



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Charles E. Otsiwah, Pastor

335-7551 – Rectory

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

March 17, 2019 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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Holy Cross Catholic Church, Holy Cross Faith Formation, and Holy Cross Cemetery.
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



Monday 18		No Service
Tuesday 19	6:00 PM	+Dorothy Keller
Wednesday 20	7:00 AM	+Alphonse & Marie Vacek
Thursday 21	7:00 AM	+Boyce Gertson
Friday 22	8:00 AM	+Annette Novak
Friday 22	7:00 PM	+Don Pietsch
Saturday 23	5:00 PM	+Mary Magdalene Jochec
Sunday 24	8:00 AM	+Luis Srubar
Sunday 24	10:00 AM	+Ed Stelzel
Sunday 24		NO 11:30 A.M. MASS TODAY.

WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Thursday – 7 a.m. – Hunter & Kyle Kopecky

Saturday, March 23 – 5:00 P.M. Mass

Servers: Assigned
Lector: Assigned
Ushers: Assigned
Eucharist: Host-Assigned
Cup-Assigned

Sunday, March 24 – 8:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Volunteers
Lector: Volunteer
Ushers: Volunteers
Eucharist: Host-Volunteer
Cup-Volunteers

Sunday, March 24 – 10:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Volunteers
Lector: Volunteer
Ushers: Volunteers
Eucharist: Host-Volunteer
Cup-Volunteers

Sunday, March 24 – NO Spanish Mass Today



Mass Attendance Last Weekend: 673

Your Gift to God Last Weekend: \$5,826.00

Parish Development: \$1,370.00

Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:

Daniel & Pat Pless in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.



Seth, Joe, MDA, WDM, MJM, Virginia Acuna, Christian M. Adamek, Elmer Gene Adamek, Ryan M. Adamek, Lawrence Bartosh, A.J. Bennetsen, Clifton Bram, Frank & Gloria Buxkemper, Kenneth Carson, Estaban Castaneda, Florence Chernohorsky, Anna Chumchal, Dr. Ronald Cochran, Laura Cohrs, Gracie Cordova, Michael Cromeans, Uncle Dave, Anton Dybala, Bernice Futschik, Cruz Gavarrete, Edward Halcom, Charlene Hennecke, Lynnlea Johnson, Gene & Joan Karasek, Larry Karasek, Derek M. Keller, Ray Kiefert, Chris King, Georgie Koehne, Leo Kolafa, Sr., Bernice Kopecky, David Kopecky, Sophie Korenek, Frank Kubes, Jr., David Kulhanek, Braeden Landgrebe, Jeremy LeJeune, Liam, Danilo Lopez, Jose Lopez, Vincente Lopez, Lillian Marek, Patricia Michulka, Agnes Minks, Margaret Moore, Traci Paul, Sonny, Antonio Olvera, Carlos Orozco, Ma-Guadalupe Orozco, Isidra Olvera, Vincente Olvera, Frankie Orsak, Ronnie Pitman, Bernice Pribyl, Isaiah Sandoval, Gayla Schimek, Loraine Schneider, Georgie Sliva, Michael Sliva, Hector Soliz, Beatrice Stelzel, Philip Stelzel, Emma Svoboda, Pat Vacek, Herbert Wendel, Theresa Wysocki, Brock Zimmerman
 Please send us a note or call us at 335-7551 if you want to add someone.

We pray for the souls of Gilbert Hernandez & David Wayne Schneider who passed away last week. 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:

March 17: Joey Pitman, Evelyn Kramr

March 24: Donna Cavness, Helen Mica

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

Altar Society: Patsy Krenek, Arnalynn Kellner, Susie Hillmann, Jeannie Kemp

Second Collection:

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl – Sundays of Lent & Easter Sunday

Holy Cross Easter Flower Offering – March 16 & 17

The monthly meeting of Court St. Bernadette #1108, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, will be held Monday, September 19, in the Holy Cross Meeting Room, beginning at 7 p.m. Refreshments are served at 6:45 p.m. For more info, contact Regent Berna Pilcik, 979-531-9028.

Please remember to bring your food item for the needy.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for March:

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

ES DIFÍCIL ACEPTAR DAR, PARA RECIBIR LA VIDA DE UNO EN EL AMOR

El Evangelio, haciendo uso de imágenes, nos muestra uno de los momentos más importantes en la vida de Jesús: la iluminación sobre el cumplimiento de su misión. Tal misión no se llevará a cabo a través de un éxito o un triunfo, sino a través de la humillación y la derrota. Los esfuerzos de Jesús para que sus discípulos acepten el plan del Padre, fracasan. Solo después de su muerte, comenzarán a comprender cómo el camino de la cruz es el camino que lleva a la vida.

