

# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 26, 2019

## Mass Intentions

<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Santos & Fabian Ramirez
	10 A.M.	Harrel, Larry & Gary Knape
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Larry & Rose Bishop
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Sam Elizondo
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Myron Patek
	10 A.M.	In Thanksgiving
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	In Thanksgiving
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Deceased Members of the Val Honc Family
	9 A.M.	Parish Family <i>Pro Populo</i>
	11 A.M.	Selene Ramirez

## Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Joseph & Annie Bolech.

## Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or  
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

## This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

## Your Gift to God: May 19<sup>th</sup>

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$4,044
Online Giving Parish Support	\$710
Building Fund	\$21
Online Building Fund Support	\$25
Special Collection ( <i>Retired Priests Fund</i> )	\$605
St. Ann Parish Support	\$378
Online Giving	\$160
Building Fund	\$50
Special Collection ( <i>Retired Priests Fund</i> )	\$70

*May God reward your generosity!*

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:00 – 6:30 P.M.

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.

## Holiday: Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>  
in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

## Liturgical Assignments

### Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Carol Bade
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Rose Mary Havlik
	9 A.M.	Bob Arlitt
	11 A.M.	Carolina Caballero

### Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie & Carolyn Hoepfl
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Kristopher & Tracy Schultz Family

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Carolyn Janak, Gloria Lerma, Wanda Zabransky
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	David & Jo Ann Muehlstein, Blaise Dreitner
<i>Sun.</i>	11 A.M.	Virginia Amaro, Annie Rodriguez, Heriberto Castillo

### Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Bobby & Gladys Jiral, Henry Janak, Rhonda Hansel
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Tom Chilek, Al Janak
	9 A.M.	Dennis & Dolores Sestak, Sherri Spaeth, Katherine Jendrzey
	11 A.M.	Raquel Gomez, Alice Nunez, Guillermo & Maria Vigna

### Altar Servers

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Sophie & Ben Jahn, Chase Heller
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Hunter Mischer, Zachary Raz
	9 A.M.	Brittany & Trevor Moreno, Gage Harrison
	11 A.M.	Erick & Gael Castillo, Joel Gomez

## As Summer Vacation Days

### Draw Near

With the school year coming to its close and summer vacation days draw near, just a reminder to all who are involved with assisting at our liturgies: please make use of the Ministry Scheduler Program (accessible at [www.stj catholicchurch.com](http://www.stj catholicchurch.com)) so as to secure replacement substitutes when away from the parish family. If for some reason you are having difficulty with accessing the program, call the parish office so that hopefully the problem can be addressed.

## Feast of the Ascension

Just as a reminder...the Feast of the Ascension is transferred to the Sunday following the traditional Thursday--which is next Sunday.

## Draw Closer to Jesus Through Mary

Join us for a **33 Days to Morning Glory** group retreat beginning **Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 P.M.** at the St. Joseph Family Center Meeting Room. The retreat will conclude with the Marian Consecration on June 29<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. During the retreat, we will be reading the book, **33 Days to Morning Glory** by Father Michael Gaitley. Cost of retreat supplies- \$15. Contact Joyce Harper at 361-798-6325 or Joan Macha at 361-293-1371 for more information.

## Ven y Sígueme: Primer curso al discipulado Vengan y aprenden más sobre su fe Católica.

❖ Desarrollo de Liderazgo - 8 de junio

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Para más información:

Heriberto Castillo: 361-208-5014

## Teen ACTS Retreat July 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

Applications for the Teen ACTS Retreat being held July 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> are available at the entrances of the church. Retreat eligibility is limited to high school students who are at least 14 years old AND have completed their freshman year up to high school seniors graduating this May.

## St. Ann Fundraiser Update

With additional funds and donations contributed, the "Shades of St. Ann" fundraiser now totals \$15,871.00.

*"Peace I leave with you;  
my peace I give to you"*

## PTC Scholarship

The St. Joseph School PTC proudly announces that Ryan Brewer is the recipient of the 2019 PTC Alumni Scholarship Award. Congratulations, Ryan!

## Thank You!

Many thanks to the parents and family members who helped organize and provide the Breakfast for our 2019 Graduating Seniors. We were blessed to have 25 Seniors in attendance. Thanks goes to Julia Prasek, Deborah Guerrero, Lisa Lorke, April Rice and Debbie Villa.

## Retrouvaille Marriage Healing Weekend

**Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."**

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. **Retrouvaille** provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises For more information about the Victoria August 2-4, 2019 Retrouvaille Weekend, contact John or Jennifer Vincent (361) 580-2770 or email: jbvjov@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at **HelpOurMarriage.org**

## Memorial Day Prayer

Gracious God,

On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace. In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe.

We ask this through your name. Amen.

- Author Unknown

**Diocese of Victoria  
13<sup>th</sup> Annual Vocation Camp**

***QUO VADIS?***

*Discerning your call from God is not easy.  
It takes time. Time in prayer, in discussion  
with others and in spiritual reflection.*

**Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> thru July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019**

**Camp Kubena  
Near La Grange, Texas**

**Cost is \$75.00**

Sponsored by the Office of Vocations,  
Diocese of Victoria.

Rev. Tommy Chen, Director

Rev. Kristopher Fuchs, Assoc. Director

Registration forms are available at the entrances of  
the church or at the parish office. Registration fee of  
\$25 and form must be submitted by June 21<sup>st</sup>.

