

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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July 30, 2017

Sacred Liturgies

July 30 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 a.m. Tim Massie and Eugene Gillar

July 31 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Charlie & Bessie Kurtz and

Albert & Anna Kohl

10:00 a.m. Communion Service (Nursing Home)

August 1 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Annie Cmakal

August 2 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Victor & Sidonia Kram

August 3 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Vietnamese

Dominican Community

August 4 – Friday

8:00 a.m. Adolph R. Novosad, Sr.

August 5 – Saturday

8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society

5:00 p.m. David Marcak

August 6 – The Transfiguration of the Lord

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

9:30 a.m. Agnes Pustka



Today's Readings

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The **first reading** is taken from the first Book of Kings 3:5, 7-12. God gives Solomon a choice of gifts. Solomon asks God for "an understanding mind," so that he could always do what was just and best for his subjects. God rewards him with the gift of wisdom making him the wisest man that ever lived. — *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

The **second reading** is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 8:28-30. The theme of this reading concerns the graciousness and mercy of God at work in calling men to himself, justifying them, and glorifying them as well. The point of the reading is the eternal mystery of the ineffable love of God for man, even before man existed. — *A Celebrants Guide to the New Sacramentary - A Cycle* by Kevin W. Irwin

The **Gospel** is from St. Matthew 13:44-52. The lesson of these two parables is as true for us today, as it was for those Palestinians to whom Christ spoke. All Christians are called on to imitate the two wise men, and surrender all their earthly possessions if necessary in order to gain eternal life. Does this "giving all" mean that we are all expected to abandon the world and take on the religious vows of poverty, chastity and obedience? There are many who do just this. But it is not the only way, nor the normal way, to purchase the eternal treasure. Heaven is within the reach of all, who follow the ordinary vocations of life and partake of this world's joys and pleasures *within the framework of God's commandments*, but never lose sight of the goal toward which they are moving. — *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

Adoration Chapel
NEW OPEN HOUR!

A volunteer is needed to fill an hour on Fridays from 1:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Please call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can take this hour every week or every other week.



Prayer and Spirituality Class in Shiner

Tuesday, August 1 and Thursday, August 3
Parish Activity Center, -- 9:15 to 11:30 a.m.

This course is for all adult Catholics who want to learn more about prayer and spirituality. Catholic School religious teachers, parish catechetical leaders and catechists, are encouraged to attend this summer course. Call Sharon Patek at 594-3234 for information



A New Program for Adults who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith begins **September 6**. This program is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It requires the participants to attend weekly classes beginning September 6 and ending with reception into the Catholic Church on Easter which is April 1, 2018. If you know of anyone who is interested, you might invite them to inquire. You may contact either Mary Machacek at 401-1254 or Sharon Patek at 594-3234 for more information or to register.



The New Church Directories Are In!

Those parishioners who took pictures for this project are entitled to one free copy per family. Only the complimentary copies for these families will be available this weekend in front of church after each of the Masses. After all the families who are entitled to a free copy receive theirs, if there are extras, they will be made available at that time.

Join Bishop Brendan Cahill and God's Embrace on a Lead Me Retreat!

God's Embrace Ministries invites you to join Bishop Brendan Cahill for a weekend retreat experience on "Lead Me into the Deep, Lord". Come from wherever you are to experience a deeper walk with Jesus. Retreat will be held at the Spiritual Renewal Center located at 718 Gussie Schmidt Road, Victoria.

Weekend begins 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 8, and concludes with 11:00 a.m. Mass Sunday September 10. Open to men and women, but space is limited. Cost: \$450 for married couples or \$250 for singles. Pre-registration required at www.godsembrace.org or call 979-561-8883 for more information.



Flowers on the Altar

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

Chuch Bulletin

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

Children's Bulletin

In Honor of 50th Wedding Anniversary of Johnnie & Linda Dierschke

Sanctuary and Adoration Chapel Candles

In Honor of 50th Wedding Anniversary of Johnnie & Linda Dierschke

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Noe & Jean Ann McCarthy



KJZT No. 5 will hold its quarterly meeting Sunday, August 13 at 1:30 p.m. in the PAC. All members are encouraged to attend.

The Parish Choir will sing at the following 5:00 p.m. Saturday Masses: August 26 and September 2 (Polka Mass). Practice notices will be forthcoming.

Laudate Dominum Choir Rehearsals will be on Mondays August 14 & 21 at 7:00 p.m., for the 9:30 a.m. Mass on August 27.



Have you changed your address or phone number? Or have you replaced your home number with cell numbers only? Please call the parish office at 594-3836 or email aduke@sscmshiner.org.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please come by the parish office to register or call 361-594-3836. New parishioner registration forms can also be found on our parish website (www.sscmshiner.org).

Baptisms: By appointment. Class required for parents and godparents. Classes held on first Tuesday of February, May, September and November. Call the parish office at 594-3836 to pre-register for the class.

Raffle Prizes Needed for Picnic

We are in need of raffle prizes for the Picnic raffle. Please consider being a raffle donor and call the parish office at 594-3836 **by noon on Tuesday, August 1.**

Attention – Picnic Chairpersons

It's time to review your list of workers, update if needed and turn in the list to the parish office by **Tuesday, August 1.**



CDA Bake Sale – August 5/6



The Catholic Daughters will be offering a variety of goods at a Bake Sale to be held in front of church after all the Masses next weekend. **CDA members from N – Z are asked to bring baked or canned goods or make a cash donation for the sale.** Cash donations

may be mailed to Jean McCarthy, P. O. Box 911, Shiner, TX 77984.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 5,749.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 852.00
Repair Fund.....	\$ 1,647.00



Aug. 5 & 6: St. Anthony's, Palacios, Shrimporee Festival: 20th Annual Golf Scramble, Sat., Aug. 5. Shrimporee Sunday, Aug. 6, with shrimp or BBQ lunch, auction, music, games.

Aug 13: St. Michael's, Weimar. Stew and fried chicken dinner. Auction, music, other entertainment and activities all day.



Strudels for Sale

We have frozen apple strudels for sale at \$15 each. Stop by the parish office anytime during office hours. When baked up fresh and topped with ice cream they make a tasty summer treat!

Religious Fiction Novels for Sale

Carol Voelkel's books in her "Painted Churches of Texas" series are both available for sale at the parish office. The books are entitled "Random Act of Love" and "Final Act of Redemption." They are \$20 paperback or \$30 hard cover. The author is donating the proceeds of these books to our church.

Box Tops for Education

Watch for this symbol on many food and household products. The Shiner Catholic School receives 10 cents per box top. The box tops can be left at the school offices or in the box provided in back of church by the Catholic Daughters.

