

September 12, 2010: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents." — Lk 13:10
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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, September 12 (Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32)

8:00 am- Louis R. Kallus
10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Monday, September 13, St. John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor of the Church (1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10)

7:00 am- John & Victor Trojcak, Julius & Annie Horky
10:00 am- Annie & Victor Leopold (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, September 14, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17)

7:00 am- I. B. Krejci

Wednesday, Sept. 15, Our Lady of Sorrows (1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Jn 19:25-27)

7:00 am- Henry Sitka
8:05 am- Alfons & Lillie Michalcik



Thursday, September 16, St. Cornelius, pope & St. Cyprian, bishop (1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50)

7:00 am- Albert Janecek
10:00 am- Hubert Tobola, Alfred & Josephine Treptow, Frank & Annie Tobola (Stevens)

Friday, September 17, St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor of the Church (1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3)

7:00 am- Joe, Agnes, Henry & Maxine Koenig
8:05 am- Leroy Bludau

Saturday, September 18 (1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15)

5:30 pm- Adela Pohl
Sunday, September 19 (Am 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13)

8:00 am- Russell Grahmann
10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Bulletin Sponsor: In memory of deceased members of the Holik & Grahmann Families by Lawrence & Delores Grahmann.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In honor of Johnny & Esther Kelley's 48th anniversary by their children.

Flowers at the Altar of Sacrifice are in memory of Louis R. Kallus & Carolyn Steffek by Mike & Helen Technik & family.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$5,098; Bldg. Repair Fund-\$565; Catholic Ed.-\$230; Loose-\$1,643; Children-\$54.

Anniversaries:

Jimmy & Charlotte Brown	25 years	Sept. 14
Marvin & Lillian Rabel	52 years	Sept. 14
Boyce & Anita Rother	58 years	Sept. 15

Fund Drive for house at 318 S. Texana: Goal \$40,000

Previous Donations	<u>\$12,250</u>
Total Donations Received To Date	<u>\$12,250</u>

Promise of Marriage: Jeremy Haas & Holly Dornak on September 18.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

- Holy Cross Festival, Yorktown. BBQ Beef & Sausage Dinner 11am. Auction, booths, music & more.
- Firefall, 6:00 p.m. in church. Parishioners are invited to join the youth in Eucharistic Adoration.
- Basketball, 7:30 p.m., SHCS Gym (high school students & young adults).

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

- JCDA meeting, 3:45-5:00 p.m., Family Center.
- Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.
- Dave Ramsey Course, 6:30 p.m., Family Center.
- KJZT meeting, 6:30 p.m., Mary's House.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

- Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.
- Adult Education/RCIA, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Family Center.
- Women's ACTS meeting, Shiner Family Center, 7 pm.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- CCD: Grades K-12th, 6:00 - 7:10 p.m.
- Scripture Study, 6:30 p.m., Mary's House.
- English Class, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Family Center
- Divine Mercy Study/Prayers, 7:30 p.m., Church Cry Rm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- St. Joseph Church Picnic, Moulton. Mass in City Park at 10am. Fried Chicken & Stew Dinner 10:30am. Auction, cake walk, country store, kiddy games, & music.
- Basketball, 7:30 p.m., SHCS Gym (high school students & young adults).

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Alvin Rosenauer, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Josie Ohnheiser, Mason Leibham, Riley Mika, Mary Bonorden, Annette Krupala, 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, Betty Toman, MacKenzie Fogle, Henri Mae Patek, Doyleen Drozd, Bryce Saldi, Travis Klimitchek, Sandra Henneke, Mary Ann Koenig, Helen Mitchon, Marcella Henke, Joseph Ilardo, Dolores Ludwig, Denise Lewis, Evelyn Kutac, Emil Grahmann, Lillie Demny, Henry Morris, Bruce Fritz, Paula Nemecek, Ernest Schulte, Ray Palmer, Candice Chandler, Dorothy Dworsky, Antonia Jahn, Josh Mann, Faith Del Castillo, Theresa Steffek, Edna Key, Oretha McCord, Judy Johnson, Donna Avant, Kirk Remmers, Danielle Grady, Royce Chudej, Sandra Mozisek, Dalton Bubela, Daniel A. Wick, Soila Sanchez, William, Kenneth & Marie Hermes, Rose Thumann, Marian Morris, Betty Orsak, Elmo Grant, Michael Gerdes, Raymond Dornak, Dorothy Svetlik, nursing home residents & homebound.

"Come & See" visits for single Catholic women (high school graduates thru 50) on Sept. 18-19 at Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria. For reservation, call 575-7111.

Christian Mothers will not meet in September. Members are encouraged to attend Fr. Tommy's Adult Education class on September 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Center.

