

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

Catholic Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (anticipation) ----- 5:00 p.m.
Sunday ----- 9:00 a.m.
Monday at Ganado Nursing Home ----- 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday ----- 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday ----- 6:00 p.m.
Thursday ----- 8:00 a.m.
Friday ----- 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday ----- 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Sunday ----- 8:15-8:45 a.m.

Youth Minister ----- Joey Sablatura
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: ----- 8:00 a.m. – Noon & 1:00-5:00 p.m.

New Members

Welcome to Assumption Parish!

Please call or stop by the Parish Office to register.

Holy Communion to the Home-Bound

Each Wednesday and Friday. If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness or disability, please call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents and Godparents are required to attend a baptismal class. Call the Parish Office to ask about requirements for Godparents, and to register for a class. **2017 class schedule: January 17, April 4, June 27, October 24**, 7:00 p.m. at the St. John Paul II Family Center.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please make an appointment with the Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date. No wedding date will be firm until after the initial meeting with the Pastor.

February 19, 2017

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

Leviticus 19:1-, 17-18. *Love your neighbor as yourself.*

Psalms 103. *"The Lord is kind and merciful."*

1 Corinthians 3:16-23. *"God catches the wise in their own ruses."*

Matthew 5:38-48. *Love your enemies.*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Is there a person or situation in my life through which God is calling me to embrace Jesus' revolutionary invitation to transform the world by love?

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: Sirach 1:1-10
Mark 9:14-29
Tues: Sirach 2:1-11
Mark 9:30-37
Wed: 1 Peter 5:1-4
Matthew 16:13-19
Thurs: Sirach 5:1-8
Mark 9:41-50
Fri: Sirach 6:5-17
Mark 10:1-12
Sat: Sirach 17:1-15
Mark 10:13-16
Sun: Isaiah 49:14-15
1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Matthew 6:24-34

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

I want to offer my gratitude to several volunteers who have helped in some recent maintenance projects around the parish. As you may know, the Pastor's suite in the rectory was in need of repair. The Knights of Columbus under the direction of Grand Knight, David Muegge, along with Mike and Debbie Van Pelt, spearheaded this project. They were able to put together a team of carpenters and craftsmen, who volunteered their time on this project. In addition, Monica Bubela and J.J. Bubela's Floor Center of El Campo, donated carpet for the bedroom. There were other helpful donations along the way, which allowed this entire project to be cost free to the parish.

I also want to thank Robert & Missie Landry and Jeff & Sharon Carroll for painting two rooms in the rectory, and also for doing some minor electrical refurbishing. I appreciate their work (*there's one more room to go – hint, hint.*)

Likewise, gratitude to Kevin and Angela Petrash and several family members for power-washing the air-conditioning vents and painting in Church. They also did some heavy cleaning and other minor repairs prior to the Christmas Season.

No doubt there are many others who work to improve our parish facilities. May God continue to bless all who volunteer their time, talent, and treasure.

Father Kirby Hlavaty

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 19

9:00 a.m. †Johnnie Novak

Monday, February 20 (Ganado Nursing Home)

10:00 a.m. Living/Deceased KJZT Society #43

Tuesday, February 21

8:00 a.m. Living/Deceased Tupa family

Wednesday, February 22

6:00 p.m. †Charlie Bock
Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, February 23

8:00 a.m. †Bo & Louise Kubena

First Friday, February 24

8:00 a.m. †Msgr. Albert V. Maneth

Saturday, February 25

5:00 p.m. †Frank V. Kaspar

Sunday, February 26

9:00 a.m. Parishioners & Benefactors

SANCTUARY CANDLE

In memory of Bo & Louise Kubena
by Kathryn Wesselski

ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of Justina Liberda by Theresa Hicks

BULLETIN SPONSOR

Joey & Michele Bures in memory of all deceased loved ones in the Bures & Labay families.

MEN'S GATHERING

Tuesday, February 21 7:00 p.m. Parish hall

All men are invited to attend to share in a time of fellowship.

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE & RCIA

Wednesday, February 22

6:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. respectively – JP II

PALM BRANCHES

If you have dried Palm branches from years past, they can be brought to the Church to be burned and used on Ash Wednesday. There is a vase in the foyer of the Church for collection. Deadline: Friday, February 24.



Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday will be:
7:00 a.m., 12:05 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

ADVOCACY DAY 2017

The Diocese of Victoria will be participating in the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day on April 4, 2017 at the Texas Capitol in Austin. Participants from the Diocese of Victoria will join with thousands of Catholics, from the 15 dioceses in Texas, to advocate for policies promoting life, justice, charity and religious freedom about what we believe as Catholics. A select group of Volunteers will also be prepared to visit with the elected state legislators who represent the ten counties of the Diocese of Victoria. If you are interested in participating, call Father Gary Janak, Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria at 361-573-0828, email: chancellor@victoriadiocese.org or for more information go to victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day

THE PRO-LIFE CORNER

You are one of a kind, designed to glorify God as only you can. Actions prove who someone is. Words just prove who they want to be. Apply your actions to bring about an end to abortion and euthanasia.



