

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, July 5, **October 24**, at 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.

September 3, 2017

Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

Jeremiah 20:7-9. *God's word has brought me derision.*

Psalms 63. *"My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God."*

Romans 12:1-2. *"Discern what is the will of God."*

Matthew 16:21-27. *Take up the cross and follow the Lord.*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Jesus bids me "deny myself" before "taking up the cross" and "following." What radical shift of values, reordering of priorities, refocusing of vision must take place in my heart as discipleship's non-negotiable Step Number 1?

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Luke 4:16-30

Tues: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11
Luke 4:31-37

Wed: Colossians 1:1-8
Luke 4:38-44

Thurs: Colossians 1:9-14
Luke 5:1-11

Fri: Micah 5:1-4
Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

Sat: Colossians 1:21-23
Luke 6:1-5

Sun: Jeremiah 20:7-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK . . .

It has been a long week. But most of us would agree that Ganado was blessed. When I watch the news coverage of Hurricane Harvey and see the massive amount of destruction all along the Texas coast, I am amazed that our city and parish missed the worst of it. There is a great deal to be grateful for. But as the scripture says, “To whom much is given, much is required.”

To that end, I have also witnessed the great generosity of our community. As I am sure you know, many people in the Bay City area were asked to leave their homes because of the expected flooding of the Colorado River. When Matagorda County officials were looking for a place to set up operations and to shelter citizens, Ganado stepped up. There were approximately 100 people in the school gym and 50 in our parish hall. In what seemed like an instant, many of our parishioners responded to help.

The Knights of Columbus and their families took over the kitchen and prepared to feed whomever needed it. Food donations poured in from all over. Many Ganado residents brought food, clothing and other supplies. Volunteers were on hand to help with the evacuees day and night. Even the youth of our community came out at a moment’s notice to do some of the heavy lifting, like moving tables and chairs and setting up cots.

I must admit, I am very proud of all the work that was done. This is what it means to be Catholic. This is what it means to be Christian. To see a need and respond. Faith is not just professed, it is practiced.

May God continue to bless us and may He—and us---continue to assist those who are still in need.

In Christ,

Father Kirby Hlavaty

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, September 3**
9:00 a.m. Parishioners & Benefactors
- Monday, September 4 (Ganado Nursing & Rehab)**
10:00 a.m. †George Hajovsky
- Tuesday, September 5**
8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving – Debbie Van Pelt on her birthday
- Wednesday, September 6**
6:00 p.m. Living/Deceased KJZT Society #43
- Thursday, September 7**
8:00 a.m. †August Liberda
- Friday, September 8**
8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of Msgr. John Bily
- Saturday, September 9**
5:00 p.m. Parishioners & Benefactors
- Sunday, September 10**
9:00 a.m. †Bernard Bures

ALTAR FLOWERS & SANCTUARY CANDLE

- ❖ In thanksgiving for September birthdays
Dwayne & Wanda Taylor
- ❖ In memory of Justine Liberda by Theresa Hicks
- ❖ In thanksgiving for their 62nd wedding anniversary
By Allen & JoAnn Petrash

BULLETIN SPONSOR

- ❖ in memory of JB & Babe Housson
by Georgia Housson

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA class will meet on **Wednesday** evenings, beginning **September 6**, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., in the St. John Paul II Family Center.

Now’s the time to invite others to join our Catholic faith. The RCIA program is designed for unbaptized adults, converts to the Catholic Church, and any baptized Catholic who lacks the sacraments of First Eucharist or Confirmation. Call Rose Chovanec (771-3087) or the Parish office for more information.

30TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 23
Holy Family Church, Wharton
Doors open: 8:00 a.m. Closing Liturgy: 4:30 p.m.
“Catholic Social Teaching”

All adult Catholics are invited to attend. Jack Jezreel will offer a keynote presentation. Multiple workshops throughout the day. \$35 per person, lunch included. Register online at www.victoriadiocese.org or call (361) 573-0828

Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

MASS ATTENDANCE

Prior to the arrival of Hurricane Harvey, Bishop Cahill issued a statement to pastors that they had the ability to modify the weekend Mass schedule based on the severity of the storm. He also lifted the obligation to attend Mass last weekend. Therefore if you were unable to attend Mass you did not incur a mortal sin.

