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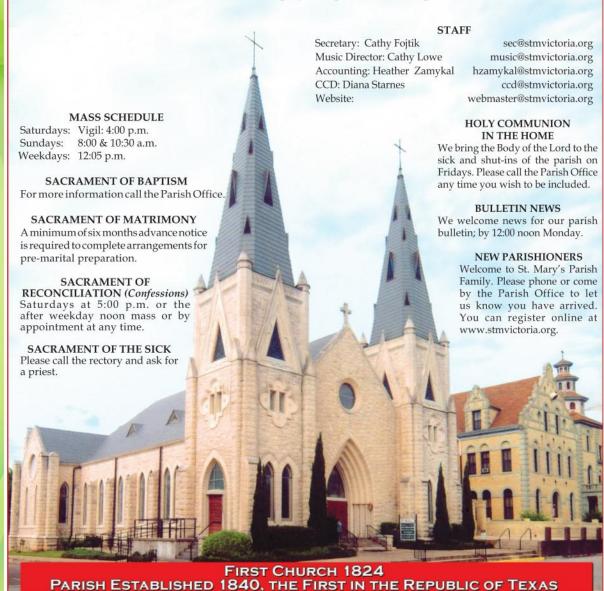
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Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, 'Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow.'"

Matthew 5:33



"Let your 'Ves' mean 'Ves' and your 'No' mean 'No.' Anything more is from the exit one."

Sunday February 16, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 15:15-20 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37

Most of us can recall a time when we did only what was absolutely necessary to get by. When it comes to our Christian life, however, Jesus calls us to a higher standard. As we gather for worship today, perhaps our prayer can be for the grace and the courage to go beyond the letter of the law in order to live according to a higher law, the law of love.

Our readings today address the laws that God has given us to live by. The first reading and the psalm present them as fulfilling and life-giving. Then along comes Jesus in the Gospel, and while he upholds the law, he calls us to a higher standard. No longer is it enough to observe the letter of the law. As we hear these words proclaimed today, it might be good to reflect on one area in our life where we can do more, and to pray for the grace to do so.

Sunday, February 23, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48

Festival Winners

- 1. \$1,000.00 Visa Gift Card- Theresa Wearden
- 2. \$750.00 Visa Gift Card Charles Luna
- 3. \$750.00 Visa Gift Card Jeanette West
- 4. \$500.00 Visa Gift Card Wynn Farris
- 5. \$500.00 Visa Gift Card- Eunice Dove
- 6. \$500.00 Visa Gift Card—Carol Seiler
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- 15.\$100.00 Visa Gift Card Chris Hessler
- 16.\$100.00 Visa Gift Card Lisa Pagel
- 17.\$100.00 Visa Gift Card Loyd West
- 18.\$100.00 Visa Gift Card—Sam Copeland
- 19.\$100.00 Visa Gift Card— Diana Pagel
- 20.\$100.00 Visa Gift Card— Freddie Kloesel

We invite all St. Mary's Festival workers on Mon. Feb. 24 to the Appreciation Supper at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. Desserts are welcome!



Games Party

Holy Family Catholic Church Altar Society

Thursday, February 20, 2020
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Activity Center
Admission \$8.00
Door Prizes, Food, Raffle, Silent
Auction and lots of Fun!!
Reservations:
Margaret Beckler 361-575-4997
Betty Frederick 361-550-0064

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Painted Church Tour with Fr. Kristopher

There are still spots available for the Painted Church Tour with Fr. Kristopher from our parish festival. The tour leaves at 8:00 am from St. Mary's parking lot **on Saturday, March 7th** and returns around 3:00 pm that day. This tour includes visits to some of the beautiful "Painted Churches" in the Schulenburg area, time for prayer, a picnic lunch, a stop at either the Shiner brewery or a local winery, and lots of fun with Fr. Kristopher on the air conditioned school bus. Tickets are available for \$100 each at the Parish Office for this fundraiser. Call or come by soon to reserve your seat!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 15, Vigil of the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 †Sharon West Bauer †Edwin Orsak

Sunday, February 16, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 †John Stockbauer †Sofia Zandonatti 10:30 People of the Parish

Monday, February 17

12:05 †Virginia Morris Johnston

Tuesday, February 18

12:05 †Thomas M. O'Connor

Wednesday, February 19

9:30 †August Hermes - Courtyard Nursing Home

12:05 †Clara Berkman

Thursday, February 20

8:10 †Katie Pagel —Nazareth Academy

12:05 †Nelda Perkins

Friday, February 21

12:05 †Marlene Polka

Saturday, February 22, Vigil of the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 †Simon Cornelius † Mary L.Heinrich

Sunday, February 23, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 †Nora Martin

†Dienne Sumbera

10:30 People of the Parish

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP February 8-9, 2020

Sunday Collection\$		
Loose Collection\$	1,228.52	
On-line giving	\$ 695.00	
Total\$	8,609.52	

CCD Class time is 6:00 - 7:15 pm, please be on time. Feb. 19, & 26 class dates.

