

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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The Rev. Bryan Heyer, Pastor

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Deacon: The Rev. Mr. Joe Machacek

March 12, 2017
Second Sunday of Lent

Sacred Liturgies

March 12 – Second Sunday of Lent

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

9:30 a.m. Ben & Anne Torres

March 13 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of
George & Irena Leininger Family

10:00 a.m. Juanita Valenta (Nursing Home)

March 14 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Paul Leininger

March 15 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Margaret Malik

March 16 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Alois Pokluda

March 17 – Friday

8:00 a.m. Patrick Welfl

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

March 18 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius

March 19 – Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Denis Berger, Sr.

9:30 a.m. Virginia Granz Muecke



A Message from Pope Francis

***"What if we checked the Bible
like we checked our cell phones?"
– Pope Francis***

Vatican City, Mar 5, 2017 /
(CNA/ EWTN News). At the
beginning of Lent, Pope
Francis said if we want to fight
against the temptation of sin,
we must be familiar with the
Word of God – treating the
Bible more like how we treat
our cell phone.



“During Lent, as Christians we are called to follow
in the footsteps of Jesus and address the spiritual battle
against evil with the power of the Word of God. For this
you have to become familiar with the Bible, read it
often, meditate on it, assimilate it.” “Someone said: what
would happen if we treated the Bible like we treat our
cell phone? If we always carried it with us; or at least the
small pocket-sized Gospel, what would happen?”

The Pope reflected on the Gospel reading from
Matthew, which tells about the temptation of Jesus in the
desert by Satan. “The Word of God is like a shield
against the poisonous arrows of the devil,” Francis said.
“Jesus doesn’t use just any words – he uses the words of
God. This is what we must do against the temptations of
the devil.” The comparison between the Bible and our
cellphones “is strange, but sobering.” “In effect, if we
had the Word of God always in our heart, no temptation
could turn us away from God...”

This Lent prayerfully consider including Bible
reading in your daily devotions.

Rescript from Bishop Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D.

In response to several requests, I hereby issue this
rescript and I grant a dispensation from the obligation
of abstinence on Friday, March 17, 2017, which is the
commemoration of Saint Patrick, for all those so
desiring it. I encourage the faithful to exercise due
moderation and temperance in festivities and
celebrations honoring this great saint, in keeping with
the penitential nature of our Lenten observance, and
to perform some other salutary work of penance or
charity on that day or another chosen day. This
dispensation is for all the Catholic faithful who reside in
the Diocese of Victoria in Texas and all present in this
diocese on March 17, 2017.



Stations of the Cross: Friday, 5:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions will be heard on:
Wednesday, 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. (prior to
Mass); **Friday**, 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. (during
Stations); **Saturday**, 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.



**Let us remember in prayer the priests and seminarians
of the Diocese of Victoria:**

God our Father, thank you for our Priests and for calling
the Diocese of Victoria Seminarians to prepare for
priesthood and grant them the grace to grow closer to
You through daily prayer. Help them to form their
personality as a credible witness to others. Bless them
while they study Your word and the teachings of the
Church and give them a generous heart to serve Your
people. Amen.

Please also remember in prayer the priests of the
Diocese of Victoria, who died in March, including:
Rev. Msgr. Michael O'Shaughnessy, 03/02/2013.



The Little Black Book presents daily reflections for Lent. Be
sure to pick up one from the church entrances.

FORMED: The Online Program of Catholic Learning offers
new programs for the Lenten Season. Visit our parish
website at sscmshiner.org, under the Faith Formation tab
click on FORMED.org. Enter our **parish code: 6Z3HJX.** For
questions, call Sharon, 361-594-3234

Bible Study: Mondays, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the PAC. New
members always welcome – even if it is only during Lent.

No Classes this week for Religious Ed students and
Catholic School students.





Triduum Choir for Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday: Practice on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. in church.

