

Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2017

Mary kept all these things,
reflecting on them in her heart.

— Luke 2:19

Masses for the Week



SUNDAY— January 1 - Mary, The Holy Mother of God

7:30 am—Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - Clergy

10:00 am - Paul Bittlebrun †

MONDAY - Jan 2 - Sts Basil the Great & Gregory

Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

8:00 am—Lawrence (Buddy) Waida †

TUESDAY - Jan 3 - The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:00 am - Billy Yandell, Jr. †

WED - Jan 4 - St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

8:00 am - Carolyn Goldman †

THUR - Jan 5 - St. John Neumann, Bishop

8:00 am - Edward Bianchi †

FRIDAY - Jan 6 - St. André Bessette; First Friday

8:00 am - Randal Lau †

SATURDAY - Jan 7 - St. Raymond of Penyafort

8:00 am - Souls in Purgatory

10:00 am - Mass & Healing Service - Fr. Phi

5:00 pm - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - Clergy

SUNDAY— January 8 - The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 am - Kali Renee Stewart †

10:00 am - Donald Valenta †

11:30 am - Vietnamese Community Mass - Fr Phi Celebrant

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;

Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12, Lk 2:16-21

NEXT WEEKEND - January 7 & 8, 2017

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

of HOLY COMMUNION

and **LECTORS**

Sat. 5:00 pm - Lori Ballard,

Joe Lara, Volunteer

Bob Bautista

Sun. 7:30 am - Connie Novak,

Dorothy & Dennis Boehm

Claudia Schoener

Sun. 10:00 am - Melissa Spann

Andy & Olivia Aguilar

Carol Bludau

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm - Kaden Fikac, Kylie Fikac, Kalynn Fikac

Sun. 7:30 am - Nicole Easley, Clayton Easley, Austin Kainer

Sun. 10:00 am - Allison Nunley, Ross Nunley,

Jace Stevens

USHERS:

5:00 pm - Norman Schoener, James Hill, Volunteer

7:30 am - Gary Pribyl, Patrick Pribyl, Volunteer

10:00 am - Howard Bludau, Volunteers



This Week

SUNDAY - Happy New Year!

2nd Collection: *Building Repairs*

SATURDAY - 10 am Healing Mass—Fr. Phi

Confessions: 4:00 - 4:30 pm

SUNDAY-Parish Family Breakfast after 7:30 Mass

2nd Collection: *DSA*



First Friday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

January 6th - 8:30 am to 12:30pm

THE BLESSING WE RECEIVE

The blessing we experience in Christ Jesus is proclaimed in Numbers as the special blessing for the people of Israel. They and we are to be blessed by the invocation of God's loving kindness, the shining glory of God's face turned toward us in love, not away from us in anger. We are blessed by God's own peace!

Our wish and our hope are fulfilled in this blessing, which is made visible in the coming of Jesus. In Jesus, the image of the invisible God, God's face is shown to us and God's presence is made known to us in faithful and loving kindness.

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Please Pray for Our Sick

*Tina Moya, Cheryl Barker, Amy Bernhard,
Eva Kimmel, Jewell Correll, Amy Jo Wuest,
Katrina Marbach, Baby Rachel Wiesner, Lillian
Lau, Shirley Coghlan, Cecilia Edwards, Kite
Bomersbach, Luke Wenske, Betty Escheveste,
JoAnn Hough, Clifton Lau, Franklin Sedlar,
Dora Schilhab, Ann Hagel, Emory Migura, Jean
Biederman, Jerry Bassham, Mary Ann Leblanc,
Ben Mikulik, Jr.*



**Generations of Faith ~ GOF
Religious Education Classes**

- Jan 1 New Years Day No class
- Jan 8 GOF Class
- Jan 15 GOF Class
- Jan 22 GOF Class
- Jan 29 GOF Class



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
7 pm - 9 pm on Wednesdays in Rel Ed Bldg
The RCIA door is ALWAYS open

1. Unbaptized Adults interested in Catholic Church.
2. Baptized Adults in another faith and interested in becoming Catholic.
3. Baptized Adult Catholics who
 - haven't been confirmed & received 1st Communion
 - want to know more about their faith,
 - would like to be RCIA Sponsors,
 - would like to return to the Catholic Church.

For more info, please contact:
Bob/Laurie Bautista-573-9561

FIRST SATURDAY - JANUARY 7, 2017

10:00AM MASS & HEALING SERVICE

Come join us at Our Lady of Lourdes as
Fr. Phi Nguyen-Chaplain, IWBS Convent,
celebrates
Mass and Healing Prayer



**Mass intentions are open
for 2017.**



There is an opportunity to remember your loved ones by offering a Mass in their honor or in their memory.

To make arrangements, call or come by the office after January 3rd or send a note containing your name, a contact phone number, the name of the recipient of the Mass intention, and the desired date, and we will contact you.

The Catholic Lighthouse -

Parishioners who wish to receive a paper copy of the Lighthouse may subscribe by calling (361) 573-0828 or online at <http://www.victoriadiocese.org/subscribe> now or e-mail lighthouse@victoriadiocese.org

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

"Octave" comes from the Latin word for "eight," and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the "eighth day," since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord's Day.

January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. ... Traditionally we celebrate Mary as Mother of God.

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**Annual Parish Family Breakfast
Feast of the Holy Family**

January 8, 2017



Please join us in the Church Hall to celebrate The Feast of the Holy Family with breakfast **following the 7:30 am Mass.** Everyone is invited to attend this annual event which is hosted by members of the Holy Name Society and the Altar Society. For any additional info, please call Dennis Boehm at 574-8569.

**Benefit Dinner for Missionary Catechist
of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary**

Sunday, January 15, 2017

CWV Hall

1007 S. Main Street

Victoria, Texas 77901

Carne Guisada Dinner

\$9.00 per plate

Time: 10am to 2pm

Live Auction starting at 11:45am

Please join in supporting the work of our Sisters

Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts."

— Mother Teresa

News Around Town

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #369 will meet on Monday, January 2, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Prayer will precede the meeting at 6:10. Special business to be conducted includes the election of delegates to the State Convention, and the annual shower for the Gabriel Project. Start the new year by becoming a new member in one of the leading organizations for Catholic women!

Pastoral Institute Extended Program- Spring 2017

Trinity

Tuesdays, January 10 through February 14, 2016

Mornings 9:15-11:30 am or Evenings 7:00-9:15 pm

Classes will be broadcast from the St. Mary Activity Center

401 S. Liberty, Victoria, TX 77901

to Wharton, Mentz, Hallettsville, and Shiner

Register & Pay online www.victoriadiocese.org/extended-program

Or Call 361-573-0828 ext.2223 or ext. 2227 for more information.

The **Quarterly Bunco Party** hosted by the **Altar Society of Holy Family Catholic Church** will be **Wednesday, January 11, 2017, from 9:30 am to Noon** at St. Peter's Parish Hall. A free lunch will be served, and game prizes and door prizes will be awarded. Please invite a friend, and enjoy visiting with the ladies from our five local Catholic Churches. For information and reservations contact Olivia Blanchard at 570-7107; Ginger Wagner at 550-6444, or Betty Frederick at 573-5850.