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The Diocese of Victoria in Texas



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	Mrs. Valerie Buentello, Executive Program Assistant
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Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry	
	Mrs. Shannon Thomas, Associate Director

Departments and Personnel Not Located at the Chancery

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Permanent Diaconate Formation	•
Permanent Deacons	
Spiritual Renewal Center	Mr. Matthew Boyle, Director
Presidio La Bahia	Mr. Scott McMahon, Director
Liturgical Commission	Mr. Greg Bentz, Director

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The Diocese of Victoria – A Brief History

The Founding of the Diocese

The Diocese of Victoria was established on May 29, 1982, with the Most Reverend Charles V. Grahmann being installed as the first bishop of the newly created diocese. The first diocesan offices were known as The Catholic Center and were located at 2007-A N. De Leon Street in Victoria, Texas. In March of 1984, the bishop's office was moved to the Central Park Plaza Building on Commerce Street, joining the offices of the business manager, chancellor and tribunal, catechetical ministry and youth ministry.

All personnel moved into the new chancery building on Aug.15, 1985. The building, located at 1505 E. Mesquite Lane, was dedicated on Sept. 8, 1985. The office of the bishop, chancellor, business, catechetical ministry, vocations, The Catholic Lighthouse newspaper, Victoria Catholic Cemetery, tribunal and youth and family ministry are housed at the chancery. A chapel and library are also part of the building.

Bishop Grahmann was appointed coadjutor bishop of the Diocese of Dallas on Dec. 18, 1989, and was installed as coadjutor Bishop of Dallas on Feb. 21, 1990. From Feb. 21, 1990, the Reverend Monsignor Thomas C. McLaughlin served as administrator of the Diocese of Victoria. The Reverend David E. Fellhauer was appointed Bishop of Victoria on April 7, 1990. He was ordained and installed as bishop of the Diocese of Victoria on May 28, 1990. Bishop Fellhauer came to Victoria from the Diocese of Dallas where he was ordained to the priesthood in 1965 and had served most recently as judicial vicar of the Diocese of Dallas.

On April 23, 2015, Pope Francis accepted Bishop David E. Fellhauer's resignation as bishop of the diocese. On that same day, the pope appointed as the new bishop of the Diocese of Victoria, the Reverend Brendan J. Cahill, a priest of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. From April 23, 2015, the Reverend Gary W. Janak served as administrator of the Diocese of Victoria. Reverend Cahill was ordained and installed as the third bishop of the Diocese of Victoria on June 29, 2015.

Geographic Makeup

The Diocese of Victoria is comprised of the counties of Calhoun, DeWitt, Goliad, Jackson, Lavaca, Matagorda, Victoria, Wharton, Colorado and that part of Fayette county west of the Colorado River, which is a total of 9,609 square miles.

The San Antonio Archdiocese contributed all the parishes of the El Campo, Schulenburg and Victoria deaneries to make up the Diocese of Victoria. The former Hallettsville deanery is included in the diocese with the exception of St. James Parish, Gonzales; Sacred Heart Mission, Gonzales; and St. Patrick Mission, Waelder.

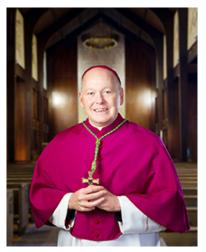
The Galveston-Houston Diocese gave the following parishes and missions to Victoria: Holy Cross Parish, Bay City, and its mission, Sacred Heart, Wadsworth; Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Bay City; Holy Cross Parish, East Bernard; St. John the Baptist Parish, Hungerford; Holy Family Parish, Wharton and its mission St. Joseph, Boling; and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Wharton.

The Corpus Christi Diocese added Immaculate Conception Parish, Goliad, and the missions of Immaculate Heart of Mary, Berclair; Our Lady of Guadalupe, Charco; Our Lady of Assumption, Fannin (all three no longer open); and the old Franciscan Presidio La Bahia, Our Lady of Loreto, Goliad.

In December of 1989 the following parishes entered our diocese from the Diocese of Austin: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish and Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Eagle Lake; Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, Frelsburg; and St. Roch Parish, Mentz. On March 1, 1995, Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Our Lady of Guadalupe were joined and merged. The parish was named The Parish of the Nativity.

There are six deaneries in the Diocese of Victoria: Cuero, Edna, El Campo, Hallettsville, Schulenburg

BISHOP BRENDAN JOHN CAHILL, STD



Bishop Brendan John Cahill, was born in Coral Gables, Florida, on November 28, 1963. He is the son of Joe and Joan Cahill and the fourth of five children. His family moved to Houston in 1971, and his parents, brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, and great nieces and nephew all live in Houston today. He attended St. Cecilia Catholic School and in 1981 he graduated from St. Thomas High School. After a year at Rice University he entered St. Mary Seminary in



Houston in 1982. He has degrees from the University of St. Thomas in Houston -- a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and a Master of Divinity degree.

Ordained a priest for the Diocese of Galveston-Houston on May 19, 1990, he served as parochial vicar of St. Frances Cabrini Church, Houston

from 1990 to 1992 and at Christ the Good Shepherd Church, Spring from 1992 to 1994. In 1994, he earned a Master of Theology degree with a specialization in African-American Catholic Studies from Xavier University, New Orleans, LA. Later that year he moved to the Casa Santa Maria (North American College) in Rome to pursue further academic studies. These studies developed his knowledge and appreciation of the richness of culture in the expression of faith, and the depth of thought of the theologians and bishops involved in the Second Vatican Council. He earned a Licentiate degree in Dogmatic Theology in 1996 and a Doctorate in Fundamental Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University in 1999. He speaks English, Spanish, and Italian, with a working knowledge of the Latin, French and German languages. Upon his return from Rome, he moved to St. Mary Seminary in Houston where he served as formation director from 1998 to 2001, and as Rector from 2001 to 2010. During this time he taught at the University of St. Thomas School of Theology and ministered at the Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart. He was the Director of the Secretariat for Clergy Formation and Chaplaincy Services and Vicar for Clergy of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston from 2010-2015. From September 2014 – June 2015 he was the Administrator of St. Joseph Church, Houston.

Throughout his years of service in Houston he was involved with several boards and organizations, which included the National Federation of Priests' Councils; University of St. Thomas; William J. Flynn Center for Irish Studies; Paradisus Dei; Anti-Defamation League Coalition of Mutual Respect; Adore Ministries; and Gratia Plena Counseling. He is a Magistral Chaplain of the Order of Malta. He is a member of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre. He was the spiritual director of the Houston Senatus of the Legion of Mary, chaplain to the Houston Serra Club and chaplain for the Knights of Columbus Galveston-Houston Chapter. In addition, he was a monthly co-host on A Show of Faith radio show with a Baptist minister and a Rabbi on KNTH 1070 in Houston, a weekly celebrant of Mass for the Missionaries of Charity and a monthly celebrant for Casa Juan Diego during his ministry in Galveston-Houston.

On June 29, 2015, Daniel Cardinal DiNardo ordained Bishop Brendan as the third Bishop of Victoria. Bishop David Fellhauer and Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza were Co-Consecrators. Since becoming the Bishop of Victoria, Bishop Brendan has served as a Member of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) Sub-committee on African-American Affairs and as a Consultor for the USCCB's Pro-Life Committee. He joined the Communities of Faith in Victoria with other Christian, Jewish and Muslim leaders and has been an active supporter of the Gulf Bend Center Coalition for Mental Health. He serves on the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops' Accreditation Commission (of Catholic schools) and is a Member of the Advisory Board of Holy Trinity Seminary in Dallas. He joined the Board of Directors of Catholic Rural Life and accepted to be the Associate State Chaplain for the Texas Knights of Columbus in 2016. Effective July 1, 2017, he began to serve as the Bishop Promoter for the Apostleship of the Sea in the United States.

Bishop Cahill's Coat of Arms



The episcopal heraldic achievement, or bishop's coat of arms (right side), is composed of a shield, that is the central and most important part of the design and tells to whom the design belongs, the external ornamentation, that tells the owner's position or rank, and a motto, placed upon a scroll. By heraldic tradition the design is described (blazoned) as if being done by the bearer with the shield being worn on the arm. Thus, where it applies the terms "sinister" and "dexter" are reversed as the design is viewed from the front. For the bishop of a diocese, known as an Ordinary, his personal arms are joined (impaled) with the arms of his jurisdiction; in this case the Diocese of Victoria.

For his personal arms, seen in the dexter impalement (right side) of the design, Bishop Cahill has opted to recognize the heritage of his family, now joined to the Diocese of Victoria. The upper half of the design is divided into two halves to represent the two branches of the Cahill family. The upper quarter is blue and displays a silver (white) whale and the lower quarter is composed of six triangles in the two alternating colors of green and silver (white). The lower half of the Bishop's design is red and displays a lion rampant, reared up on his hind legs, between two swords, all in silver (white). This represents the Bishop's mother's side of the family, the Dempseys.

For his motto, His Excellency, Bishop Cahill, has adopted the Latin phrase: COR MUNDUM CREA IN ME DEUS. This phrase, from the 51st Psalm, expresses Bishop Cahill's deep confidence in the mercy of God. St. Augustine wrote that this penitential Psalm reminds us that no sin is too great for God to forgive and God's desire is to continually create anew. The phrase prayed every Friday morning in the Liturgy of the Hours, translates in English as "Create in me a clean heart Oh God."

The achievement is completed with the external ornaments that are a gold (yellow) processional cross, that extends above and below the shield, and a pontifical hat, called a galero, with its six tassels, in three rows, on either side of the shield, all in green. These are the heraldic insignia of a prelate of the rank of bishop by instruction of the Holy See, of March 1969.

Diocese of Victoria Coat of Arms

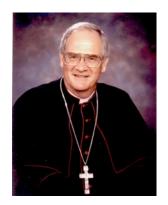
The coat of arms of the Diocese of Victoria displays a blue field with a silver cross on which is blazoned a green lighthouse with a gold beacon. In chief, the upper division, on the bearer's right is a gold crescent and on the bearer's left, a red rose.

The gold crescent designates the geographic area of the Gulf Coast, sometimes called the Golden Crescent or the Crescent Valley, in which the Diocese of Victoria is located. The red rose honors Our Lady of Guadalupe, naming her special patroness of the diocese. In displaying these two charges together, the shield recalls the traditional image of Our Lady, in which she is seen standing on a crescent moon, hereby acknowledging her gentle dominion over the people of the crescent diocese.

The field is blue, the color of sky and water, to speak of peace and unity, qualities already attributed to the people, and herein established for the diocese. The cross points to the rich tradition of faith brought to the region by European settlers who landed at Indianola, where the historic lighthouse still stands. The early Germans, Czechs, Polish, Irish and others joined the Mexican people in making faith and love of family life, attributes that abound even today.

Green, the color of hope, designates the lighthouse as a symbol of hope, while the golden beacon of light stands for Jesus, the Light of the World, calling the people to Himself and illuminating their paths through the darkness. Historically, the families of this diocese have produced numerous vocations to the religious and priestly life, including five bishops; the beacon represents this call to the service of Christ in the Church, through religious life and through family life as well. Just as the city of Victoria, the center of the diocese and the episcopal seat, has been called "The Crossroads," so too the cross can be read as a convergence of paths on which the pilgrim people of God travel to meet Christ, their center.

Most Rev. David E. Fellhauer, Ph.D., J.C.D.

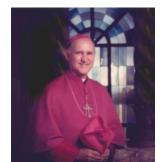


Bishop Emeritus

Bishop David E Fellhauer, Ph.D., J.C.D., was born August 19, 1939, in Kansas City, Missouri to the late Harold E. and Helen R. Frances Fellhauer. Bishop Fellhauer received his early education at St. Agnes School in Kansas City, Kansas and his high school, college and seminary training at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Worthington, Ohio. Post-ordination studies were at St. Paul University in Ottawa, Canada where he earned doctorates in canon law and philosophy.

He was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Dallas on May 29, 1965. On April 19, 1990, Bishop Fellhauer was named the second bishop for the Diocese of Victoria, at that time he was serving the Diocese of Dallas. He was ordained and installed as bishop on May 28, 1990, at Our Lady of Victory Cathedral.

On April 23, 2015, Pope Francis accepted his resignation.



Most Rev. Charles V. Grahmann

First Bishop of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas

Bishop Charles V. Grahmann, was born on July 15, 1931, in Hallettsville, Texas to the late Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas A. Grahmann. Bishop Grahmann was the fourth child in a family of eleven children. He spent the early years on his life on the farm where his family lived, trying to make a living by cultivating and harvesting the usual crops of cotton and corn.

After graduation from Sacred Heart Elementary School in Hallettsville, he enrolled in St. John's Seminary in San Antonio in 1945. He completed his philosophical and theological studies at Assumption Seminary. On March 17, 1956, he was ordained to the priesthood in San Fernando Cathedral in San Antonio. In June 1981, Bishop Grahmann was appointed Titular Bishop of Equilio, Auxiliary to the Arch-bishop of San Antonio.

Bishop Grahmann was consecrated first bishop for the Diocese of Victoria on May 29, 1982 and then on December 19, 1989, Pope John Paul II named Bishop Grahmann as co-adjutor to the bishop of the Diocese of Dallas.

In 2006, Bishop Grahmann celebrated his Triple Jubilee, 25 years as a bishop, 50 years as a priest and his 75th birthday. On his birthday July 15, the bishop submitted his resignation as Bishop of Dallas. Bishop Charles V. Grahmann died on August 14, 2018. Services were held in Dallas, San Antonio and in Hallettsville. He was buried at the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Hallettsville.

About the Chancery Building and Grounds



The chancery is the administrative seat of diocesan services for the ten-county area that comprises the Diocese of Victoria in Texas. The architecture is meant to speak to us about our roots. Because this area is known as the Cradle of Texas Immigration, the chancery building and grounds are designed to illustrate this fact.

The pond in front represents the Gulf of Mexico and Pass Cavallo, through which the ships passed to shore. A short distance farther is a lighthouse symbolizing the lighthouse that was built in 1852 which stands on Matagorda Island. It alerted the ships of the correct passage to the harbor. The building itself is designed in an architectural style known as Texana, embracing something of every ethnic group.

The principal value that the immigrants brought with them was their faith. The circular chapel behind the building and rising above with its domed, copper roof represents this. Inside the chapel are seven stained glass windows, on which are depicted the stories of this area of Texas, beginning with the presence of the Native Americans, the coming of the missionaries, the wave of European immigration, and the life of the church throughout, to the present moment of people on their journey to the Kingdom.

Diocesan Statistics

Bishop	1
Retired Bishop	1
Diocesan Priests Active in Diocese	38
Diocesan Priests Active Outside the Diocese	2
Religious Priests	0
Retired, Sick or Absent Priests	6
Other Priests Serving in Diocese	10
Total Permanent Deacons	49
Total Sisters	52
Total Brothers	0
Number of Parishes	50
Number of Missions	17
Diocesan Seminarians	9
Diocesan and Parochial High Schools	2
Total Students	180
Private High Schools	1
Total Students	477
Diocesan, Private and Parochial Elementary Schools	12
Total Students	2,300
CCD High School Students	1,836
CCD Elementary Students	3,288
Baptisms - Infants	783
Baptisms - Adults & Minors	90
Received into Full Communion	49
First Communions	828
Confirmations	821
Marriages, Catholic and Interfaith	259
Total Catholics	70,318
Total Population	278,680

As of December, 2021

Presbyteral Council

"A presbyteral council is to be established in each diocese, that is, a body of priests who are to be like a senate of the bishop, representing the presbyterate; this council is to aid the bishop in the governance of the diocese according to the norm of law, in order that the pastoral welfare of the portion of the people of God entrusted to him may be promoted as effectively as possible." (Canon 495 §1 of the Code of Canon Law)

Most Reverend Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D., Bishop

Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters, Vicar General, Ex Officio	Consultor
Very Reverend Matthew H. Huehlefeld, J.C.L., Chancellor, Ex Officio	Consultor
Very Reverend Charles E. Otsiwah	Episcopal Vicar of Clergy
Very Reverend Jacob Koether	Episcopal Vicar of Evangelization/Catechesis
Very Reverend Gabriel Bentil, VF Consultor	Dean, Victoria Deanery
Very Reverend Bryan Heyer, VF	Dean, Hallettsville Deanery
Very Reverend Robert Knippenberg, VF	Dean, Schulenburg Deanery
Very Reverend Roger Hawes, VF	Dean, Cuero Deanery
Very Reverend Samuel Appiasi, VF	Dean, El Campo Deanery
Very Reverend Greg Korenek, VF	Dean, Edna Deanery
Reverend Jacob Mendoza	Cuero Deanery Representative
Reverend Tommy Chen	Edna Deanery Representative
Reverend Peter Yeboah-Amanfo	El Campo Deanery Representative
Reverend Dominic Antwi-Boasiako	Hallettsville Deanery Representative
Reverend Kristopher Fuchs	
Reverend Antonio Perez	Bishop's Appointee
Reverend Philip Brune	Bishop's Appointee

Diocesan Consultors

"Some priests are to be freely selected by the diocesan bishop from among the members of the Presbyteral Council to constitute a college of consultors; their number is to be not less than six nor more than twelve; the college is established for a five-year term, and is responsible for the functions determined in the law; when the five-year term is over, the college continues to exercise its proper functions until a new college is established." (Canon 502 §1 of the Code of Canon Law)

Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters, Vicar General Very Reverend Matthew H. Huehlefeld, J.C.L., Chancellor

Reverend Kristopher Fuchs Reverend Msgr. Tim Kosler Very Reverend Greg Korenek, VF Reverend Jasper Liggio Reverend Michael Rother

Consultors for Priests

These priests, proposed by the bishop and selected by the Presbyteral Council, following Canon 1742 § 1, sometimes take part in the process of removal or transfer of a pastor, according to the norms of canons 1740 - 1752.

Very Reverend Samuel Appasi Reverend Wayne N. Flagg Very Reverend Kirby F. Hlavaty Very Reverend Gregory Korenek Reverend Clement M. Quainoo Reverend Edward J. Winkler

Priests' Personnel Board

The bishop alone has the authority to appoint priests to various office and assignments. In carrying out this duty, the bishop is assisted by the diocesan Priests' Personnel Board. This board is made up of ex-officio members and six priests recommended and elected by their brother priests. The board assists the bishop in determining the specific priestly needs of the diocese and its ministers. It also recommends to him the names of these priests most suitable for a particular office. The board oversees the terms of office of priests and works to provide an effective and meaningful priestly ministry to the entire diocese.

Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters, Vicar General, Ex Officio
Very Reverend Matthew H. Huehlefeld, J.C.L., Chancellor
Very Reverend Charles Elvis Otsiwah, Vicar for Clergy
Very Reverend Bryan Heyer, VF
Very Reverend Roger Hawes, VF
Very Reverend Bob Knippenberg, VF
Very Reverend Gabriel Bentil, VF
Very Reverend Greg Korenek, VF
Very Reverend Samuel Appiasi, VF

Vicars Forane (Deans)

Cuero Deanery

Very Reverend Roger Hawes, VF Holy Cross Church 1214 Zorn Road Yorktown, TX 78164 361-275-3554

El Campo Deanery

Very Reverend Samuel Appiasi, VF Holy Family Church 2011 Briar Lane Wharton, TX 77488 979-532-3593

Schulenburg Deanery

Very Reverend Bob Knippenberg, VF Sts. Peter & Paul Church 1031 Church Lane New Ulm, TX 78950 979-732-3430

Edna Deanery

Very Reverend Greg Korenek, VF Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary P.O. Box 369 Ganado, TX 77962 361-771-3425

Hallettsville Deanery

Very Reverend Bryan Heyer, VF Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church 306 South Avenue F Shiner, TX 77984 361-594-3836

Victoria Deanery

Very Reverend Gabriel Bentil, VF Holy Family of Joseph, Mary and Jesus Church 704 Mallette Dr. Victoria, TX 77904 361-573-5304

Priests' Pension Board

The following are members of the Priests' Pension Board: Very Reverend Roger Hawes, VF Very Reverend Kirby Hlavaty

Very Reverend Greg Korenek, VF Very Reverend Robert Knippenberg, VF

Reverend Jacob Mendoza

Lay Pension Board

The following are members of the Lay Employees' Pension Board:

Mr. John McQuillen, Chairman

Mr. Billy Macha Mr. Kenny French Mrs. Lynn Miori Mr. Robert Coffey

Diocesan Offices

Office of the Bishop

"Through the Holy Spirit who has been given to them, bishops are the successors of the apostles by divine institution; they are constituted pastors within the church so that they are teachers of doctrine, priests of sacred worship and ministers of governance. Bishops are called diocesan when the care of a diocese has been entrusted to them" (Canons 375 §1 and 376)

Most Reverend Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D., Bishop Sister Rosario Resendez, IWBS, Administrative Assistant

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Office of the Vicar General

The Office of the Vicar General "assists the diocesan bishop in the governance of the entire diocese and is endowed with ordinary power according to the canons. As a general rule, only one vicar general is appointed unless the size of the diocese, the number of its inhabitants or other pastoral reasons warrant otherwise. In virtue of his office, the vicar general possesses the executive power in the entire diocese which belongs to the diocesan bishop in law, that is, he possesses the power to place all administrative acts with the exception of those which the bishop has reserved to himself or which in law require the special mandate of the bishop." (Canons 475 §1 and §2 and 479 §1)

Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters, Vicar General 361-798-5888 (Rectory - Sacred Heart, Hallettsville)

Office of the Chancellor

The Office of the Chancellor is the chief archivist of the diocese, according to the Code of Canon Law. It has traditionally, in the United States, been the principal administrative assistant to the bishop. In virtue of delegated power he carries out much of the canonical and administrative business of the diocese; keeps official records and acts; arranges clergy days, retreats, etc.; issues permissions and dispensations in the name of the bishop.

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Office of the Tribunal

The Office of the Tribunal is the local court in every diocese set up to hear cases which involve the violation of church law or the rights of the faithful. The judicial vicar is the presiding officer in charge of the diocesan tribunal. The work of all church courts is done under sworn confidentiality and with respect for the privacy of all people.

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Reverend Philip Brune, Auditor

Very Rev. Robert Knippenberg, VF, Defender of the Bond

Reverend Gabriel Maison, J.C.D., Promoter of Justice

Very Reverend Samuel Appiasi, VF, Advocate Reverend Michael Rother, Advocate

Ms. Brenda Ortmann, Notary

Office of Business and Finance (Human Resources and Disaster Relief)

The Office of Business and Finance administers the temporal goods at the diocese under the authority of the bishop and is responsible for business affairs, accounting, taxes, property insurance, and computer control. It also handles building projects, purchasing and supplies, the annual Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA), legal matters, property management, and diocesan financial planning and records. It is responsible for all aspects of Human Resources for the diocesan level entities. The mission of the Office of Human Resources is to provide assistance to the employees and pastors of the parishes and schools with staffing and employment issues that may arise. The Disaster Relief Services office managed the timely and accurate receipt/distribution of the House in a Box® program after Hurricane harvey; represents the DOV at Long Term Recovery Group meetings; and other duties. This position also provides indirect case management services to disaster survivors and their families through advocacy, information and referral, crisis intervention services, and recovery services.

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Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA)

The Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA) is an annual fundraising campaign that provides virtually all the funds needed for the operation of the diocese.

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Building Board

The Building Board advises the bishop whenever his approval is needed for building projects, renovations and repairs affecting all parish and diocesan properties.

Mr. Edward Martinka, Chairman

Members:

Mr. Anthony Martinez
Mr. James Miori
Mr. Bill Johnston

Mr. Brad Kocurek

Finance Board

The Diocesan Finance Board has various responsibilities assigned to it by the Code of Canon Law. Depending on the circumstances, the bishop needs its consent or advice as he conducts the financial affairs of the diocese.

Members:

Most Reverend Brendan Cahill Rev.Msgr. John C. Peters, Vicar General Very Rev. Matthew H. Huehlefeld, Chancellor Mr. Anthony Martinez, Chief Financial Officer

Mrs. Beatriz Gonzalez

Mr. John Hall

Mr. Roman Shimek

Mr. John Stevenson

Mr. Mark Westerman

Mr. Hal Redmon

Endowment Fund

Since its founding in 1982, the Catholic Diocese of Victoria has become a vital religious presence. Our diocese consists of people with strong faith, long tradition and cultural pride. Endowment preserves this heritage and ensures our future. Investments made through this fund enable us to anticipate needs and to keep our Catholic schools open. It is managed by the bishop of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas through a seven-member board of advisors composed of professional lay people.

Board of Advisors:

Mr. Robert Easterling Mr. John Stevenson Mr. Tim Michalski Mrs. Janie Rubio Mr. Mark Westerman Mrs. Becky Arriazola

Mrs. Martha Sawyers

Office of Catechetical Ministry, Pastoral Institute, Library and Media Center

The Office of Catechetical Ministry provides parish catechetical leaders, cetechists and others involved in catechetical ministry an opportunity for training, continued formation and assistance through various services listed below.

The office of Catechetical Ministry offers:
Organization of Catechetical Leadership, which includes retreats, worships, in-service and a means for networking with other PCLs in the diocese, catechist rallies, The Pastoral Institute (extended, short-term and continuing education programs), the Annual Catholic Conference and numerous workshops and programs that provide opportunities for continuing adult faith enrichment, the diocesan library and media center that houses books and videos on various topics, i.e., scripture, sacraments, liturgy, prayer, etc. The resources are available for checkout

and the Catholic Knowledge Bowl, which provides all Catholics a chance to learn more about the faith by offering study questions and an opportunity to form teams to compete in a friendly competition of adults, teens and families.

More information can be found

at www.victoriadiocese.org about all the services provided through the catechetical office.

Mrs. Christella (Chris) Alvarez, Director

calvarez@victoriadiocese.org

Extension 2225

Alicia Olive, Administrative Assistant catecheticalsec@victoriadiocese.org

Extension 2224

Office of Vocations

The Vocation Office serves as a resource for schools, catechetical programs and pastors within the diocese to aid in vocation awareness and promotion. An appointed group, consisting of clergy, religious and laity, work together as a committee to help in this need for our diocese. The chair of the committee, a diocesan priest, serves as coordinator for meetings as well as organizes and facilitates the office. This approach to vocation awareness and promotion is relatively new to the diocese. Appreciating that vocation work is every priest's responsibility, the office serves as a point of reference for information and direction, as well as a place where a person considering vocation discernment may have oneon-one contact and receive encouragement from the diocesan level.

The office also organizes diocesan activities intended as events to nurture and promote vocation discernment.

Reverend Kristopher Fuchs, Director St. Mary Church 402 S. Main St. (P.O. Box 2448) Victoria, Texas 77901 (77902) frkristopher@victoriadiocese.org 361-573-4328 Deacon Charles J. Glynn, Associate Director 2668 Zimmerscheidt Road Alleyton, TX 78935 cglynn@victoriadiocese.org

Website: http://www.victoriavocations.org

Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis supports parishes in their efforts to encourage, strengthen, and form families as missionary disciples, so they may be the domestic church they are called to be. The primary support our office provides is in the area of marriage preparation and enrichment. Next, we aim to help mothers and fathers grow in their faith through supporting men's and women's ministries. Lastly, we help stimulate family-based ministries, through which the whole family can grow in faith together.

Very Reverend Jacob Koether, Episcopal Vicar for the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis Our Lady of Sorrows Church 208 W. River St., Victoria, TX 77901 361-575-2293 jkoether@victoriadiocese.org

Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry to serve parishes and adult parish leaders who foster ministry to, with, by, and for youth within their parishes by providing leadership, advocacy, support, information, sharing and resources; to continue to develop and implement a vision for ministry as outlined in the document from the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, Renewing the Vision, A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry; to provide opportunities for formation and training of adults who work with youth, and opportunities for formation and development of youth leaders; and to serve as a resource for parishes in the areas of youth and young adult ministry. These goals are accomplished in a variety of ways, such as training youth and adults for work in home parishes; offering the nationally recognized Youth Ministry Certification Program in collaboration with the Archdiocese of San Antonio offering training and formation opportunities for young people; and offering collaborative ministry opportunities with other pastoral office of the diocese. Some of the on-going programs of this office include: Abbey Youth Fest, Youth Spectacular, Rocky Mountain High Retreat, Youth Leadership Training, Basic Youth Ministry/ Methodology Classes, nationally recognized Youth Ministry Certification Program, Camp David -Junior High Camp, Camp David – Elementary Camp, Region X Youth Conference, National Catholic Youth Conference, N.E.T. (National Evangelization Team), Discipleship Week, and Parish Level National Evangelization Team Retreats.

Ms. Wendy Eggert, Director weggert@victoriadiocese.org Extension 2232

Mrs. Shannon Thomas, Associate Director sthomas@victoriadiocese.org
Extension 2250

Office of Safe Environment

The Office of Safe Environment develops and implements programs that strive to create an environment free of abuse, harassment and immoral conduct for all children, youth, and vulnerable persons as they participate in activities and ministries within the church and Catholic School system of the Diocese of Victoria. In addition, the Office of Safe Environment continues to provide training and education to all adults who work with children, youth and vulnerable persons on the recognition, prevention and reporting of abuse as mandated by Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. The Office of Safe Environment also assists all schools and parishes in ensuring compliance with the diocesan Transportation Policy. As an extension of the Office of Safe Environment, the Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Outreach who aids in the immediate pastoral care of persons who allege to have been sexually abused as minors by clergy or other church personnel is housed within this department.

Mrs. Stephanie Morales, Director smorales@victoriadiocese.org Extension 2249

Mrs. Valerie Buentello, Exec. Program Assistant vbuentello@victoriadiocese.org
Extension 2270
Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Outreach:

Mrs. Shannon Thomas, LMSW pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org
To Report Sexual Abuse by Clergy ONLY:
361-827-7186 (direct line)
Office of Hispanic Ministry

Victoria Catholic Cemeteries

The Catholic Cemeteries office provides and maintains a place of burial (ground or mausoleum) under the auspices of the Catholic Church.

Mrs. Debbie Escalante, Manager cemeteries@victoriadiocese.org Extension 2233 Extension 2210

Mrs. Alice Capelo, Administrative Assistant cemeteries@victoriadiocese.org
Extension 2233
Extension 2210

Office of Communications and *The Catholic Lighthouse*

The Office of Communications is responsible for internal and external communications; this includes working with local and national media regarding stories or issues involving diocesan entities. The Director of Communications serves as a spokesperson for the diocese, as directed by the bishop. Some responsibilities of the Office of Communications include: the diocesan website, managing social media accounts, publishing the diocesan newspaper (*The Catholic Lighthouse*), the "Weekly Flash" (a weekly newsletter for internal communication) and more.

The Catholic Lighthouse is the official newspaper of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas, and is a monthly publication. It contains news covering local, state, national and international Catholic topics. The newspaper is published at the Chancery Office, 1505 E. Mesquite Lane, Victoria, TX 77901.

Please send articles or photos for the Lighthouse newspaper to: lighthouse@victoriadiocese.org

Most Rev. Brendan J. Cahill, S.T.D., Publisher

Mrs. Janet Jones Communications Director/Editor jjones@victoriadiocese.org Extension 2231

Mrs. Regina Matus Janak Communications Assistant/Graphic Designer janakr@victoriadiocese.org Extension 2230

Office of Catholic Schools

The Office of Catholic Schools, directed by the superintendent of schools, is responsible for the general administrative supervision of Catholic schools. The superintendent of schools coordinates the educational programs of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Victoria in Texas to provide the highest quality of education according to Catholic tradition and within the framework of diocesan policy.

Dr. John Quary, Superintendent jquary@victoriadiocese.org Extension 2221

Ashley Novosad, Briana Carrera Exec. Asst. to Superintendent of Schools anovosad@victoriadiocese.org Extension 2213

Offices not located at the Chancery

The Emmaus Center

Counseling in the Catholic Tradition provides Catholic-based professional counseling for individuals and married couples, spiritual direction, group therapy, ongoing formation classes and workshops addressing human growth from the physical, emotional, relational and spiritual dimensions for the faithful of the Diocese of Victoria in Texas. See page 23 in the directory for more information.

The Emmaus Center 1508 East Airline Road Victoria, TX 77901 361-212-0830 www.emmauscounselingcenter.com

Very Reverend Kirby Hlavaty, Executive Director

Liturgical Commission

The Liturgical Commission assists the bishop of the Diocese of Victoria in advancing the liturgical renewal set by the Second Vatican Council. It provides leadership in liturgical preparation and education and works closely with the Pastoral Institute to set training expectations for liturgical ministers.

Mr. Greg Bentz, Director gregbentzmusic@gmail.com 361-275-3554

Spiritual Renewal Center

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Presidio La Bahia

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Permanent Diaconate Formation

This office provides information on ministry as a permanent deacon in the Diocese of Victoria. It handles all inquiries, sets curriculum for the formation program, interviews candidates and makes recommendations for ordination.

Deacon Charles J. Glynn,
Director of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate
2668 Zimmerscheidt Road
Alleyton, TX 78935
cglynn@victoriadiocese.org
979-253-9616

Permanent Deacons

The Order of Deacons is the third and lowest degree of the ordained clergy of the Roman Catholic Church. The Order of Bishops and the Order of Priests constitute the other degrees of the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Deacons are ordained by the laying on of hands, a tradition handed down from the Apostles, so that through sacramental grace they may effectively fulfill their ministry. Therefore, even from early Apostolic times, the Catholic Church has held the Holy Order of the Diaconate in high honor.

Deacon Eddie Huse,
Director of Life and Ministry of the Permanent Diaconate
Holy Family Catholic Church
704 Mallette Dr., Victoria, 77904
361-573-5304
mailto:ehuse@hfccvic.org

Seminarians

Provides service and assistance to prospective candidates for the priesthood and to the seminarians in priestly formation.

Reverend Kristopher Fuchs, Director St. Mary Church 402 S. Main St. (P.O. Box 2448) Victoria, TX. 77901 (77902) pastor@stmvictoria.org

Deacon Charles J. Glynn, Associate Director 2668 Zimmerscheidt Road Alleyton, TX 78935 cglynn@victoriadiocese.org 979-253-9616

Spiritual Renewal Center



718 Gussie Schmidt Road Victoria, TX 77905-4303 361-572-0836 361-572-0816 (FAX)

Mr. Matthew Boyle, Director <u>mboyle@victoriadiocese.org</u> <u>src@victoriadiocese.org</u> <u>Extension 3221 or 3226</u>

The Spiritual Renewal Center for the Diocese of Victoria in Texas opened its doors in the fall of 1988. It is located on San Antonio River Road (off Highway 77), approximately 20 miles southwest of Victoria.

The cluster of cedar log buildings includes residence cabins, meeting rooms, a dining room and a chapel. There are 36 private rooms that each has a private bath, and 12 separate dorm rooms with a large common bath.

The facility can accommodate up to 140 people at one time if all beds are used. Many diocesan offices and groups sponsor regularly scheduled retreats Spiritual Renewal Center. When scheduling permits, the center and its staff are also open to specialized retreats and days of recollection, individual retreats and spiritual direction, and meetings for other ecumenical or not-for-profit groups and organizations.





"Where Texas history comes alive"

https://www.thc.texas.gov/historic-sites/presidio-la-bahia-state-historic-site

Presidio La Bahia, designated a National Historic Landmark, is considered the world's finest example of a Spanish frontier fort. This was the most fought over fort in Texas history, having seen participation in six National Revolutions/Wars for Independence. Spanish, Mexican and Texan soldiers all garrisoned its fortified walls. Here, at the Crossroads of Revolution, was felt almost every attempt to forcibly change the governmental order of Texas.

The fort is the site where Goliad history began. The location of the fort had been an occupied site long before the Spanish arrived in the New World. Strategically located on an elevation overlooking the surrounding area, the Spanish arrived here in 1749 and found evidence of an Indian village in the area they named Santa Dorotea. As permanent settlement by Spain began, the town of La Bahia, (The Bay) grew up around the protection of the fort. This town was the original Goliad.

The presidio was restored in the 1960s through the dedicated generosity of Mrs. Kathryn O'Connor to stand as a lasting memorial alongside its sister shrines the Alamo and San Jacinto. Local artisans supplied the labor for the project and the noted restoration architect, Raiford L. Stripling, directed the project to its completion.

Today it is considered one



Located 1 mile south of Goliad For information: Scott McMahon, Director 217 Loop 71 Highway 183 (P.O. Box 57) Goliad, TX 77963 361-645-3752

General Information: presidiolabahiainfo@gmail.com



of the most authentic restoration projects in the United States.

A National Historic Landmark, Presidio La Bahia is the only Spanish fort remaining in possession of the Catholic Church in North America. The presidio compound is a self-sustaining private institution, owned by the Diocese of Victoria in Texas and managed by the Texas Historic Commission.

Counseling and spiritual direction in the Catholic tradition



www.emmauscounselingcenter.com

Located at 1508 E. Airline Road Victoria, TX 77901 361-212-0830

Very Rev. Kirby Hlavaty, Executive Director

Counseling:

The Emmaus Center provides individual, marital and family counseling services from a Catholic perspective. The staff includes Licensed Professional Counselors and Registered Interns who devote themselves to assisting those in need regardless of their religious affiliation, gender, race or age. The staff at The Emmaus Center empowers individuals, couples and families, struggling with emotional or relationship issues, to seek a more healthy and Christ-centered place in their lives. They consider it a privilege to be invited into your lives and entrusted with the opportunity to provide professional counseling services to you.

Spiritual Direction:

Spiritual Direction is a privileged time and place to reflect with another about one's relationship with God. The focus is one's personal life with God, as it is lived out in all of life's experiences. Spiritual Direction is the process of coming home to one's deepest self.

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Toll-free from Victoria

The following towns in our diocese are toll-free from Victoria:

Bloomington Nordheim Cuero (277) Palacios Edna Shiner

Goliad Sweet Home (741)

Hallettsville Vanderbilt Inez Yorktown

La Salle La Ward Lolita

Chancery Holidays

The chancery building is closed on the following holidays/holy days:

Martin Luther King, Jr.
Holy Thursday
Good Friday
Easter Monday
Memorial Day
Juneteenth
Fourth of July
Feast of the Assumption
Labor Day
All Saints Day
Pre-Thanksgiving Day (close at noon)
Thanksgiving Day
Friday after Thanksgiving Da
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Christmas through New Year's

Please call the Chancery Office at 361-573-0828 for exact dates.

