

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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Deacon: The Rev. Mr. Joe Machacek

April 23, 2017
Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy

Sacred Liturgies

April 23 – Sunday – Divine Mercy

7:30 a.m. Dennis Machart
9:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius

April 24 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Frankie Kubecka
10:00 a.m. Robert Siegel (Nursing Home)

April 25 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Edwin & Gertrude Jaks

April 26 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Matt Pustka & Molly Peters

April 27 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Adam Stock and Deceased Members
of the Proschko Family

April 28 – Friday

8:10 a.m. Charlie & Bessie Kurtz

April 29 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. Gene Nagelmueller

April 30 – Third Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. August & Sophie Kasper and
James & Vernell Kasper
9:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius

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A Message from Pope Francis on Hope



Continuing his series of Wednesday general audiences on hope, Pope Francis devoted his April 19, 2017 address to “the risen Christ, our hope.”

“In these joyful days of Easter, our continuing catechesis on Christian hope looks to the Risen Jesus,” the Pope said to those gathered in St. Peter’s Square.

Citing 1 Corinthians 15, he said that “St. Paul tells the Corinthians that Jesus himself is our hope. His resurrection is the event that grounds our faith; without our confident belief in its historical reality, the Christian faith would be a mere human philosophy, and Jesus himself simply another great religious figure.”

“Our belief is based on the testimony of those who encountered the Risen Christ, from St. Peter and the group of the Twelve to St. Paul, who was converted by his dramatic meeting with the Lord on the road to Damascus,” the Pope continued.

He added: “Encountering Christ in faith is always a surprise; it is a grace given to those whose hearts are open. It overturns our comfortable existence and opens us to an unexpected future, sowing life and light in place of death and sorrow. This is the reason for our Easter joy: in the risen Jesus, who dwells in our midst, we encounter the power of God’s love, which triumphs over death and brings ever new life and undying hope.”

Source: catholicculture.org



Divine Mercy Sunday – A Time for Graces and Blessings

The Feast of Divine Mercy is today, Sunday, April 23. There will be a Holy Hour with Benediction and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayed in church at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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Baptismal Class: The next Baptismal Class is on **Tuesday, May 2**, at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC. All parents and godparents anticipating Baptism during the next several months are reminded that this will be the final class until September. Pre-registration is required by calling the parish office at 594-3836.



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Please Remember in Prayer the following priests from this area who were ordained this month:

Rev. Timothy Kosler, 04/23/1971
Rev. Msgr. John Peters, VG, 04/26/1974

Please Remember in Prayer the following priests from this area who died this month:

Rev. Charles Sonnier, 04/22/2016
Rev. Msgr. Michael Harrold, 04/02/2015
Rev. Msgr. Edward Bartsch, 04/04/2010
Rev. Henry Psencik, 04/14/1989

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First Communicants will be participating in a retreat on Sunday, April 23, following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The date for First Communion is Saturday, April 29, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Religious Ed Notes: Regular class on Wednesday, April 26. The final class for this school year will be on May 3.

Notice: There are openings for bulletin and candle sponsors in the coming weeks. To book a date, call the parish office at 594-3836.

Liturgy Schedules for May and June can be found at the church entrances and on our parish website.

Bible Study: Mondays, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the PAC Center. Everyone is welcome.

Eucharistic Holy Hour: Join us as we observe the 54th Anniversary of the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** on May 7. More details will be in next week's bulletin.

CDA Meeting: Catholic Daughters will meet Monday, April 24, in the PAC. A fried chicken meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by a meeting and report of convention delegates. **Note:** Financial Review Committee members and officers are reminded to report at 4:30 p.m.

Parish Choir Notice: Practice will be on Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 p.m.

Laudate Dominum: Rehearsal on Mondays, April 24 and May 1 at 7:00 p.m. for the 9:30 a.m. Mass, May 7.

Totus Tuus Chorum: Rehearsal on Wednesday, April 26 from 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. for the final Masses of the year: the 6:30 p.m. Mass on Wednesday, May 3 and the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 7.

