

July 5, 2015

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
ST. JOHN, TEXAS

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CHURCH
MORAVIA, TEXAS



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MASS SCHEDULE

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 4	6:00 P.M.	L.A. & Vera Wenglar	Moravia
Sunday	July 5	9:30 A.M.	John L. Anders	St. John

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 11	6:00 P.M.	Ann Birkner	St. John
Sunday	July 12	9:30 A.M.	Henry & Julia Olsovsky & Rebecca Patterson	Moravia

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 18	6:00 P.M.	Joe Barcak & Irene Drozd Barcak	St. John
Sunday	July 19	10:00 A.M.	Daniel Spies	Moravia

THE WORD OF GOD

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Ezekiel 2:2-5 Psalm 123:1-4 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Mark 6:1-6a

Jesus is met with misgivings and rejection by his own relations. Like them, we often resist the prophetic word because of an obstinacy of heart, rooted in a self-pride which must give way to weakness and powerlessness.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Amos 7:12-15 Psalms 85:9-14 Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10 Mark 6:7-13

The prophet hears what God proclaims and is called to speak in God's name. The Twelve hear the message of Jesus and are sent forth to preach the good news. In him have we been chosen to be full of love.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23:1-6 Ephesians 2:13-18 Mark 6:30-34

Jesus, our shepherd, nourishes and strengthens us, guiding us in right paths. He is the righteous shoot of David, the peace between Jews and Gentiles, between God and all humanity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM DESK OF MSGR. JOHN

The Supreme Court decision of June 26, 2015, Obergefell v. Hodges, does not change the undeniable, God-given truth that marriage is between a man and a woman. The issue the Supreme Court attempted to settle is not an issue regarding the civil rights of any particular group. In fact, the Catholic Church does not advocate the mistreatment or abuse of any individual or group, including those of same sex attraction. Instead, this is an issue about upholding what the Catholic Church believes is defined by God, regarding the institution of marriage itself. The Diocese of Victoria in Texas firmly believes we cannot alter, either legislatively, judicially or by cultural demand, what God has given to humankind for the good of all. God's truth cannot be redefined or changed. Again, the Catholic Church does not seek to exclude any individual or group. Christ came for the salvation of all, but the Church equally believes Christ does not offer us a truth which can be altered any time and in any way we find it expedient to do so.

Therefore, the Diocese of Victoria concurs with the statement of Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, who has stated: "Regardless of what a narrow majority of the Supreme Court may declare at this moment in history, the nature of the human person and marriage remains unchanged and unchangeable. Just as Roe v. Wade did not settle the question of abortion over forty years ago, Obergefell v. Hodges does not settle the question of marriage today. Neither decision is rooted in the truth, and as a result, both will eventually fail. Today the Court is wrong again. It is profoundly immoral and unjust for the government to declare that two people of the same sex can constitute a marriage."

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the St. John Picnic a great success.

Please remember Sunday, July 19th – the Moravia Picnic.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

You are invited to meet and greet our new Bishop – Bishop Brendan J. Cahill on **Wednesday, July 15, 2015** at **7:00 p.m.** at **KC Hall in Hallettsville**. Snacks and refreshments will be served. You may take pictures with our new Bishop if you wish. This is one of four such events in the Diocese of Victoria. This is an excellent opportunity to meet our new bishop.

BLUEBONNET YOUTH RANCH needs energetic Christian couple to serve as houseparents. Excellent benefits!!! Have a hand in shaping the life of a child. Call 293-3546 for more information.

ST JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JULY: Diane Kutac & Joanie Krischke

ST JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR JULY: Eugene Krupala & Leonard Sumbera

MORAVIA CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JULY: Diane Halata and Janet Spies

MORAVIA CHURCH USHERS FOR JULY: Dallas Canada and Greg Kubenka.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 4 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Miranda Shimek James Lofland

Sunday, July 5 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Rylie & Regan Lux, Dylan Goldberg

Saturday, July 11 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Alex Lozano, Rylie & Regan Lux

Sunday, July 12 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia - Caleb Krischke, Seth Eckhardt, Kenna Kubenka

Saturday, July 18 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Dylan Goldberg, April Brossmann, Caitlin Deem

Sunday, July 19 – **10:00 a.m.** – Moravia – James Lofland, Miranda Shimek

SHCS Mini-Cheerleader Camp

July 27-29, 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Pre-K and up. Camp \$15. T-Shirt \$12. Supervision 3 Hour-\$3. Registration forms are in the Church foyer and must be returned to Debi Bludau by June 16. Call Debi (798-6842) for more information.

ASCENSION CHURCH PICNIC

Moravia Picnic is July 19. The picnic cleanup will be held on Monday July 13th starting at 8:00

A.M. Parishioners are asked to come for this general cleanup of our halls and grounds in preparation for the picnic. The cleanup after the picnic is July 20th at 7:30 a. m.

For the picnic: Items for the auction are greatly needed, please bring them early and have your items marked with your name on them.

Cash donations toward bingo prizes and cash donations to help with the purchase of the meats is appreciated. The country store is in need of homemade items, baked and canned and something for children can be donated as a surprise package. Small plants can be donated to the plant walk. The cake walk is in need of cakes well wrapped. Also cakes for the dinner meal are greatly appreciated.

Please check the picnic work list for your name and any extra help from anyone would be appreciated. Working together makes the picnic the success it has been in the past.

Mark your calendars for the Moravia Picnic appreciation dinner to be held August 23rd.