





# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Rev. Charles E. Otsiwah, Pastor**

**335-7551 – Rectory**

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

## APRIL 14, 2019 – PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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Diocese of Victoria Web site: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org)

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By Appointment**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: See Schedule**

**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 15		No Service
Tuesday 16		No Service
Wednesday 17	<b>7:00 AM</b>	+Jody, Frank & Agnes Polak
Thursday 18	<b>7:30 PM</b>	+Joe & Della Marik Family L&D
Friday 19	<b>1:00 PM</b>	Good Friday Service
Saturday 20	<b>8:00 PM</b>	+Joseph & Emilie Orsak
Sunday 21	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Parishioners
Sunday 21	<b>10:00 AM</b>	+Sean Gamino
Sunday 21	<b>11:30 AM</b>	+For all the Forgotten Deceased

# WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH!

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Wednesday – 7 a.m. – Keegan & London Cavness

Thursday – 7:30 p.m. – Sam Sims, Taylor Buxkemper, Kirbi Guthman, Ryan Morse, Zach Vacek

Friday – 1 p.m. – Colby Jedlicka, Ralston & Hannah Chumchal, Hailey Henry

### Saturday, April 20 – 8:00 P.M. Mass

Servers: Jared Hlavinka, Mason Vasut, Ryan Morse, Reagan Whitley, Grace Tovar

Lector: Assigned

Ushers: Kenneth & Bea Wicke and Tommy & Joyce Baranowski

Eucharist: Host-Assigned

Cup-Assigned

### Sunday, April 21 – 8:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: L Minks, W Swoboda, J Kubena, C Polak

Lector: Todd Swoboda

Ushers: Donnie Kelner Family

Eucharist: Host-Helen Mica

Cup-Daniel & Helen Pesek, Karen Moszkowicz

### Sunday, April 21 – 10:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: J & C Faltysek, J & S Morrow

Lector: Marvin Adamek

Ushers: James & Laura Stavinoha

Eucharist: Host-Alphonse Smaistrla

Cup-Bill & Bernice Cavness, Donna Cavness, Gloria Demny

### Sunday, April 21 – 11:30 A.M. Spanish Mass

Servers: Raul Contreras, Abidail & Magaly Ruiz

Lector: Elda Romero

Ushers: Adelaida Pena, Joel Torres

Eucharist: Host- Juana Mendez

Cup-Paulina Hernandez, Anita Tovar



**Mass Attendance Last Weekend: 883**

**Your Gift to God Last Weekend: \$7,163.75**

**Parish Development: \$550.18**

**Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:**

**Syl Dusek in memory of Joyce Dusek.**



Seth, Joe, MDA, WDM, MJM, Virginia Acuna, Christian M. Adamek, Elmer Gene Adamek, Ryan M. Adamek, Gene Bartosh, Lawrence Bartosh, A.J. Bennetsen, Clifton Bram, Charlie Bucek, Frank & Gloria Buxkemper, Estaban Castaneda, Florence Chernohorsky, 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, Robert Michulka, Charlie & 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, Debbie Schneider, Georgie Sliva, Michael Sliva, Hector Soliz, Beatrice Stelzel, Philip Stelzel, Pat Vacek, Herbert Wendel, Catherine Wondrash, Theresa Wysocki, Brock Zimmerman  
 Please send us a note or call us at 335-7551 if you want to add someone.

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

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**Communion to the Homes:**

**April 14:** Bill & Bernice Cavness, Dennis & Dianne Viktorin

**April 21:** Joey Pitman, Evelyn Kramr

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

**Altar Society:** Monica Bubela, Patsy Talas

**Second Collection:**

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

**Holy Cross Easter Flower Offering – anytime before Easter.**

**Parish Fund Donations:**

**Cemetery Fund:** Ed & Judy Schneider in memory of Anna Chumchal.

**Parish Development:** Frank & Evelyn Kramr in memory of Boyce Gertson.

**Scholarship Fund:** Brad Asprgren in memory of Martha Hlavinka Ballou.

Wayne & Lorraine Chumchal in memory of Anna Chumchal & Boyce Gertson.

Joe & Mary Ann Morse in memory of Anna Chumchal.

