

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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November 19, 2017

Sacred Liturgies

November 19 – Thirty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish
9:30 a.m. Edwin & Hilda Schmidt and Rudolph & Minnie Fiedler

November 20 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Joe & Theresa Marek
10:00 a.m. Ester Perez (Nursing Home)

November 21 – Tuesday

8:10 a.m. All Souls Novena

November 22 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Jeanette Boedeker

November 23 – Thursday – Thanksgiving Day

8:00 a.m. Ben Matula

November 24 – Friday

No Mass

November 25 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. Matt Pustka

**November 26 – Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish
9:30 a.m. Ben & Helen Matula, Jimmy, Ashley and Roger & Bonnie Sralla



From the Pastor's Desk

The first image that comes to my mind when I read that Saint Paul instructs us to be "alert and sober" is of a guard in a watchtower. But this is not what Saint Paul is instructing the Thessalonians to be. It is not what he modeled for them. Paul was a missionary. He travelled to so many places in order to teach and preach the Gospel of Christ.

From the time of his conversion until his martyrdom he relentlessly wrote and taught even from prison. Why? Because like the servants in the parable, he had been given a precious sum from the Savior and with all of his strength and all of his abilities he sought to invest that gift of the Eternal Father to everyone and everywhere he went. He invested these gifts, these talents, in Jews and Greek; pagans and apostles.

This is being "children of the light, and children of the day". This is what we do to stay "alert and sober". We invest the great gifts of grace that we have been given by God into the community we live and beyond; searching out and inviting others to come to know the generosity and never-ending love of God.

We will not always be successful in bringing everyone we meet to Christ but we must not let this fear of not being successful to hide away these gifts. As St. Theresa of Calcutta said once, "I am not called to be successful, I am called to be faithful." Let us all be faithful, let us all emulate Saint Paul. Let all of us children of the Light stay alert and sober investing God's gifts into the world around us.

Father Bryan Heyer



Thank You, LORD!

Happy Thanksgiving to One and All!

Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 8:00 a.m. As we gather with family and friends this Thanksgiving Day let us remember, first and foremost, to give thanks to God for our many blessings.

Another way to show our gratitude is by sharing our gifts with others. There will be one collection on Thanksgiving Day, which will be for our Ministry Assistance program, which helps the needy of our community. The second collections on the weekend of November 25 & 26 will also be for this same cause.

Food Drive: The Catholic School students will be having a food collection drive at their pre-Thanksgiving Mass on Tues., November 21.

The Parish Office will close for the Thanksgiving holidays at noon on Wednesday, November 22.

Adoration Chapel Schedule for Thanksgiving

The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed on Tuesday, November 21 at 5:00 p.m. Adoration will resume at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, November 27.

Persons are needed in our adoration chapel on Tuesdays from 2:00 – 3:00 a.m. and on Thursdays from 3:00 – 4:00 a.m. (both of these times are for every other week). Please consider taking one of these times and call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can help out.



Free Community Dinner



The 7th Annual Community Christmas Dinner

will be held on Sunday, December 3, at the Shiner K.C. Hall. This event, sponsored by our parish, is free and for everyone who lives in

Shiner. On the menu will be turkey, dressing and trimmings. Reservations are required. Call the parish office at 594-3836 or email aduke@sscmshiner.org. **Volunteers Needed:** If you are willing to help with the dinner, please call Betty Kosler at 361-649-4248.



November and December Ministry Schedules can be found at the church entrances and on our website.

Parish Pictorial Directories: There are still a number of parishioners who have not picked up their directory. Please stop by the parish office as soon as possible. We also have a number of extras to sell for \$10 each.

Thank You: It is with gratitude and appreciation that we acknowledge a generous donation received in the amount of \$20,000 from Frank & Billie Jiral. A total of \$10,000 is earmarked for the Church and \$10,000 for the Convent Restoration project. May God bless them for their generosity!



Marian Consecration – Weekly Meeting: This week's meetings in preparation for the Marian Consecration on December 8 are on **Monday, November 20, at 6:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, November 21, at 9:00 a.m.** in the PAC.

Bible Study: Everyone is invited to the weekly Bible study held on Mondays from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. in the PAC.

