

**SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Church of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas**

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**The Most Rev. Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D., Bishop**  
**The Rev. Bryan Heyer, Pastor**

**Bishop Emeritus David Fellhauer**  
**Deacon: The Rev. Mr. Joe Machacek**

**August 19, 2018**

**Sacred Liturgies**

**August 19 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 a.m. Edwin Werner

9:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish

**August 20 – Monday – St. Bernard**

6:30 a.m. Johnnie & Mary Marek

10:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Catholic  
Life Branch #23 (Nursing Home)

**August 21 – Tuesday – St. Pius X**

6:30 a.m. Lester Hoepfl

**August 22 – Wednesday – Queenship of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary**

6:00 p.m. Willie Marcak

**August 23 – Thursday – St. Rose of Lima**

6:30 a.m. Joe & Mary Novosad

**August 24 – Friday – St. Bartholomew**

8:10 a.m. Gary & Julie Mikes

**August 25 – Saturday**

2:00 p.m. Wedding – Shimek & Martin

5:00 p.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish

**August 26 – Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 a.m. Willie & Frances Harabis

9:30 a.m. Oscar A. Hirsch

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**Today's Gospel**

*"I am the living bread that came down from heaven;  
whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the  
bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the  
world." John 6:51-58*

In Hebrew, the expression "flesh and blood" means the whole being. The reality of Christ's presence at the Eucharist is beyond our comprehension. We are asked not to understand it, but to experience it. What we receive in this small piece of bread or sip of wine at the Eucharist is the gift of life from Jesus. This is a sharing in the life of God. He invites us to take him into ourselves and become one with him. Then we will have real life.

In the Eucharist we deepen our relationship with Jesus, not mechanically but by becoming more and more like him over the years. God gives himself to us, and we try to shape our lives into a loving gift for God. In heaven there will be no Eucharist as we know it, because our bonding with God will then be complete.

The mind may have questions about what Jesus says but our prayer draws us to listen to him, heart to heart. He leads us to appreciate the closeness to which he calls us. He offers us a relationship in which we can abide in security. We need that life-giving relationship more than ever today.

Excerpts from [www.sacredspace.org](http://www.sacredspace.org)

**Open Hour in Adoration Chapel:**

**Monday, 4:00-5:00 a.m.**

Please consider spending an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Call the parish office at 594-3836 if you can help.

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**New RCIA Class Begins September 19**



A new class for adults interested in learning about the Catholic faith begins September 19. This program, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), requires participants to attend weekly classes that culminate with reception into the Catholic Church on Easter, April 21, 2019. Interested persons are asked to contact Mary Machacek at 401-1254 or Sharon Patek at 594-3836. **Deadline for registration is September 5.**

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**Bishop Charles Grahmann**, the first bishop of the Diocese of Victoria, passed away on August 14, 2018. Please pray for the repose of his soul and the consolation of his family. There were services in Dallas on August 17 & 18. Services planned for this week are as follows:  
Aug. 22, St. Gregory Church, San Antonio, Rosary, at 10:00 a.m. and Mass at 11:00 a.m.  
Aug. 24, Sacred Heart Church, Hallettsville, Rosary, 7:00 p.m.  
Aug. 25, Sacred Heart Church, Hallettsville, Mass, 10:00 a.m., with burial to follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Hallettsville.

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**Religious Education Program News**

**Registration** is available at [www.sscmshiner.org](http://www.sscmshiner.org). Students in grades K - 11 may register by using the form on the website under the Faith Formation tab, Religious Education Registration. This registration is available for those who attended the SSCM Religious Education Program last year. **All new students** should register by calling the Office of Youth Ministry at 361-594-3234 and set up an appointment. Deadline for registration: September 12, 2018. **The Religious Education Handbook** with all the details of the program will be available to parents soon. Parents will be required to read it and agree to cooperate with the policies.

**The first day of class is September 5**, at 6:40 p.m. This year's program will focus on the Sacraments. **There are aide positions** available for the program. If you are interested in helping out, please call Kim at 594-3234.

**A Meeting** for catechists and aides is scheduled for **Wed., August 22, in the PAC**, following the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

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**A CDA Planning Meeting:** will be held **Monday, August 20, at 6:00 p.m. at Werner's Restaurant**. Officers, chairpersons and other members interested in helping plan projects and programs for the new CDA year, that begins in September, are asked to attend.

**Pastoral Council Meeting,** Thurs., August 23, 6:00 p.m. in PAC.

**Parish Choir Notice** -- Practices will be on Mon., Aug. 20 for 5:00 p.m. Mass on Aug. 25 and on Mon., Aug. 27, for the Polka Mass on Sept. 1. Both practices are at 6:00 p.m.

