



MONDAY, JAN. 24 —St. Francis deSales, Bishop

6:30 am Georgie A. Zabochnik +

12:05 pm Johnnie Odlozil + and
Agnes Whitfill +

6:30 pm Luciano Gonzalez +

TUESDAY, JAN. 25—Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

6:30 am Mary Lou & Eugene Novy ++

12:05 pm Joe J. & Irene Laza ++

6:30 pm (Spanish) Jose Antonio Ramirez + and
Hilario Gallegos +

WED., JAN. 26—St. Timothy and St. Titus, Bishops

6:30 am Maria Elena Gonzalez +

12:05 p.m. John J. Dlabaj + and
Ab John Sulak +

Adoration after 12:05 pm Mass until 5:00 pm

6:30 pm George/Theresa/Raymond Sladeczek +++

THURS., JAN. 27—St. Angela Merici, Virgin

6:30 am Louis W. and Frances Kozlovsky ++

12:05 pm Cecilie Liska + and

6:30 pm Spanish Carmen Torres +

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28—St. Thomas Aquinas

6:30 am Mark Hejny +

12:05 pm Larry Dunkerley + and
For the Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

5:00 pm Charles & Louise Houston ++ and
Leda Zapletal +

4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 30

7:30 am Georgie and Mark Hejny ++ and
Lillie Honza Novy +

10:30 am Special Intention and
Sebastian Cerda +

1:00 pm Jesus Morales + and Jose Luis Vasquez +
and For Our Parish Community
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5:00 pm **Life Teen Mass**
Clint Santos + and
Robin Cervantes +

MASS INTENTIONS EPIPHANY MISSION, ITALY

Sunday, Jan. 23, 9:30 am For Epiphany Parishioners

Sunday, Jan. 30, 9:30 am For the Souls in Purgatory

THAT MAN IS YOU! SPRING SEMESTER

The *That Man is You!* Spring Semester begins in February on Thursdays at 7:00 pm and Saturdays at 7:00 am. This semester will focus on Lent and how to prepare for Easter as a Catholic man. Sessions include a meal, short video presentation and small group discussions. Registration will begin at all Masses this weekend. For more info, call Michael Kudrna, 469-245-8678, or Paul Robie, 469-658-9120. Email them at: stjtmty@gmail.com or check out link on stjohnncc.net for thatmanisyoud.org

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

Our Responsorial Psalm this weekend is the first line from Psalm 27. The Psalmist sings, "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?" The following line reads, "The Lord is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?"

These two lines are strong reminders of how we as Catholic Christians are to go about our lives in this world of sin. We are to live our lives according to the teaching of Christ and His Church. We are to live, unafraid. We are to live, without fear.

Our Faith, the lives of the Saints, testify that our Lord will be faithful and protect us from evil being victorious in our lives. Jesus suffered, died and rose from the dead to guarantee our victory over evil. By our Baptism we are given the power to be victorious over evil.

Our lives as Catholic Christians are to be imitations of the life of Jesus of Nazareth. We need to meditate on the life of Jesus by reading the Gospels in order to have a clear and realistic view of what our own lives are to be like. Too many times we just have a mental image of what we want our lives to be rather than a realistic expectation based on the truth of Scripture, the teaching of the Church and the lives of the Saints. We need to keep ourselves grounded in truth by constantly building a foundation upon Scripture and the Saints.

If God spoke to a coach and his football team declaring their victory in the upcoming game, what would the coach and players expect? I believe they would realistically expect the final score of the game to declare them the winners of the game. But would they expect the game to be played without the other team ever scoring? Would they expect that none of their players would be tackled? Would they expect that no player on their team would suffer injury? Would they expect that they wouldn't be tired and sore at the end of the game? Would they expect that at no point during the game would the opposing team be ahead in scoring?

