

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

Catholic Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (anticipation) ----- 5:00 p.m.
Sunday ----- 9:00 a.m.
Monday at Ganado Nursing Home ----- 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday ----- 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday ----- 6:00 p.m.
Thursday ----- 8:00 a.m.
Friday ----- 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday ----- 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Sunday ----- 8:15-8:45 a.m.

Youth Minister ----- Heather Supak
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Parish Secretary ----- Karen Klaus
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: ----- 8:00 a.m.-Noon & 1:00-5:00 p.m.

New Members

Welcome to Assumption Parish!
Please call or stop by the Parish Office to register.

Holy Communion to the Home-Bound

Each Wednesday and Friday. If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness or disability, please call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents and Godparents are required to attend a baptismal class. Call the Parish Office to ask about requirements for Godparents, and to register for a class. The schedule for 2019 Baptism class is: **January 8, April 2, July 23, October 15**. All classes begin at 7:00 p.m. at the John Paul II Family Center.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please make an appointment with the Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date. No wedding date will be firm until after the initial meeting with the Pastor.

December 2, 2018

First Sunday of Advent

TODAY'S READINGS

Jeremiah 33:14-16. *I will raise up for David a just shoot.*

Psalms 25. *"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."*

1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2. *May the Lord make you abound in love.*

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36. *Be vigilant at all times.*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How can I prepare myself for the coming of Jesus, at Christmas and at the end of time?

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: Isaiah 2:1-5
Matthew 8:5-11
Tues: Isaiah 11:1-10
Luke 10:21-24
Wed: Isaiah 25:6-10
Matthew 15:29-37
Thurs: Isaiah 26:1-6
Matthew 7:21, 24-27
Fri: Isaiah 29:17-24
Matthew 9:27-31
Sat: Genesis 3:9-15, 20
Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12
Luke 1:25-38
Sun: Baruch 5:1-9
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Luke 3:1-6

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

Today we begin again. This First Sunday of Advent picks up where Christ the King left off. It is a reminder to us that Christ is always with his people.

Advent is a season in which we prepare for the coming of Christ, just as we celebrate his arrival the first time. This means the Advent Season is penitential in nature. It's a perfect time to visit the sacrament of Reconciliation. As you know we have confessions prior to each Sunday service (Confessions must stop at least 15 minutes prior to Mass.) There is also a Penance service on Monday, December 17. Advent requires that we "clean house." Confession is a way to get rid of sin and vices that are not in keeping with the Gospel so that we rid ourselves of anything that prevents us from being in God's company. Therefore we undertake these sacrifices, not with a somber attitude, but with a joyful one.

The Gospel today invites us to be vigilant. Your family Advent wreath will help mark the days of expectation as we witness the lighting and burning of each week's candle. The wreath is an outward sign of our interior journey through these Advent days to draw us closer to the coming of Christ. I pray that we will use this Holy Season to purify our hearts, our minds, and our souls so we can worthily and faithfully stand in the presence of God and each other.

Happy Advent!

In Christ,

Father Kirby Hlavaty

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 2

9:00 a.m. †Fred & Cecelia Kaspar
†Alois "Sonny" Peters

Monday, December 3 (Ganado Nursing Home)

10:00 a.m. †Mildred Petrash

Tuesday, December 4

8:00 a.m. †Mike & Lennie Gregurek,
Carolyn, Timmy, & Glenn Gregurek

Wednesday, December 5

6:00 p.m. Special Intention for Weston Koop

Thursday, December 6

8:00 a.m. †Timmy Fowler

First Friday, December 7 Vigil of Holy Day

6:00 p.m. †Daniel Kallus

**Saturday, December 8 Holy Day of Obligation
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 a.m. Parishioners & Benefactors
5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased KJZT Society #43

Sunday, December 9

9:00 a.m. Parishioners & Benefactors

ALTAR FLOWERS & SANCTUARY CANDLE

In memory of Carol Ann Sulak
By J.D. Sulak and Clinton & Jan Wooldridge

SANCTUARY CANDLE

In thanksgiving for their 33rd wedding anniversary
by Danny & Molly Sless

ANGEL TREE



Wrap your gifts separately and return with the Angel tag to the Parish Office no later than **Friday, December 14**. Questions? Please contact **Charlotte Anel (771-3849)** chairperson.

4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Reminder: The 4th Degree Knights will "fall-out" for the celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, December 9th. KCs are asked to arrive no later than 7:30 a.m. and dress in the library of the JP II Center. They will accompany the Guadalupana Society who will process around the Church while leading parishioners in the Rosary. Everyone is invited to pray the Rosary before Mass.



BULLETIN SPONSOR

Georgie Kruse

Please call Karen at the Parish office (771-3425) if you would like to be a bulletin sponsor.

First Sunday of Advent

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- **Sunday, December 2**
Teen ACTS 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. JP11
Young Adult Bible Study 3:00-5:00 p.m. JP11
- **Monday, December 3**
Eucharistic Adoration 9 am – 9 pm Church
- **Tuesday, December 4**
Scripture Study 9:30 a.m. JP11
- **Wednesday, December 5**
RCIA 7:00-9:00 p.m. JP11
- **Thursday, December 6**
KJZT Society 3:00 p.m. JP11

CPR CERTIFICATION

Tuesday, December 4 6:00-9:00 p.m.
St. John Paul II Family Center ROC room
Cost is \$40

Anyone who would like to sign up to attend training to become CPR certified is asked to call Heather Supak (771-3200) ASAP. Nick Strauss will be the presenter.