**Flowers on the Altar**

In Memory of Edwin Werner by Family

**Church Bulletin and Adoration Chapel Candles**

In Memory of James & Mary Netardus and Lee & Lillie Berckenhoff by Vaclav & Vicki Netardus

**Children's Bulletin Sponsor**

In Memory of Lawrence Veit by Mary Jo Veit & Family

**Sanctuary Candles**

In memory of Louis & Geraldine Patek  
By Adolph & Agnes Migl

**Memorial Candle for the Unborn**

The George Martinsen Family

**Vocations Cross**

Alois & Georgie Herman



**Amor Meus Spirituality Center** at Incarnate Word Convent, 1101 N. E. Water St., Victoria, is offering a 12 week Ignatian Retreat "*Finding Christ in the World*" on **Wednesdays from 9-10 AM or 6-7 PM from August 29 – November 28, 2018.**

The persons making the retreat pray at home each day with a given scripture passage and meet for one hour each week to share. Stipend: \$10 dollars a week, which includes a workbook for the entire retreat. The retreat is limited to 10 persons. **To register or to inquire about the retreat call sister Digna at 361-485-0866.**



**Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church – Income & Expenses**

**July, 2018**

<b>INCOME</b>	
Collections	37,069.50
Donation for Seminarians	1,000.00
Building Rentals	250.00
Repair Fund Collections	37,618.84
Other Income	401.00
DSA Collected	2,152.00
Strudel Bake	60.00
Memorials to Church	75.00
Window Repair	150.00
Interest Earned	147.82
<b>Total Income for Month</b>	<b>78,924.16</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Salaries/Benefits	18,278.25
Clergy Assistance	205.00
Payroll Taxes	3,142.85
Seminarians Donation to Diocese	1,000.00
Utilities	2,629.99
Other Expenses	1,261.95
DSA to Chancery	5,352.00
Auto Expenses – Gas & Insurance	1,228.32
Repairs & Maintenance	110,001.95
School Subsidy	0.00
Parish Household/Office	511.90
Parish Outreach	84.09
<b>Total Expenses for Month</b>	<b>143,696.30</b>
<b>Monthly Expenses vs. Income</b>	<b>-64,772.14</b>

**Fall Picnic – September 2, 2018**

**Our Herd is Growing!** We have three more head of cattle! The latest donors are: Sandy & Butch Machacek, 18 months old Angus heifer (exposed); Joe & Mary Machacek, 8 months old purebred Angus heifer; Oak Valley Ranch – Don & Melva Don Brown, Brad & Nicco Brown, 8 months old purebred Angus heifer. That's four head of livestock for our Picnic Auction. Thank you! Cattle owners, please consider donating one of your animals. For those unable to bring in their cattle, we will pick up. Please call Darryl Pesek at 361-293-1497.

**Sweet Auction Item!** Remember the bee colony that was removed from the church steeple when the current repairs began? These bees were busy producing honey while in the church steeple! As a result we have some "**Holy Honey**" that will be a sweet item for our Picnic Auction. Thanks to Jason Wagner for extracting and bottling the honey for this special, unique donation.

**Other Auction Donations** are needed and may be brought to the parish office anytime.

**Baking Skills**, generously shared, play a major role in our Picnic. The dine-in plates at the KC dining hall and the plates-to-go all offer desserts. **Please take the time to cut and wrap your donations for the plates-to-go and bring to the Kaspar Pavilion early on Picnic Day.** Other areas in need of baked goods include the Country Store and Cake Wheel. Our Picnic would not be the same without your delicious pastries!

**Cash Donation Envelopes, Workers List, Food Donations List, and Raffle Tickets** will all be included in the parish mailing due to go out this week. Be sure to watch for it in your mail and do what you can.

**Sponsorships** also play a major role in our Picnic. We thank those businesses and individuals, whose names will be posted on signs at the Picnic grounds, for their generous donations as Picnic sponsors.

**Meat Fund:** There are many parishioners who probably remember when we collected donations specifically for the Picnic Meat Fund. Considering there may be some who may like to pitch in to help with at least a portion of the thousands of pounds of meat needed, here are a few facts and figures to consider, using expenses from our 2018 Spring Picnic when we served 5,139 meals.

**Chicken:** Total pounds, 3,856 (94 cases). Total cost, \$4,742.30. **A donation of \$50.45 would cover the cost of 1 case of chicken.**

**Hamburgers:** Total pounds, 600. Total cost, \$2,034.00.

**Stew and Sausage:** Total pounds, 4,184. Total cost, \$13,741.87.

**Your donation of \$50, \$100 or more for the Meat Fund would help tremendously in meeting these expenses.**



**Our Gifts to God Last Week**

Envelopes .....	\$ 7,043.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 737.00
Repair Fund.....	\$ 433.25



**Picnics**

**Aug. 19: Hillje, St. Andrew Parish.** Beef BBQ & homemade sausage dinner. Indoor Auction, country store, games, music.

**Aug. 26: Cistern, Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish.** Fried chicken & sausage dinner, auction, games, a/c Bingo, live music.