

## VICTORIA MARCH FOR LIFE 2020

### *“Life Empowers”*

Where: From DeLeon Plaza to Our Lady of Sorrows

When: January 30, gather at the Plaza at 6:15 p.m.

\*For those who can't join in the procession\*

\*the church will be available for prayer\*

The theme for the March for Life 2020 is: “Life Empowers.” It is meant to be a healing message for wounded mothers who have been deceived by the false message coming from the abortion industry of “freedom from pregnancy and freedom from the child within.” This message is so very destructive. To destroy a life does **not** empower a woman, but only degrades and hurts her and all involved in the process as well as our whole world.

**Pro Life is Pro-Woman!** Being a mother is a gift, something to be proud of, not to be ashamed of. We would encourage anyone who has been through the trials of abortion and has a message of healing and forgiveness to share her story with the public so others may know the truth of abortion.

This theme aims to change hearts and minds and to make **abortion unthinkable in our culture!**

Each year around January 22, on the anniversary of Roe v Wade, Americans rally in Washington DC and all over the United states to testify to the God-given Right to Life of every human being. The March for Life is the world's largest annual human rights demonstration.

**Victoria will be holding our 33<sup>rd</sup> annual March for Life on January 30<sup>th</sup> this year.**

**Everyone is invited to join us as we pray and march for healing, peace, and the end of abortion**

For more information contact:

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St. Gianna Pro Life Ministry

Holy Family Church

## CALLING ALL MEN OF THE PARISH!

"GET IN THE GAME" Men's Gathering

Saturday, March 21 from 8 a.m. to noon

Our Lady of Victory Cathedral Center

Register for the event at:

<https://www.victoriadiocese.org/get-in-the-game>

This event focuses on how to lead our families, parishes, and communities. We will start by praying the Holy Rosary together for our families and nation, then Bishop Cahill will celebrate Mass. Next, speaker **Damon West (featured on EWTN, speaker to major NCAA football programs such as Alabama and Clemson) will speak.** After playing football at the University of North Texas, Damon fell into drugs and crime after college, being sentenced to life in prison. While behind bars, he turned his life around with the help of God, and is now free and spreads a message of hope and redemption.

Tickets are \$10, breakfast included.

Funds raised above covering cost of event will be donated to a local charity

## MARIAN PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. JACOB

You are invited to travel with Fr. Jacob Koether to Europe April 15-24, 2020. Visits will include Medjugorje, Lourdes, and Fatima. Cost is \$3,899.00 (Airfare and ALL-Included). To register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. You can also register online at [www.proximotravel.com](http://www.proximotravel.com)

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**  
**LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA**

**Monday**

1 Sam 15:16-23; Ps 50; Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday**

1 Sam 16:1-13; Ps 89; Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday**

1 Sam 17:32-51; Ps 144; Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday**

1 Sam 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Ps 56; Mk 3:7-12

**Friday**

1 Sam 24:3-21; Ps 57; Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday**

Acts 22:3-16; Ps 117; Mk 16:15-18

**Sunday**

Is 8:23-9:3; Ps 27; 1 Cor 1:10-17; Mk 4:12-23



**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**  
**JANUARY 20**  
**FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR**  
**HOLIDAY**



We are accepting sponsors for the Sanctuary Lamps at Our Lady of Sorrows and la Capilla de Santísima Trinidad for the 2020 Year. Please come by the office during regular business hours if you would like to sponsor the candle for the week.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**  
**MISAS DE LA SEMANA**

Sábado	5:00 p.m.	Gonzalo Gomez
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Jose/Petra Rendon
	10:30 a.m.	Herminia Rivera
	1:00 p.m.	Joe P. Rubio
Domingo	9:30 a.m.	Ram Longoria
	11:30 a.m.	Vincent Gonzales
Monday	7:00 a.m.	Tom Villarreal
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Rick/Genaro Sr. Cortez
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Fr. Peter Oscar Kofi-Amo
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Robbie Villarreal
Jueves	7:00 p.m.	Seferino/ofelia/ Margarito Perez
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Geneieve Gonzales
Sábado	5:00 p.m.	Paul/Mary O. Hernandez
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	(Birthday) Molly Garcia
	10:30 a.m.	Steve Jr./Edward S. /Stephen M. Rubio
	1:00 p.m.	Abel D. Barrera
Domingo	9:30 a.m.	Ventura L. Gutierrez
	11:30 a.m.	Vivano Escalona

*Mass Intentions*



We are currently scheduling  
Mass Intentions for  
January – June 2020.

***Estamos programando  
sus intenciones  
por la Misa al presente***

### BALLET FOLKLORICO NEWS

Ads for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Program book are now being accepted. Following are the prices for the ads:

A full page is \$100; ½ page \$60 and ¼ page \$35. Former dancers, instructors and directors are encouraged to include a picture of themselves and/or their families to celebrate this 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This is a historical event in the journey of our parish and we would love to have a great representation from all eras of this history.

We are also now accepting reservations for our three day celebration, which will start with a social on Friday, May 1, 2020, at Victoria All Star Dance Academy, 125 North Star Dr., from 5:30 to 10:00. There will be food, music and fun! It will be a great opportunity to catch up with our ballet family! This event will be followed the next day with our Annual Show at 6 pm at the Leo Welder Center for the Performing Arts. We have a great show planned and would love for you to join us! On Sunday, May 3, we will attend the 10:30 mass and then proceed to end up our celebration with a breakfast at Trinity Hall. The cost for the reception and breakfast will be \$30 per person.



