

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 10, 2019

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Monsignor Lawrence Matula
<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Eugene Ebner
	10 A.M.	Rose & Larry Bishop
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Nancy Harvey
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Janie Migl
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Tony & Eva Perez
	10 A.M.	Mary Lauer
	6:30 P.M.	Parish Family (<i>Pro Populo</i>)
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Living & Deceased Members of the Adams, Jiral & Rohan Families
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Dennis Pesek
	9 A.M.	Vera & Diana Kaiser
	11 A.M.	Parish Family (<i>Pro Populo</i>)

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of
Monsignor Lawrence Matula.

Prayer List

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

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Your Gift to God: March 3rd

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$4,999.40
Online Giving Parish Support	\$2,270
Building Fund	\$595
Online Giving Building Support	\$50
Helping Hands	\$960.50
St. Ann Parish Support	\$777
Online Giving	\$130
Building Fund	\$220

May God reward your generosity!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.

Operation Rice Bowl

During the season of Lent through Easter Sunday we
will have the traditional almsgiving program,
“Operation Rice Bowl” taken up as a second
collection each weekend.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Susan Kelley
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Rocki Grubert
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Rose Sumler
	9 A.M.	Anthony Harper
	11 A.M.	Benita Maturino

Offertory Gifts

<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Robert & Rita Pargmann
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Wes Adams
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Vera Kaiser Family

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Glenn & Darlene Renken
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Wanda Zabransky, Amy Hull, Theresa Belicek
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Daniel & Janna Driskell, Bob Arlitt
<i>Sun.</i>	11 A.M.	Graciela Rivas, Nina Arriaga, Susie Barrera

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Bobby & Gladys Jiral, Debbie Caka, Andy Bordovsky
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Dennis Kocian, Paul Ebner
	9 A.M.	Randy & Debbie Randazzo, Emil Blaschke, Joe Machalec
	11 A.M.	Gerardo Rivas, Raquel Gomez, Salvador & Marisela Rodriguez

Altar Servers

<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 P.M.	Grace & Aaron Migl Reagan Respondek,
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Sophie & Ben Jahn, Reagan Respondek
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Hunter Mischer, Zachary Raz
	9 A.M.	Brittany & Trevor Moreno, Jordyn Driskell
	11 A.M.	Esmeralda & Tadeo Rojas, Cecilia Rivas

Experience God's Mercy

There is no better way to delve deeper in faith during Lent
than the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Each Wednesday
the Sacrament is available from 6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. in
the Church.

*“Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
have mercy on me, a sinner.”*

KC Meeting

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting Wednesday, March 13th at the KC building. Officers meet at 6:30 P.M. followed by the regular meeting at 7:30 P.M.

St. Joseph Feast Day Celebration

Our annual celebration of our patron saint will be observed on **Friday, March 15th** beginning with Mass at 6:30 P.M. followed by a fish fry at the Family Center.

Marriage Anniversaries

Those observing special wedding anniversaries this year (20, 25, 30, 35, etc.) and who plan to be present at our Parish Feast of St. Joseph celebration on March 15th are invited to call the parish office and add their name to the list. **Deadline is Tuesday, March 12th.**

Mark Your Calendars!

This year we are observing the **150th Anniversary** of the establishment of St. Joseph Parish. Our celebration will center on the first weekend in August with our Annual Alumni Reunion and Parish Picnic. Bishop will be joining us for this momentous event. To begin our planning, we will have a meeting on **Thursday, March 21st at 6:00 P.M.** in the Meeting Room of the Family Center. All are invited...and needed!

KJZT 125th Anniversary

KJZT Family Life will be celebrating 125 Years at our District Social on **March 24th** and want you to join us! Registration begins at 11:00 A.M. at St. Joseph Parish Family Center with a meal to be served at noon. We will be giving away some great prizes. **RSVP by March 18th to Helen Manning at 361-293-5420.** Please make plans to attend and bring a friend! Hosted by KJZT Society No. 1, Yoakum.

