

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	April 24	5:30pm	+Beth Motal Lewis
Tues	April 25	7:30am	Eddie and Chrissy Espinosa (14 th Anniversary) (Chapel)
Wed	April 26	5:30pm	+Joe and Kathryn Chovanec and Tommy
Thurs	April 27	7:30am	Jerry and Vlasta Faldyn (Chapel)
Fri	April 28	8:15am	Olivia Mae Ritter (S.I.)
Fri	April 28	5:30pm	+Gilbert Elizondo
Sat	April 29	6:00pm	Altar Society, Living and Deceased Members
Sun	April 30	8:00am	+Kenny Neuendorff
Sun	April 30	10:00am	People of the Parish (SAS First Communion)
Sun	April 30	12:00noon	+Gilberto Hernandez
Sun	April 30	6:00pm	+Carolyn Fogleman

Sunday, April 23, 2023
Third Sunday of Easter, / Readings #829

Were not our hearts burning within us while He . . . opened the Scriptures to us?" In today's familiar Gospel, a disciple named Cleopas and his companion walked the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus. They were leaving Jerusalem, a place of disappointment and dashed hopes, where their Master had suffered and died. But on that path of sadness and doubt, Jesus spoke and "opened the Scriptures" to them, even though they failed to recognize Him (Luke 24:32).

Patiently, Jesus explained how all the Scriptures pointed to Him. Step-by-step, the risen One brought their faith back to life. Perhaps the women's story of an empty tomb could be true! Could this have been God's plan all along? Slowly, their grief-stricken hearts grew warm; they hungered to hear more. "Stay with us," they pleaded (Luke 24:29). And once He broke the bread, their eyes were opened: they knew it was Jesus.

Today the same Jesus who walked the road to Emmaus will be speaking to *you* through the Scriptures at Mass. These aren't just wise words from a gifted teacher or an ancient book. It is Jesus Himself, the living Word of God, speaking to you. He will meet you wherever you are: whether you're just starting out in your journey of faith or you've been following Him for years. Whether you have questions or you're sure of what you believe, Jesus will still open His word to you. He loves to stir your heart!

Don't you want the hope that comes from hearing Jesus speak His words? Don't you want more confidence that He will speak to you through His words? And don't you want deeper faith that He is truly present, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity, on the altar? Jesus wants this even more than you do!

Open your heart to the Lord; listen as He speaks through His word. He will not disappoint.

"Jesus, help me to hear You speak through the Scriptures today."
(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

Mon	Apr 24	Conversations of Faith (RCIA), 6:30pm in Church Office
Tues	Apr 25	TNT Quilters, 8:00am at the Columbus Hall
Wed	Apr 26	SAS First Confession for First Communicants CCE, 5:30pm Youth Group, 6pm in Cafeteria
Thurs	Apr 27	Contemporary Choir Practice, 6:30pm in Church
Fri	Apr 28	SAS School Mass Prepared by 1 st Grade, 8:15am
Sun	Apr 30	SAS First Communion, 10am

Last Weekend's Collection

\$ 4963.00 Envelopes
 \$ 2688.00 Loose

"Thank you for your generosity!"

The second collection next weekend will be for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

Did you know? You can make your Sunday Donations online by visiting www.victoriadiocese.org and clicking on the "Parish Donations" tab? This can be used for the regular Sunday Collections and the Diocesan Second Collections.

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 flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by the Nieto Family in honor of Edith Guadalupe Nieto's Quinceanera.

Mark your calendar!!
 VBS will be June 26-30!!

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.

<u>Ministers serving this weekend</u>	<u>Ministers to serve next weekend</u>
6:00 C & K Crosby, A Frnka C/L M Stavinoaha	6:00 W & H Kramr C/L B Besch
8:00 J Rau, L & W Glueck C/L J Rau	8:00 A Cranek, T & K Watkins C/L T Wostarek
10:00 J Schobel, A & I Hmdz C/L N Nelson	10:00 K & K Glueck, L Venghaus C/L SAS Students
12:00 E & J Tovar, L Alvarez C/L C Espinosa	12:00 I Hmdz, C Mrtzn, A Rdrz C/L L Flores
TLC S Gerik, T Theut	TLC J O'Leary, RJ Jauernig

*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!

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.

SAS Drive Thru Chicken Spaghetti Dinner—Thursday, April 27. Plates can be picked up in the church parking lot from 5-7pm, and will include chicken spaghetti, corn, salad, and garlic bread. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased from a 7th grader, or in the church and school offices. Sponsored by the 7th grade (proceeds will benefit their class trip in 2024). **The last day to buy tickets is Monday, April 24.**

The Columbus KC's will have a BBQ Drive Thru Meal consisting of BBQ beef and pork, butter potatoes, and cole slaw on Sunday, April 23rd, at the Columbus Hall. The plate cost is \$15. Serving will start at 11am until sold out. Tickets are not necessary. CDA will have desserts available for purchase.

Altar Servers Needed! We are always looking for prayerful hearts to help Father and the deacons on the altar. If your child would like to be trained to be an Altar Server (must have received First Communion), please contact the church office.

SAS Registration for the
 2023-24 School Year
 is now open! See the school office for
 necessary paperwork.

Happenings around the Diocese:
(Go to victoriadiocese.org for more info or see fliers on bulletin board)
San Luis Catholic Church Annual Jamaica, Yorktown—April 23
Raphael's Refuge—Deacon Tankersley of Hallettsville will preside over a Holy Hour on Tuesday April 25, at 10am. Please join us for Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction. All are welcome.
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