

July 11, 2010: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers’ victim?” He answered, “The one who treated him with mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.” — Lk 10:36-37

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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, July 11 (Dt 30:10-14/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37)

8:00 am- John Jalufka
10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Monday, July 12 (Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34---11:1)

7:00 am- Weldon Schaefer
10:00 am- Annie & Victor Leopold (H’ville Rehab)

Tuesday, July 13, St. Henry (Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24)

7:00 am- Lucille Etzler

Wednesday, July 14, Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin (Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27)

7:00 am- Joe & Helen Etzler
8:05 am- Gladys Dodds Koehn

Thursday, July 15, St. Bonaventure, bishop & doctor (Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30)

7:00 am- Living & deceased members of George & Apolena Bujnoch Family

10:00 am- Julius & Sidonia Mikulenska (Stevens)

Friday, July 16, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

(Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8)

7:00 am- Leon & Leona Grahmann
8:05 am- Jerome Kocurek



Saturday, July 17 (Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21)

5:30 pm- Alfons A. & Cecilia Grahmann, & Magdalen Muras

Sunday, July 18 (Gn 18:1-10a/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42)

8:00 am- For our Parish Family
10:30 am- Annie Orosco

Bulletin Sponsor: In memory of V.L. & Rose Rainosek by Don & Barbara Rainosek.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of James Grahmann

Vigil Light: Special Intention.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$5,625.50; Loose-\$1,275; Children-\$40; Building Repair Fund-\$1,130; Catholic Education Envelopes-\$320.

Anniversaries:

Charles & Henrie Patek	57 years	July 11
Claude & Monica Barnes	30 years	July 12

Promise of marriage: Wade Kallus & Ashley Mikeska on July 17.

Pray for the repose of the souls of: *Anton Steffek* and *Joe N. Steffek* of our parish family; and, *Bruce Rath*, father of Logan & Chance Rath. *May they & all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Sept. 5-14. Spiritual Director Fr. Robert Guerra. Be there for our Lady’s birthday. If you would like to join us, contact Betty Urbanovsky 979-543-2333 or William & Charlene Bradbury 798-3224.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 11

-Firefall, 6:00 p.m. in church. (Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.)

MONDAY, JULY 12

-Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.
-KJZT meeting, 6:30 p.m., Mary’s House.

TUESDAY, JULY 13

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

-Scripture study, 6:30 p.m., Mary’s House.

SUNDAY, JULY 18

-Moravia Church Picnic. Mass 10:00 am. Stew & Fried Chicken Dinner 11:00 am. Drive-thru plates 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. Auction 1:00 pm. Bingo, cake walk, country store, toy walk, dunking booth & games. Hamburgers, refreshments & entertainment. Music by Ennis Czech Boys & Texas Sound Check.

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Alvin Rosenauer, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Josie Ohnheiser, Mason Leibham, Riley Mika, Mary Bonorden, Annette Krupala, Anthony Corte, Amanda Conniff, Margaret Timm, Helen M. Appelt, Michael Kutac, Paige Haas, Anita Kallus, Jeff Zavesky, Renae Ross, Alma Jurena, Kate Kopecky, Michael L. Drozd, Bill Biehunko, Frank Fishar, Pam Dornak, Clayton Patek, Suzanne Romano, Alice Kocian, Mary Agnes Grahmann, Anita Bohuslav, Betty Toman, MacKenzie Fogle, Henri Mae Patek, Doyleen Drozd, Bryce Saldi, Travis Klimitchek, Judith Koerth, Louise Tesch, Thelma Mikulenska, Sandra Henneke, Mary Ann Koenig, Helen Mitchon, Marcella Henke, Tillie Schott, Georgia Schaefer, Joseph Ilardo, Dolores Ludwig, Denise Lewis, Evelyn Kutac, Emil Grahmann, Lillie Demny, Henry Morris, Bruce Fritz, Paula Nemeck, Ernest Schulte, Guntram Janak, Ray Palmer, Candice Chandler, Dorothy Dworsky, Antonia Jahn, Alvin Steffek, Sr., Josh Mann, Faith Del Castillo, Theresa Steffek, Edna Key, Oretha McCord, Josephine Matejek, Judy Johnson, Donna Avant, Kirk Remmers, Danielle Grady, Royce Chudej, Olga Haas, Sandra Mozisek, Sonny Strelec, Dalton Bubela, Daniel A. Wick, Soila Sanchez, William Hermes, Kenneth Hermes, Fr. John Peters, nursing home residents & homebound.