Website

Visit the Diocese of Victoria in Texas Website for more information

www.victoriadiocese.org

Additions and Corrections can be submitted to:
Office of the Chancellor
Diocesan Directory
P.O. Box 4070
Victoria, TX 77903
Or by email to: Brenda Ortmann



Reporting procedures for suspected or known sexual abuse of a minor (person under 18 years of age) or vulnerable adult by a member of the clergy

Contact:

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services within 48 hours at 1-800-252-5400, www.txabusehotline.org, or call the local police department.

If a person is in immediate danger, call 9-1-1

AND

Shannon Thomas, LMSW, Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Outreach, Diocese of Victoria, 361-827-7186 or pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org.

OR

Bishop or Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, 361-573-0828. Written allegations can be mailed to: Office of the Bishop, P.O. Box 4070, Victoria, TX 77903, marked "Personal and Confidential."

If sexual abuse by a member of the clergy has occurred in another diocese, the Diocese of Victoria will help bring your concerns to church officials. For assistance, contact Shannon Thomas, 361-827-7163, or pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org.



Procedimientos de notificación de sospechas o abuso sexual conocido de un menor (persona menor de 18 años) o adulto vulnerable por un miembro del clero

Contacto:

El Departamento de Servicios para la Familia y de Protección de Texas dentro de las 48 horas al 1-800-252-5400, www.txabusehotline.org, o llame al departamento de policía local.

Si una persona está en peligro inmediato, llame al 9-1-1.

Y

Shannon Thomas, LMSW, la Coordinadora de Cuidado Pastoral Social, Diócesis de Victoria, 361-827-7186 o correo electrónico pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org.

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Obispo or Canciller del Diócesis de Victoria, 361-573-0828. Las acusaciones escritas se pueden enviar por correo a: Office of the Bishop, P.O. Box 4070, Victoria, TX 77903, Marcada "personal y confidencial".

Si ha ocurrido abuso sexual por parte de un miembro del clero en otra diócesis, la Diócesis de Victoria ayudará a llevar sus preocupaciones a los funcionarios de la iglesia. Para obtener ayuda, comuníquese con Shannon Thomas, 361-827-7163, o pastoralcare@victoriadiocese.org.

Graphics are available for parishes and schools. It is also available in Vietnamese.

Contact the Office of Safe Environment

Dioceses of Texas

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His Eminence Daniel Cardinal N. DiNardo The Most Reverend Italo Dell'Oro (Auxiliary) P. O. Box 907, Houston, Texas 77001 1700 San Jacinto, Houston, TX 77002 713-659-5461 • 713-759-9151 (FAX) www.archgh.org

Archdiocese of San Antonio

The Most Reverend Gustavo Garcia-Siller, M.Sp.S. The Most Reverend Michael Boulette (Auxiliary) The Most Reverend Gary Janak (Auxiliary) 2718 W. Woodlawn Ave., San Antonio, TX 78228 210-734-2620 • 210-734-2774 (FAX) www.archsa.org

Diocese of Amarillo

The Most Reverend Patrick J. Zurek, S.T.L. P.O. Box 5644, Amarillo, TX 79117 1800 North Spring, Amarillo, TX 79107 806-383-2243 • 806-383-8452 (FAX) www.amarillodiocese.org

Diocese of Austin

The Most Reverend Joe S. Vásquez 6225 East Highway 290, Austin, TX 78723 512-476-4888 Fax 512-469-9537 www.austindiocese.org

Diocese of Beaumont

The Most Reverend David L. Toups P.O. Box 3948, Beaumont, TX 77704 710 Archie St., Beaumont, TX 77701 409-838-0451 • 409-838-4511 (FAX) www.dioceseofbmt.org

Diocese of Brownsville

The Most Reverend Daniel E. Flores, S.T.D. The Most Reverend Mario Avilés (Auxiliary) P.O. Box 2279, Brownsville, TX 78522 1910 University Blvd., Brownsville, TX 78520 956-542-2501 • 956-542-6751 (FAX) www.cdob.org

Diocese of Corpus Christi

The Most Reverend William Michael Mulvey, S.T.L. P.O. Box 2620, Corpus Christi, TX 78403 620 Lipan St., Corpus Christi, TX 78401 361-882-6191 • 361-882-1018 (FAX) www.diocesecc.org

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The Most Reverend Edward J. Burns The Most Reverend John G. Kelly (Auxiliary) P.O. Box 190507, Dallas, TX 75219 3725 Blackburn St., Dallas, TX 75219 214-528-2240 • 214-526-1743 (FAX) www.cathdal.org

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The Most Reverend Mark J. Seitz The Most Reverend Anthony Celino (Auxiliary) 499 St. Matthews St., El Paso, TX 79907 915-872-8400 • 915-872-8409 (FAX) www.elpasodiocese.org

Diocese of Fort Worth

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Diocese of Laredo

The Most Reverend James A. Tamayo 1901 Corpus Christi St., Laredo, TX 78043 956-727-2140 • 956-727-2777 (FAX) www.dioceseoflaredo.org

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The Most Reverend Robert M. Coerver P.O. Box 98700, Lubbock, TX 79499-8700 4620 Fourth St., Lubbock, TX 79416 806-792-3943 • 806-792-8109 (FAX) www.catholiclubbock.org

Diocese of San Angelo

The Most Reverend Michael J. Sis P.O. Box 1829, San Angelo, TX 76902 804 Ford St., San Angelo, TX 76905 325-651-7500 • 325-651-6688 (FAX) www.sanangelodiocese.org

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The Most Reverend Joseph E. Strickland 1015 ESE Loop 323, Tyler, TX 75701 903-534-1077 • 903-534-1370 (FAX) www.dioceseoftyler.org

Diocese of Victoria in Texas

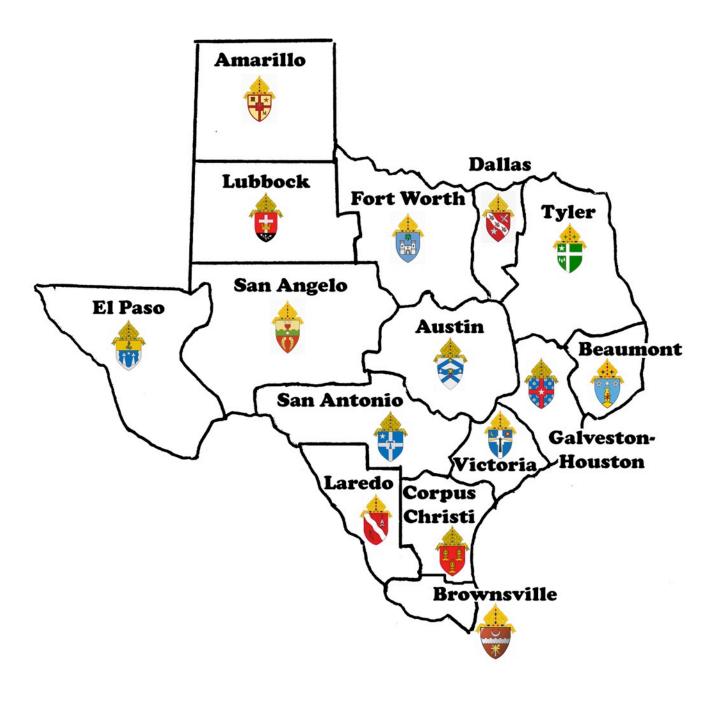
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Diocese of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter

The Most Reverend Steven J. Lopes 7730 Westview Dr., Houston, TX 77055 713-609-9292

www.ordinariate.net

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St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

(FM 1383 off U.S. Hwy. 77) 7745 Mensik Road Schulenburg, TX 78956 979-743-3117

Pastor: Reverend Jasper Liggio

Parochial Vicars: Rev. Alexander Aboagye

and Rev. Luke Prihoda
Secretary: Mr. Kevin Kana

Mass Schedule: Subject to change

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Confessions: 30 minutes before Mass

Parish Organizations: Parish Council; KJT; KJZT; Altar

Society; and Christian Mothers

Mission: St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Holman

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BAY CITY (MATAGORDA COUNTY)

Holy Cross Catholic Church 2001 Katy Avenue

Bay City, TX 77414 979-245-6379 979-244-5481 (FAX)

hc3_office@holycrossbaycity.org www.holycrossbaycity.org

Pastor: Reverend Stephen Vacek

Permanent Deacons: Deacon Guadalupe Rodriguez and

Deacon Kevin Knox

Administrative Assistant: Ms. Sandra Thompson

Music Director: Mrs. Marsha Petter

Office Hours: Monday and Friday: 9 a.m. to noon

Tuesday-Thursday: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

(closed noon-1 p.m.)

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. 6 p.m. (Life Teen)

Tuesday: 5 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m.

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

First Saturday: Mass and Rosary, 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 8-11:59 a.m.; Tuesday: 8 a.m. -5 p.m.; Wednesday: 8:30-11:59 a.m.; Thursday: 9-11:59 a.m.;

Friday: 8:30-11:59 a.m.



EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1850S



Parish Organizations: Altar Society; Altar Servers; Bay City ACTS Community; CCD; the Edge & Life Teen; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Resurrection No. 2054; Catholic Scripture Study;

Choir; Disciples on the Journey;

Eucharistic Ministers; Fall Festival Committee; Finance Council; Home and School Association; KJZT; KJT; Knights of Columbus Council #3070; Lectors; Prayer Groups; RCIA; Sacristans; School Advisory Council; School Foundation; Scripture

Study; St. Vincent de Paul; Gabriel Project; That Man Is You; Ushers

School: Holy Cross Elementary, See Page 77

BAY CITY (MATAGORDA COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1930S

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

1412 Twelfth St.
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979-245-2010
979-245-1038 (FAX)
olg2003@sbcglobal.net

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9:30 a.m.-

1 2:30 p.m. & 1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.;

Friday: 9:30 a.m. - noon

Pastor: Reverend Gabriel Espinosa **Permanent Deacons**: Deacon Luan Van

Tran and Deacon Joe Ramos **DRE:** Reverend Gabriel Espinosa

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. (English)

Sunday: 8 a.m. (Spanish); 10 a.m. (English);

12 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekday: Tuesday-Friday: 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4 to 4:45 p.m. and by appointment



Adoration:

First Fridays: 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Finance Council; CCD; Altar Servers; Spanish and English Choir; Bible Study Group; Legion of Mary (English and Spanish); and St. Vincent de Paul Society

BLESSING (MATAGORDA COUNTY)

St. Peter Catholic Church

(206 Hickory)
P.O. Box 395
Blessing, TX 77419
361-588-6241 (Office)
361-588-1156 (Rectory)
361-588-1421 (FAX)
stpeterblessing@tisd.net
www.stpeterblessing.org

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Gabriel J. Mensah

Secretary: Mrs. Annette Havel **DRE**: Mrs. Cynthia Nemec

Assistant DRE: Mrs. Christine Naiser

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday:

8 a.m.-5 p.m. (closed for lunch)

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6:30 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday-Friday: 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. or by appointment

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1912



Adoration:

Thursday from 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

CCD; Altar Society; Guadalupanas; Knights of Columbus Council #4307; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of the Blessings No. 2546; Altar Servers

Mission:

St. Robert Church, Markham

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BLOOMINGTON (VICTORIA COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1949

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

(13316 State Hwy. 185)
P.O. Box 2122
Bloomington, TX 77951
361-897-1155
361-897-1064 (FAX)
361-897-1398 (Hall)
(toll free from Victoria)
saintpatricks@triplejreal.com

www.saintpatrickschurch.net

Pastor: Reverend Oscar Kofi-Amo
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Fred Soto

Mass Schedule: Saturday: 6 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. (Spanish), 10 a.m. (English)

Tuesday-Friday: 8 a.m.



Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 5:15 - 5:45 p.m.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday: 4:40-5:50 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

MISSION CHURCH

Guadalupanas Society; Knights of Columbus St. Patrick Council

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1940S

10751; Finance Council; and Gabriel Project

BOLING (WHARTON COUNTY)

St. Joseph Catholic Church

(Located on 106 Lalla Rookh at FM 442) Mailing Address: c/o Holy Family Church 2011 Briar Lane

Wharton, TX 77488 979-532-3593 979-532-2781 (FAX)

Pastor: Reverend Samuel Appiasi

Permanent Deacons: Deacon David Valdez

and Deacon Bruce Turner

Mission Catechetical Leader: Mrs. Dawn

Villasana

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 8 a.m.



Confession Schedule:

Sunday: 7:30-7:50 a.m.

Parish Organizations:

Finance Council

St. Joseph Catholic Church is the Mission Church of Holy Family Catholic Church, Wharton – See Page 62

CISTERN (FAYETTE COUNTY)

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church

(Located at 113 Manchester St., Cistern, TX 78941) Mailing Address: P.O. Box 186, Flatonia, TX 78941 361-865-3568 (Sacred Heart, Flatonia)

Pastor: Reverend Edward Winkler

Permanent Deacons: Deacon Frank J. Vocelka,

Deacon Timothy Kozelsky

Mass Schedule:

Sunday 8 a.m. and Thursday, 6 p.m.

Confessions: Before each Mass or by appointment

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1890S



Parish Organizations:

St. Ann Altar Society; Finance Council

Lay Associations: KJZT Society No. 20

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1920S

St. Anthony Catholic Church

(1602 Bowie Street) 635 Bonham St. (Parish Office) P.O. Box 669 Columbus, TX 78934 979-732-2562

sec.stanthony@gmail.com aasanet@victoriadiocese.org ngonzalez@victoriadiocese.org www.stanthonycolumbustx.net

Pastor: Reverend James Dvorak

Parochial Vicar: Reverend Nelson Gonzales
Permanent Deacons: Deacon Bennie
Holesovsky, Deacon Charlie Novosad, Deacon

John Glueck and Deacon Charles Theut

Secretary: Tracey Lanham

Youth Minister: Mr. Jonathan Dooley

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. -3:30 p.m. Summer Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. -

noon



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., noon (Spanish) Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday: $7:30 \ a.m.$

During the school year - Tuesday 8:15 (Small

Chapel) and Friday 8:15 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m. (15 minutes before weekday Mass)

CUERO (DEWITT COUNTY)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

(707 W. Broadway) 309 E. Church St. (Mailing address) Cuero, TX 77954 361-275-3554 (church office) 361-275-3135 (rectory)

Pastor: Reverend Jacob Mendoza
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Richard Bediako
Permanent Deacons: Deacon Leo Sharron
Business Manager: Mrs. Teresa Hiles

Office Manager: Mrs. Kathy Morrow Youth Minister/DRE: Mrs. Tracy Trevino

Confessions: Sunday 4:40-5 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 8:30-9:30 a.m.



St. Michael Catholic Church

309 E. Church St.
Cuero, TX 77954-2906
361-275-3554 (Church Office)
361-275-3135 (Rectory)
361-277-3924 (FAX)
stmchurch@sbcglobal.net
www.catholiccommunityofcuero.org

Pastor: Reverend Jacob Mendoza
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Richard Bediako
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Leo Sharron and
Deacon Anthony Warzecha, (Retired)
Business Administrator: Mrs. Teresa Hiles
CCD Coordinator: Mrs. Tracy Trevino

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m.

Monday: 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday: 6:30 a.m.; Wednesday: 8:05 a.m.; Thursday: 6:30 a.m.; First Friday: 8:05 a.m.; First Monday: 3 p.m. at Whispering Oaks; Third Monday: 10 a.m. at Cuero Nursing & Rehab



Confession Schedule:

Saturday 4-4:45 p.m. Wednesday 6-7 p.m.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Knights of Columbus Council #1682; St. Michael's Altar Society; St. Michael's School HSA; and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Michael No. 347

School: St. Michael's Elementary, See Page 77

DUBINA (FAYETTE COUNTY)

MISSION CHURCH

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1870s

Diocesan Shrine

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church Located at 4148 FM 1383

Pastor: Reverend Chase Goodman

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 9 a.m.

Sts. Cyril and Methodius is the mission church of St. Michael Church in Weimar, See Page 61



EAGLE LAKE (COLORADO COUNTY)

Parish of the Nativity Catholic Church

(545 South Austin Road) P.O. Box 307 Eagle Lake, TX 77434 979-234-2842 979-234-5828 (FAX) nativity1@sbcglobal.net parishofthenativity.org

Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 a.m. -5 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (closed noon-

1); Friday, closed

Pastor: Reverend Robert F. Guerra **Secretary:** Mrs. Elida R. Salazar

Pastoral Musician: Mrs. Cynthia Sunderman Parish Catechetical Leader: Mrs. Elida R. Salazar, Email: <u>elida.salazar@gmail.com</u>

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. (Spanish) and 10 a.m. (English)

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 a.m.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.



Confession Schedule: Wednesday 5:45 p.m.; Saturday 5-5:45 p.m.;

before weekday Masses; or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: Friday, 8:30 - 10 a.m.

Parish Organizations: Men's Club; Knights of Columbus Council Our Lady of Perpetual Help #4843; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of the Fields No. 2465 and Groupo de Oración

Children and Youth Activities:

CCD: Wednesday at 5:15 p.m.

Youth Group: Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

EAST BERNARD (WHARTON COUNTY)

Holy Cross Catholic Church

(839 Church St.)
P.O. Box 1325
East Bernard, TX 77435
979-335-7551, Ext. 2
979-335-7038 (FAX)
office@eastbernardcatholic.org
www.eastbernardcatholic.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.,

(closed noon to 1)

Pastor: Very Reverend Charles E. Otsiwah, EV

Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeping:

Denise Tovar

Cemetery Administrator: Evelyn Vacek, Tammy Triplett 979-335-7551, Ext. 5 e-mail: cemetery@eastbernardcatholic.org Parish Catechetical Leader: Patsy Krenek

979-335-7551. Ext. 4

e-mail: faithformation@eastbernardcaholic.org

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1840



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. (Spanish)

Tuesday: 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 7 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturday: 4-4:30 p.m.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday: 7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

St. Agnes Catholic Church

506 North Allen St.
Edna, TX 77957
361-782-3588 (Rectory)
361-782-6171 (CCD Office)
361-782-8827 (FAX)
(toll free from Victoria)
stagnesedna@sbcglobal.net
stagnesccd@att.net (CCD Office E-mail)

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m. -

4:30 p.m.; closed noon-1 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m.- noon

Pastor: Reverend Michael Petering Secretary: Mrs. Mary Dean Maresh CCD Coordinator: Mrs. Pat Kromka

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 7 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday:

8:30 a.m.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.



