

October 13, 2013

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
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ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CHURCH
MORAVIA, TEXAS

DIocese of Victoria in Texas



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MASS SCHEDULE

Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday | Oct. 12 | 6:00 P.M. | Ervin & Irene Mendel | St. John |
| Sunday | Oct. 13 | 9:30 A.M. | Joe & Irene Drozd Barcak | Moravia |

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday | Oct. 19 | 6:00 P.M. | Henry R & Julia Olsovsky & Rebecca Patterson | Moravia |
| Sunday | Oct. 20 | 9:30 A.M. | Living & Deceased Members of KJZT Society #9 | St. John |

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday | Oct. 26 | 6:00 P.M. | Adolph B. & Adella Kutac | St. John |
| Sunday | Oct. 27 | 9:30 A.M. | Charles & Julie Neskora | Moravia |

THE WORD OF GOD

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 2 Kings 5:14-17 Psalm 98:1-4 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19

The Lord has revealed his saving power to all the nations! Naaman, a Syrian, is healed, and lepers are made whole, but only the Samaritan returns to give thanks. Let us remain steadfast in faith, and thankful for the Lord's blessings.

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Exodus 17:8-13 Psalm 121:1-8 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8 or for Mission Sunday, see Lectionary, Volume IV, nos. 872-876 Through incessant prayer, we open ourselves more fully to understanding God's will. Through faith in the power of prayer, we experience God's love and assistance. Our Christian life is nourished by the scriptures we read and by our received tradition.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 Psalm 34:2-3, 17-19, 23 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

Humility is the recognition that no matter what our accomplishments, we still stand in need of the Lord. God hears the cry of the poor and the oppressed, especially those who acknowledge their dependency upon him. Having heard Paul's cries for help, the Lord crowned him with eternal salvation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM DESK OF MSGR. JOHN

October is the month of the Most Holy Rosary. Let us take time to pray and reflect on the mysteries of the life of Christ and how we are united to Jesus Christ through these mysteries. In praying the rosary, we also ask for the intercession of Mary in our lives.

ST. JOHN KJZT SOCIETY #9

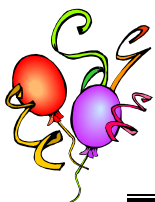
St. John KJZT Society #9 will hold their annual Meeting and social on Monday October 21st, 10:00 a.m. at home of Bessie Dornak.

SACRED HEART STRUDEL BAKE

Sacred Heart Hallettsville 62nd annual Apple Strudel Bake set for Saturday, October 26, 2013. Unbaked strudels - \$14, baked - \$16. Pickup from 10am to 5pm on 10/26 at the SH Family Center in Hallettsville. To order, call Charlene Bradbury 361-798-3224 or Annette Henke 361-798-5374 or email charlenebradbury@hotmail.com. (Advance orders are required to guarantee order fulfillment.) Pecans & sugar are needed! If you have any to donate, call Barbara Grahmann 798-4167 as soon as possible. They may be dropped off at SHS Office or the Rectory.

MORAVIA ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Moravia Altar Society meeting has been changed to Monday October 21 at the Dining Hall. Members are asked to attend for updates on cookbook sales and upcoming Christmas church decorations.



We are celebrating Msgr. John's 65th Birthday!
Please join us at an Open House at the Sacred Heart Rectory
Wednesday, October 16th
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.



VISITATION & BLESSING OF GRAVES – All Souls Day

Ascension of Our Lord Cemetery, Moravia: Saturday, November 2 at 5:30 p.m.
St. John Cemetery, St. John: Sunday, November 3 at 10:30 a.m.
Sacred Heart Cemetery, Hallettsville: Sunday, November 3 at 8:30 a.m.
St. Mary Cemetery: Sunday, November 3 at 3:00 p.m.