LECTORS

Saturday, February 22 4:00 p.m. Cecilia Janak

Sunday, February 23

8:00 a.m. Diana Pagel

10:30 a.m. Clem Cantu

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, February 22

4:00 p.m. Judy Jabbour, Emily Migl,

Sunday, February 23

8:00 a.m. Georgia West, Henry Schramek **10:30 a.m.** Dee Garza, Corinne Copeland

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, February 22

4:00 p.m. Larry & Linda Luna, Denise Gainer,

Frank Smolka

Sunday, February 23

8:00 a.m. Paul Janacek, Bohumil Vrana,

Stella Silva, Loyd West

10:30 a.m. Greg & Pam Fanelli, Laszlo Nemes,

Carolyn McConnell

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, February 22

4:00 p.m. Catherine A. John Paul P.

Sunday, February 23 8:00 a.m. Willie & Alec. I.

10:30 a.m. Thomas C. Eduardo R., Sofia V.,

Wren V.

RCIA

(the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Tuesday, February 18 -7:00-8:30 p.m.

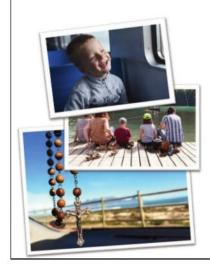
The **Divine Mercy & Holy Rosary Cenacle** invites everyone to come join us to pray on Tuesdays from 3 to 4:30 pm in St. Mary's Chapel. Come see what it is about!



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A night about how to bring the rosary into our daily lives a little bit at a time! We'll hear from different families and make our own rosaries for people big and small!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST IN THE PARISH HALL

5:30PM POTLUCK
(BRING A DISH FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY)
6:15—7PM ACTIVITY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
QUESTIONS? Contact Justin at 321-217-1117, reye-shj17@gmail.com

The Altar Society invited you and your family to the Activity Center after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 16 for coffee, juice, fruit, donuts and fellowship.



For the first time, in 2020 the U.S. Census Bureau will accept responses online. The process will be quick and secure. You can respond to the census in less time than it takes to finish your morning coffee. You'll still be able to respond by mail. To learn more about what to expect.

visit 2020census.gov. #2020Census



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

Come meet on Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex.

Altar Care for February
Connie Smiga and Deborah Brugo

A LENTEN JOURNEY



Our parish will again participate in Disciples on the Journey.

Groups will be forming soon.

To participate or to learn more about
Disciples on the Journey please call:
Laurie Bautista (573-9561)
Judy Jabbour (648-9347)

or the Rectory (573-4328) during office hours.

CHECK OUT THE WEBSITE www.disciplesonthejourney.org

Lent begins February 26, 2019

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Adoration Chapel News

The Adoration Chapel needs adorers of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 10 – 11 a.m.

A second Adorer is needed to share Mondays 12:30-1 p.m., Tuesdays 12:30-1 p.m., and Fridays 8-9 a.m., 12:30-1 p.m., 1-2 p.m., and 2-3 p.m.

Adorers, please pick up your new substitute lists at the back of the chapel on the table under the sign-in sheet. If you are unable to keep your hour, please call a substitute from the list. If you are interested in signing up for an hour or would like to visit the chapel and need the code, please call Cindy at (361) 571-6510.

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

Knights of Columbus Council #1329 Chicken BBQ will be held February 16th from 8:30 am until sold out.

NOTE: selling will not start until 8:30. Prices are \$8 per chicken or 3 for \$22. Spanish rice and beans are available for \$1.50 per pint.

Proceeds benefit various council charity projects. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson.

For info, call the hall Sunday morning at 575-9214.

The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory Presents The Mystery and Power of Personal Prayer February 17

We are excited to announce a new parish program to help us prepare of the upcoming Lenten Season.

All are welcome! This final program will be held 7:00—8:30 p.m.

On the following date

Monday, February 17 (Cathedral)

Experience various forms of prayer Lord teach us to pray

ord teach us to pray Luke 11:1

Sanctuary Candles

The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns this week in memory of Bernice Tipton by Patrick Tipton.

Adoration Candles

The Adoration Candles in the Chapel burns this week in memory of Martha Othold & Elroy Othold by Susan Sonntag and in memory of Bohumil Smolka by Frank Smolka.

Commemoration of the Deceased

The Candle in Commemoration of the Deceased In memory of Bernice Tipton by Patrick Tipton There are some dates available for candles.

Bible Studies Continue

Join us for our Bible studies! The Sunday morning 9:15 a.m. class is studying the Gospel of Matthew and the Wednesday 6:15 p.m. class is studying the Gospel of Luke from Agape Catholic Bible Study https://www.agapebiblestudy.com.

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.

The KJT District VII Meeting and Family Appreciation Day will be held on Sunday, February 23rd, 2020, at St. Mary's Nada Community Center with Mass at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church (1261 Old Nada Rd) in Nada in Nada. The Victoria Society #115 cordially invites all KJT members, families and friends to come share the day with them. Business meeting at 11:15 followed by a meal. For more information call Donald Dusek @ 3612-578-6730 or Lawrence Yanta @ 361-575-7280.

The flowers on the Altar this weekend are provided by Loyd & Georgia West in honor of their children Carol Tally, Sandra Fricks and James West and in memory of their daughter Sharon Bauer.

Come join Elie at her book signing for the release of her latest Bible Word Search Puzzle Book, "The Book of Exodus." It will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2020 from 10 am - 5 pm at Elie's Heavenly Christian Gifts located at 303 E. Airline Road, Suite 1 - Victoria, TX. 361-648-5832. Light refreshments will be provided.



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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.



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

https://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com



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.

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• 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 Pvatt at (361) 827-7186 or pastoralcarea victoriadiocese.org.

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