Confession Schedule:

Saturday 4:30 -5:30 p.m. or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Every third Tuesday from 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Parish Organizations: Parish/Finance Committee; CCD Program grades K-12; RCIA; Knights of Columbus Council 3421; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Theresa the Little Flower No. 1350; KJZT Society No. 111; St. Vincent

de Paul Society; Gabriel Project; Liturgical

Environment Committee; Youth Group; Senior Games Social

Group; and Prayer Blanket Ministry

EL CAMPO (WHARTON COUNTY)

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church 304 West Church St. El Campo, TX 77437-3317 979-543-3770 979-578-8831 (FAX) apostle@stphilipapostle.org www.stphilipapostle.org

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. -

5 p.m. closed noon-1 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Dalton Ervin

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Samuel K. Owusu Permanent Deacons: Deacon Jerome Grahmann, Deacon Lawrence Hoelscher

Receptionist: Miss Sylvia Peter

Financial Administrator: Leslie Farquhar **Music Director:** Mrs. Janice Cox **CCE Coordinator:** Ms. Nancy Fenner

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7 a.m., 10 a.m., and 6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday School Year: 8:15 a.m.; Friday during summer: 8 a.m.; Wednesday: 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday: 1:30 p.m. at Garden Villa Nursing Home

Confession Schedule:

Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m. Wednesday: 4:45 p.m. Also before each weekday Mass, by appointment, and seasonal schedule

Exposition of Blessed

Sacrament: Perpetual Adoration from Monday morning after 8 a.m. Mass to Friday 5 p.m. with Benediction.

Parish Organizations:

Administrative Board;

Cemetery Board; Knights of Columbus Council 2490; St. Philip School Advisory Council; PTC; Booster Club; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady Queen of Peace No. 1374; KJT Society No. 84; KJZT Society No. 72; and School Endowment Board

School: St. Philip Elementary, See Page 77



St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church

(Iglesia de San Roberto Belarmino) 512 Tegner St. El Campo, TX 77437 979-543-4298 * 979-541-5399 (FAX) churchoffice@sanrobertochurch.org www.sanrobertochurch.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday: 8 am.-noon; closed daily from noon-1 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Philip L. Brune

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Anthony Augustine Owusu-Peprah **Permanent Deacons:** Deacon Margarito Cervantez Jr.

and Deacon Adrian Canales

Administrative Assistant: Ana L. Gutierrez Pastoral Assistant: Deacon Adrian W. Canales

Music Director: Joseph M. Holik

Evangelization/Communication: Brandy Flores

Maintenance: Frank Flores

Confession Schedule:

Tuesday: 5:30-6:25 p.m. Friday: 8-9 p.m.

Saturday: 4-5 p.m. or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday: 8 a.m.-6:20 p.m., Friday: 8 p.m.-8 a.m.



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. (English)

Sunday: 7 a.m. (Spanish), 9 a.m. (English), 11 a.m.(Spanish),

1 p.m. (bilingual)

Tuesday: (Spanish) 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: (English) 6 p.m. Thursday: (Spanish) 6:30 p.m. Friday: (English) 12:05 p.m. First Friday: (Spanish) 7 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Holy Name Society; Guadalupanas; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court San Roberto Bellarmine No. 2275; Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas; St. Vincent de Paul; Knights of Columbus Council 9393; St Robert's Youth Group; Finance Council; Parish Endowment Board; Grupo De Oracion; Pastoral

Council; La Guardia de Honor del Sagrado Corazon

FLATONIA (FAYETTE COUNTY)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

(516 South Faires)
P.O. Box 186
Flatonia, TX 78941
361-865-3568
361-865-2518 (FAX)
sacredheart186@sbcglobal.net

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-

5 p.m. closed noon-1 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Edward Winkler **Permanent Deacons:** Deacon Frank Jay Vocelka and Deacon Timothy Kozelsky

Secretary: Kathy Mladenka

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Friday: 8 a.m.; Monday: 10:15 a.m. at Oak

Manor Nursing Center



Confession Schedule: Wednesday 6-6:30 p.m.,

Saturday, 4-4:30 p.m. or by request

Parish Organizations:

Continuing Catholic Formation (CCF)-Youth and Adults; Finance Council; Liturgy Committee; Pastoral Council; Sacred Heart Cemetery Association

Lay Associations:

Flatonia Knights of Columbus Council #3295; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Sacred Heart of

Mother Teresa No. 2570; KJZT No. 83

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

1031 Church Lane (FM Road 109 at Church Lane) New Ulm, TX 78950

979-732-3430

bjgerik@gmail.com

stpp.bookkeeper@gmail.comRknippenberg@victoriadiocese.org

Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday: 9 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Pastor: Very Reverend Robert Knippenberg, VF

Permanent Deacons: Deacon Chuck Glynn, Deacon Doug

Tromblee and Deacon Andrew Nunmaker III

Office Manager: Mrs. Betty Gerik
Financial Manager: Mrs. Nancy Nelson
Youth Minister: Katherine Robinson

PCL: Andrea Krenek

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.; 12:30 p.m. (Traditional Latin)

Tuesday: 6 p.m. Wednesday: 8 a.m. First Saturday: 8 a.m.

Confessions:

30 minutes before each Mass



Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

First Fridays: 9 a.m.-6 p.m., with benediction at

5:30 and Mass at 6

Holy Hour with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy:

Second Monday of each month

6:30 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:50 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy

7:20 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Knights of Columbus Council 5157; Choir; and Annual Picnic is in May

GANADO (JACKSON COUNTY)

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(108 S. Sixth Street)
P.O. Box 369
Ganado, TX 77962-0369
361-771-3425
361-771-3526 (FAX)
abvmchurch@ykc.com
www.abvmganado.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

(closed noon-1 p.m.); Friday, 8 a.m. to noon

Pastor: Very Reverend Greg Korenek, VF Permanent Deacons: Deacon Anthony Hensley

and Deacon Kevin Petrash
Secretary: Mrs. Karen Klaus
Youth Minister: Joseph Sablatura

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4-4:45 p.m. Sunday: 8:45-9:15 a.m.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

First Monday: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Last Thursday: 6-7 p.m.





Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 a.m.

Wednesday: 6 p.m.

Monday: 10 a.m. (Ganado Nursing & Rehab

Center)

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Alberta No. 1381; Knights of Columbus Father Francis Havel Council #3204; Guadalupana Society; KJT Society; KJZT Society; ACTS; and

Matthew 25 Ministry

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

238 N. Commercial St.
Goliad, TX 77963
361-645-3095
361-645-3097 (FAX)
(toll free from Victoria)
office@goliadcatholic.org
pastor@goliadcatholic.org
www.goliadcatholic.org

Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Ty Bazar

Safe Environment: Mrs. Cynthia Pena

Mass schedule:

Saturday: 6 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8 a.m.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.

Monday: Communion Service 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday 5-5:45 p.m. or by appointment



Parish Organizations:

St. Anne's Altar Society; St. Margaret Mary Society; CCD; Knights of Columbus Council #7512; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of Loreto No. 2386; Crafty Quilters; Liturgy Committee; Choir; and RCIA Team

Chapel:

Our Lady of Loreto Chapel, La Bahia Mass: Sunday at 5 p.m. See Page 45

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

P.O. Box H (400 E. Fifth St.) Hallettsville, TX 77964 361-798-5888 361-798-4970 (FAX) rectory@shcatholicchurch.org www.shcatholicchurch.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters **Parochial Vicars:** Reverend John Affum and

Reverend Michael Rother

Permanent Deacons: Deacon Linard Harper, Deacon Michael Tankersley and Deacon Joseph

"Joey" Targac

Administrative Assistants: Mrs. Rita Chase, Mrs. Jackie Pettus, Mrs. Dorothy Jansky and Mrs.

Phyllis Steffek

DRE: Mrs. Angela McConnell

Youth Minister: Mrs. Angela McConnell

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Last Sunday: (Spanish) 5 p.m.

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.

Wednesday and Friday: 8:05 a.m.

Monday: 10 a.m. at Hallettsville Rehabilitation

and Nursing Center

Thursday: 10 a.m. at Stevens Nursing Center

Confession Schedule:

Saturday 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Sunday 6 p.m. to Friday 6 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel

First Friday: Adoration begins on Thursday 6 p.m. and continues through Friday 6 p.m. in the

Church



Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Knights of Columbus Council #2433; KJZT No. 2; Christian Mothers; KJT; Padre Pio Vocation Club; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Sacred Heart No. 797; Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas; Pastoral Advisory Council; Finance Council; ACTS Retreat Community; Altar Servers; Youth Group; Quilting Circle; Bereavement Committee; Cemetery Committee and Patriotic Rosary Group

School:

Sacred Heart Elementary, See page 77 Sacred Heart High School, See page 78

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (St. Mary Church)

(FM 2672 off Interstate Hwy. 10) 2833 FM 2672 Schulenburg, TX 78956

979-561-8455 or 979-743-3117

Pastor: Reverend Jasper Liggio

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Alexander Aboagye and

Reverend Luke Prihoda **Secretary:** Joyce Dittrich

Mass Schedule:

Sunday 10:15 a.m.

Weekday Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.

Confession Schedule: Before each Mass

Parish Organizations:

Parish Council; St. Joseph Society; St. Ann's Society; Altar Society; and Catholic State League



HILLJE (WHARTON COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1897

St. Andrew Catholic Church

(U.S. Hwy. 59) 270 St. Andrew St. El Campo, TX 77437 979-648-2864 979-648-2024 (FAX and Hall) office@standrewhillje.org www.standrewhillje.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Wayne Flagg

Administrative Assistant: Natalie Trochta

PCL: Stephanie Garrett

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m.

Tuesday: 9: a.m. at the Czech Catholic Home

Tuesday and Thursday: 7:30 a.m.

Friday: 6 p.m.



Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 5-5:30 p.m. and First Fridays before Mass

Parish Organization:

Parish Council; Finance Council; Altar Society; Knights of Columbus Council #9394; CCD; PTC; Choir; KJZT; KJT; and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of Divine Clemency No. 2385

Mission:

St. Procopius Catholic Church, Louise, See Page 45

St. Ann Catholic Church

(4162 State Hwy. 111 West) www.stjcatholicchurch.com

Pastor: Very Reverend Matthew H. Huehlefeld

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 7 a.m.

Parish Organizations:

St. Ann KJZT Society No. 37 and St. Ann Cemetery Committee

St. Ann Catholic Church is the Mission Church of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Yoakum - See Page 63



HOLMAN (FAYETTE COUNTY)

MISSION CHURCH

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1880S

St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church

9937 FM 155 La Grange, TX 78945 979-743-3117

Pastor: Reverend Jasper Liggio

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Alexander Aboagye

and Reverend Luke Prihoda Secretary: Mrs. Barbara Brandt

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

Confession Schedule: 30 minutes before Mass

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Christian Mothers; KJT; and KJZT

HOSTYN (WHARTON COUNTY)

Queen of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church

(6 miles south of La Grange) 936 FM 2436 La Grange, TX 78945 979-247-4441 979-247-5008 (FAX) hostynch@cvctx.com www.HostynPlumCatholic.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. to noon

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Felix Twumasi **Permanent Deacon:** Deacon John McCourt (retired)

Administrative Assistant: Roxann Redding PCL/SE Coordinator: Mary Lou Anderle

Youth Minister: Donna Janda

K-5 Religious Ed Coordinator: Catilin Urban Parish caretakers: Butch Gaddes and Miguel Rios

Confession Schedule: 30 minutes before Mass



St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church is the Mission Church of: St. John Catholic Church, Ammannsville - See Page 31

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1831



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m.

Weekday: Call the parish office for times

Friday: 10 a.m. at Monument Hill Nursing Center

Parish Organizations:

CYO; Youth Choir; Parish Choir; Knights of Columbus Council 2574 (La Grange); Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Queen of the Holy Rosary No. 2282; Confraternity of Christian Mothers; KJZT No. 23; KJT No. 3; and Young Neighbors In Action

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

(101 Church St. — Corner of E. Railroad)

P.O. Box 121

Hungerford, TX 77448 979-532-4747 (Office)

979-453-1272 (Rectory)

stjohnhungerford@gmail.com (Office) cdwomoh@victoriadiocese.org (Rectory)

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Charles Dwomoh Secretary: Mrs. Karen Ryman Bookkeeper: Darlene Munoz

Catechetical Coordinators: Janet Bubela, Inez Kucera Religious Ed. Coordinators: Jana Krenek, Theresa Krenek Safe Environment Coordinators: Inez Kucera, Janet

Bubela

Bereavement Coordinators: Frank Miculka, Karen Jedlicka

Music Director: Nancy Strouhal Macha Property Manager: Gary Ryman



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 3:15-3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday: 5-6 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Financial Council; Parish Choir; KJT Society; Bereavement Ministry

INEZ (VICTORIA COUNTY)

St. Joseph Catholic Church

(33 Church St.) -- shipping address P.O. Box 337 Inez, TX 77968

361-782-3181 (Office)

361-781-0459 (Rectory)

(toll free from Victoria)

stjosephchurch@tisd.net (Church e-mail address)

bkyeah@tisd.net (Rectory e-mail address)

deaconsteve@tisd.net (Deacon e-mail address)

stjccd@tisd.net (CCD e-mail address)

marthan60@hotmail.com (Safe Environment e-mail)

http://stjosephinez.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday: Closed

Parochial Administrator: Rev. Barnabas Kyeah Permanent Deacon: Deacon Steve Borowicz Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Sherry Kainer Parish Catechetical Leader: Mrs. Charlotte Bethke Safe Environment Coordinator: Mrs. Martha Nichols

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. and 9 a.m. Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.



Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4-4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

First Friday: 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Altar Servers; Altar Society; Bible Study Group; Building Board; CCD; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Joseph Protector of Mary No. 2475; Finance Council; Knights of Columbus Council #11351; and Parish Pastoral Council

Additional Address Information:

17 Church St. - Church Physical Address

32 Church St. - CCD Education Center/Church Hall

33 Church St. – Rectory Physical Address

KOERTH (LAVACA COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1833

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

(13202 FM Road 531, Hallettsville, 77964) P.O. Box 201

Sweet Home, TX 77987

 $361\text{-}741\text{-}3206 \ \ \text{(toll free from Victoria)}$

www.qpcatholicchurch.com

Pastor: Reverend Dominic Antwi-Boasiako Business Manager: Mr. Anthony Harper Safe Environment: Jocelyn Bolom Faith Formation: Skye Anderle Cemetery: Mr. Mark Wick



Mass Schedule: Sunday: 9 a.m.

Parish Organizations: KJZT No. 12, St. Ludmila; Knights of Columbus Council #2433 (Hallettsville)

LA BAHIA (GOLIAD COUNTY)

CHAPEL

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1700s

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1913

Our Lady of Loreto Chapel (Located on U.S. Hwy. 183)

Pastor: Reverend Ty J. Bazar

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 5 p.m.

Our Lady of Loreto is the Mission Church of: Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Goliad – See Page 40



LASALLE (JACKSON COUNTY) MISSION

St. Theresa Catholic Church (4612 County Road 325) P.O. Box 337 Vanderbilt, TX 77991

sjbchurch@tisd.net

Pastor: Reverend Johnson Owusu-Boateng

Mass Schedule: Saturday: 4 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday: 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule: Saturday 3:30- 3:50 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Cemetery Committee; Men's Club; Adult Choir; CCD; Finance Council; and Altar Servers



Church of: St. John Bosco Catholic Church, Vanderbilt, See Page 57

St. Procopius Catholic Church

(Located at 814 Elm St.) Hall: 979-648-2772

Pastor: Reverend Wayne Flagg

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 8 a.m. Monday: 7:30 a.m. Wednesday: 6 p.m.

Confession Schedule:

Call the rectory or go to St. Andrew Church, Hillje between 4 and 5 p.m.

St. Procopius Catholic Church is the Mission Church of: St. Andrew Catholic Church, Hillje -- See Page 42



Parish Organizations:

Parish Council; Finance Council; Altar Society; Knights of Columbus Council 9394; CCD; PTC; Choir; KJZT; KJT; KJT Youth Group; and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of Divine Clemency No. 2385

MARKHAM (MATAGORDA COUNTY)

St. Robert Catholic Church (Located on FM Road 1468 off S. Hwy. 35)

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Gabriel J. Mensah

Mass Schedule:

Sunday 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Sunday 7:30 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.

St. Robert Catholic Church is the Mission Church of: St. Peter Catholic Church, Blessing – See Page 32



EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1850

MENTZ (COLORADO COUNTY)

St. Roch Catholic Church 1600 Frelsburg Rd. Alleyton, TX 78935 979-732-3460 hannah@saintrochparish.org www.saintrochparish.org

Office Hours: Monday and Thursday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend James Dvorak

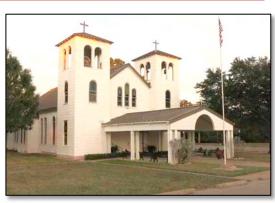
Permanent Deacons: Deacon Chuck Glynn, Deacon Doug

Tromblee and Deacon Andrew Nunmaker III

Office Manager: Mrs. Hannah Pilat Youth Minister: Katherine Robinson

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4 p.m. Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Thursday: 5:30 p.m. Friday: 8 a.m.



Confessions: 30 minutes before each Mass

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

2nd Thursday of each month, 6-7 p.m.

Parish Organizations: Altar Society; Knights of Columbus Council No. 10249; and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Roch of Mentz No. 2328; Annual picnic first Sunday in October

MEYERSVILLE (DEWITT COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1846

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

11220 FM 237

Meyersville, TX 77974

361-275-3868

361-277-8972 (FAX)

stspp@gvec.net

www.catholiccommunityofcuero.org

Office Hours: Tuesday, 9 a.m.-3

p.m.; Wednesday, 12-6 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.-

4 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Jacob Mendoza

Parochial Vicar: Reverend Richard Bediako **Secretary:** Mrs. Willie Voelkel and Donna

Flores

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 7 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m. Friday: 9:30 a.m.

(No Masses on Tuesday or Thursday)

Confession Schedule:



Saturday 6:30 - 6:50 p.m.

First Friday 8:30 a.m. or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration on Friday at 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Dewitt County Gabriel Project; and Knights of

Columbus Council 13010

Mission: St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Westhoff

See page 61

MORAVIA (LAVACA COUNTY)

MISSION

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1872

Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church

(11134 FM 957, Schulenburg, TX 78956)

P.O. Box H

Hallettsville, TX 77964

361-798-5888 (toll free from Victoria)

Pastor: Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters
Parochial Vicars: Reverend John
Affum and Reverend Michael Rother
Administrative Assistants: Mrs. Dorothy
Berger, Mrs. Arlene Becan, Mrs. Mary and Mr.

Robert Kendall

DRE: Mrs. Dana Daughtry

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 6 p.m. (on 1st, 3rd and 5th) Sunday 9:30 a.m. (on 2nd and 4th)



Confession Schedule: 30 minutes before each Mass

Parish Organizations:

Pastoral Advisory Council; Altar Society; KJT; KJZT; CCD; Building Committee; Cemetery

Committee; and Altar Servers

MOULTON (LAVACA COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1888

St. Joseph Catholic Church

(601 N. Pecan Street)
P.O. Box 399
Moulton, TX 77975
361-596-4674 (Rectory/Parish Office)
361-596-7559 (Parish Hall)

361-596-4826(Fax) st_joe@sbcglobal.net www.stjosephsmoulton.org

Pastor: Reverend Gabriel Maison

Permanent Deacon: Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck Administrative Assistant: Ms. Mary Lou Dierschke Office Asst./Safe Environment: Sofia Martinez

CCD Coordinator: Ms. Donna Perez

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6:30 p.m.

Sunday: 6:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m. Thursday (at Praha): 5:30 p.m.