The sisters of Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria invite Jr. & Sr. High girls & their parents to visit on July 25. The day begins with Mass at 8:30 a.m. & ends with Evening Praise at 5:00 p.m. Registration forms are available in the Rectory. Deadline is July 21. For information, call Sr. Louise Marie 575-7111 or email iwbsvoc2@yahoo.com.

Christian Mothers members, please mail your \$6.00 dues to Rhonda Brown, 526 C. R. 131A, Hallettsville. For more information, call Rhonda at 798-1937.

Fund Drive for purchase of house at 318 S. Texana

Current Balance \$ 5,100.00
Goal - \$40,000

Mini-Twirl Camp, July 19–22, 9 am–noon, SHCS Gym (K–8th Gr). Camp cost \$20. T-shirt \$12. Batons \$20. For information, call Becky McElroy 798-2831 or 798-3088.



From the Desk of Father John

We welcome our new associate pastor, Fr. Tommy Chen. Fr. Tommy comes to us as his second assignment. He just celebrated his second anniversary as a priest.

I ask for your prayers for my upcoming surgery on July 21st at Citizens Hospital in Victoria. The doctors discovered a tumor on my bladder. They believe it is malignant but confined. I will stay in the hospital overnight and return here. After the surgery, it will be determined whether or not I will need any treatments. I am very optimistic about it all. Thank you for your prayers and concern.

Please welcome Fr. John Quinn who will speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross International Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia and Latin America. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.



The Youth ConneXion



July 11: Youth meet in church at 5:00 p.m. Firefall at 6:00 p.m.

Music Practice: Mondays, 6:00 p.m., Youth House.

Religious Education (CCD) ~ Office 798-3124

Angela McConnell, Coordinator

July 14 & 21: Echoes of Faith Classes, *Scriptures*, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., CCD Office. Call the CCD Office to register for this class.

Pastoral Institute Classes offered by Diocese of Victoria:

July 13 & 15: Church (non-Echoes), 6-9 pm, St. Joseph, Yoakum.

July 13 & 14: Sacraments, 6-9 pm, Holy Rosary, Hostyn.

July 14 & 21: The Scriptures, 5:30-8:30 pm, Sacred Heart, Hallettsville.

July 15: Catholic Morality, 6-9 pm, O.L. of Sorrows, Vict.

July 15: The Learner, 6:30-9:30 pm, Holy Cross, East Bernard.

Aug 3 & 5: Liturgy, 6:30-9:30 pm, St. Phillip, El Campo.

Aug 3 & 10: I Believe/We Believe, 6-9 pm, Sts. Cyril & Methodius Activity Center, Shiner.

Aug 4: Roles of the Catechist, 6-9 pm, St. Agnes, Edna.

Aug 4: Methods 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 7-9 pm, St. Phillip, El Campo.

Aug 4: Roles of the Catechist, 6-9 pm, O.L. Guadalupe, Bay City.

Aug 11: Methods 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 7-9 pm, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Bay City.

Raffle Prizes are urgently needed for the Fall Picnic. Please call the Rectory as soon as possible if you are able to donate a prize. Thank you!

