

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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April 8, 2018

Sacred Liturgies

April 8 – 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

7:30 a.m. Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish Family

9:30 a.m. Jeanette Boedeker (Anniv.)

3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Holy Hour

April 9 – Monday – The Annunciation of the Lord

6:30 a.m. Charlie & Annie Pavelka and
Robert Pavelka

10:00 a.m. Doris Hajek (Nursing Home)

April 10 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Vietnamese
Dominican Community

April 11 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Julia & Bill Polasek and
Theresa & Tom Stolarski

April 12 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Frances Marie Tarillion

April 13 – Friday

8:10 a.m. Ben & Helen Matula

April 14 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish Family and
First Communicants

April 15 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. Dennis Machart

9:30 a.m. Daniel & Molly Peters



Second Sunday of Easter or

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Gospel that the Liturgy presents to us on this second Sunday of Easter, is one of the most well-known, discussed, and appreciated—the meeting of the Risen Lord with St Thomas. The Fathers of the Church have given us numerous insights into this Gospel text.

Likewise, it has proven to be inspiration for numerous artists who have physically represented the events of this Gospel in order to give us a clear idea of what happened, ‘eight days after’ the first apparition of the Risen One, to the disciples congregated in the cenacle.

Jesus’ response to Thomas, after he recognized Him as ‘**My Lord and my God**’, has a mysterious fascination that must relate not so much to the disciples—those who ‘**have seen**’—but rather to those, like us, who were added to their number afterwards. ‘**You have come to believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.**’ (Jn 20:29)

That which we ‘**have not seen**’ is therefore the glorious Body of the Risen One. We can ‘see’ Him in the Eucharist, we can ‘see’ him in our lives and in the lives of our many brothers and sisters who, after meeting the Lord, are united to Him in His Spirit!

Like Thomas, Christ calls us to fill the holes left by the instruments of the passion in His Body with our own hands so that our lives and the verbal witness that we give proclaim His Resurrection. Our senses could betray us, but we know that we have met the Risen One and we have recognized Him!

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Divine Mercy Holy Hour,
Sunday, April 8, 3:00 p.m.

The Feast of Divine Mercy today, Sunday, April 8, is a time for special graces and blessings. There will be a Holy Hour with Benediction and Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayed in Church at **3:00 p.m.** Everyone is encouraged to attend. Participants in the Retreat of 33 Days to Divine Mercy will make their consecration during the service.



First Communion will be held next Saturday, April 14, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. To prepare for this special day, First Communicants will attend a retreat today, Sunday April 8. Students and families will attend the 9:30 a.m. Mass and the retreat will follow. A parents meeting will be held in the PAC while students attend the retreat.

Confirmation is scheduled for Sunday, April 22, at 3:00 p.m. when Bishop Brenda Cahill will be here to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Baptismal Class: The next Baptismal class is on Tuesday, May 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC. Parents and godparents anticipating Baptism during the next several months are reminded that this will be the last class until September. Pre-registration is required by calling the parish office at 594-3836.



Adoration Chapel Notes

Adorers are needed to fill the following hours in the chapel: Tuesdays, 2:00 – 3:00 a.m. and Thursdays, 4:00 – 5:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. Please call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can take an hour.



**Mark Your Calendar for Sunday, May 6 –
Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish Family Day**

Get ready for a special time of camaraderie, games, food and fun! All parishioners and their families are invited to participate. Activities will begin after the 9:30 a.m. Mass and continue until 2:00 p.m. There will be games of all kinds, as well as hot dogs, hamburgers, and soft drinks. All activities will be held on the church and school grounds. Plan now to be a part of this fun day! Watch for more details soon!

Parish Choir will practice Monday, April 9, 6:00 p.m.

Laudate Dominum: Rehearsal on Monday, April 9, probably at 7:00 p.m., for the Confirmation Mass on Sunday, April 22 at 3:00 p.m. Please note that the time for this rehearsal may be adjusted somewhat to accommodate a rehearsal with the brass players on the same night. Upcoming Combined Choir Rehearsal – probably on Monday, April 16 – time to be determined.

