



December 1, 2024 • 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
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PCL Tammy Fikac
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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 Friday8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Baptismal Instruction

First Sunday of Every Month

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 1, First Sunday of Advent

7:30 am Daniel John Eichman Family
10:00 am † Billy Johnston, Jr.
12:00 pm Vietnamese Community
Fr. Tran Dinh, Celebrant

Monday, December 2

8:00 am † Felix & † Pauline Rivera

Tuesday, December 3

8:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the
Culak/Welfel Families

Wednesday, December 4

8:00 am † Rick Snow

Thursday, December 5

8:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the
Balusek/Jalufka/Schoener Families

Friday, December 6

8:00 am Poor Souls in Purgatory
Jo Anne Hough (Birthday)

Saturday, December 7

8:00 am † Paul Bittlebrun
4:00 pm † Mae Jean Willem

Sunday, December 8, Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 am Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
10:00 am † Madlen Ann Matej

*The flowers on the Main Altar this week are sponsored by
Jeri and D'Cater Joseph in honor of their Wedding
Anniversary.*

Questions of the Week

*What will I do to prioritize Christ's coming over all the
persistent anxieties of the season? Can I take ten minutes of
each day this Advent to pray?*



Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 1, 2024

Sunday

First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14;
1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday

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

Tuesday

Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

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

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

Friday

Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday

Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

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

Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6;
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Please Pray for Our Sick

Isabella Hernandez
Kevin Quinn
Baby Avery Wuest
J. R. Morris
Larry Vitek
Lee Lasater
Pat Krenek
Ricky Dominguez
Tina Moya
Cole Ohrt

Jimmy Whitaker
Carolyn Caudle
Eunice Dove
Marjorie Tasin
Wade Shumbera
Frank & Gloria Wearden
Marjorie Anders
Frank Reyes, Jr.
Carly Walker
Erik Snyder

Keith Martin
Darren Mikulik
Fr. Dominic Antwi-
Boasiako, VF
Dennis Boehm
Joshua Smith
Rudy Ortiz
Robert Weitz
Mary Ellen Lara
Robert Molina
Minnie Soliz
Mark Niemeier

Matt Alvarez, Sr.
Richard Louis Ortiz
Shirley Kirby
Bernice Drost
Charlene Adams
Jo Anne Hough
Lawrence Yanta
Roberta Zafereo
Jack Busselman
Richard Bludau
Zambrano Family
Patricia Pooley

Milton Greeson
Julie Ann (Schultz) Dentler
Diana Dentler
Ruben & Frances Espino
Maria Garcia

*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

KJT Society

KJT Society # 115 Victoria and KJZT Society # 101, Victoria will be hosting a Christmas Party, Sunday, December 1, 2024 at the OLV Center, Gabriel Room, and beginning at 1:00 pm. The meal will be served at 3:00 pm. Meat dish and drinks will be provided, bring a side dish or dessert to compliment the meal. RSVP to Irene Brosch at 361-573-2669 or Donald B. Dusek at dbjdusek@gmail.com or 361-571-4777 before Thursday November 28th, 2024. All members and family are invited to attend.

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.

Invitation to Advent Solemn Vespers

The Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament invite you to Solemn Vespers, sponsored by Amor Meus Spirituality Center at Incarnate Word Convent Chapel, on each Sunday of Advent from December 1 through December 22, 2024 at 5:00 pm followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Solemn Vespers or Evening Praise is the sung prayer of the Church, giving praise and thanks to God. Through hymns and the psalms, which are sung, and a short reflection on the Advent scripture passages given by one of the Sisters, the focus is on preparing for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. Come join us in this celebratory preparation. Enter the chapel by the east side door.

Solemnity

Immaculate Conception is normally December 8. However, since that is the Second Sunday in Advent 2024, the celebration of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to the next day, Monday, December 9, 2024, and the Day of Obligation is suspended.

Invitation to a Prayer Workshop

Amor Meus Spirituality Center, Incarnate Word Convent, 1101 N. E. Water Street, Victoria, Texas, is hosting a workshop entitled "Tools for the Spiritual Journey" on December 14, 2024 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Come and learn how you can deepen your personal love relationship with God through various ways to pray, journaling, and spiritual direction. Sr. Digna Vela, OVISS, will present this workshop. She has an MA in theology and catechetics and is certified in spiritual

direction through Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. To register, call 361-575-7111 or email amormeuscenter@gmail.com. Park in front of the convent. Bring your lunch.

Treasures from Our Tradition

Occasionally, someone raises a surprised complaint that while Christmas arrives on Santa's sleigh at the Macy's parade on Thanksgiving Day, the Church doesn't catch on too fast. They may even say that Advent is a new fangled idea. Not so. To trace its beginnings, we have to go back to the fourth or fifth century in France (then Gaul), when Epiphany was the favored day, next to Easter, for baptism. The old pagan structures of Rome were collapsing then, and many people sought to be baptized. Since adults always prepared for baptism by fasting, folks counted back a few weeks for a kind of retreat. Before too long, bishops were advising everyone to attend church frequently beginning on December 17. Soon, artists were imagining ways of expressing the Advent mystery, and in Italy this gave rise to beautiful mosaics of empty thrones awaiting the arrival of the Lord of all creation. Advent as we know it develops on two separate tracks: the first having to do with our spiritual preparation for celebrating the Christmas feast, and the second having to do with the way this is organized and expressed in the liturgical readings and prayers every day of the season. —James Field

Fix your
gaze
on the
Light
of Christ

Ministry Schedule • December 7/8, 2024

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday • 4:00 pm Liz Lemke, Joe Ryan, Stand-by x1, Michelle Martin (Choir)
Sunday • 7:30 am Joy Loest, Larry Gajewsky, Martha Nichols
Sunday • 10:00 am Geralyn Biediger, Martha Chandler, Marla Darilek, 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, Bailey U.
Sunday • 7:30 am Brady F., Caroline & William J.
Sunday • 10:00 am Ben C., Korbyn & Shaylee M.

Ushers • Door Monitors

Saturday • 4:00 pm Gene Dove, Norman Schoener, Thomas Joost, John Novak
Sunday • 7:30 am Kaden Fikac, Michael Fikac, Patrick Pribyl, Matt Warwas
Sunday • 10:00 am Trey Biediger, Gary Edwards, Joe Ryan, Kenneth Spann



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