



*Mass Intentions
for the Week*

MONDAY, DEC. 27—St. John, Apostle & Evangelist
NO 6:30 am or 6:30 pm Masses today
12:05 pm Stanley L. Vlk + and
Christmas Novena

TUESDAY, DEC. 28—The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
6:30 am Lucy Mikula Special Intention
12:05 pm Raymond Honza Sr. + and Christmas Novena
6:30 pm (Spanish) Christmas Novena

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 29—St. Thomas Becket, Bishop
6:30 am Ab John Sulak +
12:05 p.m. Louise M. Hrbacek + and
Christmas Novena

Adoration after 12:05 pm Mass until 5:00 pm
6:30 pm Jerry Slovacek + and
Richard Miller + and Christmas Novena

THURSDAY, DEC. 30—6th Day in Octave of Christmas
6:30 am Lillian Valek + and Edythe Harrison +
12:05 pm Ann T. Skrivanek + and
Christmas Novena
6:30 pm Spanish Sebastian Cerda + and
Christmas Novena

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31—St. Sylvester I, Pope
6:30 am Georgie Hejny +
12:05 pm John Barto + and
Christmas Novena

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1—Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 am Olin & Elnora Bowers ++ and
Christmas Novena
5:00 pm Linda Dlabaj + and Christmas Novena
Ken Langley Birthday and Christmas Novena

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2—The Epiphany of the Lord
7:30 am Hope Tobar + and Christmas Novena
Winnie Whitfill + and Christmas Novena
10:30 am Mary Ann Kubin + and
Christmas Novena
1:00 pm **For a Blessed Year for our Parish Community**
Note special time for Life Teen Mass on January 2:
3:30 pm **Life Teen Mass after the Retreat**
John L. Dlabaj + and
Raymond Sladeczek + and
Christmas Novena concludes

MASS INTENTIONS EPIPHANY MISSION, ITALY

Sunday, December 26, 9:30 am Manuel Huerta +

Sunday, January 2, 9:30 am Cy & Unett Svrcek
47th Wedding Anniversary

SPONSOR OF WEEK: AVENUE SALON



*from the
PASTOR*

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

“Let us all rejoice in the Lord, for our Savior is born to the world. True peace has descended from Heaven!”

These words from the Entrance Antiphon of Midnight Mass begin our Christmas Celebration! Good News has come from Heaven to Earth! Our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ! He comes as a newborn baby, God made Man! From the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary the Christ Child enters our world!

There are no adequate words to express the true meaning of Christmas. The very idea of a God becoming one of us is preposterous and unthinkable. Why would a God do that? Wouldn't a God just use His power, go “poof,” and make happen whatever He wanted for us? That is probably what we would do if we imagined ourselves as a god! Who could seriously expect us to become a lowly, weak, vulnerable human being to undergo a terrible suffering and death in order to accomplish a miracle for people?

I believe that the true meaning of Christmas is so amazing and unthinkable that people for generations have not truly believed it is true. Even Scripture tells us that from the beginning folks thought it was craziness! Too good to be true!

The only way we can believe in and make the true meaning of Christmas the basis for our lives is by meeting Jesus in person. We must each personally experience this love and power of Jesus Christ in order for us to believe. We must meet Him most especially in the Sacrifice of the Mass, the Eucharist. This is why, the night before He died, He left us His Real Presence in what still appears to be bread and wine. This is why the mystery of the Mass opens up time and makes Calvary present on our altars...the same Calvary.

In the mystery of the Eucharist we can truly encounter and experience Jesus Christ. We can know Him as a living person who loves, forgives and empowers us to live new and different lives in Him. This is Christmas! This is why we are Catholic! See you in Church!

Love and prayers,

Father John

Pastor

RCIA NEWS

The RCIA group will continue “Dismissals” during Masses until the non-Catholic participants can participate fully in the Mass at the Easter Vigil. No RCIA sessions on December 26 and January 2. Please keep our candidates and catechumens in your prayers.

