

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 2, 2017

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Ronnie Macha
<i>Tue.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Lawrence Pekar
	10 A.M.	No Mass
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Leo Harabis
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Tony Perez
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	M/M Oscar Ward
		M/M Leland Tucker
	10 A.M.	No Mass
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Bill Culak
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Fred & Emma Baros
	9 A.M.	Joe Lopez & Erica Bridges
	11 A.M.	Othon Osornio

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Tony Perez.

Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

Your Gift to God: June 25th

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$4,263.52
Online Giving	\$1,175
Building Fund	\$101
Helping Hands	\$712
St. Ann Parish Support	\$847

May God reward your generosity!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:00 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.

Special Collection

A special collection for Peter's Pence (Holy Father) will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, July 1-2.

Holiday: Office Schedule

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th and will reopen on Wednesday, July 5th at 8:00 A.M.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Patrick Matussek
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Nancy McNease
	9 A.M.	Rick Jahn
	11 A.M.	Carolina Caballero

Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Bill Culak Family
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Ron & Marie Terreo Family

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Sammy & Susan Elizondo, Gloria Lerma
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Bob Arlitt, Debra Villa, Georgia Kutach
	11 A.M.	Graciela Rivas, Nina Arriaga, Virginia Amaro

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie Proschko, Bill Lopez, Bobby Fikac, JoJo Machalec
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Charles & Diane Havlik
	9 A.M.	David & Jo Ann Muehlstein, Katherine Jendrzey, E. J. Blashcke
	11 A.M.	Alice Nunez, Elsa Resendiz, Vicky Vasquez, Gerardo Rivas

Altar Servers

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Emily Matussek, Sutton Pavliska, Arielle Bennetsen
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Zachary Raz, Clayton Zabransky
	9 A.M.	Raleigh Chumchal, Carly Hull, Ryan Brewer
	11 A.M.	Cecilia Rivas, Alex Gutierrez, Samantha Arredondo

Reminder

Every Wednesday we have available the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 6-6:30 pm. Take advantage of this added opportunity to celebrate the Lord's abundant mercy!

"You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation."

Pictorial Directory Update

Thanks to all who took advantage of the last couple of weeks in getting their pictures taken for the new pictorial directory. Due to many who were unable to find a date during these two weeks that would accommodate them--and with some calling wondering if it was "too late" to still schedule an appointment--there will be a session offered in July so that as many as want can still get their picture taken and be included in the directory. To schedule an appointment during the July 13th date, one should call 866-557-2253. **Don't miss out on this last chance to be included!**

KJT State Family Day - July 23rd

The KJT State Family Day will be held Sunday, July 23rd at the KJT Activity & Fraternal Center located at 6116 State Hwy. 71 East, La Grange, Texas. All members and their families are invited to come enjoy a BBQ meal and a day of fun including music by Chris Rybak, Caricatures and a water slide for the children with attendance prizes throughout the day. Registration begins at 10:30 A.M. followed by Mass at 11:00 A.M. The meal will be served from 12:00 – 1:30 P.M. RSVP by July 14th at 800-245-8182 or info@jktnet.org. Hope to see you and your family on the 23rd!

Hour Eucharistic Adoration

We will have our monthly 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration beginning this Thursday after the 6:30 A.M. Mass in the Meeting Room (door combination 2-4-3).

Adoration...Devotional Hour

During the 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday there will be a "special" devotional hour from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. This will include the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary and other prayers combined with time for private reflection.

Adoracion del Santissimo

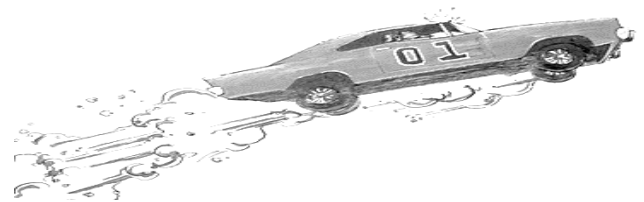
Este Jueves vamos a tener nuestra hora de adoracion y devocion en espanol en el Salon Parroquial desde las 8:00 P.M. a las 9:00 P.M. Todos estan invitados a compartir su fe durante esta hora de alabanza y oracion.

