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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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Robert & Mary Kendall.....361-217-0624

HALL RENTAL

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CEMETERY

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Kathy Guenther979-562-2124
..... 979-562-2328 (work)
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MASS SCHEDULE

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	August 19	6:00 p.m.	Joe Barcak & Irene Drozd Barcak	Moravia
Sunday	August 20	9:30 a.m.	Dominic Loth	St. John

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	August 26	6:00 p.m.	Bernice Vasek	St. John
Sunday	August 27	9:30 a.m.	Bernice Jurica	Moravia

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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	September 2	6:00 p.m.	Clarence & Evelyn Haas & Larry Kocich	Moravia
Sunday	September 3	9:30 a.m.	Bennie Novosad	St. John

August 20: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

All peoples are invited to worship the Lord and to know his ways. God's gifts and his call are to Jew and Gentile alike. Jesus comes to recognize the universality of God's call in granting the request of the Canaanite woman.

August 27: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

As Eliakim is given authority as master of the palace, so does Jesus confer upon Peter authority to bind and to loose. To Jesus, who promised to be with his Church for all time, be glory for ever and ever!

September 3: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Following the Lord means nothing less than the cross: offering ourselves with Jesus as a living sacrifice and not conforming ourselves to this world. Following him will entail derision and scorn, yet the Lord is our help.

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.

ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR SEPTEMBER: Glen Cernik, Sophie Cernik

ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER: George Jasek, J. G. Hrcncir

ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER: Gary McBride, Brad Lux

Please pray for all those serving in the military and for all veterans

The Moravia picnic workers Appreciation Meal will be held Sunday, August 27 with a noon meal at the parish dining hall. Desserts are appreciated for the dessert table. Please attend.

Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 19	– 6:00 p.m.	– Moravia	– Brant & Barrett Redman, Lily Janak
Sunday, August 20	– 9:30 a.m.	– St. John	– Alaina Halata, William Halata
Saturday, August 26	– 6:00 p.m.	– St. John	– Mary Beth Krischke, Dillon Goedrich
Sunday, August 27	– 9:30 a.m.	– Moravia	– Dylan Orsak, Lindsay Orsak
Saturday, September 2	– 6:00 p.m.	– Moravia	– Baye Shimek, Lily Janak
Sunday, September 3	– 9:30 a.m.	– St. John	– Layne, Trent & Kenley Sevcik

From the Desk of Msgr. John

School has begun. Let us pray for all our students and teachers that they will have a successful and fruitful year.

Ascension of Our Lord Church is in need of some repairs. We have some people looking into what needs to be done. Some things that may have to be done are: leveling the church because some shifting has happened over the years, some beams and/or pillars may have to be added for better support and a new roof will be needed. If we find these things necessary, we may have to have Mass at St. John for a while. We will work this out as time goes on. Fortunately, we did well on the picnic which will help us on the repairs.

Basically, everything at St. John is in very good shape.

Let us continue to pray for the much needed rain.

The Healing Mission at Sacred Heart Parish led by Paul Rymniak is this week, **August 21-23**. Each evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church and focus on forgiveness and healing.

On Wednesday, August 23, Bishop Brendan Cahill will conduct a **Healing Mass at 6:00 p.m.** and will stay to hear confessions following the 7:00 p.m. healing service.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone (San Francisco, CA) spoke about marriage in a USA TODAY interview, saying, "There is a problem here - an injustice, really - in the way that some people are so often identified by what they are against. Opposition to same-sex marriage is a natural consequence of what we are for, i.e., preserving the traditional, natural understanding of marriage in the culture and in the law." (emphasis added)

SACRED HEART ADORATION CHAPEL – Peggy Scherer has graciously volunteered to help Charlene. You may contact her at 210-897-6387.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL is in **need of a cafeteria worker** for the upcoming school year. Please call the school at 361-798-4251 if interested or for more information.

LAVACA CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHERING – August 28 (every fourth Monday), Queen of Peace Family Life Center, Sweet Home. Adoration and Benediction at 6:30 p.m. in church; meal and program to follow. Deacon Joseph Blackburn will speak on "Why we do what we do at the Mass – Part 1 Liturgy of the Word." For info: Robert Lewis 817-897-2678 or visit www.lavacacatholicmen.com.

