

St. Anthony Church
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Church Office: 635 Bonham Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am - 5:00 pm

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Weekday Masses: Mon, Wed & Fri 5:30pm - Tue & Thurs 7:30am, Fri 8:15am during School Year
Weekend Masses: Sat. Vigil - 6:00pm; Sun. 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon (Spanish), 6:00pm (Youth Mass)
Confessions: Sat. 4:30pm-5:30pm & 15 min before the Evening Weekday Masses

Liturgies for the Week

Mon	May 1	5:30pm	+Kathleen Schindler
Tues	May 2	7:30am	For Vocations (Chapel)
Wed	May 3	5:30pm	Alivia Cantu (20 th Birthday)
Thurs	May 4	7:30am	The Vaughan-Verzele Family (Chapel)
Fri	May 5	8:15am	+Lewis Epps and +Mary Ellen Holder
Fri	May 5	5:30pm	+Jimmy, Miss Pete, Rusty, & Gary Mikulenska
Sat	May 6	6:00pm	+Leroy Frnka
Sun	May 7	8:00am	The People of the Parish
Sun	May 7	10:00am	A Very Special Intention (CCE First Communion)
Sun	May 7	12:00noon	+Teodora Rosales
Sun	May 7	6:00pm	+Hedwig Jendry

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter / Readings #832

“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want” (Psalm 23:1). Shepherds know that their sheep need to feed on good lush pasture to grow and flourish. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, knows what we need to flourish as well, so He promises that we will “find pasture” in Him (John 10:9). On this Good Shepherd Sunday, let’s take some time to follow Jesus into the “verdant pastures” promised in the responsorial psalm (Psalm 23:2).

Start by closing your eyes and taking some deep, calming breaths. Then picture Jesus in front of you, staff in hand. Let him look on you with loving eyes and a gentle smile. Stay with this image for a few minutes, and then watch as He turns and beckons you to follow Him. Where is He leading you? Into the fertile pastures that lie deep in your soul, that place where He abides.

In this place of beauty and stillness, you quiet your mind and let the tension drain out of you. You lie down in the soft grass and let it cushion your head (Psalm 23:2). *My dear child,* Jesus tells you, *let nothing disturb you. I have everything in hand.*

After a time, Jesus leads you by the hand to a small lake nearby. You recognize the “restful waters” that the psalmist speaks of (Psalm 23:2). Jesus urges you to cup your hands and take a long drink. The water is cool, refreshing, and sweet to the taste, and you keep drinking. Finally, you feel completely rested and satisfied. The Lord has restored your soul (23:3).

The Good Shepherd came so that you “might have life and have it more abundantly” (John 10:10). This life grows and deepens in prayer. It’s Jesus’ own life in you. So let Him lead you each day to the rich pastures where He is waiting for you. There you will find refreshment, restoration, and peace.

**“Jesus, You are my Good Shepherd who leads and guides me.
 There is nothing and no one else I want buy You.”**
(from “The Word Among Us”)



If you would like a Mass said for a loved one, living or deceased, see the Church Office.

If you are new to the parish, please register your family in the church office or fill out a form from the back of church and drop in the collection basket. Please let your previous parish know.

The Emmaus Center in Victoria provides individual, marital and family counseling services from a Catholic perspective, regardless of religious affiliation, gender, race or age. To schedule an appointment or for info call (361) 212-0830.

Prayer Chain: If you are interested in volunteering to be a part of the St. Anthony Prayer Chain, please call Tracey or Chrissy in the Church Office.

Calendar for the Week

Sun	Apr 30	SAS First Communion, 10:00am
Mon	May 1	CDA Meeting, 6:30pm in Cafeteria KC Meeting, 6:30pm at Columbus Hall
Tues	May 2	TNT Quilters, 8:00am at the Columbus Hall Altar Society, 1:30pm in Chapel
Wed	May 3	Funeral for Robert Skutca, 1:00pm in Church CCE, 5:30pm (First Reconciliation for CCE Students) Youth Group, 6pm in Cafeteria (last YG of the year)
Thurs	May 4	Contemporary Choir Practice, 11:00am in Church 24 Hour Adoration Begins, 6:00pm in Church
Fri	May 5	SAS School Mass Prepared by 7 th Grade, 8:15am Mass at Columbus Oaks Nursing Home, 10:00am 24 Hour Adoration Ends, 5:00pm
Sat	May 6	CCE First Communion Rehearsal, 10:00am in Church
Sun	May 7	CCE First Communion, 10:00am Mass

Last Weekend’s Collection

\$ 3030.00 Envelopes
 \$ 2529.00 Loose

“Thank you for your generosity!”

