

Saint Philip The Apostle Catholic Church

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Diocese of Victoria in Texas

November 16, 2025 • Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, First Saturday 8:00 a.m.
 Wednesday 5:30 p.m.
 Friday during School Season 8:15 a.m.
 Saturday (Vigil of Sunday) 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.
 Holy Days (check the Bulletin)

Perpetual Adoration and Rosary

Perpetual Adoration Monday 8:30 a.m. until Friday 5:00 p.m.
 Rosary 30 minutes before 5:00 P.M. Saturday Evening Mass
 and 7:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.; Saturday 3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.;
 by appointment and season schedule during Advent and Lent.

Weekday Mass Readings for the Week of November 17

Monday	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday	2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday	1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44
Friday	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday	1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:00 pm
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Christ the King Eucharistic Procession

Everyone is invited to our 8th annual Christ the King procession on Sunday, November 23 beginning at 3:00 pm. Shuttles will be provided so that you may leave your vehicles at St. Robert Church and get shuttled to St. Philip Church where the procession will begin. We will process from St. Philip Church to St. Robert Church with the Blessed Sacrament. We will end the procession with the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Robert. Afterwards, we will have a meal in honor of Christ the King. Please bring a covered dish or dessert item. They can be dropped off before the procession at St. Robert's Hall. May we continue to pray for all the permanent diaconate candidates of the Diocese of Victoria, for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and for Christ to be King of our lives.



Parish School:
Phone #: 979-543-2901
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Upcoming events in & around our Parish:

A message from Holy Cross Cemetery

A kind reminder to please pick up all of the things from All Soul's Day. The rules & Regulations state 1 flower arrangement and 1 perpetual light or 1 religious solar light placed at the headstone



Spend time with Jesus the graces are amazing!

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



Pro-Life Corner... "Why do we have so much child abuse today? It is because we have devalued human beings and children in particular. We have destroyed them by the millions in the womb; we are now moving toward destroying them after they are born." Dr. D. James Kennedy

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Every Thursday at 5pm we will have a Holy Hour for Vocations in the Sacred Heart Chapel.



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American Flags have been purchased and flag holders have been constructed for Holy Cross Memorial Park to be flown on recognized patriotic days during the year. Thank you to the generous donors who helped make this possible: Rioux Hardware, Glen & Lachelle Pasak & family, Josh & Laura Glaze & family, Kirk Sary, E.A. Collins & Sons, Lawrence & Dee Ann Bacak, Craig & Renee Terrell, Mary Phillips, Mike & Nancy Ryan, Wyatt Prasek, Pierson Prasek, Fr. Dalton Ervin.

Lectors... Please pick up your 2026 lector workbook in the sacristy.

Our next POP (Parents of Prayer) meeting will be Nov. 24 at 5:30 pm in Room 1 of the school. Come and receive some Advent ideas for your family!

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KJT SOCIETY #84 BAKE SALE

KJT will hold their annual bake sale on Saturday, Nov. 22 after the 5:00 pm Mass and Sunday, Nov. 23 after the 7:00 am and 10:00 am Masses.

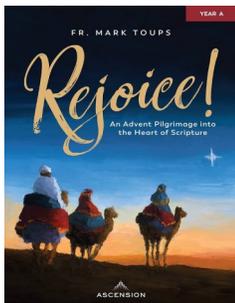
Proceeds from the bake sale will benefit the St. Philip School academic program, and the KJT Priest and Religious Retirement Fund.



LADIES BIBLE STUDY - ADVENT

God invites you experience a more peaceful, more joyful and meaningful Advent than ever before. *Rejoice! An Advent Pilgrimage into the Heart of Scripture, Year A*, is a prayer resource offering daily reflections on the Sunday mass readings that will help you enter more deeply into the season of Advent. As you slow down and meditate on the readings each week, you'll find your experience of Advent transformed. By contemplating the coming of the Prince of Peace at Christmas, you'll find your own heart filled by his peace and joy.

