



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Father Donald Ruppert, Pastor

335-7551 – Rectory

**335-4071 – Cemetery & Religious
Education Offices**

December 30, 2018 – THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

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Diocese of Victoria Web site: www.victoriadiocese.org

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By Appointment

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday from 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM

ADORATION: From 7:30 AM Thursday continually until 7:00 PM Thursday

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By Appointment After Pre-Baptismal Instructions

Rectory Office Hours: Monday through Friday – 8 AM to 12 Noon – 1 PM to 4 PM



Mass Schedule

Monday 31	4:00 PM	+Mary Lahey
Tuesday 1	9:00 AM	+Boyce Gertson
Wednesday 2	12:10 PM	+Alphonse Vacek
Thursday 3	2:00 PM	+Marie Vacek Funeral
Friday 4	7:00 AM	+Christian Mothers Living & Deceased
Saturday 5		Wedding – Mayfield & Hlavinka
Saturday 5	5:00 PM	+Bob & Helen Olson; Syl Tichacek
Sunday 6	8:00 AM	+Gerard & Julius Kutac
Sunday 6	10:00 AM	+Alfred C. Janicek, Sr.
Sunday 6	11:30 AM	Parishioners (Spanish Mass)

WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Saturday, January 5 – 5:00 P.M. Mass

Servers: Julia & Sam Coker, Callie Dusek

Lector: Janice Polak

Ushers: Joe & Mary Ann Morse

Eucharist: Host-Thomas P. Vacek

Cup-Clint & Jennifer Coker, Dennis & Dianne Viktorin

Sunday, January 6 – 8:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Jared Hlavinka, Zachery & Caitlyn Fuechec

Lector: Renee Hlavinka

Ushers: Daniel & Cindy Garza

Eucharist: Host-Henriette Jalowy

Cup-Daniel & Helen Pesek, Dennis & Brenda Polak

Sunday, January 6 – 10:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Ryan Morse, Zach & Rylee Vacek

Lector: Marvin Adamek

Ushers: Jarrod & Ryan Cavness

Eucharist: Host-Lance Rejsek

Cup-Chris & Melissa Morse, Rudy & Tyna Vacek

Sunday, January 6 – 11:30 A.M. Spanish Mass

Assigned



Mass Attendance Last Weekend: 736

Your Gift to God Last Weekend: \$8,868.10

Christmas Collection: \$9,461.00 Parish Development: \$1,640.00

Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:

Josh Mayfield & Lauren Hlavinka in honor of their Wedding Day.



MDA, WDM, MJM, Virginia Acuna, Christian M. Adamek, Elmer Gene Adamek, Casey Adams, Joseph Andrews, J.D. Bartek, Imogene Beard, Charlie Bucek, Frank & Gloria Buxkemper, Matthew Carson, Rosalie Chernohorsky, Adrienne Chance, Florence Chernohorsky, Anna Chumchal, J.C. & DeAnne Cooper, D. Demny, Brenda Dillon, Anton Dybala, Emily, Leonard John Fajkus, Betty F., P.F., Ervin Fishbeck, Jr., Adie Fojtik, Joey Graves, Angeline Grigar, Hayden, Edward Halcom, Richard Henning, Charlene Hennecke, Jared Horelica, Johnnie & Rita Janak, Albina Jasek, Jenny, X, Lynnlea Jo Johnson, Joni Joyner, Adolph & Abi Jurecek, Kaelei, Annie Kalinowski, Evelyn Karasek, Gene & Joan Karasek, Larry Karasek, Chris King, Leo Kolafa, Bernice &

David Kopecky, Sophie Korenek, Tommy Krenek, Frank Kubes, Jr., John & Mary Ann Kubes, Justin, Carly & Carson Kubicek, Tom Kucera, Braeden Landgrebe, Jeremy Lejeune, Tom Lester, Danilo Lopez, Jose L. Lopez, Vincente Lopez, Gertrude Majewski, Louise Mareke, Patrick Macha, Lillian Marek, Louise Marek, Bennie Matcek, Lauren McPherson, Barbara Michalec, Rudy & Cara Mickulec, Dakota Miller, Agnes & Charlie Minks, Jerry Montalvo, Richard Munoz, Isidra Olvera, Vincente Olvera, Vicente A. Olvera, Maria Guadalupe Orozco, Frankie Orsak, Linda Parish, Traci Paul, Pat Pekar, Melanie Persyn, Brenda Polansky, James Polansky, Bernice Pribyl, Julius Pyka, Jr., Maria Roldan, Larry Ross, Isiah Sandoval, Phyllis Sanchez, Jerry Sebesta, Chip Shelton, Jaxon Siegel, Georgie Sliva, Steve Soto, Sylvia Preisler, Albert & Margaret Smaistrila, Donald Smaistrila, Judy Srubar, Beatrice Stelzel, Philip Stelzel, Hailey Svoboda, Tony, Connie Urban, Dennis Viktorin, Baby Wyatt Ward, Lillian Wilson, Daniel Wittig, Riley York, Johnnie Zak

Please send us a note or call us if you want to add someone. The Sick List will start anew for the new year.

We pray for the souls of Marie Vacek & Angelica Tavarez who passed away.

Please keep their families in your prayers.

