St. Mary’s Catholic Church

1648 FM 340
Hallettsville, Texas 77964-5862
St. Mary’s Rectory: 798-2128
Sacred Heart Rectory: 798-5888

MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday: 9:15 a.m.
First Friday: 7:00 p.m.

MARRIAGES
Consult the Pastor six (6) months in advance before making any plans or decisions.

NEW PARISHIONERS
Welcome to our parish family.
Please stop by the rectory or call to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
First Friday: 6:30 p.m.
Any time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Please call the rectory.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
CCD – Every Wednesday from 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.
Contact: Amy Shimek (772-5224)

WEBSITES
Cemetery: www.victoriadiocese.org
(Click on “Catholic Cemeteries”)
Safe Environment: www.victoriadiocese.org
(Click on “Safe Environment Program,” then on “eAppsDB”)

PASTOR
REV. MSGR. JOHN C. PETERS V.G.

PAROCHIAL VICAR
Rev. Barnabas Kyeah

DEACON
Joseph (Joey) Targac

ST. MARY’S HALL RENTAL
Judy Opela (798-2738)

PARISH BUILDING COMMITTEE
Leon Etzler, Raymond Janak, Francis Klekar, Leon Smirak, Richard Sommerlatte, & Al Svetlik, Jr.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL
Joyce Janak, Blasé Konvicka, Jr., Jerome Pesek, Pat Pesek, & Larry Svetlik

CEMETERY
Miranda Henke (798-3731)

EWTN
Cable Channel 71 or Dish Channel 261
Mass Intentions:

Sunday, March 6 — Fourth Sunday of Lent
9:15 am – In Memory of Ignatz and Ludmilla Kahanek

Sunday, March 13 — Fifth Sunday of Lent
9:15 am – Anton Bujnoch, Sr.

Sunday, March 20 — Palm Sunday
9:15 am – In Memory of Joseph D. & Mildred Janak

Friday, March 25 — Good Friday
3:00 p.m. – Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion; Veneration of the Cross; Communion

Sunday, March 27 — Easter Sunday
9:15 am – Jimmie V. Smolik

Friday, April 1 — First Friday
7:00 p.m. – Annie and Angela Hermes

Sunday, April 3 — Second Sunday of Easter
9:15 Mass – Living and Deceased Members of KJT District 3

Stations of the Cross
6:30 pm – Every Friday during Lent

Confessions
Saturday, March 19 — 10:00 a.m.

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Thank you to all who have expressed your concern and especially prayed for me during my recent illness. I should be back to my old self after the weekend. The staff at Lavaca Medical Center was great.

This is the Year of Mercy. A very important part of this year is to repent of our sins and ask God’s Mercy. On Friday, March 11, we will have confessions from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. & 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; Many parishes did this last week at that particular time as part of a Diocesan wide service. We will also begin having confessions for Lent beginning with our Penance Service on Tuesday, March 15 at 5:30 p.m.

We are looking at several short and long range projects for the Parish. Our next big project is working with a road for the new section of the cemetery and the Parish Hall. The new section of the cemetery has been fenced in and leveled off. It is in the process of being surveyed. We will be putting a gravel road beginning at the private road going through our property to the cemetery and also veering off to the hall for drive throughs for picnic and other activities. This will also provide safety by having cars wait inside the property instead of along the road.

New outdoor carpet will be replaced where needed around the Church. Also we are checking into some grass and a sprinkling system on the side of the church by the Sacristy. The building committee is looking into some other things as time goes on. We’ll keep you posted.

Promise of Marriage

Lauren Steffek and Tyler Werner Warner on March 12.

Nativity Pilgrimage — Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus — A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land — 10 Days — May 2-11, 2016,

Spiritual Director: Rev. Barnabas Kyeah. St. John the Baptist, St. Mary’s, Ascension of our Lord, and Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Hallettsville, Texas. $3,099 per person, Round Trip from Houston, Texas. (Includes First class Hotels, Double Occupancy, 2 Meals a day, Breakfast and Dinner, Daily Sightseeing, Daily Mass, Airport Taxes, and Fuel Surcharges). Registration forms can be located in the back of the Churches, or you can contact Rev. Barnabas Kyeah at the Church Rectory—798-5888.

Victoria Gabriel Project

An Outreach Ministry Helping a Mother in a Crisis Pregnancy and Protecting the Dignity of Life “An Alternative to Abortion!” Help support this much needed Outreach! Check us out on Facebook.

