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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

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Ascension of Our Lord Church

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HALL RENTAL

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Barbara Appelt832-643-4590 (cell)

Ascension of Our Lord Church

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..... 979-562-2328 (work)
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MASS SCHEDULE

The Ascension of the Lord

Saturday	May 28	6:00 p.m.	Albert Berckenhoff	St. John
Sunday	May 29	9:30 a.m.	40 th Wedding Anniversary of Mitt & Diane Holub	St. John
First Friday	June 3	8:00 a.m. – Followed by Holy Hour – John, Jr. & Tillie Peters		St. John

Pentecost

Saturday	June 4	6:00 p.m.	Julius Drozd & Annie Holub Drozd	Moravia
Sunday	June 5	9:30 a.m.	Adela & Adolph B. Kutac & Anna Kutac	St. John

The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday	June 11	6:00 p.m.	Larry Berger	St. John
Sunday	June 12	9:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Chudej Family	Moravia

May 29: The Ascension of the Lord

Readings: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 /Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in his name, reminding them that he is always present through his Spirit. Jesus ascended to his Father amid cries of gladness, entering into the heavenly sanctuary. We are to be his witnesses, mindful of the great hope to which we are called.

June 5: Pentecost

Readings: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26
All of us have been baptized into one and the same Spirit and live by that same Spirit. That same Spirit, the Advocate, was given as gift to the disciples to remind them of all that Jesus said and did, and to strengthen them to go forth in the name of the Lord, “to renew the face of the earth.”

June 12: The Most Holy Trinity

Readings: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

We are at peace with God our Father through our Lord Jesus Christ. God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. This Spirit, who is Wisdom itself, will lead us into all truth. How wonderful the name of our triune God in all the earth.

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.

MORAVIA PICNIC DONATIONS NEEDED – Donations are being accepted for the raffle for the Moravia Ascension Picnic on July 17, 2022. Please contact Arlene Becan @ 361-798-0304 or Janet Spies @ 512-461-3236. Deadline for donations is May 31.

ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JUNE: Allison Machicek, Claudette Demel

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR JUNE: Emith Orsak, Allen Grones

ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR JUNE: Walter Hermis, Bobby Mendel

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 28 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Brant Redman, Dillon Goedrich
Sunday, May 29 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Wade Shimek, Mary Beth Krischke
Saturday, June 4 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Kullen Kutac, Kylan Orsak
Sunday, June 5 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Alaina Halata, William Halata
Saturday, June 11 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Brant Redman Dillon Goedrich
Sunday, June 12 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia – Bryce Machicek, Wade Shimek

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.

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord. Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in his name, reminding them that he is always present through his Spirit. Jesus ascended to his Father amid cries of gladness, entering into the heavenly sanctuary. We are to be his witnesses, mindful of the great hope to which we are called.

The St. John “stew room” project is just about complete. It turned out very well. Thank you to the men who helped. It was a great group effort. The fence separating our property behind the church is completed as well.

Congratulations to the following who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, May 25, 2022: Trista Michna, Grace Mezik, Trenton Meisetschleager, Hope Kirkland and Kenzie Dvorak. May the Gifts of the Holy Spirit remain with them.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

In a landslide Pro-Life vote, 62% in favor and 38% against, the people of Lubbock took a solid and meaningful stance for Life. A year ago this month, the citizens of Lubbock made history by voting to become the largest Sanctuary city for the Unborn in America. When Lubbock’s citizens passed the ordinance, their city was not only the largest to do so, but also the first with a major university and active abortion business.

The Sanctuary city for the Unborn ordinance protects the preborn and mothers by outlawing ALL elective abortions within the city limits, enforced through civil liabilities on abortion providers.

Forty-one Texas cities now have enforceable Sanctuary City for the Unborn ordinances and more cities continue to join!

[From May 2022 Texas Right to Life News, 713-782-LIFE, TexasRightToLife.com]

CDA #797 – Craft Day – June 6 at 1:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Family Center. **Memorial Bunco**, Mon., June 20, 5:30 p.m., KC Hall. Tickets available from members, the rectory or call 361-550-9988.