First Friday Devotions

This Friday at 6:10 A.M. we will have traditional devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Yesteryear...and...Today

Just as certain as it was Thursday night to hear "Good Night, Johnboy," and Friday night to watch those Duke boys best Sheriff Rosco P. Coltrane and J.D. "Boss" Hogg...when locals hear it's time to get ready for Picnic, all know it's time to pitch in and help the Dough Rollers! As clear as the Baldwin Sisters "Recipe" was an astounding, lipsmacking success especially for Grandpa Zeb in spite of Grandma's Christian protestations, so too our Dough Rollers' recipe can put a smile on everyone's face (albeit for a different "Christian" reason). Pitch in, drop your donations off at the Pastoral Center...and keep an eye out for orange '69 Chargers marked "01" flying over Possum Hollow!



Dynamic Catholic Bible Study

This July, St. Joseph's is offering an exciting Catholic study of the Bible for adults. The Great Adventure Catholic Bible study system created by Jeff Cavins provides the easiest way to understand the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. This study will help adults understand the Bible by finding the story that ties it all together. We will be using The Teen Timeline DVD series as well as The Great Adventure Storybook. The Storybook will be a perfect 'take away' from the study to share our salvation history with your children and grandchildren. Parishes everywhere are experiencing a renewal of faith and increased involvement from parishioners whose lives have been changed by The Great Adventure Bible study program. Sign up for this study will take place after Masses on the weekend of July 8-9. You can also contact the parish office at 293-3518 if you are interested. Classes will be held **at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesdays beginning July 12** and continuing through Wednesday, August 30. Please consider joining this wonderful opportunity to strengthen your Catholic faith!

Vacation Bible School

Plans are underway for St. Joseph's Vacation Bible School!!! If you have a child going into grades K thru 6 in the upcoming school year, consider registering them for Vacation Bible School. VBS will be held July 10-14 from 9:00 A.M. to 12-noon. There is no fee and your child(ren) will have a great time enriching their knowledge of Jesus! If you would like to volunteer to help or would like more information, please contact Jana Guajardo at faithformation@stjatholicchurch.com. Registration forms are available at the Pastoral Center and at the entrances of the church. Forms should be dropped off at the parish office.

Recordatorio

Nos estamos preparando para la Escuela Bíblica de St. Joseph. Si usted tiene un niño en la escuela entre los grados de Kínder al 6 en el entrante año escolar, considere inscribirlo en la Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones. La Escuela Bíblica se llevara a cabo en Julio 10 al 14 a partir de las 9:00 AM hasta las 12:00 mediodía. Si quiere ser voluntario para ayudar a esta actividad o le gustaría tener mas información, por favor contacte a Jana Guajardo en faithformation@stjatholicchurch.com Las formas de inscripción puede ser recogidas o dejadas en la oficina de la parroquia.

CCD/Faith Formation

For those who like to get ahead and mark items off of their "to do" list, the registration forms and calendar for the upcoming CCD/Faith Formation year are posted on the parish website. Simply download the forms and fill them out and turn them into the Pastoral Center in Yoakum.

Keep Up With Us

Don't forget to use the Ministry Scheduler program to update and receive liturgical assignments. There is an APP available on iPhone and Droid--just search for Ministry Scheduler Pro and download it.

Also, use the parish website, school website, Parish Facebook, School Facebook, and there are also available the APPs for both the parish and school for your smart phone as well! Easy, at your fingertips ways to read the bulletin, receive updates as to special events, etc.

