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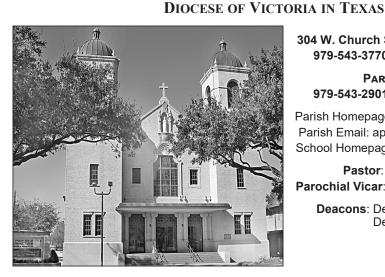
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<u>Sacrament of Baptism:</u> Please inform the Parish office at least six months before due date. Further instructions and baptismal materials will be provided at the Parish office.

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<u>Ministry to the Sick and Homebound:</u> Call the Parish office when a family member is sick and would like a visit or would like to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick.

<u>New Parishioners and Status:</u> Welcome to St. Philip Parish! Call or come by the Parish office to register. Also notify us when moving out of the parish or when you have a change of family status and address.

	Mass Intentions August 14 – August 20		
MON	8:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	+ Victor Knebel, Diane Fregia +Charles Sr. and Marie Ur- banovsky, Charles UrbanovskyJr.	
TUE	8:15 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	+ Betty Corbett Parishioners Intentions + Edward and Albina Ondrias	
WED	1:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Priest Intention +Jeffrey Kachmar/ Installation Mass for <i>Fr. Dalton</i> as Pastor	
THU	8:00 a.m.	+ Allen Bubela	
FRI	8:15 a.m.	+ Johnnie Marek	
SAT	5:00 p.m.	+ Lorraine Cranek	
SUN	7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	+ Richard and Gloria Slovak, Rick Slovak + Jeanette Novak Parishioners Intentions	



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time...

Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

- Psalm 85:12

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR AUG 19 & AUG 20

SATURDAY- 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Cecilia Polasek Cantor: Richard Raun

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Hospitality: Steven and Wendy Korenek Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

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SUNDAY 7:00 a.m.

Lector: William Rek

Altar Servers: Caroline Kelly, Madilyn Kelly, Allie Zalman Hospitality: Zachary Edwards (Need Volunteer) Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Linda Bolcik, Lisa Bubela, Jason Zalman

· <u>SUNDAY</u>— 10:00 a.m. Lector: Judy Barrett, Paul Barrett

Cantor: Diane Bard

Altar Servers: Duncan Harris, Evelyn Harris, (Need Vol-

unteer)

Hospital/Meridian: Dale Kight

Hospitality: Bruce Allgayer, James Holik Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Jan Dornak, Madysen Korenek, Kevin Pavlas, Romona Ste-

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SUNDAY- 6:00 p.m.

Lector: Riley Wallis Cantor: Jenna Holik

Altar Servers: Adde Key, Clare Key, Bennett Key

Hospitality: Need Volunteers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Lynn Cox (Need Volunteer)

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 13, 2023

A Message From Our Pastor

I am writing this to you from somewhere over the Atlantic Ocean! It is Wednesday, August 9th.

Obrigado! This is Portuguese for, thank you. But, its meaning, as I learned over these past days, is a bit different from our own concept of gratitude. While it does capture the sense of appreciation for hospitality, kindness, or services rendered, it goes deeper. The way in which the people of Portugal say, "thank you," "obrigado," expresses a commitment to pass along the favor, to let the goodness we have experienced be given to the next people we will encounter. It is a simple thing; but imagine the impact it would have, if we all took seriously a pledge to pay it forward.

In particular, I think of our final words at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, "Thanks be to God." As a kid, I remembered thinking these words were almost like a sigh of relief that Mass was finally over! It still makes me chuckle from time to time.

But really, and especially reflecting on the word, "obrigado," what we proclaim at the end of Mass is a pledge to take what we have received through the Word and the Eucharist out into our town, into our world, to the people we will come into contact with this next week, until we come back to that throne of grace, the foot of the Cross, the holy altar. These days away from St. Philip's have given me an opportunity to reflect on our time together thus far. All I can say to you is, "obrigado!" Thank you, thank you, thank you! I pray each person I have encountered on this journey has received some of the graciousness, care, and love you have given me.