Parish Choir Practice: Monday, March 13, 6:00 p.m. Choir will sing March 18 at 5:00 p.m.

Laudate Dominum: Rehearsal, Monday March 13 for the 9:30 Mass on March 19. New members always welcome. Contact Marty Egan at [361-594-8554](tel:361-594-8554) or marthaegan110@gmail.com.

Totus Tuus Chorum: No rehearsal Wednesday March 15. Rehearsals resume Wednesday, March 22 at 8:00 p.m. for the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday, April 16.



KJT Society #20 will meet on Sunday, March 12 at 1:30 p.m. in the PAC. Various topics will be discussed.

K.C. Meetings:

Tuesday, March 14, Officers Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 16, Social, 6:30 p.m.; followed by regular meeting.



Church Bulletin

In Honor of Living and Deceased Members of KJT Society No. 20

Children's Bulletin

In Honor of Granddaughter Avery Knesek
By Chris & Karen Roznovsky

Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Ben & Anne Torres By Nieces & Nephews

Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Sister Sylvia Grahmann
By Mary Rose & Clarence Barta

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Chad & Alice Leonard



Lead Me Retreat by God's Embrace: God's Embrace Ministries invites you to attend the new Team-Based retreat experience. Come from wherever you are to experience a deeper walk with Jesus. The Retreat will be held at God's Embrace Ministries Retreat Center at 1601 High Hill Rd, Schulenburg. The weekend begins at **5:00 p.m., Friday, March 24, and concludes Sunday, March 26, with 12:30 p.m. Mass** at St. Mary Church in High Hill. Open to couples and singles - men and women. Space is limited so register soon online at www.godsembrace.org or call [979-561-8883](tel:979-561-8883).



The Emmaus Center in Victoria offers a grief group meeting on Mondays from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m. Go to www.emmauscounselingcenter.com to make counseling and spiritual direction appointments or call (361) 212-0830.

K.C.'s Fish Fry – Friday, March 17



Menu includes fish filets w/French fries, pinto beans, and cole slaw. Serving will be in drive-thru lines from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the K.C. Hall. Price: \$9.00 per plate. All proceeds go to charity. Come help us help others.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 7,310.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 598.40
Repair Fund.....	\$ 50.00
Rice Bowl.....	\$ 368.00



CRS Rice Bowl helps Catholics in the United States enrich their engagement in the Lenten traditions of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and offers resources for needy families, individuals, and charitable organizations. Our second collection

throughout Lent is for the Rice Bowl. Consider sharing by fasting or making other sacrifices and giving the amount saved in the Rice bowl.

Convent Restoration Fund Envelopes can be found at the church entrances. Please consider making a donation.



Spring Picnic Notes: General Picnic Chairmen David Patek and Philip Pilat ask for your prayers during the planning process of this massive event. **We are in need of a Bingo Chairman. Please call the parish office at 594-3836 to lead this aspect of our Picnic.**

Strudels for Sale: Stop by the parish office anytime during office hours. Price: \$15.



Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day 2017: The Diocese of Victoria will be participating in the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day, on April 4, 2017 at the Texas Capitol in Austin. Participants from the Diocese of Victoria will join thousands of Catholics, from the 15 dioceses in Texas, to advocate for policies promoting life, justice, charity, and religious freedom and to educate our legislators and other state leaders in a better understanding. If you are interested in participating please let us know ASAP. We are making plans to secure a bus if we have enough people. It will be first come first serve and the bus would leave from Victoria. Reserve your spot by calling Father Gary Janak, Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, at 361-573-0828, email: chancellor@victoriadiocese.org or at victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day for information.



Diocesan Communications: Be sure to “like” our Diocese of Victoria in Texas Facebook page. Bishop Cahill’s Lenten videos and other important information is posted regularly.

Lighthouse: Parishioners who wish to receive a paper copy of the Lighthouse may subscribe by calling (361) 573-0828 or at www.victoriadiocese.org/subscribe-now.