OUR FAMILY REUNION

Ignite your faith and apostolic zeal at **Fullness of Truth's** "Our Family Reunion:

Healing the Domestic Church" conference March 4-5 at the American Bank Center in Corpus Christi. Learn how to put Christ first in your marriage, grow a love for Christ in your children, bring peace to your family, heal broken hearts, and strengthen your domestic church! There are also youth topics. Group rates available for 5 or more. For tickets and more details visit www.FullnessOfTruth.org or call 877-218-7884.

IMMIGRATION ISSUES or QUESTIONS?

Representatives from the **Mexican Consulate** will be at **Our Lady of Sorrows** CCD building, 406 S. Glass Street in Victoria, on **Saturday, February 25**, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. They will be present to answer questions about immigration issues and to offer assistance to those in need of help with their documentation.

How you make others feel about themselves says a lot about you.

JOEY SABLATURA, Youth Minister
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CCD: WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 22

- ❖ Grades 1-5 4:00-5:15 p.m.
- ❖ Grades 6-12 7:00-8:30 p.m.



CONFIRMATION RETREAT

TODAY

Confirmation candidates: check-in for retreat at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish hall, followed by Mass at 9:00 a.m. After Mass, parents will go to ROC room with Father Kirby until 11:30 a.m. Candidates will remain at the Parish hall until 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

ROC (Rite of Confirmation)
Please note the change in time:
1:00-2:45 p.m.

GROWING in FAITH . . .

What to do when God feels distant

There are times when God seems so close that we are filled with a glorious feeling of love. At other times he can seem so distant it's as if he has turned his back. God lets this happen for our good. Still, that distant feeling can be hard to bear.

Look for a cause.

Sometimes we cause distance to crop up between us without even realizing it. We may have become overconfident of our spiritual strength and yielded to temptation. Or, we neglected prayer or Sunday Mass.

Pray your way back.

Distance can lead to discouragement, but don't let that keep you from prayer. Reaching out to God is the surest way to find your way back. Enlist the help of the saints or the Blessed Mother.

Meditate on what you know.

Regularly repeat God's promises of salvation, Jesus' pledge of eternal love, memories of God's past blessings, anything that reminds you of his love. Focus on these beautiful thoughts over and over.

Seek reconciliation

.A common cause for distance is unconfessed sin. Are you weighed down by a fault or sin you are avoiding facing? Consider making a full Confession and seek the Sacrament regularly. Perform an act of penance, such as fasting, to take the focus off yourself. Then you will find he has been beside you all along.

MINISTRIES for FEBRUARY 25 & 26

LECTORS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Maria Vorajakmol
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Diane Bubela

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Cindy Bures & Blake Petrash
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Kathy Stancik & Emily Sulak

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Nicholas & Liam Carruthers
Maddi Luera
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Emily & Michael Bubela,
Jonathan Barajas

USHERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Mat Pena, Robert Landry
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Victor Martinez, Dale Staff
Michael Roznovsky

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

February 11 & 12

Envelopes – \$3,351.00 Loose – \$401.24
Youth - \$36.00 Maintenance - \$20.00

Monday Morning Bankers – **February 20**
Ruth Richards & Ben Vyvial

MINISTRIES for ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

LECTORS:

7:00 AM – Clinton Tegeler
12:05 PM – Missie Landry
6:00 PM – Richard Chovanec

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

7:00 AM – Patsy Schoenfeld & Emily Sulak
12:05 PM – Mary Martinez & Blake Petrash
6:00 PM – Philip & Veronica Webernick

ALTAR SERVERS:

7:00 AM – Joey Sablatura
12:05 PM – Joey Sablatura
6:00 PM – Trace Roznovsky & Nicholas Borel

SPECIAL COLLECTION

February 25/26 – Matthew 25 Ministry

**Giving is not just about making a donation.
It is about making a difference.**

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Larry McDowell, Dave Corippo, Ollie Mendel, Luke Fridel, David & Marsha Bain, Antonio J. Rodriguez, Joe & Mary Martinez, Terry Harris, Monroe Tyler ❖ Jeanette Supak, Annie Lesak, Marcella Janecek, Joe Janecek, Jr. ❖ Ray Vandalia, Joyce Burnal, Francis Callis, Wanda Porche, Gilbert Luera, Jr., Carol Crist, Randy Vyvial, Edwin Fiala ❖ Tim Pair, Barbara Arnold, Maria Jesus Canchola, Michelle Benavides, ❖ All the Unborn and their parents, All people serving in the military, All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Readings for February 26: 8th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Isaiah 49:14-15

Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me; my LORD has forgotten me." Can a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Brothers and sisters: Thus should one regard us: as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Now it is of course required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. It does not concern me in the least that I be judged by you or any human tribunal; I do not even pass judgment on myself; I am not conscious of anything against me, but I do not thereby stand acquitted; the one who judges me is the Lord. Therefore do not make any judgment before the appointed time, until the Lord comes, for he will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will manifest the motives of our hearts, and then everyone will receive praise from God.

Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

Jesus said to his disciples: "No one can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they? Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span? Why are you anxious about clothes? Learn from the way the wild flowers grow. They do not work or spin. But I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was clothed like one of them. If God so clothes the grass of the field, which grows today and is thrown into the oven tomorrow, will he not much more provide for you, O you of little faith? So do not worry and say, 'What are we to eat?' or 'What are we to drink?' or 'What are we to wear?' All these things the pagans seek. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil.

