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### Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00 p.m. - Saturday Vigil • 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. - Sunday 12:00 p.m. - Sunday Spanish Mass

### St. Rose School Office

Rosanne Gallia – Principal Jeannie Mican – Administrative Assistant

### **Pastoral Council**

Royce Shimek, President

### **School Advisory Council**

Natalie Mechura

### **Sacrament of Confession**

4:30 p.m. Saturday or by appointment.

### Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment. Parents must be registered members in the parish. Instruction for parents and godparents is required.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Parties should contact the parish office Course.

### **Financial Advisory Council**

Jonathan Kalich, President

### St. Rose CCD

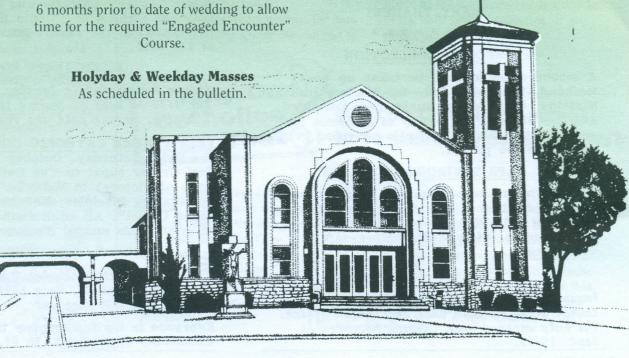
Grades 1-8 - Nicole Michalke Grades 9-11 - Lynne Machac

### Newcomers

Welcome to all new parishioners. Please come by or call the parish office to register.

### **Bulletin Deadline**

Monday - 5:00 p.m.



### From the Pastor's Desk

Jesus would be the last to suggest confusion and disorder in our services of worship, but He would also be the first to encourage responses of the heart to the Word of God.

This is what He meant when He accused the Pharisees of killing the Spirit with the words: "These people honor me with their lips but their hearts are far from me." The Pharisees certainly did not start out that way.

Washing of the hands in a ritual manner was a sign of cleanliness and preparation for the blessings of food which God had provided. But somewhere along the line of hundreds of years of this practice, the task became more important than the thanksgiving and it became an empty tradition carried on just for the sake of tradition.

Traditions govern almost every part of our lives and, by themselves, traditions are a wonderful tie to the gifts of those who have gone before us. That is, unless the traditions have become more important than the truths or the people they were originally designed to serve.



LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: \$7,766.96.

MANY THANKS! \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

### SECOND COLLECTION

A second collection will be taken up next weekend, September 8/9, for Black & Indian Missions, Catholic Communications Campaign, and the Catholic University of America. An envelope for this collection is provided in your envelope packet.

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASS

A Safe Environment Class will be given on Monday, September 10, in the Family Life Center at 5:15 PM. Pre-registration is required online--victoriadiocese.org-safe environment.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Anyone wishing to donate flowers for the church altar, please call the Parish Office. The only weekend open through November is Sept. 15/16.



LABOR DAY...not only marks the conclusion of summer, but also celebrates the goodness of work and the blessings of labor.

Labor Day is a national holiday. The Parish Office will be closed on Mon-

day, and Mass for the day will be at 8:10 AM. Drive safely!

### CCD

CCD Classes will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 5, for Grades 1-11, at 7:00 PM.

High School CCD is in need of teacher aides. If interested in helping, please call Lynne Machac (561-6702) or the Parish Office.

Elementary CCD Program could still use one more teacher and three more teachers' aides. The aides help out in the classroom by taking attendance, handling paperwork and discipline as needed, and just assisting the teacher however needed. Aides are not asked to do any teaching duties.

### RCIA

What is the RCIA? The initials RCIA refer to the process and ceremonies by which adults are brought into full union with Christ and the community of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

Who can participate? 1) Any person who has never been baptized in any faith and wishes to explore the Catholic faith. 2) Any baptized non-Catholic who wishes to explore the Catholic faith. 3) Any baptized Catholic who has never completed his or her initiation through the Sacraments of Confirmation or Holy Eucharist. 4) Any Catholic who has been away from the Church and would like to re-educate themselves in the faith. Call the Parish Office at 743-3117.

### ROSARY LEADER NEEDED

Anyone interested in leading the Rosary at the 7:30 AM Mass on Sunday (third Sunday once a month), please call the Parish Office.

31ST ANNUAL CATHOLIC CONFERENCE: Save the Date--Saturday, October 20, at the Cathedral Center (next to The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory) in Victoria. The theme is "Missionary Disciples: Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ". All adult Catholics are invited to attend this annual diocesan conference.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Rose 1597 for their donation to the CCD Program.

Everyone is invited to pray the Rosary on Wednesday at 8:30 AM, in St. Rose Church.