GENERATIONAL HEALING SEMINAR

A Mass of Reparation along with prayers for Generational Healing is one of the best means to be set free from generational curses. Presented by Rev. Michael Rother, St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, 304 W. Church St., El Campo, from 6:30-8:30 p.m., **June 1** – Church Teachings held at the school gym, **June 8** – Mass & Healing Prayer held at the church. It is recommended to attend both evenings. For information: www.stphilipapostle.org or Gwen Edwards at 979-543-3770.

COURAGE - Do you experience same-sex attraction? Do you know someone who experiences same-sex attraction? The Courage Apostolate seeks to build community among men and women who experience same-sex attraction and who have made a commitment to strive for chastity. Members of a Courage Chapter are inspired by the Gospel call to holiness and the Catholic Church’s beautiful teachings about the goodness and inherent purpose of human sexuality. Through our apostolate, people who experience same-sex attraction receive pastoral support in the form of spiritual guidance, community prayer support, and fellowship. Similar to Courage is EnCourage, which is for parents, spouses, siblings and friends of people who identify as LGBTQ. They are looking for help to keep the faith and keep their family bonds intact. EnCourage members work together to understand the experiences of their loved ones, and to respond to them with compassion. They know that it is possible to express love for someone even if we can’t support all of their choices or actions. They find spiritual guidance to grow in their relationship with Christ, and community support from other members that helps them remember that they are not alone on this journey. If you have questions about our Victoria Diocesan Chapters for Courage or EnCourage, please contact the Victoria Courage Chaplain, the Rev. Jacob Koether, pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows – courage@victoriadiocese.org.

Next Bulletin: Sunday, June 12, 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, June 7, 2022

2022 St. John Easter Flower Offerings

Donor

Appelt, Barbara J.
Berger, Arnold & Dorothy
Besetsny, Pam
Brossmann, Scott & Cheryl & Family
Bujnoch, Marcus & Sharon
Chaloupka, Patrick & Karen
Dittrich, Vernon & Connie
Farek, Elsie
Forestier, Frank
Hermis, Harvey & Evelyn
Hermis, Walter & Josie & Dylan
Goldberg
Janda, Leo & Joyce
Kalich, Harold & Susie
Kosh, Eddie & Agnes
Krupala, Eugene & Jo Marie
Kusy, Ed & Peggy
Kutac, Diane
Lux, Glen & Donna
Pauler, Chad & Oksana
Pauler, Denise

In Memory / In Honor

Martha & Edward Appelt, Gene, Jeff & Jeff Slavik, Bobbie Appelt
Living & Deceased Members of Berger & Schmidt Families
Nerissa Cahal, Vernon Havrda, Robert Besetsny
James & Rita Brossmann
Alvin & Gladys Besetzny, Victor & Cecilia Bujnoch
Phillip Chaloupka
Allison Dittrich, Henry & Agnes Wyatt, Elgin & Helen Dittrich
Tom Farek
All Frank J. Forestier Family Members
Fred & Martha Hermis, Frank, Sr. & Ludmila Janik, Frank, Jr. & John Janik, Morris Voelkel
Ross, Diane & Devan Goldberg, Fred & Martha Hermis, Amos Menchaca, Carmen Rodriguez
Living & Deceased Members of the Janda & Berger Families
A. J. Kalich
Albert Berckenhoff, Rudolph & Rosie Berckenhoff, Selven & Clare Zapalac
Living & Deceased Members of the Krupala & Sitka Families
Alphonse Besetzny, Edward & Steven Kusy, Edward & Bozena Kusy, Henry & Martha Besetzny, Cyril & Alma Dusek, Leo Schramek
Adela & Adolph B. Kutac, Anna Kutac
Albin, Gladys & Judy Lux, Frank J. Stastny
Eugene & Bernice Pauler
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AREA EVENTS:

- ➔ **Sacred Heart, Hallettsville – Spring Picnic - Sunday, May 29, at the KC Hall, Hallettsville, Texas. Adult Plates -\$12; Cake Walk, Bingo, Country Store, Religious Articles Booth, Washer Pitching Tournament, Auction, Raffle, Music by Texas Sound Czech and Red Ravens.**
- ➔ **St. Cyril and Methodius, Shiner – Annual Memorial Day Picnic – Sunday, May 29, 2022 – Food, Music, Auction**
- ➔ **Sacred Heart, Flatonia – Spring Picnic, Sunday, June 5 – Fried Chicken & Stew Dinner, Music, Bingo, Auctions, Games**
- ➔ **Kolache Klobase Festival – Riverside Hall, East Bernard, Saturday, June 11, Sausage/BBQ Chicken lunch, Music all day, Raffle, Kolaches, Arts/Crafts**
- ➔ **St. Mary's, Hallettsville – Parish Picnic, Sunday, June 12 – Stew & Sausage Dinner, Auction, Music, Country Store, Games, Plant & Cake Walks**

