



Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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“Bringing the Eucharistic Lord to all people by living the gospel message”

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Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM (Church)
Sunday 12:30 PM– Spanish- (Church)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 7:00 AM (Chapel)
Wednesday, (English) 6:00 PM (Church)
Thursday, (Spanish) 6:00 PM (Church)
Friday 7:00 AM (Mother Church)
Saturday 5:00 PM (Church)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 4:15 to 4:45 PM
Following Weekday Masses Or by Appointment

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

The First Friday of Each Month (Mother Church)
Adoration: 7:30 AM—12:30 PM
Mass at 7:00 AM & 6:00 PM

The Alliance of the Two Hearts Communion of Reparation Vigil

The First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
The First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, August 27, 2017

Mass Schedule & Intentions
for the Week

FRIDAY, August 25

7:00 A.M.: Int. of Jane & Ginger Henry,
Joey & Emilye

SATURDAY, August 26

5:00 P.M.: † Lena Landreth

SUNDAY, August 27

8:30 A.M.: † Monica Najvar

10:30 A.M.: † Spec. Int., Joseph Zarsky,
Birthday

12:30 P.M.: Spanish: Pro Populo

MONDAY, August 28

7:00 A.M.: † James Y'Barbo

TUESDAY, August 29

7:00 A.M.: † Spec. Int., Michael Slaten,
Birthday

WEDNESDAY, August 30

6:00 P.M.: † Martha Tran

THURSDAY, August 31

7:00 A.M.: Int. of Gloria Durr

6:00 P.M.: Spanish: † Jamie Cortez

FRIDAY, September 1

7:00 A.M.: † Elvera E. Procell

6:00 P.M.: Spec. Int. Patricia Grayson

Weekly Offering
Week of August 20, 2017

Parish Offertory: \$ 6997.76

Second Collections for August
27th- St. Patrick's School

Please Pray for those who are ill :

Mary Devine
Delores Jones
Marie Kelly
Bill Lujan

Judd McNett
Charlotte Turner
Claudia Woodruff
Francis Kimmons

September 16- Fiesta of the Americas

Parish wide **FIESTA OF THE AMERICAS.** As our parish is growing



and changing, so many things are needed to make it functional. So we decided to make a **FIESTA!**

We wanted to include our youth to be part of our change in the renovation process. There are nine candidates: Kailey Higgins, Elanie Ironsmith, Sharmaine Sison, Andrea Castro, Vanessa Cruz, Dora Garcia, Areli Perez, Karen Perez, and Litzi Reyes, running to be our Queen, Princess, and Duchess.

The candidates are not in a beauty pageant or anything of that sort. They are raising money making our parish a functional environment to grow in faith. This will help form a place to develop and practice our catholic faith for generations to come. Our candidates will look back on day and know they had a huge part of the new Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Saturday, September 16-We will initiate the festivities with the announcement of Queen, Princess and Duchess of the Americas. We will continue with a dance with DJ Savedra, in the gym, 7:00 pm- 12:00 am.

Sunday, September 17th- The fiesta continue with food, music, entertainment and much more starting at 10:00 am- ending at 5:00 pm. The announcement of the winners of the raffle tickets will be held at 4:00 pm.

Raffle tickets are 1-\$5, 3-\$10, 8- \$20, 20- \$40, or 60- \$100.

Act of Kindness

I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again.
~William Penn

Christmas extravaganza

Christmas extravaganza is just around the corner. It is planned for the first weekend in November. We would appreciate any like new or new items that you have and are willing to part with that could be offered in our sale. Gift items that you were not able to use, and any like new or new Christmas decorations, jewelry, furniture, quilts etc. are welcome. As always, with God's blessing, if we all work together it will be a success.

Please bring items Monday through Thursday 9 to 5 to Margill. Questions-- please call or see Gloria Durr or Jackie Cates

Sanctity of Life Banquet

Bishop Strickland invites everyone to come celebrate our 3rd Annual East Texas "Sanctity of Life Banquet."

