

***St. Mary's Catholic Church***  
***Sunday, December 3, 2017***

**1648 FM 340**  
**Hallettsville, Texas 77964-5862**  
**St. Mary's Rectory: 798-2128**  
**Sacred Heart Rectory: 798-5888**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Sunday: 9:15 a.m.  
First Friday: 7:00 p.m.

**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 RECONCILIATION**

First Friday: 5:30 p.m.  
Any time upon request.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Please call the rectory.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

CCD – Every Wednesday from  
6:00 – 7:15 p.m.  
Contact: Amy Shimek (772-5224)

**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”)



**PASTOR**

**REV. MSGR. JOHN C. PETERS V.G.**

**PAROCHIAL VICAR**

**Rev. Max Landman**

**DEACON**

Rev. Mr. Joseph (Joey) Targac  
Rev. Mr. Michael Tankersley

**ST. MARY'S HALL RENTAL**

Judy Opela (798-2738)

**PARISH BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Leon Etzler, Raymond Janak, Francis Klekar,  
Richard Sommerlatte, & Al Svetlik, Jr.

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**

Joyce Janak, Blasé Konvicka, Jr., Jerome  
Pesek, Pat Pesek, & Larry Svetlik

**CEMETERY** Miranda Henke (798-3731)

**EWTN**

Cable Channel 71 or Dish Channel  
261

**Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday, November 28,  
2017, by 12:00 p.m. (Noon)

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### **Mass Intentions:**

Sunday, December 3—First Sunday of Advent

9:15 a.m. – Laddie and Evelyn Konvicka

Sunday, December 8—The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00 p.m. – Joe & Olga Targac

Sunday, December 10—Second Sunday of Advent

9:15 a.m. – Helen Shimek Malick

Sunday, December 17—Third Sunday of Advent

9:15 a.m. – Zachary Grafe

Sunday, December 24—Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:15 a.m. – Joe J. Mozisek, Dale Schulte, Joe & Emily Erwin

Monday, December 25 (Midnight Mass)—The Nativity of the Lord

12:00 a.m. – Herman & Frances Sciba

Monday, December 25—The Nativity of the Lord

9:15 a.m. – August Ulcak

Sunday, December 31, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

9:15 a.m. – Leon & Lillie Sitka

Monday, January 1, The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord & Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

9:15 a.m. – Alfonse Svetlik

Friday, January 5

6:00 p.m. – Leon Smirak

Sunday, January 7—The Epiphany of the Lord

9:15 a.m. – Eugene & Kathy Gillar

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

If there is a Deacon present at the Mass, there is need for only three (3) ministers to come up and give Communion.

### **Czech Choir**

St. Mary's Czech Choir sings at the 9:15 a.m. Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month from September to May at St. Mary's.

**\*\*Extraordinary Ministers**, please go up to Altar as soon as the Priest is consuming the Blood!!

\*\*We are in need of a Rosary Leader. If you are interested, please call the Rectory, Monday or Wednesday morning to talk to Pat. Phone # 361-798-2128

### ***From the Desk of Msgr. John***

We are going into the Advent Season to prepare ourselves for the celebration of Jesus' birth and also for the second coming of Jesus at the end of our lives. Let us use this time that the Church has set aside to prepare spiritually and spend some extra time in prayer and meditation

With the First Sunday of Advent, we begin a new Church Year. The Church Year goes from the First Sunday of Advent until the Saturday after Christ the King.

During Advent, we have the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary on December 8th. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. We celebrate the Immaculate Conception of Mary in the womb of her mother, St. Ann.

We also celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12th. We will have a special Mass in English and Spanish with the Spanish Choir on Tuesday, December 12th, at 6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, followed by a meal in the Family Center. You may bring something, such as snacks or a side dish, if you wish. If you have not been to a Mass celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe, it would be well worth your time to attend.

"The message of Our Lady of Guadalupe helped to build bridges between cultures and worlds and began the transformation of our continent into a Christian Continent of Hope... Through her intercession, then and now, those throughout this hemisphere, have found a deep and shared sense of faith, hope and identity."

