

**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 28, 2016**  
**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sacred Liturgies**

**August 28 – Sunday**  
7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius  
9:30 a.m. Oscar A. Hirsch

**August 29 – Monday**  
6:30 a.m. Conversion of Sinners  
10:00 a.m. Julia Orosco (Nursing Home)

**August 30 – Tuesday**  
6:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the  
Frank & Frances Darilek Family

**August 31 – Wednesday**  
6:00 p.m. Bill & Julia Polasek and  
Kathleen & Eugene Trobl

**September 1 – Thursday**  
6:30 a.m. Oscar A. Hirsch

**September 2 – Friday**  
8:10 a.m. Edward Caka

**September 3 – Saturday**  
8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society  
5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of Hybner & Balajka  
Families and Adela Janisch

**September 4 – Sunday**  
7:30 a.m. Joseph & Mary Novosad  
9:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius and  
Edmund Zissa



**From the Pastor's Desk**

The Gospel this Sunday has Jesus teaching us about the importance of humility and how it is necessary in order to receive the glory promised in the Kingdom of Heaven. Humility is vital to a life of virtue. Saint John Vianney says, "Humility is to the various virtues what the chain is in a Rosary. Take away the chain and the beads are scattered; remove humility, and all virtues vanish." Being a disciple is always about self-sacrifice for the sake of God and our neighbor. Without humility, service becomes self-serving with the accompanying phrase "What's in it for me?" Imagine if Jesus Christ would have said these words when it came to the Cross, or a healing, or a miracle. Instead, Jesus is the embodiment of humility and is a sign for us for what humility is. Jesus is God and yet "he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and, found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross." He did this not for himself but for us; for the forgiveness of our sins. In response we too must empty ourselves of selfish desires for the sake of God and others to be open to the glory that God seeks to give us.

Due to the wonderful amount of people seeking the Sacrament of Reconciliation, I am adding a scheduled time that I will be in the confessional starting this week, on Wednesdays at 5:30pm. If more time is needed in the future I will expand this. I give thanks to God for this demand and know that I am always available to hear confessions by appointment. God is Good! – Father Bryan



***"When we serve the poor and the sick we serve Jesus. We must not fail to help our neighbors, because in them we serve Jesus."***

**– St. Rose of Lima**

**PONDER:** When have you experienced someone caring for you in a time of special need? Do you take the time to serve the poor

and the sick? How do you encounter Christ in these encounters with neighbors?

**PRAY:** Lord, you reveal yourself in the poorest and most vulnerable, give me the eyes to see and care for you.



**Continuing Education Class in Shiner**

**"Mass 101 – Liturgy and Life"** – is the topic of a class available in our parish on Tuesdays from September 6 – October 11, from 7:00 to 9:15 p.m. Our faith should continue to grow no matter what our age and this spiritual growth is the responsibility of each individual. **For the first time** classes for continuing education will be broadcast to Shiner, live from Holy Family Church, Wharton. The class will be given by Father Bob Knippenberg and will follow the text of a book entitled "Mass 101 – Liturgy and Life". To register for the class, use the form attached to last week's bulletin or contact Sharon Patek at 594-3234.



**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Begins September 28**

RCIA is the process through which candidates are accepted as new members of the Catholic Church. It will begin September 28 and conclude with reception at the Easter Vigil Mass. Adults interested in learning about the Catholic Faith are asked to contact Mary Machacek at 401-1254.



**Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.  
**Notice:** Beginning August 31, Confessions will also be offered on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to approximately 5:50 p.m.



**A Baptismal Class** for prospective parents and godparents will be held Tuesday, September 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. Pre-register by calling 594-3836.



**Open Hours in Adoration Chapel**

**Tuesdays:** 1:00 – 2:00 a.m. (every other week) and 2:00 – 3:00 a.m. (every other week). Thursdays, 11:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. Please call 594-3836 to volunteer for one of the times.

**September and October Ministry Schedules** are at the church entrances and on our parish website.

## Parish Directory Organization Photos, August 29

Arrangements have been made for more group photos for inclusion in the directory to be taken on **Monday evening, August 29**. Please meet at your assigned time in front of **church**: Altar Society officers and Bereavement Committee chairpersons, 5:45; Parish Choir, 6:00; Church cleaning groups, 6:15; Lectors, 6:30; Ushers, 6:45; Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, 7:00; Liturgy and Sacristy Caretakers, 7:15. Due to the large number involved in some of these groups, individual contacts will not be made – rather, each group leader is asked to spread the word among its members. For questions, please call Betty Kosler at the church office, 594-3836.