Location: Rose Heights Church
2120 Old Omen Rd Tyler, TX

Date: Monday, Oct. 9, 2017
Meet and Mingle: 6:00pm

Dinner and Program: 6:30-8:00pm

Keynote Speaker: Bishop Michael Olson
- Diocese of Fort Worth

54-Day Novena

Bishop Joseph E. Strickland is calling on the clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Diocese of Tyler to pray a 54-day Rosary Novena in support of his vision for a teaching diocese.

The Novena will begin on Aug. 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and continue until Oct. 7, the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary.

The 54-Day Rosary Novena consists of praying three novenas of the daily Rosary in petition for the first 27 days, followed immediately by praying three novenas of the daily Rosary in thanksgiving during the second 27 days, for a grand total of six Rosary novenas over the course of 54 days.

SHOCK

Are you an adult looking for a fun way to volunteer and be involved at church? Join Shock! There are many ways you can help.

A few specific areas needed are food coordinator and small group discussion leaders. All volunteers must have ethics and integrity training. If you would like to find out more on how you can be involved call or email Rebecca Higgins at 936-715-5359 or rebeccahiggins@sbcglobal.net

Ethics and Integrity class will be held Wednesday, September 6 from 6-9pm in the Margil Center. If you are an adult that is looking to be involved with Shock this is a perfect time to get your training done.

Shock will be having a game night at the same time so drop off your teen and go get trained.

Grab your friends and come have some fun!

August 30- No Shock due to first week of school

September 6- Game night in the upper room 6-9pm Bring cards or a board game to play. (Ethics & Integrity in Margil for parents)

September 13- Shock Kick Off party 6:45-8:30pm

Ethics & Integrity Class

Wednesday, September 6 from 6-9pm in the Margil Center.

Please call, Phillip Smith, at 936-564-7807, ext. 104, to register.

Mass of Hope & Healing

Mass of Hope and Healing for Those Affected by Abuse Bishop Strickland will celebrate a Mass of Hope and Healing for those affected by abuse Saturday, Sept. 16, at 10 a.m. in the Chapel of Sts. Peter and Paul. Come join Bishop Strickland in prayer if you have been affected by abuse directly or indirectly.

SHOCK

¿Es usted un adulto que busca una manera divertida de ser voluntario y estar involucrado en la iglesia? Únete a SHOCK!

Algunas áreas específicas que se necesitan son coordinadores de alimentos y líderes de discusión en grupos pequeños. Todos los voluntarios deben tener capacitación en ética e integridad. Si desea obtener más información sobre cómo puede participar, llame o envíe un correo electrónico a Rebecca Higgins al 936-715-5359 o rebeccahiggins@sbcglobal.net

La clase de Ética e Integridad será el miércoles, 6 de septiembre de 6-9pm en el Centro Margil. SHOCK tendrá una noche de juego al mismo tiempo para que deje a su hijo adolescente e ir a la clase.

¡Vengan a divertirse!

30 de Agosto - No SHOCK

6 de septiembre - Noche de juego en el upper room 6-9 pm . Traiga tarjetas o un juego de mesa para jugar. (Ética e Integridad en Margil para los padres)

Septiembre 13- Comienzo de SHOCK a las 6:45-8:30pm

Bautismos en Español

Las clases pre-bautismales son el **segundo** y **cuarto viernes** del mes a las 7:00 pm y deben asistir los padres y padrinos. Es necesario presentar una copia del acta de nacimiento del niño (a). Los padrinos si son esposos, deben de estar casados por la Iglesia Católica o tener fecha para celebrar el matrimonio. Después de los 7 años, los niños (as) deben tener una preparación especial antes del Bautismo (RICA). **Si no cumplen con alguno de los anteriores requisitos deben hablar personalmente con el sacerdote.** Los bautismos se celebraran el **primer** y **tercer sábado** del mes. Es necesario registrarse en la oficina. Para mayor información comunicarse al 936-564-7807.

16 de septiembre

La fiesta de Independencia de las Américas del 16 de septiembre de Sagrado Corazón, Se les pide que apoyen a las 9 candidatas para el Reinado de las Américas que están vendiendo tickets para la rifa:

Andrea Castro, Vanessa Cruz
Dora García Kailey Higgins, Elanie Ironsmith, Areli Pérez, Karen Pérez, Litz Reyes

El Sábado, 16 de septiembre comenzaremos con el baile con el DJ Saavedra en el gimnasio de 7:00 PM-12:00 AM. Esa misma noche se anunciará la ganadora.

