

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**

**October 2, 2016
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sacred Liturgies

October 2 – Sunday

7:30 a.m. Bertha & Jerry Mozisek

9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of
Strakos Family

October 3 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Annie & Louie Herman

10:00 a.m. 70th Birthday & Healing for
Betty Jean Miculka (Nursing Home)

October 4 – Tuesday – St. Francis of Assisi

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

October 5 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Hilda Schmidt

October 6 – Thursday – St. Bruno

6:30 a.m. Conversion of Sinners

October 7 – Friday – Our Lady of the Rosary

8:10 a.m. John & Clara Beal

9:00 a.m. Living Rosary at the Grotto

October 8 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. Robert Patek, Sr. & Mary Ann Novak

October 9 – Sunday

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

9:30 a.m. Daniel & Molly Peters

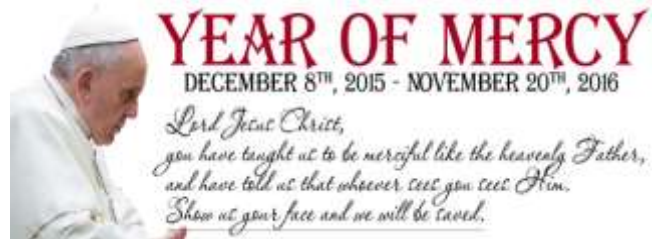


Reflection on Today's Gospel

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus teach about faith and service to God. The context is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and his followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus has just finished an instruction on sin and forgiveness.

There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to his disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith. The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one's place in God's plans. The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants to God and his plans. Even when God works wonders through us, with our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered in service to God, as his servants, can be made to produce a hundredfold.

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Year of Mercy Parish Pilgrimage

Continuing our observance of the Year of Mercy, members of our parish will be making a pilgrimage to two "Doors of Mercy" Churches in our diocese today, **Sunday, October 2**. The group will leave from the PAC at **12:30 p.m.** and will travel by bus and pray at Holy Cross Church, Yorktown, and will also attend the 6:00 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Victory Cathedral, Victoria. Arrival time back in Shiner will be between 8:00 and 8:30 p.m. Please call Sharon Patek at 361-772-7256, if you have any questions. The Catholic Daughters will be donating the bus driver expenses.



Blessing of Animals: In anticipation of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, a blessing of animals will take place today, **Sunday, October 2 at 5:00 p.m.** Everyone is invited to bring their pets (or show animals) to the grotto between the church and school for the blessing. All animals are welcomed, large and small. Just be mindful to use leashes and or pet carriers.

Holy Hour, Sunday, October 9

A special Holy Hour of prayer will take place next Sunday, **from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.** Prayers will be offered for various intentions, including the Pope, clergy and religious who are serving in our diocese, clergy and religious who are ill, for past pastors of our parish both living and deceased, and for seminarians and deacons. Parish youth will be assisting with the service. All parishioners are urged to attend. The hour will also include the Rosary and Benediction.



Confessions: Saturday, 4:00-4:45 p.m.; Wednesday, 5:30-5:55 p.m.

October is the Month of the Rosary. Pray the Rosary often – daily if possible.

A Living Rosary will be prayed at the grotto at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 7, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. All are invited to come join in the prayers.



Bible Study: Everyone is invited to Bible study on Mondays in the PAC, at 8:00 a.m.

Queen of Peace Prayer Group prays the Rosary every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. All are invited to come join the group in prayer.

K.C. Membership Drive This Weekend: K.C. members will be available with information after the Masses. Members will also be attending the 9:30 a.m. Mass and serve in ministries at this Mass. The 4th Degree will usher and bring the Offertory gifts. Anyone wishing to join the Knights of Columbus may call Patrick Pesek at 772-2223, Travis Bollom at 401-1969 or the parish office at 594-3836.

Continuing Adult Education: The current class "Mass – Liturgy & Life" will conclude October 11. The next class on "Morality: Living a Christian Life in Community" will be held on October 18, 25, November 3, 8, 15 & 22. For information on either class call Sharon at 594-3234.



Adoration Chapel Notes: There is a need for someone to serve as a substitute on **Fridays** from **4:00 to 5:00 p.m.** **Other open hours are: Tuesdays:** 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 any of these times.

Totus Tuus Chorum – Youth Choir: No rehearsal Sept. 28. Rehearsals every Wednesday in October from 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. for the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, November 6.

Laudate Dominum October Schedule: Rehearsals on Mondays, October 3, October 10, at 7:00 p.m. for the 9:30 Mass on October 16.