1st Thursday: 10:30 a.m. at Shady Oaks Nursing Home



Confessions: First Friday before Mass and

by appointment

Penance Services: during Advent and Lent

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Fridays: 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Parish Organizations: Christian Mothers, Knights of Columbus Council 3244, St. Joseph's Society, Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Father Joseph Kopp No. 2018, KJZT No. 14, KJT No. 38, CCD, and St.

Joseph Altar Society

NADA (COLORADO COUNTY)

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (St. Mary)

(1261 Old Nada Road) P.O. Box 97 Nada, TX 77460 979-758-3218 stmarynadaparish@gmail.com

Pastor: Reverend Peter Yboah Amafo

Permanent Deacons: Deacon Edward Wendel and

Deacon Dustin Leopold

Administrative Assistant: Susan Popp

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. Tuesday-Friday: 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30-4:50 p.m. Sunday: 9:30-9:50 a.m.

Tuesday-Friday: 15 minutes before Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration:

Monday: 8 a.m.-Wednesday 6 p.m.

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1881



Devotions:

Rosary devotions every Monday at 6 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of the Rosary No. 1595, Knights of Columbus Barnabas Held Council 3371, Christian Mothers Society, KJT No. 34, KJZT No. 17, Catholic Life Branch No. 15, CCE Program, Finance Council, Prayer Group, Pastoral Council, Liturgical Committee St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church

(Off of FM 961) 1843 CR 469 El Campo, TX 77437 979-543-6985 979-543-3434 (Fax) saintjohnchurch@outlook.com www.newtaitoncatholic.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. – 5

p.m.; closed noon to 1 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Gabriel Oduro Tawiah **Permanent Deacons:** Deacon Edward Wendel

and Deacon Pat Kubala

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Karen Zapalac

DRE: Mrs. Diann Srubar

Music Director: Mr. Chris Merta

Confession Schedule: Saturday: 3-3:30 p.m.



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 7 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Tuesday-Friday: 7 a.m.

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Bereavement Committee; Building Committee; CCD; Cemetery Committee; Choir; and Finance Committee

NORDHEIM (DEWITT COUNTY)

MISSION

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1922

St. Ann Catholic Church

(Located at Oak and Broadway off Hwy 72 West)

St. Ann Catholic Church is the mission church of: Holy Cross Catholic Church, Yorktown – Page 64

https://holycrossyorktown.net/mission-st-ann



PALACIOS (MATAGORDA COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1912

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

(1004 Magnusson)
P.O. Box 900
Palacios, TX 77465
361-972-2446
361-972-2606 (FAX)
pasaop@yahoo.com
www.stanthonypalacios.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-

4 p.m.; closed 12-1 p.m.

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Eliecer Patino
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Michael Vieira

Secretary: Mrs. Sylvia Alanis

Religious Education Coordinator: Ms. Brandi West

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 5-5:45 p.m. or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday: 7-8 p.m.



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6 p.m. (English)

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. (English); 11 a.m. (Spanish)

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday: 8 a.m.

Parish Organizations:

Finance Council; Religious Education; Adult Religious Education; Youth Ministry; Bereavement Ministry; Knights of Columbus Council 6889; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of the Sea No. 2133; KJZT; and Spanish Prayer Group

PALACIOS (MATAGORDA COUNTY)

Our Lady of Lavang (Quasi Parish)

(Formerly Assumption Chapel) 100 Vietnam St. Palacios, TX 77465 361-660-8590

Pastor: Reverend Dominic Trung Nguyen

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 8 a.m. (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: 5 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. (winter); 6 p.m.

(summer)

Confession Schedule: Before Mass





PLUM (FAYETTE COUNTY)

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1890

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

(126 Plum Church Rd., La Grange, TX 78945) Mailing Address: c/o Holy Rosary Church 936 FM 2436 La Grange, TX 78945 979-242-3600 979-247-4441 (Holy Rosary Church, Hostyn) 979-247-5008 (FAX)

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Felix Twumasi

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 10 a.m.

Confession Schedule: 30 minutes before Mass



Parish Organizations: Altar Society; CYO; Knights of Columbus Council 2574 (La Grange); and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1948

No. 1962 (La Grange)

POINT COMFORT (CALHOUN COUNTY)

St. Ann Catholic Church

(700 Lamar St.) 361-552-6140 361-552-4300 (FAX) Mailing Address: 415 W. Austin St. Port Lavaca, TX 77979 olg@olgulf.org www.olgulf.org

Pastor: Reverend Tommy Chen

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Richard Barfield

And Reverend Derek Acquah **Coordinator of Religious Education:**

Mrs. Carolyn Brogger

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday: 9 a.m.



Confession Schedule:

Sunday: 10 a.m.

MISSION

Parish Organizations:

Pastoral Council and Altar Society

St. Ann Catholic Church is the Mission Church of: Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Port Lavaca, See Page 52

Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church

415 W. Austin St.
Port Lavaca, TX 77979
361-552-6140
361-552-4300 (FAX)
(toll free from Victoria)
olg@olgulf.org
www.olgulf.org

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Friday: Closed

Pastor: Reverend Tommy Chen

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Richard Barfield

And Reverend Derek Acquah

Permanent Deacon: Deacon Nazario Hernandez

Business Manager: Mr. Tim Dent **Bookkeeper:** Mrs. Stella Dugan **Secretary:** Ms. Helen Morales

Director of Religious Education/Youth Ministry:

Mrs. Linda Beard - 361-552-6140, Ext. 106

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon (Spanish)

Monday-Friday: 8:05 a.m.

First Friday at Port Lavaca Nursing and Rehab

Center: 10 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4-5 p.m. or by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Friday, after the 8:05 a.m. Mass

until 12:30 p.m.



Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Court No. 2267; Knights of Columbus Council No. 3253; Altar Servers; Pan de Vida Choir; Jesu Caritas; Spanish Prayer Group; RCIA; Finance Council; and OLG School HSA, ACTS

Missions:

St. Ann Catholic Church, Point Comfort

See Page 51

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Port O'Connor

See Page 53

St. Patrick Catholic Church, Seadrift

See Page 55

School:

Our Lady of the Gulf School

See Page 77

Convent:

See page 76

St. Jude Hall:

300 W. Austin St. Port Lavaca, TX 77979

361-552-6140

St. Joseph Catholic Church

(101 N. Washington St.) Port O'Connor, TX 77982 Mailing Address: 415 W. Austin St. Port Lavaca, TX 77979 olg@olgulf.org www.olgulf.org

Pastor: Reverend Tommy Chen

Parochial Vicars: Reverend Richard Barfield

and Reverend Derek Acquah

Mass Schedule: Saturday: 6 p.m. Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.



Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church is the Mission Church of: Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, Port Lavaca -See Page 52

PRAHA (FAYETTE COUNTY)

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church (St. Mary Church)

(off U.S. Hwy. 90) 821 FM 1295 Flatonia, TX 78941-5016 361-596-4674 www.stmaryspraha.org

Parochial Admin.: Reverend Gabriel Maison

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m. Thursday: 5:30 p.m.

Confession Schedule: By appointment Penance Services: during Advent and Lenten

Seasons

Parish Organizations: Parish Council; Altar Society; CCD; KJT; KJZT; and KJZT Juniors



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

(7026 FM Road 957, Schulenburg, TX 78956) P.O. Box H

Hallettsville, TX 77964

361-798-5888 (toll free from Victoria)

Pastor: Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters **Parochial Vicars:** Reverend John Affum and

Reverend Michael Rother

Administrative Assistants: Mrs. Dorothy Berger,

Mrs. Elsie Farek

DRE: Mrs. Dana Daughtry

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6 p.m. (on 2nd and 4th) Sunday: 9:30 a.m. (on 1st, 3rd and 5th) First Friday: 8 a.m. followed by Holy Hour

Confession Schedule: 30 minutes before each Mass

Parish Organizations:

Pastoral Advisory Council; Altar Society; KJT; CCD; Building Committee; Cemetery Committee; and

Altar Servers



EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1836

ST. MARY (LAVACA COUNTY)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church (St. Mary Church)

1648 FM 340 Hallettsville, TX 77964 361-798-2128 (Toll-free from Victoria)

Pastor: Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters
Parochial Vicars: Reverend John Affum

and Reverend Michael Rother

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Pat Mladenka

DRE: Mrs. Carol Rother

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 9:15 a.m.

First Friday Mass: 7 p.m. (summer); 6 p.m. (winter)

Confession Schedule:

First Friday: 6:30 p.m. (summer); 5:30 p.m. (winter)

Parish Organizations: Altar Society; KJT; KJZT; Finance Council; Building Committee; Cemetery

Committee; CCD; and St. Isidore Society



St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

(1010 Lyons Ave.)
P.O. Box 310
Schulenburg, TX 78956
979-743-3117
979-743-4712 (FAX)
office@strosecatholic.org
www.strosecatholic.org

Pastor: Reverend Jasper Liggio

Parochial Vicar: Reverend Luke Prihoda and

Reverend Alexander Aboagye

Admin. Assistants: Dana Hartensteiner

and Shelly Redding

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. (Spanish)

Wednesday, Friday: 7:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Thursday: 8:10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4-4:45 p.m.

Thursday: 5-5:45 p.m. or by appointment



Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday: 5 - 6 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Parish Council; Altar Society; Altar Servers; Knights of Columbus Council #2902; and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Rose No. 1597

School: St. Rose of Lima Elementary, See Page 77

SEADRIFT (CALHOUN COUNTY)

St. Patrick Catholic Church

310 W. Cleveland St.
Seadrift, TX 77983
361-552-6140
361-552-4300 (FAX)
Mailing Address:
415 W. Austin St.
Port Lavaca, TX 77979
olg@olgulf.org
www.olgulf.org

Pastor: Reverend Tommy Chen

Parochial Vicar: Reverend Richard Barfield

and Reverend Derek Acquah

DRE: Maggie Galloway

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. (English) Thursday: 9 a.m. (English)

MISSION EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1919



Confession Schedule:

Sunday 8 a.m.

Parish Organizations:

St. Patrick Parish Club

St. Patrick Catholic Church is the Mission Church of: Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, See Page 52

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church

306 South Ave. F Shiner, TX 77984 361-594-3836 361-594-2850 (FAX) (toll free from Victoria) aduke@sscmshiner.org www.sscmshiner.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Pastor: Very Reverend Bryan Heyer

Parochial Vicar: Reverend Michael Odartey-Lamptey
Permanent Deacons: Deacon Joe A. Machacek

and Deacon Michael Morkovsky

Business Manager: Deacon Joe A. Machacek

Secretary: Mrs. Ann Duke **Bookkeeper:** Kim Ulcak

Adult Ed. Coordinator: Mrs. Sharon Patek 361-594-3234

CRE/Youth Minister: Kim Ulcak 361-594-3234

Mass Schedule:

First Saturday: 8 a.m. Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 6:30 a.m.

Wednesday: 6 p.m. Friday: 8 a.m.

Monday: 10 a.m. at nursing home



Confession Schedule:

Saturday 4 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: Sunday 12 p.m. - Friday 5 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Knights of Columbus Council #3081; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Paul No. 1604; Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas; Altar Society; KJT; KJZT; Gabriel Project; Sts. Cyril and Methodius Assistance; St. Gianna Molla Ministry For Life; Bereavement Ministry; and Cenacle of Life

School:

St. Ludmila Elementary, See Page 77 St. Paul High School, See Page 78

SWEET HOME (LAVACA COUNTY)

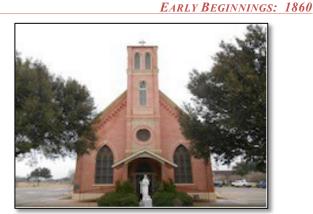
Queen of Peace Catholic Church

(7372 FM Road 531, Hallettsville, TX 77964)
P.O. Box 201
Sweet Home, TX 77987
361-741-3206 (toll free from Victoria)
www.gpcatholicchurch.com

Pastor: Reverend Dominic Antwi-Boasiako Business Manager: Anthony Harper Safe Environment: Jocelyn Bolom Faith Formation: Skye Anderle Cemetery: Larry Jirkovsky

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 7 a.m.



Confession Schedule:

Saturday 4-4:40 p.m. or by appointment

Parish Organizations:

KJZT No. 12 St. Ludmila; Knights of Columbus Council #2433 (Hallettsville)

St. John Bosco Catholic Church

(121 Garcitas St.)
P.O. Box 337 (232 Main St. {Office})
Vanderbilt, TX 77991-0337
361-284-3361 (Church Office)
361-284-3587 (CCD)
361-284-3391 (FAX)
(toll free from Victoria)
sjbchurch@tisd.net

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Johnson Owusu-Boateng

Secretary: Ms. Judy Lynn DeBord

Religious Education Coordinator: M. Emily Benavides

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Monday and Friday: 8 a.m.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. Southbrooke Manor Nursing

Home in Edna



Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 3 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Altar Society; Finance Council; Altar Servers; CCD; Adult Choir; Liturgical Committee; and Building Board

Mission: St. Theresa Catholic Church, See Page 45

VICTORIA (VICTORIA COUNTY)

Holy Family of Joseph, Mary and Jesus

704 Mallette Dr. Victoria, TX 77904 361-573-5304 361-573-6053 (FAX) parish@hfccvic.org www.hfccvic.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Very Reverend Gabriel Bentil **Parochial Vicar**: Reverend Ryan Kapavik

Permanent Deacon: Deacon Edward (Eddie) Huse

Pastoral Associate: Mrs. Debbie Vanelli Business Manager: Mr. Jeff Williams

Administrative Secretary: Ms. Elizabeth Perez

Records: Mrs. Mary Uptmor

Director of Youth Ministry: Mrs. Judy Seiler

Director of Religious Education: Mrs. Heather Kallus

Parish Liturgist: Mr. Mark Zepeda

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1981



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., and 11 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 6 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Monday and Friday: 5:30-5:55 p.m.

Capilla de la Santisima Trinidad

(in the Silver City Community) 2901 Pleasant Green Dr. Victoria, TX 77901 361-575-2293

Pastor: Very Reverend Jacob Koether, EV **Parochial Vicar**: Reverend Parmenio Flores

Mass schedule:

Sunday: 9:30 and 11 a.m. (Spanish)

Thursday: 7 p.m.

Confession Schedule:

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.



Adoration: First Thursdays at 6 p.m.

Parish Organizations: Altar servers; lectors; extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist; Sociedad Del Altar; Third Order Trinitarians; Ushers; Via Crusis Viviente

VICTORIA (VICTORIA COUNTY)

MID-TO-LATE 1800S

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

105 N. William St. Victoria, TX 77901 361-575-3813 ollvic@lourdesvictoria.org www.lourdesvictoria.org

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:45 a.m. to noon and

1-5 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Patrick Knippenberg **Parish Secretary**: Sr. Valerie Janecka, IWBS

Bookkeeper: Cindy Doyle

PCL/Safe Environment Coord.: Mrs. Martha Nichols

PCL: Tammy Fikac

Music Ministry: Thomas Santos and Tracie Tibiletti

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Monday-Saturday: 8 a.m.

Holy Day of Obligation Vigil: 6 p.m.

Morning of Holy Day (except Christmas): 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Monday-Saturday 7:30-7:55 a.m.

Saturday 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Project Mercy Rosary Devotion:



First Saturday: begins at 7:45 a.m. before Mass and resumes after the 8 a.m. Mass is completed

Parish Organizations: Altar Servers; Altar Society; Bereavement Committee; Disciples on the Journey; Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist; Fall Festival Committee; Finance Committee; Gabriel Project; Generations of Faith Catechetical Team; Eucharistic Ministry to Homebound; Holy Name

Society; Lectors; Outreach Card Ministry; Parish Adult Choir/Youth Choir; Prayer Chain Ministry; RCIA Team; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Wake/Vigil Rosary Ministry; and

Ushers

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

208 W. River St.
Victoria, TX 77901
361-575-2293
361-582-0405 (FAX)
361-570-7854 (CCD Office)
abeltran@ourladysorrows.org
www.olsvictoria.org

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.,

closed noon-1 p.m. Friday: 8:30 a.m.-noon

Pastor: Very Reverend Jacob Koether, EV
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Parmenio Florez
Permanent Deacons: Deacon Edwardo Molina

and Deacon Frank Tilley

Administrative Assistant: Adela Beltran Pastoral Associate: Janie M. Rubio Business Manager: Josie Soliz CCD Coordinator: Sr. Maria Garcia

Safe Environment Coordinator: Katherine

Vasquez

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday: 8 a.m. (Bilingual), 10 a.m. (English),

and 2 p.m. (English)

Monday-Friday: 6 p.m. (English)

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4 p.m.



Adoration:

First Fridays: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

First Friday in the chapel after 7 a.m.

Ministries: Altar Servers; Altar Society; Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist; Lectors; Music Ministers; Ushers;

Shut-In-Ministry; Bereavement Support Group

Organizations: Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court No. 2273; Catholic War Veterans (CWV); CWV Ladies Auxiliary; Charismatic Prayer Group; Finance Committee; Guadalupanas; Knights of Columbus Council #8388; Pastoral Council; Men's and Women's ACTS (English and Spanish), Adult Religious Education: RCIA

Youth: Ballet Folklorico; Choir; Quinceaneras; CCD

Chapel:

Capilla de la Santisima Trinidad, See Page 58

The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory

1309 E. Mesquite Lane Victoria, TX 77901 361-575-4741 (Rectory) 361-575-8132 (CCD Office) 361-573-5555 (FAX) www.olvcathedral.org

Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Rector/Pastor: Very Reverend Kirby Hlavaty **Parochial Vicars**: Reverend Jonas Kuubeta and

Reverend Samuel Asante

Permanent Deacon: Deacon Matthew Schaefer

Office Manager: Mrs. Pam Bena **Secretary**: Ms. Carrie McKinney

Pastoral Associate: Mrs. Jennifer Vincent Director of Music: Dr. Glenn Hunter CCD Coordinator Pre-K-12: Monica Flores

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9 (TV Mass) and 11:30 a.m. and 6

pm.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 6 and 8 a.m. Wednesday and Friday - 6 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Confession Schedule:

Wednesday 4 to 5:15 p.m. Saturday 4 to 5:15 p.m.

Parish Organizations:

Youth Group; Altar Society; Legion of Mary; Quilters; Men's Group; Adult Education; Retrouvaille; Choosing to Love; Morning Glory Helpers; Scouts; Choir; Altar Servers; Lectors; Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion; ACTS; Bereavement; St. Vincent de Paul; Mothers of Grace, TV Mass Crew, Greeters/Ushers; Children's Liturgy; Funeral Meals; and

School: Our Lady of Victory Elementary Early Childhood Center, See Page 77

RCIA



Cathedral Center: 3102 N.

Laurent (77901)

The Victory Annex: 1407 E. Mesquite Lane (77901)

VICTORIA (VICTORIA COUNTY)

St. Mary Catholic Church

(402 S. Main Street, Victoria, TX 77901)
P.O. Box 2448
Victoria, TX 77902
361-573-4328
361-573-4308 (FAX)
info@stmvictoria.org
www.stmvictoria.org

Office hours:

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Friday, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Pastor: Reverend Kristopher Fuchs **Parochial Vicar:** Reverend Tran Dinh

Permanent Deacons: Deacon Jim Koenig and

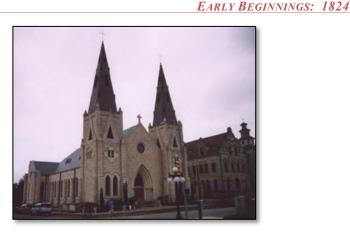
Deacon Richard Evans
Secretary: Mrs. Cathy Fojtik

CCD Coordinator: Mrs. Diana Starnes

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Monday-Friday: 12:05 p.m.