The second collection next weekend will be for the Paving the Way Fund.

Retrouvaille Weekend— Does your marriage need a tune up? Or even a major overhaul? If so, Retrouvaille can help. The next Diocese of Victoria weekend is July 28-30. For more information, visit www.helpourmarriage.org.

The Diocese of Victoria is now taking applications for **Camp David (Jr. High and Elementary Retreats) and Rocky Mountain High (High School)**. Deadline for the Camp David Retreats is May 12 and May 19 for the Rocky Mountain High Retreat. See victoriadiocese.org or the church office for more information. Registration forms can be found at the entrance of the church.

May Altar Decorators: Gail Warschak, Judy Barrett, Helen Faldyn, Amber Berger, Tillie Meyer, Margie Seidl, Sandra Berger, Donna Tesch, Michelle Kulhanek

The flowers on the altars this weekend were donated by the Altar Society in honor of our First Communicants.

*“It’s a child, not a choice;
 if it’s not a baby, then you’re not pregnant.”*
(Unknown)
 Please pray for Gabriel Project.

<u>Ministers serving this weekend</u>	<u>Ministers to serve next weekend</u>
6:00 W & H Kramr C/L B Besch	6:00 C & K Crosby C/L M Stavinoha
8:00 A Cranek, T & K Watkins C/L T Wostarek	8:00 J Neal, K & K Glueck C/L G Warschak
10:00 K & K Glueck, L Venghaus C/L SAS Students	10:00 T Theut, N Gonzales C/L K Rubio, A & I Hernandez
12:00 I Hrndz, C Mrtzn, A Rdrgrz C/L L Flores	12:00 S & S Gonzales, I Hrndz C/L L Flores
TLC J O’Leary, RJ Jauernig	TLC D & G Warschak

*Come pray the
 Rosary with us!
 Wednesdays at 6:00pm
 Saturdays at 5:30pm
 Sundays at 7:30am
 Sundays 11:20am in Spanish*

Confirmation pictures can be picked up in the church office!

VBS will be June 26-30!! Registration forms are at the entrance of the church.

WE CONGRATULATE OUR STUDENTS WHO WILL RECEIVE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TODAY:

PERRI JADE ALEXANDER
 CULLEN RICHARD ARNOLD
 DAVINA “BERTIE” FE TUPUE KATZ
 NORA KATE FUCHS
 CALVIN STUART HOELSCHER
 ANNA MARIE KRIDEL
 OLIVIA ANN LOWE
 KASSIDY ROSE MONTANO
 BEAU MATTHEW NEAL
 NATALIE MARIE VASSER
 ZAL-EL ZAID VAZQUEZ
 BRADY JACOB VENGHAUS
 ELI JAMES WHISNANT

Mother’s Day Novena—Cards and donation envelopes for the Mother’s Day Novena can be found at the entrance of the church. The Novena will begin Mother’s Day weekend and through the following nine Masses.

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, also known as “Good Shepherd Sunday.” The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord’s instruction to, “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest” (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord’s call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

Happenings around the Diocese:
(Go to victoriadiocese.org for more info or see fliers on bulletin board)
Holy Rosary, Hostyn—Mayfest, May 7
Camp David—for Junior High students entering 6th grade through exiting 8th grade. Session 1: June 11-13, Session 2: June 14-16
Camp David Elementary Day—June 14 (for students entering 3rd grade through students exiting 5th grade)
Rocky Mountain High Retreat—retreat for High School students. July 1-9 at Sonlight Christian Camp in Pagosa Springs, CO
Retrouvaille Weekend—Weekend for married couples. July 28-30 in Victoria. For more information, visit www.helpourmarriage.org