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At first, Bartimaeus is not yet "on the way"—Mark's "Gospel code" for Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and our journey of discipleship—but at least near the way, "by the roadside" (Mark 10:46). Still only on the sidelines, Bartimaeus cries out what becomes Christianity's "Jesus Prayer": "Jesus, son of David, have pity (most translations, mercy) on me" (Mark 10:47-48). Sightless, Bartimaeus is nonetheless fearless: "many rebuked him, telling him to be silent" (10:48). Sightless, Bartimaeus is already insightful: "son of David" acclaims Jesus Messiah. Seen in the context of baptism and discipleship, sightless Bartimaeus' response resembles both journey to baptism as catechumen and pilgrimage from baptism as what Pope Francis calls "missionary disciples" (Evangelii Gaudium, Joy of the Gospel, 119-121).

RESPONDING LIKE BARTIMAEUS

Once healed, "illumined" as in Baptism, Bartimaeus' discipleship response to Jesus challenges us to examine our own. Again this week, Hebrews reminds us that Jesus is our merciful high priest. Though sinless, Jesus "is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring" (Hebrews 5:2) like all that we are bound to extend to others, ceaselessly and unconditionally, the mercy that we ourselves need? As part of that mercy, then, are we cowed into safe, respectable silence by a world rejecting Christ's countercultural teachings, or do we dare speak up and speak out on behalf of others?

high priests. Hebrews invokes Melchizedek, whose meeting

with Abraham signals the joining of God's primeval cosmic

covenant made with Noah and God's scriptural covenant

with Israel, leading to "the new and eternal covenant" sealed

in Jesus' Blood. Like Melchizedek, Jesus transcends history's

boundaries of race and nation to gather earth's fragmented,

even warring factions into the great harvest of a humanity

renewed and redeemed. So our baptismal commitment and discipleship's journey bid us become instruments of Christ's unity and peace to all whom we encounter "on the way."

Are we sitting still, isolated, safely on the sidelines? Or do

we cry out, like Bartimaeus, for Jesus' mercy, understanding

Today's Readings: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:45 a.m. -12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

Rev. Patrick Knippenberg, Pastor

Sr. Valerie Janecka, IWBS - Parish Secretary Cindy Doyle, Bookkeeper Martha Nichols, PCL/Safe Environment Coordinator Tammy Fikac, PCL

Thomas Santos & Tracie Tibiletti, Music Ministry

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME

Registration forms online at www.lourdesvictoria.org or email: ollvic@lourdesvictoria.org

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Daily (Mon-Sat): 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Before daily Mass

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

First Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS:

First Sunday of every month





must be your servant.

SUNDAY - October 24 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time **World Mission Sunday**

7:30 am - Clifton Lau **†**

10:00 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

MONDAY - October 25

8:00 am - Franklin J. Sedlar **†** Dolores Kilgore **†**

TUESDAY - October 26

8:00 am - Michael Elliot Hogan **†**

WEDNESDAY - October 27

8:00 am - Hazel E. Waida **†**

THURSDAY - October 28

8:00 am - Louise Stavinoha Welfel †

FRIDAY - October 29

8:00 am - Madlen Hanselman Matej † Alfred Baros †

SATURDAY - October 30

8:00 am - Glenn & Willie Mae Kornfuehrer † 4:00 pm - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

SUNDAY - October 31 - Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time **World Mission Sunday**

7:30 am - Dede Koenig **†** 10:00 am - Billy Yandell †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21;

Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-21 Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-6; Lk 13:22-30 Thursday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

Friday: Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6 Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a,

14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28;

Mk 12:28b-34

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Milton Greeson, E. J. Bammert, Veronica Serrill, Michael Johnson, Bernita Korenek, Michael Krenek, John Correll, Cheryl Barker, Tom Vivion, Adam Michaelis, Ruben & Frances Espino, Maria Garcia, Larry Vitek, Kathleen Edwards, Darren Mikulik, Tina Moya, Cole Ohrt, Ramona Perez, James Rung, Wade Shumbera, Frank & Gloria Wearden, Marjorie Anders, Frank Reyes, Jr., Carly Walker, Gerald Yankey, Patsy Bradicich, Judy Parsons, Ann Hagel, Piper Eloisa Lara, Kevin Quinn, Tom Tengler, Tommie Brennan, Joel Nava, Bernice Drost, Lawrence Yanta, Hailey Vasquez, W. R. Nichols, Patricia Pooley, Samuel William Bek, Matt Brown, Rebecca Hough, Marvin Kucera

THIS WEEK

The THIRTIETH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Collection/Envelope: Weekly Offering 2nd Collection: Mission Sunday

SATURDAY - Confessions: 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

The THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Collection/Envelope: Weekly Offering 2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul Fund

All Souls Day Envelopes are placed at the entrance of the church for your convenience if you care to remember your loved ones during the month of November. Those of you who receive church envelopes, one is included in the set mailed to you.



Liturgical

NEXT WEEKEND - October 30/31, 2021

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS and

LECTORS

Sat. 4:00 pm - Joe Ryan John Novak Sun. 7:30 am - James Novak Sherry Kainer Sun. 10:00 am - Geralyn Biediger Teresa Magaw Donna Maxey (Choir)

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:00 pm - James Record, Suzie Ryan,

Sun. 7:30 am - Standbys

of HOLY COMMUNION

Sun. 10:00 am - Renee B., Cole W-J.