May all of you have a blessed Advent Season and a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

### **The Sharing Tree**

The Sharing Tree sponsored by Christian Mothers and the Altar Society have been distributed. Please bring gift back to The Sharing Tree, no later than Sunday, December 10. The gifts will be delivered to the respective Nursing Homes, so that each Catholic Resident will have a gift to open at their Christmas Party. For more information contact ***Susan Bujnoch at 798-4064.***



*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Father John Kollannur. He was with us during the summer of 2010, when he came from India. Then he was assigned to Our Lady of Lourdes in Victoria to help Father Say. He recently passed away from stomach cancer in India.*

## Financial Report for November, 2017

### Income:

Sunday's Collections	\$5,294.00
Children's Collections	81.50
Campaign for Human Development	15.00
Hall Rental	650.00
Church Rental	50.00
Small House	50.00
Memorials	480.00
Concert	<u>187.00</u>
	\$6,807.50

### Expenses:

Hall Expenses	\$ 2,824.64
Utilities	647.48
Church Expenses	350.00
Maintenance	150.00
Property Insurance	12,164.34
Priest Pension	94.00
Office	523.05
Administration	357.00
Medical Insurance	<u>406.00</u>
	\$17,516.51

Beginning Balance:	\$100,677.89
Income	6,807.00
Expenses	<u>-17,516.51</u>
Balance	<u>\$ 89,968.38</u>

**WIED KJZT #53** will hold their Annual Meeting on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at Werner's in Shiner.

**Hallettsville Festival of Lights** is hosting a Christmas Light Recycle Drive November 14, 2017, through January 10, 2018. Please consider recycling any old light strands that are no longer working properly. The lights will be taken to a recycle center and funds will be used for the 2018 Festival of Lights season.

Area schools and church congregations are encouraged to participate by setting up collection bins. Collected lights can be dropped off at the Hallettsville Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Office Monday—Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Please put the school or church name on collected items.

**No pre-lit trees are accepted.**

Your donation and community support is greatly appreciated. "Many hands make light work."



### AREA NEWS

- + **Stevens Nursing & Rehab** is hosting a **Community Bingo** on the last Friday of each month. Everyone is invited, prizes will be given—2:00 p.m. in Dining Room A. There will be no Bingo for November, due to Thanksgiving Holidays.
- + **Holy Family Catholic Church, Victoria, Texas - Maximilian: Saint of Auschwitz**, the moving, live production performed by Leonardo Defilippis of Saint Luke Productions, will be presented at Holy Family Catholic Church in Victoria on Tuesday, December 5 at 6:30 p.m. Experience firsthand the story of the heroic priest, Fr. Maximilian Kolbe, who courageously fought the forces of evil, and offered his life for another man in Auschwitz concentration camp during World War II. The program is filled with all the elements of professional theater, runs 90 minutes, and is suitable for ages 10 and up. Admission is free. For additional information, contact Holy Family Parish Office at 361-573-5304 or visit [www.hfccvic.org](http://www.hfccvic.org).
- + **Vysehrad School Annual PTO Stew Dinner:** Stew, German potatoes, Green Beans, Sauerkraut, Bread Dessert, Sunday, January 14, 2018, St. Mary's Church Parish Hall, Serving 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.--\$9 a ticket; Stew by the Pound - \$9 per pound. Also a Raffle with 100 Chances to Win! \$5 a Book. Contact: Judy Opela - 798-2738 or Jill Opela – 798-2738, Vysehrad School Or any Vysehrad Student.



*Anyone wishing to donate for Christmas Flowers in memory of a loved one may do so by placing your envelope in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory Monday or Wednesday morning. Please put Attention: Pat on envelope.*

### Advent Penance Service

All Services begin at 5:30 p.m.

Monday, December 11– Shiner  
Tuesday, December 12 – Moulton  
Thursday, December 14 – Yoakum  
Friday, December 15 - Hallettsville



Did you know that Christmas will be here before you know it? You can get some of your early Christmas Shopping done at the Sacred Heart Church Rectory. We have added many new items, such as Children's Christmas Books, Coloring Books, ornaments and so much more. Don't forget we also have Advent Wreaths and candles.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOL SWEEPSTAKES RAFFLE

Once again, Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring the Catholic School Sweepstakes



Raffle that will benefit Sacred Heart Catholic School (SHCS). Tickets are only \$5.00 each and all money collected stays at SHCS.

Prizes as follows:

**2017 Ford F-150 Truck or 2017 Ford Fusion Sedan or**

**\$20,000 Prepaid Visa Credit Card**

Participating School Prize:

Each participating school will have a \$1,000 prepaid Visa Credit Card Individual Winner drawn from tickets sold at their school.

Tickets are available at the school, the rectory, or any SHCS student. Drawing to be held Saturday, January 14, 2017.