El Domingo, 17 de septiembre de 10:30 am-5:00 pm tendremos kermes con entretenimiento para seguir con las festividades de la Independencia de las Américas con comida, música, y entretenimiento.

54 Días de Novena

Obispo Joseph E. Strickland ha pedido a los sacerdotes, religiosos y fieles laicos de la Diócesis de Tyler a rezar un rosario de 54 días Novena en apoyo de su visión para una diócesis enseñanza.

La novena comenzará el 15 de agosto, solemnidad de la Asunción de la Virgen María, y continuará hasta el 7 de octubre, memoria de Nuestra Señora del Rosario.

Misa de la Esperanza y Curación

Muchas personas, familias y comunidades sufren de abuso infantil, violencia doméstica, la trata de personas, el abuso sexual del clero, etc. Cualquiera que sea la causa de la herida, Jesús ofrece su amor curación y misericordia. Vienen a unirse en oración Obispo Strickland si usted ha sido afectado por el abuso, directa o indirectamente, o simplemente quiere rezar por el fin al abuso y la sanidad para aquellos que sufren de abuso. Misa se ofrecerá en Tyler en la Capilla de los Santos. Pedro y Pablo en el campus Obispo Thomas K. Gorman Escuelas Católica sábado por la, 16 de de septiembre de 2017, los a las 10:00 AM.

"Sunday Obligation" Unreasonably Harsh?

MATT NELSON

Some Catholics, especially parents of young children, find Sunday Mass attendance difficult.

As a parent of a spirited three-year-old and a busy one-year-old who loves to show off her prodigious screaming ability, I get it.

But despite our parental hardships, we recognize that we have a moral duty to be there. The Catholic Church reflects this obligation in its Code of Canon Law: "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass" (can. 1247). The Sunday liturgy is mandatory, like showing up for work; and, just as skipping work can have serious consequences, so can skipping church. In fact, it is a mortal sin to miss Sunday Mass without good reason. For a Catholic then, whether or not to attend on Sunday is no small decision.

But is the "Sunday obligation" too strict of an expectation upon Catholics?

Rules to live by

Moral laws are like signposts: they properly orient us, and once we have been properly oriented we cease to notice them. The first time I traveled to Calgary I needed to follow the signs; they told me where to go and thus imposed a direction upon me. That was a long time ago. Years later, I know how to get there without the aid of signs. I have been properly oriented. The signs are still there — they still hold their objective force — but I no longer notice them. They are unimposing.

Likewise, the Sunday obligation helps to orient us spiritually. It can be easy to forget that Sunday marks the beginning of our week, not the end. In a sense, the Sunday Mass prepares us for the days ahead and sets the spiritual tone for the week, filling us with God's word and grace so we might glorify the Lord with our lives. By starting our week with the Sunday liturgy, we publicly profess with our whole being that we are sons and daughters of God and members of his Church. We are God's first. Without him we are nothing.

That is why Jesus can say, "He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me" (Matt. 10:37). Furthermore, the first and greatest commandment is, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind" (Matt. 22:38). Our unique love for God (and his for us!) is specially consummated when we receive the Eucharist at Mass.

The Mass is challenging

A Catholic is permitted to be absent from Sunday Mass in light of serious circumstances such as illness. But it is not licit to skip for trivial reasons. We might be tempted to do this, nonetheless, because Mass is not always an engaging way to spend Sunday morning. Many of us lead dynamic lives. We are used to the continual stimulation of caffeine and conversation. We are not used to the slowness or the silence of the liturgy. We are not used to the language of the Bible readings and the prayers. Even for a devout Catholic, it can be difficult to slow down and settle into a day of rest — and especially into a solemn hour of prayer and worship.

The essential moral prescription of the third commandment nonetheless remained: man ought to set apart a full day each week for rest and worship.