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

*May the Peace
of the
Holy Family
be with you
always.*



IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, December 26, Feast of the Holy Family

Masses: 7:30 & 10:30 am(English) & 1:00 pm(Spanish)

No RCIA Session Today

No Religious Education Classes and EDGE

No Life Teen Mass or Life Night

Monday, December 27

Parish Business Office Closed for Christmas holidays

Tuesday, December 28

6:00-8:00 pm Winter Walkers in SJ Gym (see notice)

Wednesday, December 29

6:30 am Mass- Teens “Food for the Soul” —free Breakfast

6:00-8:00 pm Winter Walkers in SJ Gym (see notice)

No Religious Education Classes and Life Teen D-Nite

Friday, December 31

Parish Business Office Closed for holiday

Saturday, January 1

8:00 am First Saturday Mass & Devotions

Sunday, January 2, The Epiphany of the Lord

8:45 am RCIA Session/Rm 102 Compound

No Religious Education Classes and EDGE

9:00-1:00 St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound

3:30 pm Life Teen Mass after Retreat

Mass Schedule

Christmas Masses—Octave of Christmas

Sunday, Dec. 26,

2nd Day of the Octave of Christmas,

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph:

7:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 1:00 PM (Spanish)

Monday, Dec. 27,

3rd Day of the Octave of Christmas,

Feast of St. John, Apostle and Evangelist:

12:05 PM only

Tuesday, Dec. 28,

4th Day of the Octave of Christmas,

Feast of the Holy Innocents:

6:30 AM, 12:05 PM, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, Dec. 29,

5th Day of the Octave of Christmas:

6:30 AM, 12:05 PM, 6:30 PM

Thursday, Dec. 30,

6th Day of the Octave of Christmas:

6:30 AM, 12:05 PM, 6:30 PM

Friday, Dec. 31,

7th Day of the Octave of Christmas:

6:30 AM, 12:05 PM

Saturday, Jan. 1,

Octave Day of Christmas,

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God:

8:00 AM—First Saturday Mass & Devotions,
The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin
Mary—NOT a Holy Day of
Obligation this year

ALTAR SERVERS FOR LITURGIES

January 1, Saturday

5:00 pm Grant Vrana/Joseph Baird

January 2, Sunday

7:30 am Matthew Matous/Kenny Janousek

10:30am Tyler Gilmore/Cooper Gillespie/Dylan Honza

Life Teen Mass will be at 3:30 pm following the Retreat

COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER 18 & 19

St. John Church Support Collection \$ 22,263.42

Epiphany Church Support Collection 551.00

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

These people need our prayers: Frances Kozlovsky, Billy Copen, Michael Kudrna, Paulita E. Alvarez, Samantha Kerr, Lucy Mikula, Allen, Edmund and Joveta Mach, Betty Liska Landsfeld, Lucy Mikula, Jewell Freeman, Paul Latham, Earlene Slovak, Ella Patak, Viola Dlabaj, Kathy Toth, Deanna Slovacek Richardson, Nolen Dockery, Sandra and Marsela Montelongo, Bernard Betik, Olga Enriquez, Ruben Monreal, Elida Alvarado, Moses Zapata, Pete Cruz, Wanda Slovak, Mary A. Garza, Leslie & Millie Trojacek, Helene Valek, Lillian Slovak, Olivia Widener, Helen Barak, Betty Zajic, Johnny Mensik, Josie, Elva, Henry and Ray Castillo, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Frankie Joe Patak, Sandra Horrell, Geri Melvin, Sr. Edna Gonzalez, Raul Partida, Steve Betik, Betty Rogala, Tony Alvarez, Evelyn Dlabaj, Claudio Amador Jr. & Sr., Joe & Mary Patak, Ruphine Patak and Jerry Dolezal.

NEW PARISHIONER OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Name: _____

Address: _____

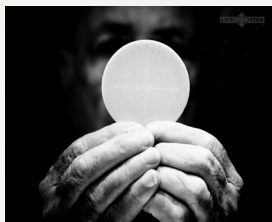
City/Zip: _____ Phone#: _____

SANCTUARY LIGHTS THIS WEEK

Sanctuary light, south side of sanctuary, is in memory of Frank & Carrie Gelnar and Joe & Julie Zmolik donated by Benny & Evelyn Zmolik for the week of December 25-31.

Sanctuary light, north side, is in memory of Frank & Mary T. Dick (Fr. John and Frank’s parents).

LIFE TEEN



Life Teen Calendar

**DEC 26- No LIFE TEEN MASS &
LIFE NIGHT**
JANUARY 2—MASS @ 3:30 PM
(AFTER RETREAT)

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY
**ALL TEENS ARE WELCOMED TO COME TO
6:30AM MASS FOLLOWED BY A
FREE BREAKFAST!**

D-Nite
Wednesday nights 7pm-8:15 in the Cafeteria
Our next D-Nite is January 5, 2011

Questions? Contact Joey at 972-878-8336 or
joeys@stjohnncc.net

Life Teen Retreat

Hurry! Last Chance! Spots are almost gone!

Who: High School 9th-12th grades

Where: Sky Ranch , Van TX

When: December 31-January 2

How Much: non Confirmation teens-\$100
(Includes transportation, meals, and lodging)

Contact Joey for a weekend of fun, faith, and food!