Come let us  
*Adore*  
Him



### SHCS 2018 Extravaganza "A Starry Night to Remember,"

Saturday, February 3, 2018, 6:00 p.m.—12:00 a.m. at the KC Hall, Hallettsville. Tickets are \$65 for one person or \$125 per couple (includes socials with hors d'oeuvres, refreshments all evening, steak dinner and dance with live music by *Los Kolaches*. There will be a Silent Auction. Tickets can be purchased at Sacred Heart Catholic School, Sacred Heart Credit Union, the Church Rectory, Peoples State Bank, Hoffer's Drive-In, or Morton's Drive-In.



### HELP!!!

If you are interested in joining a ministry, please join the Church Cleaners. Call the Rectory, Monday or Wednesday mornings, if you think you might want to get in with a group or get your own group together. Think about it!



*Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life!*

*Please pray for the Veterans who have served Our Country and have sacrificed and given so much for our freedom.*

### MEMORIALS

#### **St. Mary's Building Fund**

In Memory of Alfonse Svetlik by Henrietta & Franklin Filip-\$10

#### **St. Mary's Altar Society**

In Memory of Helen Shimek Malick by Marvin & Annette Grahmann-\$20

In memory of Leroy Etzler by Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Matula-\$20

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**CHRISTMAS 2017  
NEW YEAR 2018**

**AN ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE  
Tuesday, December 15 - 5:30 p.m.**

**CONFESSIONS**

**Saturday, December 16  
4:00 - 5:15 p.m.**

**Tuesday, December 19  
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, December 20  
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Friday, December 22  
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, December 23  
4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.**

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**Christmas Eve  
4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. and 12:00 Midnight**

**Christmas Day  
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

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**NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**

**New Year's Eve  
6:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.**

**New Year's Day  
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**



**ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
Hallettsville, Texas**

**CHRISTMAS 2017  
NEW YEAR 2018**



**CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS  
Saturday, December 16  
10:00 a.m.**



**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE  
Christmas Eve  
12:00 Midnight**

**CHRISTMAS DAY  
9:15 a.m.**



**NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE  
New Year's Day  
9:15 a.m.**

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC  
CHURCH  
ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC  
CHURCH**

**CHRISTMAS 2017  
NEW YEAR 2018**



**CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS  
Saturday, December 23  
St. John: 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.**

**Sunday, December 24  
Moravia: 10:30 a.m.**



**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE  
Christmas Eve  
Moravia: 5:00 p.m.**

**CHRISTMAS DAY  
St. John: 9:30 a.m.**



**NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE  
New Year's Eve  
Moravia: 5:00 p.m.**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY  
St. John: 10:00 a.m.**