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins every
Thursday after the 7:00 A.M. Mass and closes at 7:00 P.M.**

Communion to the Homes:

December 30: Dennis & Dianne Viktorin, Bill & Bernice Cavness

January 6: Joey Pitman, Evelyn Kramr

Please call Evelyn Kramr at 335-4467 if you need to receive home communion.

Altar Society: Birdie Jo Hlavinka, Ann Kramr, Georgie Losack, Evelyn Kramr, Joyce Losack

St. Bernard Council, # 2500 Knights of Columbus meet the first Tuesday of the month,

January 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the Holy Cross Meeting Room.

Please call Grand Knight Richard Carpenter at 360-606-0302 for more information.

CDA Noodle Soup Supper Raffle Tickets available for pick up in church.

Please get your tickets from the vestibule. Thank you.

Pope Francis said:

Even when we pray alone, we pray together with all the people of God.

Banns of Marriage: Third Bann: Josh Mayfield & Lauren Hlavinka

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

Monday, December 31 – 4 p.m.

Tuesday, January 1 – 9 a.m.

Heartfelt thanks

Santa's elves delivered not only lots of gifts these past days but also a number of cards addressed to me! Thank you for the thoughts, supportive, caring words and any gifts. Last week I marked my first year at Holy Cross, yet it feels like only a few weeks have passed. As we close the door on 2018 and step into 2019 I hope my prayers and gratitude for you and Fr. Don are as plentiful as the lights on the trees in church. Fr. Mat

¡Los elfos de Santa Claus entregaron no solo muchos regalos en los últimos días, sino también una cantidad de tarjetas dirigidas a mí! Gracias por los pensamientos, palabras de ternura y cualquier regalo. La semana pasada marqué un año en Holy Cross, pero siento que solo han pasado unas pocas semanas. Mientras cerramos la puerta en 2018 y entramos en 2019, espero que mis oraciones y gratitud para usted y el Padre Don sean tan abundantes como las luces de los árboles en la iglesia. P. Mateo

Next Baptism Class - Tuesday, January 15, 7 p.m. in

Religious Education building. Please call 335-4071 to register.

January 19, 2019—God Works with our Hands: Knitters, Crafters, Quilters; etc. Sister Roselle Haas, rc. Reflectively working with your hands helps you discover the stillness within. **Bring any handwork so you can listen to God at work in your hands while you explore the spirituality of your craft.** \$25.00 Suggested Donation or Love offering. A box lunch is available to purchase. Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N. E. Water Street Victoria, TX 361-575-7111. We invite those attending to join the Sisters for their 8:30 am Mass in the Convent Chapel.

Come and See! Single Catholic women 18 to 40 years of age are invited to come meet nuns (Sisters) and examine their call to make Jesus, the Incarnate Word, known and loved. Explore your own call to follow Jesus through marriage, single state, or religious life on January 19-20, 2019 at Incarnate Word Convent in Victoria, Texas (361) 575-7111 or email iwbsvoc@yahoo.com. See www.iwbsvictoria.org for more information.

January 26, 2019 The Gift you Give Yourself - Deacon Leo Shannon, Terry Robinson, Sister Emilie Eilers, IWBS “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest.” Matt 11:28 Caregiving doesn’t start with getting busy or taking on tasks. Caregiving starts from a place of rest deep within yourself. Before you can give care that will bring comfort, rest and peace to others, you must know God’s rest and peace in your heart. We do our best work when it comes from a place of stillness and inner quiet. Join other caregivers in experiencing a personal invitation of Jesus: “Come to me and rest.” \$25.00 Suggested Donation or Love offering. A box lunch is available to purchase. Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N. E. Water Street Victoria, TX 361-575-7111. We invite those attending to join the Sisters for their 8:30 am Mass in the Convent Chapel.

Application for Scholarships from KJZT available. All info on bulletin board in church & on counter in vestibule.

Parish Fund Donations:

Building Fund: Bubba & Doris Brandes in memory of Rick Kaluza, Mary Lahey, & Boyce Gertson. Eugene Bartosh, Charles & Charlotte Bucek, Janice & Raymond Polak, James & Henriette Jalowy, & Herbert Droemer in memory of Boyce Gertson.

Cemetery Fund: Fred & Shirley Macha in memory of Boyce Gertson. Don & Gloria Demny in memory of Cory Fuller, Annette Novak, Ricky Kaluza, Marvin Polasek, Mary Lahey, & Boyce Gertson.

Scholarship Fund: Lonnie & Cynthia Beseda in memory of Boyce Gertson. Angeline Grigar in memory of Evelyn Kubicek.

More information next weekend on CDA Noodle Soup Supper & KC Dance.



EPIPHANY HOME BLESSING

LEADER: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN

READER: The Prologue of St. John’s Gospel (John 1: 1-18):

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him, nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the

darkness has not overcome it.

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man’s decision but of God.

And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father’s only Son, full of grace and truth.

John testified to him and cried out, saying, “This was he of whom I said, The one coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.” From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No. one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father’s side, has revealed him.

ALL RECITE: The Lord’s Prayer

LEADER: Let us pray

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory.

Bless our home and all who dwell in it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that all our actions may reflect your love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.

Write the inscription for this year above your front door with blessed chalk

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Caspar – Melchior – Balthasar

“Christus Mansionem Benedicat” – May Christ Bless this Home