Cemetery Reminder

In light of some recent activities at St. Joseph Cemetery in which individuals took it upon themselves to add their own homemade curbing to gravesites where none existed before...the rules and regulations that prohibit any new addition of curbing has been in effect for ten years...and posted at the cemetery during that entire time period. When the rules and regulations were updated in the last few years, so was the posting at the cemetery. They are available online on the parish website, at the diocesan cemetery database and through paper copies at the Pastoral Center. When they were first updated some ten years ago with the policy of no added curbing, etc., they were posted in the parish bulletin and there was a three month period before they went into effect that November. Not everyone obviously agrees with every rule, but they are meant to maintain a common practice and assist in the present and long-term maintenance expenses connected (monthly) with our parish cemetery. Inasmuch as those who added their own curbing recently did so without any notification or "checking in" with the office, this is unfortunate and shows a lack of respect for the overall care of the cemetery. We have one of the most tranquil settings and beautifully maintained cemeteries in the area. It is a dignified and peaceful place where generations of loved ones are awaiting the resurrection of the dead. This recent experience of "doing what one wants without thinking of others or the policies" is detrimental to the parish family and unjust to all of those who have an interest in this sacred ground. If everyone starts to "do their own thing" regarding cemetery grave spaces, it is going to turn into a jumble of areas that cannot be properly maintained and cared for--let alone--in the future when these "additions" crack, break and fall apart or pose other problems. As has been mentioned before, this is what happens in a day and age where not everyone has an active connection to the parish Church that this cemetery belongs to and is maintained by. Generations removed who have left the Catholic Church and joined others, or who no longer claim any religious membership--but whose family members are buried there from decades ago--are much more quick to disregard the regulations and the reason they exist.

"Announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

2017 Catechist Rally

Save the Date

On behalf of the Most Reverend Brendan J., Cahill
and the catechetical office staff:

You are invited to the **2017 Catechist Rally**
which includes:

Social
Bishop Brendan's Inspirational Talk
Dinner
Prayer Service and Commissioning
Door Prizes (must be present to win)

All catechists in attendance will receive a Diocese of Victoria
"catechist" t-shirt, catechist bag with assorted gifts.

RSVP deadline is July 7th.

Sat., July 22, 2017 or Sat., July 29, 2017
Sacred Heart, Hallettsville St. Andrew, Hillje
4:30 – 7:30 P.M. 4:30 – 7:30 P.M.

**To register to attend the Catechist rally, go to the
diocesan website, www.victoriadiocese.org, and
click on the Catechist Rally on the homepage--
follow the instructions and register online.**

S.O.S. Marriage Retreat

Surrender your marriage to God's plan. Open your hearts and let the Holy Spirit lead you. Serve the Lord in all that you do. Are you longing to better understand your spouse? Are you seeking a better understanding of God's plan for your family? Do you need time with your spouse and God?

Join us for a weekend marriage retreat that will allow you time with your spouse and with God. Time to draw closer to God and to each other. A retreat to equip you with tools to better communicate, love, and support each other and to better serve the Lord in your marriage and family. The marriage retreat will be held at Disciple Oaks in Gonzales on August 18-20. It will begin on Friday evening and conclude Sunday afternoon. All marriage types are encouraged to come; new and aged, strong and shaky. Registration forms are in the back of church. Cost is \$250.00. **Deadline for registration is July 15th.** Please contact Jeffrey & Leslie Chancellor (361-772-2650) if you have any questions or would like more information.

Retrovaille - August 4-6

Rediscover Your Marriage – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10's of 1000's headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. It is a program that promotes forgiveness and healing. For more information about the Victoria August 4-6, 2017, Retrouvaille Weekend, contact John or Jennifer Vincent (361) 580-2770 or email: jbvjov@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Concert to Benefit Prison Chapel

The Stevenson Unit Chapel Development Corporation (SUCDC) is hosting a concert on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at the Cuero ISD Performing Arts Center. Produced by World Vision, the YOUR LOVE IS UNBREAKABLE TOUR will begin at 7:00 P.M. and features Gospel Music Association artists Jason Crabb and the group Selah. Money gained from ticket sales will be tagged by the group to acquire grant writing services and to employ an architect for drafting conceptual drawings for a chapel construction project. Ticket sales for the public will begin June 26, however, a weeklong presale event for the local community will begin June 18. Tickets are \$20, \$40, & \$60 and can be purchased online at www.itickets.com. To take advantage of the presale offer patrons should log on to the website and use the password SUCDC when prompted.

