

**SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas**

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**March 26, 2017**  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Sacred Liturgies**

**March 26 – Fourth Sunday of Lent**

7:30 a.m. Frank J. & Mary Jalufka

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

**March 27 – Monday**

6:30 a.m. Jo Ann Trobl

10:00 a.m. Intentions of Buford & Joan Dreyer  
(Nursing Home)

**March 28 – Tuesday**

6:30 a.m. Eugene Gillar

**March 29 – Wednesday**

6:00 p.m. Matthew Pohler, Harvey & Irene Pohler  
and Leonard G. Darilek

**March 30 – Thursday**

6:30 a.m. For All Doctors

**March 31 – Friday**

8:10 a.m. Daniel Pohl

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

**April 1 – Saturday**

8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society

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

**April 2 – Fifth Sunday of Lent**

7:30 a.m. Ben & Helen Matula, Jimmy, Ashley, and  
Roger & Bonnie Sralla

9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of  
KJZT District 1

**Lenten Resolutions**

Continuing our list from last weekend on suggestions on what to give up, consider giving up the following:

- **Fear:** God is on my side. In Him I place my trust.
- **Envy:** I am blessed. My value is not found in my possessions, but in my relationship with God.
- **Comparison:** I have my own unique contribution to make to this world in my life time, and there is no one else like me.
- **Self-Pity:** God comforts us in our sorrow and in our difficulties so that we can reach out to others with the comfort He has given us.
- **Excuses:** A wise man once said, if you need an excuse, any excuse will do, so don't make excuses.
- **Retirement:** No one should ever fully retire. As long as we are still breathing, we are here for a reason. We have a purpose to influence others for Christ. That does not come to an end until the day we die.

Excerpts from [DailyWorld.com](http://DailyWorld.com).

**WHAT GOD GAVE UP FOR LENT**

**HIMSELF**



This Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, is a Sunday of joy. Lent is half over, and Easter is enticingly near. The Church's liturgy on this Sunday invites us to retrace one of the fundamental dynamics of our baptismal re-birth through the Gospel account of the healing of the 'man born blind'. It is the passage from the darkness of sin and error to the Light of God, who is the Risen Christ.

This Sunday was formerly called "Laetare Sunday" since its mood and theme was one of hope and rejoicing that Easter was near. In the reformed calendar this Sunday is not different from the other Sundays of Lent even though the entrance antiphon for the day still begins with the Latin word "laetare" and the vestments worn by the celebrant are rose-colored, not violet. The day is important because it is the day of the second scrutiny in preparation for the baptism of adults at the Easter Vigil.

Excerpts from [catholicculture.org](http://catholicculture.org)



**Stations of the Cross:**

Friday, 3:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

**Deanery Penance Services During Lent**

Several priests will be available for Confessions at each of these services.

Monday, April 3, 5:30 p.m., Shiner

Tuesday, April 4, 5:30 p.m., Yoakum

Thursday, April 6, 5:30 p.m., Hallettsville

Friday, April 7, 5:30 p.m., Moulton

**Sacrament of Reconciliation In Our Parish**

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.



**Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for April:**

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

**Liturgy Schedules** for April 2017 can be found at the church entrances and on our parish website.

**Bible Study:** Mondays, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the PAC. New members always welcome.

**Triduum Choir for Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday:**

Practice on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. in church.

**Parish Choir** will practice Monday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. for the Good Friday services.

**Totus Tuus Chorum:** rehearsal every Wednesday from 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. through Holy Week, and on Sunday April 9 (Time TBA) for the 9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass on April 16.

**Laudate Dominum:** Mondays, March 27 & April 3 at 7:00 p.m., and on Sunday April 9 (Time TBA) for the 9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass on April 16.



**KJZT District I Meeting** of the Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas – KJZT will be held Sunday, April 2, at the Parish Dining Hall and is hosted by Society No. 5, Shiner. Registration, 10:30 a.m.; meeting at 11:00 a.m. A catered meal will be served at 11:45. A Memorial Service for deceased members will be held. Junior Members will have a short program and assist with the Memorial Service. Members will be awarded their 50 and 75 year pins and door prizes given. Members of Society No. 5 are asked to bring dessert.

**CDA Meeting:** Catholic Daughters will meet Monday, March 27, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC. Student winners in the CDA Poetry and Essay Contest will be guests and will be treated to a meal. CDA Members – please refer to note connected to Bluebonnet Youth Ranch Spring Fling announcement and donate a dessert if you can.