La segunda lectura continúa con esta idea del Evangelio e invita a todos a morir con Cristo. Y la muerte que hablamos aquí es la destrucción de nuestro egoísmo.

La primera lectura completa el mensaje de la liturgia de hoy al presentarnos a Abraham, el hombre que depositó su confianza en Dios y, debido a esta fe, se le prometió una tierra y numerosos descendientes. También los cristianos que tengan el coraje de depositar su confianza en Dios, aunque a los ojos humanos puedan parecer fracasos totales, en realidad tendrán numerosos descendientes.

Bendiciones!

ALTAR SERVER MEETING – SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 10 A.M. IN CHURCH. ALL SERVERS & NEW SERVERS, PLEASE COME TO THIS MEETING IF YOU COULD NOT ATTEND THE MEETING LAST SATURDAY.

Baptism Class – April 2 at 7p.m. – Religious Education building
 Please call 335-4071 to sign up. Mark your calendars!

Parish Fund Donations:

Scholarship Fund: Dr. Brian & Amanda Johnson in memory of Amy Gaudette.

Faith Formation Classes resume as usual Wednesday March 20th!
 See you then! Hope you had a restful spring break.



Attention Graduating Seniors: the Holy Cross Education and Taylor Goodwin Scholarship forms are now available in church vestibule. Deadline is Friday, March 29, 2019 for both scholarships.

Polka Mass – Saturday, May 18 at 5 pm – Mark your calendar.

This Week's Lenten Services

TUESDAY (March 19) – Mass at 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY (March 20) – Mass at 7:00 a.m.

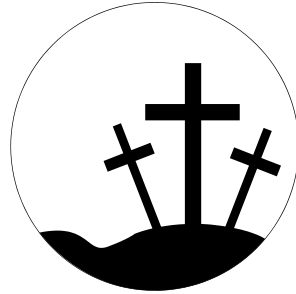
THURSDAY (March 21) - Mass at 7:00 a.m. - Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after Mass and closes at 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY (March 22) - Catholics may NOT EAT MEAT on all Fridays of Lent.

Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by **the Stations of the Cross.**

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross followed by Mass.

“Disciples on the Journey” groups meet throughout the week at designated times.
Call Patricia Michulka, 281-344-7551 for more information.



HOLY CROSS NEWS:

INSTALLATION OF FR. CHARLES – SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 5 P.M. MASS. THE MOST REVEREND BISHOP BRENDAN CAHILL WILL BE HERE TO INSTALL FR. CHARLES AS PASTOR. FOLLOWING THE MASS, WE WILL HAVE A COVERED DISH AT THE MEETING ROOM. PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH, AND ALTOGETHER, WE WILL HAVE A GREAT MEAL!! EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Stations of the Cross: if you would like to lead the Stations please call the parish office and let us know, 335-7551, for either the 8 a.m. or the 7 p.m. Thank you!

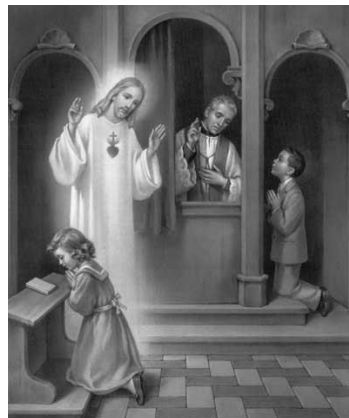
Safe Environment Training: Wednesday, March 20th 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the meeting room. For anyone 18 years old and up who would like to help with the youth and/or vulnerable adults in our parish and our diocese. (VBS, Teen Acts, Faith Formation etc....) for questions call 979-335-4071

Please Read: The list for Lectors and EMEs need to be updated and new ministers added. Everyone needs to choose one ministry – Lector or EME (not both) Training for all ministers will be announced at a later date. Everyone interested must sign up by calling or emailing Rectory.

CONFESSION CIRCUIT EASTER 2019 SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 27	Needville/Damon
Thursday, March 28	Richmond
Sunday, March 31	Hungerford/Beasley
Tuesday, April 2	Wharton (Holy Family)
Wednesday, April 3	Rosenberg
Thursday, April 4	East Bernard
Wednesday, April 10	New Taiton*

***Easter is Sunday, April 21, 2019.**



FISH FRY

East Bernard Knights of Columbus #2500

2019 Annual Lent Fish Fry

Location
Riverside Hall
East Bernard

Every Friday Night
March 8 - April 12

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Riverside Hall
East Bernard

SERVING 5:30 P.M. till 7:30 P.M.

ALL YOU CAN EAT: \$12.00

**Court St. Bernadette #1108, Catholic Daughters of the Americas,
Desserts & Baked Items for sale at the Fish Fry.**