PARENTING FOR PURITY

Tuesday, December 4 6:30 p.m.
St. Joseph Catholic Church – Inez

Do you want to be the number one influence on your teen's sexual behavior? *You already are.* Come and learn ten strategies to guard the innocence of your family and how to communicate the message of chastity to them. This event is presented by **Jason** and **Crystalina Evert**.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Holy Day of Obligation

Masses to fulfill your obligation:

Friday, December 7 – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 8 – 8:00 a.m.



KC – CDA - GUADALUPANA CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Friday, December 7 Parish Hall
6:30 p.m. Social 7:30 p.m. Dinner

Plan to attend? Sign-up sheets are at the entrances into the Church. Please take a moment to register no later than **Monday, December 3**. All KC, CDA, and Guadalupanas and their spouses are invited to the annual Christmas Awards banquet. The Knights provide the meal and the Daughters and Guadalupanas provide the desserts. There will also be a 50/50 raffle to benefit the Teen ACTS.

CELEBRATION for OUR LADY of GUADALUPE



Sunday, December 9, beginning with a Rosary procession at 8:00 a.m. led by the Knights of Columbus, followed by Bilingual Mass with Mariachis at 9:00 a.m. A presentation and refreshments in the Parish hall immediately after Mass.

Mass on **Wednesday, December 12**, will be at 6:00 p.m. Please join us!



HEATHER SUPAK, Youth Minister
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CCD CLASSES

Wednesdays, December 5, 12, 19

- ❖ Grades 1-5 4:00-5:15 p.m.
- ❖ Grades 6-12 7:00-8:15 p.m.

FIRST CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, December 12, during regular class time for students preparing for First Holy Communion. Parents are always welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING DECEMBER

Monday, December 3 & 10:
9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Monday, December 17:
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



MEMORIALS

In grateful appreciation we want to acknowledge memorials received in November

CHURCH:

In memory of Timmy Fowler	\$50.00
In memory of Tommy Labay	\$15.00
In memory of Mary Jane Roe	\$10.00

MAINTENANCE:

In memory of Joe Martinez	\$20.00
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ALTAR SOCIETY

In memory of Frances Sykora Smith	\$70.00
In memory of Timmy Fowler	\$20.00

MINISTRIES for DECEMBER 7 & 8
HOLY DAY of OBLIGATION

LECTORS:

Fri. – 6:00 PM – Jimmy Fowler
Sat. – 8:00 AM – Lou Ann Tupa

COMMUNION MINISTERS

Fri. – 6:00 PM – Wayne & Diane Bubela
Sat. – 8:00 AM – Willie & Rosa Hernandez

ALTAR SERVERS:

Fri. – 6:00 PM – Emily & Michael Bubela
Sat. – 8:00 AM – Tanya & Monica Hernandez

MINISTRIES for DECEMBER 8 & 9

LECTORS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Maria Vorajakmol
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Maria Vorajakmol

COMMUNION MINISTERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Kevin & Angela Petrash
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Kathy Stancik & Lou Ann Tupa

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat.- 5:00 PM – Luke Green, Peyton Green, Maykala Perez
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Julia Cox, Aileen Zavala,
Vincent & Jonathan Barajas

USHERS:

Sat. - 5:00 PM – Jeff Carroll, Mike Van Pelt, Joe Verver
Sun.- 9:00 AM – Bubba Toman, Harlan Tegeler,
Tony Juarez, Clinton Wooldridge

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

December 8/9 – Retired Fund for Religious
December 29/30 – Matthew 25 Ministry

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

November 25

Envelopes – \$3,206.00 Loose - \$584.70
Maintenance - \$300.00 Harvest - \$750.00

December 3 – Janie Threet & Ben Vyvial

2018 CHURCH CALENDARS

All parishioners are invited to take a 2019 Church calendar, located on the cabinets in Church. Be sure to say “thank you!” to our sponsors: Slavik & Ganado Funeral Homes, the Knights of Columbus Father Francis Havel Council #3204, and the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Alberta #1381.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Irene Janecek, Larry Kaspar, Sr., Danny Morrison, Doug Hlavaty, Alice Saucedo Sanchez ❖ Chuck Hasdorff, Gary Staff, Alice Staff, Vernon & Delinda Gresham, Joe Girndt, Leo Macha, Nancy Melton, Brandon Janak, Lillian Walch ❖ Sonja Bauerle, Jon Henry ❖ Beatrice Rivera,, Linda Burrows, Henry Pecha, Jeanette Supak, Theresa Hicks, Susan Ulcak, Chad Gabrysch ❖ All the Unborn and their parents, All people serving in the military, All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Readings for DECEMBER 9: Second Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God forever: wrapped in the cloak of justice from God, bear on your head the mitre that displays the glory of the eternal name. For God will show all the earth your splendor: you will be named by God forever the peace of justice, the glory of God’s worship. Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; look to the east and see your children gathered from the east and the west at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that they are remembered by God. Led away on foot by their enemies they left you: but God will bring them back to you borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones. For God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low, and that the age-old depths and gorges be filled to level ground, that Israel may advance secure in the glory of God. The forests and every fragrant kind of tree have overshadowed Israel at God’s command; for God is leading Israel in joy by the light of his glory, with his mercy and justice for company.

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:4-7, 8-11

Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah: *A voice of one crying out in the desert: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”*