May 29, 2022

WATCH

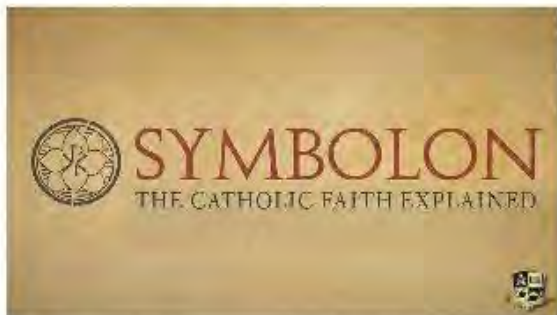
THE WILD GOOSE: GOD'S LOVE POURED OUT

During the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.



LEARN

SYMBOLON: EP. 1 - THE JOURNEY: TRINITY, FAITH AND THE GOD WHO IS LOVE



The Bible reveals the mystery of who God is: God is love. God created us out of love, died for us out of love, and invites us on a journey of faith in which we live in his love. In this study, we'll look at the God who is Love and how that love shows itself in the Trinity and the Faith.

LISTEN

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES WITH DENNIS AND ANGELINA GIRARD

As we celebrate the Visitation this week, we invite you to pray the Joyful Mysteries alongside this spoken Rosary set to music. Enter into some of the most joy-filled moments of Our Lord Jesus Christ's life, alongside the Blessed Virgin, through this devotional prayer and accompanying Scripture passages.



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June 2022

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

Rev. Msgr. John C. Peters, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

Take your rightful place

As a baptized Catholic, your parish is your home by right.

As such, you have the right to a seat at your parish table.

You take it when you attend weekend Mass, and seek peace from sacraments such as the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Holy Matrimony.



Times change; God doesn't

The Bible tells of countless times when God gave his people victory in otherwise hopeless circumstances, provided for them when they had no resources, and guided them in their decisions. God is ready to work as powerfully for you.

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 'Honor your father and mother' (this is the first commandment with a promise); 'that it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth.' Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:1-4).



God waits for our "Yes"

God loves us and wants us to be happy with Him in Heaven forever, but He won't force Himself on us. Out of respect for our free will, God asks that we cooperate with His grace to save us, but leaves it up to us to say, "Yes!"

Cultivate your faith. The better we know our Catholic Faith the easier it is to know how to live it. The Catechism of the Catholic Church summarizes all major teachings of the Catholic Church. Read an article in it each day and learn a new term from the glossary weekly. Then, there will be no guessing about what Catholics believe.

Keep your conscience in shape.

A well-formed conscience signals us when a choice is virtuous (good) or sinful (bad). Review what the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes require. Meditate on the examples of Jesus and Mary in the Gospels and how your behavior compares.

Stay close to the Sacraments. Through the Sacraments we directly encounter Christ. Attend Confession monthly and

Mass at least weekly. This is the best way to stay close to God and His Heart.

Perform Works of Mercy. God uses these opportunities to conform us more fully to Christ. Find ways to serve your parish in time, resources, or gifts. It is Jesus who ultimately receives our gift (Matthew 25:40).



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics use the different titles when we address the clergy?

After Jesus ascended, the Church grew so quickly that the spiritual needs of the Christian community demanded a global hierarchy of clergy to minister to them while maintaining the unity of the Faith. In response, the Apostles ordained deacons to assist so they could



focus on liturgy (Acts 6:2-4).

Today, there are different titles for different roles and levels of authority. For example, we are most likely to encounter

priests ("Father"), deacons, and bishops ("Your Excellency," or "Your Grace").

Three invaluable lessons from the Sacred Heart devotion

Attaining holiness can seem overwhelming and complicated, but Jesus makes it simple: *"Learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart"* (Matthew 11:29). Follow the lessons of His Sacred Heart.