A reminder: *Bishop Cahill* will be with us on Wednesday, August 16th, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass, which will be in the main church, to install me as the pastor of St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church. I do hope you and your family will join us.

The speakers of the new sound system are installed. Now we are only waiting for, "the mother board," which is still on back order, but once installed will bring the whole new state-of-the-art, custom designed sound system to life! They will then remove the old sound system, currently suspended from the ceiling. Please, bear with us, it will be worth it!

A final note, we are allowing the baptismal font to completely dry out, giving us an ideal assessment of the state of the wooden structure behind the tile. Work on that project is scheduled to begin August 21st.

Obrigado, - Fr. Dalton

REMEMBER IN PRAYERPray For The Sick...

Annabelle Van Deursen, Anton Tupa, Dolores Priesmeyer, Melody Macha, Milton & Henrietta Machacek, Kristen Lezak, Abby Goerig, Carly Walker, Lisa Respondek Holt, Helen Hicks, Leonard Hubenak, Jennifer Martin, Irene Sedlock, Brandy Kubena, Eugene Graham, Cindy Junek, Bill Culver, Carl Siglock, Shirley McMahon, Cindy Schmidt, Edith Farish, Kristi Baker, Joy Roppolo, Lorrie Goodman, L. C. Koehne Jr., Lawrence Korenek, Linda Vaclavick, Sandra Munoz, Frank Kacal, Cindy Blaha, Kim Underwood, Vicky Pavlu, Margaret Waters, Rickie Wiesner, Gail Zaruba, Kim Peikert, Douglas Hansen, Sue Maxwell, Frances Kappelmann, Crawford Leonard, Austin Tice, Pat Cunningham, Gary Holub, Daisy Zella, Laura Thane, Larry Livanec, Blair Ross Couey Jr., Barbara Junek, Darrell Nohavitza, Dorothy Faas, Walter and Stephanie Stepan, Louise Kubena, Billy Berry, Stephen Gaines, Gerald Ripple, Regina Kaspar, Calynne Reckaway, Ginger McMasters Preite, John Scogin, Amelia Lyford, Betty Hlavinka, Jesse Wheeler, Candace Janecka, Douglas "Bubba" Dornak, Elaine Janik, Wayne Bard, Albert Socha, Clifton Bram, Alvin Merta, Dolores Resendez, Patsy Mican Smith, Melodie Kacal, Larry Grubbs, Eleanor Mican and the homebound.

FIRST READING - Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. The foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants— all who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

SECOND READING - Romans 11:13-15,29-32

Brothers and sisters: I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them. For if to the dog their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have that hour.

now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

GOSPEL - Matthew 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.

Key Scriptural Passage...

Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?"

-Matthew 14:31

Questions for Discussion:

Adult: When have you doubted God's loving care for you? **Child:** What helps you keep trying even when you are afraid?

Readings For The Week (Aug 14 - Aug 19)

Monday......Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday.....Rv 11:19; 12:1-6,10/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday....Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday.....Jos 3:7-10,11,13-17/Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday.....Is 6:1-3,6,8-9/Lk 4:16-22
Saturday....Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15

Prayer for Rain... Almighty God, we are in need of rain. We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky, 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 made glad. Amen.

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Pray For Our Seminarians:

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Let us support our bulletin advertisers and encourage others to do the same **Pro-Life Corner...** The fetus, though enclosed in the womb of its mother, is already a human being and it is a monstrous crime to rob it of the life which it has not yet begun to enjoy. If it seems more horrible to kill a man in his own house than in a field, because a man's house is his place of most secure refuge, it ought surely to be deemed more atrocious to destroy a fetus in the womb before it has come to light.

Church Picnics in the Area...

August 15 - Praha picnic. Fried chicken and stew dinner at 11:00 a.m. \$14.00 per plate. Dine in or plates to go. Bingo, cake walk, country store, games, and raffle.

August 20 - St. Andrew summer festival at the St. Andrew parish hall in Hillje. Prime beef bbq and homemade sausage dinner with all the trimmings. \$13.00 per plate. Dine in or plates to go. Auction, country store, cake and plant wheel, games for the kids, and raffle drawing.

