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August 6, 2017

Sacred Liturgies

August 6 – The Transfiguration of the Lord

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

9:30 a.m. Agnes Pustka

August 7 – Monday

6:30 a.m. 50th Wedding Anniversary of

Edwin & Mildred Machacek

10:00 a.m. Paul & Ann Novosad (Nursing Home)

August 8 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. August Fikac

August 9 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Evelyn Kutach Rose

August 10 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Mary Burton

August 11 – Friday

8:00 a.m. Mary Wagner

August 12 – Saturday

5:00 p.m. Joe Mozisek

August 13 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:30 a.m. Edwin Darilek



From the Pastor's Desk

The Transfiguration of the Lord



In the readings this week, Peter, after seeing the full glory of Christ, wants to build three tents for Jesus, Moses and Elijah. He wants to capture this moment in time and in this place. What he doesn't quite get is the same for many of us. We get caught in the trap of worldly existence;

that this is as good as it gets. Thankfully the world and its brokenness is not the end of the story. We are destined, as disciples, for the resurrection and entrance into the glorious homeland of heaven. Heaven is not some mere updated and improved version of the world; an earth 2.0. It is a paradise of which there is no sin, no suffering, no labor, no division and no need of faith. It is complete knowledge of and union with our God. In the person of Jesus Christ the gulf between heaven and earth is bridged. Jesus is fully divine and fully human. We call this the Hypostatic Union. He is the touch point in which all of humanity has the way opened to attain heaven through the salvific acts of Jesus by following his example. We should not pray that we can keep Christ in the world but rather that we can pitch our tent with Him in Heavenly Glory.

I had a wonderful vacation and though I didn't catch any fish, I had a wonderful time with some priests that I haven't seen for several years. Thank you for all your prayers and support. Also thank you for welcoming Fr. James Ramsey and Fr. Tony Pesek who covered for me while I was away.

The Fall Picnic is only a month away and we are in full preparation mode. May we all pray for a successful picnic AND let us all examine how we may

help out. If you can volunteer; please do and call the rectory. If you can't volunteer; encourage those who can.

As we move closer to the beginning of school, I call on all parishioners to pray for our teachers and staff of our schools. May they all have generous hearts and patience—tons and tons of patience—for the coming school year. Also pray for our young people that will be returning to school. May their minds and hearts be open and their hands and feet ready to serve in order to grow in knowledge, wisdom and faith.

Father Bryan Heyer



A New Program for Adults who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith begins **September 6**. This program is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It requires the participants to attend weekly classes beginning September 6 and ending with reception into the Catholic Church on Easter which is April 1, 2018. If you know of anyone who is interested, you might invite them to inquire. You may contact either Mary Machacek at 401-1254 or Sharon Patek at 594-3234 for more information or to register.



Church Directories Update

Thank you to those parishioners who picked up their book last weekend. Only those who are entitled to a free book are being distributed at this time. After all these families receive theirs, if there are extras, they will be made available at that time.

If you were entitled to a free copy and did not yet get it, you can stop by the parish office during the week, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or the books will also be available after next weekend's Masses, August 12 & 13.



Our Lady of Fatima Special Indulgence Day, August 13

Next Sunday is the 13th of the month, and the date when the faithful can obtain special indulgences by fulfilling the necessary conditions and spending time in prayer before a Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. There is a statue in our adoration chapel where the faithful can visit to fulfill these requirements.

Religious Education News

Registration for Former Students: Registration for enrollment in the Religious Education Program for former students is now available on-line at www.sscmshiner.org. Students in grades Kindergarten through 11 may complete the registration form on the parish website, by going to the Faith Formation tab, Religious Education Registration. Registration on-line is only available for students who attended the SSCM Religious Education Program last year.

New Students: All new students can register by calling the Office of Youth Ministry @ 361-594-3234 and setting up an appointment. The registration deadline is **September 13, 2017**.

Handbook Updated: The Religious Education Handbook has been updated this year and all families must sign an acknowledgment form that they have read and agree to cooperate with the parish policies. The changes include a change in the drop-off and pick-up procedures and more.

Mandatory Parents Meeting: This year there will be a mandatory parents meeting in the church on **Wednesday, August 30**, following the 6:00 p.m. evening Mass. The meeting will go over all the changes. Students are encouraged to attend with their parents.

