

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

Today the Catholic Church throughout the world celebrates Consecrated Life. Be sure to pray for the religious sisters in our diocese – the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, the Vietnamese Dominicans, the Carmelites, and the Missionary Catechists – and for more men and women to accept the call to Consecrated Life. Pray also for our Parish Catechetical leader Sr. Maria Garcia, who is living out her own vocation to consecrated life.

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.



**ASH WEDNESDAY
FISH FRY**

For the low price of \$9 you can get a plate of fish, hushpuppies, fries *and* coleslaw.

Tea is also available for dine-in only!

February 26th at Trinity Hall

12 p.m. – 2 p.m. Lunch

5 p.m. – 9 p.m. Dinner

Dine-in or Take-out

For more information and questions contact
Bonnie Malone 361-220-2839

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.

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT
GROUP VALENTINE'S DAY SOCIAL**

Date: Tuesday February 11, 2020

Time: 4:00 pm

Place: Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC)
1010 E. Rio Grande

For more info Contact:
Naomi Odom 361-648-3318

KC FRATERNAL NIGHT
CONSIDER THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS

When: February 13th @ 6:30 p.m.

Where: Trinity Hall

Open House Informational Dinner

Come meet us and learn more about the KCs. Men are invited to bring their wives so they get to know us, too.

The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic charitable organization in the world with over 1.9 million members providing over \$1.5 billion in cash charity and almost 700 million volunteer hours over the last decade. It is an incredible source of manpower!

Fr. Jacob wants to reactivate and grow our Knights of Columbus Council and to invite the men of the parish to join him in becoming a fellow Knight. If you are a Catholic man in good standing with the Church, please consider joining this great organization.



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.

You are the salt of the earth...

You are the light of the world!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK
MISAS DE LA SEMANA

Sábado	5:00 p.m.	Hilario & John Albert Ruiz
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life
	10:30 a.m.	Charlie Baez
	1:00 p.m.	Tanis/Marie/Norma DelosSantos
Domingo	9:30 a.m.	Mark De Vos
	11:30 a.m.	Andres Fuentez
Monday	7:00 a.m.	Julia Ramirez
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Manuel Ray Trevino
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Julia Ybarra
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Susie Castillo
Jueves	7:00 p.m.	St. Anthony
Friday	8:15 a.m.	Lucy L. Cano
Sábado	5:00 p.m.	Andrez Fuentez
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	(Birthday) Valentine Garcia
	10:30 a.m.	Raymond Valdez
	1:00 p.m.	Martin Villarreal Sr.
Domingo	9:30 a.m.	Gomez Family
	11:30 a.m.	Adalberto Rodriguez

Mass Intentions



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

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

cost for the reception and breakfast will be \$30 per

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

Monday

2 Sam 15-16; Ps 3; Mk 5:1-20

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2 Sam 18-19:3; Ps 86; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday

2 Sam 24:2-17; Ps 32; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday

1 Kgs 2:1-12; 1 Chron 29; Mk 6:7-13

Friday

Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday

1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday

Is 58:7-10; Ps 112; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

BALLET FOLKLORICO NEWS

Ads for the 60th 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 60th 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

OUR WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT		
For Week Ending January 19th, 2020		
	OLS	ST
1 st Collection	\$7,490.04	\$1,474.00
DSA	\$774.51	\$450.72
Debt Reduction	\$2,610.50	\$119.00
Children's Collection	\$81.00	\$80.00
Candles	\$77.45	\$17.00
Sub-Total	\$11,033.50	\$2,140.72
STJ/NA Collebtion	\$35.00	\$0.00
Latin American Church	\$361.00	\$16.00
Solemmity of Mary	\$0.00	\$50.00
Grand Total	\$11,429.50	\$2,106.72

person.



**Please pray for the repose of the souls of
 Jesús Hernández Alemán and Francisco Trevino,
 May they rest in peace and their families be
 comforted.**

*Favor de rezar por las almas de
 Jesús Hernández Alemán, Antonia Garcia y
 Francisco Trevino.
 Que sus almas descañen en paz y que sus familia
 reciben su Consuelo*



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.

