



*Blessed art thou
&
the fruit of
thy womb*

MASSSES for the WEEK



SUNDAY - December 27 - Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
10:00 am - Wallace & Kathy Bianchi †

MONDAY - December 28 (The Holy Innocents, Martyrs)
8:00 am - Caroline Lee †

TUESDAY - December 29
8:00 am - Charlie Tater †

WEDNESDAY - December 30
8:00 am - Caroline Lee †

THURSDAY - December 31 (New Year's Eve)
8:00 am - Elaine Wheat †
5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

FIRST FRIDAY - January 1 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God) New Year's Day
9:00 am - Franklin J. Sedlar †

FIRST SATURDAY - January 2
8:00 am - Mary Ruth Kainer †
4:00 pm - Peter Harris †



SUNDAY - January 3 - Epiphany of the Lord
7:30 am - Kenneth Fikac & Anthony Fikac †
10:00 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt:13-18
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Friday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Hailey Vasquez, Lillian Kozielski, Patricia Pooley, Samuel William Bek, Matt Brown, Marvin Kucera, Milton Greeson, E. J. Bammert, Steve & Veronica Serrill, Michael Johnson, Bernita Korenek, Michael Krenk, John Correll, Cheryl Barker, Ruben & Frances Espino, Larry Vitek, Kathleen Edwards, Helen Schoener, Darren Mikulik, Tina Moya, Cole Ohrt, Ramona Perez, Jo Ann Hough, James Rung, Wade Shumbera, Frank & Gloria Wearden, Marjorie Anders, Joe Lara, Dolores Kilgore, Eunice Brosch, Frank Reyes, Jr., Carly Walker, Julius Belicek, Gerald Yankey, Ann Hagel, Rachel Wiesner, Piper Eloisa Lara, Kevin Quinn, Joel Nava, Bernice Drost, Clifford Moczygamba, Mae Jean Willemin, Katrina Marbach, Lawrence Yanta

THIS WEEK



HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY and JOSEPH
Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship
2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul

WEDNESDAY - Choir Practice (6:00 pm)

THURSDAY - Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

FIRST FRIDAY - The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)
World Day of Peace

Collection/Envelope: Solemnity of Mary Offering
Adoration is Cancelled

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

The EPIPHANY of the LORD

Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship & Initial Offering
2nd Collection: Building Repairs & Maintenance Initial Offering

NEXT WEEKEND - January 2/3, 2021



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

and

LECTORS

Sat. 4:00 pm - Standby
Sun. 7:30 am - Standby
Sun. 10:00 am - Standby

Liz Lemke
Sherry Kainer
Carol Bludau

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:00 pm - James Record, Suzie Ryan
Sun. 7:30 am - Kalynn & Kylie F.
Sun. 10:00 am - Renee B., Cole W-J.

USHERS/Door Monitors:

Sat. 4:00 pm - John Novak, Norman Schoener
Sun. 7:30 am - Kaden Fikac, Michael Fikac, Matt Warwas
Sun. 10:00 am - Kaden Fikac, Michael Fikac, Matt Warwas

Thank you for supporting senior religious. Religious across the United States offer sincere thanks for your generosity to the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

WEEKEND of December 12/13, 2020



Count - 244

Total Operating Income \$ 3,108.00
2nd Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious \$ 260.00
Christmas Flowers \$ 716.00

Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated.



Due to the early publication deadline of this bulletin, the weekly offertory count for the WEEKEND of December 19/20, 2020, will be printed in a future bulletin.



May you shine the light of Christ in the New Year!

Question of the Week

How can I better see Christ in my family members? How can I better see neighbors and strangers as my sisters and brothers?

A Prayer for Protection against Fires

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, we ask Your protection against destroying fire. Fire is so very necessary for our existence, and yet, when it gets out of control, it can be more damaging than anything else. Keep our homes and buildings and woods and fields safe from this scourge. Help us always to be most careful in our use of it. Help us especially in the winter time when need and use it most. For then, if our homes are destroyed by fire, we suffer more than ever.

Give us, too, we humbly pray You, a saving fear of the fires of passion, and the help of Your grace to control them. Help us also to fear the fires of hell, that we may always keep away from serious sin, and live lives of goodness and virtue, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

From the "Rural Life Prayer Book"

NEIGHBORLY LOVE


We can never love our neighbor too much.

—St. Francis de Sales

Looking for a Special Way to Rekindle the Spark in Your Marriage?

Choosing to L.O.V.E. is a retreat for married couples seeking to enrich their marital commitment, by focusing on what brought their covenant into existence—their marriage vows.

Father Gary Janak, along with several married couples, will hold this retreat for married couples at the Spiritual Renewal Center, on **February 12 - 14, 2021**. The cost for the retreat is \$275.00 per couple, which includes lodging, food and materials. We are now accepting applications for registration. Space is limited, so contact Jenny Vincent at jvincent@olvcathedral.org to ensure a spot.



ARISE

DIocese of Victoria MEN'S GATHERING


TEACH ME YOUR WAY, O LORD,
AND I WILL WALK IN YOUR TRUTH.
PSALMS 86:11

SATURDAY 2/20/21 IN VICTORIA

8AM – 4:30PM



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MITCH
PACWA, SJ**



**BISHOP
BRENDAN
CAHILL**



**AUTHOR
SAM
MEIER**

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- EVENTS ALL AROUND -

The 10:00 am Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church continues to be live-streamed on Facebook.

- Parishioners should take their temperatures before coming to Mass and should not attend if exhibiting any signs of sickness.
- Parishioners attending Mass are asked to **wear a face mask, bandana, scarf, or other covering for the mouth and nose while on church grounds.**
- Please follow all civil orders: www.VictoriaTXOEM.org

Holiday Hours for the Parish Office

The Parish Office will close on December 24th and 25th in observance of Christmas.

Likewise, the office will close at noon on December 31st thru January 1st in observance of the New Year.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
YEAR**



and A BLESSED NEW

The 2021 Our Lady of Lourdes Church calendars have arrived. Each parish family is entitled to a calendar. It is our hope that you display this beautiful calendar, depicting exquisite religious art, in a very prominent space in your home. May God bless you with many happy days during the upcoming year!

TIME

Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

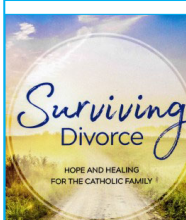
Finding Christ in the World

(12-week Ignatian Retreat)

Amor Meus Spirituality Center is offering a 12- week Virtual Ignatian Retreat, "Finding Christ in the World". Participants will meet virtually either on Wednesday mornings 9:30-10:30 am or Wednesday evenings 6:30-7:30 pm, beginning January 6, 2021 through March 24, 2021. The retreat moves through twelve themes for prayer. The persons making the retreat pray at home each day with a given scripture passage and meet for one hour each week to share. Brief notes help move the retreatant into prayer.

The retreat is limited to no more than 10 persons. Call early to secure a space.

To register or to inquire about the retreat, call Sister Digna at (361) 485-0866.



Over 12 sessions, participants will discuss such topics such as healing, learning to forgive, and how to move forward. All who have experienced divorce and separation are welcome, and sessions are kept confidential. They will be facilitated by a Catholic man and a woman who have each experienced their own divorce, in conjunction with an excellent

video series by Ascension: <https://www.victoriadiocese.org/survivingdivorce>.

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