We can't grasp the intrinsic value of the Mass until we understand that its aim is not to stimulate like a form of entertainment: its aim is to sanctify. Although the Eucharist is the "source and summit of the Christian life" according to the Catechism, it is not uncommon for a Catholic — through no fault of his own — to feel almost nothing when he receives it (1324). Since the grace received in the Eucharist is not a physical or emotional sensation but a spiritual reality, it tends to leave the senses unmoved. For this reason, a Catholic's experience of Sunday Mass can be deceptively dry and may leave him feeling like nothing special has gone on at all. This does not necessarily reflect a defect in the liturgy or the believer. Rather, it moves the Catholic to a deeper mental conviction of things not seen: "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe" (John 20:29).

The Mass presents an essential challenge to Catholics: in its slow and leisurely rhythm, in its moments of deep silence, in its demands of faith. Two grave dangers to the human soul are a lack of contemplation and lack of love. A human being cannot have enduring happiness without these two things. The Mass fosters both.

Acerca de tener enemigos para amar

R.J. SNELL

Nuestro Señor, sin ser el sentimentalista que de manera errónea se cree que es, da por sentado que tendremos enemigos. Entre las enseñanzas difíciles del Sermón de la Montaña se encuentra el mandamiento de amar a los enemigos: «Ustedes han oído que se dijo: Amarás a tu prójimo y odiarás a tu enemigo. Pero yo les digo: Amen a sus enemigos, rueguen por sus perseguidores; así serán hijos del Padre que está en el cielo». (Mateo 5, 43-44) Lo anterior presupone que tenemos enemigos. Nuestro Señor, sin ser el sentimentalista que de manera errónea se cree que es, da por sentado que tendremos enemigos en tanto nos promete beatitud cuando «sean insultados y perseguidos, y se los calumnie en toda forma a causa de mí».

Buscamos la paz, la ofrecemos y, no obstante, tendremos enemigos en la medida en que mantengamos la fe con Cristo. La fidelidad implica nuestra presencia como un signo de contradicción, hasta de escándalo. Sin embargo, parece dolorosamente obvio que muchos católicos incluso, por desgracia, algunos en la jerarquía, buscan «paz, paz... cuando no hay paz». (Jeremías 6, 14) Mucho antes de ingresar a la Iglesia, la visión católica de la integridad del mundo me resultaba una doctrina hermosa y atractiva. Mi formación previa me había enseñado un tipo de reticencia suspicaz con respecto del «mundo», una clase de buena fe que rechazaba o solo aceptaba a regañadientes el campo de la ciencia, el arte, la literatura, la música, el deporte, la bebida, y la danza.

Los católicos en verdad parecían estar tan en casa en el mundo, aun mientras anhelaban el cielo. La Iglesia insistía en que la encarnación realmente sucedió y que había un valiente compromiso con las velas y el altar, el pan y el vino, el agua y el aceite, las vestiduras y el arte. En contra de esto, mi comprensión anterior parecía etérea, «espiritual», gnóstica, y la fresca sencillez del catolicismo me deslumbraba. De modo similar, la Iglesia no tenía miedo a las humanidades y las ciencias, ya que sabía, en las palabras de Gaudium et Spes, «que las cosas creadas y la sociedad misma gozan de propias leyes y valores... todas las cosas están dotadas de consistencia, verdad y bondad propias y de un propio orden regulado...». Fundamentalmente, aprendí de la Iglesia que la gracia de la encarnación no destruyó la naturaleza humana sino que la perfeccionó, la completó, la elevó. A pesar de esto, la Iglesia con toda la razón insistía en que la autonomía de la naturaleza tenía sentido pero solo a la luz de la creación y la redención. Cualquier intento de ver a la independencia del mundo como si no dependiera de Dios era falso. Como Gaudium et Spes proseguía, «...por el olvido de Dios la propia criatura queda oscurecida».