Confession Schedule:

Monday-Wednesday: after noon Mass Saturday: following the 4 p.m. Vigil Mass or by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. (Adoration Chapel)

Parish Organizations: Finance Council; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Altar Society; Mass Servers; Monthly Baptismal Preparation; RCIA; Parish Choir; Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion; and Lectors Sacred Heart Catholic Church

13594 State Highway 60 S. Wadsworth, TX 77483

Pastor: Reverend Stephen Vacek

Mass Schedule: Sunday: 7:30 a.m.

Parish Organizations: Altar Society

Sacred Heart Catholic Church is the Mission Church of Holy Cross Catholic Church, Bay City, See Page 31



WEIMAR (COLORADO COUNTY)

St. Michael Catholic Church

(410 N. Center St.) P.O. Box 36 Weimar, TX 78962 979-725-6714 979-725-8146 (FAX) stmichaelwei@yahoo.com

Pastor: Reverend Chase Goodman Secretary: Ms. Shirley Streckfus Receptionist: Mrs. Joan Moeckel

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 and 10:30 a.m. Monday and Wednesday: 6 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday: 6:30 a.m.

Friday: 8 a.m.

Wednesday: 1:45 p.m., Parkview

Nursing Home

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4:45 p.m.

Parish Organizations: St. Ann Society; Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Michael No. 559; PTC; KJT; KJZT; Knights of Columbus Council #2153; Pastoral Council; School Board; Home and School Association; Golden Age Club; and Finance Council



Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, Dubina,

See Page 35

School: St. Michael Elementary, See Page 77



EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1872

WESTHOFF (DEWITT COUNTY)

MISSION

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1913

St. Aloysius Catholic Church (Located on U.S. Hwy. 87)

Pastor: Reverend Jacob Mendoza

Mass Schedule: Sunday 8 a.m.

Confession Schedule: Sunday 7:30-7:50 a.m.

Parish Organizations: Altar Society



St. Aloysius Catholic Church is the Mission Church of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Meyersville, See Page 47

Holy Family Catholic Church

2011 Briar Lane Wharton, TX 77488 979-532-3593 979-532-3747 (Religious Education) 979-532-2781 (FAX) office@hfwharton.org www.hfwharton.org

Office hours: Monday 1-5 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., closed noon-1

Pastor: Very Reverend Samuel Appiasi

Permanent Deacons: Deacon David Valdez and

Deacon Bruce Turner

Secretaries: Deores Kocian and Verna Petrash

Bulletin Editor: Kay Kunkel

Parish Catechetical Leader: Vicki Simper

Confessions: Monday-Friday, 15 minutes before Mass; Saturday 3:30-4:15 p.m. or by appointment

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the day chapel



Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday: 7:30 a.m.

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. Friday: 6:30 a.m.

See bulletin for Masses at Wharton Nursing and

Rehab and Elmcroft Senior Living

Mission: St. Joseph Catholic Church, See Page 33

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1940S

WHARTON (WHARTON COUNTY)

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church

506 S. East Ave. Wharton, TX 77488 979-532-3492 979-532-3215 (Religious Education) 979-532-2321 (FAX) office@olmcwharton.org www.olmcwharton.org

Office hours: Monday, Wednesday- Friday 8 a.m.- 5 p.m., closed noon-1 p.m., Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Antonio Perez

Secretary: Ms. Imelda Garcia

Parish Catechetical Leader: Connie Martinez

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday: 8 a.m. (Spanish), 11 a.m. (English)

Tuesday, Thursday: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Friday: 8 a.m.



St. Joseph Catholic Church

(210 Schrimscher St.)
P.O. Box 734
Yoakum, TX 77995
361-293-3518
361-293-5355 (FAX)
secretary@stjcatholicchurch.com
www.stjcatholicchurch.com

Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., closed noon-1 p.m., Friday, 8 a.m. -noon

Pastor: Very Reverend Matthew H. Huehlefeld, J.C.L.

Permanent Deacon: Deacon Dennis Kutach

Secretary: Ms. Dawne Wendel **Business Manager**: Jennifer Mooney

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 9 and 11 a.m. (Spanish/English)

Tuesday-Friday 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday: 10 a.m. at Yoakum Nursing Center Wednesday: 8:05 a.m. (during school year) Friday: 10 a.m. at Stevens Nursing Center

Confession Schedule:

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: 4 p.m. or by appointment

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday before First Friday (24 hours)



Parish Organizations:

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Our Lady of Guadalupe No. 206; Knights of Columbus Council #1582; Altar Society; PTC; KJZT Society No. 1; KJT Society No. 13; Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas; Finance Committee; Helping Hands; Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Yoakum Assembly No. 1128; St. Joseph Cemetery Committee; and St. Joseph School Endowment Fund

Mission: St. Ann Catholic Church, Hochheim, See Page 43

School: St. Joseph Elementary, See Page 77

Holy Cross Catholic Church

1214 Zorn Rd. Yorktown, TX 78164 361-564-2893 361-564-9315 (FAX) (toll free from Victoria) holycross1214@sbcglobal.net

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. closed noon to 1 p.m.

Pastor: Very Reverend Roger R. Hawes

Parochial Vicar: Reverend Francis Tam Nugyen III

Secretary: Mrs. Helen Mikus Bookkeeper: Christy Rohan

Cemetery: Mike and Myra Yeretsky

Safe Environment/Religious Ed.: Lana Brysch

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8 a.m.

Thursday: 5:30 p.m.

Adoration and Reconciliation:

First Fridays: 8:30-9:30 a.m.



Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 4-4:50 p.m.

First Friday of the month: 8:30 a.m. or by

appointment

Parish Organizations: Finance/Parish Council; Knights of Columbus Council #2480; and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Holy Cross No. 1598

Missions:

- * St. Ann Catholic Church, Nordheim, See Page 49
- * San Luis Catholic Church, Yorktown, See Below

YORKTOWN (DEWITT COUNTY) MISSION

EARLY BEGINNINGS: 1924

San Luis Catholic Church

(502 E. Second St.)

Pastor: Very Reverend Roger R. Hawes

Parochial Vicar: Reverend Francis Tam Nugyen III San Luis Cemetery: Mike and Myra Yeretsky

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 8 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday: 5:30 p.m.

First Saturday: 9 a.m.

Confession Schedule:

Sunday: By appointment

Monday and Wednesday: before Mass, by request

Adoration/Reconciliation: Second Mondays 6-7 p.m.



Parish Organizations:

Finance/Parish Council and Guadalupanas

San Luis Catholic Church is the Mission Church of: Holy Cross Catholic Church, Yorktown, See Above

Priests

Cahill, S.T.D., Most Reverend Brendan J., Bishop	Diocese of Victoria P.O. Box 4070, Victoria, TX 77903	361-573-0828
Fellhauer, Most Reverend David E., Bishop Emeritus	Diocese of Victoria P.O. Box 4070, Victoria, TX 77903	361-573-0828
Affum, Reverend John	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box H, Hallettsville, TX 77964	361-798-5888
Amo, Reverend Peter Oscar Kofi	St. Patrick Catholic Church P.O. Box 2122, Bloomington, TX 77951	361-897-1155
Antwi-Boasiako, Reverend Dominic	Queen of Peace Catholic Church P.O. Box 201, Sweet Home, TX 77987	361-741-3206
Appiasi, VF, Very Reverend Samuel	Holy Family Catholic Church 2011 Briar Lane, Wharton, TX 77488	979-532-3593
Barfield, Reverend Richard	Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church 415 W. Austin St., Port Lavaca, TX 77979	361-552-6140
Bazar, Reverend Ty J.	Immaculate Conception Catholic Church 238 N. Commercial Street, Goliad, TX 77963	361-645-3095
Bediako, Reverend Richard	St. Michael Catholic Church 309 E. Church St., Cuero, TX 77954	361-275-3135
Bentil, VF, Very Reverend Gabriel	Holy Family of Joseph, Mary and Jesus 704 Mallette Drive, Victoria, TX 77904	361-573-5304
Bily, Reverend Msgr. John C. (Retired)	210 College St. Schulenburg, TX 78956	
Brune, Reverend Philip L.	St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church 512 Tegner, El Campo, TX 77437	979-543-4298
Chen, Reverend Tommy	Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church 415 W. Austin St., Port Lavaca, TX 77979	361-552-6140
Dinh, Reverend Tran	St. Mary's Catholic Church 402 S. Main St., Victoria, TX 77901	361-573-4328
Dvorak, Reverend James M.	St. Anthony Catholic Church P.O. Box 669, Columbus, TX 78934	979-732-2562
Dwomoh, Reverend Charles O.	St. John the Baptist Catholic Church P.O. Box 121, Hungerford, TX 77448	979-532-4747
Ervin, Reverend Dalton R.	St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church 304 W. Church St., El Campo, TX 77437	979-543-3770
Espinosa, Reverend Gabriel D.	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 1412 12 th St., Bay City, TX 77414	979-245-2010

Priests continued

Flagg, Reverend Wayne N.	St. Andrew Catholic Church (Hillje) 270 St. Andrew St., El Campo, TX 77437	979-648-2864
Florez, Reverend Parmenio	Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church 208 W. River St., Victoria, TX 77901	361-575-2293
Fuchs, Reverend Kristopher	St. Mary Catholic Church P.O. Box 2448, Victoria, TX 77902	361-573-4328
Gonzales, Reverend Nelson	St. Anthony Catholic Church P.O. Box 669, Columbus, TX 78934	979-732-2562
Goodman, Reverend Chase R.	St. Michael Catholic Church P.O. Box 36, Weimar, TX 78962	979-725-6714
Guerra, Reverend Robert F.	Parish of the Nativity Catholic Church P.O. Box 307, Eagle Lake, TX 77434	979-234-2842
Hawes, VF, Very Reverend Roger R.	Holy Cross Catholic Church 1214 Zorn Rd., Yorktown, TX 78164	361-564-2893
Heyer, VF, Very Reverend Bryan O.	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church 306 South Ave. F, Shiner, TX 77984	361-594-3836
Hlavaty, Very Reverend Kirby	The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory 1309 E. Mesquite Ln., Victoria, TX 77962	361-575-4741
Huehlefeld, J.C.L., Very Rev. Matthew	St. Joseph Catholic Church P.O. Box 734, Yoakum, TX 77995	361-293-3518
Hurtado, Reverend Eliecer Patiño	St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church 1004 Magnusson, Palacios, TX 77465	361-972-2446
Kahlich, Rev. Monsignor Daniel (Retired)		
Knippenberg, Reverend Patrick	Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church 105 N. William St., Victoria, TX77901	361-575-3813
Knippenberg, VF, Very Rev. Robert	Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church 1031 Church Lane, New Ulm, TX 78950	979-732-3430
Koether, Very Reverend Jacob	Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church 208 W. River St., Victoria, TX 77901	361-575-2293
Korenek, VF, Very Reverend Greg	Assumption Catholic Church P.O. Box 369, Ganado, TX 77962-0369	361-771-3425
Kosler, Rev. Monsignor Timothy (Retired)	, ,	
Kuubeta, Reverend Jonas	Our Lady of Victory Cathedral 1309 E. Mesquite, Victoria, TX 77901	361-575-4741
Kwabena-Owusu, Reverend Samuel	St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church 304 W. Church St., El Campo, TX 77437	979-543-3770
Kyeah, Reverend Barnabas	St. Joseph Catholic Church P.O. Box 337, Inez, TX 77968	361-782-3181
Liggio, Reverend Jasper J.	St. Rose of Lima 1010 Lyons Ave., Schulenburg, TX 78956	979-743-3117

Priests continued

Lyons, Reverend Michael (Retired)	3140 Piano Bridge Road Schulenburg, TX 78956	
Mai, Reverend Joseph (Retired)	St. Anthony Catholic Church P.O. Box 900, Palacios, TX 77465	
Maison, Reverend Gabriel	St. Joseph Catholic Church P.O. Box 399, Moulton, TX 77975	361-596-4674
Mendoza, Reverend Jacob	St. Michael Catholic Church. 309 E. Church St., Cuero, TX 77954	361-275-3554
Mensah, Reverend Gabriel J.	St. Peter Catholic Church P.O. Box 395, Blessing, TX 77419	361-588-6241
Nimo, Reverend Peter, (Hospital Chaplain)	Our Lady of Sorrows Rectory 208 W. River St., Victoria, 77901	361-575-2293
Nguyen, Reverend Dominic Trung	Our Lady of La Vang 100 Vietnam St., Palacios, TX 77465	361-972-2446
Nguyen, Reverend Francis	Holy Cross Catholic Church 1214 Zorn Road, Yorktown, TX 78164	361-564-2893
Odartey-Lamptey, Reverend Michael	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church 306 South Ave. F, Shiner, TX 77984	361-594-3836
Oduro Tawiah, Reverend Gabriel	St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church 1843 CR 469, El Campo, TX 77437	979-543-6985
Otsiwah, Very Reverend Charles E.	Holy Cross Catholic Church P.O. Box 1325, East Bernard, TX 77435	979-335-7551
Owusu-Boateng, Reverend Johnson	St. John Bosco Catholic Church P.O. Box 337, Vanderbilt, TX 77991	361-284-3361
Owusu-Peprah, Reverend Anthony Augustine	St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church 512 Tegner, El Campo, TX 77437	979-543-4298
Perez, Reverend Antonio	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church 506 S. East Ave., Wharton, TX 77488	979-532-3492
Petering, Reverend Michael	St. Agnes Catholic Church 506 N. Allen St., Edna, TX 77957	361-782-3588
Peters, Reverend Msgr. John C.	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box H, Hallettsville, TX 77964	361-798-5888
Quainoo, Reverend Clement (Retired)		
Rother, Reverend Michael	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box H, Hallettsville, TX 77964	361-798-5888
Twumasi, Reverend Felix	Queen of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church P.O. Box 310, Schulenburg, TX 78956	979-247-4441

Priests continued

Vacek, Reverend Stephen	Holy Cross Catholic Church 2001 Katy Ave., Bay City, TX 77414	979-245-6379
Winkler, Reverend Edward	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box 186, Flatonia, TX 78941	361-865-3568
Yankey, Reverend Albert	Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament 1101 NE Water St., Victoria, TX 77901	361-575-7111
Yeboah-Amafo, Reverend Peter	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary P.O. Box 97, Nada, TX 77460	979-758-3218

Priests outside of the diocese

Henninger, Reverend George (Retired) St. Joseph Village

1205 E. Sandy Lake Road, Apt. 109, Coppell, TX 75019

Lenz, Reverend Frank B. (Retired) St. Dominic Village

Asante, Reverend Augustine Chaplain at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

Priest Necrology

Rev. Godfrey F. Kuratko	(Retired 1970) Sweet Home	11/18/83
Rev. Joseph Leyva	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Cuero	12/31/83
Rev. Marcus Valenta	St. Mary Catholic Church, Praha	09/09/84
Rev. Michael Malloy, O.Ss.T.	St. John Bosco Catholic Church, Vanderbilt	04/12/86
Rev. Emmett Kolodzie	(Retired 1970) Sweet Home	05/01/86
Rev. James Kelly	St. Andrew Catholic Church, Hillje	08/20/86
Rev. Gregory O'Connor	St. Michael Catholic Church, Weimar	11/26/86
Rev. Henry Pscencik	St. Mary Catholic Church, St. Mary	04/14/89
Rev. Sean Donohue	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, Shiner	06/03/89
Rev. Msgr. Robert E. Schmidt	St. Joseph Catholic Church, Moulton	06/26/89
Rev. Msgr. C.J. Martin	(Retired) Bay City	12/01/89
Rev. Msgr. Vaclav J. Bily	(Retired) St. Joseph Catholic Church, Inez	02/23/90
Rev. Msgr. A.J. Morkovsky	(Retired) Hallettsville	06/11/90
Rev. Joseph Hamala (Retired)	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, Cistern	08/21/92
Rev. Alphonse Padalecki	Holy Cross Catholic Church, Yorktown	08/24/92
Rev. Msgr. Werner Bockholt	Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Frelsburg	09/08/92
Rev. Msgr. Alex Kraus	(Retired) Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria	12/19/92
Rev. Patrick Fidgeon	St. Anthony Catholic Church, Columbus	05/14/94
Rev. Alfred Hoenig, OSB	Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria	07/12/94
Rev. Msgr. John J. Hanacek	St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Ammannsville	09/14/94
Rev. Jude Belisle, O.Ss.T.	Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Goliad	09/17/94
Rev. Msgr. Anthony Matula	(Retired) St. Mary Catholic Church, Praha	11/26/94
Rev. Msgr. Henry S. Herbst	(Retired) St. Michael Catholic Church, Cuero	12/07/94
Rev. Jerome Stryk	Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Plum	01/05/99
Rev. William Doran	Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Meyersville	05/25/00
Rev. William Halata	(Retired) Moravia	06/11/00
Rev. Charles Kram	Yoakum Community Hospital Chaplain	08/13/00
Rev. Msgr. Julius Petru	St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, New Taiton	10/15/01
Rev. Brian Crookes	(Retired) St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, St. John	02/23/03
Rev. Peter Kaplinski	Holy Cross Catholic Church, Yorktown	04/07/03
Rev. Eugene Janson	(Retired) St. John Bosco Catholic Church, Vanderbilt	02/17/05
=	(Retired) St. Mary Catholic Church, Nada	02/25/05
Rev. Joseph A. Koebel	St. Mary Catholic Church, Nada	12/12/05
Rev. Msgr. Gino Bernasconi	(Retired) Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Victoria	01/31/06
Rev. Daniel Giorgi (Retired)	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Cuero	03/22/07
Rev. Joseph Pham duc Trinh	Assumption Chapel, Palacios	10/16/07
Rev. Wolfgang Mimms, O.Ss.T.	(Retired) Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Victoria	01/02/08
Rev. Daniel O'Brien (Retired)	Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church, Shiner	02/07/08
Rev. Guido Quiroz	Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Victoria	05/15/08
Rev. Luke Mennella, O.Ss.T.	(Retired) Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Victoria	06/23/08
Rev. Jerome Caponi (Retired)	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, Shiner	02/27/09
Rev. Donald Hayden, O.Ss.T.	Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria	09/19/09
Rev. Charles Carolan	(Retired) Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Flatonia	10/13/09
Rev. Msgr. Benton Thurmond	(Retired) St. Joseph Catholic Church, Inez	11/07/09
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Priest Necrology continued