Easter Flowers

Those who would like to donate towards the Easter floral decorations are invited to use the envelopes in the church entrances. All memorial/donations will be listed in the bulletin after Easter.

Cross Catholic Outreach

*Delivering Food, Shelter & Hope
to the Poorest of the Poor*

Father Raul Perez of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Programa de Cuaresma "Perdonado"

el poder transformador de la confesión

Perdonado te guía a través de la gracia y sanación, que se ofrece en el Sacramento de la Confesión. Estudiando la revelación de Dios de Su misericordia en las Sagradas Escrituras, y viendo paso a paso el rito del sacramento, *Perdonado* transmite el mensaje de la invitación de Dios a cada uno de nosotros, para experimentar Su amor indescriptible—sin importar lo que hayamos hecho o por cuánto tiempo hayamos estado lejos de Él. Juntamos todas los domingos de cuaresma a las 12 P.M. en el cuartito de juntas en el salon parroquial. Comenzamos el 10 de Marzo (Primer Domingo de Cuaresma).

Lenten Program – “Forgiven”

The Transforming Power of Confession

The parish is offering a Lenten video study ‘Forgiven’ on Monday evenings at 5:30 P.M. beginning March 18th at the Family Center. Cost for the study which includes a workbook is \$10 and is due at the first meeting. For more information contact Sharon Janca at 361-293-8367.

FORGIVEN explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God’s love. By looking at God’s revelation of his mercy in Scripture and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite itself, FORGIVEN communicates God’s invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

*“Everyone who calls on the name of
the Lord will be saved.”*

Rite of Election

This Sunday at our 9:00 A.M. Mass the RCIA group will be “sent” to the Rite of Election and call to ongoing conversion at Our Lady of Sorrows with Bishop Cahill. Keep them in your prayers – as this Lent marks a unique, spiritual and faith developing period in their lives.

Candidates seeking Full Communion with Catholic Church: Bonnie Hahn, Colton Janik and BriAnna Moore.

Ven y Sígueme:

Primer curso al discipulado

Estan invitados a venir al segundo curso de Ven y Sígueme.

Vengan y aprenden más sobre su fe Católica.

- ❖ Sesión 3: Jesús y Su Comunidad: Ayer y Hoy – el 13 de abril
- ❖ Sesión 4: Sacramentos, Liturgia y Devociones – 11 de mayo
- ❖ Sesión 5: Desarrollo de Liderazgo - 8 de junio

Para más información:

Diocese of Victoria/Sister Rosario:
361-573-0828 ext. 2216
Heriberto Castillo: 361-208-5014

Safe Environment Training

A Safe Environment Training class will be held on **Wednesday, March 20th from 6:30 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.** at the Family Center Meeting Room. This class is mandatory for individuals who are interested in substitute teaching, assisting or participating in any school function, field trip, CCD teacher, aide or monitor, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who take communion to the home-bound or nursing homes, etc. Anyone interested in becoming Safe Environment compliant **must complete the online application (www.victoriadiocese.org) prior to attending the class.** This class is for **ADULTS ONLY.**

The Way of the Cross

Each Friday, except March 15th, at 6:00 P.M. we will observe Stations of the Cross followed by Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

SJS: Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph School students will have Stations of the Cross at 3:00 P.M. on Friday's during Lent except during Spring Break (March 15th). Parishioners are welcome to attend.

Lenten Practices

Daily Mass – Monday thru Friday – 6:30 A.M.

SJS Stations of the Cross – 3:00 P.M. – Every Friday except March 15th.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament – Every Friday – 6:00 P.M.

Operation Rice Bowl Collection – Every Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Every Wednesday 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. & every Saturday 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.

Deanery Penance Services

Monday, April 8th – St. Joseph – Moulton

Tuesday, April 9th – Sacred Heart - Hallettsville

Thursday, April 11th – Sts. Cyril & Methodius – Shiner

Friday, April 12th – St. Joseph – Yoakum

All Services Begin at 5:30 P.M.

