SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas
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The Most Rev. Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D., Bishop
Bishop Emeritus David Fellhauer
The Rev. Bryan Heyer, Pastor

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

October 3, 2021

Mass Intentions

October 3 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish
9:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Strakos Family
October 4 – Monday – St. Francis of Assisi
6:30 a.m. A. B. & Laura Strubhart
8:10 a.m. Blessing of Animals at Grotto
October 5 –Tuesday
6:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Vietnamese Dominican Community
October 6 – Wednesday
6:00 p.m. Laddie Kurtz
October 7 – Thursday – Our Lady of the Rosary
6:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Victor & Annie Patek Family
October 8 – Friday
8:10 a.m. Deceased Members of Joseph & Mary Novosad Family
October 9 – Saturday
5:00 p.m. Louis Spann
October 10 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish
9:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Peters & Pustka Families

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Confessions: Saturdays, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

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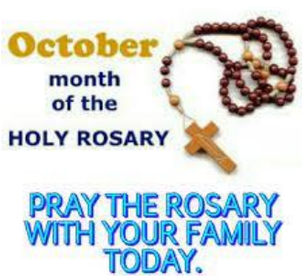

Rosary Month

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary.

When we look at the history of the Rosary, we find that according to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 after he had been praying and doing severe penances because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary praised him for his valiant fight against the heretics and then gave him the Rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses and efficacy, and told him to preach it to others

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!

Diocesan Rosary Congress, October 3-10.

Throughout the diocese, parishes are offering extra times of prayer and adoration. In our parish, we are adding extra hours of prayer in our Adoration Chapel from Friday, October 8, at 5:00 p.m. through Saturday, October 9, at 4:00 p.m. **If you can take an extra hour of prayer at these times, please call Sharon at 594-3836.**

Welcome Reception This Sunday, October 3
After 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. Masses

Everyone is invited to stop by the PAC after the 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. Masses today, Sunday. Come and extend a warm Shiner welcome to Seminarian Joseph Blackburn and the two new Sisters, who are serving in our parish this year, Sister Mary Catherine and Sister Agatha.

Breakfast tacos, coffee and juice will be served in the PAC after the 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. Masses. Stop by for a breakfast treat and a visit!

We have previously heard from Seminarian Joseph and Sister Catherine. This week we feature Sister Agatha.

My name is Sister Agatha Thu Nguyen. It is a great joy for me to share with you my vocation. My first discernment for the religious life was in the summer of 1983 when I met Sister Lucy, a Dominican Sister at the Marian Day in Carthage, Missouri. She invited me to attend their annual "Come and See" Program at Saint Catherine Convent in Houston, TX. I made my decision to come and spend times with the Dominican Sisters in their community to discern my vocation. Living together with the Sisters in their life of prayers, works, and recreation filled me with such happiness. My heart fell in love with Christ and I wanted to be a Sister just like them. Thus, I joined the Dominican Sisters and live with them until now. I enjoy living in community where the sisters and I together live for the glory of God and strive for sanctity each day. My goal is to love God first, then for the salvation of souls. I like to work with children because they are precious gifts from God to me. It is a great honor and pleasure for me to teach here at Shiner Catholic School. I am grateful and a big thank you to Father Bryan Heyer and all the parishioners here in Shiner for your warm welcome. God bless.

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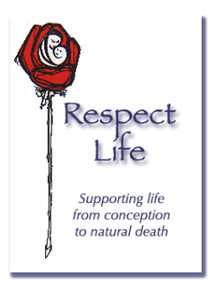

Respect Life

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month,* and the first Sunday of October is observed as *Respect Life Sunday*. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

"Only with prayer—prayer that storms the heavens for justice and mercy, prayer that cleanses our hearts and souls—will the culture of death that surrounds us today be replaced with a culture of life." —U.S. Catholic Bishops,

Life Chain: Everyone is invited to participate in a Life Chain in Victoria today, Sunday, October 3, from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. This is a silent prayer by Christians wanting to communicate the truth about abortion and to stand up for the rights of the unborn. The Life Chain will form on North Navarro from Sam Houston and Magruder to Loop 463. Bring the family and come join in this show of support for the unborn.

Blessing of Animals: In honor of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4, there will be a blessing of animals on Monday at 8:10 a.m. at the outside grotto. All are welcome to bring their pets for this blessing ceremony.

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Donations for Hurricane Victims: There will be a cargo trailer in front of Fr. Bryan's fence that will be used as a collection point for supplies to be sent to Houma, LA as relief from the hurricane. Batteries, tarps, first aid supplies, cleaning supplies, garbage bags, fans and pet food are especially needed. No clothes please. We will be collecting until Friday October 8th. For more information, please contact Jeff Pesek 361.772.3702.

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Adoration Chapel Notice

Adorers are needed in our chapel for the following hours:

- Sundays, 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.
- Tuesdays, 1:00 – 2:00 a.m. (every other week)
- Wednesdays, 1:00 – 2:00 a.m. *(If you can take this hour for only one week occasionally, it would be appreciated.)*

Call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can take an hour.

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Women's ACTS Retreat - **October 7-10** at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center. Registration forms are available in our church, or call Cindy, 512-426-1752, or Bernadette, 361-772-2350

October Ministry Schedules are available in church and on the parish website.
October Calendar of Events is available at the church entrances.

