

# THE WORD THIS WEEK

## PASTOR'S NOTE

### The Year of the Family

Bishop Brendan Cahill has proclaimed a special yearlong celebration, from now until October of 2021, in honor of families, recognizing that families are the domestic church and parents are the first evangelizers of their children. Families have had it hard in 2020 and now is the time to lift them up. Moreover, during the pandemic, it has become obvious that humanity is in need of “families” of support made up of neighbors and friends and every person closest to them to overcome the brokenness and isolation of our world. Not just traditional families but every kind of family needs to be built up and grow in the school of Jesus’ Family of mercy and love.

There’s a saying: “The family that prays together, stays together.” Building on that wisdom, the Diocese is inviting families in this Year of the Family to pray together, eat meals together, share faith-filled conversations together, and have fun together.

This month the theme for the Year of the Family is the Life of Christ in the Rosary, and I want to challenge everyone in this parish to live it. Every day, once a week, or one time this month—fill your mind with thoughts of Jesus with the help of His Blessed Mother in the rosary.

***Sunday, October 11, 2020***

*28th Sunday of Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 25:6-10a

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (6cd)

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

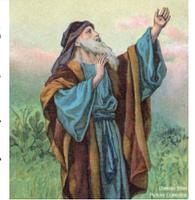
Matthew 22:1-14

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## REFLECTIONS

**“Let us rejoice and be glad.”**

Day after day God reminds us that He is a loving God. He provides everything for us with kindness and compassion, but at the same time He has anger towards those that insist on defying Him.



He’s patient and forgiving but we must listen to him and obey His commands. Isaiah tells His people that He will provide for all of them a feast of rich food and choice wines and destroy death forever. However, the people must acknowledge Him and say “let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us.”

In St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians, he assures us that God will provide for all our needs. “I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.” Philippians 4:19-20

Matthew’s Gospel this week recalls the parable of the King who gave a wedding feast for his son. Initially he tells his servants to bring the invited guests to the feast, but the invited guests refuse to come. After several unsuccessful attempts to recruit guests to his feast, some of the servants are abused and killed. The king is enraged and sends his troops to kill the murderers and destroy their city. He then tells his servants, “The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go and invited to the feast whoever you find. “Many are invited, but few are chosen.”

God is telling us not to ignore His invitation for we will not be chosen for salvation if we do. Listen, obey and live in eternity with him. Will you answer his invitation? Will you be among the few chosen ones? Will you listen and obey? The Feast is ready!

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP

## WHY DO WE DO THAT?

### Questions about the Mass

What is holy water for? And why isn't there any in the fonts around the church? Well, we can't have holy water right now because of the potential to spread the coronavirus with all of us dipping our hands in the same small body of water. But it still is special and important. Normally, holy water is found at the entrances of the church and is used as a preparation for Mass. It is a reminder of our baptism, which is the moment we first entered the "big-C" Church, or the community of Jesus' disciples. Baptism washes away sin, makes us a new creation, makes us children of God, and makes us members of the Body of Christ. It is the doorway to the other sacraments and fullness of life in God. When we bless ourselves (or are doused by Father) with holy water, we should renew our baptismal promises, which involves turning away from sin and placing our faith in the Blessed Trinity. Furthermore, holy water acts as a preparation for Mass because it cleanses us from venial sin and should focus our attention on the heavenly worship of God. Passing through the doors of the church building with the help of holy water is like passing through the doorway that is baptism, or even better, it's like passing through the mystery of Jesus Christ, who is the door and the gate to heaven.



## Mass Intentions

**For the week of October 10 – 16, 2020**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Ammie/Teresa Morales Birthday
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Frank Jr./Elisero Martinez
	10:00 a.m.	Angelita Garcia Lopez
	2:00 p.m.	Stephen Guajardo
	9:00 a.m.	Alfredo Villarreal
	11:00 a.m.	For all Parishioners
Monday	6 p.m.	Sarah Sanchez
Tuesday	6 p.m.	Joe Jimenez
Wednesday	6 p.m.	Mario Campos Jr. Birthday
Thursday	6 p.m.	Lupita Hernandez
Jueves	7 p.m.	For all Parishioners
Friday	6 p.m.	Mario Campos Sr.

### May They Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Baby Loudin Garcia, Baby Kaylan Jayce Lara, Theresa Metting and Jesse Vasquez. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace and may their families find comfort in Jesus.

The sanctuary candle  
burns in memory of  
F.G. Trevino family  
By the Cano Family



YEAR OF THE FAMILY

*Pray*

*Eat*

*Play*

**Eucharistic Procession  
in Celebration of the Ro-  
sary Congress and  
Year of the Family**

October 11, 2020  
Beginning at 5 p.m.

Procession will begin at Our Lady of Lourdes, proceed to DeLeon Plaza and St. Mary's, and then end at Our Lady of Sorrows

## BAPTISM

**The Sacrament of Baptism** will be celebrated on October 18th in Spanish and on the 25th in English. Contact the office to schedule baptisms.

# PARISH FINANCES

## PLEASE GIVE ONLINE!

Thank you for signing up for online giving. For those that haven't signed up yet and would like to, we invite you to do so. To give online, you can do so by clicking on this link on our website and that will take you straight to Pushpay. Donate by typing: <https://pushpay.com/g/olsvictoria>. You can also type "olsvictoria" to 77977 and get started right from your smartphone! We understand that many people are struggling as well right now and we are grateful for your contributions.



"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." Corinthians 9:7



We now accept Major Credit Cards. Please feel free to pay for Masses, Candles, Weddings, etc., or make your donation with your Credit Card.

