

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 9, 2017

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Liturgies

July 9 – Sunday

7:30 a.m. Edwin Werner

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

July 10 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Charles & Martha Veit & Sons

10:00 a.m. Barbara Condel (Nursing Home)

July 11 – Tuesday – St. Benedict

6:30 a.m. Daniel Pohl

July 12 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Charles & Annie Kremling

July 13 – Thursday – St. Henry

6:30 a.m. Della Simper

July 14 – Friday – St. Kateri Tekakwitha

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Machicek and Siegel Families

July 15 – Saturday – St. Bonaventure

5:00 p.m. Anthony Jalufka

July 16 – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Ronnie Machacek

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



From the Pastor's Desk

This Sunday's Gospel offers us such a beautiful and comforting message. "Come to me all you who are labored and are burdened and I will give you rest." How often in our hustle and bustle world do we find ourselves overwhelmed with just daily life. We, as disciples, have this wonderful reminder that nothing can bring us peace like Christ can. A daily life lived in the accompaniment of Christ by way of the Spirit is the only true way for the human person to find calm in the midst of the storm that is modern living.

One way that a personal relationship with Christ makes life easier is when we allow our life to be placed within a Christian context. When we choose the "better part" like Mary (the sister of Martha and Lazarus) we can begin the process of laying some of the many things we seem to be juggling in life down and walk away from them. We can choose to repent and walk away from sinful burdens and habits. Christ sets us free so that we can embrace and carry the crosses of our lives without allowing the burdens to drag us down and give up. I love this Gospel and I think for many of us those last few lines should be memorized and prayed each day. May we all lay down our burden and rest in Christ.

This weekend we had a teen ACTS retreat and there are 41 retreatants attending from all across our deanery. I was the spiritual director and, as always, it was an uplifting experience for many of them. Thank you for your prayers and support.

I wish to announce that another priest has moved to Shiner. Fr. Anthony Pesek, most recently the pastor of Ss. Peter and Paul in New Braunfels, has retired and is now living here in Shiner. We thank Fr. Tony for his lifetime of service to the Church and we welcome him to our community.

Father Bryan



100th Anniversary - Our Lady of Fatima

The 100th Anniversary of the first appearance of Our Lady of Fatima was celebrated in Fatima, Portugal on May 12 and 13. Pope Francis has offered the following opportunity for a special plenary indulgence:

"The faithful, with devotion, can visit a statue of Our Lady of Fatima solemnly exposed for public veneration in any church, oratory, or proper place of prayer during the days of the anniversary of the apparitions, the 13th of each month from May to October 2017, and there devoutly participate in some celebration or prayer in honor of the Virgin Mary. In addition, the faithful must pray the Our Father, recite the Creed and invoke Our Lady of Fatima. They must also offer to merciful God with confidence, through Mary, their prayers and sufferings or the sacrifices they make in their own lives."

In the Diocese of Victoria, Bishop Cahill has chosen St. Mary's Church in Victoria to have a special statue of Our Lady of Fatima available for veneration on the 13th of each month – May through October.

Here at Sts. Cyril & Methodius, a statue of Our Lady of Fatima is on display in our Adoration Chapel so that parishioners may pay a visit on the 13th of each month in order to gain the plenary indulgence described above. One can avail themselves of this opportunity this week on Thursday, July 13.



The Vocation Ministry Committee of our parish has designated July 9 – 14 as the week to pray for the priests and deacons of the Diocese of Victoria. Please remember this intention in your prayers during the coming week using prayers of your choosing or the prayer below.

God our Father, we thank you for calling the priests and deacons of our diocese to serve in your Son's Kingdom. Help them to be pious in meditation and efficacious in preaching. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy. May your Holy Spirit guide them and strengthen them as they serve the people of our diocese. This we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

Adoration Chapel Notes:

Open Hours needing to be filled are:

Wednesdays, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.; Thursdays, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. and 4:00 – 5:00 a.m. (every other week).

