

JANUARY 14, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish, Hostyn Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Plum

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Mass Intentions

Monday, January 15	H 7:00 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday, January 16	---	---
Wednesday, January 17	---	---
Thursday, January 18	H 7:00 AM	Communion Service
Friday, January 19	M 10:15 AM	KJZT #23
	P 5:30 PM	Eleanora Reiss
Saturday, January 20	H 5:00 PM	Wilfred Holtman and Tommy Hipp
		Henry Kuntschik
Sunday, January 21	H 8:00 AM	Walter & Alice Chernosky
	P 10:00 AM	Mary Zbranek The Henry Reiss, Blaha, and Ruby Minarcik Families

H - Hostyn **P** - Plum **M** - Monument Hill Nursing Center

Fr. Dan will be on retreat from January 14-18. Please keep him and all the priests in your prayers. If anyone is in need of a priest for a sick call, or would like to have Communion brought to the home or hospital, please contact the parish office at 979-247-4441 ext 2, or Deacon John McCourt at 979-966-2272.

Prayer List We offer our prayers for Harper Meysembourg, Rosemarie Urbani, Barbara Tieken, Michele Kallus, Reeanna Renee Ramirez, Van Haley, Chris Lena, Irene Banse, Lara Beth Janda Perez, Jackie Ripper, Karin Dwight, Susan Vecera, Janice Brandt, Jo Anne Cook, Alton Demel, Kirtley Kallus, Dr. Jim Sladek, Ludie Dennis, James A Cook, Bernard Muras, Cyril Muras, Richard Cernosek, Steven Brothers, Lisa George, Kamren Bayless, Frank Castello, Prayer Blanket Recipients, and all those who are sick or injured. Please contact the parish office each month to have a name kept on the list, to remove names, or to add names. Please keep all the sick in your prayers.

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays in the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel, Queen of the Holy Rosary Church, Hostyn. Sign-up sheet available in the narthex.

The Emmaus Center provides Catholic-based professional counseling and spiritual direction for the faithful of the Diocese of Victoria and others seeking such services. Call 361-212-0830 or go to www.emmauscounselingcenter.com.

Last Week's Income: Plum: \$1902, Flowers \$170, Building Fund \$60
Hostyn: \$2867.09, Flowers \$277, Church in Latin America \$35, Building \$703

Diocese of Victoria 30th Annual Catholic Conference Saturday, January 27, 2018, Holy Family Church, Wharton. The seven principles of **Catholic Social Teaching** will be presented by 22 speakers in 32 workshops. For information, call (361) 573-0828 ext. 2224, 2225, or 2227. You can also find information in the December issue of *The Catholic Lighthouse*. On line registration is now open. Go to the Diocesan website www.victoriadiocese.org to register.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – January 18 – 25, 2018. Begun in 1908, these days have been set aside each year so that Christians the world over may share the prayer of Jesus: “that all may be one... that the world may believe” (John 17:21). The theme chosen for 2018 is “Your Right Hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power” (Exodus 15:6). Throughout 2018, join Christians everywhere in praying “that they may all be one” joining our prayer with that of the Lord Jesus Christ. For more information go to: www.geii.org

Rosaries for Life The anniversary of Roe vs Wade is January 22. Please join in prayer on: Saturday, January 20, following the 5 PM Mass at Hostyn. Sponsored by the Hostyn CDA Sunday, January 21, 4 PM at the Fayette County Courthouse courtroom. Sponsored by the La Grange/Plum CDA #1962. Please come out to be a part of this rosary. All CDA members and their families are invited.

Plum & Hostyn

Generations of Faith – Faith Formation for all ages and for both the Hostyn and Plum Parish Families – no session in February, due to Ash Wednesday. Next session is March 21.

First Communion Class – meet on January 17, 6:30 PM, at the Hostyn Parish Hall.

First Wednesday faith formation for 6th – 12th grade. Next session is February 7 – 8:30 PM.

Confirmation Preparation class Wednesday, January 24, 7 – 8:30 PM, Hostyn Parish Hall.

RCIA classes are held each Wednesday evening beginning at 6 pm. Come join us for Mass in Plum at 5:30 pm followed by the class in the Church Rectory. Contact Callan Oltmann (979-966-8123), Deacon John McCourt (979-966-2272) or the Church office (979-247-4441) for information.

Young Neighbors in Action and Just5Days - Soup and Bake Sale January 14. Next meeting is Feb. 7.

Social Ministry – meeting is January 17, 9:30 AM, Office Conference Room at Hostyn.

AMEN Food Pantry Volunteer Days for our Parishes are January 22 & 25. Please contact the parish office to volunteer on either day.

FOOD and FELLOWSHIP—providing hot meals for those displaced from their homes due to Hurricane Harvey. **Hostyn and Plum Catholic Churches will host the meal on Monday, January 15**, at the VFW Hall at the Fairgrounds from 5 – 6:30 PM. If you would like to help, or if you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

Scholarship Breakfast –January 21 at Hostyn.

YNIA Ready to Bake Apple Strudel are available! \$14 each – contact the Parish Office.

Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup & Bake Sale Sunday, January 14 sponsored by KJZT Society #23 to benefit the Young Neighbors in Action and Just5Days.

Christian Concert on Thursday, February 8, 7 PM, at the Hostyn Parish Hall: Michael James Mette and family will be sharing their music with our community. Details to follow!