Rev. Msgr. Edward Bartsch	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Praha	04/04/10
Rev. Msgr. James C. Brunner, VG	St. Mary Catholic Church, Victoria	06/04/10
Rev. Peter Higgins (Retired)	St. Peter Catholic Church, Blessing	11/20/12
Rev. Msgr. Michael O'Shaughnessy	(Retired) St. Agnes Catholic Church, Edna	03/02/13
Rev. Henry Rachunek	(Retired) St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Hungerford	04/03/13
Rev. Msgr. Stanley Petru	(Retired) Holy Rosary, Hostyn / Sts. Peter & Paul, Plum	07/25/13
Rev. Msgr. Michael Harrold	(Retired) The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory, Victoria	04/02/15
Rev. Msgr. Celestino Say	(Retired) Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Victoria	08/04/15
Rev. Charles Sonnier	Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Sweet Home	04/22/16
	St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Koerth	
Rev. Dan Morales	Holy Family of Joseph, Mary and Jesus, Victoria	09/03/16
Rev. Joseph Vrana	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Nada	10/10/16
Rev. Raphael Baidoo, O.Ss.T.	Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Goliad	11/30/16
Rev. Msgr. Eustace Hermes	(Retired) Chancery Office	12/23/16
Rev. Msgr. Thomas C. McLaughlin	(Retired) Chancery Office	04/17/17
Rev. John Kollannur	Holy Family Catholic Church, Wharton	11/18/17
Rev. Msgr. Lawrence Matula	St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church, El Campo	12/25/17
Rev. Gabriel Franks	(Retired) Hospital Chaplain	03/19/18
Rev. Msgr. Casimir Jarzombek	Holy Cross Catholic Church, Bay City	02/15/19
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Hybner	(Retired) Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Flatonia	11/23/19
Rev. Msgr. Gerard Cernoch	(Retired) Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Bay City	07/23/20
Rev. Msgr. Arnold "Buzz" Anders	(Retired) Assumption Catholic Church, Ganado	04/04/21
Rev. Donald Ruppert	(Retired) Holy Cross Catholic Church, East Bernard	08/23/22

Permanent Deacons

Borowicz, Deacon Steve Spouse: Su Lin	St. Joseph Catholic Church P.O. Box 337, Inez 77968	361-782-3181
Canales, Deacon Adrian St. Spouse: Marisela	Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church 512 Tegner Street, El Campo, 77437	979-543-4298
Cervantez, Jr., Deacon Margarito Spouse: Sylvia	St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church 512 Tegner Street, El Campo, 77437	979-543-4298
Endris, Deacon Louis Spouse: Evelyn	Diocese of Austin, Schulenburg Area	
Evans, Deacon Richard Spouse: Karen	St. Mary's Catholic Church P.O. Box 2448, Victoria, 77902	361-573-4328
Fishbeck, Deacon Kenneth Spouse: Kathy	St. Joseph Catholic Church P.O. Box 399 Moulton, 77975	361-596-4674
Glueck, Deacon John Spouse: Sandy	St. Anthony Catholic Church P.O. Box 669, Columbus, 78934	979-732-2562
Glynn, Deacon Charles (Chuck) Spouse: Vicki	St. Roch Catholic Church 1600 Frelsburg Road, Alleyton, 78935	979-732-3460
Grahmann, Deacon Jerome Spouse: Evelyn	St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church 304 W. Church St., El Campo, 77437	979-543-3770
Harper, Deacon Linard	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box H, Hallettsville, 77964	361-798-5888
Hensley, Deacon Anthony Spouse: Marilynn	ABVM Catholic Church P.O. Box 369, Ganado, 77962	361-771-3425
Hernandez, Deacon Nazario Spouse: Blanca	Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church 415 W. Austin St., Port Lavaca, 77979	361-552-6140
Hoelscher, Deacon Lawrence Spouse: Patricia	St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church 304 West Church St., El Campo, 77437	979-543-3770
Holesovsky, Deacon Bennie Spouse: Florence	St. Anthony Catholic Church P.O. Box 669, Columbus, 78934	979-732-2562
Hunsucker, Deacon Paul Spouse: Adrienne	Archdiocese of San Antonio Schulenburg Area	
Huse, Deacon Edward (Eddie) Spouse: Janet	Holy Family 704 Mallette Dr., Victoria, 77904	361-573-5304
Key, Deacon Billy (Retired) Spouse: Maria 1	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 412 Twelfth St., Bay City, 77414	979-245-2010

Permanent Deacons continued

Knox, Deacon Kevin Spouse: Janet	Holy Cross Catholic Church 2001 Katy Ave., Bay City, 77414	979-245-6379
Koenig, Deacon Jim Spouse: Laurie	St. Mary Catholic Church P.O. Box 2448, Victoria, 77902	361-573-4328
Koether, Deacon Larry (Retired) Spouse: Lynn	Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church 208 W. River St., Victoria, 77901	361-575-2293
Kozelsky, Deacon Timothy Spouse: Donna	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box 186, Flatonia, 78941	361-865-3568
Kubala, Deacon Patrick (Pat)	St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church 1843 CR 469, El Campo, 77437	979-543-6985
Kutach, Deacon Dennis Spouse: Georgia	St. Joseph Catholic Church P.O. Box 734, Yoakum, 77995 deacon@stjcatholicchurch.com	361-293-3518
Leopold, Deacon Dustin (Dusty) Spouse: Stacey	NBVM Catholic Church (St. Mary Church) P.O. Box 97, Nada, 77460	979-758-3218
Machacek, Deacon Joseph (Joe) Spouse: Mary	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church 306 S. Avenue F, Shiner, 77984	361-594-3836
Matthys, Deacon Alvin (Retired) Spouse: Caroline	Holy Family Catholic Church 2011 Briar Lane, Wharton, 77488	979-532-3593
McCourt, Deacon John (Retired) Spouse: Eileen	Queen of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church 936 FM 2436, La Grange, 78945	979-247-4441
Molina, Deacon Edwardo Spouse: Nora	Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church 208 W. River St., Victoria, 77901	361-575-2293
Morkovsky, Deacon Michael Spouse: Lindsey	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church 306 S. Avenue F, Shiner, 77984	361-594-3836
Novosad, Deacon Charlie Spouse: Lorraine	St. Anthony Catholic Church P.O. Box 669, Columbus, 78934	979-732-2562
Nunmaker III, Deacon Andrew Spouse: Aline	St. Roch Catholic Church 1600 Frelsburg Rd., Alleyton, 78935	979-732-3460
Petrash, Deacon Kevin Spouse: Angela	ABVM Catholic Church P.O. Box 369, Ganado, 77962	361-771-3425
Ramos, Deacon Jose (Joe) Spouse: Letisia	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 1412 Twelfth St., Bay City, 77414	979-245-2010
Rodriguez, Deacon Guadalupe Spouse: Rosemary	Holy Cross Catholic Church 2001 Katy Ave., Bay City, 77414	979-245-6379

Permanent Deacons continued

Schaefer, Deacon Matthew Spouse: Lupe	The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory 1309 E. Mesquite Lane, Victoria, 77901	361-575-4741
Sharron, Deacon Leo Spouse: Anne	St. Michael Catholic Church 309 E. Church St., Cuero, 77954	361-275-3554
Soto, Deacon Fred Spouse: Patty	St. Patrick's Catholic Church P.O. Box 2122, Bloomington, 77951	361-897-1155
Tankersley, Deacon Michael Spouse: Barbara	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box H, Hallettsville, 77964	361-798-5888
Targac, Deacon Joseph Spouse: Mary	Sacred Heart Catholic Church P.O. Box H, Hallettsville, 77964	361-798-5888
Theut, Deacon Charles Spouse: Tracy	St. Anthony Catholic Church P.O. Box 669, Columbus, 78934	979-732-2562
Tilley, Deacon Frank	Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church 208 W. River St., Victoria, 77901	361-575-2293
Tran, Deacon Luan Van Spouse: Thao	Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church 1412 Twelfth St., Bay City, 77414	979-245-2010
Tromblee, Deacon Douglas Spouse: Mary Beth	St. Roch Catholic Church 1600 Frelsburg Rd., Alleyton, 78935	979-732-3460
Turner, Deacon Bruce Spouse: Pamela	Holy Family Catholic Church 2011 Briar Lane, Wharton, 77488	979-532-3593
Valdez, Deacon David Spouse: Debra	Holy Family Catholic Church 2011 Briar Lane, Wharton, 77488	979-532-3593
Vieira, Deacon Michael Spouse: Bonnie	St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church P.O. Box 900, Palacios, 77465	361-972-2446
Vocelka, Deacon Frank J.	St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church 1010 Lyons Avenue, Schulenburg, 78956	979-743-3117
Warzecha, Deacon Anthony (Retired)	St. Michael Catholic Church 309 E. Church St. Cuero, 77954	361-275-3554
Wendel, Deacon Edward Spouse: Agnes	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary P.O. Box 97, Nada, 77460	979-758-3218

Permanent Deacon Necrology

Deacons who have died since the Diocese of Victoria in Texas was established are listed below along with their last parish assignment and date of death.

Deacon Dudley Pagel	St. Mary Church, Victoria	01/02/03
Deacon Arthur Richard "Dick" Wearden	St. Mary Church, Victoria	09/12/11
Deacon Walter "Sonny" Rogers, Jr.	Sacred Heart Church, Hallettsville	08/22/14
Deacon Manuel Hernandez	St. Agnes Church, Edna	03/27/98
Deacon Alonzo Calzada	Our Lady of the Gulf Church, Port Lavaca	09/02/15
Deacon Paul Patek, Sr.	Sts. Cyril and Methodius Church, Shiner	01/22/17
Deacon Milburn Kram	St. Joseph Church, Moulton	11/18/18
Deacon Jesus Perez	Our Lady of Sorrows, Victoria	11/03/19
Deacon Jarrel J. Nohavitza	St. Philip Church, El Campo	05/14/20
Deacon Jerome Kotzur	The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victoria	01/08/21

Women Religious

Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament (IWBS)

Incarnate Word Convent

1101 E. Water St., Victoria, TX 77901

General: 361-575-7111

General Superior 361-575-2266 Health Care: 361-578-1967 Treasurer General: 361-572-9321

FAX: 361-575-2165

Website: https://iwbsvictoria.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/iwbs.victoria
Vocation Office: iwbsvoc@yahoo.com

Amor Meus Spirituality Center:

https://amormeusspiritualitycenter.org

Sister Kathleen Goike, Superior General Sister

Geraldine Pavlik, Local Superior SisterStephana Marbach, 1st General

Councilor, Vicar of Religious

Sister Andrea Hubnik, Treasurer General Sister Clare Underbrink, Secretary General

Sister Rosa Sanchez Sister Claudia Klesel

Sister Mary Virginia Sheblak

Sister Anna Marie Popp

Sister Emilie Eilers

Sister Carola Hajdik

Sister Mildred Truchard

Sister Adele Marie Machala

Sister Agnesine Heinsch

Sister Serena Etzler

Sister Frances Cabrini Janvier

Sister Maria Goretti Warzecha

Sister Charlene Machala

Sister Lois Marie Etzler

Sister Paschaline Kutac

Sister Marian Sturm

Sister Digna Vela

Sister Edwardine Lesak

Sister Evelyn Korenek

Sister Valerie Janecka, Our Lady of Lourdes

Sister Mary Beth Cernoch

Sister Ann Francis Shimek

Sister Rosalyn Henke

Sister Mary Juroske

Sister Colette Kouba

Sister Liliane Janda, Nazareth Academy

Sister Louise Marie Jones

Sister Emiliana Grafe

Sister Maria del Rosario Resendez, Chancery

Sister Donna Bonorden, Our Lady of Victory

IWC - Formation Community

Sister Donna Bonorden, Our Lady of Victory

Sister Clare Underbrink, 2nd General

Councilor, St. Joseph High School

Sister Maria del Rosario Resendez, Chancery

Nazareth Academy - Victoria

https://nazarethacademy.org/

https://www.facebook.com/nazarethacademytx/

Nazareth Convent

105 W. Church St.

Victoria, TX 77901

361-573-3661

FAX: 361-573-1829

In residence:

Sister Mary Jean Bludau

Sister Bernarda Bludau

Sister Ann Meletio

Promise Pointe - Victoria

(8550 Highway 59 S.)

P.O. Box 2293

Victoria, TX 77902

Phone: 361-571-2589

In residence:

Sister Laura Toman

Sister Rebecca Janacek

Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word (CCVI)

Sister Elizabeth Riebschlaeger
Mail to: P.O. Box 364, Cuero, TX 77954;

elzrccvi@gmail.com

361-676-2921

Vietnamese Dominican Sisters (OP)

Port Lavaca:

St. Joseph Convent 319 S. Nueces Street, Port Lavaca, TX 77979; 361-552-6140 olg@olgulf.org www.olgulf.org

Missionary Catechist of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary (MCSH)

Victoria

Provincial House 203 E. Sabine St., Victoria, TX 77901: 361-570-3332 or 361-570-3377

In residence:

Sister Rosa Maria Rodriguez, Provincial Superior; Sister Eufemia Santiago, Treasure Provincial Sister Pilar Socorro Garcia Sister Isabel Deloya

Victoria

Bethany House (retirement home) 715 Aloe Road, Victoria, TX 77905; (361) 578-5685

In residence:

Sister Maria Eugenia Leon Sister Juana Jaimes Sister Josefina Maldonado Sister Rafaela Landeros Sister Maria de Jesus Becerril Sister Ana Lozano

Seminarians 2023-24



Joseph Blackburn
Theology III
St. Mary Seminary
9845 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77024
Birthday: May 17



Shane Goertz
Pastoral Year
Our Lady of Sorrows
208 W. River St.
Victoria, TX 77901
Birthday: Oct. 28



William Pettus Pre-Theology I Holy Trinity Seminary 3131 Vince Hagan Dr. Irving, TX 75062 Birthday: June 15



Nelson Lagos College I Holy Trinity Seminary 3131 Vince Hagan Dr. Irving, TX 75062 Birthday: May 1



Aaron Padilla
Theology III
St. Mary Seminary
9845 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77024
Birthday: Nov. 15



Caleb Krishke
Pastoral Year
Our Lady of the Gulf
415 W. Austin St.
Port Lavaca, TX 77979
Birthday: Aug. 30



Alex Woods
College I
Holy Trinity Seminary
3131 Vince Hagan Dr.
Irving, TX 75062
Birthday: Aug. 29

Prayer for Vocations

Loving God,

For almost two thousand years, the saving message of Your Son has been proclaimed by people from all walks of life. This story of hope is constantly unfolding as we seek to live as Your people rooted in love and service.

Lord, while He walked upon the earth, Jesus welcomed the children. Give Your young people the courage to continue responding to His call to share the story of faith. Give parents and grandparents the wisdom they seek in caring for Your children. Help them to be powerful examples of faith.

Lord, may we challenge ourselves and others to embrace the vocation which You have entrusted to us. Bless the church with those willing to share the story of Christ by their lives of commitment as priests and religious.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

10 Ways You Can Promote Vocations

- 1. Pray for vocations several times a week.
- 2. Become active in promoting vocations in your parish.
- 3. Invite people to consider the priesthood and religious life.
- 4. Correspond with the seminarians and those in religious formation from the diocese.
- 5. Attend Mass during the week for vocations.
- 6. Offer financial assistance for the education of future priests and religious.
- 7. Place vocations posters in your church, school and CCD program.
- 8. Make vocation literature available to people in your parish and community.
- 9. Urge others to pray for religious vocations.
- 10. Offer support to those ordained and consecrated to the service of the Lord.

If you think God is calling you to religious life:

Contact the Rev. Kristopher Fuchs, Vocations Director
vocations@victoriadiocese.org
Chancery Office
361-573-0828 Extension 2228
Rectory at St. Mary Catholic Church, Victoria
361-573-4328

Diocese of Victoria Catholic Schools Office

P.O. Box 4070 (1505 E. Mesquite Ln.), Victoria, TX 77903 (77901) 361-573-0828 361-573-5725 (FAX) Dr. John Quary, Superintendent Ashley Novosad, Executive Assistant to Superintendent of Schools

Parochial Elementary Catholic Schools

Bay City — Holy Cross — Est. 1940 2001 Katy, Bay City, TX 77414 Website: www.bcholycrossschool.org	Principal: Ms. Linda Bradford Email: lbradford@bcholycrossschool.org 979-245-5632; 979-245-6120 (FAX)
Columbus — St. Anthony — Est. 1956	Principal: Mrs. Shawna Collins
635 Bonham, Columbus, TX 78934 Website: www.stanthonycolumbus.net	E-mail: scollins@stanthonycolumbus.net 979-732-5505; 979-732-9758 (FAX)
Cuero – St. Michael – Est. 1877	Principal: Mrs. Sandra Stepflug
208 McLeod, Cuero, TX 77954 Website: www.stmschoolcuero.org	E-mail: <u>sstepflug@stmschoolcuero.org</u> 361-277-3854; 361-275-3618 (FAX)
El Campo — St. Philip — Est. 1949	Principal: Mrs. Gwen Edwards
302 W. Church St., El Campo, TX 77437	E-mail: gwene@stphilipschool.org
Website: www.stphilipschool.org	979-543-2901; 979-578-8835 (FAX)
Hallettsville — Sacred Heart — Est. 1882	Principal: Mr. Kevin Haas
313 S. Texana St., Hallettsville, TX 77964	E-mail: kevin.haas@shschool.org
Website: www.shschool.org	361-798-4251 (Office); 361-798-4970 (Fax);
Port Lavaca — Our Lady of the Gulf —Est. 1996	Principal: Mr. David Augustini
301 S. San Antonio, Port Lavaca, TX 77979	E-mail: msdent@olgmariners.org
Website: www.olgmariners.org	361-552-6140, Ext. 6; 361-552-7485 (FAX)
Schulenburg — St. Rose of Lima — Est. 1889	Principal: Mrs. Rosanne Gallia
405 Black St., Schulenburg, TX 78956	E-mail: r.gallia@strosecardinals.org
Website: www.strosecardinals.org	979-743-3080; 979-743-4228 (Fax)
Shiner — St. Ludmila Elementary — Est. 1897	Principal: Mrs. Neely Yackel
424 St. Ludmila (P.O. Box 725), Shiner, TX 77984	E-mail: nyackel@shinercatholicschool.org
Website: www.shinercatholicschool.org	361-594-3843; 361-594-8599 (FAX)
Victoria — Our Lady of Victory — Est. 1957	Principal: Mr. Justin Matias
1311 E. Mesquite Lane, Victoria, TX 77901	E-mail: jmatias@ourladyvictory.org
Website: www.ourladyvictory.org	361-575-5391 (Office); 361-575-3473 (FAX)
Weimar — St. Michael — Est. 1889	Principal: Ms. Judy Roeder
103 E. North St., Weimar, TX 78962	E-mail: cmcafee@stmichaelswords.org
Website: www.stmichaelswords.org	979-725-8461; 979-725-8344 (FAX)
Yoakum — St. Joseph — Est. 1891	Principal: Mr. Sean Mooney
310 North St., Yoakum, TX 77995	E-mail: smooney@stjcatholicschool.com
Website: http://www.stjcatholicschool.com	361-293-9000 (Office)

Catholic Schools continued

Private Elementary Catholic School

Victoria — Nazareth Academy — Est. 1867 Principal: Mrs. Leslie New 206 We. Convent, Victoria, TX 77901 Email: Inew@yahoocom

Website: <u>www.nazarethacademy.</u>org 361-573-6651; 361-573-1829 (FAX)

Parochial Catholic High Schools

Hallettsville — Sacred Heart — Est. 1882 Principal: Mr. Kevin Haas

313 S. Texana St., Hallettsville, TX 77964 Email: mailto:shcs@shschool.org

Website: www.shschool.org 361-798-4251; 361-798-4970 (FAX)

Shiner – St. Paul – Est. 1963 Principal: Mrs. Neely Yackel

424 St. Ludmila St. (P.O. Box 725) Shiner, TX 77984 E-mail: nyackel@shinercatholicschool.org

Website: www.shinercatholicschool.org 361-594-3843; 361-594-8599 (FAX)

Private Catholic High School

Victoria — St. Joseph — Est. 1868 President: Mr. John Gilley
110 E. Red River St., Victoria, TX 77901 E-mail: jgilley@stjflyers.com

Website: <u>www.stjvictoria.com</u> 361-573-2446 (Office) 361-573-4221 (Fax)

Marriage, Family Life and Lay Association Resources

Engaged Encounter

The Catholic Engaged Encounter is a group of couples and priests committed to working in the Catholic Church through the apostolate to the pre-newly married. Within this ministry, Engaged Encounter offers a weekend experience during which engaged couples are called to a sacramental way of life through the vocation of marriage.