No, I believe that their realistic expectation would be the victory at the end of the game. This is the same with our lives as Catholics. Our life here on earth will include suffering, disappointment, injury, betrayal and all the other effects of sin that were present during the earthly life of Jesus of Nazareth. The victory is eternal life in Heaven after our earthly life has been completed. The final victorious score is well worth the difficulty of the game! As St. Paul writes, "I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us." (Romans 8:18)

Love and prayers,

Father John

Pastor

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: TONJA BARNABEE

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 23

- 8:45 am RCIA Session
- 9:00 am Religious Education Classes and EDGE
- 9-12 noon St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound
- 3:00 pm Baptisms/Church
- 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass & Life Night

Monday, January 24

- 7:10 pm Bible Study on the *Exodus*/Cafeteria

Tuesday, January 25

- 6:00-8:00 pm Winter Walkers in SJ Gym (see notice)
- 5:00-7:00 pm St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound
- 7:00 pm *Women of Grace* Study/Cafeteria

Wednesday, January 26

- 6:30 am Mass- Teens "Food for the Soul" —free Breakfast
- 10:00 am Little Saints Playgroup/Gym
- 6:00-8:00 pm Winter Walkers in SJ Gym (see notice)
- 7:00 pm Religious Education Classes & Life Teen D-Nite
- 7-8:15 pm Parenting Skills Class/Rm 301 High School
- 7:00 pm Czech Language Class/KJT Dining Room

Thursday, January 27

- 7:00 pm SJ Rosary Guild meets @ 908 S. Mulberry

Saturday, January 29

- 3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, January 30

- 8:45 am RCIA Session
- 9:00-10:15 am Religious Education Classes and EDGE
- 9:00-12:00 St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound
- 1:30 pm KC Free Throw Competition (see item)
- 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Life Night

ALTAR SERVERS FOR LITURGIES

January 29, Saturday

- 5:00 pm Joseph Baird/ Grant Vrana

January 30, Sunday

- 7:30 am Matthew Matous/Zachary Matous/Nate Allen
- 10:30am Tyler Gilmore/Cooper Gillespie/Dylan Honza
- 5:00 pm **Life Teen Mass** Tyler Dennie/Dylan Fisher/Matt Zajic

COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY 15 & 16

St. John Church Support Collection	\$ 18,327.25
Epiphany Church Support Collection	520.50

ENNIS CZECH MUSIC FESTIVAL

Everyone is invited to the 5th annual Ennis Czech Music Festival to be held Saturday, February 12, at the Sokol hall in Ennis, from 1:30-11:30 pm. Also, a pre-party & jam session will be the night before, 7-11 pm. Check out: www.ennisczechmusicfestival.com

RACHEL'S CORNER

Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and experience the mercy, peace and love of God. Abortion AfterCare-Healing 214-544-CARE healing@racheldallas.org

CLEANING POSITION OPEN

Applications are being accepted for a part time cleaning position at the parish. This position would include nightly office cleaning and full day Saturday/Sunday cleaning/maintenance in offices and church. Applications and more information are available in the parish business office. References must accompany the completed application.

*Women, find your purpose...
feed your soul.*

**Study group continues Tuesdays,
7:00-8:30pm in the Cafeteria**



**New Group Forming:
Saturdays, 7am, Room 103**

ST. JOHN PARISH LIBRARY

The St. John Parish Library is open Sundays, 9-12 noon, and Tuesdays 5-7 pm, in Room 106 in the compound. Recommended reading for January is *My Life With the Saints*, by James Martin, S.J. The book is available from Amazon.com and bookstores. A discussion of this book will take place on Wednesday, January 26 at 7pm in the parish library. Everyone is welcome to take part in the discussion and/or to visit the library during open hours.

ST. JOHN ROSARY GUILD MEETING

St. John Rosary Guild will begin meeting on Thursdays because of the Bible Study on Mondays. The next meeting will be Thursday, January 27, at 7 pm (or you can come at 6 pm if you like or drop in at any time before 9 pm), at the home of William Becker, 908 S. Mulberry St. They need extra help to finish rosaries for the CRHP Men's & Women's Retreats, so please join them! Confirmation students may use this time for service hours. If you have any questions, please call Cheryl at 469-337-3497.

