

AUGUST 22, 2021

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRED HEART PARISH (SH); SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS PARISH (SSCM)
shsscm.org

MONDAY, August 23

No Mass

TUESDAY, August 24

Saint Bartholomew, apostle; feast

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, August 25

No Mass

6:00 - 6:30 p.m. SH, Sacrament of Penance
(confessions / confesiones)

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. SH Parish Hall

Flatonia Knights of Columbus 3295, BBQ Fundraiser to benefit the Rev. Allen Black Scholarship Fund.
Plates-to-Go Only: \$12. Tickets may be purchased from KC members.

THURSDAY, August 26

No Mass

6:30 - 7:30 a.m. SH Parish Hall, Men's Group

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Raphael's Refuge
Holy Hour with Exposition, Adoration and Benediction,
Deacon Tim presiding.

FRIDAY, August 27

Saint Monica; memorial

No Mass

SATURDAY, August 28

*Saint Augustine, bishop and doctor of the church:
memorial*

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. SH, Sunday Eucharist

SUNDAY, August 29

8:00 a.m. SSCM, Sunday Eucharist

9:30 a.m. SH, Sunday Eucharist

FLOWER BLESSINGS

*The flowers by the tabernacle were donated in
memory of
Martha Freytag
by the Freytag Family.*

FUTURE EVENTS

TUESDAY, September 7

9:00 a.m. SH Parish Hall, Word Among Us Bible Study
To join or for more information, contact Evelyn Miller, 361-217-0342.

6:30 p.m. SH Parish Hall

Catholic Daughters 2570 Meeting. Rosary at 6:00 p.m.
Date changed because of Labor Day.

FOR THE WEEK

Scripture Readings

Monday: 1Thes 1:1-5, 8-10 Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9-14 Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday: 1Thes 2:9-13 Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1Thes 3:7-13 Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1Thes 4:1-8 Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1Thes 4:9-11 Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Remember in your prayers

the following Catholic clergy:

Pope Francis, Bishop Brendan Cahill, Bishop Emeritus David E. Fellhauer, Rev. Chase Goodman, Rev. Robert Guerra, Rev. Roger Hawes and Deacon Nazario Hernandez.

Mass Intentions

+Helen & R.L. Brunner, +Larry Brunner, +Bessie & John Pechacek, +Brian Brunner; +Edna Zimmerhanel, +Ruth Koncaba, +Lena & Henry Pesl; Parishioners of Saints Cyril & Methodius and Sacred Heart

TABERNACLE CANDLE

August 22-29, 2021

Sacred Heart Church

For **Father Eddie's** continual healing

Saints Cyril & Methodius Church

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OUR OFFERING TO GOD

Saints Cyril & Methodius Parish

Various Sunday Contributions: \$613.00

On Line Giving through July 26, 2021: \$413.00

Sacred Heart Parish

Various Sunday Contributions: \$937.00

On Line Giving through July 26, 2021: \$657.00

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Just to let you all know, that when I return for all three Sunday Masses, hopefully on September 4th & 5th, I will be wearing my mask during the entrance procession, from the singing of the Lamb of God through the Communion procession, and for the recessional. Also, we will continue the practice of receiving the Body of Christ for Communion only in the hand, the most ancient ritual for receiving the Body of Christ. Since receiving Communion on the tongue is the most unsanitary ritual we could use, we will not use it until we are able to offer the members of the assembly to drink the Blood of Christ from a chalice for Communion. The Blood of Christ is still alcohol, therefore it is still able to kill germs.

For all who carry a child in the Communion procession, I remind you of the best practice of passing the child to someone else so that you are able to place one hand over the other, forming a throne for the Body of Christ. Besides being more respectful (the focus is on receiving the Body of Christ), this best practice is the most secure in not dropping the consecrated host.

Solo para hacerles saber que cuando regrese para las tres misas dominicales, con suerte el 4 y 5 de septiembre, estaré usando mi cubre bocas durante la procesión de entrada, desde el canto del Cordero de Dios hasta la procesión de la Comunión, y para la salida. Además, continuaremos la práctica de recibir el Cuerpo de Cristo solo en la mano para la Comunión, el ritual más antiguo para recibir el Cuerpo de Cristo. Dado que recibir la Comunión en la lengua es el ritual más antihigiénico que podríamos usar, no lo usaremos hasta que podamos ofrecer a los miembros de la asamblea para beber la Sangre de Cristo de un cáliz para la Comunión. La Sangre de Cristo sigue siendo alcohol, por lo tanto, todavía puede matar gérmenes.

Para todos los que llevan un niño en la procesión de la Comunión, les recuerdo la mejor práctica de pasar el niño a otra persona para que puedan colocar una mano sobre la otra, formando un trono para el Cuerpo de Cristo. Además de ser más respetuoso (el enfoque está en recibir el Cuerpo de Cristo), esta práctica es la mejor y más segura para no dejar caer la hostia consagrada.

