

# SAINT PETER'S & SAINT ROBERT'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## DIOCESE OF VICTORIA IN TEXAS

306 Hickory • P.O. Box 395 • Blessing, TX 77419

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**Emergency: 361-588-1156**

Parish Email: [stpeterblessing@tisd.net](mailto:stpeterblessing@tisd.net)



The Parish Goal... *Variety and Unity*—“Many and different though we are, are one body and so it is with Christ.” For better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, in joy and in sorrow, we walk together with love as one family.

### Administrator

Rev. Fr. Gabriel J. Mensah

### Administrative Assistant

Annette Havel

### Parish Catechetical Leaders

Cynthia Nemec

Christine Naiser, Assistant

### Financial Advisory Council

Kenny Christensen - Chairman

Edward Gurecky - Vice Chairman

Lonnie Bullard—Markham Church

### Building/Facilities Committee

Lonnie Bullard—Chairman

### Parish Advisory Council

Dennis Saha—Chairman

### Cemetery Development Committee

Patrick Hickl - Chairman

### Safe Environment Trainer

Christine Naiser

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### TO REPORT ALLEGATIONS OF ABUSE

Contact the Bishop or Chancellor

Of the Diocese of Victoria

1505 Mesquite Lane

Victoria, TX 77901

Office of Child & Youth Protection

361-573-0828 Ext # 49

Dept. of Family & Protective Services

@ 1-800-252-5400

### OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday, Wednesday & Thursday**

**8:00 am thru 5:00 pm**

**FATHER GABRIEL'S OFFICE HOURS:**

**Tuesday thru Friday**

**10:00am thru 2:30pm**

Deadline for submitting weekly Bulletin

Information is Noon Wednesday

Call (361)588-6241 or

Email: [stpeterblessing@tisd.net](mailto:stpeterblessing@tisd.net)

### FOR EMERGENCIES AND YOU NEED A PRIEST:

**Call 361-588-1156**

**and leave a message with a number  
Or**

**Call any nearby Parish:**

**St. Anthony's, Palacios (361)972-2446**

**Our Lady of Guadalupe, Bay City**

**(979)245-2010**

**Holy Cross, Bay City (979)245-6379**

### PARISH SOCIETY MEETINGS

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Third Tuesday of  
the Month at 7:00pm

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS:** Third Monday of  
the Month beginning with a Social @ 6:30pm  
and a meeting to follow in the Parochial  
Room. (No July and August Meeting)

**GUADALUPANOS:** 12th Day of the Month  
(Sunday-Friday beginning at 5:00pm or  
Saturday 9:00am) Meeting will follow Rosary  
in Church.



**Counseling in the  
Catholic Tradition The  
Emmaus Center** is located in  
The Laurent Towers 1908 N.  
Laurent Street, Suite 140  
Victoria, Texas 77901

Go to [www.emmauscounselingcenter.com](http://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com)  
Or call (361)212-0830

## ~ PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION ~

**Confessions:** Blessing - Saturday 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. • Markham - Sunday 7:30 to 7:50 a.m.

Otherwise, anytime at request 30 minutes prior to Mass or privately.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Register at the parish office one month prior to Baptism. Further instructions and baptismal materials will be provided at the Parish office.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Please register at the parish office as soon as possible, but at least six months prior to anticipated date.

**Quincenera:** Please register at the office one month prior to celebration.

**Anointing & Communion to the sick:** Call the **RECTORY @ 361-588-1156** and leave a message with a number when a family member is sick and would like a visit or would like to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick. If any family has a relative at the nursing home, homebound or admitted to the Hospital, please let Father know.

**New Parishioners:** We warmly welcome all visitors and new members. Call or come by the Parish office to register. Also notify us when moving out of the parish or when you have a change of family status and address.

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

### January 31 - TUESDAY @ 6:30pm

Mass Intention. ....*Joe Hickl (D)*

By: *Edith Hickl*

### February 1— WEDNESDAY @ 6:30pm

Mass Intention. ....*Joe Nemec (D)*

By: *Mark & Denise Lezak*

### February 2— THURSDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention. ....*Elisa Bullard (D)*

By: *Grace Keener*

8:30-6:00pm Exposition of the

Blessed Sacrament

### February 3 — FRIDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention.....*Albina Hickl (D)*

By: *Gilbert & Dorothy Saha*

## WEEKEND MASS-ST. ROBERT'S

### February 5 - SUNDAY @ 8:00 am

Mass Intention.... *Lucia Garcia(D)*

By: *Gloria Ramos*

EME...Barbara Vivion, Josephine Senkyrik

Lector: Lonnie Bullard

Altar Server...Joyce Hickl

Ushers...Ronnie Hickl, Donnie Hickl

Offertory Gifts...Judith McMullin

## WEEKEND MASSES-ST. PETER'S

### February 4 -- SATURDAY @ 6:30pm

Mass Intention. ....*Cecilia Jalufka (D)*

By: *Leon & Justine Hubenak*

EME...Marvn Hurta, Cathy Rickaway

Lector....Steven Kaspar

Altar Server...Taylor Rickaway

Usher...Gary Hickl, Tony Kacer

Offertory Gifts...Patrick & Cheryl Hickl

### February 5 - SUNDAY @ 10:00 am

Mass Intention....*Parish Family*

EME.....Juanita & Pablo Dominguez,

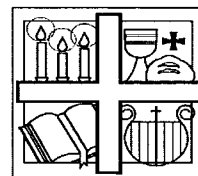
Dianne Bowers

Lector...Mary Jane Galvan

Altar Servers...Karla & Jose Moreno

Ushers.....Antonio Sandoval, Emil Vaculin

Offertory Gifts...Katherine Mathews



**Attention Parishioners:**

The Church Website is now live. The address is

<http://www.stpeterblessing.org>

You will find the weekly bulletin and church events posted. A link to the Diocesan website and events is also available. For any scheduling on our website, please send it via email to: [stpeterblessing@tisd.net](mailto:stpeterblessing@tisd.net).

