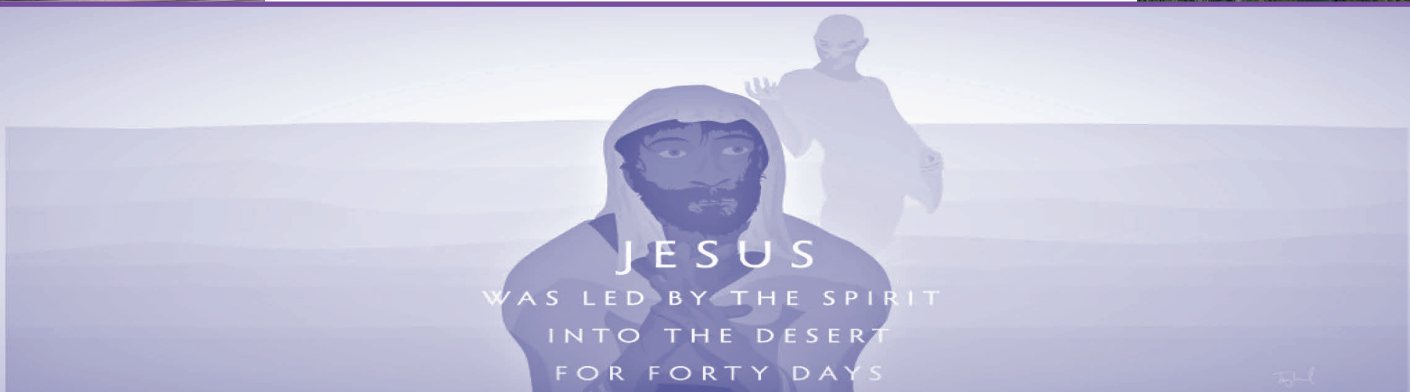


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March 10, 2019 • First Sunday of Lent

It may be difficult for us to imagine Jesus being tempted. He was God, after all. But he was also fully human, and faced the temptations and trials of life just like the rest of us. In fact, this is one of the key aspects of our faith. Jesus came to be one with us in all things but sin. He understands our weaknesses and the difficulties that sometimes happen in life, and he is with us, strengthening us to stand firm in faith, as he did in the desert, throughout his earthly ministry, and on the cross.

TRUST IN GOD

When Moses and the Israelites were in the desert, they sometimes grumbled. Fearful and anxious, they questioned whether God was really with them, in spite of the many signs and wonders of God's fidelity to them. Gradually, they learned to trust that God would always lead and be with them. They grew in awareness of God's presence, and were thankful for the gifts of God in their

midst. In celebrating the first harvest in the Promised Land, they gave their first fruits back to God as a sign of their gratitude. Have you ever grumbled at God in a time of anxiety or worry? At times, we may be tempted to turn away from the life to which we are called. It is in just such moments that we may learn from Jesus, who responded to temptation by turning toward God and trusting God's will completely. Look around. Be attentive to the many blessings in your life, and know that all good things come from God. Lent is a season when we turn our lives around, opening our hearts and lives to see the Lord's goodness and responding to it with our lives. Let us follow Jesus out of the desert, ready to give of our first fruits, the fruits of our lives, talents, resources, and faith.

Today's Readings: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

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Monday -Thursday 8:45 a.m. -12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Friday 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

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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.
Holy Day Masses: 5:30 p.m. Vigil;
8:00 a.m. Morning of Holy Day
(except Christmas)

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

CHOIR PRACTICE:

Every Wednesday @ 6:15 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME

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

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY - March 10 - First Sunday of Lent

7:30 am - E. M. Myers
10:00 am - Wallace & Kathy Bianchi †

MONDAY - March 11

8:00 am - M. E. Novian

TUESDAY - March 12

8:00 am - Franklin J. Sedlar †

WEDNESDAY - March 13

8:00 am - Laddie F. Janda †

THURSDAY - March 14

8:00 am - Teresa Berger Dodson

FRIDAY - March 15

8:00 am - Adella Mullino †
5:30 pm - Reinhart Schoener †



SATURDAY - March 16

8:00 am - Margaret Rogers †
4:00 pm - John Anthony Perez †

SUNDAY - March 17 - Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
10:00 am - Franklin J. Sedlar †

SUNDAY - First Sunday of Lent

Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship
2nd Collection: Diocesan Services Appeal
Rice Bag Collection

MONDAY - Holy Name Society Meeting - 7:00 pm

TUESDAY - Sewing Circle - after 8:00 am Mass

FRIDAY - Day of Abstinence

5:30 Mass, Stations of the Cross/Lenten Soup Supper
by Holy Name Society

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

SUNDAY - Second Sunday of Lent

Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship
2nd Collection: Altar Servers' Scholarship Fund
Rice Bag Collection

EXPEDIENCY IS NO JUSTIFICATION

No one is justified in doing evil on the ground of expediency.
Theodore Roosevelt

NEXT WEEKEND - March 16/17, 2019

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

of HOLY COMMUNION and **LECTORS**

Sat. 4:00 pm - Helen John, Geriann Neuman, Standby x1 Greg Richter
Sun. 7:30 am - Martha Nichols, Standby x2 Emily Yeary
Sun. 10:00 am - Carol & Howard Bludau, Melody or John Vecera David Post

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:00 pm - James Record, Standby x2
Sun. 7:30 am - Karley & Katelyn J., Jenny M.
Sun. 10:00 am - Eric & Reice T., Joey R.