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Gift from:	Pew Cushion Donations and Memorials	In memory of:
Jerry & Cecilie Holland, Stanley & Dorothy Liska, and Anton & Jeanette Liska		Stanley & Cecilie(Nekuza) Liska, Dorothy (Liska) Morris, Alber Renee Almand, Kirk Wayne Liska, Judy Almond, Edward J. Slovacek, George W. Vrana
Greg & Deanna Blazek		
Lisa Monreal		Valdez & Monreal Deceased Family Members
Harry & Christine Mach		
Al & Lillie Slovacek		Thanksgiving for Larry & Deanna & Families
Eleanor Gallagher		Milton and John Gallagher and all Gallagher, Miller, & Pavlicek Deceased Family Members
Jon Paul & Doris Honza		
Spaniel Family		Honor of Leslie & Geraldine Spaniel Family
M/M Milton Slovak & Jennifer		John L. & Lillie (Vlk) Trojacek, and Bob L. & Agnes (Krajca) Slovak
Mark & Christie Rejcek and Justin and Aaron		Henry W. Rejcek, Donna Kay Rejcek, Janet Rejcek Roach
Dorothy Rejcek		Henry W. Rejcek, Donna Kay Rejcek, Janet Rejcek Roach
Tony & Sylvia Medina		Juan & Consuelo Medina and Santiago & Henrietta Salinas
Leslie Kubin Family		Mary Ann (Koubek) Kubin
The Kamans and the Bakers		Deceased Members of Kaman & Baker Families
Kenneth Williams Family		Honor of Ken & Cathy Williams Family
Johnny Maliska & Family		Emeleen Maliska, John & Frances Maliska, and Joe & Emily Novy
Frances Pleiner, Ned, David & Darlene, Sammy & Libby Pleiner		Memory of Joe B. Pleiner
Adolph & Rose Marie Novy		Kenneth Ray Novy, Adolph & Lillie Novy, John & Helen Jurica, and John Lee Jurica Jr.
Wesley & Annette Honza & Family		Anna & Wesley Honza Sr.
Charles & Rose Jurcik		
Helen & Jerry Yarbrough		Frank J. Dlabaj Jr. & Honor of Helen J. Dlabaj
George F. & Margaret Spaniel		Joe & Anna Slovak and John & Mary Spaniel
Deborah & Craig Smith		Hilda M. Lamm
Louis & Jo Ann Dolezalik		Duane M. Dolezalk
Mrs. Ervin T. Fleming III		Fleming Family and Sweeney Family
Frances Trojacek, Pullin Family, Reeve Family and Turner Family		Edwin Trojacek, Mary Frances Lewis, Charlie & Annie Trojacek
Frances Trojacek & Family		Mary, Jerry and Cynthia Zapletal
Martinek Family		Joe A. & Annie Martinek
Dr. Katherine Brown, Ennis Pediatrics		
Alene J. Eggers		Joe M. and Jodie Horak
Georgia & Raymond Nekuza		Danny Ray Nekuza and Denise Nekuza
Benny & Evelyn Zmolik		Frank & Carrie Gelnar and Joe & Julie Zmolik
Juliana Gilmore and Mary Ann Felcman		Frank Felcman and Jay Felcman
Joe D. & Theresa Strunc		Miles & Dorothy Strunc and Frank & Janie Patak
Marvin & Mary Ann Trojacek		Willie L. & Viola Trojacek
M/M M. H. Ludwig		
Edwin & Lucy Mikula		Rudolph & Lillian Cepak and Frank & Mary Lou Mikula
Sandra & David Puckett		Louis Santos
Don & Becky Griffith		
Vera & Wesley Betik		Stanley & Agnes Kriska and Joe & Frances Betik
Robert "Bob" Mitchell		Joe S. & Mary Liska
Joyce & Ed Plasek		Willie C. Jurik and Louis & Augusta Plasek
Ramona & Ernest Jakubik		Emil & AntoniaJakubik
Bethany & David Bland		Marilyn Matous, Windon Stewart and Suzy Bland
Gloria Haupt		Milt Haupt
Ella, Denise and Marcie Patak		Alphonse and Marvin Patak and deceased members of Joe Pouzar Family
Maureen & George Spaniel Jr.		Richard McNamara
Benny & Laura Trojacek		Families of Benny & Laura Trojacek
Cordell & Josephine Hickman		M/M Wesley Lanicek Sr. and M/M C.W. Hickman
Mary Ann Toupal, Nancy Toupal, Ramona Dlabaj, Raymond C. Toupal, Jeanette Frazier		Raymond B. Toupal Family, Charlie V. & Mary B. Slovacek Family, Joe J. & Mary (Sosolik) Vrana Family
Ernest & Linda Trojacek		Willie & Viola Trojacek and Thanksgiving for Roger & Margaret Gagnon
Bill & Barbara Sims		
Edith Hroza		Louis J. Hroza
Johnny W. Mach Family		John C. & Mary Mach
Bill & Marie Hejny		Frank, Mary & George Taraba, and Joe & Stacie Hejny
Dale & Theresa Novy		In Honor or Memory of: Brittany, Brandon & Brandi Novy, William & Lillian Bacak, and the Families of: Diana & James Zett, Stephanie & John Jacobs, Karen & Richard Nors, Kelvin Bacak, Dale & Theresa Novy, Judy & Robert Strunc, Mark & Debbie Novy, and memory of Eugene, Mary Lou & Jeff Novy
Edward & Agnes Cinek		Joe & Bessie Kapavik
George F. & Carrie Jean Kubin		
Alexandria Camile & Taylor Kubin		Memory of their Daddy, Wm. Todd Kubin
Frank & Cecilia Blazek		Deceased Members of Frank & Cecilia Blazek Family