A Word From Pope Francis...Having faith means keeping your heart turned to God, to His love, to His Fatherly tenderness, amid the storm. Jesus wanted to teach this to Peter and the disciples, and also to us today. In dark moments, in sad moments, He is well aware that our faith is weak.

Flowers - August 13

Main Altar and Ambo: Flowers given by Ivy Supak, Dianne Appling, Joseph Liska, and Charlene Borak.

St. Joseph Altar: In loving memory of *Roland Kacal* given by Romona, Amy and Clint.

Pray For Those Serving In The Military and Law Enforcement

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Invite someone to Join the Catholic Church...

The next inquiry class for those seeking information about baptism, or making a profession of faith in the Catholic Church, Have you thought about will begin in September in the Sacred Heart Room. This is the time to invite others to join us around the table of God's Word and Altar. Call the parish office at 543-3770 or Paul Barrett at 713-598-0790 for more information.



Adorers Needed: We are needing adorers for Wednesday from 2:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m., and Thursday from 1:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Please pray and answer God's call. For more information, call Janet Holub at 543-6130.

St. Philip School Catholic Super Prize Drawing Winner for August 4 is Kenneth and Renee Staff.

The St. Philip School Booster Club will have their catered meal fundraiser of grilled pork steaks, buttered potatoes, green beans and bread (catered by Slade Stary) on Sunday, August 27, 2023 from 11:00-12:30. Pickup at St. Philip Parish Hall. \$13 per plate Tickets can be purchased through any SPS student or at the school office.

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Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary...

The Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It is a dogma of the Catholic faith that Mary is the Immaculate Conception; that is, in preparation for the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity in her womb, she was conceived without the corruption of sin through the infinite merits of her Son, Jesus Christ.

Over the centuries, as saints and theologians reflected on how Mary pondered and treasured the sacred events from the life of Christ in her holy heart, as attested in Scripture, her pure heart was recognized as something to be imitated. Devotion to Our Lady's purity of heart began to flower, so much so that in the 17th Century St. John Eudes promoted it alongside the Sacred

The devotion rose to a new level after the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, when Mary revealed an image of her Immaculate Heart to Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco.

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Join us for Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point as we explore the fundamental questions of our Catholic faith and our relationship with Jesus Christ.



Tuesday Evenings beginning September 12th Mikeska Fellowship Center - 6:00-7:30 p.m. Questions? Contact Linda Bolcik (979) 541-3172 or Angie Socha (979) 541-6385

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Monday Mornings beginning September 11th St. Philip's Meeting Room - 10:00-11:30 a.m. Questions? Contact Dot Hermansen (979) 541-3023 or Rita Hancock (979) 541-7475



Strength for the Journey

Coping with the death of a child is very difficult. Parents are in a Grief Ministry for Parents who have lost their child place they have never been before, often overwhelmed by the

grief that follows. Grief does not end in a prescribed number of days, weeks, months or years. We are a group of parents who have lost a child, and will walk this grief journey with you whether your loss is recent or in the past.

Monthly meetings take place from 6:30-8:00 pm at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, 108 S. 6th Street, Ganado.

Meetings include the opportunity to pray, listen to presentations by clergy and other parents who have lost a child, and meet others on the grief journey. Participants are not required to share anything, and may just remain silent and listen if they'd like.

Upcoming Meeting Dates: Sept 12, Nov 14, and Dec 12, 2023.

Please also save the date for a weekend retreat Oct. 13 -15, 2023 at the Spiritual Renewal Center in Victoria. information, please contact Patricia Hoelscher 979-257-9984, phoelscher@victoriadiocese.org Or Deacon Larry Hoelscher 979-578-3934

Caregiver Support Group... The Emmaus Center will begin 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 9:00 a.m. 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.

Calendar of Events...

Monday, August 14

- Men's Bible study at 6:00 a.m. - Meeting House.