USHERS:

Sat. 4:00 pm - Julius Cano, John Novak, Norman Schoener
Sun. 7:30 am - Gary Pribyl, Patrick Pribyl, Standby x1
Sun. 10:00 am - Howard Bludau, Pat Krenek, Standby x1

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

Questions of the Week

Where do I encounter temptation?
When do I give in?
How do I withstand it?

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Cody Arnold, Cheryl Barker, Michael Berger, Monsignor Gerard Cernoch, Frances Espino, Tom Goslin, Carson Halterman, Monsignor Joseph Hybner, Darren Mikulik, Tina Moya, Cole Ohrt, Patty Pantel, Ramona Perez, James Rung, Wade Shumbera, Carly Walker, Gerald Yankey, Piper Eloisa Lara, Winston Wilson, Teresa Berger Dodson, Steve & Veronica Serrill, Mae Jean Willemin, Johnnie Bomersbach, Dayle Lemke, David Dierlam, Kevin Mozisek, Margie Tater, Ann & Robert Hagel, Hailey Vasquez, Patricia Pooley, W. R. Nichols, John Carroll, Samuel William Bek, Dennis Boehm

WEEKEND of February 23/24, 2019

Count - 550

Total Operating Income \$4,431.75
2nd Collection: Building Repairs/Maintenance \$1,163.00
Online (January) \$ 740.00

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ILL HABITS

Ill habits gather by unseen degrees—
As brooks make rivers, rivers run to seas. —Ovid



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PREVIEW OF GOOD THINGS TO COME

- ⇒ BURNING OF PALMS
- ⇒ ASH WEDNESDAY
- ⇒ STATIONS OF THE CROSS
- ⇒ FRIDAY SOUP SUPPERS
- ⇒ PARISH LENTEN CONFESSIONS
- ⇒ **PALM SUNDAY**
- ⇒ **EASTER TRIDUUM**

Stations of the Cross Lenten Soup Supper Schedule

March 15, 2019	Holy Name Society
March 22, 2019	Social Group
March 29, 2019	Choir
April 5, 2019	Pot Luck
April 12, 2019	Catechists

PAST AND FUTURE

There is no saint without a past—and no sinner without a future.
—Anonymous



St. Joseph Scholars Program

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- *High School Placement Exam (HSPE) Score
- *Interview with Head of School – Finalists will be selected for interviews based on HPSE scores

The HSPE will be offered on March 23

St. Joseph High School Library, 8:30-11:30 am
Contact Jen Korinek, STJ Director of Admissions,
to sign-up for the exam.
361.573.2446 x217 or jkorinek@stjflyers.com

**Placement exams for Pre-AP English, Spanish and Math will be offered in May.

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl (CRS)

This week, we are taking up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to respond to Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Seventy-five percent of the funds are remitted to CRS for overseas projects and twenty-five percent may be retained in the diocese for local antipoverty programs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

- EVENTS ALL AROUND -

Solemn Lenten Vespers

March 10, 17, 24, 31,
April 7, 14, 2019
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm



Incarinate Word Convent Chapel
1101 NE Water Street, Victoria

Solemn Vespers is the Liturgical Evening Prayer of the Church. This prayer focuses on praying the psalms, giving thanks for the day and offering praise to God. Vespers closes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

For more information, contact Sr. Emilie Eilers 361-575-7111.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #4307 SHRIMP ETOUFFEE & GUMBO MEAL

Sunday, March 10, 2019

St. Peter's Catholic Church Parish Hall
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Serving from 10:30 am til 1:00 pm
Bowl - \$10.00 (served with rice---includes dessert & tea)
Live Auction & Raffle
Proceeds benefit High School Senior Academic Scholarships

Amor Meus Spirituality Center Taizé Prayer Service

March 19, (Lenten Theme) 7:00 pm—8:00 pm. Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N. E. Water St. Victoria. Taizé Prayer is a meditative Christian experience of prayer that includes song and chanted prayers, meditation, and periods of silence, reflection and liturgical readings. Amor Meus Prayer room. For more information, call Sr. Emilie Eilers at 361-575-7111 or visit the website at www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org.

Bunco Party, hosted by Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Society, will be Thursday, **April 4th**, from 9:30 am - 12:00 pm in the basement hall. Lunch and door prizes provided. Sign-in is at 9:00 am.
Please call in your reservation to Elaine Mayer @ 575-5040.



Nazareth Academy is currently enrolling students in PK3 - 8th grade for the 2019-2020 school year. If you are interested in learning more about the school, visit our website at www.nazarethacademy.org. To set up a tour or shadow time for your child, please call Debbie Michalski at 361.573.6651 or email her at dmichalski@nazarethacademy.org. We would love to have you join our school family! Put your faith in us!

Boldly go where many have gone before and help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! This fall, our parish children and young people will return to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. You can help by becoming a **catechist for Faith Formation**. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well! Classes are held on Sundays from 8:30am – 9:45am. If interested or for more information, contact Martha Nichols at 361-571-0337 or Tammy Fikac at 361-649-3717.

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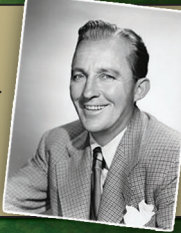


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