

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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

**November 20, 2016
Solemnity of Jesus Christ King**

Sacred Liturgies

November 20 – Sunday

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

9:30 a.m. Julius J. & Mary Vrana

November 21 – Monday

6:30 a.m. All Souls Novena

10:00 a.m. All Souls Novena (Nursing Home)

November 22 – Tuesday

*8:10 a.m. Deceased Members of
Pustka & Hybner Families

November 23 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. All Souls Novena

November 24 – Thursday – Thanksgiving Day

8:00 a.m. Victor & Junell Strakos and
Victor Strakos, Jr.

November 25 – Friday

*No Mass

November 26 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. Ben & Marie Zissa

November 27 – Sunday

7:30 a.m. John & Frances Machacek

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

***Note: Mass on Tuesday will be at 8:10 a.m.
No Mass Friday after Thanksgiving**



From the Pastor's Desk



As Jesus hung on the cross, revealing God's saving love, they sneered and jeered at him. They knew that he had claimed to be the Messiah, the Savior, the King of Israel, but they could only imagine kingship in earthly terms. And so they challenged Jesus to show that he was truly a king by coming down from the cross. If Jesus could

eliminate human suffering and injustice (symbolized by coming down from the cross), so they thought, he would prove himself to be a worthy king.

But Jesus didn't do it. He didn't even respond to them with an explanation. He simply kept suffering unfairly until the very end. And as he suffered, the Good Thief realized the truth. He realized that there is more to the human story than what we see, experience, and understand here on earth. He realized that Jesus held the key to a Kingdom much greater than any the earth would ever know. He realized that Christ's Kingdom could begin on earth, through faith, hope and obedience, but that it would only reach its fullness hereafter, and so he makes his prayer: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." To that request, Jesus responded.

As a true King, he granted the favor. He didn't take away the Good Thief's suffering - Christ's Kingdom is not of this world - but he gave it purpose: he made it a path to Paradise. And as the Good Thief hung on the cross, dying, tortured, in excruciating pain, he was happy, because he had placed himself under the King's protection, and the King would keep his promise.

Fr. Bryan



Happy Thanksgiving to one and all!

Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 8:00 a.m. Let us be grateful for our many blessings and also share our gifts with others. The second collection on

Thanksgiving Day and on the weekend of November 26/27 will be for our Ministry Assistance program, which helps the needy of our community. You are invited to share your blessings with those who are less fortunate by being generous in these collections.

Adoration Chapel Schedule for Thanksgiving

Week: The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed on **Tuesday, November 22, at 5:00 p.m.** Adoration will resume at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, November 28.

Office Hours for Thanksgiving: The parish office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 23.

Advent begins November 27. To help us on our spiritual journey through Advent to Christmas you will find The Little Blue Book at the entrances of the church. Please pick up one per family and use it to journey through this joyful season. These six-minute daily reflections on the Infancy Narrative of Luke will bring out the true meaning of this season



Church Sound System: Our present church sound system dates back to the late 1980's. Many parishioners have voiced concerns about the audio quality of this system. Please be aware that we are working on this issue. A couple of months ago we contacted a company who came in and evaluated our church. We gave them the blue prints of our church and asked them to study them and come up with a system specifically designed for our church. We also voiced to them our concerns of the placement of the speakers so as not to upset the aesthetics of our church. With this information, we, hopefully, will purchase a system that enhances the quality of the sound so that we can better understand and receive the Word of God and give greater glory and praise to Our Lord.



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

Bible Study: Mondays in the PAC, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Queen of Peace Prayer Group prays the Rosary Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. in Adoration Chapel.

December 4, 2016

FREE Community Christmas Dinner

Everyone in the Shiner Community is invited to the 6th Annual Community Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 4, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the K.C. Dining Hall, dine-in only. On the menu will be turkey, dressing and trimmings. Make your reservations by calling the parish office at 594-3836 or email the office at aduke@sscmshiner.org.



