

## SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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**Deacon: The Rev. Mr. Joe Machacek**  
**Deacon: The Rev. Mr. Michael Morkovsky**

**January 10, 2021**

### Mass Intentions

#### **January 10 – Sunday – Baptism of the Lord**

7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish

9:30 a.m. Gus Kubecka

11:30 a.m. Buck Boehm

#### **January 11 – Monday**

12:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of  
Barta and Henke Families

#### **January 12 – Tuesday**

12:00 p.m. Deceased Members of  
Paul & Mary Pekar Family

#### **January 13 – Wednesday**

12:00 p.m. Benji Marcak

#### **January 14 – Thursday**

12:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of  
Paul Leininger Family

#### **January 15 – Friday**

12:00 p.m. Fred Koenning

#### **January 16 – Saturday**

4:00 p.m. Belle Matula and John & Frances Matula

6:00 p.m. Herman & Ann Jaks

#### **January 17 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 a.m. Marvin Kram

9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of  
John & Evelyn Elder Family

11:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish

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### **The Baptism of the Lord** **Gospel Reading - Mark 1:7-11**

In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism; it was a preparation for the Christian Baptism we celebrate today, and through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. In accepting John's baptism, Jesus, though sinless, united himself with all sinners.

The baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus, another epiphany. Jesus' baptism inaugurates his mission. Mark's Gospel moves quickly from the report of Jesus' baptism to Jesus' temptations in the desert to his ministry in Galilee after John's arrest. The end of the ministry of John the Baptist is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. In a similar way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

Surprisingly, on this the last day of the Christmas season, the Gospel does not tell a story from Jesus' childhood. Instead, the Gospel reveals Jesus' relationship to God: The Son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. We believe that through Baptism we are also made children of God.

Source: [www.loyolapress.com](http://www.loyolapress.com)

### **A Vocation Reflection – The Baptism of the Lord**

Is the One who “baptized you with the Holy Spirit” asking you to consider a call to serve as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you think God may be calling you, call Fr. Tommy Chen, 361-552-6140, or Fr. Kristopher Fuchs, 361-573-4328.

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**New Father Kram Books** are being offered for sale at \$20 each. Even though the parish office is temporarily out of stock, a new order for the books should arrive in a couple weeks. You can call 594-3836 and put your name on the waiting list for when they arrive. The new book is entitled, *“Broken and Blessed: Inspirational Words of Wisdom by Father Charles W. Kram, Jr.”* The books are also available at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com). Proceeds benefit his cause for Sainthood.

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**Recognition of Married Couples:** In conjunction with celebrating the Year of the family, we are recognizing and offering a blessing to married couples at the weekend Masses. This weekend we will be recognizing couples married fifty years and over.

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**January Ministry Schedules** are available at the church entrances and on our parish website. Please find a substitute if you are unable to serve when assigned.

**Attention:** Pastoral Council Members and other volunteers will be taking down the Christmas décor in church on Monday, January 11, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. All help will be appreciated!

**Thank You** to everyone who chose angels from the Christmas Angel Tree and purchased a gift for residents of the Shiner Nursing Home. Your kindness and generosity surely brought a smile to the faces of residents there.

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**Altar Society** will meet Tuesday, January 12, at 2:00 p.m. in the PAC. Lunch will be served and safety protocols will be observed. 2021 dues of \$15 for non-hostess members and \$5 for those who serve as a hostess may be paid at the meeting or mailed to Treasurer Mary Rose Barta, 1003 S. Peck St. Shiner, TX 77984.

**The Catholic Daughters** are having a membership drive in January. A reception of new members will take place at their monthly meeting on January 25, 2021. This meeting will also offer a noodle soup supper and trimmings for members. All safety protocols will be followed. Anyone interested in joining CDA is asked to call Marjorie Kresta at 594-2361 or Regent Shirley Nagelmueller at 361-212-3722.

**Monthly and Weekly Year of the Family Initiatives** are listed on the diocesan website: [victoriadiocese.org/year-of-the-family](http://victoriadiocese.org/year-of-the-family). Using the headings of PRAY, EAT and PLAY, all families are encouraged to do activities together.

**For the week of January 10**, the following are suggested activities: **PRAY:** Pray a Hail Mary for all moms. **EAT:** Take pictures of your family while making a meal together. Have some fun while doing it! **PLAY:** Celebrate Jesus' baptism in a fun way!