Focus on Jesus. We often get in trouble when we lose sight of who Jesus is (God) and how much He loves us. Actually, God is always close and loves us with an infinite, intense, burning love. Keep an image of the Sacred Heart nearby for when you feel discouraged or disconnected from Him.



Give Him your "Yes." Instead of relying on your own strength and strategy, consecrate yourself to Jesus' Sacred Heart and let Him form and direct you. He is patient, gentle, and knows what we can handle. Say "Yes" to whatever He asks.

"Love is not loved!" Jesus wants our love but is often rejected by our sins. Love Jesus for those who won't. Spend time with Him and thank Him for what He's done for you. Offer Him your sufferings for a soul in need.

from Scripture

Luke 9:51-62, the cost of discipleship

Jesus' listeners often got swept up by his charismatic manner and professed eagerness to follow him. But they weren't always prepared for what it took to be a true disciple.

In this Gospel passage, a young man asked to follow Jesus but was deflated when Jesus pointed out that He had no home and none of the things considered necessary for a happy life. Jesus warned that it wouldn't always be comfortable to follow him.

The timing wasn't right for the second man. He promised to follow Jesus but

said he needed to fulfill his duty to his dying father first. In truth,

Jesus sets the priorities we follow. Our duty is to obey.

Finally, Jesus used the example of plowing a field to make His point. If you look back while plowing it can ruin the job. He used that example to help the third man

understand that we need to have a singleness of purpose to be His disciple. We will have to make sacrifices to follow Jesus. But He promises us that the rewards will be worth much more.



Feasts & Celebrations

June 4 – St. Francis Caracciolo (1608). St. Francis was born in the Abruzzo region in Italy. He went on to found the Minor Clerks Regular with St. John Adorno. The Order was approved in 1588, and St. Francis became its superior for life.

June 6 – Mary, Mother of the Church (2018). On the Cross, Jesus gave us His mother to be our mother (John 19:27). Even in Heaven, she prays and cares for us as our spiritual mother.

June 19 – Corpus Christi Sunday.

On this solemnity, we celebrate the transformation of the bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist. This solemnity was established by Pope Urban IV in 1264 in response to the need for a Eucharistic feast day.

June 23 – The Nativity of St. John the Baptist (1st century). Before St. John was born, his father, Zechariah received a message from the angel Gabriel foretelling his birth. His doubt was punished by his being struck speechless until John's birth.



Q Why are there & different lists A of Apostles?

Ever wonder why there seem to be different Apostles in different Gospels? For instance, there's a "Judas, not the Iscariot" at the Last Supper (John 14:22) who isn't mentioned anywhere else.

Likewise, Nathanael, who asked *"Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"* (John 1:46), is absent in the other Gospels.

Usually, the difference is because some of the Apostles had two names. For example, St. Matthew the tax collector, before joining Jesus, is "Levi" (Mark 2:14; Luke 5:27). The "other" Judas is called Thaddaeus. Nathanael is in the other Gospels, too, but under his Jewish surname, Bartholomew (Bar-Tolomai, "son of Tolomai").

Considering that half of the Twelve Apostles would have shared a name with another Apostle, some may have changed names to avoid confusion, e.g. Judas-not-the-Iscariot changing his name to Thaddaeus. All these differences show that the Apostles, who came from diverse backgrounds, were called for one mission of building up the Kingdom. Likewise, God calls us to build up the Kingdom, and gives each an important role in it.

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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.
- **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, fudge, kolaches, strudels, noodles and breads. Plants, homemade crafts, pot holders, hot pads, aprons, bonnets, dish towels, etc.
- **PICK UP RAFFLE TICKETS!!!!!!!!!!!!**
- **PICK UP PICNIC POSTERS/FLYERS AND HELP ADVERTISE THE JULY 4th PICNIC.**
- **Chairman and/or Co-Chairman--Pick up the "Old List for Picnic Workers**
- **Picnic worker list corrections/additions/deletions due JUNE 9, 2022.**

Picnic Donation Form: Contributions from parishioners and out-of-town friends of the parish are accepted and appreciated. Put your donation in the collection basket or mail to:

St. John Picnic c/o Dorothy Berger, 95 CR 957B, Schulenburg, TX 78956

MY DONATION TO ST. JOHN 4TH OF JULY PICNIC

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