

JULY 13, 2008: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.” Mt 13:22-23

SUNDAY, JULY 13

8:00 AM- Willie Mae Kahanek
10:30 AM- For our Parish Family

MONDAY, JULY 14

7:00 AM- Gertrude Appelt
10:00 AM- Lawrence Christ (H'ville Rehab)

TUESDAY, JULY 15

7:00 AM- Living & deceased members of Henry Christ, Jr. Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

7:00 AM- Ella Kocian
8:05 AM- Mike Garcia & Ruben Garza

THURSDAY, JULY 17

7:00 AM- Leon & Leona Grahmann
10:00 AM- Roy Kalisek (Stevens)

FRIDAY, JULY 18

7:00 AM- Hilton & Hilda Elstner, Bill Sobotik
8:05 AM- Sick & deceased members of SHCS Class of 1956

SATURDAY, JULY 19

5:30 PM- Annie Orosco

SUNDAY, JULY 20

8:00 AM- Dolores Prasek & Bonnie Grahmann
10:30 AM- For our Parish Family

Readings for the Week of July 13: Sun: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32/ Rom 3:21-25, 28/ Mt 7:21-27; Mon: 2 Pt 1:2-7/ Mk 12:1-12; Tues: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/ Mk 12:13-17; Wed: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/ Mk 12:18-27; Thur: 2 Tm 2:8-15/ Mk 12:28-34; Fri: 2 Tm 3:10-17/ Mk 12:35-37; Sat: 2 Tm 4:1-8/ Mk 12:38-44; Sun: Hos 6:3-6/ Rom 4:18-25/ Mt 9:9-13.

Bulletin & Radio Broadcast Sponsors: In memory of Willie Mae Kahanek by Charles & Doloris Leopold.

Our Gift to God last week: Envelopes- \$5,654; Loose- \$1,606; Children's- \$25; Repair Fund- \$574; Catholic Education- \$813.

Anniversaries:

Eugene & Cecilia Garza	35 years	July 13
Leonard & Georgie Marek	40 years	July 13
Charles & Annabeth Neumeyer	35 years	July 14
Patrick & Patricia Belcik	25 years	July 17

Promise of Marriage: Jennifer Janak and Chad Thibodeaux on July 19th.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Justina Kolos of our parish family. *May she and all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JULY 14

-Rosary & Evening Prayer: 5:30 p.m. in church.
-KJZT Meeting: 6:30 p.m., Family Center.

TUESDAY, JULY 15

-Quilting Circle: 9:00 a.m.–Noon, KC Hall of Fame Rm.
-Serra Club Meeting: 7:00 p.m., Jalisco's Café.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

-JCDA Skating Party: 7 pm, Pecan Grove Skating Rink.
-Divine Mercy Prayer Group Meeting: 7:30 pm, Cry Rm.

SUNDAY, JULY 20

-Ascension Church Picnic, Moravia. Mass 10 a.m. Fried Chicken & Stew Dinner 11 a.m. Auction 1 p.m. Bingo, cake walk, games. Music by The Czechaholics & Mark Halata – Texavia. *Fun for all!*
-St. Matthew's Czech Day Celebration, Jourdanton. Polka Mass 10:30 am. Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner 11am.
-**Firefall** at 6:00 p.m. Parishioners are invited to join the youth in Eucharistic Adoration in song & praise.

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Deacon Marvin Fikac, Mary Laas, Jacque Holchak, Alvin Rosenauer, Frank Luke, Douglas Bludau, Macey Moeller, Margaret Flores, Wilhelm Grahmann, Virginia Pederson, Odessa Blumberg, Debbie Fishbeck, Mary Ann Gaitan, Johnny Rainosek, Carolyn Steffek, Josie Ohnheiser, Clint Brewer, Mason Leibham, Josie Muniz, David Tomek, Riley Mika, Joyce Holik Svetlik, Mary Bonorden, Louise Tesch, Marie Grafe, Loraine Butschek, Jesse Cavazos, Bernice Woytek, Evelyn Henke, Lillie Sitka, Maxie Bennett, Harvey Prasek, Helen M. Appelt, Paige Haas, Annette Krupala, Emma Meyer, Viola C. Grahmann, Sr. Rosalyn Henke, Ernest Schulte, Thelma Mikulenka, John Schlageter, Alphonse Steffek, nursing home residents & the homebound.



SHCS Cheerleaders mini cheerleader camp July 22–24 for girls ages 4 & older. For information, call Sandy Zaruba 798-5869 or Debi Bludau (798-4728).

SHCS Band: Members need to be measured for uniforms at the Blahuta Advertising table during registration.

Pro-Life: Christians: The blood of Christ paid for our sins; the blood of patriots paid for our freedom; the blood of the unborn is paying for our apathy. Stop abortion. The future of our nation depends on it.

-Used tennis balls are needed for the SHCS classroom chair legs. Please drop them off at the school office.

BBQ Chicken Plates to Go, July 24th, 5 – 6:30 pm, KC Hall. Tickets at Hoffer's Drive In, Peoples State Bank, SH Credit Union, SH School. Benefits KC River Rats softball team travel to the KC National Softball Tournament.

