



SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2016
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Genesis 18:20-32
- 2) Colossians 2:12-14
- 3) Luke 11:1-13

FOCUS: Our heavenly Father lovingly watches over us and provides for what we most truly need. Jesus taught

throughout his life and ministry that God the Father watches over us and provides for what we most need. We must try to trust and rely upon God a little more each day and ask him for the deepest desires of our heart. For whoever seeks, finds; and whoever knocks has the door opened.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Abraham implores God's mercy in saving innocent inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah. The second reading reminds us that through baptism, we were given new life in Christ and the promise of salvation. The Gospel recounts the disciples asking Jesus to teach them to pray. He does so with the words of the Our Father.

Readings for the following Sunday:

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23
- 2) Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11
- 3) Luke 12:13-21

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF
JULY 9-10

Sunday Collection.....	\$ 5,632.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 639.00
On-line giving.....	\$ 175.00
Total.....	\$6,446.00

DIRECTORY OF MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Emily Janak	573-1874
Altar Society	Stella Silva	550-0387
Baptism Prep.	Diana Starnes	550-9533
Bereavement Group	Geraldine Jurica	573-3949
Vacation Bible School	Marie Immenhauser	572-3863
Disciples on the Journey	Pam Fanelli	578-1145
Festival Committee Chairs	Kevin & Joan Pfister	576-9638
Funeral Meals	Adele Donalson	573-4455
Liturgical Ministers	Deacon Jim Koenig	935-3811
Marriage Prep Focuss	Deacon Jim Koenig	935-3811
Music Ministry	Cathy Lowe	935-1068
Natural Family Planning	Annie & David Coffey	579-8464
Adoration Chapel	Germaine Wearden	235-1812
Quilters	Jo Ann Bone	578-7629
RCIA	Sr. Frances Cabrini	573-5304
Religious Education	Diana Starnes	550-9533
Rentals	Deacon Jim Koenig	935-3811
St. Vincent De Paul Society	Faye Culak	649-0614
Wedding Coordinator	Cathy Lowe	935-1068
Weekly Rosary & Divine Mercy Cenacle	Tina Rabalais	541-9295

Retrouaille

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? – Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? **Retrouaille** (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For more information about the Victoria August 12-14, 2016 Retrouaille Weekend, contact John or Jennifer Vincent (361) 580-2770 or email: lvjov@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.retrouaille.org

CCD NEWS: Registration for 2016-17 is now open. Please fill out a Registration Form and Medical Release form for each child. June 2nd - July 30th fees are \$30. per student. After this fees are \$40 per student, ONLY if there is space available. NO registration will be taken on the first day of CCD. Sacrament Candidates register by appointment only, contact Diana Starnes at 361-550-9533.

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin again at the end of the summer. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or completing one's Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), please contact the parish office. 573-4328.

2017 Festival



This is to invite you to our **First 2017 Festival Planning Meeting**. It will be on Monday August 8, 2016 at 7:00pm in the AV Room in the Activity Center. We welcome all parishioners as we prepare to have our BEST Festival yet. If you have questions, please call Kevin or Joan Pfister at 361-576-9638.



ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE - Aug 5-6 – Time is getting short!! Have you cleaned out the cupboards, garage, attic, closets, patio? We need your **GOOD, USABLE ITEMS** for our once a year sale. St.

Mary's parishioners provide the service and the proceeds go directly into our parish operations budget. **WE NEED YOUR GREAT ITEMS.** Drop off can be made on Thursdays between 10a.m. & 2 p.m. or call 573-4328 for any additional information. God bless you for sharing from your surplus. Please bring your items in by Wed. Aug 3 at noon. All parishioners men and women are encouraged to help the week starting on Sunday July 31 at 1:00 p.m. and Monday - Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to setup for the Rummage Sale. Help is also needed on Friday and Saturday during the sale. Any amount of time you can donate is appreciated. This is a good source of fund to help support the church.