Likewise, he has extended that provision for this weekend to those parishes in our Diocese that are without power, flooding, or still experiencing the effects of the storm. Let us continue to pray for our brothers and sisters who are unable to attend Mass due to the uncontrollable effects of nature.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER:

2017 Dates: September 22-24 (10 openings); and November 17-19 (33 openings) Couples are asked to register as soon as possible. Brochures and online registration forms may be found on the website under the Marriage tab. For more information, call (361) 573-0828 or visit victoriadiocese.org. Online payment is now available.

YOUR LOVE IS UNBREAKABLE TOUR

Featuring Jason Crabb and Selah will present a performance on September 23, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cuero ISD Performing Arts Center. Proceeds will benefit the Stevenson Unit Chapel Development Corp. Tickets are \$20, \$40, \$60 and are available online at www.iTickets.com.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

John Perez, Kathy Fowler, Junior Webernich, Baruse Holly, Dan Morrison, Joseph Janecek, Jr., Marcella Janecek, Michelle Benavides, Sonja Baurle, ❖ Josselyn Sanchez, Tyanne Rakowitz, Brody Nathan Gray, Juan Mendez, Aubryn Jerry, Kylie Strickland, Brandon Janak, Larry McDowell, Luke Fridel, Antonio J. Rodriguez, Joe & Mary Martinez, Terry Harris ❖ Lindsey Fowler ❖ Regina Gutierrez, Evelyn Schluter, Bruce Sulak, Gayle Engelmohr, Wanda Porche, Edwin Fiala ❖ All the Unborn and their parents, All people serving in the military, All Holy Souls in Purgatory

This week, allow yourself to spend some quiet time in the presence of the Lord.

Ask yourself how, like Jeremiah, the Word of God can burn within you.

JOEY SABLATURA, Youth Minister
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**FIRST DAY OF CLASS:
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.**

Catechetical registration forms are available on the cabinet in front of the ushers' closet in Church. Please fill out both sides of the form and return ASAP, to either Joey or Karen. The fee is \$25 per family.

WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 6, 13, 20, 27

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

PROCEDURE FOR PICKING UP CCD STUDENTS

To **DRIVE UP** – please use the back entrance of the parking lot next to the Parish hall. Students will be waiting at the **BACK DOOR** of the JPll building.

To **WALK UP** – please line up on the sidewalk next to the JPll building. Students will be dismissed from the **SIDE DOOR** next to the grassy area.

SAVE THE DATE FOR EVENTS IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

- **September 27:** Safe Environment training for all grades, 1-12, during regular class time
- **December 6:** First Reconciliation during regular class time
- **December 28-31:** Teen ACTS
- **March 11, 2018:** Retreat for First Communion Students & Parents
- **March 28, 2018:** Live Stations of the Cross
- **April 8, 2018:** First Holy Communion

"Let us all resign ourselves into His hands, and pray that in all things He may guide us to do His Holy Will...When thoughts of this or that come I turn to Him and say: 'Only what you will, my God. Use me as You will.'"

—St. Mary MacKillop

MINISTRIES for SEPTEMBER 9 & 10

LECTORS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Jerri Lara
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Missie Landry

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Paulette Petrash & Blake Petrash
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Michael & Terri Sulak

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat.- 5:00 PM – Liam & Nick Carruthers, Callen Hajovsky
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Logan & Brianna Riojas

USHERS:

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

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

August 27

Envelopes – \$2,303.00 Loose – \$243.90
Maintenance - \$10.00

Tuesday Morning Bankers – September 5
Ben Lois Vyvial & Ruth Richards

SPECIAL COLLECTION

September 9/10 – 3-in-1 collection:
Black & Indian Missions ❖ Catholic Communications
Campaign ❖ The Catholic University of America

September 23/24 – Matthew 25 Ministry

Readings for SEPTEMBER 10: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Thus says the LORD: You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die, "and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

2nd Reading: Romans 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

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"We must speak to God as a friend speaks to his friend,
servant to his master; now asking some favor,
now acknowledging our faults,
and communicating to Him all that concerns us, our thoughts,
our fears, our projects, our desires, and in all things seeking His counsel."

—St. Ignatius of Loyola