

**SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas**

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**The Most Rev. Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D., Bishop**  
**The Rev. Bryan Heyer, Pastor**

**Bishop Emeritus David Fellhauer**  
**Deacon: The Rev. Mr. Joe Machacek**

**January 6, 2019**

**Sacred Liturgies**

**January 6 – Sunday – The Epiphany of the Lord**

7:30 a.m. Steve & Mary Pokluda and Emil & Lillian Condell

9:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish

**January 7 – Monday**

6:30 a.m. Tillie & Frank B. Jalufka.

10:00 a.m. Rev. Stephano Phan Sam (Nursing Home)

**January 8 – Tuesday**

6:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Vietnamese Dominican Community

**January 9 – Wednesday**

6:00 p.m. Dennis Wenske, Joe & Georgie Okrulik, and Larry & Edith Wenske

**January 10 – Thursday**

6:30 a.m. Marvin & Madeline Michalec

**January 11 – Friday**

8:10 a.m. Willie Marcak

**January 12 – Saturday**

5:00 p.m. Belle Matula

**January 13 – The Baptism of the Lord**

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

9:30 a.m. Ben Rivera

**Eucharistic Adoration Chapel News**

**Adoration resumes** Monday, January 7 at 7:00 a.m.

**Following are open hours:** Sundays, 12 Noon – 1:00 p.m.; Mondays, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., every other week; Tuesdays, 2:00 – 3:00 a.m. (every other week). Wednesdays, 2:00 – 3:00 a.m.; Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. (every other week); Fridays, 1:00 – 2:00 a.m. Call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can take an hour.

**Attention, please!** Plans are being made to change the location of our Adoration Chapel back to the church in its usual location on February 3, 2019. **Your help is needed** in order to give the chapel a thorough cleaning. A time to do this has been set for **Saturday, January 26, 2019**, from about 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Come help scrub, vacuum, dust and do whatever else is necessary to help make the chapel room a fitting place for our Lord. In order to be assured of having enough volunteers, please call Sharon Patek at 594-3836 if you can help with this task.



**The Epiphany of the Lord**



Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany. "The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power." With these words the Church

proclaims that today's feast brings to a perfect fulfillment all the purposes of Advent.

Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of universal salvation.

It was truly St. Paul's mission – to bring Christ to all people. It should be our mission as well. We are called to be Christ-like and truly be a light to everyone we come in contact with. Can others see your light by the way you live?

**Father Bryan** will be away from the parish January 11-25, 2019, in order to attend the annual retreat for priests of the diocese and to take a few vacation days. Please keep all the priests in your prayers.



**A Vocation Reflection:** "Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts." Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Call Father Tommy Chen at 361-552-6140 or Father Kristopher Fuchs at 361-575-4741.



**Ministry Schedules** for January and February can be found in church and on our parish website.

**Weekly Bible Study** resumes on Monday, January 7, 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room. All are welcome!



**Parish Choir Practice**, Monday, January 14 at 6:00 p.m. The choir will not be singing at Mass in January.

**Laudate Dominum:** Rehearsals on Mondays, January 7 & 14 at 7:00 p.m. for the 9:30 a.m. on January 20.

**Totus Tuus Chorum:** Rehearsals resume on Wednesday, January 9 at 8:00 p.m.

**Shiner Catholic School News**

**Blessing of New Building & Open House** – The blessing of the new building at the Shiner Catholic School will take place on Friday, January 11, 2019. Bishop Brendan Cahill will offer Mass at 8:10 a.m. and the blessing will take place after Mass. After the blessing a light breakfast will be served and there will be an open house of the new facility. Everyone is invited to attend this special event.

**Catholic Life Sweepstakes** – Raffle tickets are still available for the following prize: a 2019 Ford F-150 Truck or 2019 Ford Sedan or \$20,000 Prepaid Visa Card. This sweepstakes is sponsored by Catholic Life with all ticket sales sold by the Shiner Catholic School and its students to remain right here in Shiner. Tickets are a bargain at \$5.00 each.

**\$1,000 Prize Awarded Locally:** Each participating school will have a \$1,000 individual winner drawn from tickets sold for their school. This gives you a second chance to win a nice prize! Tickets are available from students, at the school offices and also at the parish office. **Deadline for turning in tickets is Friday, January 25, 2019.**

**National Catholic Schools Week** is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. This year's date is January 27 - February 2. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2019 is "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed."



**Church Bulletin Sponsor**

In Memory of Father John Hanacek  
By Dennis & Marilyn Mraz

**Sanctuary Candles**

In Memory of Edmund Zissa

**Memorial Candle for the Unborn**

By the Martinsen Family

**Vocations Cross**

Mark & Tracey Jalufka

**Notice:** There are openings for flower donors, church bulletin sponsors (\$30), children's bulletin sponsors (\$15), and candles (\$10). Call the parish office at 594-3836 to book a date.



**Strudels for Sale**

We have a few strudels left for sale. If you want one, stop by the parish office. Price: \$16. Remember – they keep for months in the freezer. You never know when you will have unexpected company!



**Our Gifts to God – December 23, 2018 thru January 1, 2019**

Envelopes .....	\$ 32,341.50
Loose Collection .....	\$ 3,876.37
Parish Repair Fund .....	\$ 2,777.03

**The Sisters of the Incarnate Word & Blessed Sacrament** in Victoria, extend an invitation to join them for any of the following events, all based at their convent at 1101 N.E. Water Street. More information may be obtained at [www.iwbsvictoria.org](http://www.iwbsvictoria.org) or by calling 361-575-7111.

**Come and See, January 19-20, 2019** - Single Catholic women 18 – 40 years of age are invited to come meet the Sisters and examine their call to make Jesus, the Incarnate Word, known and loved. Explore your own call to follow Jesus through marriage, single state, or religious life.

**January 19, 2019 – God Works with our Hands** – Sister Roselle Haas – Calling all Knitters, Crafters, Quilters, etc. Reflectively working with your hands helps you discover the stillness within. **Bring any handiwork so you can listen to God at work in your hands while you explore the spirituality of your craft.** \$25.00 suggested donation or love offering for the day. A box lunch is available for \$5.00. We invite those attending to join the Sisters for their 8:30 am Mass in the Chapel.

**January 26, 2019 – The Gift you Give Yourself** – By Deacon Leo Shannon, Terry Robinson, Sister Emilie Eilers, IWBS. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest." Matt: 11:28 Join other caregivers in experiencing a personal invitation of Jesus: "Come to me and rest." Suggested donation, \$25, or love offering; box lunch available for \$5.00. Those attending are invited to join the Sisters for their 8:30 am Mass in the Convent Chapel.



**The Emmaus Center**, located at 1508 E. Airline, Victoria, TX provides individual, marital and family counseling services from a Catholic perspective. The staff includes licensed professional counselors and registered interns who devote themselves to assist those in need regardless of their religious affiliation, gender, race or age. To schedule an appointment call 361-212-0830.



**Church and School Memorials:**  
In grateful appreciation we wish to acknowledge memorials received in December, 2018.

**Church Repair Project:**  
In memory of Martha Janota, \$1,360  
In memory of Allen Krejci, \$20  
In memory of Virginia Pustka, \$25  
In memory of Susan Snider, \$105  
In memory of Allen Esse, \$10

**Shiner Catholic School Pre-K Project:**  
In memory of Martha Janota, \$25

**Convent Restoration Project:**  
In memory of Susan Snider, \$50