



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Charles E. Otsiwah, Pastor

335-7551 – Rectory

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

MAY 12, 2019 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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 13		No Service
Tuesday 14	6:00 PM	+Ray Dusek
Wednesday 15	5:00 PM	+Oscar & Agnes Litvik
Thursday 16	7:00 AM	+Christian Mothers
Friday 17	7:00 AM	+Jody Polak, Frank & Agnes Polak
Saturday 18	2:00 PM	Wedding – Barta & Kubes
Saturday 18	5:00 PM	+Bennis & Annie Chumchal
Sunday 19	8:00 AM	+Frank Hlavinka, Sr.
Sunday 19	10:00 AM	+Greg Smaistrla & Family
Sunday 19	11:30 AM	Parishioners

WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH!

Happy Mother's Day!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Wednesday – 5 pm - Assigned

Thursday – 7am - Brandon Rucka, Cadence Hammock

Friday – 7am - Lance Zapalac, Camden Fucik

Saturday, May 18 – 5:00 P.M. Mass

Servers: Mara & Nolan Triplett, Cole Polak, Hailey Henry

Lector: Janice Polak

Ushers: Daniel & Helen Pesek

Eucharist: Host-Monica Kubena

Cup- Robert & Patricia Michulka, Dennis & Dianne Viktorin

Sunday, May 19 – 8:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Colby Jedlicka, Zachery & Caitlyn Fuechec, Ryan Morse

Lector: Renee Hlavinka

Ushers: Stanley & Judith Michulka

Eucharist: Host-Lance Rejsek

Cup-Doris Brandes, Helen Mica, Joey Pitman, Jo Ann Preisler

Sunday, May 19 – 10:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Taylor, Tyler, Claire Viktorin, Brooke Babin

Lector: Karen Moszkowicz

Ushers: Bill & Bernice Cavness

Eucharist: Host-Alphonse Smaistrla

Cup-Henriette Jalowy, Yvonne Naiser, Mary Ann Tichacek, Denise Tovar

Sunday, May 19 – 11:30 A.M. Spanish Mass

Servers: Maria Avila, Josselyn Romero, Abidail Ruiz

Lector: Miguel Rendon

Ushers: Felipe & Maria Urquiza

Eucharist: Host-Juana Mendez

Cup-Paulina Hernandez, Anita Tovar

Mass Attendance Last Weekend: 548

Your Gift to God Last Weekend: \$5,615.05

Rice Bowl Total: \$2,800.93 Parish Development: \$272.00

Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:

Bill & Dotsy Hillmann in memory of Max, Irene, & Dale Zapalac.



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Seth, Joe, MDA, WDM, MJM, Virginia Acuna, Christian M. Adamek, Elmer Gene Adamek, Ryan M. Adamek, Joseph Andrews, J. D. Bartek; 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, A.C. Grahmann, Carl Gurecky, Edward Halcom, Charlene Hennecke, Daniel Jansky, Albina Jasek, Lynnlea Johnson, Gene & Joan Karasek, Larry Karasek, Derek M. Keller, Ray Kiefert, Chris King, Georgie Koehne, Leo Kolafa, Sr., Bernice Kopecky, David Kopecky, Gene 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, D.R. Powers, Bernice Pribyl, Isaiah Sandoval, Gayla Schimek, Debbie Schneider, Georgie Sliva, Michael Sliva, Hector Soliz, Beatrice Stelzel, Philip Stelzel, Pat Vacek, Dennis Viktorin, 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.

**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:

May 12: Mary Ann Morse, Ann Kramr

May 19: Bill & Bernice Cavness, Dennis & Dianne Viktorin

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

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

Second Collection:

Retired & Special Need Collection for Priests of the DOV – May 18 & 19

Peter's Pence Collection (for the Holy Father) – June 29 & 30

Shiner Picnic – Sunday, May 26 – KC Park – Stew, fried chicken, sausage

Serving 10:30 am - 2 pm

Rosary for Our Lady of Fatima – Monday, May 13 at 6 pm in Church.

Polka Mass Choir Practice – 7 pm on Monday, May 13 for the next Polka Mass.

Please try to attend.

Polka Mass – Saturday, May 18 at 5 pm

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for May: The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

JESUS THE SHEPHERD, WE THE SHEPHERD OF HIS FLOCK (4th. Sunday of Easter)

The shepherd is the one who walks at the head of his flock to show the safe way leading to pastures and to the springs of fresh water. Jesus is the only “true shepherd”. His way, and the way he teaches to all, is the laying down of one’s life in love. This is the theme on which we are called to reflect on every Sunday during Paschal time. His sheep are those who have the courage to follow in his footsteps. This is the message of the Gospel.

