



SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2017 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13
- 2) 1 Corinthians 1:26-31
- 3) Matthew 5:1-12a

FOCUS: God's ways are not our ways.

Today's readings make clear that God's ways are not the status quo. Each reading demonstrates God's

glory in the most unlikely of people – the weak, the humble, the lowly. Conventional wisdom is rendered moot by God. These readings challenge us to reflect on our own biases as to who is worthy and who is to be admired. Whose ideals are we striving to live by?

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The first reading explains that those who live by God's ways will be protected. In the second reading, Saint Paul reminds the Corinthians that God used their lowliness to demonstrate Christ's glory. The Gospel shares the beatitudes given by Jesus in his Sermon on the Mount.

Reading for the following Sunday

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2017 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 1) Isaiah 58:7-10
- 2) 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
- 3) Matthew 5:13-16

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF JANUARY 14-15

Sunday Collection.....	\$4,982.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 633.80
On-line giving.....	\$ 485.00
Total.....	\$6,100.80

DIRECTORY OF MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Emily Janak	573-1874
Altar Society	Stella Silva	550-0387
Baptism Prep.	Diana Starnes	550-9533
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Vacation Bible School	Marie Immenhauser	572-3863
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Festival Committee Chairs	Kevin & Joan Pfister	576-9638
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Liturgical Ministers	Deacon Jim Koenig	935-3811
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RCIA	Sr. Frances Cabrini	573-5304
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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

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.

- Tues., Jan 31, 2017--Confirmation, ch., 9-Prayer and the life of the Spirit.
- Tues., Feb. 7, 2017 - Life issues.
- Tues., Feb. 14, 2017 - The Creed (Richard Evans)

Senior Social: Court St. Ann #369 and Knights of Columbus Council #1329 invite all members and guest to an afternoon of fellowship and fun at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Tuesday Jan 31 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Bring your cards, dominos, games or just come to visit. Refreshments will be served.

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-
 *2-12-17 ST. MARY'S FESTIVAL***

Two weeks to go until the St Mary's Church festival on Feb 12, 2017. Looking forward to a great day of food, fun and visiting. Please consider a donation to the live or silent auction. Items are being accepted at the church office during regular business hours. Please contact Maggie Schaar if you have questions. 212-2452

Jewelry -- Check your jewelry box for your donations to the Jewelry Booth. Bring in your donations as soon as possible, or at least by the Wed. Feb. 8. Call Rose Curtis at 578-6230
 Workers are needed for the following booths
 Jewelry Booth, call Rose Curtis 578-6230

Preparing the plates to go call Jackie Marek at 652-1131 or if you would like to volunteer call Joan at 676-0439 or the office at 573-4328.

**Victoria Gabriel Project -Workshop & Training!
 Fellowship, Learning, & Discerning!**

When: Saturday, February 11 **What Time:** 9:00 am til 3:00
Where: GP Office, 101 W. Convent, Victoria, TX **Light Breakfast & Lunch served! Materials Provided! No Charge!**

For more information contact:
 Gilda Miller (361) 550-5092 Gilda.miller4@yahoo.com
Please RSVP by: Wednesday, February 8

JUST A REMINDER!!!

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month!

Next Meeting Tuesday, February 14 from 6:30-til ?
 101 W. Convent St., Victoria, TX Lite Supper provided!

We would love to share this "awesome ministry" with you! Come learn and discern!!

Adult Confirmation Course: The Power of Christian Witness

The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory will be offering an **Adult Confirmation Course** this **January – February**. This is a class for adult Catholics in the Victoria deanery who have received religious education, either in a Catholic school or through CCD classes, but need the final preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Course is a 5- week commitment. **The class dates are: Tuesdays, January 31 and February 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 6:30 – 8:45 p.m.** Registration forms are available in the parish office or by emailing Jenny Vincent at jvincent@olvcathedral.org. The **Confirmation Mass** will be held on **Thursday, February 23**, at 6:00 p.m. in the Cathedral.

Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day 2017: The Diocese of Victoria will be participating in the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day, on April 4, 2017 at the Texas Capitol in Austin. Participants from the Diocese of Victoria will join with thousands of Catholics, from the 15 dioceses in Texas, to advocate for policies promoting life, justice, charity, and religious freedom

and to educate our legislators and other state leaders in a better understanding about what we believe as Catholics. A select group of volunteers will also be prepared to visit with the elected state legislators who represent the ten counties of the Diocese of Victoria. If you are interested in participating, call Father Gary Janak, Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, at 361-573-0828, email: chancellor@victoriadiocese.org or visit our website at: <https://victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day> for more information.