PENNY DONATION FOR RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH

During the month of October Respect Life month the Catholic Daughters of America Court St. Rose #1597 is collecting pennies for life. Parishioners are asked to donate one penny for each year of their life in thanksgiving to God for the life he has given them. Proceeds will be used for Respect Life activities in the Diocese of Victoria. You may place your donation in the container at the main entrance of the church. Thank you for our continued support of this project.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Life is the gift of God, created by God Himself, to love and to be loved and so we have no right to destroy what belongs to God Himself. By destroying life, (you) are destroying love...destroying the presence of God...destroying everything that is beautiful. (Blessed Mother Teresa-from "Where There Is Love, There Is God," Page 91)

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 12 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - James Lofland, Alex Lozano, Jenna Kubenka
Sunday, Oct. 13 - 9:30 a.m. - Moravia - Miranda Shimek, Seth Eckhardt, Blaine Besetzny
Saturday, Oct. 19 - 6:00 p.m. - Moravia - Jenna Kubenka, Caitlin Deem, Joshua Becan
Sunday, Oct. 20 - 9:30 a.m. - St. John - James Lofland, Alex Lozano, Miranda Shimek
Saturday, Oct. 26 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - April Brossman, Rylie & Regan Lux
Sunday, Oct. 27 - 9:30 a.m. - Moravia - Seth Eckhardt, Blaine Besetzny, Dylan Goldberg

CATHOLIC KNOWLEDGE BOWL will be held Sunday, October 20 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart School Gymnasium. Consider forming a team. Registration forms are in the foyer of the church. Please register as soon as possible.

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Priesthood Sunday, the last Sunday in October, is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and to affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. Priesthood Sunday is coordinated by the USA Council of Serra International, an organization of lay men and women whose mission is to foster and affirm vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation)

Our R.C.I.A. classes are meeting on Thursdays in the Sacred Heart Family Center from 7:00-8:30 p.m. These classes are for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and possibly joining the Catholic Faith. If you are interested, please call the Sacred Heart Rectory (361-798-5888) and leave your name and telephone number.

AREA PICNICS AND FESTIVALS:

Oct. 13: Our Lady of Victory Parish, Victoria Community Ctr. BBQ Beef & Sausage Dinner. Auction, booths.
Oct. 13: St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, K.C. Hall, El Campo. BBQ Brisket Dinner. Auction, booths, games.
Oct. 13: Holy Cross Parish, Riverside Hall, East Bernard. BBQ Beef, Chicken & Sausage Dinner.
Oct. 13: St. Anthony Parish, K.C. Hall, Columbus. BBQ Beef & Sausage Dinner. Auction, bingo, booths, games.

DIOCESE OF VICTORIA FALL PASTORAL INSTITUTE EXTENDED PROGRAM: Sacraments of Healing and Vocation, Oct. 15-Nov.19, Ron Friedel, Instructor. Cost for six-week course is \$20 and will be offered 9:15-11:30 a.m. & 7:00-9:15 p.m. at the Chancery, Holy Cross-East Bernard, & St. Ann-Point Comfort by distance learning. This course is an introduction to the Sacraments of Healing (Reconciliation & Anointing of the Sick) and the Sacraments of Vocation (Marriage & Holy Orders). The purpose of the sacraments of healing is to continue Jesus' work of healing and salvation. Holy Orders and Matrimony are directed towards the salvation of others and thus contribute to personal salvation. To register, call 573-0828 ext. 2223 or email Margaret at pisecretary@victoriadiocese.org.

OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the holy rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the (October 7). The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the rosary.

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us! This short invocation to Mary, the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, is an appropriate prayer for October, the Month of the Holy Rosary, as well as for reciting at the end of the rosary.



GUIDED RETREAT: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., November 9, Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria. Come and spend a quiet day of prayer listening to the voice of God speaking in the stillness of your heart. The theme for the November Retreat "Advent: For What Are We Waiting? How?" The retreat will be guided by Sister Marian Sturm, IWBS. Women and men are welcomed. Call for reservations 361-575-7111.