**PLEASE SEND US  
YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING**

## OUR WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT

### FOR THE WEEK ENDING ON

October 4, 2020

	OLS	ST
1st Collection	5,480.71	2,043.00
Debt Reduction	2,348.00	206.00
DSA—(Loose) 2nd	1,347.00	438.81
Children's Collection	0	0
Church Maintenance	5.00	0
Mass Intentions	0	0
Candle Sales (Office)	20.00	0
Candles (Church)	100.00	22.00
Sanctuary Lamp	15.00	0
Quinceñera	337.50	0
Donations (DSA)	1,500.00	0
Funerals	1,000.00	0

### Online Giving :

Tithes	1,567.00	20.00
Debt Reduction	215.00	0
<b>SUBTOTALS</b>	<b>13,935.21</b>	<b>2,729.81</b>

### Special Collections :

Catholic Education	255.00	20.00
Seminary Education	0	0
Rentals	0	0
<b>SUBTOTALS</b>	<b>255.00</b>	<b>20.00</b>

**GRAND TOTALS** 14,190.21 2,749.81

Thank you for your many gifts, heavenly Father. In the Name of Jesus, accept this offering, anoint it with your Spirit, and multiply it for your honor and glory.

# FAITH FORMATION

## ADULT FORMATION

### Catholicism 101—RCIA

Need Sacraments? Want to Learn?

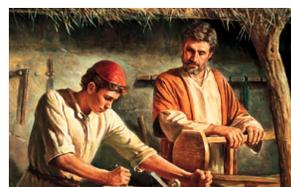
October 21st, please join us for Mass at 6 p.m. at OLS followed by the Class at Trinity Hall. All are invited to join us, especially those who would like to receive his/her sacraments or would like to become catholic. Come nurture your faith and grow your discipleship to Jesus Christ in His Holy Catholic Church.

### Men's Group

Join the men of the parish in a consecration to St. Joseph. Meetings are after the 6 p.m. Mass on Thursdays in the Guadalupe Center. Consecration day is November 1, All Saints Day.

### Formacion Cristiana — RICA

22 de Octubre en la Capilla de Santísima Trinidad, después de la Misa de las 7 p.m. Todos están invitados a unirse a nosotros, especialmente aquellos que necesitan sus sacramentos, les gustaría ser católicos o gustan crecer en su fe. Venga a nutrir su fe y crecer en su discipulado a Jesucristo en su Santa Iglesia Católica.



**"COMMUNIO" 33rd ANNUAL**  
**CATHOLIC CONFERENCE (Conferencia Catolica Anual)**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2020**

Please visit the Diocese of Victoria Website for complete details on this super conference. Session will be in English and Spanish. Limit space available, so please register early.

Rejístrese y Elija sus talleres en su idioma preferido. Para mas informacion llame a Christella Alvarez @ 361 827-7171

## YOUTH FORMATION

### CCD Has Started!

Sundays at 12:30 p.m. in the CCD Building and Ending with Mass at 2 p.m.

Children who do not come to Mass with parents or guardians will not be able to continue in the Faith Formation program

### Family Life Wednesdays

Everyone is invited to spend some time in prayer on Wednesdays throughout the school year. This will be a great way to form the whole family in the faith. Remember, the family that prays together, stays together! Mass at 6 p.m. and exposition of the Eucharist afterwards. Some nights have a target age but all are welcome.

Come join us!

- 1st Wed—Family Life Rosary for all ages
- 2nd Wed—High School Adoration for grades 6-12
- 3rd Wed—Divine Mercy Chaplet for all ages
- 4th Wed—Children's Adoration for grades 1-5
- 5th Wed—Family Life Rosary for all ages



# NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Memorial Mass at Resurrection Cemetery

REGULAR SATURDAY MASS AND CONFESSIONS CANCELLED

Date: Saturday, October 31, 2020  
Time: 4 p.m.

Blessing of the graves will take place immediately after the mass.

## MEMORIAL ALTARS – OFRENDAS

All Souls Day (Dia de los Muertos) Nov. 2, 2020

If you wish to set up an Altar at the church, please call the office and sign up. Areas will be assigned for each altar. We will follow OLS guidelines and respect the reverence of the church at all times. Altars will be set up Wednesday, Oct. 21st, between 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. or Thursday, Oct. 22nd, between 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. and must be taken down on October 3rd. This is a beautiful tradition. We have had hundreds of people visit the Altars displayed in the past. Please help us keep this tradition safe, reverent and one everyone can enjoy.

The ritual of the Altars are made in remembrance and honoring deceased friends and family.

El ritual tiene como objeto honrar y celebrar la vida de los antepasados, de los Muertos queridos.



## UPDATING PARISHIONER RECORDS

Please help us update your records. We need current phone numbers, addresses and changes of members in your household to better serve your needs. Thank you for submitting your information to:  
[jmrubio@ourladyssorrows.org](mailto:jmrubio@ourladyssorrows.org)



**Holy Day of Obligation**  
Sunday, November 1, 2020

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers, welcome back to your regular schedule. Please remember to follow COVID-19 guidelines and stay safe. Thank you for your service to our parish community. If you have any questions regarding your ministry, please contact the ministry leader. We are very grateful to all of you for your support in everyone's safe return home.

## Knights of Columbus Pork Steak Lunch

Come support this very worthy cause and enjoy a delicious meal!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – COUNCIL #8388**

## Pork Steak Lunch



Sunday, October 25, 2020

OLS Trinity Hall

Pork Steak w/  
Green Beans & German Potatoes  
\$10 per Plate

Serving 10:30 am to 2:00 pm

**TAKE OUT ONLY**

**No. 0253**

Our Lady of Sorrows y  
La Capilla de  
Santísima Trinidad

invite you to  
join us in  
our spiritual  
journey.

*Faith, Hope, Love*