

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
ymabvmchurch@ykc.com Youth Office: 771-3200

Parish Secretary ----- Karen Klaus
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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. 2018 Baptism class schedule: **January 9, April 3, July 24, October 16.**

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.

December 10, 2017

Second Sunday of Advent

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11. *Prepare the way of the Lord.*

Psalms 85. *"Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation."*

2 Peter 3:8-14. *We await new heavens and a new earth.*

Mark 1:1-8. *Make straight the paths of the Lord.*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

In what ways do I feel parched, spiritually or emotionally? How can Jesus' presence satisfy my thirst? How can I prepare myself for Christ's presence?

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: Isaiah 35:1-10
Luke 5:17-26

Tues: Zechariah 2:14-17
Luke 1:26-38

Wed: Isaiah 40:25-31
Matthew 11:28-30

Thurs: Isaiah 41:13-20
Matthew 11:11-15

Fri: Isaiah 48:17-19
Matthew 11:16-19

Sat: Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11
Matthew 17:9, 10-13

Sun: Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8, 19-28

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

Our Blessed Mother is a very important icon during the Advent season. Her appearance in the scripture and the important celebrations of the Immaculate Conception and the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, allow us to reflect more deeply on our salvation. Mary is a gateway in the deep mystery of Jesus and our response to God's mercy. She is the first and the best example of faith. Learning more about Mary is learning how to become a disciple.

In conjunction with the celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe this weekend, her feast day Tuesday, December 12. Morning mass will be celebrated at 6:30 a.m. and a rosary will be prayed in Church at 6:00 p.m. Also, I would encourage you to watch the excellent video about Our Lady of Guadalupe produced by the Knights of Columbus. It can be found on form.org. Below is a description.

The most important event in the evangelization of the New World occurred in December, 1531. Over the course of four days, the Virgin Mary, under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, appeared to an indigenous convert named Juan Diego. As a result of this encounter, and the image miraculously imprinted on Juan Diego's tilma (cloak), nine million Native Americans embraced the Catholic faith, and the Americas began its transformation into the Catholic hemisphere. Our Lady of Guadalupe's message of love had replaced the institutionalized violence of the Aztec culture and built a bridge between two worlds.



Currently on FORMED.org (Parish code: YRQXTM) *Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message* traces the history of this transformative event from the 16th century to the present. Featuring interviews with leading theologians, historians, and experts on the scientific inquiries into the miraculous image, this gripping film explores both the inexplicable mysteries behind the image, and the continued relevance of the Guadalupe apparition to the modern world. (Narrated by Jim Caviezel. Run Time: 58 mins.)

Father Kirby Hlavaty

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 10

9:00 a.m. †Steffie Bures

Monday, December 11 (Ganado Nursing & Rehab)

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

Tuesday, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:30 a.m. †Lupe Licona †Belinda Licona

Wednesday, December 13

6:00 p.m. †Joe & Ann Zajicek †Butch Zajicek

Thursday, December 14

8:00 a.m. For the family of Larry Beck

5:30 p.m. **PENANCE SERVICE**

Friday, December 15

8:00 a.m. †Julius Tupa

Thanksgiving for Thui Vorajakkmol (birthday) & for Thui & Maria's 33rd wedding anniversary

Saturday, December 16

2:00 p.m. *Wedding – Cihal & Goodwin*

5:00 p.m. †Dorothy Kaspar

Sunday, December 17

9:00 a.m. For Parishioners & Benefactors

ALTAR FLOWERS

- ❖ Donated by the Guadalupana Society
- ❖ In thanksgiving for their 33rd wedding anniversary
By Thui & Maria Vorajakkmol

SANCTUARY CANDLE

- ❖ In thanksgiving for Skyy Pink on her birthday
By David & Cristina Sedillo
- ❖ In thanksgiving for their 33rd wedding anniversary
By Thui & Maria Vorajakkmol

MUSIC MINISTRY



We are looking for people who are interested in learning how to run the sound board. It's not as hard as you think, don't be intimidated! The goal is to have enough people to make a schedule to rotate once a month. We can't all play instruments or lead singing but you can learn to be a sound tech! Please contact Blake Petrash (361-771-6550) for more details or to volunteer.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Mass on **Tuesday, December 12**, will be at **6:30 a.m.** Please join us!

BULLETIN SPONSOR

- ❖ In memory of Dorothy Kaspar
by Paul & Kay Kaspar

Second Sunday of Advent

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday, December 12**
Scripture Study 9:30 a.m. – JP II
- **Wednesday, December 13**
Divine Mercy Cenacle 6:30 p.m. - JP II
RCIA 7:00 p.m. – JP II

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

December 13 – Blessing, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 – ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, GANADO, 5:30 P.M.

December 19 – Port Lavaca, 5:00 p.m.

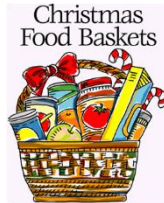


ANGEL TREE

Wrap your gifts separately and return with the Angel tag to the Parish Office no later than **Friday, December 15**. Questions? Please contact **Charlotte Andel (771-3849)** chairperson.

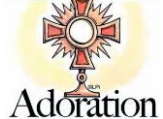
MATTHEW 25 MINISTRY

Non-perishable food items are needed to help make up Christmas food baskets. Baskets are in the foyer of the Church to accept all donations of food items until **Friday, December 15**.



We need your help packing baskets on **Thursday and Friday, December 14 & 15**. Please come to the St. John Paul II Family Center any time after 4:00 p.m. Many hands make light work!

Eucharistic



ADVENT ADORATION

Wednesday, December 20,
after the 6:00 p.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.