Quo Vadis? Is open for those young men who are  
“going into the 9<sup>th</sup> grade next school year through 21  
years of age.”

Questions? Call Fr. Tommy at (361) 552-6140 or  
email him at [olg@olgulf.org](mailto:olg@olgulf.org)

**Area Picnics**

**Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Shiner  
Sacred Heart, Hallettsville

**Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Sacred Heart, Flatonia

**Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

Czech Kolache & Klobase Festival – East Bernard

**Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>**

St. Mary's, Hallettsville  
St. Rose of Lima - Schulenburg  
Our Lady of Guadalupe – Bay City



**-Calling All Youth-  
You are Invited!**

**2019 Vacation Bible School**

**July 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

**St. Joseph Family Center**

**9:00 A.M. – 12-noon**

Students entering grades K-6 will be VBS campers

Students entering grades 7-12 will be VBS helpers

Adult helpers are also needed!

Please contact Jana Guajardo at 361-648-3863 or  
[faithformation@stj catholicchurch.com](mailto:faithformation@stj catholicchurch.com)

**VBS Day Includes:**

Wild Bible Storytelling; Imagination Station; Hungry  
Herd Cafe; Stampede Sports; Roar Music & Dance,  
and Safari Celebration

**VBS Daily Colors:**

Monday – Yellow; Tuesday – Red;  
Wednesday – Purple; Thursday – Green;  
Friday – Blue

**\*Safe Environment Student Awareness\***  
will take place Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> during snack times.

**\*Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup> – Parents are invited to our\*  
Closing Celebration at 11:45 A.M.**

Application forms are available at the entrance  
of the church and at the St. Joseph Pastoral  
Center.

**Recordatorio**

Nos estamos preparando para la Escuela Bíblica de St. Joseph. Si usted tiene un niño en la escuela entre los grados de Kinder al 6 en el entrante año escolar, considere inscribirlo en la Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones. La Escuela Bíblica se llevara a cabo en Julio 8 al 12 a partir de las 9:00 AM hasta las 12:00 mediodía. Si quiere ser voluntario para ayudar a esta actividad o le gustaría tener mas in formación, por favor contacte a Jana Guajardo en [faithformation@stj catholicchurch.com](mailto:faithformation@stj catholicchurch.com) Las formas de inscripción puede ser recogidas o dejadas en la oficina de la parroquia. La fecha límite para la inscripción es Viernes, de Junio 28.

*Have a Safe & Happy  
Memorial Day!*

## Our Parish's Sesquicentennial Just a Couple of Months Away!

We are approaching the special celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment according to Church Law of our St. Joseph Parish. As has been mentioned previously, we will be observing this celebration the first weekend in August at the time of our Annual Picnic.

We need everyone's help to make this a success--especially in light of the anniversary. Patrick and Bernadette Matusek are chairing the Picnic--for which the parish is extremely grateful for their continued dedication--and things are beginning to get moving with preparations.

The Event will begin first with our Annual St. Joseph School Alumni Mass and dinner on Saturday. Bishop Cahill will be joining us for the Mass and then there will be the reunion afterwards. Recent years has seen a decrease in attendance of alumni but we are hoping that this being a special year, there will be more of a draw to return "home" and renew bonds of friendship/family. We are especially hoping that those who have attended St. Joseph School and graduated 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (in light of the high school closing in 1970) will also show. The majority of those who have attended the reunions have been high school graduates. But being that it has been nearly 50 years since the high school closed, there are a good number of alumni who completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade during these intervening years and we would love to see them get together with their classes. To help those who might be interested we are posting some hotel accommodation rates in the local area so that those who might not have a place here could still come and enjoy getting together for the reunion--and then joining us on Sunday at the Yoakum Community Center for the Picnic.

Plan to join us. Get the word out to friends and family members living away. Spread the word about the Alumni Reunion and the Picnic. Let's make this the unique moment that it is: 150 years of St. Joseph Parish connecting us and strengthening our bonds!!!



## A Note from Principal Mooney

### *School is Out for the Summer*

#### **Part-time Cafeteria Position**

St. Joseph School has a part-time cafeteria worker position available with a start date in August. Anyone interested may apply at the school office during school hours.

Please call or stop by the school office and speak to Mr. Mooney if you are interested in enrolling your child(ren) in St. Joseph's.

*Have a Safe and Enjoyable Summer!*

## **With Gratitude and Honor**

Gracious God, on this Memorial Day weekend, we remember and give thanks for those who have given their lives in the service of our country. When the need was greatest, they stepped forward and did their duty to defend the freedoms that we enjoy, and to win the same for others.

O God, you yourself have taught us that no love is greater than that which gives itself for another. These honored dead gave the most precious gift they had, life itself, for loved ones and neighbors, for comrades and country – and for us.

Help us to honor their memory by caring for the family members they have left behind, by ensuring that their wounded comrades are properly cared for, by being watchful caretakers of the freedoms for which they gave their lives, and by demanding that no other young men and women follow them to a soldier's grave unless the reason is worthy and cause is just.

Holy One, help us to remember that freedom is not free. There are times when its cost is, indeed, dear. Never let us forget those who paid so terrible a price to ensure that freedom would be our legacy.

Though their names may fade with the passing of generations, may we never forget what they have done. Help us to be worthy of their sacrifice,

O God, help us to be worthy.

- J. Veltri, S.J.

*Memorial Day  
Remember and Honor*