**Church Bulletin**

In Memory of Robert Patek, Sr. and Mary Ann Novak by Family

**Children's Bulletin**

In Honor of Living & Deceased Members of John & Clara Beal Family

**Sanctuary Candles**

In Memory of Matthew Pohler By Don & Gerrie Pohler & Family

**Adoration Chapel Candles**

In Honor of all Doctors by Hrnclir Family

**Memorial Candle for the Unborn**

Martinsen Family

**Vocations Cross**

David & Amy Adamek

**Donations for Easter flowers** will be most appreciated. Please leave in the collection basket or at the parish office.



**Lenten Day of Reflection and Adoration**

**Saturday, April 8, 2017 – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**St. Mary's, Hallettsville**

**Confession, Mass, Adoration, Stations, Rosary**

You are invited for a day of reflection and prayer. This is a silent retreat and a day of fasting. Bread and water will be provided. For details call Lorrie Adamek at 361-293-1300.



**Rocky Mountain High Youth Retreat:** The Diocese of Victoria is accepting applications for the Rocky Mountain High Retreat to be held on June 24-July 2 at Sonlight Christian Camp Pagosa Springs, CO. Go to Diocese of Victoria website under Youth Ministry for applications or contact The Office of Youth Ministry, [waggert@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:waggert@victoriadiocese.org) or [361-573-0828](tel:361-573-0828) ext. 2232 or Kim Ulcak at 594-3234.

**Save the Date!** The annual "Quo Vadis" Vocations Camp for Boys will be July 2-5 at Cooper's Farm in Ledbetter, TX. This year's theme will be "Basic Training: going back to the basics of our Catholic Faith." Young men who are currently in 7th grade through 12th grade are welcome to attend. Priests and seminarians of the Diocese will staff this retreat. For information call Fr. Bryan at 594-3836 or Kim at 594-3234.

**Shiner Catholic School Notes**

**The Shiner Catholic School** is currently enrolling students for the 2017-18 school year. If you are interested in enrolling your child(ren), please visit the school website: [www.shiner Catholicschool.org](http://www.shiner Catholicschool.org) or call (361) 594-3843.

**Bishop to Visit:** We welcome to our parish Bishop Brendan Cahill who will celebrate the 8:10 a.m. Mass on Friday, March 31. After Mass he will visit the classrooms.



**Spring Picnic – May 28. Raffle Prizes Needed.**

Your donations of raffle prizes are needed in order to offer an attractive slate of prizes. Raffle donors are asked to please call the parish office at 594-3836 by April 3.

**Bingo Chairman Needed:** Please consider chairing the Picnic Bingo stand. Call the parish office at 594-3836 or David Patek at 361-212-2837 if you are interested.

**Needed** – Someone to work alongside this year's Spring Auction Chairman to train and be willing to chair the Auction for the spring of 2018. Call David Patek at 361-212-2837 for more information.

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



**Our Gifts to God This Week**

Envelopes.....	\$ 6,090.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 859.37
Repair Fund.....	\$ 170.00
Rice Bowl.....	\$ 412.57



**CRS Rice Bowl.** Your donations in the little red bag passed around with the collection basket each weekend is for the Rice Bowl. Please be generous in this Lenten program of almsgiving and sacrifice for others.

**Convent Restoration Fund Envelopes** can be found at the church entrances. Your donations will be appreciated.

**Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA)**

The DSA is the financial appeal that helps support the operating expenses of the diocese. Each parish family should have received a mail-out recently from the bishop in the name of the diocese explaining the importance of supporting the diocese through the DSA. There was also a pledge card included to pledge or donate if you want to mail your donation directly to the diocese.

For your convenience you may also make a donation using the monthly envelope in the set of church support envelopes. It is hoped that each parish family will make a monthly donation to the DSA to help us reach our annual parish assessment goal.



**Bluebonnet Youth Ranch Spring Fling Benefit, Sunday April 2,** at Yoakum Community Center. BBQ chicken plates (\$9) served to go or dine in 10:30 a.m. to 1:00. Shiner Hobo Band performing 10:30 – 12:30. Live and silent auctions, plant and dessert booths, kid's activities, and artisan's market.

**Attention – Shiner CDA Members:** To support this benefit for the youth at Bluebonnet Youth Ranch, members are asked, on a volunteer basis, to donate desserts for the meal (i.e. cakes, pies, or other non-refrigerated desserts). **Please leave your donations at the Parish Activity Center between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 1.** CDA members Ann Meyer and Janie Cimrhanzl will be delivering the desserts to Yoakum on Sunday morning.