mark your items with your name on them so you may get credit for them. Suggested donations are: goody baskets, beer signs, antiques, home canned goods and baked goods, metal art, wood art, outdoor furniture, swings, and livestock.

Cash donations will be very appreciated toward the picnic meats to be given to Dorothy Henke.

There will be a lot of cakes needed for the dinner meal and cake walk. Cakes for the cake walk need to be well wrapped.

For the country store, please consider donating any homemade canned goods, homemade bread, any type of small plants, noodles, baked goods, any type of craft item and a child's toy for their enjoyment. These items may be brought on July 9th our cleanup day or contact Janis Hrnair 361-772-4309 if any questions.

Please check the picnic work list for your name and any extra help from anyone would be so appreciated.

MORAVIA PARISH COUNTRY STORE: Donations are welcome from Moravia parishioners for the Country Store. We hope to be able to provide a variety of items for sale on July 17. Items may include fresh vegetables, eggs, and fruits as well as canned vegetables, pickles, sauces, jellies and jams. Baked items could include cookies, kolače, muffins, strudels, breads, and noodles. Hand crafted items of all kinds and plants are also welcome. You may drop off your items on July 12th, the day of cleaning for the picnic, or bring them the morning of the picnic. We thank you.

Ascension of Our Lord Picnic Raffle—Raffle tickets are now available in the back of church. Please pick some up to sell and help make our raffle a success. The donation per ticket or book has changed this year. We would like to thank our donors for supporting our church and helping us offer some great prizes. Also, thank you to Lavaca Printing & Design Co. for donating a portion of the printing costs of the tickets. Contact Arlene Becan @ 361-798-0304 with any questions.

ST. JOHN'S PICNIC - CORRECTION

PLEASE NOTE: The **SEASONING OF CHICKEN WILL BE ON SATURDAY, JULY 2ND at 8:00 a.m.** instead of as previously stated Friday, July 2nd at 8:00 a.m.

ST. JOHN PICNIC NEWS

- **ITEMS ARE NEEDED FOR THE AUCTION.** Suggestions: Baskets, buckets or boxes of home canned pickles, homemade jelly/jam, home baked goods (cookies, bread, strudel, rolls, kolaches, poppy seed cake, etc.), homemade noodles, fresh vegetables and fruits (watermelons, cantaloupes, potatoes, tomatoes, etc.), homemade spirits, antiques, quilts, livestock, potted trees, wooden rockers/ picnic tables, metal art, swings, gliders, hanging plant stand, unusual plants/flowers, homemade dessert a month, and other unique items. If you wish to donate livestock or large items, please contact David Berger (979) 505-8225 or (979) 562-2199. We will accept as many items as you can bring. ***Please tag your items with the name of whom is donating.***
- **DON'T FORGET TO DONATE ITEMS FOR THE COUNTRY STORE**
Suggestions: Pickles, preserves, farm fresh eggs, vegetables, fruits, homemade *jellies, cookies, molasses, picante sauce, snack mixes, kolaches, strudels,* noodles and breads. Plants, homemade crafts, pot holders, hot pads, aprons, bonnets, dish towels, etc.
- **PLEASE BRING** cakes (as many as you feel that you can), kolaches, cookies bagged in zip lock baggies, other pastries.
- **PICK UP YOUR PICNIC WORKER LIST, POSTERS TO ADVERTISE, AND RAFFLE TICKETS!!!!!!!!!!**

ST. JOHN PICNIC WORK DAYS- Attention: National Honor Society Students, Confirmation Candidates—Here's a way to earn some service hours.

- **Saturday, June 18 @ 7:30 AM—** Remove benches from beer stand, set up Country Store, put ticket booths in place, get out whatever is stored that needs to be set up or out, etc. Pressure washing wherever needed, if necessary or not previously done.
- **Saturday, June 25 @ 7:30 AM---** Clean up of the kitchen cabinets, shelves, closets, etc. and washing of pots, pans, buckets, etc. and whatever else is needed.
- **Saturday, July 2 @ 8:00 A.M.—**We will clean and cut potatoes. Someone needs to get the potato cutter.
- **Saturday, July 2 @ 8:00 A.M.--** Help is need to prepare and season chicken.
- **Monday, July 4---PICNIC DAY**
- **Tuesday, July 5 @ 7:30 AM – CLEAN UP DAY !!!!**We will pick up trash and clean up wherever & whatever else is needed.