Everyone is invited to include their personal or family intentions in the diocesan wide digital prayer jar available on the diocesan website. Also, all are encouraged to include these intentions in their daily prayers

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**Religious Education Classes:**

January 13 – RE Family Class B  
January 20 – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Grade  
January 27 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade and Youth Night

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**Church Bulletin Sponsor**

In Memory of Castro and Orosco Families by  
Carlos & Josie Orosco

**Children's Bulletin Sponsor and  
Sanctuary & Adoration Chapel Candles**

Shiner Knights of Columbus Council #3081

**Memorial Candle for the Unborn**

The Martinsen Family

**Vocations Cross**

Trent & Becky Seibert & Family

**There are openings** for January and beyond for bulletin sponsors, candles, and flowers. To book a date, call the parish office at 594-3836, or stop by the office.

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**Update on Soul Core Prayer + Exercise:**

This new program being offered is receiving a positive response to its exercise and prayer routine. While the bodies of the participants are being physically challenged, they are also being spiritually fed. New members are welcome!

FOR INQUIRIES, message The Studio on Facebook or email [theshinerstudio@gmail.com](mailto:theshinerstudio@gmail.com) or call Sharon Patek at the parish office, 594-3836.

To summarize, the Soul Core Rosary workout integrates core strengthening, stretching, and functional movements with the prayers of the Rosary. Movements vary for the Hail Marys, Our Fathers, etc.  
WHEN: Wednesday evenings at 6:45 p.m.  
WHERE: The Studio, Shiner.  
RATES: \$10/class for drop-ins or included with membership at The Studio.

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**Our Gifts to God for December 25-28, 2020**

Envelopes.....	\$22,413.00
Loose Collection .....	\$ 1,546.00
Repair Fund.....	\$ 1,727.00

**Our Gifts to God for January 1-3, 2021**

Envelopes.....	\$ 7,869.00
Loose Collection .....	\$ 510.00
Repair Fund.....	\$ 402.00

❖ **Collection Baskets** are at the entrance/exits of church. Or mail your contributions, leave in drop-box on the parish office door, or use online giving feature on parish website.

**Catholic Life Insurance Catholic Schools Sweepstakes:**

Would you like to win a new 2021 Ford F-150 2021 Ford Focus Sedan or a 2021 Ford F-150 Truck or a \$20,000 Prepaid Visa Card? In addition, each participating school will have a \$1,000 prepaid Visa Card individual winner drawn from tickets sold by their school. For a donation of \$5 per ticket you can enter your name in the sweepstakes. All local sales will directly benefit Shiner Catholic School. The last day to turn in tickets locally is January 29, 2021. The drawing will be held February 12, 2021. Buy tickets from Catholic School students or they are also available at the parish office.

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**Virtual 5K Run for Bethlehem Maternity Home, Victoria:**

This home is the first home of its kind in this area and is expected to be opened in January. It aims to help women in crisis pregnancies in need of stable housing. Donations from this 5K run/fundraiser will help with costs of purchasing furniture, utilities, and upkeep of this much needed new home.

The Office of Pro-Life Ministry of the diocese invites you to make plans to support this project by participating in this fundraiser. The virtual 5K run can take place wherever you wish to walk or run from January 21 – January 29! Suggested donation levels are: individuals, \$15; family, \$25; or donate whatever amount you choose. The registration form is on the diocesan website: <https://www.victoriadiocese.org/pro-life>.

On this website you will find a link that will allow you to make your donation directly to the Bethlehem House for your registration fee. For more details please check out the website. You may also find more information on Bethlehem Maternity Home at their website and FB page.

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**Church and School Memorials:**

In grateful appreciation we wish to acknowledge memorials received in December, 2020

**Church Memorial Fund:**

In memory of Frank Jiral, \$455  
In memory of Raymond Valis, \$80  
In memory of Marvin Adamek, \$450

**Church Repair Fund:**

In memory of Marvin Adamek, \$968

**St. Nicholas Society:**

In memory of Marvin Adamek, \$40

**Shiner Catholic School Memorial Fund:**

In memory of Raymond Valis, \$10  
In memory of Marvin Admek, \$10

**Sunday Mass Obligation:** Only those who have a serious reason for not attending Sunday Mass are exempted from this obligation.

**Other Reminders:** ALL WHO ATTEND MASS ARE TO WEAR A MASK. When receiving Communion, remove mask prior to the priest or minister placing the most Precious Body in your hand, and then replace the mask after consuming the sacred host. People who have any signs of sickness (fever, etc.) should not attend Mass.

**Disinfect:** Help us keep our shared spaces as safe as possible by bringing disinfectant wipes or spray to clean your seating area after Mass. Hand sanitizer is available at church entrances.