



There will be JOY in heaven over one sinner who does Penance.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

- 1) Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14
- 2) 1 Timothy 1:12-17
- 3) Luke 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

FOCUS: Although we are all sinners, God's mercy is boundless, and he will always seek us out when we become lost.

The message of forgiveness echoes throughout our Scripture passages today. Although God's mercy is not always apparent in the Hebrew Scriptures, it is revealed to all with the arrival of our Savior, Jesus. Salvation is for all who seek it.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Moses beseeches God to remember the covenant he made with the Israelites. Saint Paul, in his letter to Timothy, is abundantly grateful for God's mercy, especially in light of his earlier persecution of Christians. In today's parables, Jesus teaches that God is merciful to those who are lost, including repentant sinners.

Readings for the following Sunday:

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

- 1) Amos 8:4-7
- 2) 1 Timothy 2:1-8
- 3) Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF
AUGUST 27-28**

Sunday Collection.....	\$4,706.20
Loose Collection.....	\$ 582.06
On-line giving.....	\$ 785.00
Total.....	\$6,073.26

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

2017 Festival - Don't Forget

Everyone is Invited to the next Festival planning meeting 9-12-16 at 7:00 pm in Activity Center AV room. Donations are still be accepted for our 2017 Festival Raffle. Prizes or cash donations will be accepted. The Parish Festival will be on Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017.

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The sessions are held in the AV Room of St. Mary's Activity Center from 7:00 -8:30 p.m.

- Tuesday, Sept. 13 - Ch the Revelation of God (DVD Lesson)
- Tuesday, Sept. 20 - Marriage/annulments (Fr. Dominic)



Prayer Service Commemorating the 15th Anniversary of the September 11 (9/11) Attacks:

The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory, of the Catholic Diocese of Victoria, will host an ecumenical service entitled, "A Service of Prayer for Peace in Our Communities" on September 11, beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Cathedral, commemorating the 15th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. A service of music and word, offered with prayers for peace in our local and national communities, will be included. The readings will draw on excerpts from Pope Francis' encyclical letter *Lumen Fidei* (The Light of Faith)." Join with others, throughout the Victoria area, as we pray for our country and those who died on 9/11.

CCD NEWS:

Class Time: 6:00 – 7:15 pm Sept. 14, 21, 28

**DIOCESE OF VICTORIA XXIX ANNUAL CATHOLIC CONFERENCE
ALL ADULT CATHOLICS ARE INVITED TO THIS CONFERENCE.**

The theme is "Prayer: The Faith Prayed" which will be in English and Spanish. It will take place on Saturday, October 1, 2016 at Holy Family, Wharton, TX. Keynote Speakers are Most Reverend Brendan Cahill, Charleen Katra of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and Rita Martinez: Loyola Press. For more information, contact the Catechetical Office, (361) 573-0828 or visit www.victoriadiocese.org

Sacred Heart Hallettsville 65th annual Apple Strudel Bake set for Saturday, October 1, 2016. Unbaked frozen strudels are \$15 each.

Local pickup in the Hobby Lobby parking lot on Sunday 10/2/16 from 11am – 12:30pm. To order, call Sharon Wagner [316-576-2060](tel:361-576-2060), Annette Henke [361-798-5374](tel:361-798-5374), or email shsstrudelbake@gmail.com. (Advance orders are required to guarantee order fulfillment.)

A new Grief Group will begin on October 6th at Holy Family Catholic Church. Every adult, who has experienced the death of a loved one may attend. After three months has passed please call Sharon at 578-7572.

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY

will sponsor a half-day retreat on Tuesday, Sept. 20th in the St. Mary's Activity Center beginning at 9:30 a.m. Registration is from 9:00 to 9:25 a.m. Men and women from all parishes are welcome. Lunch will be served after the 12:00 noon Mass. There is no charge to attend. Please make your reservation by Friday, September 16th to Evelyn Dierlam at 361-652-4842 or Stella Silva (361) 550-0387. **St. Mary's Altar Society first meeting, after the summer break** will be on Monday Sept. 12, at 2:00p.m. in the hall. New Members and Guest are welcome

We are in urgent need of one more sponsors for our Calendars for 2017. Call the Office at 573-4328 if you would like to be a sponsor on the Calendars.

Nazareth Academy and the Sisters of The Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament invite you to attend the annual Fall Festival that will be held Sunday, Oct 2, 2016 at the Victoria Community Center. Traditional turkey dinner and sides will be served. For more information visit nazarethacademy.org. Join us for a family friendly event!

**Gabriel Project
WHAT'S GOING ON!!!**

Our next Workshop/Training date is: October 22, 2016 from 9:00-3:00, 101 W. Convent St., Light Breakfast and Lunch served! NO CHARGE! Please contact: Gilda Miller, Director of Education, at (361) 550-5092 or Gilda.miller4@yahoo.com with any questions.