AMOR MEUS SPIRITUALITY CENTER -
Solemn Lenten Vespers — March 6, 13, and 20. 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. AMOR MEUS SPIRITUALITY CENTER: 1101 N. Water Street-361-575-7111-email – amormeus@yahoo.com - www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org

Best Lent Ever Program

DynamicCatholic.com announces its Best Lent Ever program, based on Matthew Kelly’s new bestseller Rediscover Jesus. It is available to every parish and every parishioner, at no cost, and it is the perfect opportunity for all parishes and dioceses to experience a transformative Lent. Here is how it works:

Parishioners are encouraged to sign up at DynamicCatholic.com. Participants receive daily emails with a short video from Matthew Kelly and a member of the team who guides them through the 40 chapters in Rediscover Jesus. Parishioners discover simple ways to bring Jesus into their everyday lives, leading to a more personal relationship with Jesus and their best Lent ever.

Visit DynamicCatholic.com/BestLentEver to find bulletin announcements, email templates, enewsletter templates and more or call Claire Darnell at 859-980-7384 or Claire@DynamicCatholic.com.

Confirmation Meeting

Meeting in Church for Confirmandi, parents, and sponsors, on Sunday, March 6, 2016, after 9:15 a.m. Mass at St. Mary’s. This meeting is mandatory in preparation for the nine Confirmandi.

Confirmation at St. Mary’s is on Sunday, May 29, 2016.

**Income:**
- Sunday’s Collections: $4,096.00
- Children’s Collections: $75.75
- Hall Rental: $350.00
- Bulletin Sponsor: $50.00
- Memorials: $225.00
- Aid to Church in Europe: $350.00
- Rice Bowl: $441.35

**Total Income:** $5,533.10

**Expenses:**
- Hall: $569.99
- Utilities: $1,204.35
- Church: $210.50
- Maintenance: $150.00
- Administration: $357.00
- Medical Insurance: $406.00
- Office: $330.51
- Diocese of Victoria (Disaster Fund): $254.00
- Diocese of Victoria (Church in Latin America): $28.00
- Cemetery Fence: $184.07
- Donation to Fire Department: $95.00

**Total Expenses:** $3,789.42

**Beginning Balance:** $60,701.64

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**Balance:**
- **Beginning Balance:** $60,701.64
- **Income:** $5,533.10
- **Expense:** $3,789.42
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**Building Fund February:**
- **Beginning Balance:** $62,445.32
- **Income:** $5,533.10
- **Expense:** $3,789.42
- **Balance:** $62,445.32

### MEMORIALS

**St. Mary’s Altar Society**
- In Memory of Lillie Sitka: Dr. Harvey & Karen Renger-$25; Mildred Dworsky-$30

**In Memory of Henry Kostelnik, Sr.:**
- James Matula Jr. & Carol Hilscher-$20; James & Barbara Matula-$40

**St. Mary’s Memorial**
- In Memory of Lillie Sitka: Amanda & James A. Orsak-$20

**St. Mary’s Cemetery**
- In Memory of Henry Kostelnik, Sr.: Dr. Harvey & Karen Renger-$20; Douglas W. & Tena Steffek, Joseph & Dorothy Schneider-$20
- In Memory of Lillie Sitka: Gib & Carol Morisak-$25

### Lenten Day of Reflection and Adoration

“if then my people, upon whom my name is pronounced, humble themselves and pray, and seek my face and turn from their evil ways, I will hear them from heaven and pardon their sins and heal their land.” 2 Chronicles 7:14

**Saturday, March 19, 2016**

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<td>Confession, Mass, Adoration, Stations, Rosary, Divine Mercy</td>
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Please join us, for a day of reflection during Lent, as we pray for our families and our nation. This will be a silent retreat and a day of fasting. Bread and water will be provided.

For more information, please call:

Lorrie Adamek @ 293-1300

### SOUTH TEXAS POLKA & SAUSAGE FEST

**The South Texas Polk and Sausage Fest** will be held March 18 – 20, 2016, at the Hallettsville KC Hall. Great Music, Good Food and Happy Times. No other place to be! Dance: $10 per person per day.

**Friday** – Czechaholics and The Moravians – 6:00-11:00 p.m.; Fish Fry Meal $9 – 5:00-7:00 p.m.

**Saturday** – Dukja Brothers & Jodie Mikula, 5:00-11:00 p.m.; Polka Mass – 3:00 p.m.; Meal starting at 4:00 p.m. until end.

**Sunday** – Shiner Hobos 11:00 – 1:00 p.m.; Red Ravens, Leo Majek & Ennis Czech Boys – 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.; Concert 4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Meal:** Fried Chicken, Sausage, Sauerkraut, Potatoes & Kolaches. Serving starting at 10:30 a.m. Chicken Noodle Soup available Saturday and Sunday!

**KJT District III Meeting** – Sunday, April 3. Mass at St. Mary’s at 9:15 a.m. Activity and Meal to follow at St. Mary’s Hall. All Members are encouraged to attend. All Members are asked to bring a dessert.