The Family of Louis Poessel wishes to express our gratitude to all who helped in any way with the funeral of Louis. It gives us great comfort during this time of our loss.

The Blessing Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Ladies Appreciation Night on February 16<sup>th</sup>. A meal will be served starting at 6:30pm at Six-One-Six in Blessing. The meal will be chicken fried steak with the trimmings. The council would like to show our appreciation to all the ladies who have helped us in any way with our functions. The council membership hopes to see you there.

**CCD SCHEDULE**

- JAN 31 (TUESDAY).....6:30PM MASS/CONFIRMATION MEETING  
WITH STUDENTS, PARENTS, SPONSORS & TEACHERS
- FEB 1 .....6:30PM MASS
- FEB 7 (TUESDAY).....6:30PM MASS/1ST HOLY COMMUNION MEETING  
WITH STUDENTS, PARENTS & TEACHERS
- FEB 8 .....6:30PM CLASS
- FEB 15 .....6:30PM CLASS
- FEB 22 .....6:30PM CLASS

**(2016) Diocesan Service Appeal Update**

2016 Assessed Value (St. Peter's & St. Robert's): \$14,113  
 Received @ Diocese of Victoria: (5745)  
 Received @ Church Special Collections (3445)  
**SHORTAGE: \$4923.00**

In February, the 2016 DSA Brochure and Pledge Card were mailed to all parishioners from the Diocese of Victoria. The 2016 DSA Appeal runs from March 1, 2016 thru February 28, 2017. St. Peter's 2016 DSA Goal is \$10,350 and St. Robert's is \$3,763. Please consider making your contribution either directly to the Diocese, or in our church collection baskets.

**2016 DSA Scheduled Church Collections:**  
(St. Peter's/St. Roberts)  
February 4th & 5th, 2017



**Upcoming Diocesan Special Collections**  
*Diocesan Service Appeal*  
February 4th & 5th

**Offertory Collection**

*January 22, 2017*

<b>BLESSING</b>	
Sunday	\$ 1124.00
Loose Cash	263.00
Building Fund	115.00
Church in Latin America	371.00
<b>MARKHAM</b>	
Sunday	\$ 305.00
Building Fund	211.00
Church in Latin America	236.00

Thank You  
for your contribution.

**Pray For The Sick...**

- Albert G. Garcia,
- Susie Glasscock
- Barbara Hickl,
- Doug Hlavaty,
- Priscilla Hurta
- Linda Knebel,
- Cresencia Longoria,
- Dorothy Longoria,
- Rosa Reyes,
- James Russek,
- Gary Saha,
- Josephine Soliz
- Kayci Sprouse,
- Patricia Kaspar Thorn

You may pick up your Poinsettia Plants located at the back of the church. The Norfolk Pines were donated to remain in the Church. If you took one by mistake, please return and take a poinsettia. Thank You.

The Diocese of Victoria has an opening for a Human Resources Director. A degree in HR Management is preferred or related experience. Position reports to the CFO. For qualifications, job descriptions, and application, visit: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org).


The closing date to apply is January 31st.



**Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day 2017:**

The Diocese of Victoria will be participating in the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day, on April 4, 2017 at the Texas Capitol in Austin. Participants from the Diocese of Victoria will join

with thousands of Catholics, from 15 dioceses in Texas, to advocate for policies promoting life, justice, charity, and religious freedom and to educate our legislators and other state leaders in a better understanding about what we believe as Catholics. A select group of volunteers will also be prepared to visit with the elected state legislators who represent the ten counties of the Diocese of Victoria. If you are interested in participating, call Father Gary Janak, Chancellor of the Diocese of Victoria, at 361-573-0828, email: [chancellor@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:chancellor@victoriadiocese.org) or visit our website at: <https://victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day> for more information.



**Looking for a Special Way to Begin the New Year With your Spouse? How About an Enrichment Retreat for Marriages??** Fr. Gary Janak and Fr. Michael Rother, along with several married couples, will be sponsoring a special weekend for married couples. This is a retreat for couples to enrich their marital commitment by focusing on what brought their covenant into existence, their marriage vows. It is not a weekend for couples experiencing serious problems in their relationship, but for couples seeking to be faithful to their marriage vows and desiring to strengthen the core of who they are as husband and wife. **The retreat will be held in Palacios, on February 10-12th, 2017.** The cost for the retreat is \$250 per couple, which includes lodging, food, and materials. Application forms are available at the back of the church or by emailing [jvincent@olvcathedral.org](mailto:jvincent@olvcathedral.org)

**Engaged Encounter:**

The 2017 Engaged Encounter brochures are now available. Contact Regina Janak at [janakr@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:janakr@victoriadiocese.org)

April 21-23 (40 openings); May 26-28 (40 openings);

September 22-24 (40 openings); November 17-19 (40 openings)  
If at all possible have your couples register early. Brochures and online registration forms may be found on the website under the Marriage tab. For more information, call (361) 573-0828 or visit [victoriadiocese.org](http://victoriadiocese.org).