

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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June 25, 2017
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Liturgies

June 25 – Sunday

7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius

9:30 a.m. Adela Janisch

June 26 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Edward J. & Elizabeth Novosad

10:00 a.m. Paul Novosad (Nursing Home)

June 27 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Mary Wagner

June 28 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Deceased Members of Joseph & Mary Novosad and Julius & Frances Kutac Families

June 29 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Ludwig & Hermina Zapalac

June 30 – Friday

8:00 a.m. Agnes Pustka (Anniv.)

July 1 – Saturday

8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society

5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of Louis & Rosie Targac Family

July 2 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius

9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Paul High School Class of 1966



Today's Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:26-33: Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them.



We read today's Gospel in the context of last week's Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week's reading and today's reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples

will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

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Gospel Reflection Continued:

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

Source: loyalapress.com



Adoration Chapel Notes

Open Hours: There is a need for someone to fill hours on **Mondays from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.** **Wednesdays from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.** and also on **Thursdays: 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. and from 4:00 – 5:00 a.m. (every other week).** Call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can take one of these hours.



July and August Ministry Schedules can be found at the church entrances and on our parish website.

Pope's Prayer Intention for July:

For lapsed Christians. Pray for our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, that through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, they may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.



Our Bishop, Most Rev. Brendan Cahill, will observe his 2nd Anniversary of his Ordination as Bishop of the Diocese of Victoria on June 29. Please remember to pray for Bishop Cahill that God may bless him and the Holy Spirit guide him as he continues to lead the Church in our diocese.

Heavenly Father,

In these trying times when the spirit of the age threatens Christian values, give our bishop holiness of life and wisdom to direct and guide our diocesan family so that we may grow in your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CDA Games Night: The Catholic Daughters will have their last meeting before summer break on **Monday, June 26 at 6:30 p.m.** in the PAC. A short meeting will be held followed by a light meal and bingo games. Jane Kalina from the Shiner Chamber of Commerce will give a short presentation on the work of the Chamber in our community. Members are asked to bring a food item for the pot luck lunch to be served. On a volunteer basis members are invited to bring door prizes.

Catholic School Advisory Council will meet Wednesday, June 28 at 5:30 p.m.



**Be a hero.
Save a life.**

**Blood Drive, Today,
Sunday, June 25,** from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the church parking lot. The South Texas Blood & Tissue Center is urging all those who are able

to please give blood to help meet the shortage of blood that occurs in the summer. Please take time to give blood today, Sunday, June 25.



Flowers on the Altar

By Donald & Marjorie Prause

Church Bulletin

In Memory of Sadie Erdelt by Delores Hrcir & Family

Sanctuary Candles

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Memorial Candle for the Unborn

Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

This week the cross was with Pat & Kay Roller



Spiritual and Prayer –

July 25 & 27 and August 1 & 3, 2017

Everyone has a Spirituality. There are many different Spiritualities. This class will explore what spirituality is, the struggles we have within our spirituality, what our Christian spirituality incorporates and how we struggle with the ecclesiastical dimension of it. We will also examine how all our actions must originate in a prayerful life and that prayer is about a relationship with God. We will become familiar with the various ways we can communicate with God and practice or experience some of them. This course will be taught from the Chancery in Victoria via "distance learning" to Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, Shiner and Holy Family Church, Wharton. Course fee is \$20. Online registration is available at <https://victoriadiocese.org/extended-online-registration>.



Activities for Diocesan Youth:

July 2 – 5: Quo Vadis? 11th Annual Vocation Camp

July 9 – 12: St. Joseph the Worker Work Camp, Victoria.

For information go to victoriadiocese.org or contact Kim Ulcak at 594-3234.



St. Basil's School of Gregorian Chant invites you to the 9th Annual Summer Learning Schola, at University of St. Thomas, Houston: July 12-13, 19-20, 26-27, Aug. 2-3. For information see www.chantschool.org/sisust or call 281-855-2358. Tuition: \$225.

Šťastný Háček Fishing Tournament – July 7 & 8

Our parish is sponsoring the Šťastný Háček Fishing Tournament to be held on July 7 & 8 in Rockport, Texas. Activities are based at Lamar Volunteer Fire Department, Rockport, TX. This is a fundraiser for the religious education endowment fund to benefit the Shiner Catholic School. For more details and registration information go to shinerreef.com.



The Spring 2017 Picnic Financial Report is available at the church entrances. The total profit was \$165,069.74. You will note from the report that it is our second best spring Picnic on record. Congratulations to everyone who played any part in the success of this Picnic and thanks again to one and all for a job well done!



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 6,945.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 694.00
Repair Fund.....	\$ 266.54

Special Collection: Next weekend is the annual Collection for the Holy Father also known as Peter's Pence Collection. Please use the envelope in your set for this purpose.



Father Charles Kram Project – The committee promoting the cause for the canonization for Father Charles Kram asks for your continued prayers for this intention: that the cause for Father Charles will be advanced. There are prayer cards available in the adoration chapel and in the foyer of church that may be used to pray for this intention or you may use prayers of your own choosing.

The Emmaus Center: Counseling in the Catholic Tradition.

The center, located at 1908 N. Laurent St., Suite 140, Victoria, offers grief support and other counseling and spiritual direction. For appointments go to emmauscounselingcenter.com or call 361-212-0830.

Retrouaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For more information about the **Victoria August 4-6, 2017**, weekend, contact John or Jennifer Vincent (361) 580-2770 or email: jbvjob@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

A Christian Gospel Music Concert is scheduled for September 23 at the Cuero Performing Arts Center, sponsored by the Stevenson Unit Chapel Development Corporation. Proceeds will help develop plans for a chapel and classroom building at the Stevenson prison unit in Cuero. For tickets go to www.itickets.com and use the code SUCDC for the password. Information is also available at www.chapelfund.org.



Picnics:

June 25, Sts. Peter & Paul, Plum. Fried chicken and sausage dinner, auction, bingo, other games, music by Ken Brothers and Incredible Music Makers.

July 4: St. John Parish, fried chicken and stew dinner, auction, bingo, other games, music by Shiner Hobo Band, Dujka Brothers, Red Ravens, Texas Dream.