

March 13, 2016

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH  
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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

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

Marcia Hrcir ..... 832-331-2096

**CEMETERY**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

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

**Ascension of Our Lord Church**

Kathy Guenther ..... 979-562-2124

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## MASS SCHEDULE

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### Fifth Sunday of Lent

Saturday	March 12	6:00 p.m.	Joe Barcak & Irene Drozd Barcak	St. John
Sunday	March 13	9:30 a.m.	August & Rosie Konvicka	Moravia

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday	March 19	6:00 p.m.	Arthur W. & Lillie H. Spies, Sr.	Moravia
Sunday	March 20	9:30 a.m.	Frankie Berger	St. John

### Holy Thursday

Thursday	March 24	7:00 p.m.	Priests & Seminarians	St. John
	Adoration after Mass until 8:30 p.m.			St. John

### Good Friday Services

Friday	March 25	11:45 – 12:30 p.m.	Confessions	St. John
Friday	March 25	1:00 p.m.		St. John

### Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday

Saturday	March 26	6:00 p.m.	People of the Parish	Moravia
Sunday	March 27	9:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	St. John

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### March 13, 2016, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Readings: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

To the exiles in Babylon, Isaiah foretells a new exodus, when the Lord will lead his people from captivity to freedom. True freedom is rooted in the person of Jesus, not in observance of the Law. It is he who challenges us to examine our own hearts before self-righteously judging others.

### March 20, 2016—Palm Sunday

Readings: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); 38: Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14—2 3:56 or 23:1-49  
Jesus humbling himself out of love for us, did not shield his face from buffets and spitting but offered his life on the cross. He relied on his Father's love

### March 27, 2016, Easter

Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or 41: Lk 24:1-12, or at an afternoon or evening Mass, 46: Lk 24-13-35

On this day of days we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to the Father who raised his Son from the dead. Let us be intent upon the life Christ offers us, Christ our Passover who has been sacrificed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Today, we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Time goes quickly and, if we are not careful, Easter will be here and we may not be ready. Let us use this remaining time to continue to get closer to God and grow in our Faith.

During this Year of Mercy, we should strive to experience God's mercy, especially through the Sacrament of Penance—Confession. There are many opportunities between now and Holy Thursday. We are also to show God's mercy to others by the way we live our lives. We should be ready to meet our Lord at any time.

Tuesday of Holy Week, March 22, you are invited to the Chrism Mass at Our Lady of Victory Cathedral at 10:00 a.m. At this Mass, the Bishop gathers with all of the priests of the Diocese for the blessing of the holy oils and the renewal of Priestly Commitment.

The laity are invited to be a part of this special Mass each year.

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 12 – 6:00 p.m. – St. John –Regan Lux, Rylie Lux, Alex Lozano

Sunday, March 13 – 9:30 a.m. – Moravia –Caleb Krischke, Dylan Goldberg, Caitlin Deem

Saturday, March 19 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia –James Lofland, Kenna Kubenka

Sunday, March 20—9:30 a.m. – St. John – Regan Lux, Rylie Lux, Alex Lozano

Saturday, March 26 – 6:00 p.m. – Moravia –James Lofland, Caitlin Deem, Caleb Krischke

Sunday, March 27 – 9:30 a.m. – St. John – Dylan Goldberg, Alex Lozano, April Brossmann

**ASCENSION CHURCH CLEANERS FOR MARCH:** Kathy Guenther and Dorothy Henke

**ASCENSION CHURCH USHERS FOR MARCH:** Anthony Hrcir and Thomas Brosch

**ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR MARCH:** Agnes Berkenhoff and Jan Morin

**ST. JOHN CHURCH USHERS FOR MARCH:** Glenn Lux and Eugene Krupal

**Nativity Pilgrimage “Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus”**—A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for 10 days—May 2-11, 2016. The Spiritual Director is **Rev. Barnabas Kyeah**, of St. John the Baptist, St. Mary’s, Ascension of Our Lord, and Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Hallettsville, Texas. Cost is \$3,099.00 per person—Round Trip From Houston, Texas (includes First class Hotels, Double Occupancy, 2 Meals a day, Breakfast and Dinner, Daily Sightseeing, Daily Mass, Airport Taxes, Fuel Surcharges). Registration Packets and Forms will be in the back of each church. If you have any questions, please call Rev. Barnabas Kyeah at Sacred Heart Church Rectory – 798-5888.



**Stations of the Cross** during Lent are as follows:

Fridays of Lent – 7:00 p.m. at Moravia and St. John

Moravia— March 18

Sacred Heart—Each Friday of Lent at 6:00 p.m.

St. Mary—Each Friday of Lent at 6:30 p.m.

