

**SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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

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**The Rev. Bryan Heyer, Pastor**

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

**December 2, 2018**

**Sacred Liturgies**

**December 2 – First Sunday of Advent**

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of KJT #20

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

**December 3 – Monday – St. Francis Xavier**

6:30 a.m. Virginia Pustka

10:00 a.m. James & Juanita Valenta (Nursing Home)

**December 4 – Tuesday – St. John Demascene**

6:30 a.m. Eddie & Edward Jungbauer

**December 5 – Wednesday**

6:00 p.m. Herbert Marek & Allen Marek

**December 6 – Thursday – St. Nicholas**

6:30 a.m. Louis Spann

**December 7 – Friday – St. Ambrose**

8:10 a.m. August & Mary Welfl

6:00 p.m. Edward Jungbauer (Vigil Mass of Holy Day)

**December 8 – Saturday – The Immaculate**

**Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 a.m. Allen Krejci

5:00 p.m. Calvin Blackman

**December 9 – Second Sunday of Advent**

7:30 a.m. People of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish

9:30 a.m. Lester Haas

**Confessions:** Wednesday, 5:30-5:55 p.m.; Saturday, 4:00-4:45 p.m.



**Holy Day, December 8 – Immaculate Conception**

Mass schedule for the holy day will be as follows:

**Friday, December 7, 6:00 p.m.**

Vigil Mass; and **Saturday,**

**December 8, 8:00 a.m.**

The Weekend Mass Schedule will remain the same. Please note that you must attend one Mass for the holy day and another Mass for Sunday in order to fulfill the Mass obligation for both days.



**The Advent Season** begins today, December 2. Six minutes a day – that's what we are asked to give during the 22 days of the Advent season and the 15 days of the Christmas season. Don't let the hustle and bustle of the season overtake our need to spiritually prepare for Christmas.

**Little Blue Booklets:** These booklets are at the church doors and are available for parishioners. Be sure to pick up your copy and use it with your family.

**Advent Reflections** can also be found at [formed.org](http://formed.org). If not previously a member, sign up using parish code 6Z3HJX. You can then sign up to receive brief spiritual reflections in your email by joining "Advent Reflections." For children, sign up for "Days of Advent for Kids" by Brother Francis. For questions, contact Sharon Patek at 594-3836.



**Welcome to the Shiner Community Christmas Dinner!**

This is the 8<sup>th</sup> year for our parish to sponsor this annual event that is being held today,

December 2, at the Shiner K.C. Hall and we extend a welcome to everyone who will be attending. Serving is from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Thanks to the Pastoral Council for assisting at this event. Come and enjoy the good food and camaraderie among the citizens of Shiner!

**As the host for this dinner,** let us extend a warm welcome to all our sisters and brothers in Christ who come to this event as we gather as a community and wait with great anticipation the coming feast of the Nativity of our Lord at Christmas.



**Schedules of Penance Services during Advent:**

December 10, 5:30 p.m., St. Joseph, Moulton

December 11, 5:30 p.m., Sacred Heart, Hallettsville

December 13, 5:30 p.m. Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Shiner

December 14, 5:30 p.m., St. Joseph, Yoakum



**Adoration Chapel Notice:** Open Hours in the Adoration Chapel are as follows: **Sundays, 2:00-3:00 p.m. (every other week) and Thursdays from 12:00 to 1:00 A.M.** Call the office at 594-3836 if you can take an hour.



**Coming Soon – Introduction to the Theology of the Body:**

If you are wondering if there's more to life than just "getting by" and are ready to discover the Master Plan for your life, then discover the Catholic teaching known as the Theology of the Body (TOB). It is a biblical reflection on the meaning of human embodiment as male and female, particularly as it concerns the call of the two to become "one flesh." But it is crucial to realize that the TOB is **not** only meant for married people. Join Kevin and Wendi Twyford as they explore TOB and take us on an exhilarating "Trinitarian journey" that leads us ever-upward from the body to (1) the union of man and woman, (2) the union of Christ and the Church, and from there (3) into the eternal union of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Class schedule will be on Saturdays, Jan. 6 – Feb. 16, 6:15 p.m. in the PAC, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. **To register call Sharon Patek at 594-3836 by Dec. 19 so that books may be ordered. Cost: \$15 for Workbook. First four persons to register – no charge!**



**The Angel** Tree is in the back of the church. The Angel Tree is sponsored by the SSCM Assistance Ministry to benefit the residents of the Shiner Nursing Center. The gifts are due at the rectory by Tuesday December 18. Remember to record the angel you take.

**New Worship Aid Books:** You will notice that there are new books entitled JOURNEYSONGS in the book holders in the pews. This book contains all the Mass parts as well as a variety of songs and hymns to be used for Masses and other devotions. The new book is replacing the other assorted song sheets and hymnals that were previously used. Using one book should simplify congregational singing and also help keep our church looking neat and orderly when visitors come to our church.

This may be a good time to remind everyone that we regularly have out-of-town visitors who stop and visit our beautiful church. With this in mind let us try to give them a good first impression of our church. **Reminders:** Please do not leave tissues or other items in the pews. Place the missalettes in an orderly fashion in their holders when leaving church. Look around you when leaving church and help keep our church clean and everything in place. It would be appreciated if the ushers would assist in tidying up the church after their assigned Mass. Thanks to everyone for your cooperation!



