

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 10, 2019

Sacred Liturgies

March 10 – First Sunday of Lent

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

9:30 a.m. Joseph Simper

March 11 – Monday

6:30 a.m. Henry Joe Henke, Jr.

10:00 a.m. Janie Pickering (Nursing Home)

March 12 – Tuesday

6:30 a.m. Willie & Frances Harabis

March 13 – Wednesday

6:00 p.m. August & Mary Welfl

March 14 – Thursday

6:30 a.m. Edwin Chumchal

March 15 – Friday

8:00 a.m. Larry Wenske

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

March 16 – Saturday

2:00 p.m. Wedding – Netardus & Fishbeck

5:00 p.m. Frieda Nagelmueller

March 17 – Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Denis Berger, Sr.

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

LENT – 2019

What are your Lenten plans for this year? There are numerous spiritual opportunities being offered in our parish during Lent. Think about it, pray about it - and choose one or more to make your Lent more meaningful.

- † **Attend Mass during the week – daily if possible.**
- † **Sign up for an hour of Adoration in the Chapel.**
- † **Extra Hours for Confessions: Wednesdays, 5:30 – 5:55 p.m. & Fridays, during Stations of the Cross**
- † **“Consoling the Heart of Jesus” Retreat, Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.**
- † **Kapaun’s Men Group – Join Father Bryan and a new men’s group on Friday’s at 6:30 a.m. in PAC.**
- † **Lenten Lunch Lessons – Fridays at 12:05 p.m.**
- † **Stations of the Cross – Fridays**
- † **Bible Study, Mondays, 8:00-9:00 a.m. Meeting Room**



First Sunday of Lent – Gospel - Luke 4:1-13



After his baptism, Jesus spent forty days in the desert, fasting and praying. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger, he offers Jesus all the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will

worship him, and he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test. In each case, Jesus resists, citing words from Scripture to rebuke the devil's temptation.

Each temptation that Jesus faces offers insight into the spirituality we hope to develop as we keep the forty days of the Season of Lent. We can trust God to provide for our material needs. We worship God because God alone has dominion over us and our world. We can trust God to be faithful to his promises. Jesus' rejection of the devil's temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the Word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil by his confidence in God's protection and faithfulness.

This Gospel highlights for us one of the central themes of the Season of Lent. We are dependent upon God for all that we have and all that we are. Anything that leads us to reject this dependency or to distrust its sufficiency is a temptation from the devil.

Jesus' responses to the temptations of the devil teach us how we can respond to temptation. As we start our journey through Lent, this Sunday's Gospel calls us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice, God's promise of protection can be trusted, and God alone is God.

New Men's Group: Join Fr. Bryan as we begin a new men's group, Kapaun's Men, **beginning Friday, March 15**, at 6:30 a.m. at the Parish Activity Center (PAC). Since this date is during Spring break, there will be an encore of this meeting on Wednesday, March 20, at 7:45 p.m. in the PAC. To register, please call the parish office at 594-3836 before March 15. Or contact David Schmidt at: daes61@gmail.com or 281-703-8943 to register or for more information.

Consoling the Heart of Jesus Lenten Retreat
The group will meet for nine Wednesdays, **beginning March 13**, from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. each week at the PAC. You may ask yourself, "How can I console Jesus if He is happy in heaven? In heaven there is NO suffering." Join Fr. Michael Gaitley in a directed group retreat as he delves into the simplicity and grandeur of consoling spirituality. He shares new insights into how you can console Jesus. A few extra books have been ordered. It is not too late to sign up. Cost of book: \$15. Please register by calling Sharon Patek at 594-3836.

Lenten Spiritual Reading: Little black books are available at the church entrances for your use during Lent. Be sure to pick up a copy for your daily reading.



Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Notes

This week we have the following hours open in the chapel: Sundays, 12 noon – 1:00 p.m.; Tuesdays, 1:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m. (every other week), 2:00 a.m. – 3:00 a.m. (every other Week); Wednesdays, 11:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. Please consider taking an hour and call the office at 594-3836.

Thank You! We want to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who gave up their Saturday morning recently to help give our church a good spring cleaning. There were youngsters as well as people of all ages who came to help. To each and every one of you – the parish is very grateful for your time and hard work. Thanks also to the Altar Society members and others who provided food and served the lunch. May God bless and reward each and every one of you who helped with this project!

Carpet Cleaning: This week the carpet in church will be refreshed and given a thorough cleaning. The carpet in the Adoration Chapel will be cleaned at a later date on a Saturday when there is no adoration.