From the Desk of Father John

Thank you to all who helped in any way to make last Sunday's Parish Picnic such a success. It was a great day!

Fr. John Kollannur who has been with us since February has been assigned as associate pastor to Fr. Celestino Say at Our Lady of Lourdes in Victoria. He has been a blessing to us here during these few months. We wish Father well as he continues to serve in the Victoria Diocese for the next three years or so.

The city will be reworking East Fourth Street beginning this week. This is the street on the north side of the church and in front of the Rectory. This will probably take several weeks and will cause some inconvenience. We ask for your patience with this project.



The Youth ConneXion

Kris Hermes 798-0655



Thank you all for supporting the "Parrot Plop" at the picnic. Mango the parrot was a big hit! Especially for the winners: Emil Hermes & Ed Kallus.

Thank you to Pam Sutton & Frances Kallus for helping us out with all of our youth activities.

Babysitters are needed for the Dave Ramsey classes on Monday nights & the English classes on Wednesday nights. This is a great way to earn some service hours. Call Kris for more details.

September 12: Firefall at 6:00 p.m. in church.

September 26: Youth gathering, 5:00 pm, Youth House.

Music Practice: Monday's at 6:00 p.m. at the Youth House. *Come join us!!!*

Adult Education Classes begin Tuesday, September 14:

Fr. Tommy will be teaching a series of classes on Tuesday evenings aimed at refreshing all Catholics on the fundamentals of our Catholic faith. Classes will be conducted in the Family Center from 7:00-8:30 p.m. each Tuesday evening beginning September 14. Topics will be announced soon. Please consider sacrificing a couple hours of your week to deepen your understanding and knowledge of our rich Catholic faith!

RCIA begins in September: For those adults and teenagers who are not Catholic and are interested in joining the Catholic Church and for those adults who need to receive First Communion and/or Confirmation, please contact Fr. Tommy to register to receive catechetical instruction.

Sacred Heart Youth Group is hosting a parent & community seminar on September 22 in Sacred Heart Church at 7:30 pm featuring Jodee Blanco, anti-bullying activist & author of *Please Stop Laughing At Us...One Survivor's Extraordinary Quest to Prevent School Bullying*. The event is free & open to the public. All community members, parents & teachers are encouraged to attend. For questions, call Kris Hermes 798-0655. For more information about Jodee Blanco go to www.jodeeblanco.com.

RCIA/Adult Education

September 14: *Who is God? The Life of the Trinity and God's Self-Revelation.*

Who is this God that we worship and adore? Through Jesus it is revealed that the one true God is a Trinity of three Divine Persons. Come explore the mystery of the Blessed Trinity (especially articulated in the Nicene Creed) and how God tells us about Himself through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

Volunteers are needed to help with Mass at Hallettsville Nursing & Rehabilitation Center on Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. to help set up the dining room for Mass and to help various residents get to and from the Mass. Rosary begins at 9:30 a.m. for those that can get there. If you are interested in helping, please call the Rectory.

Sacred Heart Catholic School

Office: 798-4251

September 13:

-9/11 Memorial prayer service at 8:15 a.m.

-School Advisory Council meeting, Teachers' Workroom, 6:00 p.m.

Sept. 20: Student Council Blood Drive, 11am-6pm

Sept. 26: Pork BBQ Dinner, 11am-12:30pm, KC Hall.

JCDA (Junior Catholic Daughters) meeting on Monday, Sept. 13, 3:45-5:00 p.m. at the Family Center. JCDA is open to all girls in 1st - 12th grades. Bring your \$10 dues if not yet paid. If you have any questions, please contact Shanna Clark (798-9189) or Amy Shimek (798-9116).

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – My raspberry patch is about 3 ft wide and 25 ft long. Raspberries don't demand a whole lot of work - just some manure in the spring, watering, and pruning out the dead canes each year. Because of their fragility, fresh raspberries are hand-harvested, making them an expensive item. It's amazing to see a price of \$5.00 on a 6 ounce container when my own little patch produces over 60 pints in July, and still more in the fall. It is a prodigious abundance.

Prodigious is an apt description for God's actions in this week's Gospel story. The parables that Jesus presents - the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son - each have endings that seem incredible to any sober analysis of the situations. The value of ninety-nine sheep is huge. It is not worth it to abandon them in the desert - a place of great danger - to look for one. Gathering friends and neighbors for a celebration costs more than the value of a single coin. And throwing a banquet for someone who has used up half of all your assets just doesn't make sense.

But that is the prodigious nature of God. Just like my raspberry patch, which produces so much with so little effort, God's mercy is continuously poured out over and over again. Like raspberries in a store, that mercy came at a great price - through the death of His Son on the cross. But God's mercy bears fruit constantly leading us back when we stray.