Away on Vacation?

Stay Up-To-Date on Your Giving

Going on vacation? Please use Online Giving to catch-up on offertory. Go to www.stjatholicchurch.com and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy. Or you can download the Online Giving app on your mobile device. Search the App Stores for Online Giving or go to OLGapp.com and register with our parish. Your support during the summer months helps sustain our parish.

Emmaus Center

Grief Group Summer Schedule

Grief Group will meet at 5:30 p.m. at *The Emmaus Center* at 1908 N. Laurent Street, Suite 140 on the following dates: June 12th and 26th; July 10th and 31st; August 14th and 28th. Group will not meet on Monday, May 29th – Memorial Day. Go to www.emmauscounselingcenter.com to make counseling and spiritual direction appointments or call (361) 212-0830.

*"Forever I will sing
the goodness of the Lord."*



Fortnight for Freedom


June 21 - July 4

VISIT WWW.USCCB.ORG/FREEDOM

HELP

Save Our Religious Freedom
...in 60 seconds or less.

Text **FREEDOM** to
377377 to defend
your right to live
by your faith.



Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome—for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us—this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

"If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him."

A Note from Principal Mooney

School is out for the summer!

If interested in sending your child(ren) to St. Joseph School, please stop by the school office and speak to Mr. Mooney. Take a tour of the school and learn more about what St. Joseph School has to offer.

St. Joseph School Endowment Fund

The School Endowment Fund has setup a post office box so that correspondence, memorials, donations can be sent to a central location and not be mixed in with parish or school mail. The address is:

St. Joseph School Endowment Fund
P. O. Box 805
Yoakum, Texas 77995

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Every clip counts

- BUY** - Find Box Tops on hundreds of products
- CLIP** - Clip Box Tops from each package
- SEND** - Send the Box Tops to school in a baggie
- EARN** - Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your school.



4th July
★ Happy ★
Independence Day



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Can you spare one hour of your time to help the parish? The Parish Picnic is need of volunteers in various areas and we are only asking for an hour of your time. The more volunteers the shorter the shift. Please contact the parish office if are willing to spare 60 minutes of your time on August 5th or 6th. Your contribution will make a difference towards the success of the picnic. Thank you!

Picnic Raffle

If you've seen the tickets (extras are available in the Church entrances and at the Pastoral Center) you now know that again, our Raffle is one of the most generous in our area--both in terms of prize values as well as number of prize chances! Thanks to the extreme generosity of our parish family members the Raffle is pure financial "gain" for the parish picnic's success. Sell...buy...get the tickets going--Each are \$5.

Picnic, Picnic, Picnic

We are just five weeks away from our annual picnic and it's not too early to start thinking about Auction items...no garage sale merchandise or used appliances, etc.; Country Store items...homemade jelly, pickles, bread, etc. (be sure to list all ingredients on food items), knick-knacks, plants, etc.

Don't Wait to be Asked.....



Donate to the Dough Rollers!

You better do what Father says... you hear me?!



Dates to Remember

Monday, July 10 – Friday, July 14
Vacation Bible School – Family Center

Wednesdays beginning July 12
Dynamic Catholic Bible Study – 6:30 P.M.

Sunday, July 23
Feast of St. Ann Celebration
Mass – 7 P.M. - followed by refreshments at Pavilion

Saturday, July 29
Catholic Daughters Noodle Making Day
8:00 A.M. – Family Center

Thursday, August 3
Tigerama Parent Registration Night – Family Center

Saturday, August 5
St. Joseph School Alumni Reunion
Mass – 5 P.M. – followed by meal at Family Center

Sunday, August 6
St. Joseph Parish Picnic
Yoakum Community Center

Wednesday, August 9
First Day of School for St. Joseph School Students

August 15 – Feast of the Assumption

Mass Schedule:

Monday, August 14 – 6:30 P.M. (Vigil Mass)

Tuesday, August 15 – 6:30 A.M., 8:05 A.M.