AMOR MEUS SPIRITUALITY CENTER is offering a One-Day Silent Retreat - "New Beginnings: Gifts in Every Day Life" - Sept. 15, from 9:30 AM-3:30 PM. This silent retreat includes short presentations by Sister Frances Cabrini, IWBS on the retreat topic followed by time to pray and reflect in the chapel or the convent grounds enjoying the beauty of God's creation. The day concludes with group discussion on the retreat experience. Participants may purchase a \$5.00 box lunch or bring your own food. Drinks and snacks are provided. An offering of \$20 or more is suggested. This retreat will be held at Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N.E. Water St., Victoria. For more information or to register for this retreat, call Sister Emilie Eilers, IWBS (361-575-7111). People of all faith traditions are welcome.

### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Cara Seay, Bruce Gillings, Diane Ritchie, Alice Jochen, Martha Huebner, Connor Machicek, Doris Anders, LeeRoy Nelson, Keith Beyer, Leo Ernstes, Scott Spence, David Taylor, Walter Ripper, Ernie Mensik, James Kubecka, Luke Friedel, Adela Grahmann, Lois Demel, Pete Stavinoha, Evelyn Meyer, Margaret Pavlicek, Esther Raabe, Julia Dach, Guadalupe DeJesus, Bruce Treybig, Evelyn Ripper, Pat Christ, ill priests of the Diocese, and those in nursing homes and the homebound.

## DYNAMIC CATHOLIC IS COMING TO THE DIOCESE OF VICTORIA!

Jonathan Fanning with Dynamic Catholic will present "Find Your Greatness - Four Habits that will Transform your Life" at Holy Family Catholic Church in Victoria - Saturday, September 15, from 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM. Cost of this event is \$25 and tickets may be purchased online at DynamicCatholic.com or by calling 1-859-980-7900. In addition to hearing a life-changing talk, all attendees will receive a hardcover copy of a Dynamic Catholic Book (valued at \$25), a CD copy of "The Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality (valued at \$10), and an inspirational journal (valued at \$12).

# Masses of the Week

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

8:10 AM Father Peter Tran Cong Muc

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

6:00 PM Ellen Holub - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 5-6 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

6:00 PM Mark Anderle

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

8:10 AM Thomas Demel

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

6:00 PM Rudolph & Ida Ohnheiser & Ludwig Veselka & Mary Korenek

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

5:00 PM Johnnie Holub & Robert Merta

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7:30 AM Henry & Josie Hercik

10:00 AM Rita Brossmann

12:00 PM Pedro Mora - Spanish Mass

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### GIFT BEARERS

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SEPT. 8 5:00 PM - Wayne & Donna Holub SEPT. 9 7:30 AM - Harvey & Rita Hercik 10:00 AM - James Brossmann Family



Flowers on the altar today are given for the deceased members of the Mensik Family by Helen Ohnheiser.

CDA, COURT ST. ROSE 1597 will meet on Monday, September 3--6:30 PM Social and 7:00 PM Meeting in the St. Rose Family Life Center Meeting Room. Hostesses: Chairperson-Anna M. Huebner, Michele James, Sharon Johnson, Karey Ann Kalich, Peggy Kalich, and Kathy Kleiber.

The Schulenburg Area Food Pantry is open to all Schulenburg residents in need of supplemental food. Pantry is open every Thursday from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, at 304 East Avenue.

### ST. ROSE MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK AHEAD - 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

	SATURDAY September 8 5:00 P.M	SUNDAY September 9 7:30 A.M.	SUNDAY September 9 10:00 A.M.
ROSARY LEADERS	Kenneth Miksch	Ted & Gloria Kolek	Jerome & Charlene Kolenovsky
LECTORS	Ann Florus	Eamon McCourt	Chris Hooper
ЕМОНС	Kenneth Miksch	Mike Bonner	Dee Ann Hooper
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# One Minute Meditations

St. John Chrysostom
St. John received his

name "Chrysostom"

("goldenmouthed") for
his eloquent
homilies.
Born in Antioch

around 349 A.D. and raised by a devoutly Christian mother, he wanted to be a monk, but was ordained a priest instead. He later became Bishop of Constantinople. His calls for reform of the wealthy and his criticism of the powerful and corrupt earned him exile. He was known for his personal holiness, faithful teaching of the Gospel, and generosity to the poor.

### Take the long view

Our nature urges us toward satisfaction now, but we often learn the necessity of taking the long view. For example, saving means financial security later in life. Our faithfulness to God now will lead us to great reward later.

"For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" (2 Corinthians 5:1).

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# Find joy in Church

Worship is God's idea. He intends our connection to him to be joyful and exhilarating. Yet, when our worship in church becomes routine, we can lose the sense of joy. Try these ideas to recapture the fun in faith and worship.