Peace / Paz , Eddie Winkler.

MESSAGE FROM THE DEACON

In this week's gospel, Jesus asks the hard question to his disciples, "Do you also want to leave?" In other words, he is drawing the proverbially line in the sand. Are you going to follow me or return to your old life as the rest did? The prophet Joshua is even more blunt. If you are not going to serve the Lord, which other gods are you going to serve? When we see the word "gods", we must put it in the proper context. We all have other "gods" that we at least wrestle with. There are the obvious ones such as addictions and money, but there are many different vices that keep us from being all in on the one true God.

What Jesus is asking is for us to get out of our comfort zone. The greatest "god" we deal with is ourselves. We like the way we live, and we want our faith to fit in our lifestyle, not vice versa. The Jews that were following Jesus that day left because they could not let go of their way of life, and more importantly, their control of their life. But Jesus doesn't make his message fit what the crowd wants just so they stay with him.

Jesus is asking the disciples and us to trust him. Do we give the blind faith answer that Simon gave? Do we accept the teachings of Christ that have been preserved in the Church, or do we walk away as so many others are doing today? Faith is not meant to be easy. It is meant to challenge us and move us to higher spiritual growth. But we can't do it if we choose to hold on to our current situations and not trust that God has a better plan. As the saying goes, "Let Go and Let God".

In Christ, Deacon Tim

MEN'S GROUP meets weekly on Thursdays, from 6:30 am until 7:30 am in the parish hall. Coffee provided. Any questions, contact Andrew Velasquez 361-798-6883 or Johnnie Hoffman 361-772-5049.

SAINTS CYRIL & METHODIUS, Cistern
ANNUAL HOMECOMING PICNIC
SUNDAY, AUGUST 22
Today, we welcome our family and friends!

PLEASE, PRAY FOR THE SICK.

Father Eddie Winkler, Moe Abdelbagi, Giselle Aguillon, Andrea & Jerry Alvarado, Agnes & Leonard Barta, Carol Barta, J. D. Bartek, Della Bartos, Bennie Beale, Elva & David Benavides, Donald Bennett, Angeline Boehnke, Tanya Brannies, Dawn Bratton, Ted Bratton, Dub Brazzel, Kenneth Brosch, Georgia Brunner, Ben Charba, Linda Clabourne, Jackie Coldewey, Analea Del Rio, John Demny, Emma Dunham, Emery Eldridge, Jena Ermis, Mason Ermis, E.J. Filip, Cathy Frazier, Doris & Lonnie Garbade, Nancy & William J. Gosch, Jill Borel Gough, Raymond Harbich, Lincoln Hardy, Roy Henderson, Lenore Hernandez, Leona Herzik, Estella & Ed Hughes, Joyce & Dale Hutcherson, Karen Janak, Charlie Jurak, Merlene Jurek, Sharyn Kahlden, Carolyn Kallus, Garrett Kallus, Daniel Kocian, Ronnie Koncaba, Nadine Krischke, Caitlyn & Tyler Le Pori, Keith Le Pori, Georgie & Joe Lev, David Lev, Scott MacDonald, Cullen Machac, Myrtle Maeker, Maria Angelse Manzano & Family, Tiffany Marek & family, Anthony Martin, Kim McCoy, Chuck Meyer, Margaret & Victor Molnoskey, E. Norma Montoya, Linda Munos, Janet, Danny & Darby Neiderhofer, Earline & Bennie Okruhlik, Evelyn Okruhlik, William Psencik, Almeda Poth, Samantha Ramirez, Kenny Ratliff, Norm Ratliff, Richard Ratliff, Mariana Reyes, Barbara Richter, Juanita Rosas, Mike Schulze, Brandon Smolik, Vivi Snow, Bradley Stavinoha, Edward Stech, Skylar Stephens, Evelyn Syrinek, Janice Taubert, Victor Tichacek, Jacob Vargas, Bruce Vecera, Felix Velasquez, Stella Velasquez, Julia Webster and Jeanette & Ervan Zouzalik.

DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL 2021

As of July 7, 2021

Saints Cyril & Methodius Parish, Cistern

Parish Assessment	\$ 8,207.00
Parishioner Contributions	\$ 4,360.00
Balance Owed February 28, 2022	\$ 3,847.00

Praise to God for those who have given!

Sacred Heart Parish, Flatonia

Parish Assessment	\$22,105.00
Parishioner Contributions	\$ 8,535.00
Balance Owed February 28, 2022	\$13,570.00

Praise to God for those who have given!

PICNICS

Sunday, September 12 Holy Cross, Yorktown

Sunday, September 26 Saint John the Baptist, Sweet Home