**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*

We are desperately in need of a Hall Manager for Moravia Hall. Please contact the Sacred Heart Rectory (798-5888) if you are interested in this position.

**St. John Easter Flower Offerings:** Donations towards Easter Flowers in memory or in honor of your loved ones can be put in the flower donation envelope dated April 10, or mailed to Pam Besetsny at 5325 W. County Line Road, Schulenburg.

## **PRO-LIFE CORNER**

...”America must repent for her absolute disdain toward God and His gift, the human person. Otherwise the slaughter will continue and escalate... the only adequate solution must begin on our knees.”

[Jodie Brown, President – American Life League]

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:**

*The Emmaus Center*, counseling in the Catholic tradition for the Diocese of Victoria, is seeking part-time volunteer support to fill morning, afternoon, or evening hours currently not covered by our volunteer receptionists. If you are looking for administrative experience in health care, this is a great opportunity for your resume. Considering a future in becoming a Catholic counselor, this could help you to discern what it might be like to work in a counseling center. Seeking to fill your days with meaningful and rewarding opportunities, then consider spending some time volunteering with great councilors and staff in a faith filled environment. If you are interested in volunteering as a receptionist, call John at 361-212-0830 or email him at [jlenihan@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:jlenihan@victoriadiocese.org) for details.

*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.*



**The Moravia KJZT Society #44**

Is sponsoring a

**Bake Sale**

**Saturday, March 19, 2016**

**5:00 p.m.**

**At Moravia Dining Hall,**

**Along with a short meeting.**

Baked goods, other goodies and/or cash donations are being accepted.

This fund drive is being held to benefit the  
Hallettsville, Moulton, and Schulenburg Fire Department.

Please send cash donations to:

*Dorothy Olsovsky*

*1721 CR 248*

*Schulenburg, TX 78956*



**God's Embrace Ministry Upcoming Events**

Little Chapel of St. Mary, 1601 High Hill Road, Schulenburg, TX, Directed by Dr. Michael Fonseca

Seminar Series 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.:

March 19-The Mass

April 2-Catholic Family Life

April 30- Contemplative Prayer: The Cloud of Unknowing

For more information phone 979-561-8883 or email [info@godsembrace.org](mailto:info@godsembrace.org) .

**Best Lent Ever Program**

**DynamicCatholic.com** announces its Best Lent Ever program, based on Matthew Kelly's new bestseller Rediscover Jesus. It is available to every parish and every parishioner, at no cost, and it is the perfect opportunity for all parishes and dioceses to experience a transformative Lent. Here is how it works:

Parishioners are encouraged to sign up at [DynamicCatholic.com](http://DynamicCatholic.com) Participants receive daily emails with a short video from Matthew Kelly and a member of the team who guides them through the 40 chapters in Rediscover Jesus.

Parishioners discover simple ways to bring Jesus into their everyday lives, leading to a more personal relationship with Jesus and their best Lent ever.

Visit [DynamicCatholic.com/BestLentEver](http://DynamicCatholic.com/BestLentEver) to find bulletin announcements, email templates, newsletter templates and more or call Claire Darnell at 859-980-7384 or [Claire@DynamicCatholic.com](mailto:Claire@DynamicCatholic.com).



**AMOR MEUS SPIRITUALITY CENTER - Overnight Retreat/Private or Directed:**

**Solemn Lenten Vespers** March 13 and 20. 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. AMOR MEUS SPIRITUALITY CENTER:

1101 N. E. Water Street-361-575-7111-email – [amormeus@yahoo.com](mailto:amormeus@yahoo.com) -

[www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org](http://www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org)



**SOUTH TEXAS  
POLKA & SAUSAGE FEST**



The South Texas Polk and Sausage Fest will be held March 18 – 20, 2016, at the Hallettsville KC Hall. Great Music, Good Food and Happy Times. No other place to be! Dance: \$10 per person per day.

**Friday** - Czechaholics and The Moravians – 6:00-11:00 p.m.; Fish Fry Meal \$9 - 5:00-7:00 p.m.

**Saturday** - Dujka Brothers & Jodie Mikula, 5:00-11:00 p.m.; Polka Mass - 3:00 p.m.; Meal starting at 4:00 p.m. until end.

**Sunday** - Shiner Hobos 11:00 - 1:00 p.m.; Red Ravens, Leo Majek & Ennis Czech Boys – 1:00 -8:00 p.m.; Concert 4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Meal:** Fried Chicken, Sausage, Sauerkraut, Potatoes & Kolaches. Serving starting at 10:30 a.m. Chicken Noodle Soup available Saturday and Sunday!

**Next Bulletin: Sunday, March 27, 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, March 21, 2016**