

The BAPTISM of the Lord

January 15, 2017

After Jesus was baptized,
he came up from the water and behold,
the heavens were opened for him

— Matthew 3:16

Masses for the Week



SUNDAY— January 15 - The Baptism of the Lord
Is 42:1-4,6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Acts:10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
10:00 am - Carolyn Goldman †

MONDAY - January 16
8:00 am - Billy Yandell, Jr †

TUESDAY - January 17- St Anthony, Abbot
8:00 am - Randal Lau †

WED- January 18 [Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins]
8:00 am - Chester Paul Lyssy †

THUR - January 19
8:00 am - Kathy Birmingham †

FRIDAY - Jan 20 - St Fabian, Pope, Mrtyr; St Sebastian, Mrtyr
8:00 am - Fr. Ralph Baidoo †

SATURDAY - January 21 - St Agnes, Virgin, Martyr
8:00 am - Andrew Barton
5:00 pm - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

SUNDAY- January 22 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 am - Edna Kandler †
10:00 am - Allen Book †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Is 42:1-4,6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Acts:10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17
Mon: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
Tue: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28
Wed: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
Thu: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Fri: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19
Sat: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
Sun: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

NEXT WEEKEND - January 21 & 22, 2017

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

and **LECTORS**

Sat. 5:00 pm - Pauline Hinojosa, Harvin Suggs
Pat Brennan, Bob Bautista

Sun. 7:30 am - Lawrence Yanta, Sherry Kainer
Jimmy/Patsy Whitaker

Sun. 10:00 am - Donna Maxey, Liz Lemke
Volunteer, Volunteer

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm - Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer
Sun. 7:30 am - Braydon Manning, Jacie Foster, Dennis Str'ick
Sun. 10:00 am - Caleb Urbano, Maddie Urbano, Cy Richter

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 - The BAPTISM of the Lord
Parish Family Breakfast after 7:30 Mass
Extra Envelope: *Altar Servers' Education Schlrshp*

PRIESTS' RETREATS - BEGIN TODAY
THERE WILL BE NO DAILY MASSES AT O.L.L. THIS WEEK.
REGULAR SCHEDULE WILL RESUME SATURDAY MORNING

MONDAY - Altar Society Meeting 6:30pm
WEDNESDAY - RCIA 7:00pm - R.E. Bldg.
SATURDAY - Confessions: 4:00 - 4:30 pm
SUNDAY - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Extra Envelope: *StVdPaul "BLACK BAG"*

Weekly Offering

WEEKEND of 01-07/08-17 Count - 446

Total Operating Income.....\$ 5,595.00
2nd Collection:.....(D. S. A.).....\$ 1,104.00

Thank You! Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated.

CALLED TO SERVE

The Christmas season closes this Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. This feast is a sister to last week's feast of the Epiphany. Each of them celebrates an "epiphany," or a manifestation of the Spirit of God in Jesus—first in his birth, and now at his baptism.

The status of God's beloved Son is not one he clings to. It is one he shares. All of us are called to be sons and daughters of God. In Jesus, we can all claim God's favor. The second reading makes this clear. Here we read of the baptism of Cornelius and his household. Peter's speech recalls the anointing of Jesus by the Holy Spirit and the great power that swept through Israel and onto the doorstep of the Gentile Cornelius. As for his household, so for us. There is an end to our work on earth, to our baptismal vocation and the honorable work we do. But there is no end to the saving life given to us through baptism. There is no end to the life of the children of God; there is no end to God's compassion, which we know in Christ Jesus. There is no end to our status as chosen and beloved people of God. Because of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are forever among those on whom God's favor rests.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Tina Moya, Cheryl Barker, Amy Bernhard, Jewell Correll,
Amy Jo Wuest, Baby Rachel Wiesner, Shirley Coghlan,
Cecilia Edwards, Kite Bomersbach, Luke Wenske,
JoAnn Hough, Betty Escheveste, Clifton Lau,
Franklin Sedlar, Dora Schilhab, Ann Hagel,
Jerry Bassham, Mary Ann Leblanc, Ben Mikulik, Jr,
Claudette Hofer, Patsy Wieland and
Fr. John Kollannur.



Generations of Faith ~ GOF
Religious Education Classes

Jan 15 GOF Class
Jan 22 GOF Class
Jan 29 GOF Class
Feb 5 GOF Class
Feb 12 GOF Class

New Year's Resolutions

Go to Mass as a family
Pray at home as a family
Come to GOF each Sunday



VOCATION CRUCIFIX
At the 5:00 pm Mass **Bob and Laurie Bautista** will take possession and continue our prayers. **Next** to take possession, on **January 22nd** at the 10:00 am Mass is **Rosy Linares**.

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, come by the office after Jan. 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.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
7 pm - 9 pm on Wednesdays in Rel Ed Bldg
RCIA *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

Society of St Vincent de Paul - REPORT-December 2016

UTILITIES	300.00
RENT	265.00
FOOD	200.00
MEDICAL/prescriptions	362.77
CELL PHONE	49.27
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....\$	1,177.04
BLACK BAG COLLECTION	\$ 543.50

TOTAL PEOPLE HELPED.....47

Fr. John Kollannur has begun a six-month medical leave of absence from the Diocese and has returned to India for chemotherapy.

Keep him in Prayer.....

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

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

In the interest of good stewardship of time, expenses and use of resources, we will not be automatically preparing year-end statements unless you have contributed \$250 at one time for 2016. If you would still like to have a statement please call us at 575-3813 or drop a note with your weekly contribution in the collection basket by Fri., January 27.

Our Lady of Lourdes ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

The Altar Society will have their first meeting of 2017 on Monday, Jan. 16th at 6:30 pm. ALL ladies are invited to join us. Thank You and God Bless,
Josie Marbach, President

News Around Town

Benefit Dinner for Missionary Catechist of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary
Sunday, January 15, 2017 - CWV Hall - 1007 S. Main Street
Carne Guisada Dinner - \$9.00 per plate - 10am to 2pm
Live Auction starting at 11:45am
Please join in supporting the work of our Sisters

OLV OPEN HOUSE

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School will host an Open House for prospective parents and students in grades Pre-K3 through 8th on **Tuesday, January 17, 2017** at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Families will tour the campus and have an opportunity to learn what OLV has to offer. For more information call the school, 575-5391 or visit www.ourladyvictory.org

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.

2017 CANDLELIGHT MARCH

~~~~ THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2017 ~~~~~

beginning at De Leon Plaza at 7:00 and proceeding to Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Main Speaker: *State Representative Geanie W. Morrison*  
Master of Ceremonies: Robert Seale  
Victoria groups who are advocates of Pro-Life are: The Gabriel Project, Knights of Columbus, Crisis Pregnancy of Victoria, and St. Gianna Pro-life group.

There are many more individuals that support the dignity of life and the Candlelight March to maintain awareness of this important issue. Please Come Join This Effort.

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](http://www.victoriadiocese.org).