



*Mass Intentions
for the Week*

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

- 6:30 a.m. Eileen Mitchell +
- 12:05 p.m. Lisa Markland +
- 6:00 p.m. Confessions
- 6:30 p.m. Danny Ray Nekuza +
- 7:00 p.m. Confessions

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

- 6:30 a.m. Alice Skrivanek +
- 12:05 p.m. Willie & Mary Kriska ++
- 6:00 p.m. Confessions
- 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Paul Carrillo +
- 7:00 p.m. Confessions

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

- 6:30 a.m. Frankie Joe Patak +
- 12:05 p.m. Stanley V. & Ann Patak ++
- Adoration after 12:05 Mass until 5 p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. Joe W. & Florence Vitovsky ++

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

- 6:30 a.m. Ray Slovak +
- 12:05 p.m. Annie C. & Joe A. Martinek ++
- 6:30 p.m. Dionicio & Julia Jiron ++

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

- 6:30 a.m. Frank W. Patak, Jr. +
- 12:05 p.m. Eugene & Mary Lou Novy ++

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

- 3:30 p.m. Confessions
- 5:00 p.m. Joe M. & Agnes Horak ++

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13 Baptism of the Lord

- 7:00 a.m. St. John Requiem Choir Living & Deceased members
- 11:00 a.m. Eileen Mitchell +
- 1:00 pm Edith Mariscal Serrano +
- 5:00 Life Teen Mass For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

- Sun., Jan. 6 9am Linda Rohmer +
- Sun., Jan 13 9am Francisco & Bernabe Lopez Cabrera ++

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

- Saturday, January 12**
- 5:00 pm Tyler Dennie/Chris Trojacek
- Sunday, January 13**
- 7:00 am Matt Zajic/ Josef Woodward/ Jake Kasowski
- 11:00 am Dylan Fisher/ Grant Vrana/ Austin Spaniel
- 5:00pmLTMass Alston Lawrence / Josh Zapletal

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: COMPTON'S CLEANING

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

In his homily on this Feast, January 6th, 1979, Blessed Pope John Paul II, said:

“The Epiphany is the feast of God’s challenge!”

The Magi Kings, saw the star, knew of the prophecy, but more importantly, felt the call of Faith. Even though they were of a different belief, culture and language, they honestly pursued the call of God in their hearts toward Him. They followed the star to the Christ Child, wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger. This same openness of heart to God and His Will in their lives, enabled them to see this poor, ordinary looking child with eyes of Faith; “. . . they saw the Child with Mary His mother, and they fell down and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.” (Matthew 2:11-12) It is easier to understand how the Shepherds were able to see the Truth of the Christ Child. They, too, were Jewish, lived in the area, were poor and used to humble surroundings and the smell of animals. But the Magi Kings were educated, wealthy and accustomed to more noble surroundings. How could they bow down and worship anyone who lived in these circumstances; any child that would have to be born in this kind of poverty.

We too are challenged by God to believe in Him. To believe all that He has revealed about Himself, His Son, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. We are challenged to believe that this ordinary piece of bread is God, Himself, so that we too, fall down and worship Him. Bringing Him our gifts, putting our possessions of time, talent and treasure at His feet to be used by Him for His work.

Let us ask Mary, His Mother, to pray that we too might receive and answer this daily challenge of Faith.

Love and Prayers,

Fr. John Dick

OFFERTORY GIFTS DURING MASS

If a family or (3 or 4) individuals would like to take up the gifts at the Offertory during weekend Masses, please see one of the ushers at your Mass to volunteer. If the ushers approach you to take up the gifts, please say yes, as this is a small honor. This is a tiny ministry but important, as the bearers represent the congregation during that Mass.

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

- Entrance: What Child Is This #387
- Offertory: The First Nowell #388
- Communion: One Bread, One Body #813
- Recessional: Angels, from Realms of Glory #369



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 6

Second collection is for Capital Improvement

8:30-10:45 am St. John Library/Rm 106 Compound

8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes

8:45-10:45 am RCIA Session/Room 102 Compound

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Life Night

Monday, January 7

7:00 pm Catholic Daughters of the Americas' meeting (see notice)

Tuesday, January 8

6:30 am Food for the Soul Mass & Breakfast

8:00 am Golden Crusaders Social-Lunch-Meeting/Cafeteria

5-8:30 pm SJ Library open/Room 106 Compound

6:00 pm Confessions before and after 6:30 Mass

6:00 pm Altar Society Meeting/Room 102 Compound

7-8:15 pm EDGE

7:00 pm Beginning Apologetics Class/Room 301

Wednesday, January 9

6-8 pm Life Teen "Into the Deep" tonight

6:30-8:30 pm Religious Education Classes

7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

7:30 pm KC #1353 Meeting/KC

Thursday, January 10

6:00/7:00 pm Confessions before and after 6:30 pm Mass

Saturday, January 12

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, January 13

8:30-10:45 am St. John Library/Rm 106 Compound

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WOMEN OF GRACE



Sessions begin January 10. For any questions or to sign up, contact Sharon Kudrna. You can contact her @ (972) 875-8157 or e-mail skk72@aol.com.

