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Mass Intentions for the week of January 01

MONDAY, JANUARY 2 - Sts. Basil the Great/Gregory Nazianzen No 6:30 a.m. Mass today **Office Closed** 12:05 p.m. Leo Rejcek + No 6:30 p.m. Mass today TUESDAY, JANUARY 3 - The Most Holy Name of Jesus 6:30 a.m. Earline Mach Slovak + 12:05 p.m. Louis & Mary Marusak ++ and Family 6:30 p.m. Asuncion Salazar+ & Juan Rodriguez + WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4 - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton 6:30 a.m. David Kuehn 12:05 p.m. Brodwynne Patak + 2:30 p.m. St. John Residents in Ennis Care (Ennis Care) 6:30 p.m. Emilie Harrison + THURSDAY, JANUARY 5 - Saint John Neumann 6:30 a.m. Catherine Augusto + 12:05 p.m. Noe Casanova + 6:30 p.m. Manuel Moreno y Lidia Mireles ++ FRIDAY, JANUARY 6 - Saint André Bessett First Friday Devotions after 12:05 pm Mass 6:30 a.m. Frankie E. Vrana, Sr. + & Margaret Valek + 12:05 p.m. Wylie Minett SATURDAY, JANUARY 7 - Saint Raymond of Penyafort First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 am Mass Special Intention 8:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. Confessions 8:00 p.m. Roger Gagnon + SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 9:00 a.m. Theresa Kasowski + 11:00 a.m. Joshua Krajca + 1:00 p.m. Francisco Zapata + 5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community **MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH** Sun. Jan. 01, 9 am For all Epiphany Parishioners Sun. Jan 08, 9 am

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 01

Entrance: Sing of Mary – 778 Offertory: Hail Mary: Gentle Woman - 779 Communion: Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming - 373 Recessional: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing – 356

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Liz Taylor City Real Estate

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Octave Day of Christmas 2016 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God!

Please pray for the intercession of Mary, Mother of God as we continue at St. John Nepomucene to celebrate the Christmas Season.

Christmas continues through the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, next Sunday, into Monday, January 9th, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord!

Let us pray in a special way for our Four CRHP Teams preparing to offer these powerful retreats to the Men and Women of St. John Nepomucene and St. Edward Parish in Athens, Texas.

Christ Renews His Parish Retreat Weekends here at St. John have changed many lives, marriages and families. Many have been renewed and are living a closer relationship with Our Lord through His Church.

May we all experience the presence of Christmas, Jesus Christ, for the rest of our lives!

Merry Christmas, Forever!

Fr. John

IN OUR PARISH WEEK OF JANUARY 1

Sunday, January 1

Second Collection: Capital Improvements No Religious Ed/ Elementary No RCIA/ Compound Room 101 Life Teen 6:30 pm Monday, January 2—Parish Office Closed No Confessions 7:00 pm CDA/ KC Dining Room **Tuesday**, January 3 10:30 am Little Saints Playgroup/301 5:30-6:30 pm Confessions 7 - 8:00 pm Upper Room Wednesday, January 4 No Religious Ed No EDGE No Adult Choir Practice/ Church Thursday, January 5 7:00 pm Wild Goose Life Teen Bible Study / Room 101 Friday, January 6 First Friday Devotions after 12:05 pm Mass Saturday, January 7 First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 am Mass Sunday, January 8 Second Collection: Diocese of Trujillo, Honduras 8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary 9:00 am RCIA/ Compound Room 101 6:30 pm Life Teen

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

HOLY FAMILY PRAYER CARDS

The Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas-KJZT will have Holy Family prayer cards available after masses on Dec. 31 & Jan. 1.

PARISH OFFICE will be closed on 1/2/2017

If you have an emergency that requires a priest please call Fr. John at 903-624-6114 or Fr. Antonio at 469-831-0607.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS JANUARY MEETING

Monday, January 2nd at 7:00 PM @ KC Hall Dining Room. Keeping in the spirit of Christmas we will have a Magi Party with a Scripture reading following by breakout group discussions. Please bring a wrapped \$5.00 gift or Christmas ornament to celebrate the season. Members please try to attend this meeting. CDA projects for the new year will be discussed.

WINTER WALKERS

Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas, Ennis Soc. 16, is sponsoring Winter Walkers. The gym will be open after the noon weekday Masses starting Dec. 1st for at least 30 minutes. Contact Joan Johnson 214-728-6160 for more information.

ORDER OF LEPANTO

The Order of Lepanto is an apostolate that combines Western Martial Arts with the Catholic Faith. The Order's mission is to create an active movement of men who enjoy physical activity and camaraderie in a setting that is also faith-building. Men ages 18 and up, join us at Lions Park (Lampasas entrance) here in Ennis **Saturday, Jan 7th at 9AM – 11AM** for our 2 hour Study Group. For more information please contact Kevin Ford at 469-245-9169 or visit OrderofLepanto.com.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

On New Year's Eve or New Year's Day, the household gathers at the table or at the Christmas tree or manger scene. Many people make New Year's Day a day of prayer for peace.

All make the sign of the cross. The leader begins:

Let us praise the Lord of days and seasons and years, saying: Glory to God in the highest!

R/. And peace to his people on earth!

The leader may use these or similar words to introduce the blessing: Our lives are made of days and nights, of seasons and years, for we are part of a universe of suns and moons and planets. We mark ends and we make beginnings and, in all, we praise God for the grace and mercy that fill our days.