Pray for Vocations to the Priestly & Religious Life!

Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd. You know each of us and You call us by name to serve You in faith. Help us to respond generously to Your voice. Give courage and guidance to those You call to the priesthood and diaconate, to religious life and lay ministry, so that they may respond whole heartedly and serve devoutly. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

From the Desk of Father John

Periodically, the Church sets aside an entire year to encourage all of us to focus on some particular and important aspect of our Faith. This year, we are given an opportunity to honor one of the great saints and founders of the early Church – the Apostle Paul.

In order to commemorate the 2000th anniversary of his birth, Christians all over the world will celebrate “The Year of St. Paul” from June 28, 2008, to June 29, 2009.

As Pope Benedict XVI said in his announcement, this special “Pauline” year is an invitation to join with “The Apostle of the Gentiles, who dedicated himself to the spreading of the good news to all peoples, [and] spent himself for the unity and harmony of all Christians,” adding, “May he guide us and protect us in this bimillenary celebration, helping us to advance in the humble and sincere search for the full unity of all the members of the mystical body of Christ.”

“From [St. Paul] we draw a very important lesson: what counts is to place Jesus Christ at the center of our lives, so that our identity is marked essentially by the encounter, by communion with Christ and with his Word.” – Pope Benedict XVI, *The Apostles*.

Fr. Michael will be gone on vacation from today, Sunday, until Saturday, July 26th.

Victoria Diocese Pastoral Institute Classes: Please pre-register on-line at www.victoriadiocese.org or call 573-0828 ext. 28.

July 15 & 17: “*I Believe/We Believe*” 9 am – 12 pm, Our Lady of Victory, Victoria.

July 19: “*Catholic Morality*” 9 am – 3 pm, St. Mary’s Parish Hall, Hallettsville. Bring a lunch.

July 21 & 23: “*Introduction to the Learner*” 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary, Ganado.

July 22 & 24: “*I Believe/We Believe*” 6 – 9 pm, Our Lady of Victory, Victoria.

July 26: “*Intro. to the Learner*” 9 – 3:30 pm, Sacred Heart, Flatonia.

July 28: “*Intro. to the Learner*” 9 – 3:30 pm, Chancery, Victoria.

July 29 & 31: “*Intro. to the Scriptures*” 6 – 9 pm, St. Agnes, Edna.

August 5 & 7: “*Intro. to the Scriptures*” 7 – 10 pm, Holy Cross, East Bernard.

August 5 & 7: “*Sacraments*” 6:30 – 9:30 pm, St. Philip, El Campo.

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In our religious special education classes this past year, we discussed miracles with the kids. But before the year began, each of us catechists was given a “miracle box,” a simple wooden box with an inscription on top, asking us to look deeper – to look deeper at our kids with special needs, for in them we would find the miracle of God’s true love, a love given freely to the innocent and shared with us.

Jesus’ parables are widely known, and most of us can recall them in some detail. But often, we fail to look deeper into their meaning and accept the challenge to apply them to our own lives. As with the parable of the sower and the seed, do we listen to God’s word at Mass or are we distracted or uninterested? How many of us can actually recall the readings or the pastor’s homily even a few hours after we hear them?

Today, please accept the challenge of looking deeper into the word of God. The Catechism of the Catholic Church advises we meditate; this is an opportunity to quiet ourselves to the noise of the world and listen to each and every word given to us (CCC 2707). The beauty of Jesus’ parables is that although they are short and to the point, they can have a different meaning to each of us, and can truly be life-changing. Look deeper.

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Christian Mothers: Induction of new members, installation of officers & awarding of 25 & 50 year pins on July 22 at 6:00 pm in the church. Reception to follow in Family Center. Members are to bring sandwiches, chips, dip or dessert. If you would like to join, please call Amy Shimek 798-1806 or 798-9116.

Jr. Catholic Daughters: Skating Party, July 16, 7:00 – 8:30 pm at Pecan Grove Skating Rink on Hwy 90A West across from Janak Packing. Skate rental \$5. For questions, please call Shanna Clark 798-9189. *We look forward to seeing you!!*



The Youth ConneXion



July 13: “Cleaning Day” & Bar-B-Que

-Youth House at 3:00 p.m.

-Incoming 8th Graders – High School (Young Adults)

July 20: Firefall at 6 pm. Youth meet in church at 5 pm.

July 25: DECLARE VICTORY

-EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE

July 27: Splashway “Fun Day”

-Incoming 8th Graders – High School (Young Adults)

August 23 – 24: DECLARE VICTORY

-All Diocesan High School Youth at KC Hall

-Hosted by Sacred Heart Youth Group

Prayer for Rain: Almighty God, we are in need of rain.



We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky, what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is. To think that so much water can fall out of the sky, which now is empty and clear! We place our trust in You. We are sure that You know our needs. But You want

us to ask You any-way, to show You that we know we are dependent on You. Look on our dry hills and fields, dear God, and bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice, and the rivers will sing Your praises, and the hearts of men will be made glad. Amen.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND

In honor of Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Michna’s 40th Anniversary:

Paul & Anita Pesek

15.00