If everyone makes an effort to help wherever help is needed and goes that extra step to help, we will have the most successful picnic ever!

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July 2022

Sacred Heart, St. Mary, St. John and Ascension Churches

Rev. Msgr. John C. Peters, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

Let God love you

Have you ever seen a parent scoop up a child, breathe in his scent, and hug him closely as if he couldn't get enough of that beloved child? That's how God feels about you. He loves you dearly and shows you each day. Open your heart to Him.

Not just a symbol

According to Scripture, Jesus took bread and wine and said, "Take and eat; this is my body" and "this is my blood" (Matthew 26:26-28), and changed them into his Body and Blood. He also said, "Do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19). In the Eucharist we experience during Mass, "the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1374).

"The Church is the home that accepts everyone and refuses no one ... the greater the sin, the greater the love that the Church should show towards those who convert." Pope Francis



Find God in everyday things

St. Josemaría Escrivá, founder of Opus Dei ("Work of God"), taught that extraordinary holiness can be found in ordinary circumstances:

"Everything that is done for love becomes beautiful and grand" in God's eyes. Want the surest way to sainthood? St. Josemaría said to make every moment holy:

Sanctifying work: "Carry out the little duties of each moment," and put all your heart, mind, skill, and love into what you do. When we offer our tasks (the "raw material") to God's grace, He gives them infinite value. For example, activities – especially unpleasant ones – can be offered for our own or others' intentions. This is one way to dedicate daily activities to God.

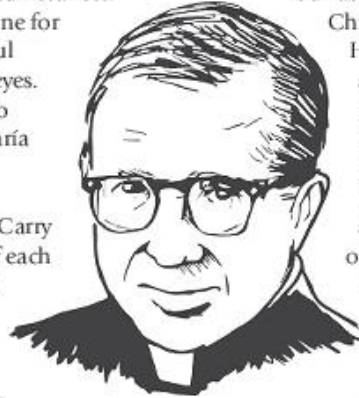
Sanctifying moments: Find the

"divine hidden in the most ordinary situations." God uses moments that are difficult, tedious, or just beyond our abilities to conform us to

Christ. Jesus spent most of His earthly life working and leading a holy but often ordinary life. With His grace, we grow in patience, perseverance, humility, compassion, and gratitude by meeting ordinary moments with extraordinary virtue.

Sanctifying attitude:

When we are patient with others, take praise and criticism well, and avoid jealousy, gossip, and dishonesty, we demonstrate that we belong to Christ. Our work becomes God's work. We become, slowly but surely, "a saint, seemingly like everyone else around him, but deeply identified with Jesus Christ."



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics believe the Pope can teach infallibly?

Jesus named St. Peter the (visible) head of his Church and gave him the keys of the kingdom to bind and loose sin.

At the Last Supper, He promised to send the Holy Spirit to: "teach you everything and remind you

of all that I told you" (John 14:26).

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the pope teaches infallibly when, as St. Peter's successor, he teaches on matters of faith and morals (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC), #891). In these areas, he cannot err.



Prayer tips from the saints

Prayer at its best is a personal conversation with God and fuels our friendship with Him. Try these simple pro-tips from the saints:

St. John of the Cross: According to St John, naming our human needs and presenting them before God in prayer are acts of love. He taught that we don't need to spell out what we need or want, but offer our need to God and ask Him to do what pleases Him, "... because the Lord knows what is suitable for us better than we do."



St. Bernard of Clairvaux: "Those who are sincere and wise will not fail to 'chew' the psalm with their mind." Good prayer is fed by reading and meditating upon Scripture. A good Catholic commentary can help, too.