Catholic Faith in Action

Advocacy Day 2019:

The Diocese of Victoria will be participating in the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day, **March 26, 2019** at the Texas Capitol in Austin, Texas. Participants from the Diocese of Victoria will join with thousands of Catholics, from the 15 dioceses in Texas, to advocate for policies promoting life, justice, charity, and religious freedom and to educate our legislators and other state leaders in a better understanding about what we believe as Catholics. A select group of volunteers will also be prepared to visit with the elected state legislators who represent the ten counties of the Diocese of Victoria. **If you are interested in participating please go to the Diocese of Victoria website to register.** <https://www.victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day-registration>

A Note from Principal Mooney

Spring Break – March 11-15

No Stations of the Cross March 15th

Monday, March 18th

Early registration for 2019-2020 begins

Wednesday, March 20th

Track Meet – El Campo

St. Joseph School Sets Registration March 18th – April 30th

St. Joseph School will begin registration for new and returning students for the 2019-2020 school year beginning March 18th through April 30th.

For new enrollees, parents and students are required to participate in an interview with the principal and their teacher prior to registration. Parents are also required to present the student's complete immunization record and baptismal and/or official birth certificate. No child will be completely registered unless all of these documents are included with registration.

For current SJS students, forms will be sent home in the folders for the parents.

A registration fee of \$150 per student will be required. After the deadline of April 30th, the registration fee will be \$250. We encourage all parents of new and current students to register the students before April 30th.

Power In My Hands Movie

Save the dates for 2 showings of the movie, Power in My Hands in the Diocese of Victoria.

Sunday, March 24th – 2:00 P.M.

Holy Family, 704 Mallette Drive, **Victoria**

Sunday, March 31st – 2:00 P.M.

Holy Family, 2011 Briar Lane, **Wharton**

This 80 minute film will represent the faces of America and propose the simple and yet profound power of the rosary for all people of all ages to usher in an era of peace, harmony and most of all hope.

Congratulations, Rick Jahn!

St. Joseph School is proud to announce Rick Jahn as the Diocese of Victoria 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award for St. Joseph School. Rick was born and raised in Yoakum, Texas. His parents, Geraldine and the late James Jahn, active parishioners of St Joseph's Catholic Church, made sure that Rick and his brother David received the best religious and academic education possible. He has received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage in the Catholic Church.

Rick completed his first 8 years of education at St Joseph's Catholic School in Yoakum, "graduating" 8th grade in 1974. Rick has been an active participant in the church as an altar boy, lector and extraordinary minister. Rick coordinates our Homebound Ministers who bring Jesus in Holy Communion to those unable to come to Mass. He also was instrumental in the parish's That Man Is You Program in the past few years. He graduated from Yoakum High School in 1978 and then went on to graduate from Texas A&M in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Education degree in 1994.

Following college graduation Rick worked as a County Agent until he returned to Yoakum in 2006.

Rick currently is co-owner of Ranger Gate Company.

Rick and wife Laurie live in Yoakum where they are active in their faith community. Rick and Laurie both have been involved with our ACTS community. Rick has served on numerous Teams, and worked with ACTS Missions. They are daily Mass attendants and always willing to help with parish, school and community activities.

Rick and Laurie have 3 children; Kyle, Cullen and Kellyn. Each of their children have been married in this parish church – and their four grandchildren all baptized here. They have 3 grandsons and 1 granddaughter.

Rick enjoys hunting, fishing, boating, playing on his bulldozer, and spending time with the grandchildren.

America Needs Fatima

Everyone is invited to join in praying the rosary for the *Preservation of Traditional Family and Marriage* at 12-noon on Saturday, March 23rd at the Sweet Home Fire Station.



“Shades of St. Ann” Fundraiser

Mark your calendars...Sunday, April 14th...for the St. Ann’s, co-sponsored by KJZT #37, “Shades of St. Ann” (solar screens) fundraiser featuring a homemade, delicious (8 oz) Kettle Fried Steak Dinner. The event will be held at the St. Joseph Family Center. Plates-to-Go only. More information in coming weeks.