**Vocation Fund:** American Legion Auxiliary unit no 226 in memory of Mary Lahey.

**Pope Francis Prayer Intention for April:**

**Doctors and their Collaborators in War Torn Areas**

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war torn areas, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL  
**ROAST AND TOAST**  
 SAVE THE DATE:  
**MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
 BENEFITING THE EMMAUS CENTER  
**TICKETS: 361.212.0830**  
 BISHOP BRENDAN CAHILL

**Practice for Holy Thursday and Saturday vigil choirs will be at 3:00 pm this Sunday, April 14 in the choir loft. All singers needed and welcome to join us!**

**Easter Egg Hunt after 10:00 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.**

**Holy Land Pilgrimage April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Prayer Petitions:** If you wish to send prayer petitions for Fr. Charles to take to the Holy Land please send to the Rectory by April 26<sup>th</sup>. The petitions will be placed before the Altar in the Holy Land by Fr. Charles.

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

**St. Bernard Council, # 2500 Knights of Columbus** meet the first Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. in the Holy Cross Meeting Room. Please call Grand Knight Richard Carpenter at 360-606-0302 for more information.

**KJT Society #40** meet on the second Tuesday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. at Riverside Hall. Please call Big Ed Marik at 335-6402 for more information.

**Court St. Bernadette #1108, Catholic Daughters of the Americas**, meet on the third Monday of the month, 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.

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

### **NOBODY EVER LOVED AS MUCH AS HE DID**

For Jesus "to love" means "to lower oneself". He descended from his divine condition and became man, living with the poorest among people, reaching all the way down to the smallest. This is the theme of the first and the second reading, and taken up also by the Gospel, where Jesus recommends his disciples not to seek the first place, but the last – "Let the greatest among you be as the youngest, and the leader" as the servant. I am among you as the one who serves," says the Lord.

We say so often that we believe in him. But what does this mean? Does it mean that he is a real and an exceptional man? Yes, he was all this, but also the atheists say so. To have faith, as we learn from the readings of today, means to have the courage to follow him in his path that may require even the giving up of one's life.

May you always experience his love and mercy in your life! Have a blessed Holy Week!

### **NUNCA NADIE AMÓ TANTO COMO LO HIZO**

Para Jesús "amar" significa "para bajar a sí mismo". Descendió de su condición divina y se convirtió en hombre, viviendo con los más pobres entre las personas, alcanzando todo el camino hasta el más pequeño. Este es el tema de la primera y segunda lectura, y tomado también por el Evangelio, donde Jesús recomienda a sus discípulos que no busquen el primer lugar, sino el último – "que el más grande entre vosotros sea como el más joven, y el líder" como siervo. Yo estoy entre vosotros como el que sirve", dice el Señor.

Decimos tan a menudo que creemos en él. Pero, ¿qué significa esto? ¿Significa que es un hombre real y excepcional? Sí, él era todo esto, pero también los ateos lo dicen. Tener fe, como aprendemos de las lecturas de hoy, significa tener el coraje de seguirlo en su camino que puede requerir incluso el renunciar a la vida de uno.

¡ Que siempre experimenten su amor y misericordia en su vida! ¡ Que tengan una Bendita Semana Santa!

## *Holy Week Schedule*

**Tuesday of Holy Week, April 16 - 10:00 a.m. CHRISM MASS  
Our Lady of Victory Cathedral, Victoria**

***Wednesday of Holy Week, April 17: 7:00 a.m. - Mass***

***Opening of the Triduum***

***Holy Thursday, April 18: 7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper***

***Adoration Assignments:***

**A – F 9:00 – 10:00 P.M.**

**G – O 10:00 – 11:00 P.M.**

**P – Z 11:00 – Midnight**

***Good Friday, April 19: 1:00 p.m. - Good Friday Holy Communion  
Stations of the Cross & Veneration of the Cross***

***Holy Saturday, April 20: 8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil Service & Mass***

**No Confessions Today**

<p><b><i>Easter Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - Mass</i></b> <b>10:00 a.m. - Mass - Easter Egg Hunt follows.</b> <b>11:30 a.m. - Spanish Mass</b></p>
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