

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays: Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sundays: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays: 12:05 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Preparation program is held on every 3rd Sunday of the month, 2:00-5:00 p.m. in Activity Center.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

A minimum of six months advance notice is required to complete arrangements for pre-marital preparation.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)
Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. or the after weekday noon mass or by appointment at any time.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Please call the rectory and ask for a priest.

HOLY COMMUNION IN THE HOME

We bring the Body of the Lord to the sick and shut-ins of the parish on Fridays. Please call the Parish Office any time you wish to be included.

BULLETIN NEWS
We welcome news for our parish bulletin; by 12:00 noon Monday.

NEW PARISHIONERS
Welcome to St. Mary's Parish Family. Please phone or come by the Parish Office to let us know you have arrived. You can register online at www.stmvictoria.org.

"For everyone
who exalts
himself will be
humbled, but the
one who humbles
himself will
be exalted."

Luke 14:11



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Sunday, September 1, 2019, Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary time

- 1) Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29
- 2) Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a
- 3) Luke 14:1,7-14

FOCUS: Today we continue last week's focus on inclusion in God's kingdom. The difference today is that now we are the ones being called upon to be inclusive. Whom do we welcome at the banquet table of our lives? May our prayer today be for the grace of humility so that we can welcome any and all whom Christ himself would welcome.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: Today's Gospel is not about our dinner parties; it is a metaphor for how we interact with others in our lives. The first reading's message about humility sets the stage for the Gospel reading. As we hear God's holy word today, let us listen for the message that we need to hear about whom we welcome into the banquet of our own lives.

Sunday, September 8, 2019 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Times

- 1) Wisdom 9:12-18b
- 2) Philemon: 9-10, 12-17
- 3) Luke 14: 25-33

The Parish Office and Adoration Chapel will be closed on Monday, September 2. There will be only one Mass at 12:05 p.m. on September 2.

**St. Mary's 2020 Parish Festival
Sunday February 9, 2020**

The theme of the festival will be in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. At this time we are asking for monetary donations for the **Raffle**, and jewelry for the **jewelry booth**. If you have questions, please call Kevin or Joan Pfister - 576-9638.

THERE WILL BE A TRAINING SESSION FOR New and Current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Thursday September 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. If you are unable to attend, there will be another session Saturday, September 21 at 10:00 a.m. Call the Office at 573-4328 to sign up or for more information.

CCD year 2019-20 has began! Class time is 6:00 - 7:15 pm, please be on time. We need ALL parents/guardians to check their child in and make sure the registration form is properly filled out.
Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25 - class dates

Save the Date - The Nazareth Academy Fall Festival is coming soon! It will be held Sun., Oct. 6, at the Victoria Community Center. Traditional turkey and dressing, with all the trimmings, will be served from 11:00 – 2:00 for \$10 per plate. Plates-to-go will begin at 10:30 AM. There is a raffle, silent auction, live auction, games and so much more! Come join the fun and support our awesome Catholic school! We appreciate your support!

**Office of Catechetical Ministry
32nd Annual Catholic Conference**

Saturday, October 19, 2019

Location: St. Joseph High School, Victoria

Theme: Embracing God's Family

Keynote Speaker: Mrs. Lucia Baez Luzondo, J.D.

attorney and co-founder of Family Renewal Ministries, Inc.

For the first time ever, the conference will be held at St. Joseph High School in Victoria. The campus is spacious and very accommodating for this diocesan event. Additional information can be found on the diocesan

website: www.victoriadiocese.org or by

contacting Christella Alvarez or Brunilda Ortiz at

St. Mary's Altar Society will meet on Monday, September 9 at 2:00 p.m. in the Hall. New members and guests are welcome.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 31

4:00 †Freda Kolle

Sunday, September 1, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 People of the Parish

10:30 Bette Barclay Henderson

Monday, September 2

12:05 †Carl Szafranski

Tuesday, September 3, Saint Gregory the Great

12:05 †Fr. Dan Morales

Wednesday, September 4

12:05 †Dennis Ohrt

Thursday, September 5

12:05 †Edwin Orsak

Friday, September 6

12:05 †Matthew Bednorz

Saturday, September 7

4:00 Larry & Linda Luna's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, September 8, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Sister Mary Juroske