Totus Tuus Chorum: Rehearsal on Wednesday, April 11 from 8:00 – 8:50 p.m. for the Confirmation Mass on Sunday, April 22 at 3:00 p.m. Upcoming Combined Choir Rehearsal – probably on Monday April 16 – time to be determined.



Weekly Bible Study, Mondays in the PAC, from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. All are welcome.

Altar Society will meet Tuesday, April 10, at 2:00 p.m. in the PAC. Hostesses are Barbara Lloyd, Mildred Machacek and Della Patek. Reminder for members who haven't paid dues, please send to Mary Rose Barta, 1003 S. Peck St., Shiner.

Thank You to Jeff Chunda for power-washing and cleaning the outside of the Sisters' residence this past week. We thank Jeff for generously donating his services.

Missing: A black Danskin jacket that was left in the sacristy. If found, please return to the parish office.



Evening of Recollection for Women

Featherock Conference Center at 934 Holub Road, Schulenburg, is offering an Evening of Recollection for Women on **Monday, April 16**. Schedule for the evening includes Confessions beginning at 6:30 p.m. followed by Spiritual Reflections and Benediction at 9:00 p.m. Conference planners invite women to "Come spend quality time with our Lord and keep your spiritual life alive."



Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Frankie Kubecka by Stacy Kubecka and Kenny Kubecka

Sanctuary Candles

In Honor of Living and Deceased Members of the Altar Society

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

The Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

This past week the cross was with Bradley & Lynn Nevlud and family. This week the cross will be with Bobby & Glenda Nevlud.

Notice: There are several openings in the coming weeks for flowers, bulletin sponsors and candles. The cost of sponsorship is: church bulletin, \$30; children's bulletin, \$15; sanctuary candles, \$10; adoration chapel candles, \$10. Call the parish office at 594-3836 to book a date.

Spring Picnic – Sunday, May 27

More Raffle Prizes are needed. The deadline has been extended to **noon on Monday, April 9**. Please call the parish office at 594-3836 if you are willing to donate a prize.

All Chairmen are asked to review their workers list and turn in the list at the parish office by **Monday April 16**.

A Chairman is needed for the **Bingo and Wheel of Fortune**. Please consider stepping up and taking on one of these positions. Call the parish office at 594-3836 to volunteer or to check out what's involved.



Our Gifts to God this Week

Envelopes.....	\$12,033.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 1,719.31
Rice Bowl.....	\$ 154.23
Repair Fund.....	\$ 592.00
Holy Thursday – For Seminarians.....	\$ 5,107.00
Good Friday – For the Holy Land.....	\$ 978.00



Shiner Youth Work Camp, June 3 - 6, 2018

More projects are needed for this summer's Work Camp. As part of our Christian outreach fulfilling God's command to love our neighbor, the youth of Sts. Cyril & Methodius parish will once again offer service to those with needs in the Shiner community and surrounding area. **If you or someone you know is in need of help with projects that can reasonably be accomplished in three days by our group, for example handicamp ramps or other small improvements, please call Sharon Patek at 594-3836**



April 8, Bluebonnet Youth Ranch Spring Fling Benefit

Yoakum Community Center, BBQ chicken plates, \$9, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (to go or dine in). Shiner Hobo Band, 10:30-12:30. Live and silent auctions, plant & dessert booths, kid's activities and other attractions.



The Emmaus Center: Roast and Toast Saturday, May 12, at 6:30 p.m. - Cathedral Center, Victoria

Join in the fun and festivities for the First Annual **Roast & Toast** benefiting **The Emmaus Center**, the Diocese of Victoria's Counseling and Spiritual Direction Center. This year's honoree will be **Father Gary Janak**, on the occasion of his 30th Anniversary of Ordination. The evening will include a delicious meal, entertainment and live and silent auctions, with all proceeds directly benefiting **The Emmaus Center**. Call **The Emmaus Center** (212-0830) or **The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory** (575-4741) for tickets and further information.