The Pastoral Council will meet Tuesday, November 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the PAC.

Notice, CDA Members: Please note that the November meeting will be on Tuesday, November 28, at 6:30 p.m. due to the Marian Consecration meeting being held on Mondays in PAC.



The Shiner Youth Work Camp is scheduled for June 3 – 6, 2018. Adults and high school youth interested in participating are asked to sign up beginning Thursday, November 30 after the 6:30 a.m. Mass. The form will be available in the church foyer.



Totus Tuus Chorum: No rehearsal on Wed., Nov. 22, due to Thanksgiving break. Rehearsals resume Wed., Nov. 29 from 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. for Christmas Midnight Mass and Christmas in the Park.

Laudate Dominum: Rehearsals on Mondays, Nov. 20 and 27 at 7:00 p.m. for Christmas in the Park on Dec. 7. All are welcome to join the choir for this event.

Christmas Midnight Mass and Christmas in the Park: All are welcome to join the combined choir for these two festive events. Adults are rehearsing on Mondays Nov. 22 & 29 at 7:00 p.m. Youth, grades 7 – 12, are rehearsing on Wed., Nov. 29 from 8:00 – 8:50. Contact Martha Egan for information at marthaegan110@gmail.com or text 830-445-6512.



Flowers on the Altar

In Memory of Louis & Rosie Nevlud and Louis Spann
By Family

Church Bulletin

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Wiese by Family

Sanctuary and Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Deceased Members of the Shiner Catholic Daughters Court #1604

Children's Bulletin

In Memory of Natividad & Ester Perez by
Rick & Laura Perez

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

By the Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Curtis & Denise Pilat



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 7,249.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 722.66
Repair Fund.....	\$ 323.48

Special Collection: This weekend's second collection is for the Campaign for Human Development. This cause funds community programs in the United States that encourage independence. We can help make a difference in families and communities in our own country. Please be generous.

Cardinal Booster Club Turkey Shoot, Fried Chicken Dinner, and Auction, Sunday, November 19, Wied Hall

The event begins at 10:00 a.m.; **turkey shoot** sign-up begins at 9:00 a.m. A **kettle fried chicken dinner** will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for dine-in and drive-through at Wied Hall. Tickets: \$10.

A **live auction** begins at 12:00 noon. All proceeds benefit the athletic and physical education programs of Shiner Catholic School, Pk3 through 12th grade.



Strudel Project Wrap-Up

Strudel Orders: If you ordered strudels from our sale on November 11, but did not pick up, please stop by the parish office as soon as possible.

Sold Out! A total of 1,872 strudels were made this year. This is about 100 less than we made in 2016 when we had strudels left for months afterwards. But this year we are already sold out. Thank you to everyone who purchased the strudels.

Donations: We are happy to report that all 80 boxes of apples we used were donated. With additional donations still coming in, a major part of the supplies will also be paid for. If you still would like to make a donation so that we can have ALL expenses paid for, please stop by the parish office or leave in the weekend collection. A complete report will be given as soon as all income, expenses and donations are tallied.

Special thanks to EVERYONE who helped before, during and after the sale. The variety of jobs that goes into this project sometimes seems never-ending and it takes hundreds of hours to take care of all the many aspects of the work. A large number of people pitched in to make the work easier on everyone. There were a good number of dough rollers and workers throughout the day. However, we could have used a few more. And even though the number of workers was a little down from last year, we were still able to complete the day's work by late afternoon.

A Strudel Wrap-Up Meeting is scheduled for the near future. Please watch future bulletins for the date.



Towels for the Homeless – Please leave your donations of towels in the containers at the church entrances by November 22. All donations will be delivered to Mid-Coast Family Services in Victoria, an organization who is continually assisting people in South Texas who are homeless or in other dire situations. Sponsored by the Shiner Catholic Daughters. Thank you for caring!

CDA Tamale Sale: Place your orders for tamales by November 29. The tamales will arrive on December 7 when pick-up time is scheduled for 3:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the PAC. These are traditional pork tamales that will be made by Grumpy's Mexican Café, Bracken. Price: \$10/dozen. Order by calling Marjorie Kresta, 361-594-2361; Betty Kosler, 361-649-4248; or Quality Pharmacy, 361-594-2262.