



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Father Donald Ruppert, Pastor

335-7551 – Rectory

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

FEBRUARY 18, 2018 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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 19		No Service
Tuesday 20	7:00 AM	+Travis Henrichsen
Wednesday 21	6:45 PM	+Mel-Roy Jurek
Thursday 22	7:00 AM	+Arthur Mahalitc
Friday 23	8:30 AM	+Tomasa Lopez
Saturday 24	5:00 PM	+Daniel Pilcik, Steve, Mary, Sue Pilcik
Sunday 25	8:00 AM	+Eugene Mrkwa
Sunday 25	10:00 AM	+Parishioners
Sunday 25	11:30 AM	+Pete & Susie Lopez Family (SPANISH MASS)

WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS CHURCH!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Tuesday – 7:00 a.m. – Carson Kubicek, Jonah Kubena

Wednesday – 6:45 p.m. – 6th Grade

Thursday – 7:00 a.m. – London & Keegan Cavness

Friday – 8:30 a.m. – Volunteers

Saturday, February 24 – 5:00 P.M. Mass

Servers: Hunter, Kyle, Christopher Kopecky

Lector: Melinda Alvarado

Ushers: Joe & Mary Ann Morse

Eucharist: Host-Mary Ann Tichacek

Cup-Martha Prochaska, Monica Kubena, Joey Pitman, Jo Ann Preisler

Sunday, February 25 – 8:00 A.M. Mass

Servers: Jacob & Luke Minks, Jared Hlavinka

Lector: Todd Swoboda

Ushers: Stanley & Judith Michulka

Eucharist: Host-Karen Moszkowicz

Cup-Eric Youngblood, Yvonne Naiser, Helen Mica, Cynthia Dusek

Sunday, February 25 – 10:00 A.M. Mass

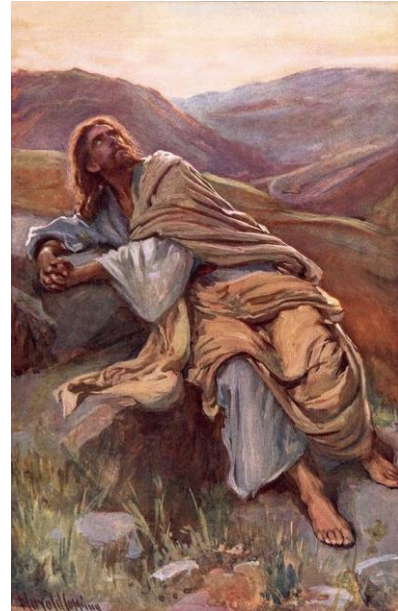
Servers: Ryan Morse, Vason Vasut, Taylor Buxkemper

Lector: Rudy Vacek

Ushers: Jodie & Jerry Smaistrla

Eucharist: Host-Alphonse Vacek

Cup-Tyna Vacek, Chris & Melissa Morse, Denise Tovar



Mass Attendance Last Weekend: 561

Your Gift to God Last Weekend: \$7,481.50

Parish Development: \$171.00

**Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:
George & Janie Muniz in memory of Tomasa Lopez.**



Sr. Carola, MDA, WDM, MJM, Christian M. Adamek, Elmer Gene Adamek, Marvin Adamek, Joseph Andrews, David Bartosh, Imogene Beard, Calvin Blackman, Frank & Gloria Buxkemper, Dorothy Carpenter, Jason K. Carson, Florence Chernohorsky, Bennie & Anna Chumchal, Brenda Dillon, Joyce Dusek, Anton Dybala, Emily, Adie Fojtik, Boyce Gertson, Angeline Grigar, Edward Halcom, Charlene Hennecke, Johnnie & Rita Janak, Cathy Yanes, Douglas Johse, Janie Joyner, Gene & Joan Karasek, Chris King, Bernice & David Kopecky, Tommy Krenek, John Kubes, Braeden Landgrebe, Jeremy LeJeune, Danilo Lopez, Jose L. Lopez, Vincente Lopez, Baby Luciana, Louise Marke, Patrick Macha, Lillian Marek, Louise Marek, Lauren McPherson, Barbara Merta, Annette Novak, Isidra Olvera, Vincente Olvera, Vicente A. Olvera, Maria Guadalupe Orozco, Frankie Orsak, Cecilia A. Pelech, Bennie Matcek, Melanie Persyn, Delores Pietsch, Kimberly Polak, Bernice Pribyl, Phyllis Sanchez, Jerry Sebesta, Jaxon Siegel, Georgie Sliva, Steve Soto, Donald Smaistrla, Louis & Judy Srubar, Beatrice Stelzel, Philip Stelzel, Tony, Dorothy Twardowski, Riley York, James Vincek, Daniel Wittig, Johnnie Zak

Please send us a note or call us 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:

February 18: Bill & Bernice Cavness, Dennis & Dianne Viktorin

February 25: Joey Pitman, Evelyn Kramr

Please call Evelyn Kramr at 335-7324 if you need to receive home communion.

Altar Society: Patricia Michulka, Delores Pietsch, Jo Ann Preisler, Sharon Sebesta

Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl – Sundays of Lent and Easter Sunday

Christian Mothers

Please pay your dues! You can call Patsy Talas at 335-6139 if you have any questions.