The second reading describes the place of rest where Jesus, shepherd and sacrificial lam, leads his flock: heaven. We shall find there all the replies to the enigmas of our earthly existence.

The first reading tells us that in order to follow Christ it is necessary to be ready to endure hardships and persecutions. This is what Paul and barnabas are teaching us with their life.

JESÚS EL PASTOR, EL PASTOR DE SU REBAÑO (4º. DOMINGO DE PASCUA)

El pastor es el que camina a la cabeza de su rebaño para mostrar el camino seguro que conduce a los pastos y a los manantiales de agua dulce. Jesús es el único "verdadero Pastor". Su manera, y la forma en que enseña a todos, es la imposición de la vida en el amor. Este es el tema sobre el que estamos llamados a reflexionar cada domingo durante el tiempo Pascual. Sus ovejas son las que tienen el coraje de seguir sus pasos. Este es el mensaje del Evangelio.

La segunda lectura describe el lugar de reposo donde Jesús, pastor y el sacrificio de la Lam, dirige su rebaño: el cielo. Encontraremos allí todas las respuestas a los enigmas de nuestra existencia terrenal.

La primera lectura nos dice que para seguir a Cristo es necesario estar preparado para soportar las penurias y persecuciones. Esto es lo que Pablo y Bernabí nos enseñan con su vida.

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.

**FEAST DAY OF
ST. ISIDORE IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 15
Mass at 5 p.m.**

Novena to St. Isidore begins Tuesday, May 7

O dear St. Isidore, as a farmer you so patiently worked the land that it might give fruit. And by your example we have learned to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of mankind. We who share your zeal for a fruitful land are encouraged by the compassion you showed to all who needed your help. We are convinced of your gracious intercession and with confidence implore you to obtain for us favorable weather.

O St. Isidore, you whose heart reflects the giving nature of our gracious God, whisper our prayer into the merciful ears of the Infant Jesus. Accept our humble appeal, as we pray for a successful growing season. Grant us favorable weather to produce an abundant harvest. We ask this in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN



A Memorial Day Service will once again be held at Holy Cross Cemetery on Monday, May 27th at 9:00 AM, sponsored by Holy Cross Cemetery, American Legion Post 226 and KC Fourth Degree Assembly 3592. Please mark your calendars!

29th Annual Czech Kolache Klobase Festival – Sat. June 8
Stroke Scan – Thursday, June 13 – mark your calendar!

Congratulations to 2019 Scholarship Recipients

Holy Cross Education
Elizabeth JoAnn Anders
Kirbi Paige Guthman
Jared Alan Hlavinka
Alexander Javier Lopez
Samuel Joseph Sims
Kaitlyn Marie Sulak
Zachary Lane Vacek
Mason Garrett Vasut

Holy Cross Scholarship
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Albert & Albina Spacek Endowment
Kirbi Paige Guthman

Altar Server Scholarship
Jared Alan Hlavinka

Taylor Goodwin Memorial
Elizabeth JoAnn Anders

Banns of Marriage:

Third Bann: Brian Barta & Katie Kubes

Flowers for the Altar: Katie Ann Kubes & Brian James Barta Wedding.

Catholic Rural Life Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 5:00 PM

Location: Holy Cross Church, East Bernard

Join the first Catholic Rural Life Chapter of Texas, CRL-Victoria, TX for their first annual Rural Life Mass on Wednesday, May 15 at 5:00pm. This year, the Mass will be hosted by Holy Cross Catholic Church (839 Church Street) in East Bernard, TX. Please join Bishop Brendan Cahill and con-celebrants Rev. Charles Otsiwah and Rev. Stephen Vacek as we celebrate the feast day of St. Isidore. After Mass, there will be the blessing of implements, seed, and equipment.

Altar Servers

The altar serving schedule for the month of May is now available on Facebook. Join the Facebook group “Holy Cross Altar Servers” to view the schedule. Thank you!

Parish Fund Donations

Parish Development Fund:

Patsy Talas in memory of Charles Kemp, Jr. & Sophie Korenek.
David & Denise Polak in memory of Sophie Korenek.

Rocky Mountain High Retreat: Richard & Michele Carpenter in memory of Sophie Korenek.

Scholarship Fund:

Larry & Kathy Janicek in memory of Sophie Korenek & Florence Hlozek.
Buck & Ruth Boettcher in memory of Sophie Korenek.
C.J. & Dolores Fucik in memory of Sophie Korenek, Gary Caraway, Ray Dusek, & Joe Macek.

Vocation:

Ray & Lillian Marek in memory of Sophie Korenek & Florence Hlozek.