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Flowers on the Altar
In Memory of Herbert & Allen Marek by Family

Church Bulletin Sponsor
In Memory of Gene Pustka by Betty & Marlon Pustka

Children's Bulletin Sponsor
In Memory of Deceased Members of St. Paul High School Class of 1966 on their 55th Reunion

Church Sanctuary Candles
In Memory of Anton & Mary Bujnoch on the Anniversary of their Wedding Date by their Family

Adoration Chapel
In Memory of Bill & Julia Polasek & Billy Polasek
By Cathy Polasek

Memorial Candle for the Unborn
Shiner Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court #1604

Vocations Cross
Keith & Tessa Bowman

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Parish Strudel Bake: Saturday, October 30
At Shiner K.C. Hall

Plans are being made to continue with this parish project just as in past years prior to the pandemic. We will once again be counting on volunteers and your support and generosity to make it a success.
Apples: We expect to use from 60 to 70 boxes of apples. We don't have exact cost of these yet – will know more next week.
Cash Donations of any amount will be appreciated and may be left in collection basket, at parish office or at Patek Grocery.
Pecans: Your donations of shelled pecans will surely be a big help. These may be left at the parish office anytime.
Volunteers will be needed at various hours on Friday evening and most of the day on Saturday. More details will be forthcoming. Mark your calendar and please plan to help with this parish project in any way you can.
Strudel Orders: Unbaked strudels will be $17. Be sure to place all orders by Wed., Oct. 27, by calling the parish office at 361-594-3836, or Margie Kresta at 361-594-2361, or order by email to aduke@sscmshiner.org.
Pick-up of Strudels will be on Sat., Oct. 30, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in drive-thru lines at the K.C. Hall. There will be no out-of-town deliveries.

K.C.'s Sportsman's Giveaway & Fried Chicken, Oct. 10

Shiner K.C.;s Fried Chicken Dinner & trimmings, at K.C. Hall beginning at 10:30 a.m. Tickets are $10 and are available at local merchants. Advance tickets recommended.

K.C.;s are also sponsoring a Sportsman Giveaway, offering 47 prizes, total value of $12,529.75. Tickets are $10 each, or 3 for $25. Prizes will be awarded at the dinner.

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Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes	$ 9,046.00
Loose Collection	$ 694.00
Repair Fund	$ 1,884.00

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Parish Festivals

Oct. 3: Queen of Holy Rosary, Hostyn. Fried chicken & sausage dinner, auction, music, raffle, hamburgers, bingo.
Oct. 3: Sacred Heart, Flatonia. Fried chicken, dressing & sausage dinner; auction, bingo, horseshoe tournament, games.
Oct. 3: St. Roch, Mentz. BBQ beef, pork & sausage dinner; auction, games, bingo, gift card walk, dessert walk, shaved ice.
Oct. 3: St. John, Hungerford. BBQ beef, chicken, sausage dinner; auction & music.
Oct. 10: St. Anthony Church, Columbus. BBQ beef & sausage meal, auctions, games, and all day festivities.
Oct. 10: Panna Maria, Turkey & Dressing Dinner. Bake sale, auction, raffle.
Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory Annual Fall Festival is going Virtual. Auction Bidding: Thurs., Oct. 7, 6 p.m. through Sun., Oct. 10, 3 p.m. Visit www.olvcathedral.com for viewing times for auction items and to purchase raffle tickets.

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The Stevenson Unit Chapel Development Corp. is hosting a Chapel Fund Golf Tournament, Oct. 28 at Victoria Country Club, at 9:00 a.m. The 25 team four-person scramble offers cash prizes. For more information, contact Les Richter at 361-220-1100. Proceeds from the event will be used to fund a multi-purpose Education and Chapel building at Stevenson Prison in Cuero.

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Church and School Memorials:
In grateful appreciation we wish to acknowledge memorials received in September, 2021

Church Memorial Fund:
In memory of Irene Zissa, $260
In memory of Mildred Hayes, $500
In memory of Evelyn Brosh, $205
In memory of Larry Berckenhoff, $70
In memory of Robert Knippenberg, Sr., $5
In memory of Laverne Pekar, $150
In memory of Georgie Juranek, $280
In memory of Dorothy Boehm, $70
In memory of Frank Targac, $130
Church Repair Fund:
In memory of Robert Knippenberg, Sr., $40
In memory of Evelyn Brosh, $10
In memory of Laverne Pekar, $95
In memory of Irene Zissa, $320
In memory of Lillian Wagner, $95
In memory of Frank Targac, $20
In memory of Georgie Juranek, $120
In memory of Dorothy Boehm, $30
Church General Education Endowment Fund:
In memory of Evelyn Brosh, $50
St. Nicholas Society Memorial Fund:
In memory of Laverne Pekar, $25
Shiner Catholic School Memorial Fund:
In memory of Laverne Pekar, $20
In memory of Irene Zissa, $10
In memory of Lillian Wagner, $20
In memory of Georgie Juranek, $20
Altar Society:
In memory of Evelyn Brosh, $20
God's Lil Helpers:
In memory of Laverne Pekar, $25
Shiner Catholic Cemetery Memorial Fund:
In memory of Dorothy Boehm, $155