## Religious Education News

**Registration** for enrollment in Religious Education Program is now available at [www.sscmshiner.org](http://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 program last year. All new students must register in person at 5:00 p.m. on the first night of class, September 7. Or register early by calling Office of Youth Ministry @ 361-594-3234. All other students will report for class at 6:45 p.m. **September 7**.

**Aides Needed:** A few aides are still needed for the 2016-2017 Religious Education Program. If interested in helping please contact Kim at 361-594- 3234.

**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@shiner Catholicschool.org](mailto:skolle@shiner Catholicschool.org)

## Shiner Catholic School News

September 2, Classes will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m.  
September 2, SPH Homecoming at 7:30 p.m.



**Totus Tuus Youth Choir:** Rehearsal, Wednesday, August 31, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the choir loft. All students in grades 7 – 12 are welcome to join the choir. Registration forms are in the church foyer. Contact Mrs. Egan at 594-8554 or [marthaegan110@gmail.com](mailto:marthaegan110@gmail.com), or come to rehearsal at 6:45.

**Parish Choir Notes:** 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. The polka choir will take pictures for the parish directory during practice on Monday, August 29.

**Laudate Dominum September Schedule:** Rehearsals on Monday, Sept. 5 at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday, Sept. 15 at 7:00 p.m. for the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, Sept. 18.



## Flowers on the Altar

In Memory of John S. & Evelyn Fikac  
By Annette Novosad and Family

## Church Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

In Memory of Oscar A. Hirsch By Family

## Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Agnes Kokas By  
Kathy Kokas (King) and Tom King

## Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Henry & Lois Cejka  
By Kenneth & Renee Cejka

## Memorial Candle for the Unborn

By Martinsen Family

## Vocations Cross

Sheri Panus and Kelsea Panus

## Fall Picnic – September 4, 2016

### 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 to whatever you call us to be. Show us your way, Lord!*

**Two More Calves for Auction:** The latest donors are Victor & Marionette Kneifel and Denis & Lori Berger. That makes three calves for the auction. Who's next? Call the office at 594-3836 if you have cattle to donate.

**Be Sure to Check the Picnic Workers List!** It was sent to all parishioners this past week. The list includes many new names of parishioners as well as students in grades 5 and up from both the Catholic School and CCD classes and their parents. Your parish needs you – so please commit to working a few hours. Review the list closely for those new names and work areas/times. If your name is not on the list and you want to be a worker, we still have a few positions open. Let your church know by e-mailing [shinerpicnic1@gmail.com](mailto:shinerpicnic1@gmail.com) or calling the church office at 594-3836. Please do the same if you need to change your scheduled work time or need to work in a different area.

### Cash Donation Envelope, Food Donations List and Raffle

**Tickets** were also included in the parish mailing of this past week. You won't want to miss out on the opportunity to win one of the many items offered in the **regular Raffle and the 2016 Kawasaki Mule**. Turn in your tickets at the parish office this week or at the raffle booths next Sunday. **Cash donations** play a big part in our Picnic. It is hoped that everyone will make a donation – no matter what amount. **Food Donations List** includes requested donations for kitchen items as well as for **Cake Wheel**. Be sure to check it over and do what you can!

**The Country Store** will welcome your donations of homemade cakes, pigs, kolaches, pies, cookies, noodles etc., as well as your home canned veggies.

**Desserts for Meals:** We hope to offer a sweet of some kind for all plates to-go as well as for the many meals served in the main hall. Please bring your sweets as early as possible to the K.C. Hall kitchen or to the Kaspar Pavilion. **Please cut and wrap the desserts brought to Kaspar Pavilion for to-go plates.**

**Cake Wheel:** Please bring your donations for this stand inside the main hall.

**Plant Wheel:** Your donations of plants of all kinds are needed. Please bring to the plant stand next Sunday.

**The K.J.Z.T. Society No. 5** will be having a "People Helping Parish" project at the Plant Wheel. The State K.J.Z.T. office will match the profit of this stand 50% - up to \$700. You can support this project by playing to win a plant or simply by making a monetary donation of any amount. All proceeds will be given to the Parish Picnic Fund. Your support will be appreciated.

**Auction Items Are Coming In!** All donations appreciated! If possible, please bring auction donations to the Meeting Room by Thursday, so they can be logged in on the computer. Or bring to the auction stand on Picnic Day.



## Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$6,577.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 669.01
Repair Fund .....	\$ 524.58