Bookings: Diocese of Victoria P.O. Box 4070 Victoria, TX 77903 361-573-0828

Web site: www.victoriadiocese.org click on Marriage tab

Transformed in Love

Christian marriage is a sacrament, and the Catholic Church wants couples to be well-prepared. Marriage preparation assists the couple in developing a better understanding of the sacrament; to evaluate and deepen their readiness to live married life; and to gain insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple. To register online go to:

www.victoriadiocese.org/witnesstolove

Ecumenical Concerns

Reverend Wayne Flagg, Director St. Andrew Catholic Church (Hillje) 270 St. Andrew St. El Campo, TX 77437 979-648-2864

Diocesan Pro-Life Concerns

The purpose of this group is to keep the diocesan faithful, clergy and religious up to date on legislative, moral and ethical trends and circumstances related to all human life concerns and to foster movements to support respect for human life.

Very Rev. Greg Korenek, Director Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church P.O. Box 369 Ganado, TX 77962 361-771-3425

Vietnamese Apostolate

The Vietnamese Apostolate provides Vietnamese Masses at Palacios and Seadrift, as well as ministry, catechetical classes and sacraments to the Vietnamese people and others in the Diocese of Victoria.

Reverend Dominic Trung Nguyen 100 Vietnam St. Palacios, TX 77465 361-660-8590

Catholic Outreach Prison Ministry

Catholic Outreach Prison Ministry offers Catholic programs to offenders at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Clarence Stevenson Unit in Cuero, Texas. Services include Mass each Saturday morning 8-10 a.m.; AA/NA meetings each Saturday at 10 a.m.; RCIA classes on the first and third Wednesday evening of each month; and faith-based counseling. Volunteers are needed, please contact director.

Courage

Courage is a spiritual support group for Catholic men and women who experience homosexual attractions, and who desire to live chaste lives in accordance with their call as Christians and in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church. For these men and women, life is filled with struggles that many people around them, even their closest friends and family, cannot fully understand. Courage is a Catholic organization with chapters all over the United States and many other countries throughout the world. It provides the opportunity for Catholics to support one another in prayer, share their struggles, and make progress in their faith with the help of God's Grace. Confidentiality is assured.

Very Rev. Jacob Koether, Director
Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church
208 W. River St.
Victoria, TX 77901
361-575-2293
jkoether@victoriadiocese.org

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille offers hope and healing to married couples having difficulties in their relationships. Through a weekend experience and post weekend follow-ups, Retrouvaille helps couples put the pieces of their marriage back together and rebuild loving relationships.

John and Jennifer Vincent, Community Coordinators 1309 E. Mesquite Lane, Victoria, TX 77901 1-800-470-2230 2046@retrouvaille.org www.helpourmarriage.org

Catholic Rural Life - Victoria

Catholic Rural Life - Victoria is the first chapter of Catholic Rural Life (CRL) in the state of Texas and officially began its work in June 2019. Chapters of Catholic Rural Life are part of the national network of CRL members. Often using the resources of Catholic Rural Life as they work to promote, edify and celebrate the rich rural traditions of our faith in their local diocese and parishes.

Catholic Rural Life is a national,
Catholic nonprofit organization dedicated to the
vitality of the American countryside. Since 1923, CRL
has been applying the teachings of Jesus Christ for
the social, economic, and spiritual development of
rural America, strengthening and sustaining the
Church in the countryside by educating and inspiring
leaders and advocating on their behalf.

Headquartered in St. Paul, Minnesota, CRL is a membership-based organization that spans 90 years. It is comprised of dedicated bishops, laity and religious joined in a common effort to serve the rural Church, rural people and their communities. Bishop Brendan Cahill serves on the CRL Board of Directors.

Reverend Stephen Vacek, Director Holy Cross Catholic Church 2001 Katy Ave. Bay City, TX 77414 979-245-6379

Deacon Larry Hoelscher, Chairperson St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church 304 W. Church St. El Campo, TX 77437 979-543-3770

Associates of the Incarnate Word

We seek to focus on the Person of the Incarnate Word through adoration, witness and the extension of the Eucharist by our service to others in charity and simplicity. Thus we fulfill our call to "extend the Incarnation" in today's world by living the Gospel of Love. We meet monthly including a day of retreat in Advent and Lent.

Sister M. Emiliana Grafe, IWBS, Director Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N.E. Water St. Victoria, TX77901 361-575-7111, Ext. 115

Amor Meus Spirituality Center

Amor Meus Spirituality Center is a ministry of the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament of Victoria, Texas. The Center seeks to extend the Sisters' charism of Incarnational Spirituality to individuals and groups who desire to deepen their spiritual growth and love of God. Amor Meus Spirituality Center offers a place for silent retreats, experiences of prayer, personal reflection and solitude in an atmosphere of quiet contemplation, nature's beauty and the peace of a sacred space. Amor Meus Spirituality Center also seeks to expand its community outreach ministry through educational experiences and opportunities.

Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N.E. Water St. Victoria, TX 77901 361-575-7111, Ext. 115

Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts

The Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts promotes and carries out religious programs in the troops.

Victoria Girl Scouts Service Center 361-573-6451

Catholic Committee on Scouting

The Catholic Committee on Scouting is an organization that devotes its time and energy to promoting the Catholic aspects of scouting.

Gary Rangnow 1401 N. Vine St. Victoria, TX 77901 361-578-4377

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) was founded in 1903 in Utica, N.Y. The motto of the order is "Unity and Charity." The purposes of the order are religious, charitable and educational. To become a member, a woman must be 18 or older and a practicing Catholic. The Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas (JCDA), the State Junior Program, is for girls 6 through 18 and was founded in 1925. The Catholic Daughters of the Americas has nearly 95,000 members in 1,400 courts in the United States, Puerto Rico, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Guam, Saipan, and the Virgin Islands.

National Headquarters: Catholic Daughters of the Americas, 10 West 71st St., New York, N.Y., 10023;

Phone: 212-877-3041

National Regent: Emily Guilherme

National Chaplain: Reverend Shenan J. Boquet

State Regent: Rebecca R. Brown

State Chaplain: Daniel Cardinal Dinardo, Archdiocese

of Galveston/Houston

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Reverend Msgr. John C. Peters, State Chaplain

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

P.O. Box H

Hallettsville, TX 77964

361-798-5888

Catholic Union of Texas (KJT)

This fraternal benefit society began in 1889 at the dedication of a church in Bluff (now Hostyn), Texas. The founders not only wanted to improve their living standards, but also wanted to lay the foundation for a more rewarding life for their children. Today, the organization offers membership and life insurance to all family members who are practicing Catholics. The KJT also contributes to diocesan programs and provides scholarships to men and women pursuing religious vocations. Social activities are focused on all community levels. Youth programs include annual youth camps, fishing contests and scholarships for high school graduates.

P.O. Box 297 La Grange, TX 78945 979-968-5877 www.kjtnet.org

KJZT Family Life

The spirit of Christian love and the desire to serve each other brought individuals together in establishing this mutual aid society in Yoakum, TX, in 1894.

A similar group formed in Hallettsville. On Nov.21, 1897, the two united to become the Union of Czech Catholic Women. Its aim is to promote the spiritual and material welfare of its members and their families.

Now known as the Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas (KJZT), the organization encourages the preservation and propagation of the Catholic faith by assisting the Texas bishops, priests, sisters and seminarians. The society lends money for the construction of churches, rectories, homes and religious facilities, and supports charitable projects. It also offers insurance to members. Since 1962, the organization has offered academic scholarships to young members. There are 138 parish-based societies statewide.

4604 E. Ben White Blvd. (P.O. Box 18896)

Austin, TX 78741 (78760) 512-444-9586 888-253-2338 www.kjzt.org

Knights of Columbus

This organization, which originated as a fraternal benefit society of Catholic men, was founded by Father Michael J. McGivney and chartered by the General Assembly of Connecticut on March 29, 1882. In line with their general purpose to be of service to the Church, the Knights are active in many apostolic works and community programs.

Texas State Council:

6633 Hwy. 290 East, Suite 204 Austin, TX 78723 512-442-1492 512-326-1492 (FAX)

www.tkofc.org

Diocesan Deputy: Kenny Trochta 979-332-2097

Bigguy76@sbcglobal.net

State Chaplain: Most Reverend Michael J. Sis, STL Bishop of San Angelo Diocese

Knights of Columbus Columbian Squires

The Columbian Squires is the junior organization of the Knights of Columbus that trains and develops leadership through active participation in a well-organized program of spiritual, service, social, cultural, and athletic activities. Membership: Catholic young men, 12-18 years old. Ask your local Knights of Columbus Council for a contact person or to start a group for young men in your parish.

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

DCCW is united with the National Council of Catholic Women. It has commissions on Church Communities, Community Affairs, Family Affairs, International Affairs and Organization Services. Open to all women in the diocese.

Reverend Michael Petering, Moderator St. Agnes Catholic Church 506 N. Allen Edna, TX 77957 361-782-3588 Janice Ohrt, President

The Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

Since the 1970s, a praise and worship prayer group has been meeting at the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament convent auditorium every Monday evening. Everyone is invited to attend the prayer group to sing, praise and worship the Lord at the Incarnate Word's motherhouse auditorium Monday at 7 p.m. The convent is located at 1101 N.E. Water St., Victoria.

Sister Louise Marie Jones, IWBS, 361-575-7111

Serra Club of Victoria

The Serra Club is an organization whose primary purpose is to promote vocations.

Reverend Patrick Knippenburg, Chaplain John McQuillen, President

Serran Prayer for Vocations

O God, who will not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, St. Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of laborers for your Church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Knights and Ladies of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem

The main social work of the order is the creation, support, and maintenance of an educational system for the Christian minority in the Holy Land.

Section Representatives: Joseph and Joyce Morris 361-575-5817

Knights of St. Gregory the Great

First established by Pope Gregory XVI in 1831 to honor citizens of the Papal States, the order is conferred on persons who are distinguished for personal character and reputation, and for notable accomplishment. The order has civil and military divisions, and three classes of knights.

John Stevenson, President Most Reverend Brendan Cahill, Chaplain 361-573-0828

Fourth Degree Knights

They are the men who have chosen to embrace the Order's fourth principle of patriotism, the men who lead the efforts to reach out to veterans and active military and to embody the fact that one can be a faithful Catholic and also be a faithful citizen. Members who wish to live out patriotism together can join "the Fourth Degree." Members of this degree have the special honor of holding the title "Sir Knight," participating in color and honor guards and organizing programs that promote Catholic citizenship.

Manuel Gonzales III District Deputy #193 409-201-1091

ACTS

The ACTS movement provides parish weekend retreats focused on Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. ACTS originated in the Archdiocese of San Antonio in 1987.

www.actsmissions.org

Crisis Pregnancy Center

The center counsels and aids women and girls in unwanted pregnancy situations and offers free pregnancy tests and adoption information. They are a sister organization to the Gabriel Project that offers material help to moms and babies.

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 1-4 p.m. 1501 E. Red River, Suite C1 (P.O. Box 2484)

Victoria, TX 77901 (77902)

361-575-6171

The Gabriel Project of the Crossroads

Helps women experiencing a crisis pregnancy as an alternative to abortion. Our mission is to protect the unborn by providing spiritual and emotional support as well as supplies. We provide housing through the Bethlehem Maternity Home and have an outreach ministry that visits pregnant women in our community. Our services cover Victoria, Calhoun, Colorado, DeWitt, Fayette, Goliad, Jackson, Lavaca, Matagorda and Wharton counties.

P.O. Box 345 Victoria, TX 77902 866-627-9243 http://www.victoriagabrielproject.org

Bethlehem Home:

Barbara Williams 361-649-1612 barbarawilliams85@gmail.com

Life and Health Issues

Natural Family Planning (NFP)

Natural birth control or natural family planning is used to avoid or achieve pregnancy by observing the wife's fertile and infertile times. It is the only Church approved form of family planning.

The Sympto-Thermal Method is claimed to be 99 percent effective as a method of birth regulation. This is not the old rhythm method. Qualified representatives of the *Couple to Couple League* give instructions on natural family planning.

Sympto-Thermal Method Representatives: *Rene and Wilma Galvan, Palacios* 361-972-5030

CREIGHTON MODEL Fertility Care System (CrMS) featuring NaPro TECHNOLOGY Susanne Koch susannekoch614@gmail.com 505-710-090

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Raphael's Refuge

Raphael's Refuge is the home of the Monument to the Innocents that honors babies who have died (from conception to one year). We are a non-profit organization located outside of Flatonia, Texas. Peer counseling is available for those suffering the loss of a baby due to miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion.

2715 U.S. Highway 90 W. P.O. Box 341 Flatonia, TX 78941-5212 361-258-1514 – Office 830-788-7327 - (Español) www.raphaelsrefuge.org raphaelsrefuge@att.net

Christ's Kitchen

Christ's Kitchen is there to feed the hungry. No questions are asked; all are welcome.

Hours: Open 7 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Feeding: Monday to Saturday 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

611 E. Warren (P.O. Box 3391) Victoria, TX 77901 (77903) 361-578-4233

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an organization of Catholic men and women founded in 1833 by Blessed Frederic Ozanam in Paris, France. Under the patronage of St. Vincent de Paul and the guidance of Our Blessed Mother Mary, it seeks, in a spirit of justice and charity to help all who are suffering. Key to the society's function is the person-to-person involvement of its volunteer members because in persons who are in need, Vincentians see the face of Jesus Christ.

Services: Parochial collections are distributed

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Holy Cross — Bay City
Holy Family — Wharton
Our Lady of Guadalupe — Bay City
Our Lady of Lourdes — Victoria
Our Lady of Victory — Victoria
St. Agnes — Edna
St. Mary — Victoria
St. Robert — El Campo

Victoria Christian Assistance Ministry (VCAM)

VCAM is a cooperative ministry made up of Victoria County churches, whose purpose is to centralize their individual charitable efforts into one operation to assist all persons in a crisis situation on a temporary basis. Assistance may be in the form of food, clothing, utility payments, shelter, medical aid or transportation. Funds are limited. VCAM will ensure that clients are made aware of all other agencies and encourage them to take full advantage of their services.

Hours: Monday to Friday 9 a.m.-noon

108 N. Liberty St. (P.O. Box 1786) Victoria, TX 77901 (77902) 361-572-0048 victoria.vcam@gmail.com

Community Assistance

Promise Pointe

Promise Point is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose purpose is to provide permanent, affordable housing and a supportive community for the chronically homeless in Victoria, Texas, and the Crossroads region. Our goal is to build a transformative residential community to serve our neighbors who have been living on the streets, while also empowering the surrounding community into a lifestyle of service with the homeless. Modeled on the Community First! Village in Austin, Texas, Promise Pointe will be a place that enables our homeless brothers and sisters to heal. It will be a place where they can rediscover hope, renew their purpose and restore their dignity. Most importantly, it will be a place they can call home.

Sister Rebecca Janacek, IWBS, Director 8550 U.S. Highway 59 S. Victoria, TX 77905 361-571-2589 www.promisepointe.org

Global Church Concerns

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)

In 1969, the Bishops of the United States founded CCHD to "eliminate the causes of poverty." The CCHD, a grant-making unit of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, is the largest national funding program for self-help projects of poor and low-income groups aimed at social change. There is an annual collection in November for CCHD.

Mrs. Debbie Vanelli, Director Holy Family Catholic Church 704 Mallette Drive Victoria, TX 77904 361-573-5304

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)

CRS functions as the sponsor of the Rice Bowl Collection during Lent. There is a special collection one Sunday, annually, for Catholic Relief Services. Founded in 1942 by U.S. Catholic Bishops as the official overseas aid and development agency of the U.S. Catholic Church, CRS is dedicated to responding to emergencies when disasters occur: hunger, war and weather.

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Propagation of the Faith

This organization works to provide the pastors and laity of this diocese with the opportunity to further the spread of the Gospel through prayers and financial support of the foreign missions and missionaries.

Very Rev. Matthew Huehlefeld, Chancellor, Director P.O. Box 4070 Victoria, TX 77903 361-573-0828 Missionary Cooperative Plan:

Very Rev. Matthew Huehlefeld, Chancellor, Director

Catholic Conferences/Miscellaneous

Texas Catholic Conference

The Texas Catholic Conference is a federation of all Roman Catholic dioceses in the State of Texas. Some of its functions include, but are not limited to, fostering communication between the Catholic church and other institutions and organizations in Texas, both religious and secular, and cooperating with them in regional or statewide programs for the common good; and providing an orderly method through which persons, broadly representative of the entire Catholic community in Texas, may actively and responsibly participate in the life and affairs of the Church. Membership consists of representatives from the dioceses in the state — bishops, clergy and lay persons in various capacities.

P.O. Box 13285 Austin, TX 78711-3285 512-339-9882 512-339-8670 (FAX) www.txcatholic.org

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)

Services: The USCCB carries out the civic-religious work in this country.

USCCB 3211 Fourth St., NE Washington, D.C., 20017-1194 202-541-3000 www.usccb.org

Catholic Archives of Texas

The mission of the Catholic Archives of Texas is to collect, preserve and make available for research books, artifacts, records, and photographs that document the Catholic experience in Texas from the 16th century to the present. The Catholic Archives of Texas is nationally recognized as one of the most valuable resources for the history of the Catholic Church in the Southwest. Its records span nearly four centuries of development of the Catholic religion in the southwestern region of the United States and Northern Mexico. The Archives was founded in 1923 under the auspices of the Texas Knights of Columbus Historical Commission. Their goal of publishing a history of Catholicism in Texas culminated in the seven-volume work Our Catholic Heritage in Texas, 1519-1936, authored by Carlos E. Castañeda of the University of Texas at Austin. The Archives exists under the auspices of the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops and its Board of Directors, all bishops of Texas. The repository is the only archives in the United States servicing one religion for an entire state.

As the Catholic history center in Texas, the Archives' mission is to collect, preserve and make available for research those records of individuals and organizations engaged in work reflecting the goals of the Catholic Church in Texas. The Archives cooperates closely with the Diocese of Austin, where it is located, other dioceses in Texas, and with cultural and historical institutions in the area to achieve common goals of historical preservation and interpretation.

6225 Hwy 290 East
Austin, TX 78723
512-476-6296
Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

By appointment only.

www.txcatholic.org/catholic-archives-of-texas

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