10:30 People of the Parish

LECTORS

Saturday, September 7

4:00 p.m. Denise Bednorz

Sunday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Shane Morris

10:30 a.m. Clem Cantu

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, September 7

4:00 p.m. Becky Coleman, Judy Jabbour, Emily Migl, Diana Starnes

Sunday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Libby Ramirez, Howard Pagel, Geraldine Jurica, Michael Cuellar

10:30 a.m. Judy Gilley, Cynthia Brewer, Dee Garza, Lucinda Cavazos

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, September 7

4:00 p.m. Denise Gainer, Frank Smolka, Frieda Stubbs, Mike McCauley

Sunday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Roy Jurica, Paul Janacek, Bohumil Vrana, Stella Silva

10:30 a.m. Greg Brewer, John Cavazos, Dennis & Linda Lala

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, September 7

4:00 p.m. Tanner C.

Sunday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Mariah, Alexa & Gianna M.

10:30 a.m. Eduardo R. & Sofia V.

Victoria Christian Assistance Ministries

(VCAM) VCAM has only one fund raiser a year where it sells raffle tickets. Your support by purchasing tickets, help ensure food and basic needs are available for those in need. Purchase your tickets in the church office now.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP
AUGUST 24-25**

Sunday Collection.....	\$2,632.00
Loose Collection.....	\$1,004.13
On-line giving.....	\$ 605.00
Total.....	\$ 4,241.13

Adoration Chapel needs adorers

The Adoration Chapel needs adorers of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 9 – 10 a.m. and Fridays from 3 – 4 p.m. The Friday 10 a.m. hour will need a temporary adorer during the summer. If you need a quiet place to pray, please feel free to come to the chapel at one of these 'open' hours.

If you would like to sign up, please call the church office (361) 573-4328 or Cindy Brewer (361) 571-6510. Upon signing up you will receive the code for the door. Thank you for prayerfully considering this devotion.

"The time I have spent before the tabernacle is the best spent time of my life." ~St. Catherine of Genoa

Bible Study Continues

Join us for our Bible study! Both the Sunday morning 9:15 a.m. class and the Wednesday 6:15 p.m. class will be studying the Gospel of Luke from Agape Catholic Bible Study

https://www.agapebiblestudy.com/Luke_Gospel/Luke_Gospel_Menu.php.

Everyone is welcome! Join either class or both at St. Mary's Annex on the corner of Main and Convent streets.

Please bring your Bible; no other text is needed.



QUILT AND CRAFT CORNER
Interested in learning how to quilt or craft?

Come meet on Thursday, Sept. 5 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex.

The Altar Society Quilters are looking for old or broken jewelry or one of a kind pieces. You can bring the items to the office or there is a box in the entrance to the church.

The **Troops of Saint George** is a fraternal Catholic nonprofit apostolate for priests, fathers and sons looking for a life of adventure coupled with virtue. Troop #18 in Victoria is gearing up for another year of camping and activities to help us grow in the Faith, seeking to become Men of God. If you are interested in more information about our upcoming Cookout on Sept 21, 2019, contact Ryan Staten at 361-649-3305 or Ty Meyer at 361-550-5390.

Sanctuary Candles

The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns this week in honor of Larry & Linda Luna's 50th Wedding Anniversary

This candle can be sponsored weekly for \$5.00.

Adoration Candles

The Adoration Candles in the Chapel burn this week in memory of the Deceased Members of the Janacek and Vrana Families by Paul & Mary Ann Janacek and in memory of Earl Schmeltzer by Denise Gainer.

These candles can be sponsored weekly for \$5.00 each or both for \$10.00.

Commemoration of the Deceased

The Candle in Commemoration of the Deceased burns this week in memory of Bohumil Smolka by Frank Smolka

This candle can be sponsored weekly for \$5.00.

Amor Meus Spirituality Center, a ministry of the **Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament**, seeks to extend their charism of **Incarnational Spirituality** through **One-Day Guided Retreats** with or without Spiritual Direction, **Overnight Silent Individual or Private Retreats** with or without Spiritual Direction, **Taize' Prayer**, **Solemn Vespers** during Advent and Lent and **One-Day Workshops** on spiritual topics. All retreats are silent to allow the retreatant to listen to God more deeply.

Amor Meus will begin 2019-2020 with a **One-Day workshop** on **September 21, 2019** for Caretakers: **"The Gift You Give Yourself"**, *"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest."* Matt 11:28, presented by **Deacon Leo Shannon and Terry Robinson**.