I want to thank everyone for all you have done for me. I could not have had a better first assignment. Leaving is difficult because I made a home here largely due to the welcome you all gave me, inviting me into your homes, families, and lives. I truly feel like a son of Hallettsville. Each of the four parishes has a special place in my heart and will be remembered fondly as my first home as a priest. You all were very supportive of my endeavors and me as a person and taught me a great deal. I will take what I have learned here to Our Lady of Victory and wherever I am sent after that. I also want to express my extreme gratitude for the enormous response in gifts for my farewell. In all about \$1500 was donated to the seminary burse for the education of our seminarians. May God bless each of you with His abundant graces.

Fr. Michael

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One of the classic images in a catalogue of stained glass art is that of the good Samaritan. Along with the prodigal son, and Jesus blessing the children, the good Samaritan is one of the most commonly reproduced artistic scenes. Within 125 years of the first printed English Bibles the term "good Samaritan" came to have the figurative sense referring to anyone who helped a stranger in distress. Interestingly, the biblical text never uses the word "good" to describe the Samaritan. He is referred to as "neighbor" to the man who fell victim to robbers. Yet if someone refers to a person as a good Samaritan, we know instantly what is meant.

As we've all heard before, Samaritans were considered outcasts by Jews at the time of Jesus. Because they worshipped on Mt. Gerizim rather than in Jerusalem there were tensions between Jews and Samaritans that even escalated to violence that had to be quelled by the Roman occupiers. So it was a very pretty picture when the lawyer who questioned Jesus finds himself having to admit that it was the Samaritan who treated the robbers' victim with mercy.

What is our own understanding of who is our neighbor in the present day? The parable is such an enduring tale that its meaning has slipped into our common language. But that has happened at the expense of the story's punch line, and it is one that packs a real punch! Who are the outcasts or the despised in our day? What class of people have we found it difficult to accept? Or who might we find it easy to denigrate? The homeless? Immigrants? Muslims? Someone else? What if they were the Samaritan? Would we love the story as much if Jesus asked us today, "Which of these, in your opinion, was neighbor?" How would we answer?



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SACRED HEART CHURCH CCD PROGRAM

In memory of Joe N. Steffek:

Linda & Harry Cull	10.00
John & LaVerne Trojcek	15.00

Dr. Harvey & Karen Renger 10.00
 Spiritual Retreat on Saturday, August 7, Sacred Heart Family Center. A day of renewal, prayer & Catholic spirituality will be offered by Michael Fonseca, the facilitator for Spiritual Formation in the Diaconate Program for the Victoria Diocese. No cost; however, a good will offering will be accepted. Bring a bag lunch or purchase a meal that day. If interested in attending, contact Michael Fonseca (michaelfonseca@verizon.net), Kenneth Fishbeck (kwfishbeck@sbcglobal.net or 361-596-4650), Bill Briscoe (brisco3@cvctx.com or 979-263-5212), or Deacon John McCourt (johnmc16@verizon.net or 979-968-3408).

Rediscover Your Marriage – September 10-12 in Victoria. Retrouvaille simply means “rediscovery.” The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10’s of 1000’s headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriage by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For information or to register for the September program, call 979-543-3493 or email lbconner@sbcglobal.net or visit the website at www.retrouvaille.org.

Save the Date – Sacred Heart ACTS Community Annual Family Picnic, Sunday, August 8, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Splashway Water Park. Beginning with outdoor Mass followed by lunch, outdoor games & swimming.

Jesus Christ gives Himself entirely to us; He unites His sacred body with ours; and, by this union, we become one and the same spirit with Him. As the food which we take nourishes our body, so the Holy Eucharist is the nourishment of our soul. For even as our bodily food is changed into our substance, so the Holy Eucharist transforms us into Jesus Christ. – St. John Baptist de la Salle

Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you, for you *alone*? He burns with the desire to come into your heart. – St. Therese of Lisieux

SACRED HEART CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

In honor of Arthur Etzler’s 90th birthday:

Edna Bludau 10.00

In memory of Annie Leopold:

Lillian Haas 10.00

In memory of Anton Steffek:

Alvin Paul & Barbara Grahmann 25.00

Billy & Karen Owens 25.00

In memory of Joe N. Steffek:

Alvin Paul & Barbara Grahmann 10.00

Jackie Bludau & Family 20.00

Douglas & Sharon Schaefer 20.00

SACRED HEART CHURCH MUSIC FUND

In honor of Arthur Etzler’s 90th birthday:

Bob & Lou Kubena 20.00

SACRED HEART CHURCH BEREAVEMENT COM.