Nuestro «sentirnos como en casa» en la tierra ya no es católico sino burgués, no proviene de nuestro compromiso con la encarnación del Dios perfecto como el hombre que restablece todo en Él mismo. Es cada vez más una capitulación, una debilidad, una aletargada satisfacción con nosotros y la forma en que el mundo funciona. Olvídense de condenarlo y maldecirlo, ni siquiera estaremos en desacuerdo con él. Cuando se trata de música, arte, arquitectura, oración, fiestas y ayunos, apenas nos reconocemos en nuestra difusa conformidad. Aun peor, mucho peor, somos amigotes del mundo en lo que respecta a la vida, la muerte, el pecado, y la salvación. Tendemos a no manifestar nuestra historia sino a dialogar. Por supuesto, no estoy añorando algún tipo de inocente triunfalismo, pero realmente pensamos que nuestra versión del significado del mundo es verdadera, ¿o no? Sí creemos, también, que el destino eterno de nuestras almas y las de muchos otros depende de que esa historia sea cierta, ¿no? ¿O no lo hacemos?

Sin embargo, casi nunca hablamos de él, ni mucho menos lo proclamamos con valentía, y a cambio elegimos el difuso, débil y decepcionante confort de los valores genéricos y contemporáneos de occidente. Por lo tanto, tenemos menos enemigos y esto hace que cumplir el mandamiento «ama a tus enemigos» sea más difícil de lo que debería.

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Council Members: Karen Davis (3), Charlie Muckleroy (3), Neal Slaten (3), Rebecca Higgins (2), Billy Huddleston, Jr. (2), Bill Bryan (1), Joy Fuller (1), Veronica Baca (Hispanic Community), Juan Castro (Hispanic Community), Emma Arayata (Fillippino Community).

***Ethics:** To report abuse, call Rev. Gavin Vaverek, JCL at **903-266-2159**; For more information go to www.dioceseoftyler.org/Ethics. **Local Contact Person:** Jorge Cuarenta, **936-554-8050**.

***Adoration:** Adoration is the 1st Friday of the month, 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM with Benediction in the Little Church of 1847.

***Baptism Classes:** Please contact Phillip Smith, in the parish office to schedule a time to meet for the class or if you have any questions. It is required for both parents and godparents. Please bring a copy of the child's Birth Certificate to class.

Baptisms are scheduled for the first Saturday of each month following the 5:00 pm Mass or during one of the weekend Masses.

***Weddings:** Diocesan policy requires a six-month preparation period. Arrangements must be made with the Pastor or Parochial Vicar before setting a date.

***New Parishioners:** Welcome! Please introduce yourself to Father after Mass. Registration forms are available on the shelf unit in the vestibule.

***Hospital Patients and Shut-Ins:** If you know of someone in the hospital or someone who is homebound, please call the office, **564-7807**, or one of the priests at **564-7134**. If the person is in the hospital, please leave the name of the hospital, the persons name & room number as the hospital cannot give out this information.

***Loving Hearts:** A Lay Ministry to help with visitation to the homebound, nursing centers & hospitals. Contact Karen Davis, **554-2589** or Carrie Ventura, **554-3414** with information so a time to visit/Holy Eucharist can be arranged.

***Cora zones Amorosos** - Si tienen miembros de la familia en el hospital o en casa, y no pueden venire a misa, llamen Joan McNett, **936-645-0794** o Veronica Baca, **936-556-8638**. Si gustarian participar en el ministro y visitar a los ancianos o los enfermos en casa o hospital llamen a Joan o Veronica.

***Third Age Club:** Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12 Noon in Margil Center, President: Phil Eby, **(936) 715-0053**

***Ladies Guild:** Meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 7pm in the Library. **President:** Kathy McMillen, **(936) 585-0680**

***Teams of Our Lady:** Married couples prayer group & book study. Contact Rebecca Higgins, **(936) 715-5359**

***Knights of Columbus Council** meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm in Margil; **4th Degree** meets the third-Wednesday of the month at **7:30 pm** in Margil Center: **Grand Knight:** Steve McMillen - **(936) 371-3313**

***Prayer Line:** Anne Derfus, 564-0419 or email to: annederfus@suddenlink.net

***SHOCK:** High school & middle school youth meet Wednesdays from 6:45-8:30pm in gym. Rebecca Higgins **715-5359**

***Bulletin Deadline** is 11 am on Wednesday

* **Alliance of the Two Hearts:** Cynthia Vanzzini- 936-560-6804; Alianza de los Dos Corazones: Raquel Zamora

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