

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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November 2015 – December 2016 --- Jubilee Year of Mercy: “Merciful Like the Father”

**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**

**August 14, 2016
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sacred Liturgies

August 14 – Sunday

7:30 a.m. Frances Harabis
9:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius

August 15 – Monday – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 a.m. Erna Seidel
10:00 a.m. Deacon Paul Patek – 29th Ordination Anniversary (Nursing Home)

August 16 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of KJZT

August 17 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Joe Mozisek

August 18 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Joe Panus and Jerome & Helen Vasek

August 19 – Friday

8:10 a.m. Deceased Members of Cimrhanzl and Desmond Families

August 20 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. Newton & Frieda Renken

August 21 – Sunday

7:30 a.m. Edward & Stazie Wagner
9:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius



From the Pastor’s Desk

Every four years, I enjoy watching the Olympics. The competitions this week gave me a great visual into the second reading from the Letter to the Hebrews in how to be victorious in the “race that lies before us” to the finish line of eternal life. First, when watching the swimming competitions I noticed that everything they wear from their swim caps to their swim suits are streamlined and they even shave all their body hair so there will be nothing to slow them down. The letter to the Hebrews tells us that in this ‘race’ of faith we also need to “... rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us” in order to streamline our discipleship.

The second insight was from watching gymnastics. Before and during the routines for each apparatus, the intense focus of the gymnast is apparent. The crowd and the surrounding activities do not even register on their face; they are completely focused on what lies before them. In our discipleship, we must “keep[...] our eyes fixed on Jesus”. By ridding ourselves of our burdens and sins, while keeping our souls focused on Christ, we will truly find ourselves victorious.

Father Bryan Heyer



Open Hours in our Adoration Chapel:

Tuesdays: 1:00 – 2:00 a.m. (every other week) and 2:00 – 3:00 a.m. (every other week). Please call 594-3836 to volunteer for one of these above times.



A Year of Mercy Reflection

“He that has a talent, let him see that he hides it not; he that has abundance, let him quicken himself to mercy and generosity; he that has art and skill, let him do his best to share the use and the utility hereof with his neighbor.”

- Pope St. Gregory the Great

Ponder: *How do you hide your talents or hoard your abundance? Can you give yourself more fully over to mercy and generosity?*

Pray: *Father, give me courage to use my gifts in service to others.*



August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary

is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. It is still a Solemnity and Holy Day and everyone is encouraged to attend the 6:30 a.m. Mass. However, you are not bound by obligation to attend. In other words, you don't **have** to go but it is hoped that you **want** to go.



Confessions: Saturdays, 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

September and October Ministry Schedules or at church entrances and on our parish website.



Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August

Universal: That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world.

Evangelization: Seminarians and Novices – That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their mission.



Flowers on the Altar

In memory of Mary Hybner Burton By Family

Church Bulletin

In Memory of Deceased Members of Cimrhanzl and Desmond Families

Children's Bulletin Sponsor

In Memory of Marcus Hrcir and Fr. Charles Kram By Hrcir Family

Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Bernard Pustka and Marcus Hrcir

Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Charles Machacek by Family

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

By Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Josh & Rachel Mika

Religious Education News

Registration for enrollment in Religious Education Program is now available at www.sscmshiner.org. Students in grades Kindergarten through 11 may complete the registration form on the parish website, by going to the Parish Ministries tab, Religious Ed (CCD) Registration Form. Registration on-line is available for students who attended the SSCM Religious Education Program last year. All new students are required to register in person at 5:00 p.m. on the first night of class, which is September 7, 2016. You can also register at an earlier date by calling the Office of Youth Ministry @ 361-594-3234 and set up an appointment. All other students will report for class at 6:45 p.m. on this date. This school year the students will be studying "The Creed."

Aides Needed: A few aides are still needed for the 2016-2017 Religious Education Program. If you are interested in helping out or would like to get more information, please contact the Office of Youth Ministry @ 361-594-3234.