*The Knights of Columbus #9088 Present **Readin'-Ritin'-Reelin' 14th Annual Fishing Tournament**, Port O'Connor, August 5-6. Proceeds to go to Nazareth Academy. Join us by either entering a team in the tournament, becoming a sponsor, donating auction, raffle or door prizes. For more information call, Sister Ann Meletio at 485-2044 or Julie Fulgham at 979-224-5516 or George Wenzel at 361-649-7707*

Lead Me Retreat by God's Embrace!! God's Embrace Ministries joyfully introduces a new Team-Based retreat experience. Come from wherever you are to experience a deeper walk with Jesus. Retreat will be held at God's Embrace Ministries Retreat Center located at 1601 High Hill Rd, Schulenburg, TX. Weekend begins 5:00pm Friday, July 29, and concludes with Sunday Mass July 31. Open to men, women and couples. Space is limited. Register online at www.godsembrace.org or call [979-561-8883](tel:979-561-8883).

Annual Conference for Catechesis and Ministry
Saturday, October 1, 2016

Holy Family Catholic Church, Wharton, Texas
The Most Reverend Brendan Cahill will offer a keynote address in English and one in Spanish.
Twenty Workshops on Catechesis, Liturgy, Prayer & Spirituality
All adult Catholics are invited to attend.
 For more information, contact the Catechetical Office, (361) 573-0828 or visit www.victoriadiocese.org

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LECTORS

Saturday, July 30
 5:00 p.m. Emily Janak
Sunday, July 31
 8:00 a.m. Diana Starnes
 10:30 a.m. David Janca

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, July 30
 5:00 p.m. Bertha McDowell, Emily Migl, Richard & Karen Evans
Sunday, July 31
 8:00 a.m. Libby Ramirez, Loyd & Georgia West, Michael Cuellar
 10:30 a.m. Heather Zamykal, Lucinda Cavazos, Clem Cantu, Dee Garza

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, July 30
 5:00 p.m. Johnna, Juliet & Everett Rangnow
Sunday, July 31
 8:00 a.m. Willie & Alec Immenhauser, Luke Hernandez
 10:30 a.m. Zackary Zamykal, Jason Hernandez

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, July 30
 5:00 p.m. Larry & Linda Luna, Steve & Lorraine Hebert
Sunday, July 31
 8:00 a.m. Henry Petrash, Paul Janacek, David Johnson, Stella Silva
 10:30 a.m. Beverly Fox, John Cavazos, Linda Cantu, Carolyn McConnell

PARISH CHOIR: regular practice after the 8:00 am Sunday Mass, 9:15-9:45 am, in St. Mary's Church.

QUILT AND CRAFT CORNER will meet on Thursday, July 28 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex.

Altar Care for July will be - Sue Cotton



Has Your Marriage Been Damaged by Your Husband's Affairs or Pornography Addiction? There Is Hope! *Beginning the Journey* is a 10 week Scripture-based support group for women; a safe and confidential place where women can remove their masks and share their hearts; where they can struggle through difficult emotions, while being accepted and loved by their sisters in Christ. For more information, call (979) 578-1247. Meetings will start in July, so please call soon. Sponsored by **The Emmaus Center: Counseling in the Catholic Tradition.**

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Saturday, July 23
 7:00 †Theresa Bonorden (ANNIV)
 5:00 †Sam Hyak

Sunday, July 24, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 †Eugene Vrana, Sr.
 10:30 People of the Parish

Monday, July 25, Saint James
 6:30 Special Intention
 12:05 †Olivia Pardo

Tuesday, July 26, Saint Joachim and Anne
 6:30 Sister Ann Meletio
 12:05 †Susan Neumann

Wednesday, July 27
 6:30 †Sue B. Boyd
 12:05 †Max Montez (ANNIV)

Thursday, July 28
 6:30 †Dec. Mem of Daniel Moscatelli Family
 12:05 †Mary Haas

Friday, July 29, Saint Martha
 6:30 †George Smajstrla
 12:05 †Deacon A. R. Wearden - Debra Hampton

Saturday, July 30
 7:00 †Evelyn Kolle
 5:00 †George Sartor

Sunday, July 31, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 †Ann Buckert
 10:30 People of the Parish

Adult Confirmation Adult Catholics who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend a five week Adult Confirmation course being offered at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory beginning August 16th and continuing for five Tuesdays, ending on September 13th. The Confirmation Mass will be held at the 5:30 PM Mass on Friday, September 9th at the Cathedral. Please contact Jenny Vincent at 575-4741 for information on how you can complete your sacramental initiation into the Catholic Church that was begun at your Baptism and to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Registration forms are available at the OLV parish office, or by email to Jenny Vincent at jvincent@olvcathedral.org.