MARRIAGE RETREAT OPPORTUNITY



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.

SHUT-IN MINISTRY TRAINING

When: Tuesday, February 11 @ 6:00 p.m.
Where: Trinity Hall

Fr. Jacob will be holding a meeting for those who would like to serve in the shut-in ministry. This is a great ministry that seeks to assist the priests in meeting the pastoral needs of the people in our community who cannot come to the church themselves. This involves offering support by being present, praying with them, being trained to distribute communion, and helping them connect with priests for the anointing of the sick if they need the sacrament



Please pick up your 2020 envelopes at the Parish Office

Safe Environment Class

Date: March 4th, 2020 (Wed)
Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Place: Trinity Hall
For all volunteers who are a part of any liturgical ministry who are not Safe Environment Compliance. If you need to renew your Safe Environment this class will count. Please contact the rectory if you are attending.

more importantly, it is wrong: God alone can procure us joy, at the moment when we need it the most.

IF YOU’VE LOST THE DESIRE TO PRAY, READ THIS

**By Brother Thierry-Dominique Humbrech
Aleteia.org**

Many give up on prayer when it gets tough or seems fruitless, but remember this ...

Joy is a Christian sentiment, because together with serenity it is the fruit of Charity. The one who lives of God and with God, who is sustained by the Eucharist and forgiveness, and who lives this out in loving others as Jesus loves is joyful. But that joy is not always accompanied by pleasure. Pleasure is a sensual expression of emotional joy. Joy is the culmination of spiritual joy, but we expect to be able to take pleasure in all that is good. When the time for trials and tribulations with its temptations is upon us, the pleasure can loose its intensity or vanish all together. This is also sometimes the case with praying.

A diabolical trap

It could be that in the past, prayer came easily to us, elevated and supported us. But now praying has become difficult and no longer seems to “offer us anything.” If we suppose to have lost the joy of being Christian, we are incorrect. We have simply confused sensual pleasure with spiritual joy. If we stop praying until the pleasure returns, what would that look like?

We can discover this among those who take their life of prayer seriously, as well as among those who have taken the vows to not pray when they don’t want to. Behind the frequent justification, “It’s this generation, we are weak,” there lies the temptation of acedia, which has existed in all ages. Acedia (sloth) is a voluntary state of listlessness. It is cultivated and therefore a sin. It is directed against the need to pray. Acedia is a temptation for spiritual people.

Prayer is a moment when the soul encounters God, who is always there. Should we only rejoin Him when we want to? Not only is that fantastically impolite, but

ST. MARY’S PARISH FESTIVAL

Sunday, February 9, 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Meal: BBQ Brisket and Sausage, German Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert, and Drink (Catered by Mike Pozzi) Serving from 11a.m.-1:30 p.m. Dine-in or Plates-to-Go Available at \$10 p/p Auction: Live at 12:30 p.m. / Silent Auction Bingo, Cake Wheel, Plants, Country Store, Games for Kids, Jewelry, Concessions, Raffle and much more.



Our Lady of Sorrows
Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Joe, Francisco, Margarita Alvarado
By-Wife and Family

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
MINISTRY HOLY HOURS SCHEDULE FOR
February 7, 2020**

9:00 – 10:00 am	OLS Altar Society Patricia Solorio
10:00 – 11:00 am	Mario Campos Martin/ Dolores Rios
11:00 - 12:00 pm	Guadalupanas/Ray Moreno
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Catholic Daughters Cruz Cervantes
1:00 – 2:00 pm	Bereavement Support
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Shut- Ins/Elisa Sanchez
3:00 – 4:00 pm	Mary Ikonomos/ Gloria McDade
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Enríquez/Lilly Mijares Janie López
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Aracelia Ramírez Tommy/Leticia Garza
6:00 – 7:00 pm	Ballet

Please remember to send at least one representative from your ministry to be present during your designated time. We value and appreciate your dedication!

**AS ALWAYS, EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO COME
AND VISIT WITH JESUS!**