*Merry Christmas*

*HAPPY  
New Year*

**ST. MARY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE –DECEMBER, 2017**

<b>Sunday, December 3</b>	<b>9:15 a.m.</b>
Altar Servers	Kaitlyn Rother, Blake Rother, Allec Mizera, Brandt Trlicek
Cantor	Ruth Rouse
Lector	Laurie Janak Marek
Extraordinary Ministers	Edward Pustka, Sandra Pustka, Scott Sommerlatte
Rosary Leader	Joshua Blaschke
Offertory Gift Bearers	Lucille Klekar, Doris Opela
Ushers	Stanley Orsak, Scott Blashke, Gilbert Mozisek, Marvin Bujnoch
Church Cleaners	Vivian Mozisek, Cecilia Janak, Rita Migl, Edna Wehman
<b>Friday, December 8</b>	<b>6:00 p.m..</b>
Altar Servers	Kevin Konvicka, Rynna Orsak, Allec Mizera
Cantor	Ruth Rouse
Lector	Dedie Dobbs
Extraordinary Ministers	Richard Sommerlatte, Vivian Mozisek
Rosary Leader	Dorothy Schneider
Offertory Gift Bearers	Targac Family Members
Ushers	Roman Henke, Robert Pustka, Gilbert Urbish, Chuck Grafe
Church Cleaners	
<b>Sunday, December 10</b>	<b>9:15 a.m.</b>
Altar Servers	Ty Gerke, Layne Gerke, Jules Janak
Cantor	Richard Rouse
Lector	Joshua Blaschke
Extraordinary Ministers	Leon Etzler, Nancy Etzler, Janice Rother, Dedie Dobbs
Rosary Leader	Sandy Konvicka
Offertory Gift Bearers	Shimek Family Members
Ushers	Leon Matula, Al Svetlik, Francis Klekar, Sidney Jasek
Church Cleaners	Glenda Tobola, Mary Jo Bludau, Marty Horecka
<b>Sunday, December 17</b>	
Altar Servers	Ryan Mudd, Wyatt Mudd, Paige Wright
Cantor	Laurence Bludau
Lector	Martha Horecka
Extraordinary Ministers	Edward Pustka, Sandra Pustka, Trina Bludau, Carol Rother
Rosary Leader	Ruth Rouse
Offertory Gift Bearers	Chuck Grafe
Ushers	Russell Sciba, Robert Sciba, Bernard Patek, Richard Sommerlatte
Church Cleaners	Helen (Dornak) Janak, Gussie Kelnar, Helen Janak
<b>Sunday, December 24</b>	<b>9:15 a.m.</b>
Altar Servers	Ryan Hermes, Brandt Trlicek, Trace Patek
Cantor	Ruth Rouse
Lector	Daniel Matula
Extraordinary Ministers	Tony & Joyce Bludau, Scott Sommerlatte, Janice Rother
Rosary Leader	Lucille Klekar
Offertory Gift Bearers	Bernice Schulte
Ushers	Stanley Orsak, Scott Blaschke, Gilbert Mozisek, Marvin Bujnoch
Church Cleaners	Charlene Klekar, Janice Rother, Sue Cinadr
<b>Monday, December 25</b>	<b>12:00 a.m. (Midnight Mass)</b>
Altar Servers	Robbie Perdziak, Rynna Orsak
Cantor	St. Mary's Choir
Lector	Dorothy Schneider
Extraordinary Ministers	Billy Hrcir, Bev Hrcir, Billy Gerke, Megan Klosel
Rosary Leader	
Offertory Gift Bearers	Sciba Family Members
Ushers	Roman Henke, Robert Pustka, Gilbert Urbish, Charles Grafe
Church Cleaners	

\*\*\*If you are unable to serve your Ministry, you are responsible for finding another person to take your place.

**ST. MARY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE –DECEMBER, 2017**

<b>Monday, December 25 9:15 a.m.</b>	
Altar Servers	Dalton Grahmann, Elizabeth Grahmann, Elena Grahmann
Cantor	Pat Mladenka
Lector	Joshua Blaschke
Extraordinary Ministers	Leon Etzler, Nancy Etzler, Edward Pustka, Sandra Pustka
Rosary Leader	Joyce Janak
Offertory Gift Bearers	Ulcak Family Members
Ushers	Leon Matula, Al Svetlik, Francis Klekar, Sidney Jasek
Church Cleaners	
<b>Sunday, December 31 9:15 p.m..</b>	
Altar Servers	Kaitlyn Rother, Kevin Konvicka, Allec Mizera
Cantor	Kelly Rother
Lector	Dedie Dobbs
Extraordinary Ministers	Tony Bludau, Joyce Bludau, Richard Sommerlatte, Vivian Mozisek
Rosary Leader	Laurie Janak Marek
Offertory Gift Bearers	Sitka Family Members
Ushers	Russell Sciba, Robert Sciba, Bernard Patek, Richard Sommerlatte
Church Cleaners	Joyce Janak, Anita Steffek, Helen Technik, Ruth Rouse
<b>Monday, January 1 9:15 a.m.</b>	
Altar Servers	Blake Rother, Jules Janak, Paige Wright
Cantor	Richard Rouse
Lector	Pat Mladenka
Extraordinary Ministers	Leon Etzler, Nancy Etzler, Billy Gerke, Megan Klosel
Rosary Leader	Ruth Rouse
Offertory Gift Bearers	Al Svetlik Family
Ushers	Leon Matula, Al Svetlik, Francis Klekar, Sidney Janak
Church Cleaners	
<b>Sunday, January 7</b>	
Altar Servers	Ryan Hermes, Trace Patek, Ryan Mudd, Wyatt Mudd
Cantor	Laurence Bludau
Lector	Dorothy Schneider
Extraordinary Ministers	Dedie Dobbs, Trina Bludau, Carol Rother, Scott Sommerlatte
Rosary Leader	Sandy Konvicka
Offertory Gift Bearers	Gillar Family Members
Ushers	Stanley Orsak, Scott Blaschke, Gilbert Mozisek, Marvin Bujnoch
Church Cleaners	Katherine Kahanek, Vic Kahanek, Sharon Janak

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