

SAINT PETER'S & SAINT ROBERT'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF VICTORIA IN TEXAS

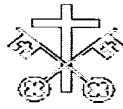
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Parish Email: stpeterblessing@tisd.net

Church Website: <http://www.stpeterblessing.org>



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.

~ 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 MASSES

December 12— TUESDAY @ 6:30pm

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Mass Intention... *Clarence Rorex (D)*

By: *Kenny & Anita Christensen*

December 13— WEDNESDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention... *Robert Kaska (D)*

By: *Mark & Denise Lezak*

Penance Service @ 6:30pm

December 14— THURSDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention... *Louis A. Poessel, Sr. (D)*

By: *Bruce & Cara Herlin*

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

December 15— FRIDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention... *Louis J. Fabrygel, Sr. (D)*

By: *Helen F. Mozley*

WEEKEND MASSES - ST. PETER'S

December 16— SATURDAY @ 6:30pm

Mass Int.: *Ray & Evelyn Hancock (D)*

By: *Steve & Susan Kaspar*

EME... *Marvin Hurta*

Lector... *Vincent Nemeč*

Ushers... *Adolph Biskup, Tony Kacer*

Offertory Gifts... *Regina Kacer*

December 17— SUNDAY @ 10:00am

Mass Intention... *Parish Family (D)*

EME... *Dianne Bowers*

Lector... *Zoe Winkenwerder*

Altar Servers... *Karla & Jose Moreno and Fabian Vega*

Ushers... *Emil Vaculin, Jack Cornett*

Offertory Gifts... *Delores Kemp*

WEEKEND MASS - ST. ROBERT'S

December 17— SUNDAY @ 8:00am

Mass Intention... *Jacqueline Karrais (D)*

By: *Larry & Jackie Hickl*

EME... *Lonnie Bullard*

Lector... *Barbara Vivion*

Altar Server... *Joyce Hickl and Travis Riendeau*

Ushers... *Ronnie Hickl, Dennis Saha*

Offertory Gifts... *Larry & Jackie Hickl*

Administrator
Rev. Fr. Gabriel J. Mensah

Administrative Assistant
Annette Havel

Parish Catechetical Leaders
Cynthia Nemeč
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 IN NEED OF 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



**Counseling in the
Catholic Tradition**
The Emmaus Center
1508 E. Airline Street
Victoria, Texas 77901

Counseling also available in
El Campo and Hallettsville

www.emmauscounselingcenter.com

Or call (361)212-0830



Advent Penance Service Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>*Confessors</i>
Dec 13 (W)	6:30pm	St. Peter, Blessing	M, GK, C, Jz, R
Dec 14 (Th)	5:30pm	Assumption, Ganado	HI, C, R, H, P
Dec 19 (T)	5:00pm	OLGulf, Port Lavaca	Ch,H,R,N,C,P,HI,GK
Dec 19 (T)	5:30pm	Vanderbilt	J

***Confessors:** P-Petering, C-Cernoch, Ch-Chen, D-D. Nguyen
 H-Hill, K-Korenek, M-Gabriel Mensah, J-Johnson
 HI-Hlavaty, Jz-Jarzombek, R-Ramsey, N- F. Nguyen
 GK-George Kunnath

Upcoming meetings and events...

Wednesday, December 13th:

.....Cemetery Committee Meeting after the 8:00am Morning Mass

Monday, December 18th:

.....Catholic Daughter Meeting & Christmas Party @ the Palacios Mexican Restaurant/6:00pm

Tuesday, December 19th:

.....Knights of Columbus Meeting @ 7:00pm in the Church Hall

CCD Calendar

All Classes Begin promptly @ 6:30pm

WED, Dec13: CLASS (Penance Service)
 WED, Dec 20: NO CLASS (Christmas Holiday)
 WED, Dec27: NO CLASS (New Year Holiday)

2017 Diocesan Service Appeal Update

2017 Assessed Value (St. Peter's & St. Robert's) \$14,173.00
 Received @ Diocese of Victoria: (7,205)
 Received in Church Special Collections: (6275.91)
SHORTAGE..... \$692.09

The 2017 DSA Appeal runs from March 1, 2017 thru February 28, 2018. **Thank you for your recent contribution.** The Last 2017 DSA Collection date is scheduled for February 2018.



**Special Diocesan Collection:
 Retirement Fund for Religious**

Saturday December 9th & Sunday December 10th

Offertory Collection

December 3, 2017

BLESSING
 Sunday \$ 1178.00
 Loose Cash 141.05
 Building Fund 224.00

MARKHAM
 Sunday \$ 373.00
 Building Fund 297.00

Thank You
 for your contribution

Pray For The Sick...

Albert G. Garcia,
 Susie Glasscock
 Barbara Hickl, Doug Hlavaty,
 Priscilla Hurta, Brandon Janak,
 Andy Jasek, Linda Knebel,
 Cresencia Longoria,
 Dorothy Longoria,
 Joe Nance, Alicia Pendleton
 Alphonse Revis, Rosa Reyes,
 James Russek, Garry Saha,
 Josephine Soliz,
 Patricia Kaspar Thorn,
 Rodney Tucker,
 Stephen Zapalac

Important Notice: Please use only the 5-day candle inserts provided in the Candle Votive Light Stand. Other candles are not designed to burn inside the votive, and can be a possible fire hazard.



St. Peter's Guadalupanos Schedule for Devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe (OLG)

Dec 3 (Sun) thru Dec 11 (Mon): Rosary everyday to OLG @ 5:00 pm in the Church.

Dec 12 (Tue): Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 5:00 am Mananitas (Song and Prayer to OLG)
 Breakfast Celebration in the Hall.
 6:30pm Mass

All are welcome to attend this Special Devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe



Christmas Flower Offering Envelopes

are available at the back of the Church for those who would like to donate in Remembrance of a Loved One. Please have the offering request in the office by **Monday, December 18th.**

Advent Solemn Vespers: December 10, December 17. Solemn Vespers is the Liturgical Evening Prayer of the Church. It consists of praying the psalms, giving thanks for the day, and offering praise to God. Vespers concludes with Benediction of the **Blessed Sacrament. Incarnate Word Convent 1101 NE. Water Street in Victoria, 5:00 pm-5:45 pm** in the Convent Chapel. For more information contact Sr. Emilie Eilers at 361-575-7111. Open to the public.



**The new address is:
 The Emmaus Center
 1508 E. Airline Street
 Victoria, Texas 77901**

The Emmaus Center is now offering some services in Spanish!!!! Mrs. Valeria Dubourdieu has joined the staff on a part-time basis. She is a Chaplain with pastoral counseling skills and is able to service clients whose primary language is Spanish.

Annie Coffey is now working in two satellite offices several times a month. In Hallettsville, she sees clients at Mary's House. In El Campo, she sees clients at St. Philip Church in the Sacred Heart room. A very special thank you to Msgr. John Peters and to Fr. Michael Rother for their generosity in allowing the use of these spaces. **To make an appointment call (361) 212-0830.**