Sylvester Family	Etheline Sylvester
David & Diane Liska	Kristine Liska and Gary Doherty
Donna & Jeff Daugherty	
Ronnie & Susan Zmolek	
K. J. T. Youth Club #35	Deceased Members of K.J.T. Society #35
M/M James Nors	
Michael & Robbi Kozlovsky	
Edward & Bernice Rejcek	Joe & Annie Vrana and Edward Rejcek Family
Robert & Doreen Watson	O.L. (Junior) & Juanita Reeve and Eva Elizabeth Reeve
Mark, Debbie, Tyler and Caitlyn Novy	Eugene & Mary Lou Novy, Jeffrey Novy, Mary & Willie Honza, John & Georgia Pustejovsky, Ronnie Pustejovsky, Rev. Bernard Pustejovsky, Frank & Emilie Novy, Joe & Frances Belha
Perry & Toya Vavra & Family	
Billie Tay, Children, Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren	James A. Tay and Veneda C. Tay
Raymond Haba	Karen Haba and Louis Haba
Emily Valek, Lorane Marusak Family, Patsy & Chuck Kubala Family, Jackie & Kevin Betik Family	Rudy and Gary Valek
Martin & Gladys, Amy and Adam Zapletal	M/M Jerry Zapletal and Cynthia Zapletal
Roman & Theresa Kasowski	Living & Deceased Members of Kasowski and Berger Families
Martin & Gladys, Amy and Adam Zapletal, and Larry & Jimmie Honza and Scott, and Rex & Donna Spurgeon and Robyn	Adolph F. & Alice (Trojacek) Honza
JoAnn Strunc & Family	Members of Louis & Mary Marusak Families
Eisenwine Family	Annevllyn Eisenwine
Mary G. Langley	Arthur D. Langley and Mike Whitfill
Florence Vitovsky	Joe W. Vitovsky and Charles & Frances Nekuza
Joseph & Carolyn Schlebach	Deceased Schlebach Family Members and Deceased Trahan Family Members
Roy & Mary Ann Blair	
Mildred Wickcliffe	Johnny Wickcliffe
Bernie & Pamela Zmolik	Our Beloved Grandparents
Sue & Joe Neuhoff	Ann & Joe Neuhoff
Frank & Sonia Bartolic	Charlene Bartolic, Francis Bartolic, and Fabio O'Campo
Lorraine Colston and Dorothy Bobalek	L.B. Colston and Joe F. & Rosie Slovak
Ruth Ann Zhanel and Mary Nell Sladeczek	Deceased Members of Sladeczek Family
Bernard & Genora Kriska	Jerom S. Rejcek and Ann M. Kriska
Alphonse & Nancy Svehlak	Jerry & Lucy Svehlak, Jerry Joe Svehlak and Edward O. Vrzalik
Ann Gibson	John & Lillian Dvorak
Irene Kriska	Billy and Francis Joe Kriska, Frank & Carrie Gelnar, Willie & Mary Kriska
Anonymous	Thanksgiving for Father John, Father Antonio and Office Staff Thanksgiving for Altar Servers, Lectors, Music & Lay Ministries, Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers
Bobby & Mary Kennedy	Lynne Johnson and Francis Cooper
Raymond & Dorothy Matous	Joe C. & Mary (Vlk) Matous, Louis & Mary (Spaniel) Marusak, and Emil J. Marusak
William & Mildred Marusak	Frank & Betty Marusak Family and Emil & Antonie Jakubik Family
George E. & Anna Lee Toth	G. W. & Mary Toth Deceased Family, Joe E. & Janie Slovak, Anna and Bertha Nekuza
Delia & Alvin Armenta	Martin & Sylvia Rodriguez, Julio & Adela Armenta, Linda Alonza
Jake & Jessica Holland	Kenneth Holland Sr.
K.J.T. Society #35	K.J.T. Society #35 Deceased Members
Ken & Mona Langley, Children, Grandchildren, and Great-grandchildren	Happy Birthday, Jesus!
Richard & Angeline Sanchez	Fred & Helen Bojorquez & Fred Bojorquez Jr.
Stanley Vlk Family	Stanley Vlk
Gayle Honza	Eric Honza
Ann Juricek	Deceased Members of Alphonse & Ann Juricek Families
Ken & Mona Langley	Brittain, Langley, Skalicky, Seitz and Sneed Families
Sharen & Tommy Prachyl	Jeff and Keenan Prachyl
Michael & Vickie Valek	Mary Ella Vrana, Cindy Valek, Louis Valek, and Leon Wilson
Ellene & Hilton Emmert	August, Janie, Nadine, Leonard and Freddie Vrana
Children of Emil & Angie Slovacek	Memory of Emil Slovacek and in Honor of Angie Slovacek
Emil & Stacy Slovacek	Honor of our children: Kristine, Mathew, Mollie, Bailey & Jordan
Stanley J. & Barbara Liska, Mike & Nannette Liska & Family, Tommy & Debbie Liska & Family, and Rhonda Liska	Joe S. & Mary Liska, Joe L. Liska, Judy Almond, and Paul Almond
Kathy & George Satsky	Honor of: M/M George Spaniel Sr.
Emil A. & Ella Taraba	Families of Taraba, Skrivanek, Laza, & Dietler
Jerry & Irene Prachyl	John & Mil Dlabaj, Will & Mary Prachyl, and Joe Ben & Geraldine Patril
Families of: Benny & Laura, David & Kathy, and Kenneth Trojacek	Memory of Victor Trojacek and in Honor of Rose Marie Trojacek
Eric Joe Gomez	Santos Pablo Gomez Jr. and Jose Gomez
Saucedo Family	Gabriel Saucedo
Frankie & Evelyn Svehlak	Jerry & Lucy Svehlak & Joe & Augusta Pechal