### AREA CHURCH EVENTS

**St. Joseph Catholic Church--Inez**

St. Joseph CDA Games Party - Sunday March 13, 2016 from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. @ St Joseph’s Parish Hall in Inez Donation $8.00 per person. Bring your players and games, Door Prizes, Raffle & Take a Chance, Dinner of Chicken Spaghetti, Salad & Rolls, Tea & Coffee will be served. Sponsored by: Inez Catholic Daughters Court of St. Joseph, Protector Of Mary – Court # 2475. Reservations Required - Please Contact: Kathy Prukop 361-575-3559 Donna DeBault 361-935-3890, or Karen Franz 361-573-9029/361-550-5183
**ST. MARY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE**  
March 6, 2016 through April 3, 2016

**Sunday, March 5, 2016  9:15 a.m.**

**Altar Servers**: Adam Hermes; Ryan Hermes; Kaitlyn Rother, Allexus Mizera  
**Cantor**: Ruth Rouse  
**Lector**: Joshua Blaschke  
**Extraordinary Ministers**: Edward Pustka, Sandra Pustka, Tony Bludau, Joyce Bludau  
**Rosary Leader**: Joyce Janak  
**Offertory Gift Bearers**: Scott & Diane Blaschke Family  
**Ushers**: Roman Henke, Robert Pustka, Gilbert Urbish, Charles Grafe  
**Church Cleaners**: Sharon Henricks, Lisa Matula, Laura Ulcak

**Sunday, March 13, 2016  9:15 a.m.**

**Altar Servers**: Emilie Mudd, Ryan Mudd, Wyatt Mudd, Derek Konvicka  
**Cantor**: St. Mary's Choir and Lucille Klekar  
**Lector**: Dorothy Schneider  
**Extraordinary Ministers**: Carol Rother, Pat Mladenka, Pat Pesek, Vivian Mozisek  
**Rosary Leader**: Dorothy Schneider  
**Offertory Gift Bearers**: Anton Bujnoch Family Members  
**Ushers**: Leon Matula, Al Svetlik, Francis Klekar, Sidney Jasek  
**Church Cleaners**: Barbara Matula, Monica Matula, Susan Bujnoch

**Sunday, March 20, 2016  9:15 a.m.**

**Palm Sunday**  
**Cantor**: Laurence Bludau  
**Lector**: Martha Horecka and Joshua Blaschke  
**Extraordinary Ministers**: Dedie Dobbs, Trina Bludau, Richard Sommerlatte, Scott Sommerlatte  
**Rosary Leader**: Sandy Konvicka  
**Offertory Gift Bearers**: Melvin & Sybil Janak Family  
**Ushers**: Eugene Gillar, Robert Sciba, Bernard Patek, Richard Sommerlatte  
**Church Cleaners**: Vivian Mozisek, Rita Migl, Edna Wehman

**Sunday, March 25, 2016  3:00 p.m.**

**Good Friday**  
**Altar Servers**: Derek Konvicka, Kevin Konvicka, Allexus Mizera, Josh Bludau  
**Cantor**: Ruth Rouse  
**Lector**: Pat Mladenka & Joshua Blaschke  
**Extraordinary Ministers**: Joyce Bludau, Vivian Mozisek  
**Rosary Leader**:  
**Offertory Gift Bearers**:  
**Ushers**: Francis Klekar, Sidney Jasek  
**Church Cleaners**:  

**Sunday, March 27, 2016  9:15 a.m.**

**Easter Sunday**  
**Altar Servers**: Clay Rother, Blake Rother, Ty Gerke, Layne Gerke  
**Cantor**: Richard Rouse  
**Lector**: Daniel Matula  
**Extraordinary Ministers**: Leon Etzler, Nancy Etzler, Bev Hrncir, Billy Hrncir  
**Rosary Leader**: Ruth Rouse  
**Offertory Gift Bearers**: Jimmie V. Smolik Family Members  
**Ushers**: Stanley Orsak, Scott Blaschke, Gilbert Mozisek, Marvin Bujnoch  
**Church Cleaners**: Doris Mixon, Barbara Janak, Martha Horecka

**Sunday, April 3, 2016  9:15 a.m.**

**Altar Servers**: Michael Perdziak, Robbie Perdziak, Jacob Janak, Jules Janak  
**Cantor**: Laurence Bludau  
**Lector**: Dedie Dobbs  
**Extraordinary Ministers**: Anthony Bludau, Joyce Bludau, Edward Pustka, Sandra Pustka  
**Rosary Leader**: Lucille Klekar  
**Offertory Gift Bearers**: KJT District #3 Members  
**Ushers**: Roman Henke, Robert Pustka, Gilbert Urbish, Charles Grafe  
**Church Cleaners**: Rosalie Tobola, Glenda Tobola, Mary Jo Bludau

***If you are unable to serve your Ministry, you are responsible for finding another person to take your place.***