Bluebonnet ACTS Men Retreat – March 1-4 – Registration forms in Church vestibule.

28th Kolache Klobase Festival Saturday, June 9th

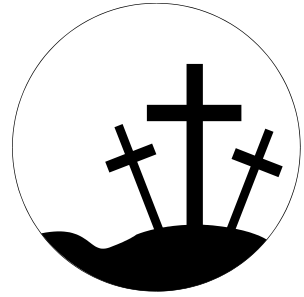
Raffle prize donations – call Big Ed Marik at 335-6402, deadline March 1st.

Interested in working – call Jason Hlavinka at 979-533-1536. Thanks for your support.

Next JCDA meeting is Sunday, February 18 at 4:00 PM in the CCE building. All young ladies of our parish, age 6 through high school, are invited to join JCDA! Contact Evelyn Vacek for more information 335-4071.

Pope Francis said: "We need the Holy Spirit to transmit the faith. We cannot do it alone."

This Week's Lenten Services



TUESDAY (February 20) – Mass at 7:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY (February 21) – Mass at 6:45 p.m.

THURSDAY (February 22) - Mass at 7:00 a.m. - Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after Mass and closes Sacrament at 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY (March 23) - Catholics may NOT EAT MEAT on all Fridays of Lent. Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by the Stations of the Cross

"Disciples on the Journey" groups meet throughout the week at designated times.

Fish Fry – East Bernard Knights of Columbus #2500

Every Friday Night – February 16 to March 23

Riverside Hall – Serving 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

All you can eat \$10.00

Proceeds to benefit local Scholarships.

CDA Pastry Sale at the Fish Fry.

Court St. Bernadette #1108, Catholic Daughters of the Americas donations for:

Act Now, Senior Citizen Luncheon, & for candy for the Easter egg hunt.

Many thanks to you.

The monthly meeting of Court St. Bernadette #1108, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, will be held Monday, February 19th, 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.

Special Visitor!!!

Bishop Cahill will be visiting our
Faith Formation Classes on February 21st.

GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU from the Victoria Gabriel Project!
“DO NOT FEAR I AM ALWAYS WITH YOU” (Isaiah 41:10)

The Victoria Gabriel Project celebrated 15 years of help, love, and support to women in a crisis pregnancy and her unborn child across the Crossroads of Texas in 2017!

Since 2002, there has been an ecumenical movement among all Christians and churches to help the anxiety and fear many women face in a crisis pregnancy. Through your wonderful donations of material and monetary items, the Crossroads of Texas has made help available to these families. In 2017 the Gabriel Project served 144 Moms and their babies. Imagine the life you made a difference in or perhaps a life you saved!! The Board of Directors wants to take this time to THANK YOU and all our wonderful volunteers that give so selfishly of their time to help the “little ones”. “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such” (Matt. 19:14). From conception to natural death, this is what these “little ones” deserve – a right to LIFE, just like you and me. Since Roe vs Wade approximately 60 million babies have been aborted – it must STOP! Our helpline continues to receive calls from Moms that want to put their baby up for adoption! Why not give that innocent life a chance with a loving family!! Through the Gabriel Project a Mother in a crisis pregnancy has an Alternative to Abortion! As we look to the future and what God has planned for the Gabriel Project – perhaps a Maternity Home! With your continued help, whether it is time, material, monetary, love and prayers, we can continue to help these Moms and their babies and see what God has planned!

May God Bless You and his perpetual light shine upon you!

Barbara McCain Williams
Member, Victoria Gabriel Project Board of Directors

New Parishioners – Welcome to Holy Cross Parish!

Please come by the Parish Office to let us know you have arrived and to pick up a Directory.
Census forms are online & in the foyer of church.

Sanctuary Lamps still available for this year.

Please give us a call at 335-7551 with your special intention.

Fr. Mathew Kessler’s Scripture Study

All sessions on Monday from 6:30 – 7:30 pm

March 5: The Synoptic Gospels, Jesus, and the Kingdom of God

March 12: Key Events leading up to the Last Supper

March 19: Last Supper and the Religious and Political Trials

March 26: Jesus’ Death and Resurrection in service to the Kingdom of God

Anyone planning to attend is asked to call 979-335-7551 to register.

LENTEN SATURDAY SEMINAR

Saturday, March 3, 2018

9:00am - 1:00pm

The Fourth Cup ~ A Seamless Passage from the Upper Room to Calvary

as presented by Dr. Michael Fonseca
held at

High Hill Conference Center of God's Embrace
2911 FM2672, Schulenburg, Texas 78956

COST: \$30 - Lunch Included
COVENANT PARTNERS: \$27 (10% discount)
CLERGY/CONSECRATED RELIGIOUS: FREE

Invite a friend or two!!

Register online today! Space is limited to the first 50 registrants.

Parish Fund Donations:

Cemetery Fund:

Ed & Judy Schneider in memory of Mary Dusek.

Charles & Jeannie Kemp in memory of Josh Chmelik.

Wilfred & Jeanette Rejsek in memory of Eddie Vasut & Josh Chmelik.

Next Polka Mass will be on Saturday, April 28 at 5 p.m.