Totus Tuus Chorum: Rehearsals every Wed in Oct. from 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. for the 9:30 Mass on Nov 6. New members welcome! All students in grades 7 – 12, eligible for membership. Contact Mrs. Marty Egan at marthaegan110@gmail.com or 594-8554.

St. Cecilia's Choir Practice: Wed., October 5, at 10:00 a.m. (bring binders) – this is for learning the "Mass of the Awakening." The diocese has asked that all parishes learn this Mass. All are welcome to come learn with the choir. For information call Dorothy Blackman at 594-4923.

Parish Choir Practice: Every Monday at 6:00 p.m. through October 17. Choir will sing October 22.

The JCDA will be collecting rosaries and rosary pieces for the Holy Cross Family Ministries throughout the month of October. Please leave in the box in church foyer.

Women's ACTS Retreat, October 13-16. Registration forms are available in church foyer.



Flowers on the Altar

In Memory of Ed Picha and John Polasek
By Harvey & Irene Picha Family

Children's Bulletin

In Memory of Cathy, Elizabeth & Eugene Simper
By Robert & Marie Matias

Church Bulletin and Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Edward Picha & John Polasek
By Harvey & Irene Picha Family

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

By Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Dawn & Robert Morkovsky



40 Days for Life: The St. Ludmila's 8th graders will travel to Houston on Monday, October 3. They will join other prayer pilgrims from our diocese and participate in 40 Days for Life. They will gather in front of the Planned Parenthood facility and pray for an end to abortion and for other pro-life intentions. Please join the students in solidarity with your prayerful support.

Youth Ministry News: The SSCM Youth Ministry is hosting a "Harvest Dance" for 7th & 8th grade students on October 8, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. at the KC Dining Hall. Students must present their invitation to enter the dance and must be checked in and out of the dance by their parents. For more information please contact Kim Ulcak at 594-3234.

Parish Blood Drive: Sunday, October 2

The Bloodmobile will be on the church parking lot from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m. today, Sunday. Your participation is urged to help give the gift of life to those in need.

K.C. 4-Piece Fried Chicken Dinner, Sunday, Oct. 9

Serving will be in drive-thru lines at the K.C. Hall from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. To reserve your meal, advance tickets are recommended and are available from members after this weekend's Mass and at area merchants. Tickets are \$9.

Shiner Catholic School Fall Festival – October 16

BBQ chicken and trimmings will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the K.C. Hall. Tickets are \$9 and meals are available by drive-thru or dine-in. An auction begins at noon with games from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All proceeds benefit Shiner Catholic School.

The Fall Picnic Financial Report is available at the church entrances. Our net profit was \$166,257.78.



Coming Soon: Diocesan "Healing the Whole Person Conference" to be held at Holy Family, Victoria, November 10-12, 2016. Registration and other information is available at www.JPIIHealingCenter.org.

Coming Soon: Registration for 2017 Catholic Heart Workcamp! Watch the Shiner Gazette and Sts. Cyril and Methodius bulletin for the registration date. The youth will travel with Catholic Heart Workcamp to Oklahoma City, OK to help its residents from June 18 -24, 2017. All youth entering the 9th grade next school year are invited. However, due to limited spaces reserved, the first 40 students and 10 adults to register will attend the workcamp. For information, call the Sts. Cyril and Methodius Youth Ministry Office at 361-594-3234.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$6,489.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 793.00
Repair Fund	\$1,031.50



Save the Date: Parish Strudel Bake – November 12



Fall Festivals and Picnics

- Oct. 2, Sacred Heart Flatonia.** Turkey & dressing dinner and silent auction.
- Oct. 2, Queen of Holy Rosary, Hostyn.** Fried chicken, sausage dinner; music, live and silent auctions, games.
- Oct. 2, Holy Cross, Bay City.** Turkey and dressing, auction, raffle, country store.
- Oct. 2, St. John, Hungerford.** BBQ beef, chicken, sausage dinner; auction and drawing.
- Oct. 9, Holy Cross, East Bernard.** BBQ beef, chicken, sausage, dressing & trimmings, pastries, games, auction, music,
- Oct. 9, St. Anthony, Columbus.** BBQ beef & sausage; auction, live music, food booths, music, bingo, other games.
- Oct. 9, Panna Maria,** Turkey and dressing dinner, pastries, auction, bingo, raffle, games.



Church and School Memorials:

In grateful appreciation we wish to acknowledge memorials received in September.

Church Memorial Fund:

In memory of Agnes Pustka, \$10

Shiner Catholic School Memorial Fund:

In memory of Bernice Kutac, \$25

In memory of Leon Steffek, \$25