The first **One-Day Guided Retreat (9:30 am – 3:30 pm)** **"You are God's Beloved Child in Whom God Delights"** will be presented on **October 5, 2019** by Mary Fraizer. **Overnight Individual/Private Retreats** can take place when registration is made a week in advance.

Call for information **361-575-7111** or email amormeus@yahoo.com to register.

Retreat for Women and Men Throughout the Diocese



"Faith That Gives Direction"



Tuesday September 17, 2019 from
8:30 am -1:45 pm

St. Mary's Activity Center
401 S Liberty St, Victoria, TX

Retreat concludes with noon Mass and lunch.

~ Retreat Presenters ~

Most Reverend Brendan J. Cahill, STD
Terry Robinson, Exec Dir of Hospice of
South Texas

~ For more information or to register contact~

Evelyn Dierlam (652-4843)

Laurie Bautista (573-9561)

St. Mary's Rectory (573-4328)

Retreat is sponsored by St. Mary's Altar Society.

There is no fee for the Retreat or lunch.

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RCIA

(the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Tuesday, September 3, 7:00—8:30:
Introduction, Welcome, RCIA process (all)
Marriage/annulments

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or completing the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), please contact Fr. Kristopher 573-4328 or Sr. Frances Cabrini 573-5304 if you would like to attend.

You may also complete the form and put in the basket on Sunday or drop by or send to the Church Office.

___unbaptized wishing to become Christian

___baptized in another tradition who wants to know more about the Catholic faith

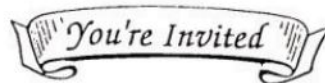
___adult, baptized Catholic, who wants to be received into the full communion with the Church.

___Catholic who wants to help with a person on the journey of faith.

Name_____

Address_____

Phone (Home)_____ Work_____



**To 98th Annual
Shiner Catholic
Church Fall Picnic, at
Knights of Columbus**

Park, Sun. Sept. 1, dinner 10:30- 2:00 \$10.00/plate. Free music 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., auction.

To Sacred Heart Parish 137th Annual Fall Picnic, at the KC Hall in Hallettsville, Sun. Sept. 1 dinner beginning at 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Adult tickets \$10:00 And children \$5.00. Music, Auction, Bingo.

To Holy Cross Festival, Yorktown Community Hall, Sun. Sept. 8, Dinner BBQ shoulder clod & Homemade Sausage with trimmings. \$10.00 adult plate, serving starts at 10:30.

To St. Joseph Catholic Church 146th Annual Picnic, Sun. Sept. 8, Inez Community Center. Serving Fried chicken, BBQ Brisket & Sausage with trimmings starting at 11:00 a.m. All plates \$10.00.

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Koerth, Texas, Sun. Sept. 29 at Sweet Home Community Center, Sweet Home, Texas. Serving Picnic Stew, Sausage and Trimmings starting at 11 a.m. \$10.00 per plate

St. Mary's Altar Society invites you and your family to the Activity Center after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sun. Sept. 15 for coffee, donuts, juice, fruit and fellowship.



Knights of Columbus Council #1329 Bingo Night

Every Wednesday evening; Hall opens 6:00 pm; Bingo Games 7:30 pm until 10:00 pm. \$10.00 per Bingo sheet pack for 10 games. Food and drinks available. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson. Proceeds benefit various council charity projects. For info, call the hall Wednesday evening at 575-9214.
Come out, have fun and meet friends.



Reporting Procedures for Suspected or Known Sexual Abuse of a Minor (person under 18 years of age) or Vulnerable Adult by a Member of the Clergy

Contact:

- The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, within 48 hours, at (800) 252-5400, www.txabusehotline.org, or local police department. If person is in immediate danger call 911.

and

- Vicki Pyatt, LMSW, Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Outreach, Diocese of Victoria, (361) 827-7186, pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org

or

- Bishop or Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, (361) 573-0828. Written allegations can be mailed to Office of the Bishop, P.O. Box 4070, Victoria, TX 77903 marked "Personal and Confidential".



If sexual abuse by a member of clergy has occurred in another diocese, the Diocese of Victoria will help bring your concerns to church officials. For assistance contact Vicki Pyatt at (361) 827-7186 or pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org.



The Emmaus Center provides individual, marital and family counseling services from a Catholic perspective. The counseling staff are Licensed

Professional Counselors and Registered Interns who devote themselves to assisting those in need regardless of their religious affiliation, gender, race, or age. To schedule any appointments or for information call (361) 212-0830 or visit

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