All Church Ministries are of vital importance. Each ministry when celebrated faithfully enhances our worship at Mass. All persons assigned are asked to make every effort to report at least 10 minutes prior to Mass time and to find a replacement if they are not able to serve in their ministry. And many of you do a great job of taking care of this! However, we have recently had problems of trying to find replacements from the congregation at the last minute. Please make every effort to trade with others or find a substitute when assigned. Thank you for your cooperation!

Chase Goodman's Birthday: Seminarian Chase Goodman, who spent last year in our parish, has Birthday on March 22. Let's fill his mailbox with Birthday cards from Shiner parishioners! His address is: Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43235.

Notice: This week is spring break. There will be no classes for Shiner Catholic School students and Religious Ed students. Enjoy your Spring Break!

March and April Ministry Schedules are available in church and on our parish website.

Parish Choir: There will be no practice on March 11.
Laudate Dominum: Rehearsal on Monday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m. for the 9:30 a.m. Mass on March 17
Totus Tuus Chorum: No rehearsal on March 13. Rehearsals resume March 20 – every Wednesday through Easter.



News from Shiner Catholic School

Congratulations, Mrs. Patricia Pesek!

A special Awards Program and Dinner was held in Victoria on March 4, 2019, honoring Distinguished Alumni of the Catholic Schools in the Victoria Diocese. The honoree selected to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award from Shiner Catholic School was Mrs. Patricia Pesek. She is a 1960 graduate of the school and after working at a couple of other schools in the area, she came back to Shiner Catholic School. She was a teacher for 27 years, served 10 years as the Assistant Principal, and 12 years as Principal of Shiner Catholic School.

During her tenure, Mrs. Pesek was always a strong advocate of academics. She was instrumental in instituting the pre-school program. She helped to arrange transportation to a neighboring city to help increase enrollment. Mrs. Pesek visited area elementary schools to recruit students to come to St. Paul for their high school years. She was an innovative educator and school leader. You can still find Mrs. Pesek serving as a substitute teacher at the Shiner Catholic School at least a few times each week.

School personnel stated: "We can't think of a more deserving individual for the Distinguished Alumni Award than our very own, Patricia Pesek!"

Altar Society Bake Sale, March 9 & 10: The society is having a Bake Sale this weekend in front of church after the Masses. Members are asked to bring baked or canned goods or make a cash donation. **Membership dues (\$15) and/or donations may be paid at the sale or mailed to:** Treasurer, Mary Rose Barta, 1003 S. Peck St., Shiner.

Altar Society Meeting: Tuesday, March 12, 2:00 p.m. in the PAC. New members welcome!



Church Bulletin

In Memory of Deceased Members of Kasper & Roznovsky Families

Children's Bulletin Sponsor

In Memory of Colby Craig by Bea Krejci

Sanctuary Candles

In Memory of Mary Ann Novak by Family

Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of Joe & Frances Matula & Sons by Mary Ann Marek & Family

Memorial Candle for the Unborn

By the Martinsen Family

Vocations Cross Confirmation Class



Save the Date – March 24-26, 2019 Adult Mission Trip to San Juan, Texas Catholic Charities Respite Center

For more details call Sharon Patek at 594-3836.

Today's Psalm at Mass is "Be with me Lord when I am in trouble." Hearing this may bring to mind the immigrants who are fleeing their country and looking for a place where they can offer their families safety and stability. The Respite Center offers assistance to those who are attempting to enter our country using legal channels. Many of them need help and have trouble doing this. What a great time for us during this Lenten season to reach out and help them. Let us be God's hands and feet to comfort His children and our brothers and sisters in Christ.



Our Gifts to God This Week

Envelopes	\$9,543.00
Loose Collection	\$ 931.70
Parish Repair Fund	\$ 842.57

Rice Bowl: On the Sundays during Lent our second collections will be for Operation Rice Bowl. Suggestion: Eat at least one lesser meal a week or give up something special and donate the amount saved in the Rice Bowl.



Reporting Procedures for Suspected or Known Sexual Abuse of a Minor (person under 18 years of age) or Vulnerable Adult by a Member of Clergy.

Contact: *The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, within **48 hours**, at [1-800-252-5400](tel:1-800-252-5400) or www.txabusehotline.org or local police department. If the person is in immediate danger, call 911 and contact Vicki L. Pyatt, LMSW, Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Outreach, Diocese of Victoria, (361) 827-7186 or email pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org; Or Bishop or Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria at (361) 573-0828.

*Written Allegations should be sent to: Office of the Bishop P. O. Box 4070 Victoria, Texas 77903. Mark as "Personal and Confidential".

*We will also help you bring your concerns to church officials outside the diocese if the abuse occurred elsewhere and you now reside in the Diocese of Victoria. If you are unsure about bringing a complaint or would like further information, please contact [Vicki L. Pyatt \(361\) 827-7186](tel:361-827-7186) or email pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org;