Lead Me Retreat by God's

Embrace, March 9-11 Come from wherever you are to experience a deeper walk with Jesus. Retreat will be held at the High Hill Conference

Center of God's Embrace located at 2911 FM 2672, Schulenburg, TX. Weekend begins Friday evening and concludes with Sunday Mass. Open to couples and singles. Cost is \$100 for retreat and food. Overnight lodging is not provided, but discounted rate is available at Holiday Inn in Schulenburg. Register online at www.godsembrace.org or call 979-561-8883.

Consecrated Life Day to be celebrated at Incarnate Word Convent - In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted an annual day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This year, we, the Missionary Catechists of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, the Vietnamese Dominican Sisters, and the Missionary Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament serving in the diocese of Victoria invite you to a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Brendan Cahill. This Celebration will be held on **Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 9 am in the Incarnate Word Convent Chapel, Victoria**. A reception will follow in the Sisters' Dining Room where each congregation will display material about their community. All are invited.

Holy Rosary ACTS Retreat for Women February 15 through 18, with send-off from God's Embrace Retreat Center, High Hill. Applications are available in church or from Stacy Oeding (979-743-1147) or Debbie Taylor (979-702-1204). You are invited to pray for the retreat, especially by signing up on the Prayer Posters, to pray at a particular time.

Holy Rosary ACTS Retreat for Men March 1 – 4, with send-off from St. Anthony, Columbus. Contact RJ Jauernig (979-637-0309) for information.

Hostyn

Children's Liturgy of the Word, for ages 4 – 11, on the 3rd Saturday of each month: January 20, Feb. 17

Rosary Leader at MHNRC – Joyce Muras

Choir Practice: Wednesdays, 7 PM.

Vigil Lamps – The Sacred Heart of Jesus Lamp is offered for a Special Intention#. The Blessed Mother Lamp is offered for a Special Intention+. A Holy Family Lamp is offered for the Special Intentions of Harper Meysembourg.

Hostyn Liturgical Committee meeting February 1, 6:30 PM.

Hostyn CDA – Charity Reports are due to Lillian Kallus by January 15. Dues are due in January.

Hostyn KJZT Society #23 meeting January 21 after the Scholarship Breakfast.

Christian Mothers Annual Meeting and Movie, Monday, February 5, 7 PM. Bring snacks to share.

CDA State Memorial Scholarship Applications are now available for graduating seniors who are related to living CDA members in good standing and/or who are members of JCDA. Applications and essays must be postmarked by January 31, 2018. Please contact Scholarship Chairperson, Carolyn Surface, @ 281-468-5441 if you have any questions.

CDA Education Contest – Youth 4th – 12th grade, and CDA Members can submit an entry – forms now available in Church and the parish office. Themes are: *The Lord Has Done Great Things For Us, We Are Filled With Joy* or *Finding Joy in My Life*. Enter in Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music, or Photography. Entries due February 9.

Plum

Vigil Lamp – The Blessed Mother Lamp is offered for a Special Intention+.

Preparation Volunteers for next weekend: Sandra Holub, Jenifer Boening, Linda Oltmann

Anniversary Blessings – January 21

Youth Mass – January 28

Plum Liturgical Committee meeting Jan. 24, at 6 PM.

CDA Court #1962 meeting Monday, January 22, Msgr. Harry Mazurkiewicz Parish Center. Light meal at 6:30 pm, followed by the meeting at 7 pm. Please turn in your sold RAFFLE tickets/money to Becky Munsch, Barbara Eilert, Cathy Zingelmann or Mary Lou Anderle by January 22, or at the meeting. Drawing held after the meeting. The committee will be at the center by 6 p.m. Thank you and see you there!

CDA Scholarship Applications - 2018 graduating high school seniors are eligible to apply: Texas State Court State Memorial Scholarships – Applicant must be related to a living CDA member in good standing or be an active member of the Junior CDA. Court Annunciation #1962 Scholarships – Applicant must be a child of a member in good standing or be an active member of Junior CDA #1962. Contact local committee co-chairmen for applications: Stacy Ryza 968-5956, Elizabeth Kallus 249-7519. Deadline to return the applications is January 24, 2018.

Dear Padre

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What's wrong with memorized traditional

prayers? Archbishop Fulton Sheen encountered a woman who declared that she'd never become Catholic because they pray the same words in the rosary over and over, and she and God doubt the sincerity of anyone who repeats the same words. Sheen asked her if she was sure that her fiancé loved her. "Certainly he does." "But how do you know?" "He told me." Then she affirmed that her fiancé had told her so within the hour. When Sheen asked, "Did he tell you before?" she replied that he told her "I love you" every night. Sheen advised her not to believe him: "He is repeating; he is not sincere." As Sheen cleverly demonstrates, the words "I love you" don't lose meaning with repetition. Likewise, prayer—whether rote or spontaneous—is a way of saying, "I love you" to God. It places us in God's presence, celebrating our loving relationship with him. Saint Teresa of Ávila, a doctor of prayer, wrote in Interior Castle of the Soul that it was important "not to think much but to love much" when praying. She even considered it a blessing when her mind wandered in prayer because it forced her to concentrate on loving God rather than merely thinking about him! The right form of personal prayer, then, is the one that best expresses our love for God in a spirit of humility, confidence, and perseverance—three requirements needed for true prayer, according to another doctor of the Church, St. Alphonsus Liguori.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR

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