

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**

**January 29, 2017
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sacred Liturgies

January 29 – Sunday – Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Faculty & Students of Shiner Catholic School

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

January 30 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Joe & Aliene Vinklerek and
Emil & Emily Ondrusek

10:00 a.m. Adela Berger (Nursing Home)

January 31 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Viola Darilek

February 1 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Edward Caka

February 2 – Thursday

8:10 a.m. Victor & Sidonia Kram

February 3 – Friday

8:00 a.m. Charles Machacek

February 4 – Saturday

8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society

5:00 p.m. Victor Pustka

February 5 – Sunday – Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time

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

9:30 a.m. Jack & Madlyn Cloutier

FORMED – An Online Program of Catholic Learning

FORMED.org features Catholic videos, audio talks, eBooks and movies. The website offers personal faith formation and catechism for religious ed teachers as well as parishioners of all ages.

Visit our parish website at sscmshiner.org, under the Faith Formation tab click on FORMED.org. Enter our **parish code: 6Z3HJX** and check out all the resources. For questions, contact Sharon Patek at 361-594-3234.



A Baptismal Class: for parents and godparents anticipating Baptism will be held, Tuesday, February 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC. Pre-registration required by calling the parish office at 361-594-3836.



Adoration Chapel Open Hours: Someone is needed to fill the following hours: 11:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. on Wednesdays and 1:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Thursdays. Please call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can help.



Today's Gospel

The Gospel is from the Gospel of St. Matthew 5:1-12a. At the end of the Gospel of the Beatitudes, the poor appear as the privileged ones in the discourse, the definitive, true characters in the story.

The first recipients of the Beatitudes are, in fact, the 'poor in spirit', an expression that indicates those who have their hearts and consciences directed intimately to Our Lord. They are the expression of the just who are tried by moments of suffering and difficulties. However, they are called 'blessed' and 'happy' because God's merciful and compassionate gaze rests on them. These are the poor that the Bible text really refers to. They are given God's favor and because of this the Word identifies them as just, meek and humble. All kinds of attitudes are included in the eight beatitudes. This way the true significance of the 'just poor' is revealed; the ones who don't confide mainly in themselves but in God. The poor are those who detach themselves concretely and interiorly from the possession of persons and things and above all of themselves. The poor don't find security in the gods of this world like success, power or pride but the true Lord God in Heaven.

Thus, the poor, meek and humble become a scandal before the world because they witness that we can establish our lives on God, with the same certainty of His constant presence and so they confirm the existence and works of God. Each one of us is invited to verify where our certainty rests and if our daily life and actions proclaim God's efficacious presence in the world.

Excerpts from catholicculture.org



New Adult Education Opportunity

Bishop Brendan Cahill will be the teacher for the next class provided by the diocese. The class will be available in Shiner through long distance on **Tuesdays, February 21 – March 28, 2017 from 7:00 – 9:15 p.m. at St. Paul H.S.**

The topic will be "The Church/Ecclesiology." Ecclesiology is the study of the nature and mission of the Church. As part of our Faith we profess with the early Church – "I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church." These four characteristics are called the four marks of the Church and represent a brief summary of the early Church's experience. In this course we will study and reflect on the nature of the Church as a communion of the faithful called together by God. In our very nature we are called to proclaim the Good News and invite new members into the Church every day.

To register go to www.victoriadiocese.org under the Ministries tab, or call 361-573-0828 or Sharon Patek at 594-3234.

Confirmation Retreat: Next weekend, February 4/5, students preparing for Confirmation this year will be attending a retreat. Senior students will be serving on the retreat team. Please keep the students, team members, and adult chaperones in your prayers as these young parishioners continue their preparation for this important sacrament. The date for Confirmation in our parish this year is June 4.



Flowers on the Altar

In Honor of Catholic Schools Week

Church Bulletin

In Memory of Adolph R. Novosad, Sr.
By Annette Novosad

Children's Bulletin

In Memory of Deceased Members of
Cimrhanzl and Desmond Families

Sanctuary Candles

In Honor of Catholic School Staff, Parents and Students
Anonymous Donor

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

By the Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Sharon Fuller

We have open dates for sponsors for flowers, bulletins and candles. Please call the parish office for available dates.



Bible Study: Everyone is invited to join the weekly Bible Study held Mondays, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the PAC.

Parish Choir Practice: Monday, January 30, 6:00 p.m.

Laudate Dominum: Rehearsals on Mondays, February 6 & 13 at 7:00 p.m. for the 9:30 Mass on February 19.

Totus Tuus Chorum: Rehearsals every Wednesday through the week of March 1 from 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. for the 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass on March 1. All students in grades 7 – 12 are eligible for membership. Now would be a great time to join! Contact Mrs. Egan at marthaegan110@gmail.com or 594-8554 for details and information.



The K.J.Z.T. Society No. 5 will be holding their first meeting of the year on Sunday, Feb. 12 at the Parish Activity Center at 8:30 a.m. There are several important events on the agenda. Society No. 5 is hosting the 2017 District 1 meeting on April 2 beginning with a 9:30 Mass with plans to be discussed. The elected delegates and alternates elected at the November 2016 meeting for the 2017 State Convention in Austin in July are asked to attend. Various PHP projects are also on the agenda. Refreshments will be served.



Church Cleaners Needed: There are five groups of volunteers who rotate weekly to vacuum the floors and help to keep our church clean. The service provided by these groups is invaluable. Thank you to all the volunteers. However, more volunteers to either create an additional group or to add to some of the current groups would lighten the load for all. Please call the parish office at 594-3836 to volunteer.

Catholic Schools Week, January 29 – February 3



Sunday, January 29:

Week will begin with students participating in the Liturgy at 7:30 a.m. today.

A Pancake Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria today, Sunday, from 7:30-11:00 a.m. Plates: adults, \$4; children, \$3.

Monday, January 30:

8:55 a.m.: Prayer and flag raising ceremony

Wednesday, February 1:

10:15 a.m. Balloon launch with live countdown on Texas Thunder Radio FM 94.3 and 99.9

Thursday, February 2:

Mass at 8:10 .m.

Noodle Soup Dinner, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall. Dine-in or to-go. Prices: soup, sandwich, dessert, drink \$6; soup, dessert, drink, \$5; gallon of soup, \$12.

School Talent Show, 6:15 p.m. – Annual Talent Show in the gym with each class performing.

Friday, February 3: School Holiday



Chicken Fried Chicken Dinner To Benefit "Wounded Warriors" - Monday, January 30

The St. Paul H.S. Student Council and National Honor Society are sponsoring this fundraiser for the "Wounded Warriors" program. The menu will include chicken fried chicken, buttered potatoes, green beans and roll. Tickets: \$8. Serving time at K.C. Hall drive-thru: 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets preferred – limited number of extras.



Super Bowl Sunday K.C. BBQ, February 5

The menu will include a half BBQ chicken and trimmings. Serving will be in drive-thru lines at the K.C. Hall from 10:30 a.m. till sold out.

The K.C.'s will be donating all the proceeds from this fundraiser to the parish. Advance tickets at \$8 are available at area merchants and from K.C. members after this weekend's Masses.



Strudels for Sale: Keep some on hand for this tasty treat any time of the year. Remember, they keep for months in the freezer. Price: \$15. Stop by the parish office.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 5,900.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 448.00
Church in Latin America.....	\$ 374.00



February 12: St. Mary's Church, Victoria. Annual Festival at Victoria Community Center. Roast beef, gravy, green beans, potatoes, squash casserole, dessert - \$9, 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (dine in or take out). Auctions, bingo, games, raffle.