A PRAYER FOR RAIN

ALMIGHTY GOD, WE ARE IN NEED OF RAIN. We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky above, what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is. To think that so much water can fall out of the sky, which now is empty and clear! We place our trust in **YOU**. We are sure that **YOU** know our needs, but **YOU** want us to ask **YOU** anyway, to show **YOU** that we know we are dependent on **YOU**. Look on our dry hills and fields, **DEAR GOD**, and bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice, and the rivers will sing **YOUR** praises and the hearts of men will be glad. **AMEN**

This prayer was written in the 1950's during an awful drought in Texas. The prayer was written by Father W. Schneider of St. Mary's in Fredericksburg who also ministered at St. Francis Church in Stonewall. It has gone all over the world.

The Sacred Heart **CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS SOCIETY** - Member's annual dues of \$10 are now payable. You may also mail them to Darlene Appelt at 782 CR 132, Hallettsville, TX 77964.

ANNUAL INDIAN OPEN GOLF CLASSIC – Benefits Sacred Heart Catholic School faculty and staff. Saturday, **September 2, 2023**, Hallettsville Municipal Golf Course, 3-Person Scramble with one tee time at 9:30 a.m. We invite you to participate by registering as a golfer, sponsoring a hole, making a cash donation. For details contact Hallettsville Golf Association – 361-798-9908, Aaron Chovanetz – 281-750-9279 or Pete Murphy – 832-817-8147.

20 GRAND GIVEAWAY RAFFLE – A total of \$20,000 in a total of 10 prizes on Sun., **Sept. 3 at the Fall Parish Picnic**. Tickets: 1 for \$20 or 6 for \$100. Available from David Smolik, Local Businesses, Sacred Heart School, Rectory or Credit Union. Proceeds benefit Sacred Heart Parish.

HALLETTSVILLE KC #2433

Falling Leaves Gala

Saturday, October 21, 2022, Hallettsville KC Hall, 5:30-11:30 p.m. Only 300 tickets sold!

Featuring Blue Denim Band

- \$125 per couple includes: Dinner for two, drinks, dance and ticket entered into the Prize Give-Away. (\$62.50 single tickets available.)
- Give-Away Drawing of \$1,000 in Cash (need not be present to win).

Call the Hall at 361-798-2311 to reserve your ticket.

Area Events:

- **St. Andrew, Hillje** – Summer Festival, Sunday, August 20, Prime Beef BBQ & Sausage \$13, Live & Online Auctions, Raffle, Country Store, Cake & Plant Wheels, Games, Dunking Booth
- **St. Cyril & Methodius, Cistern** – Sunday, August 27, Mass 10:00 a.m., Fried Chicken & V&V Sausage \$14, children \$7, Auction, Music, Bingo, Country Store, Cake/Plant Spin, Games, Karaoke
- **St. Mary's, Nada** – Festival & Homecoming, Sunday, September 3, BBQ Beef & Sausage \$12, children under 12 \$6, Auction, Music & Dancing, Raffle, Bingo, Country Store, Plant & Cakewalk, Games, Linen Baskets & more
- **Holy Cross, Yorktown** – Festival at Yorktown Community Hall, Sunday, September 10, Mass 9:30 a.m., Polish Sausage & Shoulder Clod Meal \$15, Auction, Music, Raffle, Country Store, Cake Walk, Games, Calf Raffle
- **St. Joseph, Inez** – 150th Parish Picnic, Sunday, September 10, Fried Chicken, Sausage & Brisket \$15, Raffle, Live & Silent Auctions, Country Store, Cake Walk, Bucket Game, Kid's Game Room

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, **THE EMMAUS CENTER** began the **Ministry of Love support group for caregivers**. Caregiving is a ministry of love that can be mentally and physically exhausting. This support group will provide supportive and spiritual resources for self-care. The group will meet the first Tuesday of each month from 9 to 10:15 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory's Cathedral Center in the St. Gabriel room. Please call 361-212-0830 for more information and to register.

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: September 3, 2023

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, August 29, 2023