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

Liturgies for the Week

Mon	Oct 19	5:30pm	+JoHelen Schobel
Tues	Oct 20	7:30am	In Thanksgiving for a Successful Fall Festival
Wed	Oct 21	5:30pm	+Dick Barton
Thur	Oct 22	7:30am	In Thanksgiving
Thur	Oct 22	8:15am	+Erwin Meyer
Fri	Oct 23	8:15am	+Rev. Msgr. Gerard Cernoch
Fri	Oct 23	5:30pm	A.K. and Janice Kasmiersky (55th Anniversary)
Sat	Oct 24	6:00pm	+Ruby Berger
Sun	Oct 25	8:00am	+Audrey Kouba
Sun	Oct 25	10:00am	Samantha Gonzales (15th Birthday)
Sun	Oct 25	12:00noon	+Teodora Rosales

*"Shine like lights in the world as you hold on to the word of life."
(Philippians 2:15d, 16a)*

Sunday, October 18, 2020
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Why are you testing me, you hypocrites?" (Matthew 22:18). These Pharisees and Herodians thought they had come up with a foolproof plan to ensnare Jesus. If He said it was lawful to pay the census tax, the people would turn against Him since they hated the tax. If He said it was not lawful, He would be in trouble with the Roman authorities. In order to look sincere, they prefaced their question by flattering Jesus. But Jesus saw right through their plan and called them on it.

Clearly, hypocrisy was something that angered Jesus. In a series of "woes," He called the religious leaders who opposed Him hypocrites for not following the very precepts they were teaching (Matthew 23:13-29). And in His Sermon on the Mount, He warns people not to pray or fast like "the hypocrites" who do it just to look good in front of others (6:5,16).

The word "hypocrisy" comes from the Greek word *hypokrisis*, which means acting on a stage. When we are hypocritical, we are putting on an act, saying one thing and then doing the opposite. But when our actions betray our words, we have to ask ourselves if we really believe what we say we do.

We are all susceptible to hypocrisy--it's one of those unfortunate consequences of our fallen human nature. For example, we might lecture our children about not spending too much time on their screens and then spend hours and hours watching TV. Or we may claim that we are a team player at work but then create division by criticizing a fellow coworker.

It can be a painful process to search our consciences and discover ways in which our actions aren't lining up with our beliefs. But the Lord understands our struggles and will forgive us and help us to change. Best of all, the more we are able to authentically live out our Christian beliefs, the more we can become living witnesses to Jesus--and the kingdom He has ushered it.

"Jesus, help me to act on what I say I believe."
(from "The Word Among Us")

PLEASE NOTE:
The Church Office has a new email address: sec.stanthony@gmail.com.
You can also email the office to make sure that we have your current email address on file.

All Souls Day Novena Envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church.

Masses: If you would like a Mass said for a loved one, living or deceased, see Tracey in the Church Office

Did you know? We have a Lost and Found in the Church Office. If you have accidentally forgotten something in the church, please call the Church Office. We might have it!

Calendar for the Week

Mon	Oct 19	Bible Study: The Wisdom Books, 6:15pm in Church
Tues	Oct 20	TNT Quilters, 8:00am at Columbus Hall Rosary led by SAS 1st grade, 9:30am in Church
Wed	Oct 21	Youth Group, 6:30-7:45pm at St. Roch Hall in Mentz
Thurs	Oct 22	SAS Mass for ECH, 1st, 2nd, & 4th grades, 8:15am in Church
Fri	Oct 23	SAS Mass prepared by the 7th grade, 8:15am in Church
Sun	Oct 25	Divine Mercy and Hour of Adoration, 3:00pm in Church

Last Weekend's Collection

\$ 2081.00	Envelopes
\$ 893.00	Loose
\$ 368.00	Legacy Fund

Donations Made Last Week

\$ 70.00	Capital Campaign Donations & Pledges
\$ 170.00	Capital Campaign Memorials

Donations for New A/C in the Church

\$ 58,688.00 (\$130,000.00 Needed)

Donations for New Liturgical Vestments

\$ 3,825.00 (\$13,000 Needed)

"Thank you for your generosity!"

"Building on our Legacy, Building for Christ!"

Your donations are appreciated. Construction of our beautiful school is complete, but we still have a loan with the Diocese, which to date totals **\$1,197,359.95**. (The loan started at \$1,300,214.50, with an interest rate of 4%.) If you would like to make a donation, please see Tracey in the church office. No gift is too small! Thank you!

CANONICAL BANNNS in Anticipation of ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE for the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

After the proper period of formation and discernment, the following men have presented themselves to Bishop Brendan Cahill to be considered for Ordination as Permanent Deacons:

John Glueck & Rusty Theut

Before these candidates are called to the Order of the Diaconate by Bishop Cahill, the People of God are to be asked about their worthiness. Therefore, if you are aware of a reason why any of these men should not be ordained, you are asked to please contact:

Deacon Chuck Glynn, Ed.D.
Director of Formation, Office of the Permanent Diaconate
Diocese of Victoria in Texas
979-253-9616 ~ cglynn@victoriadiocese.org

The names of those expressing concerns will not be shared with any of the candidates, though the nature of the concern may be shared with them as part of the discernment and evaluation process.

A Big Thank You to Dwight and Suzanne Mazac and Jerry Schobel. Their donations to the Fall Festival Raffle were inadvertently left off of the raffle tickets.

Consider joining in the Diocesan -wide **MARIAN CONSECRATION.**

This is a wonderful opportunity to pray together with the people of our Diocese and to become more closely united to Jesus through His Beloved Mother.

It's very simple to sign up: <https://victoriadiocese.org/rosarycongress>. There are 33 days of prayer and reflection beginning 10.19.20 leading up to Consecration on 11.21.20, the Feast of the Presentation of Mary.

Envelopes for the World Mission Sunday Collection (this weekend's second collection) can be found at the entrance of the church.

The flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by the CDA, Mary Queen of Snows Court 1588, in honor of National CDA Sunday.

2020 Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA): St. Anthony's DSA goal for 2020 is **\$35,600**. To date, parishioners have pledged \$17,710.00 towards the DSA, leaving a balance of \$17,890.00 We ask that you prayerfully consider your gift. Donations can be mailed directly to the Diocese or brought to the church office. No gift is too small and we earnestly thank you for your generosity.

The Year of the Family began on October 4 and continues through October 3, 2021. Each month, our diocesan family will explore different themes of our Catholic faith leading us to meaningful encounters with Christ. Check out the diocesan website for more information: www.victoriadiocese.org.

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 that you are leaving.
