

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Exodus 17:8-13
- 2) 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
- 3) Luke 18:1-8

FOCUS: Trusting in and relying upon God gives us strength to

persevere during trials, and live as more faithful disciples of Jesus. Many people in our world think they are self-sufficient and do not need God. As believers in Jesus, however, we are called to trust and rely upon him. We know God is our strength and salvation, and the more we rely on him, the more we will receive the strength we need to face life's challenges.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the reading from Exodus, the Israelites, led by Joshua, defeat Amalek in battle with the help of Moses. The Second Letter of Timothy reminds us to study sacred Scripture so that we may be *equipped for every good work*. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the persistent widow, helping us to see that God gives us what we need when we place our trust in him.

Readings for the following Sunday

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2016 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
- 2) 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
- 3) Luke 18:9-14

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF
OCTOBER 1-2

Sunday Collection.....	\$11,824.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 623.66
On-line giving.....	\$ 540.00
Total.....	\$12,987.66

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

Class Time: 6:00 – 7:15 pm Oct. 19, 26

RCIA (the Rite CCD NEWS: 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.

- Sunday, Oct. 16- 8:00 a.m. Mass (Rite of Acceptance and Welcome)
 Tuesday, Oct. 18 - Breaking of the Word Begins, Prayer (Sr. Emilie Eilers)
 Tuesday, Oct. 25 - Jesus, who is he? (Sr. Frances Cabrini)
 Tuesday, Nov. 1 - All Saints, Mass attendance obligatory.

St. Mary's Altar Society invites you and your family to the Activity Center after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sun. Oct. 16, for coffee, donuts, fruit, juice and fellowship.

Grief Group: An on-going Grief Group meets at Holy Family Catholic Church, in the Conference Room, at 7:00 pm, on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. Before attending please call Sharon at 578-7572.

2017 Festival Update-MARK YOUR 2017 CALENDARS
2-12-17 ST. MARY'S FESTIVAL

Our church welcomes and invites all Parish members and all Family and Friends to our 2017 Festival. Be sure to ask your family and friends to mark their calendars as well. We would like the festival to be a special occasion for you, your family and friends to enjoy food, fun, relaxation, visiting and maybe even find that special item to purchase as a gift or for you. We welcome all donations to the Festival. We are asking at this time for Raffle donations as we will be going to print the tickets on November 1, 2016. Prizes and/or cash donations will be accepted.



All Hallows' Eve Family Fun Night
Monday, October 31, 2016
About 7pm, following 6pm Mass
St. Mary's Activity Center

Join us for a night of family fun! This will be a night of safe,

wholesome good times in honor of all the great saints. This is not your ordinary Halloween party! All ages are invited. The fun will start around 7pm, following the 6pm Mass. There will be games for all ages, the "Living" Hall of Saints, Holy Costume Contest, Pumpkin Carving Contest, and complimentary snack bar along with goodie bags for all the children.

SAINTS NEEDED for our Hall of Saints: We need at least 3 adults to volunteer to dress up and tell the story of their favorite saint...this is one of the coolest parts of the night. Please let Marie know ASAP if you are interested!

ADULT and TEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to help with games and snack bar. Teens can earn service hours by helping out with games.

Candy donations: we will need donations of candy to put into goodie bags. We need **Assorted Individually wrapped fun-size candies:** variety of candies; Hershey brand, Mars brand, Sweet Tarts or Smarties, Jolly Ranchers, candy corn, Tootsie Roll brand, Brach's brand. Individually wrapped snacks such as Rice Krispies Treats, Fruit Chewies and Goldfish crackers are welcome.

Three dozen homemade cupcakes, individually wrapped, are also needed for our Mary Cupcake Walk. *How can you help?* Call Marie, 572-3863. Watch the bulletin for our flyer that provides more details! **THANK YOU**



Looking for a Special Way to Rekindle the **Spark in Your Marriage?** **How about an enrichment retreat for marriages??** Father Gary Janak, along with five married couples, will be sponsoring a special weekend for

married couples. **The retreat will be held at the Baptist Encampment in Palacios on October 28-30th.** Space is limited, so register now! The cost for the retreat will be \$250 per couple, which includes lodging, food, and materials. Registration forms are available at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory Parish Office in Victoria or by emailing jvincent@olvcathedral.org.

BUNCO PARTY: Make plans to attend the St. Mary's Altar Society annual Bunco Party on Wednesday, October 19th at 9:00 a.m. in the Activity Center. Call Evelyn Dierlam at [361-652-4843](tel:361-652-4843) or Karen Allums at [361-244-1510](tel:361-244-1510), by October 17th for reservations.

Questions about Annulments?