Please call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can take one of these hours.



An ACTS Teen Retreat is taking place this weekend. We remember in our prayers and give thanks for all the members of the staff and the retreatants as well as Father Bryan, the Spiritual Director of the weekend. They will be attending the 9:30 a.m. Mass here today.



July and August Ministry Schedules can be found at the church entrances and on our parish website.

Laudate Dominum: Rehearsal on Monday, July 10 at 7:00 p.m. for the 9:30 a.m. Mass on July 16.

Parish Choir Notice: The choir will be singing at the following 5:00 p.m. Saturday Masses in the coming weeks: July 22, August 26 and September 2 (Polka Mass). Notices of practices will be forthcoming.

KJT State Family Day, July 23 at KJT Activity & Fraternal Center, 6116 St. Hwy 71 E., La Grange. All members and their families are invited to come enjoy a BBQ meal and a day of fun including music by Chris Rybak, Caricatures and a water slide for the children with attendance prizes throughout the day. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m.; Mass at 11:00 a.m. followed by a meal served from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. RSVP by July 14 at 800-245-8182 or info@kjt.net.



Flowers on the Altar

In Memory of Edwin Werner by Family

Children's Bulletin

In Memory of Cole Kloesel by Nancy & Eric Kloesel and Susan & Victor Kasper

Church Bulletin and Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Lucille Roznovsky by Delores Hrcir

Adoration Chapel Candles

In Honor of Living & Deceased Members of Altar Society

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

This week the cross is with Bruce & Laura Sciba.



Spirituality and Prayer – July 25 & 27 and August 1 & 3, 2017

There are many different Spiritualities. This class will explore what spirituality is, what our Christian spirituality incorporates and how we struggle with the ecclesiastical dimension of it. We will also examine how all our actions must originate in a prayerful life and that prayer is about a relationship with God. We will become familiar with the various ways we can communicate with God. This course will be taught from the Chancery in Victoria via "distance learning" to Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Shiner and Holy Family Church, Wharton. Online registration is available at <https://victoriadiocese.org/extended-online-registration>. Course fee is \$20.

CDA Bake Sale Next Weekend, July 15/16



The Catholic Daughters are sponsoring the first of two summer bake sales after the Masses next weekend. **Members from A – M are asked to bring donations of baked or canned goods or make a cash donation for the July 15/16 sale.** Members from N – Z will be asked to donate to the next Bake Sale on August 5/6. Cash donations may be mailed to Jean McCarthy, P.O. Box 911, Shiner, TX 77984.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 7,682.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 836.00
Peter's Pence Collection	\$ 906.10

Diocesan Services Appeal: There is a monthly envelope in your set for this purpose. You can help our parish reach its assessment goal by using the envelope and giving what you can each month.



Work on Church Water Lines: During the past few months we have had several breaks in water lines around the church area. Due to the age of these lines, it has been determined it would be best to replace all of them at this time. Thus, you will see breaks in the parking lot pavement and work taking place in other areas on the church property as this very necessary maintenance work takes place in the near future.



The Emmaus Center: Counseling in the Catholic Tradition.

The center, located at 1908 N. Laurent St., Suite 140, Victoria, offers grief support and other counseling and spiritual direction. For appointments go to emmauscounselingcenter.com or call 361-212-0830.

Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For more information about the **Victoria August 4-6, 2017**, weekend, contact John or Jennifer Vincent (361) 580-2770 or email: jbvjov@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



Picnic

July 16: St. Matthew's, Jourdanton. Sausage, potatoes, homemade sauerkraut & other trimmings. Music, raffle, kolaches & sauerkraut for sale.

Parish Mission Statement

"Saints Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church is a community of believers called to worship God and celebrate together the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We provide spiritual growth to all and service to the parish and community through evangelization, education and stewardship. We journey together in faith and love for one another to live out the call of Jesus Christ."