



Hope

December 3, 2023 • First Sunday of Advent

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:45 am-12:00 pm
1:00 pm-5:00 pm

Parish Staff

Pastor Rev. Patrick Knippenberg
Parish Secretary Sr. Valerie Janecka, OVISS
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New Parishioners Welcome

Registration forms online at www.lourdesvictoria.org
or email: ollvic@lourdesvictoria.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am and 10:00 am
Vietnamese Community Mass
(1st & 3rd Sunday of Every Month) 12:00 pm
Daily (Monday-Saturday) 8:00 am

Confessions

Saturday 3:15 pm to 3:45 pm
..... Before Daily Mass

Faith Formation • Continuing Christian Education (CCE)

Sunday 8:30 am - 9:45 am (August through May)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Baptismal Instruction

First Sunday of Every Month

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 3 First Sunday of Advent

7:30 am † Henry & † Mildred Heibel
10:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
12:00 pm Vietnamese Community
Fr. Frances T. Nguyen, III, Celebrant

Monday, December 4

8:00 am † Billy Johnston

Tuesday, December 5

8:00 am † Carlos Santos
† Louis A. Marbach

Wednesday, December 6

8:00 am † Jackie Post
† Viola Hattie Wagner

Thursday, December 7

8:00 am † Paul Bittlebrun
6:00 pm Mr. & Mrs. Fred Berger - 60th Wedding
Anniversary (Vigil Mass in anticipation of
the Holy Day of Obligation)

Friday, December 8

8:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

Saturday, December 9

8:00 am † Allan Berger
4:00 pm Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

Sunday, December 10 Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 am † Edward Simper
10:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the
Kovar/Waida Family

*The flowers this week are in memory of Billy Johnston, Jr.
(husband and father) through the generosity of Cole
Pierce Wilson Johnston.*



Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 3, 2023

Sunday

First Sunday of Advent

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16,
18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Monday

Is 2: 1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9;
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1; 2-3ab, 3cd-4;
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday

Second Sunday of Advent

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14;
2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

Question of the Week

*What will I do this week to prepare for Christ's coming,
knowing that it may happen at any time?*



Please Pray for Our Sick

Jimmy Whitaker
Eunice Dove
Marjorie Tasin
Wade Shumbera
Frank & Gloria
Wearden
Marjorie Anders
Kevin Tan

Frank Reyes, Jr.
Carly Walker
Keith Martin
Fr. Dominic Antwi-
Boasiako, VF
Patsy Bradich
Robert Weitz
Mary Ellen Lara

Robert Molina
Mark Niemeier
Matt Alvarez, Sr.
Shirley Kirby
Bernice Drost
Jo Anne Hough
Lawrence Yanta
Patricia Pooley
Don Buethe
Samuel William Bek
Milton Greeson

Tula Filla
Ruben & Frances
Espino
Maria Garcia
Kevin Quinn
J. R. Morris
Larry Vitek
Lee Lasater
Pat Krenek
Joe Lara
Lillian Lau

Johnny Garner
Jason Berger
Tina Moya
George Alvarez
Cole Ohrt

*Please contact the
parish office to have a
name kept on the list,
to remove names, or to
add names.*



In and Around Our Parish

Knights of Columbus
4th Degree Victoria Assembly 1126
 Christmas Dinner
 Sunday, December 3, 2023
 Holy Family Catholic Church
 (St. Peter's Hall)
 Social at 5:00 pm; Meal at 6:00 pm

AMOR MEUS SPIRITUALITY CENTER
 You are invited to join the Sisters as they pray Advent Solemn Vespers on December 3, 10 and 17, 2023 in their chapel at Incarnate Word Convent, 1101 N. E. Water Street, Victoria, Texas at 5:00 pm followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Solemn Vespers, a part of the Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office, is a sung prayer of the Church. Through this prayer, the people of God sanctify the day by continual praise of God and prayers of intercession for the needs of the world, especially needed now. It gives thanks for

the day just past and makes an evening sacrifice of praise to God. During Advent there is an Advent theme to the prayers. A brief reflection is also given by one of the Sisters. Please enter by the side door of the chapel.