Meeting: There will be a Religious Education Staff meeting on Wednesday, August 24 starting with Mass at 6:00 p.m. More information will be sent out to all staff.

Safe Environment Classes are required for all teachers and staff as well as all volunteers for school and CCD. A class will be offered on Tuesday, September 13 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at St. Ludmila's. To register call 594-3843 or email skolle@shinercatholicsschool.org

Shiner Catholic School News

Classes for the new school year began on August 11 with ~300 students. An in-service meeting for all new Cardinal parents is scheduled for August 23 at 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.



The K.J.Z.T. Society No. 5 will meet on Sunday, August 14 at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Activity Center. Members are invited to attend, refreshments will be served.

K.C. Meetings:

Officers Meeting, Tuesday, August 16, 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting, Thursday August 18. Social hour, 6:30 p.m.; meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Totus Tuus Youth Choir: Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays, August 17, 24, and 31 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm in the choir loft for the 9:30 Mass on September 4. New members welcome! All students in grades 7 – 12 are welcome to join the choir by filling out a registration form from the church foyer and mail it to Mrs. Egan, contact Mrs. Egan at 594-8554 or marthaegan110@gmail.com, or come early to rehearsal at 6:45 pm.

Laudate Dominum Rehearsal Change – Next Rehearsal, Sunday, August 14, 11:00 a.m. for the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, August 21.

Thank You! The upstairs choirs extend their gratitude once again to Mr. Kirwin Kosler and Deacon Joe for the safety features installed on the risers. Many thanks for your time and effort.

Parish Choir Notes: Choir will sing on August 20. Practice for the September 3 Polka Mass will be on Monday, August 29 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. All singers and musicians are welcome to come to practice.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$7,722.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 666.08
Repair Fund	\$ 242.50

Fall Picnic – September 4, 2016 Only Three Weeks Away

A Prayer in Preparation for our Picnic

Lord, we know you love us and have great plans for our parish. But sometimes we are overwhelmed by the thoughts of our future. Show us how to walk forward one day at a time. May we take heart while we search openly for what it is you want us to do. Inspire in us wisdom and understanding to see your vision for our parish and let us respond with openness to whatever you call us to be. Show us your way, Lord!

Plans, Chairmanships and Workers Lists are being finalized by the General Picnic Chairmen. Please open your servant heart when asked to help. Better yet, VOLUNTEER! Please call the parish office at 594-3836 to find out how you can help, or say YES when asked.

Auction Items Needed – If possible, please bring auction donations to the Meeting Room in advance, so they can be logged in on the computer. If you have unique items to consider for publicity, please bring them as soon as possible. All donations welcomed and appreciated!

Cattle play a big part in our Picnic auction. If you have cattle, please consider a donation. Call the parish office at 594-3836.

Kolaches, Cakes and Other Goodies will be needed for the desserts for the meals as well as for the Country Store and Cake Walk. Plan now to share your baking skills by helping to provide these items. Thank you in advance!



August 14: St. Michael, Weimar. Fried chicken & stew lunch, auction, bingo, hamburgers, games, refreshments, music.

August 15: Assumption of Mary, Praha. Mass at 10:00 a.m. Stew & fried chicken lunch, auction, music, games.



Church and School Memorials

In grateful appreciation we wish to acknowledge Memorials received in July.

Church Memorial Fund:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$270

Shiner Catholic Church Endowment Fund:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$10

In memory of Gus Targac, \$10

Shiner Catholic Church Repair Fund:

In memory of Mary Wagner, \$10

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$65

In memory of Gladys Veit, \$20

Church General Education Endowment Fund:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$100

St. Nicholas Society:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$30

Shiner Catholic School Endowment Fund:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$40

In memory of Robert A. Kessler, III, \$10

Shiner Catholic School Memorial Fund:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$470

In memory of Mary Wagner, \$40

In memory of Ginger Kozusko, \$25

Janak Music Center Memorial Fund:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$25

Church Window Memorial Repair Fund:

In memory of Marie Roeder, \$100