This Advent season—a time of preparation before our celebration of the mystery of the birth of Christ—is a prime opportunity to enter more deeply into the Church’s Eucharistic faith. Come and allow your faith to be nourished and to grow in the Real Presence of the Eucharistic Lord.

I know it’s a busy time of the year, but make the sacrifice to spend some time with Jesus as we prepare to celebrate his birth.



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CCD CLASSES:

WEDNESDAYS, DECEMBER 13, 20

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

HARVEST COLLECTION

Thank you to all who have donated to this year’s Harvest collection. The year to date total is \$8,500. As you know this money is used in place of a parish picnic and goes directly to parish operations. If you have not made your annual contribution you can use the envelopes in your set or drop it into the collection clearly marked Harvest collection. Again, thank you to all who have contributed some of your treasure to the needs of the Church.



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

November 2017 Income & Expense

INCOME	
Collections	\$17,493.32
Hall Rental	150.00
Harvest.....	680.00
Youth Ministry donations	120.00
Votives & bulletin sponsors.....	191.81
Special Collection (Camp. For Human Dev.)....	697.80
Memorials	125.00
Debt Reduction donation	250.00
Interest	5.97
	\$ 19,713.90
EXPENSES	
Auto.....	\$ 30.25
Adult Education (Priest Convocation hotel)	502.00
Contract Services.....	1,221.25
Salaries	4,483.84
Payroll Taxes & Benefits.....	4,504.35
Church	1,118.94
Rectory	335.00
Maintenance	184.00
Property Insurance (3 of 4).....	6,846.55
Special Collection (Camp. For Human Dev.).....	697.80
Debt Repayment to Diocese.....	5,000.00
Utilities	2,805.50
	\$ 27,729.48
Monthly expenses exceeded income	\$ 8,015.58

MINISTRIES for DECEMBER 12

LECTOR:

Tues. – 6:30 AM – Jerri Lara

COMMUNION MINISTERS

Tues. – 6:30 AM – Rosa Hernandez & Mary Martinez

ALTAR SERVERS:

Tues. – 6:30 AM – Monica & Tanya Hernandez

MINISTRIES for DECEMBER 16 & 17

LECTORS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Jimmy Fowler

Sun.- 9:00 AM – Anthony Fowler

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Robert & Missie Landry

Sun.- 9:00 AM – Wayne & Diane Bubela

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat.- 5:00 PM – Nick & Liam Carruthers, Callen Hajovsky

Sun.- 9:00 AM–Emily & Michael Bubela, Martin Ramirez

USHERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Robert Landry, Joe Verver,
Chuck Hasdorff, Harlan Tegeler

Sun.- 9:00 AM – Michael Roznovsky, Dale Staff,
Victor Martinez,

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Diane Young, Marty Rucker, Robert Brzozowski, Junior Webernich, Danny Morrison, Joseph Janecek, Jr., Marcella Janecek, Michelle Benavides, Lindsey Fowler ❖ Jo Ann Anzel, Daren & Jennifer Kingsbury, Brayson Kingsbury, Edith Galow, Luis Garza, Sylvia Falcon, Vicky Pena, Josselyn Sanchez, Brandon Janak, Luke Fridel, Joe & Mary Martinez, Terry Harris ❖ Cynthia Bures, Bruce Sulak, Gayle Engelmohr, Regina Gutierrez, Troy Don Jones, Kathy Tomanek, Jace Muncrief, Wanda Porche, Edwin Fiala ❖ Jo Ann Anzel, Susan Ulcak, Billy Mader, Diana McDowell ❖ All the Unborn and their parents, All people serving in the military, All Holy Souls in Purgatory

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

December 2 & 3

Envelopes – \$3,910.00

Loose - \$319.19

Maintenance - \$291.00

Youth Ministry - \$50.00

Harvest - \$650.00

Monday Morning Bankers – **December 11**

Bea Perez & Georgie Kruse

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

December 9 &10 – Retirement Fund for Religious

December 30/31 – Matthew 25 Ministry

Readings for DECEMBER 17: Third Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 61: 1-2, 10-11

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God. I rejoice heartily in the LORD, in my God is the joy of my soul; for he has clothed me with a robe of salvation and wrapped me in a mantle of justice, like a bridegroom adorned with a diadem, like a bride bedecked with her jewels. As the earth brings forth its plants, and a garden makes its growth spring up, so will the Lord GOD make justice and praise spring up before all the nations.

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good. Refrain from every kind of evil. May the God of peace make you perfectly holy and may you entirely, spirit, soul, and body, be preserved blameless for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will also accomplish it.

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. And this is the testimony of John. When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, "Who are you?" He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, "I am not the Christ." So they asked him, "What are you then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?" He said: "I am *the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord,'*" as Isaiah the prophet said." Some Pharisees were also sent. They asked him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ or Elijah or the Prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." This happened in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Ages 18-30 Fridays at 5:30 p.m. at St. John Paul II Family Center. Contact for more information: Rachel Chovanec (771-8012), Megan Taylor, (771-8237), or Jenny Vesely (771-6452).



DON'T FORGET!

Now is the time to make your annual donation to the Harvest collection, Maintenance fund, and to Assumption Church. Your gifts are greatly needed and appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Members are reminded to pay their 2018 dues of \$30 by January 31, 2018. Dues can be mailed to: Ganado KofC, PO Box 90, Ganado, Texas 77962, or paid at the January 11, 2018 meeting. Contact Chuck Hasdorff (771-5911) if you have any questions.



2018 CHURCH CALENDARS



All parishioners are invited to take a 2018 Church calendar, located on the cabinets in Church. Be sure to say "thank you!" to our sponsors: Slavik & Ganado Funeral Homes, the Knights of Columbus Father Francis Havel Council #3204, and the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Alberta #1381.