Mass is a celebration when Heaven and Earth meet. Approach each Mass as you would any great occasion. Dress your best. Imagine the other guests who will be there. Anticipate the food you will receive – food no one else can serve. Fast for an hour before to whet your appetite.

"And I commend enjoyment, for man has no good thing under the sun but to eat and drink and enjoy himself ..." (Ecclesiastes 8:15). Greet your neighbors warmly. Laugh at the priest's jokes during the homily. Smile at the cute altar servers. Sing loudly and with vigor.

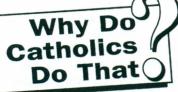
Volunteer for a parish ministry.

Working with others toward the common goal of serving
Our Lord is rewarding and can be just plain fun. Laughing and joking with

joking with
others on a
team while using
our talents to serve
others builds up the
Church.

Find out who needs you. There are few

better ways to feel loved than to joyfully give love first. Call the parish office to see if anyone needs a ride to Mass, help getting groceries, or just needs prayers.



# Why do Catholic Churches have stained glass windows?

In the days of the early Church, most church goers couldn't read, so the images were teaching tools. They told stories of Christ's life or of the saints. Today, these beautiful windows inspire us to reflect on our own faith.



Stained glass windows also remind us that we are in no ordinary building. Here, "the truth and the harmony of the signs ... should show Christ to be present and active in this place" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1181).

## Giving from a grateful heart

In Old Testament times, a faithful farmer gave the first of his harvest to the temple for God's use. He understood that it was through God's blessing that he had a harvest at all. We, too, can give to God from our grateful hearts.

Give God the first, best moments. Many of us rush through our day from the moment we open our eyes. We forget that it is by God's grace that we are even able to see a new day. Instead, give the first moments of the day to God in prayer.

Pay God first. Most of us pay pressing bills first – housing, food, insurance – and give to the Church from what is left. Then we grumble when our parish fundraises to meet its needs. Yet all we have is through God's blessing in the first place. In fact, if we each give to the Sunday collection for God's use a first portion of our income – the Biblical 10%, for example – all our important needs will be met.

# from Scripture

### Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48, The discipline of discipleship

In this Gospel passage, the disciples hear of an unknown man who healed in Jesus' name. In their jealousy, it seemed the disciples were more concerned about losing the spotlight than in healing. Jesus put things into perspective. The man had the same goal as the disciples – to build up God's Kingdom.

They gained a teammate, not an enemy.

Discipleship means making a change of heart and mind. Jesus was very clear: if we choose to follow him, we can't foster private sins, too. If, through those sins, we lead others into sin, our responsibility is doubled.

These are grim words, but the opposite is great news: "Whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of

heaven" (Matthew 5:19).

God rewards us for the good we do to and for others. Our example is powerfully influential.

Being a faithful disciple isn't easy. Rooting out personal sin and setting a good example is difficult, but we're not alone or without grace to do the job. No matter what we sacrifice, the reward is infinitely better.

# Feasts & \* © Celebrations

Sept. 3 – Pope St. Gregory the Great (604). St. Gregory resigned as chief prefect of Rome to become a monk and turned the family estate into the Abbey of St. Andrew. As Pope, he used his political skill to make peace with the invading Lombards, save Rome from famine, and restore order within the Church itself.

Sept. 8 -- The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1st century). Tradition says Mary was born in Jerusalem after her mother, Anna, and her father, Joachim, had been married

more than twenty years without children. Mary's birth brought her parents joy, and we are joyful too – because Mary brings salvation to all of us with the birth of Jesus.

Sept. 23 – St. Padre Pio (1968).
Born to farmers in southern Italy,
Padre Pio was an inspiring confessor
and counselor. He received the five
wounds of Our Lord's Passion
(stigmata) eight years
after he became a
Capuchin Friar.
Despite intense
personal and
physical suffering,
he remained
dedicated to prayer.

# What can wefind in everyCatholic church?

Each Catholic church is decorated differently, but some elements stay the same. Here are a few items you can find in every Catholic church.

Crucifix: One of the defining features of a Catholic church is the presence of a crucifix – a cross with Christ's body on it. The crucifix reminds us of Christ's

saving sacrifice, made mysteriously present again at Mass, and of God's infinite love for us.

Baptismal fonts: Blessing ourselves with holy water recalls our own baptism, which washed us of Original Sin and made us members of the Church. In blessing ourselves, we renew our baptismal promise.

Statues of Saints: Having statues and images of the saints in church helps us recall their examples of heroic virtue and faithful love for God. In honoring them, we honor God who created them.

Tabernacle: Every Catholic church has a tabernacle – a box that contains the Eucharist (look for the red candle to show it is occupied). Here Jesus, really present in the Eucharist, waits for us to visit him.

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