

December 4, 2016

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Saturday ..... 6:00 p.m.  
(on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>)  
Sunday.....9:30 a.m.  
(on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup>)  
First Friday..... 8:00 a.m. followed by Holy Hour

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

Saturday ..... 6:00 p.m.  
(on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup>)  
Sunday.....9:30 a.m.  
(on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>)

**MARRIAGES**

Consult the Pastor six (6) months in advance before making any plans or decisions.

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Welcome to our parish family. Please stop by the rectory or call to register.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Please call the rectory.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Saturday Evening—5:30 p.m.

**GENERATIONS OF FAITH (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)**

Dana Daughtry 713-822-3019-cell or 979-562-2381  
EWTN ..... Cable Channel 71 or Dish Channel 261

**WEBSITES**

Cemetery: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org)  
(Click on “Catholic Cemeteries”)  
Safe Environment: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org)  
(Click on “Safe Environment Program,” then on “eAppsDB”)

**PARISH CONTACTS**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Elsie Farek..... 979-562-2159

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

Robert & Mary Kendall ..... 361-798-9467

**HALL RENTAL**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Lorene Kubenka ..... 979-562-2347

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Kathy Guenther ..... 979-562-2124 (home)  
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**CEMETERY**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Dorothy Berger ..... 979-562-2187

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.....979-562-2328 (work)  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

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### Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday	December 3	6:00 p.m.	Fred & Martha Hermis	Moravia
Sunday	December 4	9:30 a.m.	Dominic Loth	St. John

### Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday	December 8	6:00 p.m.	Rev. William Halata	St. John
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### Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday	December 10	6:00 p.m.	Rev. Brian Crookes	St. John
Sunday	December 11	9:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving	Moravia

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday	December 17	6:00 p.m.	Henry & Julie Olsovsky & Rebecca Patterson	Moravia
Sunday	December 18	9:30 a.m.	Lebert & Leona Berger	St. John

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### December 4, 2016, Second Sunday of Advent

Readings: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Reform your lives; live in God's peace so that justice may flourish.

### December 8, 2016, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patronal Feast Day of the United States of America [Holy Day of Obligation]

Readings: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Chosen by God, Mary reverses the sin of Eve. Because of her obedience, God's salvation is made known to all the nations.

### December 11, 2016, Third Sunday of Advent

Readings: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

In the person of Jesus, God has come to heal and save us. Patiently, yet joyfully, we await the fulfillment of his advent.

### December 18, 2016, Fourth Sunday of Advent

Readings: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Jesus is Emmanuel "God with us", risen from the dead. He is the king of glory

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 3 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Harley Wilson, Heather Wilson, Dylan Orsak

Sunday, December 4 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Alex Lozano, Dylan Goldberg, Wade Shimek

Saturday, December 10 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John – Harley Wilson, Heather Wilson, Dylan Goldberg

Sunday, December 11 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia – Caitlin Deem, Wade Shimek

Saturday, December 17 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia – Harley Wilson, Heather Wilson, Dylan Orsak

Sunday, December 18 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Alex Lozano, Dylan Goldberg, Wade Shimek

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *From the Desk of Msgr. John*

Sacred Heart Parish presents a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on **Sunday December 11, at 2:00 pm. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.** The relics will be set up on tables in the **Sacred Heart Gym** after Father Martin's talk in Church. The exposition will run from 3:00 p.m. until ?. Father Carlos Martins, of the Companions of the Cross, will be here with his very special ministry to teach about these holy objects. He will bring with him over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be present a portion of the veil of Our Lady, as well as one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. In the Church's history many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many have been healed through this ministry. Please do not miss this opportunity. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession.

**ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR DECEMBER:** Roxanne Deem, Colleen Deem, Caitlyn Deem

**ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR DECEMBER:** J. G. Hrcir, Allen Becan

**ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR DECEMBER:** Sharon Bujnoch, Vicky Kainer & Tracy Kristinik

**ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR DECEMBER:** Scotty Brossmann, Nathan Redman

**THE EMMAUS CENTER**—Counseling in the Catholic Tradition—Sponsored by the Diocese of Victoria—1908 N. Laurent Street, Suite 140, Victoria, Texas 77901. For an appointment, go to [www.emmauscounselingcenter.com](http://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com) or call 361-212-0830. *Extending a Listening Heart to Those in Need.*

**PRO-LIFE CORNER** – If little ones are brought up from the very beginning to love God and obey Him, they will also love and obey their parents.

[from Laying a Sure Foundation by Father Martin J. Scott, by Father Martin J. Scott, S.J. in December, 2016 CRUSADE magazine.

**If you missed the HSA Strudel Sale a few weeks ago, there are extra unbaked strudels for sale for \$15. If you are interested in purchasing the strudels, please call Barbara Grahmann at 798-4167.**

**Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.**

**Please pray for the Veterans who have served Our Country and have sacrificed and given so much for our freedom.**

### **Advent Penance Service**

*All Services begin at 5:30 p.m.*

Monday, December 12 – Shiner

Tuesday, December 13 – Hallettsville

Thursday, December 15 – Moulton

Friday, December 16 - Yoakum





## December 12—Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

As suggested: A woman, clothed with the sun, daughter of the Most High God, proclaims the greatness of the Lord, the One who comes to dwell with us. She is the servant of the Lord.

Today's feast recalls the apparitions of Mary at the hill of Tepeyac from 9-12 December 1531 to the native convert, St. Juan Diego (9 Dec.); known to the Aztecs as *Tecoatlaxope* (or *de Guadalupe* in Spanish), meaning "she will crush the serpent of stone"; declared Patroness of the Americas by Pope Pius XII.



*Did you know that Christmas is only 21 days away? It will be here before you know it? You can get some of your early Christmas Shopping done at the Church Rectory. We have added many new items, such as Children's Christmas Books, Coloring Books, ornaments and so much more. Don't forget we also have Advent Wreaths and candles.*



**Next Bulletin: Sunday, December 18, 2016**

All announcements can be sent by email to the Rectory at [rectory@shcatholicchurch.org](mailto:rectory@shcatholicchurch.org)

Or can be called in to the Rectory to 361-798-5888.

Any announcements after the due date and time, will be published in the next bulletin, if applicable.

**Bulletin Deadline: 12:00 p.m. on Monday, December 12, 2016**