Strength for the Journey
 This Grief Support Ministry will have their monthly support meeting on Tuesday, December 12th at 6:30 pm at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church Parish Hall, Ganado, Texas. For information, contact Pat Hoelscher at 979-257-9984 or email at phoelscher@victoriadiocese.org.

Advent Penance Service Schedule
(all services begin @ 6:30 pm, except
St. Patrick = 6:00 pm)
 Wednesday, Dec. 6 St. Patrick, Bloomington
 Monday, Dec. 11 Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory
 Tuesday, Dec. 12 St. Mary
Wednesday, Dec. 13 Our Lady of Lourdes
 Thursday, Dec. 14 Holy Family
 Friday, Dec. 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

In preparation for Christmas, parish confessions are scheduled on **Wednesday, December 13 at 6:30 pm**. Fr. Pat will be assisted with hearing confessions by several priests from surrounding parishes. You are encouraged to avail yourself to receive the graces from this awesome sacrament.

AMOR MEUS SPIRITUALITY CENTER
 An Advent Retreat entitled "How Near the Gift: Praying the Third Sunday of Advent" on Saturday, December 16, 2023 will be hosted at 10:00 am thru 3:00 pm at

Incarnate Word Convent, 1101 N. E. Water Street, Victoria, Texas. This retreat will focus on prayerfully preparing, through the readings of the Third Sunday of Advent Mass, for the celebration of Christmas and how it can impact our spiritual lives for the coming year. It will be presented by Sister Lou Ella Hickman, OVISS, a Sister of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament from Corpus Christi, a spiritual director, teacher, librarian, and publisher of poetry and journal articles. She will have books available for purchase. Sign-in is 9:30 am. Bring your lunch. Park in front of the convent. A free-will offering will be accepted.

Little Blue Book for Advent
 The popular Little Blue Book for Advent has arrived at OLL parish. A limited number is available for an offering of \$2.50. Also, Little Books can be ordered directly from the website at littlebooks.org. They are available in paper and ebook formats. You can also get all the seasonal books on the Little Books app available for iOS and Android devices. To learn more about the app, go to littlebooks.org/app.

2024 Calendar Now Open for Flower Donations
 Donations are now being accepted to provide fresh flowers on the altar through the 2024 calendar year. To make a donation of fresh flowers for the altar for a particular weekend in 2024, perhaps in honor or memory of a loved one or in celebration of a birthday, anniversary, or particular liturgical event, contact Toni Schaar at 361-649-3659.

Ministry Schedule • December 9/10, 2023

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 Saturday • 4:00 pm Joe Ryan, Arleen Brennan, Cindy Mayer
 Sunday • 7:30 am Joy Loest, Martha Nichols, Janie Robles
 Sunday • 10:00 am Geralyn Biediger, Martha Chandler, Lynette Mayer, Donna Maxey (Choir)

Lectors
 Saturday • 4:00 pm Norman Schoener
 Sunday • 7:30 am James Novak
 Sunday • 10:00 am Teresa Bernhard

Altar Servers
 Saturday • 4:00 pm James Record, Suzie Ryan
 Sunday • 7:30 am Abby & Brady F., William J.
 Sunday • 10:00 am Korbyn & Shaylee M.

Ushers • Door Monitors
 Saturday • 4:00 pm Gene Dove, Thomas Joost, John Novak, Norman Schoener
 Sunday • 7:30 am Kaden Fikac, Mike Fikac, Frank Marbach, Matt Warwas
 Sunday • 10:00 am Randy Chamrad, Gary Edwards, James Pooley, Kenneth Spann



Our Stewardship

November 18/19, 2023
 Count.....480
 Total Operating Income.....\$ 4,270.00
 2nd Collection • Campaign for Human Development.....\$ 819.00

November 25/26, 2023
 Count.....510
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