In memory of Joe N. Steffek: Tommy & Diane Kainer 10.00

SACRED HEART SCHOOL PRE-K PROGRAM

In memory of Annie Leopold: Mike & Lois Nelson 25.00

SACRED HEART SCHOOL VOCATIONAL AG SHOP FUND

In memory of Annie Leopold & Helen Etzler:

Arthur Etzler, Jr. 50.00

SACRED HEART EARLY CHILDHOOD & DAYCARE

In memory of Annie Leopold:

John & Frances Bock 20.00

Daniel & Shirley Steffek 15.00

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Anton Steffek: Evelyn & Philip Bujnoch 10.00

In memory of Joe N. Steffek:

August & Josephine Janak 10.00

Hallettsville Livestock Commission 25.00

Pat Mladenka 10.00

In memory of Helen M. Etzler: Pat Mladenka 10.00

SACRED HEART SCHOOL OPERATING FUND

In memory of Helen Etzler:

Joe N. & Magdalene Steffek 10.00

In memory of Annie Leopold:

Arthur Spies 10.00

Brian & Christine Haas Family 15.00

Marvin & Imelda Orsak 25.00

Arthur & Rose Mary Etzler 10.00

Leo & Dorothy Henke 20.00

Gene & Maureen Schott 20.00

Melvin Heinsohn 10.00

Marty & Debi Bludau 20.00

Hilbert & Kathy Bludau 20.00

Peoples State Bank 10.00

In memory of Anton Steffek:

Arthur Etzler, Jr. 25.00

Roger & Beverly Janak 15.00

Charles & Dorothy Jansky 10.00

Leon & Nancy Etzler & family 10.00

Bill & Charlotte Coats 25.00

Tommy & Diane Kainer 10.00

Leo & Dorothy Henke 10.00

In memory of Joe N. Steffek:

Bruce & Karen Bludau 15.00

Leon & Nancy Etzler & family 10.00

Leona Chovanetz 10.00

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ATHLETICS FUND

In honor of Arthur Etzler’s 90th birthday:

Ella Mae Bludau 10.00

Margaret Bludau 10.00

In memory of Anton Steffek & Joe N. Steffek:

Ella Mae Bludau 20.00

DOROTHY HENNEKE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In memory of Anton Steffek & Joe N. Steffek:

Richard Grahmann 10.00

JEROME HAAS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In memory of Helen Etzler & Annie Leopold:

Georgia Haas 20.00

GEORGE BUJNOCH TRUST

In memory of Marie Laitkep: Dorothy Bujnoch 20.00

God is light, and there is no darkness at all in Him ...

Live in the light. – 1 Jn 1:5,7

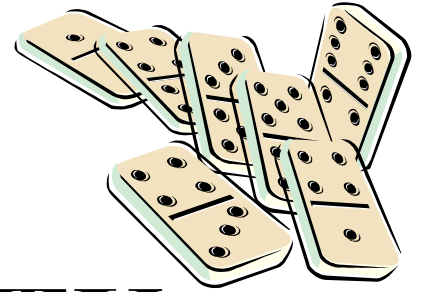
Reflection: “We don’t stop playing because we get old; we get old because we stop playing.” (Satchel Paige)

There is a kind of playfulness that comes from a grateful heart. Happiness is more attainable when you walk gratefully in the light.

Prayer: *Lord, thank You for the gift of life and love.*

Give me a joyful, grateful heart in all circumstances.

*The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but
mosquitoes come close!*



GAMES PARTY

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Leona Sedlar 575-3160

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