Tuesday, August 15

- Parish office closed.
- Upper room prayer group will meet at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 16

- Installation Mass at 5:30 pm. for *Fr. Dalton* as Pastor of St. Philip Church with Bishop Brendan Cahill.

August 15 - The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 14, and 8:15 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR AUG 14 & AUG 15 MONDAY- 7:00 p.m.

Lector: Dot Hermansen, Ceci Triska

Cantor:

Altar Servers: Elizabeth Juranek, Michael Rodriguez, Allie

Zalman, Paul Juranek (Thurifer)

Hospitality: Gerry Mikeska, Jimmie Triska **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Duane Korenek, Veronica Marek, Kevin Pavlas, Jason Zal-

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TUESDAY- 8:15 a.m.

Lector: School Altar Servers: School Hospitality: School

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

School Ministry

TUESDAY - 12:10 p.m.

Lector: Tish McAlister, Irene Nohavitza

Cantor:

Altar Servers: School

Hospitality:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Margaret Anderson, Need Volunteer

TUESDAY - 6:45 p.m.

Lector: Jim Van Antwerp, Glenn Frels

Cantor:

Altar Servers: Jade Thibeaux, Judy Thibeaux, Matthew

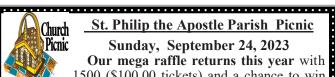
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Kimberly Couvillion, Mike Couvillion, John Hancock, Rita

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...Installation Mass for Fr. Dalton... As Pastor of St. Philip Church With Bishop Brendan Cahill On Wednesday, August 16 at 5:30 p.m.



St. Philip the Apostle Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 24, 2023

Our mega raffle returns this year with 1500 (\$100.00 tickets) and a chance to win some really great prizes.

Sponsorship opportunities are as follows:

Each \$500.00 sponsor will receive two free \$100.00: raffle tickets; each \$1000.00 sponsor will receive four free raffle tickets; each \$1500.00 sponsor will receive six free raffle tickets; each \$3000.00 sponsor will receiver twelve raffle tickets and each \$6000.00 sponsor will : receive twenty-four raffle tickets.

The St. Philip parish picnic mega raffle tickets are ready to sell. You may come by the parish office if you would like to purchase or sell the tickets.

Sponsorships: M/M Randal Hildebrand, Irene Nohavitza, M/M Tommy Turner, EC Monuments and Memorials,(Chris & Tami Triska) M/M Mike Holub, M/M Edmund Weinheimer Jr., M/M Richard Raun, M/M Donald Sutton, M/M Jim Van Antwerp, M/M Leon Macha, M/M Terry Brandl, M/M Jimmy Roppolo, Betty Konvicka, M/M Mike Kennedy, EC Refrigeration, Gulf Coast Ready Mix, M/M Jonathan Kulak

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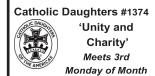
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A Prayer on the Feast of Mary's Assumption...Aug 15

HOLY Mother Mary, we all rejoice with you today on the feast of your glorious Assumption into heaven. Long ago in the Garden of Eden, our first parents, Adam and Eve, were told they would have to earn their bread in the sweat of their brow and that the earth would be cursed, bringing forth thorns and thistles. Now, after Christ our Redeemer has come, and taught us how to make use of the thorns and thistles of this life, and turn them into blessings, you, like Him, have been taken up body and soul into heaven. There, with your divine Son, you await our coming, and prepare a place for us. Mother Mary, it is a great comfort to us to realize that your precious body, the tabernacle of the infant Christ, is now in heaven with Him. Your being taken into heaven is also, like the resurrection of Christ's body, a pledge to us of the resurrection of our own bodies. It is wonderful to think that these hands, with which we earn our bread now in the sweat of our brow, will, because of the merits of Christ, one day, with our bodies, be glorified forever in heaven. O most pure Virgin Mary, help us to realize this as we go about our work from day to day. Help us to have great respect for these bodies of ours, and for those of others because we recognize in them the temple of the Holy Spirit, and because we look forward to seeing each other, body and soul, with you and your Son Jesus Christ forever in heaven. Amen.

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