The first day of class is September 6, 2017, at 6:40 p.m. This school year the students will be focusing on Church and Prayer.



Adoration Chapel Hours Filled

All the hours are filled at this time. However, there is always a need for substitutes. Please call the parish office at 594-3836 if you are willing to be a substitute.

God's Embrace Retreat!

God's Embrace Ministries invites you to join Bishop Brendan Cahill for a weekend retreat - "Lead Me into the Deep, Lord" at the Spiritual Renewal Center, 718 Gussie Schmidt Road, Victoria. **Sept. 8, 5:00 p.m. concluding with 11:00 a.m. Mass Sept. 10.** Open to men and women. Cost: \$450 for married couples or \$250 for singles. Pre-register, www.godsembrace.org or call 979-561-8883.



The KJZT Society #5, Shiner quarterly meeting has been **rescheduled** from August 13 to September 10, at 8:30 a.m. at the Sts. Cyril & Methodius PAC Center.

The Parish Choir will sing at the following 5:00 p.m. Saturday Masses: August 26 and September 2 (Polka Mass). Practice notices will be forthcoming.

Laudate Dominum Choir Rehearsals will be on Mondays August 14 & 21 at 7:00 p.m., for the 9:30 a.m. Mass on August 27.



Flowers on the Altar

In Memory of David Marcak by Bridget Marcak

Church Bulletin

In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Edwin & Mildred Machacek

Children's Bulletin

By Shiner Knights of Columbus Council #3081

Sanctuary and Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Mary Hybner Burton
By Her Children

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross

Brian & Michele Herman

Our Labor Day Church Picnic is September 3 and four weeks away. We are expecting our best ever.

Help Needed! We are still in need of chairperson or co-chairpersons for Sno-Cone and Ice Cream Stand (7th Grade Assignment), Wheel of Fortune (9th Grade Assignment), and Ice Tea & Lemonade Stand (11th Grade Assignment). We are looking for parents of these grade assignments to be chairperson(s). We would also welcome high school students, wanting to earn leadership attributes for their college applications, to chair the Sno-Cone, Ice Cream or Ice Tea & Lemonade Stand.

To ensure we will have a Wheel of Fortune booth, we must order supplies by August 14, but to do so, we must know we have a chairperson(s) in place. Please email shinerpicnic1@gmail.com or call the church office at 594-3836 to volunteer your stewardship or for more information.

Picnic Chairpersons: Workers Lists Needed

The first deadline has past and we are still in need of several of the workers lists from the Chairpersons. Please review your list of workers, update it if necessary and turn it in at the parish office by noon, Monday, August 7.

Thank you for Raffle Prizes: Thanks to everyone who donated prizes for the Picnic raffle. The information is at the printers and tickets will be ready soon.



CDA Bake Sale – August 5/6



The Catholic Daughters will be offering a variety of goods at a Bake Sale being held in front of church after all the Masses this weekend. **CDA members from N – Z (and anyone who did not bring to the first sale) are asked to bring baked or canned goods or make a cash donation for the sale.** Cash donations may be mailed to Jean McCarthy, P. O. Box 911, Shiner, 77984.



Natural Family Planning: The Creighton Model Fertility Care System featuring NaPro TECHNOLOGY is a system designed for women to learn how to monitor, maintain and evaluate their procreative and gynecologic health for their entire reproductive life based on observations of their own biological markers. Contact Susanne Koch at susannekoch614@gmail.com 979-488-4528 for questions. The Renew Center is a team of practitioners. Their website is a great resource www.renewfertilitycare.com for anyone with questions about NFP, infertility or women's gynecologic health in general. Dates: August 14 & September 11. Location: Holy Family Victoria.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes.....	\$ 6,101.00
Loose Collections.....	\$ 753.00
Repair Fund.....	\$ 954.00



Aug. 6: St. Joseph's, Yoakum. Stew, sausage & trimmings; games; pyramid cheese & poppyseed roll; arts & crafts, auction; raffle (\$24, 100 in prizes).

Aug. 6: St. Anthony's, Palacios, Shrimporee Festival: with shrimp or BBQ lunch, auction, music, games.

Aug 13: St. Michael's, Weimar. Stew and fried chicken dinner. Auction, music, other entertainment and activities all day.