St. Teresa of Avila: "He wants to ... know the love you have for Him, whether it is present in dryness as well as in spiritual delights." Good prayer, like true love, perseveres even in difficulty or dryness. Our sincere efforts please God.

from Scripture

Luke 12:13-21, More to life than riches

In this Gospel passage, Jesus is asked to intervene in a family feud over an inheritance. Back in ancient times, rabbis were often asked to settle such disputes. Jesus originally refused but seeing the discord within the family over the disagreement, he told them a parable about a wealthy but foolish man to put their situation into perspective.

The man in the story wasn't condemned for doing well for himself. He was condemned for his selfishness and lack of foresight. He didn't share his excessive wealth with those in need



or put his wealth to generous use. Although he was rich, he was spiritually impoverished. He would appear before God empty-handed.

The point of this parable isn't to scare us into getting rid of our wealth, but to remind us that there is more to life than accumulating goods. Our worth and esteem aren't based on what we have, but what we do with the gifts God has given us. How do we use them to care for His beloved children. Once we understand that, our hearts will become like His.

Feasts & Celebrations

July 3 – St. Thomas (1st century). Despite being known as "doubting Thomas," he made a beautiful profession of faith when he received proof of Jesus' Resurrection: "My Lord and My God" (John 20:28). Tradition says that Thomas evangelized the Parthians, Medes, and Persians and ultimately reached India.

July 9 – St. Veronica Giuliani (1727). Born in 17th century Italy, St. Veronica entered the Capuchin order and began receiving visions of Christ's Passion soon after. By a special grace, she received the marks of Christ's

wounds on her body.

July 22 – St. Mary Magdalene (first century). Jesus expelled seven demons from Mary (Luke 8:2) and she financially supported His ministry. She stood by His Cross with His mother and was the one who informed the Apostles of Jesus' Resurrection.

July 26 – Sts. Joachim and Anne (first century). Little is known about Jesus' grandparents, but Mary's unshakeable faith, her devotion to the laws of her religion, and her steadiness in crises indicate the values with which she was raised.



Q & A Does wearing the brown scapular bring good luck?

The scapular itself (from the Latin, scapula, or "shoulder"), consists of two small pieces of cloth connected by strings, and worn over the chest and back, close to the skin. According to tradition, Our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock, founder of the Carmelite Order, and presented the brown scapular to him, promising that those who wore it until death would not suffer the fires of Hell, be preserved in time of danger, and experience peace and protection.

The brown scapular is the most common type, and there is a rite to enroll the wearer. The priest places the scapular on the wearer. These aren't "good luck" charms. Like other sacramentals, they are meant to prepare us to obtain grace through the Church's prayers, who asks for God's blessing upon us for some benefit for our body or soul (CCC #1670). The scapular itself – or any sacramental – doesn't "do" anything; it's a reminder to the wearer of their commitment to holiness and of Mary's protection – something already "in action."

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Memorials

Ascension of Our Lord Church

In Memory of Dorothy Olsovsky

William & Mary Louise Olsovsky - \$100
Perry & Roxanne Deem - \$20

Ascension of Our Lord Building Fund

In Memory of Dorothy Olsovsky

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Ascension of Our Lord Cemetery Fund

In Memory of Dorothy Olsovsky

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Agnes & Eddie Kosh - \$20
Georgia Pavliska - \$20
Geraldine Hoegemeyer - \$10
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Buddy & Sharon Janecka - \$20
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Helen Gertner, David & Karen Pavlock - \$30
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Ascension of Our Lord CCD Program

In Memory of Dorothy Olsovsky

Hope Vornsand - \$5

Sacred Heart School

In Memory of Dorothy Olsovsky

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Andrew & Pam Kutac - \$20
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St. John Seminary Burse

In Memory of Dorothy Olsovsky

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Donald & Karen Kutac - \$20
Diane Kutac - \$20
Dennis & Patricia Otto - \$40

Rev. Msgr. John C. Peters Seminary Burse

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Elizabeth Patalik - \$20