**CDA Cookies for Shut-Ins:** The Catholic Daughters will be providing cookies for delivery to shut-ins in the parish and for parishioners who have lost their spouses the past year. CDA members are asked to please bring one dozen cookies (preferably homemade) to the PAC on **Wednesday, December 5**, anytime between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. **On Thursday, December 6**, beginning at 8:00 a.m., members will be packaging the cookies. Volunteers are needed to help with this. Please come if you can.

**KJZT Society #5** will have their Annual Christmas Social on Sunday, December 9, at the Parish Dining Hall. Social starts at 10:45 a.m. and dinner at 11:30 a.m. Please come join us. All members are invited with their spouse. Members are asked to provide the dessert.

**KJT Society #20** will meet Sunday, December 9, in the PAC, after the 7:30 a.m. Mass. Our SAD will be discussed. Refreshments will be served.

**Weekly Bible Study:** Mondays from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room. All are welcome!



**Parish Choir** will practice **Tues., Dec. 4**, at 6:00 p.m.

**Laudate Dominum:** Rehearsal on Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 7:00 p.m. for Christmas in the Park on Thursday, Dec. 6.

**Totus Tuus Chorum:** Rehearsal on Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 7:00 p.m. for Christmas in the Park on Thursday, Dec. 6.



**Flowers on the Altar and Church Bulletin Sponsor**

In Memory of Herbert Marek and Allen Marek  
By Mary Ann Marek and family.

**Children's Bulletin Sponsor**

In Honor of Living & Deceased Members of the  
Pohl and Berger Families

**Sanctuary Candles**

In Memory of Hattie Knezek by Family

**Adoration Chapel Candles**

In Honor of Bradley & Krystal Berger by Parents

**Memorial Candle for the Unborn**

By the Martinsen Family

**Vocations Cross**

This past week the cross was with Jason & Joyce Wagner.  
This week it will be with Lance & Robin Harvey.



**Come and See!** Single Catholic women 18 to 40 years of age are invited to come meet nuns (Sisters) and examine their call to make Jesus, the Incarnate Word, known and loved. Explore your own call to follow Jesus through marriage, single state, or religious life on December 8-9, 2018 and/or January 19-20, 2019 at Incarnate Word Convent in Victoria. Call (361) 575-7111 or refer to [www.iwbsvictoria.org](http://www.iwbsvictoria.org) for more information.

**Thank You** to the following volunteers who helped with the recent "Benefactors and Blessings" mailing for the school: Helen Faltysek, Sharon Fuller, Rita Kasper, Betty Kosler, Edwin & Mildred Machacek, Barbara Ondrusek, Sharon Patek, Ann Slatter, Mildred Timm.

**Thank You** to all those who supported the SSCM Youth Ministry Poinsettia Sale. There are still a few poinsettias available at \$10.00 each. If you would like some, please call Kim Ulcak at 361-293-1190.



**Jason Evert, M.A.**, famous author and speaker on the topic of abstinence will be in Shiner on Dec. 3 & 4 to present two programs. "Parenting for Purity" will be presented to parents on Dec. 3 at 6:00 p.m. in church. "Love or Lust" a program for students in grades 7 - 12 will be presented Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. & Dec. 4 at 8:30 a.m. in the church. Students in grades 7 -12 are invited to the gym on Monday at 6:00 pm for Praise and Worship and other activities while the parents are in the parent presentation.



**Tamale Sale:** The Cardinal Booster Club is having a Tamale fundraiser. The tamales are from Delicious Tamales in San Antonio and will arrive here frozen and vacuumed packed. **Deadline for orders is Dec. 4.** Pick-up time will be Dec. 13 from 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. at the Catholic School Cafeteria. Price: \$12 per dozen. Place orders by contacting a student, calling the school at 594-3843 or 594-2313, or the parish at 594-3836.

**Strudel Pick-Up:** If you placed an order and did not pick up, **stop by the parish office as soon as possible.**



**Our Gifts to God Last Week**

Envelopes .....	\$ 6,905.00
Loose Collection .....	\$ 880.34
Parish Repair Fund .....	\$ 1,703.00
SSCM Ministry Assistance for the Poor ...	\$ 2,000.00

**The second collection** next weekend will be for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Today the sisters and brothers and religious order priests who have served the Church faithfully in the past may be elderly and their religious communities may struggle to meet retirement needs. Your donation in this collection will help this cause.

**Update on Financial Aspect of Construction Projects:**

Church Project Goal .....	\$800,000.00
Total Collected to Date .....	\$547,566.24
School Project Goal .....	\$800,000.00
Total Collected to Date .....	\$536,306.34



**Church and School Memorials:**

In grateful appreciation we wish to acknowledge memorials received in November, 2018.

**Church Memorial Fund:**

In memory of Joseph Simper, \$75

**Church Repair Fund:**

In memory of Charles Netardus, \$75

In memory of Willie Broz, \$10

**Shiner Catholic School Memorial Fund:**

In memory of Joseph Simper, \$15

In memory of Selma Othold, \$20

**Church Repair Project:**

In memory of Virginia Pustka, \$1,452

In memory of Joseph Simper, \$125

In memory of Charles Netardus, \$55

In memory of Allen Krejci, \$2,755

In memory of Sellma Othold, \$25

**Convent Restoration Project:**

In memory of Joseph Simper, \$20

In memory of Allen Krejci, \$1,285