USHERS/Door Monitors:

Sat. 4:00 pm - John Novak, Norman Schoener, Standby Sun. 7:30 am - Michael Fikac, Frank Marbach, James Novak Sun. 10:00 am - Joe Ryan, Kenneth Spann, Stand by

GOOD HEARING

Faith is the ear of the soul.

-St. Clement of Alexandria



Questions of the Week

What aspect of my life needs healing? What do I want Jesus to do for me?



WEEKEND

of October 16/17, 2021

Count - 405

Total Operating Income 2,929.00 2nd Collection: Altar Servers' Scholarship Fund 664.83

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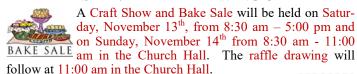
or Dorothy Boehm at 550-2038 to order.



Last date to order and payment due is October 25. Pick up of dressing will be on Saturday, November 13, 2021 between 8:30 am–5:00 pm in the OLL Church Hall. The following sales also will occur at this date and time: Arts and Crafts, Brisket and Bake Sales This will be your last chance to purchase raffle tickets. Don't miss a perfect opportunity to prepare for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Elaine Mayer, OLL Festival Chair

BAKE SALE/RAFFLE DRAWING UPDATE



Please, if you have any craft items or baked goods you would like to donate, bring them to the basement on Friday, November 12 (1:00 - 5:00). Thank you.



KEEPING KIDS SAFE

All children and youth in our Religious Education Program are given additional information on how to protect themselves and become aware of their surroundings. The following are dates and topics for this coming year. Parents and Guardians are welcomed and encouraged to attend your children's class (8:30 am), or any class of interest to you.

October 31 - Grades 7-8

"Stop Bullying! Stand up for Yourself and Others"

Tips & Best Practices for Identifying Phishing Emails & Digital Spam

Internet criminals are getting more sophisticated in their attempts to gain your passwords and other private information. A short webinar and blog by eCatholic offers good insights into the kinds of things you need to look for in order to protect your privacy and your money. They have graciously shared the link so parishes can share with their staffs and parishioners. Go to this given web page and learn more: https://ecatholic.com/blog/identify-phishing-emails-and-spam.

A word of caution: please know that if Fr. Pat needs any financial assistance or favors, he will not make that request via an email or text.

JOB OPENING

Incarnate Word Convent is needing someone in the food service department. Position is 8 hours/3 days a week. For more information, please contact Sr. Rosalyn @ 361-572-9321.

- EVENTS ALL AROUND -



Knights of Columbus Council #1329

Bingo every Wednesday evening at the Columbus Hall Location is Airline at Ben Wilson.

Doors open at 5:00 pm (as well as the concession stand which is returning with hamburgers, chicken sandwiches, and nachos. Deserts are available). No outside food or drink is allowed.

Dollar Dauber Games start at $5:30~\mathrm{pm}$. Bingo Games go from $7:00~\mathrm{pm}$ until $10:00~\mathrm{pm}$.

\$10.00 per Bingo sheet pack for 10 games.

Proceeds benefit various charities supported by the Knights of Columbus.

For information, call the hall Wednesday evening at 575-9214.

Future Bingo Dates:

Every Wednesday evening until further notice.

The Stevenson Unit Chapel Development Corporation is hosting the **First Annual Chapel Fund Golf Tournament** on October 28th at the Victoria Country Club. The 25-team four-person scramble will begin at 9:00 am and features cash prizes for six places totaling \$5,600. For more information regarding team entry or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Les Richter at 361-220-1100. Proceeds from the event will be used to fund the construction of a multi-purpose education facility and Chapel building at the Stevenson Prison in Cuero.

Sacred Heart Hallettsville 69th Annual Apple Strudel Bake set for Saturday, October 30, 2021. Unbaked strudels - \$17 each, baked - \$20 each. Pickup from 10am to 3pm on 10/30 at the SH Family Center in Hallettsville. To order, call Charlene Bradbury 361-798-6191, Annette Henke 361-772-0929, Barbara Grahmann 361-798-4167, email shsstrudelbake@gmail.com or online at http://www.facebook.com/indianshsa. (Advance orders are required to guarantee order fulfillment.)

Strength for the Journey

A Grief Ministry for Parents who have lost children

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN

October 29-31, 2021

At the Diocese of Victoria Spiritual Renewal Center in Victoria, TX

Coping with the death of a child is very difficult. We are a group of parents who have lost a child and will walk this grief journey with you. Join us for a weekend that will include time to pray, reflect, and listen to speakers including clergy, licensed professional counselors (LPCs), and parents who have lost children. Questions? Contact Pat at 979-257-9984 or Deacon Larry at 979-578-3934. Partial scholarships are available. Deadline to register is 10/26/21.



St. Andrew Altar Society Turkey Dinner October 31, 2021

St. Andrew Parish Hall (Hillje, Texas)
Serving begins @ 11:00 am \$12.00 per plate

POSSIBILITIES

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.

—St. Lawrence



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