Resuming January 21

Theology of the Body

Contact Seth Wright at the
Parish Office for more information.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Current Group
Sunday mornings,
8:45-10:45 AM
Compound Room 101-102

COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER 29 & 30

St. John Church Support Collection	\$ 19,875.59
St. John Catholic Charity	1,904.90
Epiphany Church Support Collection	559.75

THANK YOU FROM THE WILMA ZHANEL FAMILY

The family of Wilma Zhanel would like to thank those who brought food, sent flowers, cards, Mass intentions, Memorials and all the kind words during our loss. May God Bless you.

FROM THE ALTAR SOCIETY

Congratulations to Jami Valek, the winner of the Nativity raffle. Thank you to everyone who participated in the raffle and helped sell the raffle tickets after the weekend Masses.

St. John Altar Society would like to thank everyone who helped decorate the church for our Christmas celebration. Your help was greatly appreciated.

SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

The 6 candles flanking the main altar in the sanctuary were donated for all the intentions of our Parish family for the week of Jan. 5—Jan. 11.

SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The sanctuary light is in memory of Joe & Julia Jurik and Lee & Celeste Bohanon donated by Bill & Bernadine Jurik for the week of Jan. 5– Jan. 11.

CDA JANUARY MEETING

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas' January meeting will be held on Monday, January 7th at 7:00 pm at the K of C Dining Room. We will be making plans for our Chocolate Sunday Bake Sale, Lent and Easter Season, and up coming projects, all members are urged to attend and to bring a guest.

SHELTERED WORKSHOP THANK YOU

The Catholic Daughters and the Knights of Columbus would like to thank all of their members for helping make this year's Sheltered Workshop Christmas Party a wonderful experience for the clients. Thank you to the Telico Volunteer Fire Dept., your presence and help is much appreciated. Thank you to the Christmas Band, your music brought enjoyment to all present. A BIG thank you to Santa, Joe Galetka.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

These people need our prayers: Betty Coker, Alvin Kubin, Tommy Slama, Juanita Lowe, Lisa Newhouse, Walter Marusak, Janie & Richard Mraz, Nathan Gunn, Matthew Dixon, Becky Griffith, Alan Barak, Judy Zapletal, Darrell Patak, Betty Rogala, Maria Manriquez, Jimmie Trahan, Toya Vavra, Liam Shockley, Jimmy Garcia Sr., Sandy Wheeler, Roger Gagnon, Joy Moore, Charlie Honza, Frances Maliska, Jeff Sladeczek, Christine Hanson, Hannah Rejcek, Helen Zmolek, Cameron Wolf, Meg Routh, Ruperto Gomez, Mark Strunc, Monsignor Frank Miller, Lori Strunc, Edna Gonzalez, Georgie Ann Nekuza, Ophelia Esparza, Mary Hejny, Juanita LeVay, Anna Lee Weaver, Leo Rejcek, Helen Barak, Rose Sanchez, Alfred Martinez, George Spaniel Sr., Sister Genevieve and Frankie Prochaska, Mary Ann & Johnnie Hajek, Margie Patak, Millie Trojacek, Mildred Wickliffe, Joe and John Schleich, Graciela and Rene Monreal, Steve and Bernard Betik, Edwin & Dorothy Langer, Brandi Schlottman, Ninfa Carrillo, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Jerry Dolezal, Raul Partida



ELECTRONIC OFFERTORY GIVING

This month we are introducing a new and exciting way for you to support our parish offertory: *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* enables your family to make your parish contributions through either direct debit to your checking account or through your Visa, Master Card, American Express or Discover credit cards. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments.

With *Faith Direct*, St. John Nepomucene Church will gain predictable cash flow that will help us with planning our parish needs and programs. *Faith Direct* also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket.

Of course, enrollment is voluntary, but many parishes and their members around the country have experienced a win-win with *Faith Direct*. If you find this program to be appropriate for your family, please enroll by responding to the mailings you will receive or visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll securely on line. Our parish code is **TX529**.