Dates: Tuesdays, beginning Nov. 25th
Time: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Mikeska Fellowship Center
For more information contact: Linda Bolcik-(979) 541-3172 or lbolcik@sbcglobal.net



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Bake Sale

Our Lady Queen of the Clergy, Court #1990 will be having a Pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale Tuesday, November 25, 2025. Located at Holy Family Life Center in Wharton. The sale begins at 7:30 am until sold out. Proceeds used for local scholarships and designated local charities. For more information contact: Eleonor Schunka 979-532-1466.



The Knights of Columbus Wharton Council #3262 is selling BBQ Ribs and Hams for Thanksgiving.

Pre-Sale Only—Drive Thru Only

- ◆ Rack of Ribs \$30 each
- ◆ Ham (Plain) \$40 each
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Last day to place order is Sunday, November 23, 2025.

Contact Richard 979-533-0428 or Binky 979-358-0574 or Marvin 979-282-1551. Pick up at the Wharton KC Hall on Wednesday, November 26, 2025 between 11:00am and 1:00pm

Wreaths Across America...

Sponsor A Wreath Today 2025 Nation Remembrance Ceremony December 13, 2025

This is the 13th year for the Wreaths Across America event. "The goal of Wreaths Across America is to place wreaths on all fallen veterans' graves across the United States." The Elks Lodge in El Campo #1749 is very honored and privileged to carry out this "Mission" with the Wreaths Across America program. To order a wreath to be placed on a Veteran's grave at any cemetery (in our area) please contact Roy Schulz at 918-360-1159 or 918-348-4404 or email roy.schulz@outlook.com. **The deadline to purchase a wreath is**

Thursday, Nov. 20. There is a \$17.00 fee for each wreath. Wreath laying ceremony will be held at 11:00 am on December 13, 2025 at El Campo Elks Lodge #1749, 3030 N. Mechanic Street; El Campo, Tx.



Next Sunday Readings November 23, 2025

FIRST READING - 2 Samuel 5:1-3

In those days, all the tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron and said: "Here we are, your bone and your flesh. In days past, when Saul was our king, it was you who led the Israelites out and brought them back. And the Lord said to you, 'You shall shepherd my people Israel and shall be commander of Israel.'" When all the elders of Israel came to David in Hebron, King David made an agreement with them there before the Lord, and they anointed him king of Israel.

SECOND READING - Colossians 1:12-20

Brothers and sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is

the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

GOSPEL - Luke 23:35-43

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews." Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Pastoral Care Information

Sacrament of Baptism:

- ◇ Please inform the Parish office at least six months before due date. Further instructions and baptismal materials will be provided at the Parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage:

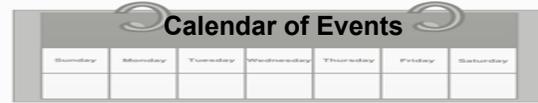
- ◇ Please register at the parish office as soon as possible, but at least six months prior to anticipated date.

Ministry to the Sick, Homebound and Hospital:

- ◇ 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. **If anyone has a family member or a friend that would like to receive communion on Sunday that is in El Campo Memorial Hospital, please call the rectory at 543-3770.**

New Parishioners and Status:

- ◇ 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.



Monday, November 17

- * Men's Bible study at 6:00 am - Meeting House.
- * Bible study group session at 10:00 am - Meeting House.
- * CDA meeting at 6:30 pm - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, November 18

- * Upper room prayer group will meet at 5:30 pm.
- * Women's bible study at 6:00 pm - Fellowship Hall.
- * Legion of Mary meeting at 6:30 pm - Meeting House.

Wednesday, November 19

- * CCE Grades K-12 at 6:30 pm
- * The Privilege of Being Catholic class at 6:30 pm in the Meeting House.

Sunday, November 23

- * Christ the King Procession at 3:00 pm

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