Charitable Contribution Letters for tax purposes will be available beginning in mid-January.

*Cartas de Contribución de Limosnas utilizadas por razones de impuestos, serán disponibles en el medio de Enero.*

### OUR WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT For Week Ending January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$7,114.72	\$1,601.75
DSA	\$832.99	\$482.75
Debt Reduction	\$2,409.00	\$151.00
Children’s Collection	\$66.63	\$88.00
Candles	\$138.00	\$18.75
Maintenance	\$60.00	\$0.00
Sub-Total	\$10,621.34	\$2,342.10
STJ/NA Collebtion	\$17.00	\$100.00
Christmas Day	\$56.00	\$0.00
New Years Day	\$40.00	\$0.00
Grand Total	\$10,734.34	\$2,442.10



**Want to make a New Year’s resolution that will stick? How about Rekindling the Spark in Your Marriage?** Father Gary Janak, along with several married couples, will be sponsoring a **special weekend for married couples** in the Victoria area in 2020. **Choosing to L.O.V.E.** is a retreat for couples seeking 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. **The retreat will be held at the Spiritual Renewal Center, on February 14-16, 2020.** Space is limited, so register now! The cost for the retreat will be \$275 per couple, which includes lodging, food, and materials. Registration forms are available at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory Parish Office.



extending Her mantle over the whole world  
**MARY MOTHER GUARDIANA OF THE FAITH**

Patricia Talbot visits us from Cuenca - Ecuador,  
 to share her experience of faith and the desire of the heart  
 of our Mother to live a life of **true conversion**.  
 She will talk about the dangers that threaten our faith  
 and how to defend it with **love**.

*El Campo, Texas*

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 para compartir su experiencia de fe y  
 el deseo del corazón de nuestra Madre  
 de vivir una vida de **conversión verdadera**.

Nos hablará sobre los peligros que  
 atentan nuestra fe y como defenderla con **amor**.

**Sunday, February 2 at 12:15 pm**  
**St Robert Bellarmine Church**

512 Tegner St. El Campo, TX 77437

Contact: Regina Jank (361)771-5328



[www.guardianadelafe.com](http://www.guardianadelafe.com)

## CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE MASS

The Diocese of Victoria and Bishop Cahill would like  
 to invite you to the upcoming Blessing of Seed and  
 Soil Mass in Ganado.

Date: Saturday, February 1, 2020  
 Time: 10:00 am  
 Place: BH Genetics  
 5933 FM 1157  
 Ganado, TX 77962



**Open House for  
 Prospective  
 Students and  
 Families**

*It's not just what  
 you learn.... It's who you become.*

If you are considering St. Joseph High School  
 for your son or daughter, please join us for  
 Open House.

Experience STJ with a campus tour and attend  
 academic department presentations; meet the  
 faculty and coaching staff. Get answers to  
 your questions about admissions, curriculum  
 and tuition assistance.

Sunday, January 26 at 2:00 pm  
 STJ Flyer Dome

St. Joseph High School - 110 E. Red River St.  
 Visit [STJvictoria.com/admissions](http://STJvictoria.com/admissions)  
**You'll Love the Journey!**



Nazareth Academy Open  
 House - You are invited to  
 attend NA's Open House for  
 prospective students in PK3 -  
 8th Grade on Tuesday, January

21, from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Information about  
 the school's history and curriculum will be  
 shared, tours will be given and staff will be  
 available to answer your questions.

Registration information for the 2019-2020  
 school year will be given. Please email  
[dmichalski@nazarethacademy.org](mailto:dmichalski@nazarethacademy.org) or call the  
 school for more information. We look forward  
 to meeting you!

**PRAYER WHILE BLESSING  
YOURSELF WITH HOLY WATER**

*By this Holy Water and by Thy precious  
Blood, wash away my sins, O Lord*

**CELEBRATION OF WORLD DAY  
FOR CONSECRATED LIFE  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2020**

The 8:30 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Victoria on Sunday, February 2, 2020, will be designated for “World Day for Consecrated Life” instituted by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1997 to highlight the gift of consecrated life for the whole Church. Bishop Brendan Cahill will be the Main Celebrant. A reception will be held in Our Lady of Sorrows Trinity Hall. Sisters from the various religious communities in the Diocese of Victoria will be in attendance. Everyone is welcome. Families and especially young adults are encouraged to attend both the Mass and reception. Mark your calendars now and help spread the good news about this celebration.

**Prayer for Consecrated Persons**

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son’s kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

**CHURCH DECORUM:**

**let your actions proclaim the glory of God**

*The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake. Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations. - Psalm 99:1-2*

Our God is Great and Almighty! His Love and Power are infinite! And the church building is His House on earth. Everything we do when we are in the church should show Him due reverence and respect. Here are some ways to do that:

- Try to build an environment of prayer through silence. Jesus is really present. Talk with Him.
- Turn off your cell phone.
- Never chew gum during Mass or bring any kind of food into the church.
- Dress with modesty in mind.
- Do not bring snacks for little children. (Of course, bottles are different)
- Do not place your feet on the walls or pews.
- Show reverence to the Baptismal Font. Do not put coins in it or sit on its edge. Remember, the Font is where we began our life in Christ and were reborn as children of the Father!



Please pick up your 2020 envelopes  
at the entrance of the Church.