Our next monthly fellowship and general meeting (in Victoria) will be on Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 (light supper provided)! We meet at our Storage/Office Space at 101 W. Convent St., Victoria, TX (behind St. Mary's Catholic Church on Main St.); Reference the Catholic Lighthouse Newspaper for a Gabriel Project and their meeting date nearest you

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LECTORS

Saturday, Sept. 17
 5:00 p.m. Joe Morris
Sunday, Sept. 18
 8:00 a.m. Shane Morris
 10:30 a.m. Cynthia Brewer

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, Sept. 17
 5:00 p.m. Deacon Koenig, Henry Schramek, Karen Evans, Diana Starnes
Sunday, Sept. 18
 8:00 a.m. Deacon Koenig, Geraldine Jurica, Michael Cuellar, Diana Pagel
 10:30 a.m. Deacon Koenig, Lucinda Cavazos, Dee Garza, David Janca

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, Sept. 17
 5:00 p.m. Tanner Coleman
Sunday, Sept. 18
 8:00 a.m. Mariah, Alexa & Ginna Morris
 10:30 a.m. Jason Hernandez, Thomas Copeland

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, Sept. 17
 5:00 p.m. Denise Gainer, Frank Smolka, Bobby & Barbara Baca
Sunday, Sept. 18
 8:00 a.m. Roy Jurica, Stella Silva, Robert Koenig, David Johnson
 10:30 a.m. Dennis & Linda Lala, John Cavazos, Greg Brewer

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

QUILT AND CRAFT CORNER will meet on Thursday, Sept 15 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex.

Altar Care for September will be - Lorraine Hebert & Eunice Dove

Attention: single Catholic women 18 to 50 years of age:
 Come meet nuns (Sisters) and examine their call to make Jesus, the Incarnate Word, known and loved. Explore your own call on September 17-18, 2016 at Incarnate Word Convent in Victoria, Texas (361) 575-7111 or email iwbsvoc@ yahoo.com. See www.iwbsvictoria.org for more information

On September 17, 2017 from 9:30AM to 3:30PM at Amor Meus Spirituality Center 1101 N.E. Water St. Victoria, TX, Sister Roselle Hass, cn, from the Cenacle Retreat Center in Houston will present a day retreat entitled "What Will You Do With The Leftovers?" Sister will present reflections on Jesus' ministry of not simply providing "enough," but providing extravagantly

On September 24, 2016, Sr. Digna Vela, IWBS will present "Tools for the Spiritual Journey," a workshop-retreat at Amor Meus Retreat Center 1101 N.E. Water St. from 9:00 AM to noon. Come and learn about spiritual direction, day retreats, overnight-directed retreats, journaling, various ways to pray, and how to deepen a personal love-relationship with God. For more information, call 361- 575- 7111, visit www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org, or email amormeus@yahoo.com

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
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Saturday, September 10
 7:00 Intention of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament Sisters
 5:00 †Marjorie Stefka

Sunday, September 11, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 People of the Parish
 10:30 †Sam Hajek

Monday, September 12
 6:30 †Agnes Culak (ANNIV)
 12:05 †Marcus Janak

Tuesday, September 13, Saint John Chrysostom
 6:30 †Hazel Schneltzer
 12:05 †Margaret LeJunei

Wednesday, September 14, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
 6:30 †Patty Schneider (ANNIV)
 12:05 †Max Montez

Thursday, September 15, Our Lady of Sorrows
 6:30 †Sharon West Bauer
 8:10 Special Intention -Nazareth Academy Children's Liturgy
 12:05 †Anton Pavlac

Friday, September 16, Saint Cornelius
 6:30 Sister Liliane Janda
 12:05 †Robert Koliba

Saturday, September 17
 7:00 †Geraldine Innocenti
 5:00 †Ronald Heysquierdo

Sunday, September 18, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 †Mary Covarrubias
 10:30 People of the Parish



To St. Joseph Catholic Church
143rd Annual Picnic, Sun. Sept. 11, Inez Community Center. Serving Fried chicken, BBQ Brisket & Sausage with trimmings starting at

11:00 a.m. All plates \$9.00.
To Holy Cross Festival, Yorktown Community Hall, Sun. Sept. 11, Dinner BBQ shoulder clod & Homemade Sausage with trimmings. \$10.00 adult plate, serving starts at 10:30.
to Knights of Columbus Council #4307 in Blessing Shrimp Etouffe and Gumbo meal Sun. Sept. 11 at St. Peter's Catholic Church Parish Hall. Serving starts at 11 a.m. A large bowl with dessert and beverage \$9.00 Proceeds benefit High School Senior Academic Scholarships.
to Knights of Columbus Council #1329 Chicken BBQ will be held September 18th from 8:30 am until sold out. NOTE: selling will not start until 8:30. Prices are \$8 per chicken or 3 for \$22. Spanish rice and beans are available for \$1.50 per pint. Proceeds benefit various council charity projects. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson. For info, call the hall Sunday morning at 575-9214

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Will be Sun. Sept. 18 from 2-5 p.m. in the Activity Center. Call the office to pre-register by noon on the Friday before the Sunday of the Class