Your are invited to Bloomington, Knights of Columbus #10751 Super Bowl Sunday, Feb 5, chicken Barbecue plate \$9.00, 1/2 chicken with trimmings -potato salad, beans, cake or whole BBQ chicken \$9.00 starting at 9 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church, Bloomington for orders on Sunday call Parish Hall 897-1398, Thomas Pribyl (512)657-1795 pribatc@aol.com

Holy Family Altar Society will host a Games Party in the Holy Family Activity Center, 704 Mallette Drive on February 16, from 6 to 9:00 p.m. Admission is \$ 7.00 per person. There will be door prizes, food, a raffle and a silent auction. For reservations, call: Margaret Beekler 575-4997, Betty Frederick 573-5850, Raunda Janssen 576-3739.



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LECTORS

Saturday, Feb. 4
 5:00 p.m. Emily Janak
Sunday, Feb. 5
 8:00 a.m. Diana Pagel
 10:30 a.m. David Janca

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, Feb. 4
 5:00 p.m. Mary Ann Innocenti, Richard & Karen Evans
Sunday, Feb. 5
 8:00 a.m. Libby Ramirez, David & Beatriz Johnson
 10:30 a.m. Cynthia Brewer, Heather Zamykal, Dee Garza

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, Feb. 4
 5:00 p.m. Tyler & Tanner Coleman
Sunday, Feb. 5
 8:00 a.m. Mariah, Alexa, & Gianna Morris
 10:30 a.m. Jason Hernandez, Zackary Zamykal, Ethan Elliott

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, Feb. 4
 5:00 p.m. Denise Gainer, Frank Smolka, Bobby & Barbara Baca
Sunday, Feb. 5
 8:00 a.m. Roy Jurica, Paul Janacek, Stella Silva, Adolph Hernandez
 10:30 a.m. Dennis & Linda Lala, Greg Brewer, Carolyn McConnell

PARISH CHOIR: regular practice after the 8:00 am Sunday Mass, 9:15-9:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Church. **Choir practice for Lent & Easter services. Thursdays 5:30pm to 7:00pm In the church choir loft**

QUILT AND CRAFT CORNER will meet on Thursday, February 2 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex.

Altar Care for February will be - Margaret Clegg & Deborah Brugo

The Diocese of Victoria has an opening for a Human Resources Director. A degree in HR Management is preferred or related experience. Position reports to the CFO. For qualifications, job description, and application, visit: www.victoriadiocese.org. The closing date to apply is January 31.

CCD Class Time: 6:00 – 7:15 pm February 8, 15, 22

2016 Contributions statements are available at the Church Office. Please call 573-4328 to request a statement or come by to obtain yours.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 28, Saint Thomas Aquinas

7:00 †Val Huvar
 5:00 †Alma Jecker Williams

Sunday, January 29, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 †Jody Grabenstein (ANNIV)
 10:30 People of the Parish

Monday, January 30

6:30 †Anthony Innocenti
 12:05 †Deacon A. R. Wearden - Debra Hampton

Tuesday, January 31, Saint John Bosco

6:30 †May Moscatelli
 12:05 †Josie Ancira

Wednesday, February 1

6:30 †Irma Innocenti
 12:05 Joe & Joyce Morris Wedding Anniversary

Thursday, February 2, The Presentation of the Lord

6:30 †Irma Innocenti
 12:05 †Antonina M. Cruz

Friday, February 3

6:30 †James Innocenti
 12:05 †Katie Pagel & Jacob

Saturday, February 4

7:00 †Simon Villarreal
 5:00 Special Intention for our Country

Sunday, February 5, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 †Elvira Buss
 10:30 People of the Parish

St. Joseph High School Family Festival * January 29, 2017 *

Victoria Community Center * Doors Open 10:30 am * Lunch 12-2 p.m. \$10/plate includes grilled chicken & sausage, German potatoes, and green beans catered by Mike Pozzi. (To Go Plates available at 11 am). * Featuring presentation at 11 am by Fr. Leo Patalinghug "The Cooking Priest" * Live and Silent Auction * Raffle * Cooking competition to be judged by Fr. Leo at 2 pm

Fr. Gabriel Bentil is the Spiritual Director for a
12 DAY SHRINES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE
 Assisi- Loreto- Laciniao- San Giovanni Rotondo
 Monte Cassino- Santa Filomena – Rome
 June 5-16-2017
 \$3890.00 per person
 Please contact Joyce Lehnert at 361-286-3784,
 lenhart@tisd.net or Paul Mazoch at 361-677-9557 for
 more information

Help is need for about from 9:00 to 10:30 on Wed. morning getting patients from their rooms to the chapel and back for Mass or a Prayer & Communion Service. Call the office at 573-4328 for more information.