45th Annual Cardinal Booster Club Turkey Shoot, Dinner, and Auction
Sunday, November 20, Wied Hall

The event begins at 10:00 a.m.; **turkey shoot** sign-up begins at 9:00 a.m. **Kettle fried chicken dinner** served from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for dine-in and drive-through. Tickets are \$9. A **live auction** begins at 12:00 noon. Proceeds benefit the athletic programs from PK3 – 12th grade at Shiner Catholic School.

Want to take a free test drive? Benny Boyd Dodge will be on-site at Wied Hall at the Cardinal Booster Club event with vehicles to be test-driven. For each adult (18 yrs. or older) who test drives a vehicle, Benny Boyd will donate \$20 toward the Booster Club (limit 150 adults). Help the club raise \$3,000 in just a short time! Hours: 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Pastoral Council will meet Monday, November 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the PAC.

Ministry Schedules for November/December are available at the church entrances and on our parish website.

No Religious Ed (CCD) Classes this week.

Totus Tuus Chorum: Rehearsal on Wed., Nov. 30, 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. for 6:30 p.m. Mass on Wed, Dec. 7.



Weekend Flowers on the Altar

In Memory of Pauline Beal and Edward Beal
By David & Dana Sestak and Zach & Reagan Beal

Church Bulletin:

In Memory of Pustka & Hybner Families by Family

Children's Bulletin

In Memory of Geneva Wiese by Family

Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Ben & Marie Zissa by Frank & Mildred Targac

Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Leona Meyer by the Family of Robert & Ann Meyer on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

By the Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Jason & Kendra Shows



Shiner Catholic School Notes:

Classes will dismiss for the Thanksgiving holidays on Tuesday, November 22. Students will attend the 8:10 a.m. Mass on Tuesday and participate in a food procession for the needy of our community.



Strudel Bake Notes

Thank You for Your Generosity! Due to the response of a large number of donors, all the supplies needed for making the strudels were donated! A huge note of thanks is due to **all** the generous donors! An **"Honor Roll of Donors"** is posted on the church bulletin boards.

Extra Strudels Available: A total of 1,987 strudels were made last Saturday. If you placed an order and did not pick it up, please come by the parish office during office hours. There are extras left to sell. So spread the word and if you have relatives or friends who would like some, call the parish office at 594-3836. The price is \$15.



CDA Tamale Sale, December 8

Orders for fresh made tamales are now being taken. They will be available for pick-up on Thursday, December 8 from 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. in the PAC. The tamales will be regular flavored pork and are coming from the same supplier as last year – Grumpy's Mexican Café in Bracken. Price \$10 per dozen. Pre-orders are required as only a limited number of extras will be available. Call Betty Kosler, 361-649-4248, Quality Pharmacy at 594-2262, or Joan Simper at 713-594-2987 or jmsimper@ymail.com by December 1.



Our Gifts to God – Weekend and Holy Day

Envelopes.....	\$ 6,209.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 637.25
Repair Fund	\$ 254.87

Campaign for Human Development Special Collection will be taken up this weekend November 19/20. This collection helps combat poverty in the United States.

The Sts. Cyril & Methodius Assistance Ministry provides assistance to the needy throughout the year. During this season of Thanksgiving, we have the opportunity to assist them in their ministry. The second collections on Thanksgiving Day and the weekend of November 26/27 will be for the SSCM Assistance Ministry.



News from the Diocese

Saturday, December 3, 2016 - Bishop's Advent Dinner

Spiritual Renewal Center
Join Bishop Brendan J. Cahill & Bishop Emeritus David E. Fellhauer
All are Invited to attend. \$160 per couple.
Overnight accommodations available at \$30 per person - double occupancy.
For information or reservations contact renewalcenter@victoriadiocese.org or Call Deacon Joe Duplan at 361-572-0836



Emmaus Center: To make counseling and spiritual direction appointments go to www.emmauscounselingcenter.com or call 361-212-0830