Cemetery Flower Reminder

Easter is just a few weeks away and it’s time to remove those Christmas poinsettias and any old, faded and tattered flowers as to keep things looking in good condition.

“Life of Jesus”

by **Francisco Fernandez-Carvajal**

The *Life of Jesus* will take you on a pilgrimage in the footsteps of Jesus Christ as on onlooker, as if you were in the Holy Land.

The Person of Christ unfolds page-by-page, pointing the way for each of us through his words, actions, Passion, Death, and the importance of his message for human existence. Over forty maps and charts assist the reader in placing him or herself in the synagogues, towns, homes, fishing villages, rivers, seas, and much of the Holy Land as it appeared two millennia ago.

This book is ideal for private meditation and a great reading source during this Holy Season of Lent. If interested in purchasing a copy, please stop by the Pastoral Center during regular business hours. Cost is \$28. A limited number of copies are available.

Prayer for Lent

O God, bless us during this season of spiritual renewal. Fill our minds and hearts with love, that we may be a sign of Jesus to all those living in our midst.

Attention: High School Students

Rocky Mountain High Retreat July 13 - 21, 2019

This unique, week long retreat, in the heart of the San Juan Mountains in Southern Colorado, is an opportunity for high school age young people to take time away from their daily routine. They will experience the wonder and grandeur of the great outdoors (courtesy of Sonlight Camp) spending time reflecting on important issues of life, faith, family, and friends. A trained staff of qualified adults, from throughout the diocese, offers caring relationships to assist our youth on their journey. Small group discussions, presentations on key topics, unique prayer and liturgical experiences, plus a wild and crazy rafting trip on the Animas River in Durango (river levels permitting), help make this an unforgettable week.

COST IS \$750.00 PER PERSON*

Fee Includes:

- Food
- Lodging at Sonlight Camp
- Transportation by chartered bus
- Rafting trip
- Diocesan t-shirt

*A \$75.00 non-refundable deposit is required to secure space.

For more information visit the diocesan website: www.victoriadiocese.org and click on Ministries. The information can be found under Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries/Rocky Mountain High Retreat. Registration forms are also available at the Pastoral Center.

*“One does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes forth
from the mouth of God.”*



Parish Financial Statement

Balance as of January 31, 2019		\$14,789.20
INCOME:		
Collection	\$14,393.00	
Online Giving	6,962.00	
Candles	369.42	
Other	113.62	
Total Income		\$21,838.04
EXPENSES:		
Salaries/Benefits	\$ 8,405.03	
Utilities	2,661.07	
Maintenance	1,203.89	
Church	1,481.01	
Rectory	1,248.22	
Office	1,270.81	
Property Insurance	3,000.00	
Auto	607.05	
Other	1,047.00	
Total Expense		\$20,924.08
Balance as of February 28, 2019		\$15,703.16

The Word
IS NEAR
you
IN YOUR
Mouth
&
IN YOUR
Heart *romans*

Lenten Prayer for Spiritual Renewal

God, heavenly Father, look upon me and hear my prayer during this holy Season of Lent. By the good works You inspire, help me to discipline my body and to be renewed in spirit.

Without You I can do nothing. By Your Spirit help me to know what is right and to be eager in doing Your will. Teach me to find new life through penance.

Keep me from sin, and help me live by Your commandment of love. God of love, bring me back to You. Send Your Spirit to make me strong in faith and active in good works. May my acts of penance bring me Your forgiveness, open my heart to Your love, and prepare me for the coming feast of the Resurrection of Jesus.

Lord, during this Lenten Season, nourish me with Your Word of life and make me one with You in love and prayer.

Fill my heart with Your love and keep me faithful to the Gospel of Christ. Give me the grace to rise above my human weakness. Give me new life by Your Sacraments, especially the Mass.

Father, our source of life, I reach out with joy to grasp Your hand; let me walk more readily in Your ways. Guide me in Your gentle mercy, for left to myself I cannot do Your Will.

Father of love, source of all blessings, help me to pass from my old life of sin to the new life of grace. Prepare me for the glory of Your Kingdom.

I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.