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Church Bulletin

In Memory of Father Dan O'Brien by Dennis & Marilyn Mraz

Church Bulletin

In Honor of John & Christina Chumchal Family on their Reunion Day

Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Frankie Kubecka by Family

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Chris & Kerri Hull & Family

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K.C. 4-Piece Fried Chicken Dinner, Sunday, April 30.

The menu includes four pieces kettle fried chicken, buttered onion potatoes and green beans. Serving is from 10:30 to 12:30 at the K.C. Hall. Tickets are \$9 and available at Patek's, Boehm Tractor, from K.C. members and from JCDA members. The Fisherman's Dream raffle drawing will also take place on Sunday, April 30.

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Spring Picnic – May 28, 2017

Attention, Parents: Sign-up sheets were recently circulated at the Catholic School and the Religious Ed (CCD) classes. Students were asked to sign up for a shift at the Picnic. Please check if your child's name is on the workers list when you receive it. Grade assignments are as follows: 3rd grade - Fish Pond; 4th and 5th - Ring Toss; 6th and 7th - Ball Throw, Hamburgers and Plinko; 8th - Wheel Of Fortune and Auction; 9th - Snow Cones; 10th, 11th and 12th grades - Fried Chicken, Plates-to-go and Dining Hall duties. If your child did not willingly sign up and you would like him/her to work a shift please call Philip Pilat 361-235-9443 for available shifts.

Picnic Workers List Due: There are still some Picnic Chairpersons who haven't turned in their Workers List. Please submit them to the parish office by **Mon., April 24**

Workers are needed for the following areas: Fried Chicken and Plates-to-go. Please call **361-235-9443** to volunteer.

Chairpersons Needed: We still need persons to chair the **Bingo and Auction**. Please consider chairing one of these aspects of our Spring Picnic. Call the parish office at 594-3836 or David Patek at 361-212-2837 for information.

Shiner Catholic School Marathon, Monday, April 24

The 31st Annual Catholic School Marathon will be held Monday, April 24 when students will be walking to support their school and praying for the intentions they have been asked to pray for. "We Walk – We Pray" is the marathon theme. It will transform the Marathon into an extension of our classrooms and our Catholic faith by encouraging students to think of and pray for others in need while they walk. Students are collecting monetary pledges as well as prayer intentions.

All funds collected go directly to the operating expenses of the Shiner Catholic School. Donations may also be made "in memory of" or "in honor of" special persons. Donations of any amount will be greatly appreciated. To be a Marathon sponsor, contact any student or leave donation at the school office or mail to: Shiner Catholic School, P. O. Box 725, Shiner, TX 77984

Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 11,174.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 1,148.00
Rice Bowl.....	\$ 479.55
Holy Thursday – For Seminarians	\$ 3,972.80
Good Friday – For Holy Land.....	\$ 594.00

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

Strudels for Sale: Stop by the parish office during office hours. The price is \$15.

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Our Diocese Needs Our Support: In a letter from Bishop Cahill, he is asking for our support of the Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA), a program that "helps us as the Body of Christ to bring light and healing to our families and neighbors each day." Through our donations we can help "bring the light of Christ..." to people in our diocese through programs and administration offices of the Victoria Diocese. If you haven't yet made a pledge or donation for 2017, please consider doing so. All donations will help our parish meet its assessment goal. There is an envelope in your set for making a monthly donation.

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Looking Ahead: Summer Kids Kamp - June 5 – 9:

Brochures will be distributed to students at Religious Ed classes and at the Catholic School. Brochures will also be available in the church.

For Sale: Historical Building: The former Marian Hall, located on the Shiner Catholic School grounds, is for sale. The building is 63 by 43 feet, may be moved or disassembled and is asbestos and insulation free. All bids will be considered. For more information call the church office at 361-594-3836 and ask for Joe A. Machacek. Deadline for bids is 12:00 p.m., May 16, 2017. Building must be removed between June 10 and July 1, 2017.

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Parish Festivals:

April 30, St. Michael, Weimar. Fried chicken & sausage dinner, auction, bingo, games, music.

May 7, Holy Family, Victoria. BBQ beef & sausage dinner. Auction, handicrafts, games, music.