Then the Scripture is read, Book of Genesis 1:14-19:

Listen to the words of the Book of Genesis: ... (The family's Bible may be used for an alternate reading such as Psalm 90:1-4.)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

After a time of silence, members of the household offer prayers of thanksgiving for the past year, & of intercession for the year to come. On January 1, it may be appropriate to conclude these prayers with the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (in Part VII: Litanies) since this is the solemn feast of Mary, Mother of God. In conclusion, all join hands for the Lord's Prayer. Then the leader continues:

Let us now pray for God's blessing in the new year.

After a short silence, parents may place their hands on their children in blessing as the leader says:

Remember us, O God;

from age to age be our comforter.

You have given us the wonder of time, blessings in days and nights, seasons and years. Bless your children at the turning of the year and fill the months ahead with the bright hope

that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever. **R**/. Amen.

The leader says:

Let us bless the Lord.

All respond, making the sign of the cross:

R/. Thanks be to God.

The prayer may conclude with the singing of a Christmas carol. —From <u>Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers</u>

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Sanctuary Light : December 31 - January 6 In Memory: Edwin Svehlak By: Kathy & David Trojacek Altar Candles : December 31 - January 6 In Memory: Catherine Hoefer By: Ronnie & Susan Zmolek DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL Altar Candles: December 30 - January 5 For: Parish By: Parish

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



- Become Catholic
- Receive missed Sacraments
- Just learn more about the Faith and God

Contact Seth Wright at the Parish Office for more details. 972-875-2834

New group starting! January 8

Sundays, beginning January 8 9:30-10:30 AM Room 104 in the compound



Spend time Twith PSUS

Christ Renews

Women's Retreat January 14-15

Men's Retreat January 21-22

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EIIC TECH EDIPHANY Ball Sunday January 8, 2017 after the Life Teen

Come celebrate with your friends!

BE NOT AFRAID Winter Retreat

Our annual Life Teen High School Retreat will be held January 27-29th, 2017.

A wonderful time for our teens to grow in their relationship with Jesus.

Register today at stjohncc.net/lifeteen

Life Teen Band

Several Religious Sisters

Steve Allgeyer





PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

If you have a loved one who is sick or in need of special prayers (not deceased) please contact the parish office by phone or email joannag@stjohncc.net. Your loved one's name will appear on this prayer list for 4 consecutive Sundays. If a longer period of time is needed, please call the parish office to renew your request 2 weeks before the printed date to the right of your loved one's name.

Jo Ann Dolezalik—12/18/16 Georgie Ann Nekuza-12/18/16 Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-12/18/16 Sr. Redempta Bradley-12/18/16 Rachel Zmolik—1/8/17 Catherine Roberts-1/8/17 Mildred Trojacek—12/18/16 David Trojacek-12/18/16 Jane Rychlik-12/18/16 Richard Mraz-12/18/16 Margie Dvorak—12/25/16 Betty Rogala—12/18/16 Mary Ann Felcman—12/18/16 Joan Gura—11/13/16 Jerry Zmolek-12/18/16 Marguerite Patterson-1/8/17 Herminia Perez—12/18/16 Patti Youngblood-12/18/16 Kati Betik Arnold—1/15/17 Arnold Twins—1/15/17 Jeanette/Martin Hunter—1/1/17 Norma Jean Horrell—1/1/17

Sherri Longoria—1/8/17 Calvin Baw, Jr. —1/22/17 Stella Tobola—12/18/16 Dave Wilson—11/20/16 Marion Haba-12/25/16 Alfred Martinez-12/18/16 Janie Marusak-12/18/16 Nancy Valek—12/18/16 Maura Meza—12/18/16 Loretta Dlabaj-11/6/16 Mildred Liska Koehn—11/13/16 Dorothy Sonka—11/13/16 Helen Slovak—11/13/16 Jennifer Sullivan— 11/13/16 Johnny Joe Lopez—11/20/16 Bonnie Bacak—11/20/16 Joe Luis Garcia—11/20/16 Tom Youngblood—11/27/16 Larry Christopher-11/27/16 Tina Jones—11/27/16 Mary Nell Witt-1/8/17 Jennifer Wright-1/8/17

Joe Baird—11/27/16 Luciana Rigante-11/27/16 Carmen Nelson—1/1/17 Mary Trojacek-11/27/16 Gilbert Olalde-11/27/16 Barbara Slovacek-12/4/16 Rachel Dyson—12/4/16 Riley Emerson-12/11/16 Mary Ludwig-1/15/17 Adolph Janacka-12/11/16 Linda Torres—12/11/16 Michael Jez-12/11/16 Lori Parker—12/18/16 Georgia Hejny-12/18/16 Emily Peppers—12/18/16 Analiese Mahaley-12/18/16 Patsy Rickerts-12/18/16 Kevin Woodley - 12/18/16 Epi Garfias-2/5/17 Paul Tolliver-2/5/17 Wayne Sylvester, Jr.—1/1/17 Dorothy Langer—1/8/17

Dianne McCarty—1/8/17 Lynn Carter-1/8/17 John Matous-1/15/17 Joe Barak, Jr.—1/15/17 Julio Olbera—1/15/17 Una Rae Mahaley-1/15/17 Braydon Divin—1/15/17 Geraldine Kubin-1/15/17 JoAnn Strunc—1/15/17 Angelina Navarez & Fam.-1/15/17 Clarissa Gonzalez—1/15/17 Nancy Escobar-1/15/17 Teresa Wiebold—1/22/17 Betty Honza-1/22/17 Melissa Patterson—1/22/17 Evelyn Zmolik—1/22/17 Raymond Honza-1/22/17 Lorraine Smith—1/29/17 Nancy Kuykendall—1/29/17 Nancy Prewitt—1/29/17