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS FOR PRIESTS

In the event of a real emergency, call Fr. John Dick, 903-624-6114, or Fr. Antonio Ormaza, 469-831-0607. For day to day questions or concerns, and to make appointments, please call the business office phone number, 972-878-2834 or 972-875-2834.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FOR 2010

Just a reminder that all charitable end-of-the-year donations to St. John Church and the St. Joseph Cemetery **must be dated and postmarked by December 31st to qualify for 2010 tax deductions.**

Thank you, and may God especially bless those who supported our parish and cemetery in 2010. We greatly appreciate your support.

CZECH CHOIR CHRISTMAS HYMNS

The St. John Czech Choir will sing for the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, January 1, 2011. They will start at 4:45 pm with Christmas songs in Czech. Plan now to bring family members who would enjoy hearing these Czech hymns.

WINTER WALKERS

Come to the St. John gym each Tuesday and Wednesday night from 6-8 pm to walk. The gym will be open on Dec. 21, 22, 28 & 29. Stay healthy, keep warm. Any children **must** be accompanied by a parent and supervised. For more info, call Joan Johnson, 214-728-6160. Sponsored by KJZT Society #16.

KC & CDA THANK YOU

Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters thank their members for making the Sheltered Workshop Christmas Party a night filled with wonderful memories for the SW clients. Thank you to those who brought cookies, gifts, food, helped set up and clean up. A special thank you to Santa, Joe Betik, for visiting with each client and making them feel special. Thank you to the Christmas Band: John Marek, Kevin Marek, David Slovak, Anthony Macalik and Jared Prachyl—the clients and all present enjoyed the music and singing of Christmas carols. The clients love the party each year and are very thankful for the gifts from Santa, the delicious food and the fellowship they enjoy with the KC and CDA members.

LITTLE SAINTS PLAYGROUP

Parents with young children are invited to bring their children to play in the gym from 10 AM until noon on Wednesday mornings. Parents will stay in the gym and socialize while the children play. This is not a drop-off service.

For more information, contact Stephanie Holland, 214-229-8293.