Epiphany Home Blessing

"Epiphany" means "manifestation" and is the celebration of Jesus' manifestation and His glory as Savior to all nations symbolically through the Magi. Epiphany is also a day to share gifts, feast, and bless homes. **This Sunday**, you can do this home blessing. (The letters stand for "Christ Bless this Home" in Latin and for the names of the Magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar.)

All make the Sign of the Cross.

Head of Household: *"Peace be to this house and: to all who dwell here, in the name of the Lord.*

All: *Blessed be God forever.*

Reader: *In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be..... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. (John 1:1-3.14)*

Using chalk, write above an entrance: **20+C+M+B+13**

All: *Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star.*

Bless this house and all who inhabit it. May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness and the keeping of your law. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our love for each other may go out to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



We miss you!

If you were raised Catholic but no longer practice the Catholic Faith, you are invited to come to four informative sessions about commonly misunderstood Catholic teachings.

If you have family or friends who have left the Church, invite them to come to these sessions. Cards with an invitation to and basic information about times and days are available at the back of the Church. Pass them out to friends and family.

**Wednesdays, Jan. 16
through Feb. 6**

7:00-8:00 PM

**Compound Room
101-102**

Come Home to the Catholic Church

Know someone who needs to receive missed sacraments?

Need to receive missed sacraments yourself?

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Want to join the Catholic Church?

Want to learn more about God and His Catholic Church?

New group starting in January!

Tell your family and friends!

**Wednesday evenings,
beginning Jan. 16
7-8 PM, Room 101-102
in the Compound**

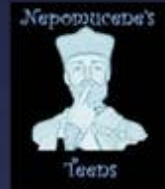
**Contact Seth Wright in the Parish Office for more information.
(972) 875-2834
sethw@stjohncc.net**



Nepomucene's Teens

INSANCTITY

St. John Nepomucene Life Teen Winter Retreat



SIGN UP TODAY!

January 18th-20th
Sky Ranch
\$125/person

(Do not let price prevent you from going)

Great opportunity to get away for a weekend with your friends and your faith!

Life Long
Total-Spiritual
Conditioning Program



100% Satisfaction
Guaranteed

**YES! I WANT TO TAKE THE
INSANCTITY CHALLENGE** >>>

All LIFE TEEN/High School students!!! Do NOT miss out on this amazing retreat! Take the "Insanctity Challenge" and Sign-up today! Forms will be at Life Night and can be found in the Parish Office!

LIFE TEEN!

Sunday Life Night Meeting Dates:
1/6 – 1/13 – 1/27

*No Life Night on the 20th –
Retreat Weekend

Tuesday Edge Meeting Dates:
1/8 – 1/15 – 1/22 – 1/29

Tuesday Mornings at 6:30 –
Food For the Soul & Breakfast
(show up at Mass at 6:30)

Wednesday Evenings – 6-8 pm
"Into The Deep" meet in the
Cafeteria, attend Mass, &
explores deeper levels of the
faith

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

BEGINNING APOLOGETICS

Beginning Apologetics sessions are on Tuesday nights, 7:00 pm, room 301 in the high school. The class will start again January 22, 2013. Come learn more about and understand our Catholic faith and be able to explain to others.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

Save the date.

Encounter the loving mercy of Christ!

Men's Weekend: February 16-17

Women's Weekend: February 23-24

GOLDEN CRUSADERS MEETING

The St. John Golden Crusaders will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, in the cafeteria with games beginning at 8 A.M. Members are encouraged to come with A-N bringing desserts and O-Z bringing side dishes. New members welcome.

THAT MAN IS YOU

The *That Man is You* men's program is on Thursdays, 7:00 pm, and Saturdays, 7:00 am, in Room 103 in the compound. This program is teaches Christian Catholic men how to live their lives in today's world. For info see: THATMANISYOU.ORG

WINTER WALKERS PROGRAM

Catholic Family Fraternal Texas-KJZT Society 16 is sponsoring the 3rd annual Winter Walkers' program. St. John gym is open on Tuesday & Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 pm. Join them for a safe, warm, dry place to walk, and it's FREE! Children **must** be accompanied by adults and closely supervised.

ALTAR CARE FOR JANUARY 5 & 12

Margaret Bouska / Susan Zmolek

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 6 pm. Rm 102 Compound

BULLETIN SPONSOR ADS

For follow up questions or concerns re: bulletin ads please call Rey Barron at 512-577-9411

Rachel's Corner

When we have experienced God's forgiveness, we are new creatures! We can live a life beyond the regrets of yesterday. We can live with forward-looking hope of glory.—Reflections from *Footprints*

Become a new creation in Christ! Join us on our next retreat and experience His redeeming grace.

Abortion Aftercare-Healing/The Rachel Ministries
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