Join us for an informal question and answer session, led by Rev. Matthew Huehlefeld, J.C.L., Judicial Vicar of the Diocese of Victoria, regarding the declaration of nullity (annulments).

Some of the items that will be discussed are:

- The different types of annulments
- Misconceptions about annulments
- The annulment process itself

This session is for anyone who would like to have more information on this topic. Tuesday, October 25, 2016 - 6:30 pm in St. Robert's Auditorium (Building B) Holy Family Catholic Church, Victoria, Texas for more information, please contact Debbie Vanelli at [361-573-5304](tel:361-573-5304) ex 211 or dvanelli@hfccvic.org

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LECTORS

Saturday, Oct. 23
5:00 p.m. Karen Evans
Sunday, Oct. 24
8:00 a.m. Diana Pagel
10:30 a.m. David Janca

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, Oct. 23
5:00 p.m. Judy Jabbour, Henry Schramek, Emily Migl, Mary Ann Innocenti
Sunday, Oct. 24
8:00 a.m. Libby Ramirez, Howard Pagel, Michael Cuellar
10:30 a.m. Kevin & Joan Pfister, Lucinda Cavazos, Cynthia Brewer

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, Oct. 23
5:00 p.m. Tyler & Tanner Coleman
Sunday, Oct. 24
8:00 a.m. Willie & Alec Immenhauser, Luke Hernandez
10:30 a.m. Matthew & Andrew Barton

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, Oct. 23
5:00 p.m. Larry & Linda Luna, Frieda Stubbs, Mike McCauley
Sunday, Oct. 24
8:00 a.m. Henry Petrash, Paul Janacek, Stella Silva, Robert Koenig
10:30 a.m. Beverly Fox, John Cavazos, Greg Brewer, Laszlo Nemes

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, Oct. 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex.

Altar Care for October will be - Sandra Brzozowska & Susie Stevens

Incarcate Word and Blessed Sacrament Sisters invite you to join us in prayer as we continue our 150th celebration of our Victoria foundation.
Amor Meus Spirituality Center Guided Day Retreat:
October 15, 2016 from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm at Amor Meus Spirituality Center 1101 N.E. Water Street, Victoria, TX. Deacon Mike Tankersley will present a day retreat entitled, God's Unconditional Love and Infinite Mercy. Guided Day Retreats include at least two reflections, liturgy or prayer service and ample time for personal prayer, walking and reflecting. For more information, call 361-575-7111, visit www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org, email amormeus@yahoo.com

Victoria Christian Assistance Ministry is celebrating 30 years of providing food, clothing, and other services to those in need in Victoria County. We invite you to our Open House Sun. Oct. 16, from 2 p.m. to 4 pm. 108 N. Liberty. Tour our facility and learn more about our services.

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Saturday, October 15
7:00 †Sharon West Bauer
5:00 †Sophie Sitterle

Sunday, October 16, Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 People of the Parish
10:30 †Margaret Frances LeJune

Monday, October 17, Saint Ignatius of Antioch
6:30 †Richard & Bernice Corney
12:05 †Anna Johnston

Tuesday, October 18, Saint Luke
6:30 †Pearl Lucchese Polka
12:05 †Mary Ann Ohrt

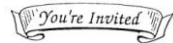
Wednesday, October 19, Saint John de Brebeuf and Issac Jogues
6:30 †Ernest Innocenti
12:05 †Val Huvar

Thursday, October 20
6:30 †Ruth Saucier
8:10 †Deacon A. R. Wearden - Nazareth Academy Children's Liturgy
12:05 †Katherine & John King (ANNIV)

Friday, October 21
6:30 †Max Montez
12:05 Thanksgiving Andrew Jacobson

Saturday, October 22
7:00 Special Intention Jennifer Marr
5:00 †Roy & Patricia Gasch

Sunday, October 23, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 People of the Parish
10:30 †Rose Murphy Morris



St. Theresa Catholic Church's Annual Picnic, La Salle, Texas, Sun. Oct. 16, Turkey & Dressing Meal catered by Werner's of Shiner,

serving from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$9.00 per plate
Knights of Columbus Council #1329 Chicken BBQ will be held October 16th 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. Note: There will also be a bake sale in conjunction with the BBQ. Lots of delectable items.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Fall Festival, Goliad, Sun. Oct. 18, BBQ Plates.
St. Peter's, Parish Hall, Blessing, Annual BBQ Turkey & Dressing Dinner, Sun. Oct. 30, Adult plate \$10.00 serving starts at 11:00 a.m.

World Mission Day is October 23, 2016

Next weekend our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Please be generous in your giving to this collection, on World Mission Sunday



All Souls Envelopes for the Novena of Masses that will begin on Wednesday, November 2, are available at the entrance to the Church.