

SAINT PETER'S & SAINT ROBERT'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF VICTORIA IN TEXAS

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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

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

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
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

February 7 - TUESDAY @ 6:30pm

Mass Intention. *Agnes Nemec (D)*

By: Richard & Yvonne Nemec

February 8— WEDNESDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention. *Jake Foltyn (D)*

By: Rose Marie Janak

February 9— THURSDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention.Special Intentions for
Mildred Dornak

8:30-6:00pm Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament

February 10 — FRIDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention. *Ben & Matilda Kaspar (D)*

By: Steve & Susan Kaspar

WEEKEND MASS-ST. ROBERT'S

February 12 - SUNDAY @ 8:00 am

Mass Intention. *Elisa Bullard (D)*

By: Henrietta & Mark Bures

EME...Lonnie Bullard

Lector: Barbara Vivion

Altar Server...Joyce Hickl

Ushers...Leonard Jasek, Ronnie Hickl

Offertory Gifts....Patrick & Kara McHugh

WEEKEND MASSES-ST. PETER'S

February 11 – SATURDAY @ 6:30pm

Mass Intention. *Caroline VanLaanen (D)*

By: Bemis Family

EME...Marvin Hurta

Lector...Vincent Nemec

Altar Server...Taylor Rickaway

Usher...Gary Hickl, Tony Kacer

Offertory Gifts...Dorotea Longoria

February 12 - SUNDAY @ 10:00 am

Mass Intention. *Parish Family*

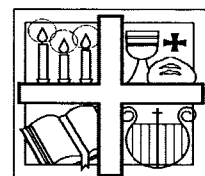
EME....Sylvester Longoria

Lector...Dianne Bowers

Altar Servers...Anisa Cornett, Slade Saha

Ushers.....Jack Cornett, Pablo Dominguez

Offertory Gifts...Dustin McKinney Family



I'm sorry for misleading you last weekend. I stated that combined our two churches had a negative cash flow of about \$18,000, when in reality we had a little over \$1,800 positive cash flow. The Financial Council failed to take into consideration an adjustment that was made at the end of 2015. Check your 2015 bulletin insert to see the adjustment. The Financial Council would like to send a big thank you to our church secretary, Annette Havel, for catching our error. **Kenneth Christensen, Financial Council Chairman**

Attention Parishioners:

The Church Website 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.

Upcoming meetings and events...

Monday, February 13th:

.....Parish Council Meeting @ 6:30pm in the Parochial Room

Monday, February 20th:

.....Catholic Daughter Meeting @ 6:30pm in the Parochial Room

Tuesday, February 21st:

.....KC Meeting @ 7:00pm in the Hall

Thursday, February 23rd:

.....Safe Environment Training Course @ 6:30pm in the Parochial Room (See following **Note**)

The Blessing Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Ladies Appreciation Night on February 16th. 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

FEB 7 (TUESDAY).....6:30PM MASS/1ST HOLY COMMUNION MEETING
 WITH STUDENTS, PARENTS & TEACHERS
 FEB 86:30PM CLASS
 FEB 156:30PM CLASS
 FEB 226:30PM 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

****NOTE****

Members of the KC's, Altar Society, Catholic Daughters, Guadalupanos, Teachers or any interested parishioner in our parish: Christine Naiser will be conducting a **Safe Environment Course for first time candidates, only on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd @ 6:30 pm.** Please go online @ www.victoriadiocese.org and complete the online Registration and Background Check. This registration process should be completed at least 72 hours before any scheduled class. Please contact the office if you have any questions.



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 or visit our website at: <https://victoriadiocese.org/advocacy-day> for more information.**



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

Offertory Collection

January 29, 2017

BLESSING	
Sunday	\$ 1004.00
Loose Cash	239.03
Building Fund	49.00
MARKHAM	
Sunday	\$ 445.00
Building Fund	188.51

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,
- Garry Saha,
- Josephine Soliz
- Kayci Sprouse,
- Patricia Kaspar Thorn

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