SANCTUARY LIGHTS THIS WEEK

Sanctuary light, south side of sanctuary, is in memory of Anton L. & Effie Jurica, Louis M. & Agnes and Duane Dolezalik, donated by Louis A. & JoAnn Dolezalik for week of January 22-28. The sanctuary light, north side, is in memory of Frank & Mary T. Dick.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

These people need our prayers: Helen Zmolek, David Perdue, Al Sanchez, Mary Pat Clements, Beatrice Dlabaj, Tammy LaScala Koch, Patrick Skinner, Joy Dlabaj, Rose Trojacek, Victor Trojacek, Kenneth Vavra, Bessie E. Laznovsky, Deeann Bolin, Viola Dlabaj, Fred Hover, Billy Coplen, Paulita E. Alvarez, Kathy Toth, Samantha Kerr, Lucy Mikula, Nolen Dockery, Earlene Slovak, Ella Patak, Deanna Slovacek Richardson, Wanda Slovak, Bernard Betik, Olga Enriquez, Ruben Monreal, Leslie & Millie Trojacek, Helene Valek, Lillian Slovak, Olivia Widener, Johnny Mensik, Josie, Elva, Henry and Ray Castillo, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Frankie Joe Patak, Sandra Horrell, Sr. Edna Gonzalez, Raul Partida, Steve Betik, Betty Rogala, Tony Alvarez, Evelyn Dlabaj, Joe & Mary Patak, Ruphine Patak and Jerry Dolezal.

Celebrate Saints Cyril and Methodius bringing the word of God to the Slavic peoples, bringing them into God's family!



Saint Cyril

Saint Methodius

Saint Cyril and Saint Methodius Celebration

Novena: Saturday, February 5—Sunday February, 13

Mass (with traditional Czech costume and music):
Sunday, February 13th, 2011, 10:30 AM

Procession: Following Mass

Luncheon: At KJT Hall, Following Procession

(More details will be in future bulletins and on the website)

THE EARLY LIVES OF THESE BROTHERS WHO BECAME SAINTS

Saint Methodius

- Born between 815 and 820
- Went into Imperial Administration
- Put in charge of one of the frontier provinces
- Around 840 – retired to monastery at foot of Mount Olympus

Saint Cyril

- Born 827 or 828
- Entered priesthood
- Became Librarian of the Archive of Hagia Sophia
- Became Secretary to the Patriarch of Constantinople
- Retired to a monastery on the Black Sea coast
- 6 months later, convinced to teach Philosophy in Constantinople – Earned title “the Philosopher”
- Sent by the emperor and patriarch on a mission to the Saracens
- Went to join Methodius to be a monk

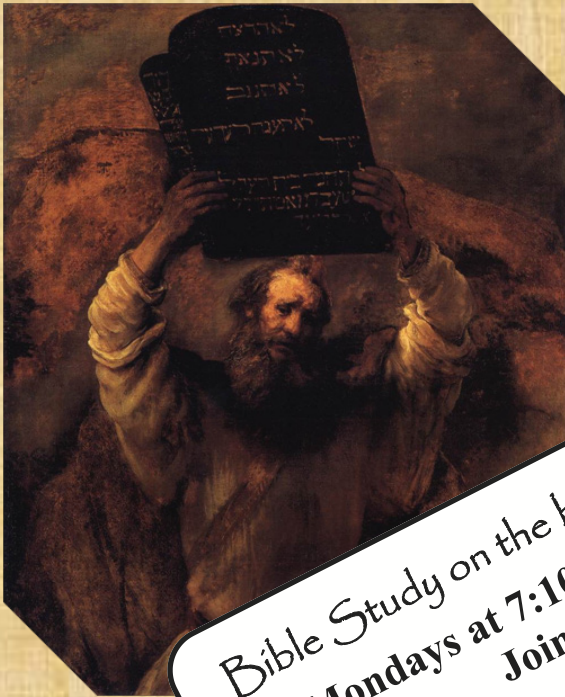
Saints Cyril and Methodius

- Sent as religious and cultural experts on delegation to Khazars
- They find Pope Saint Clement's relics at Kherson in the Crimea and take them with them

Exodus

Called to Freedom

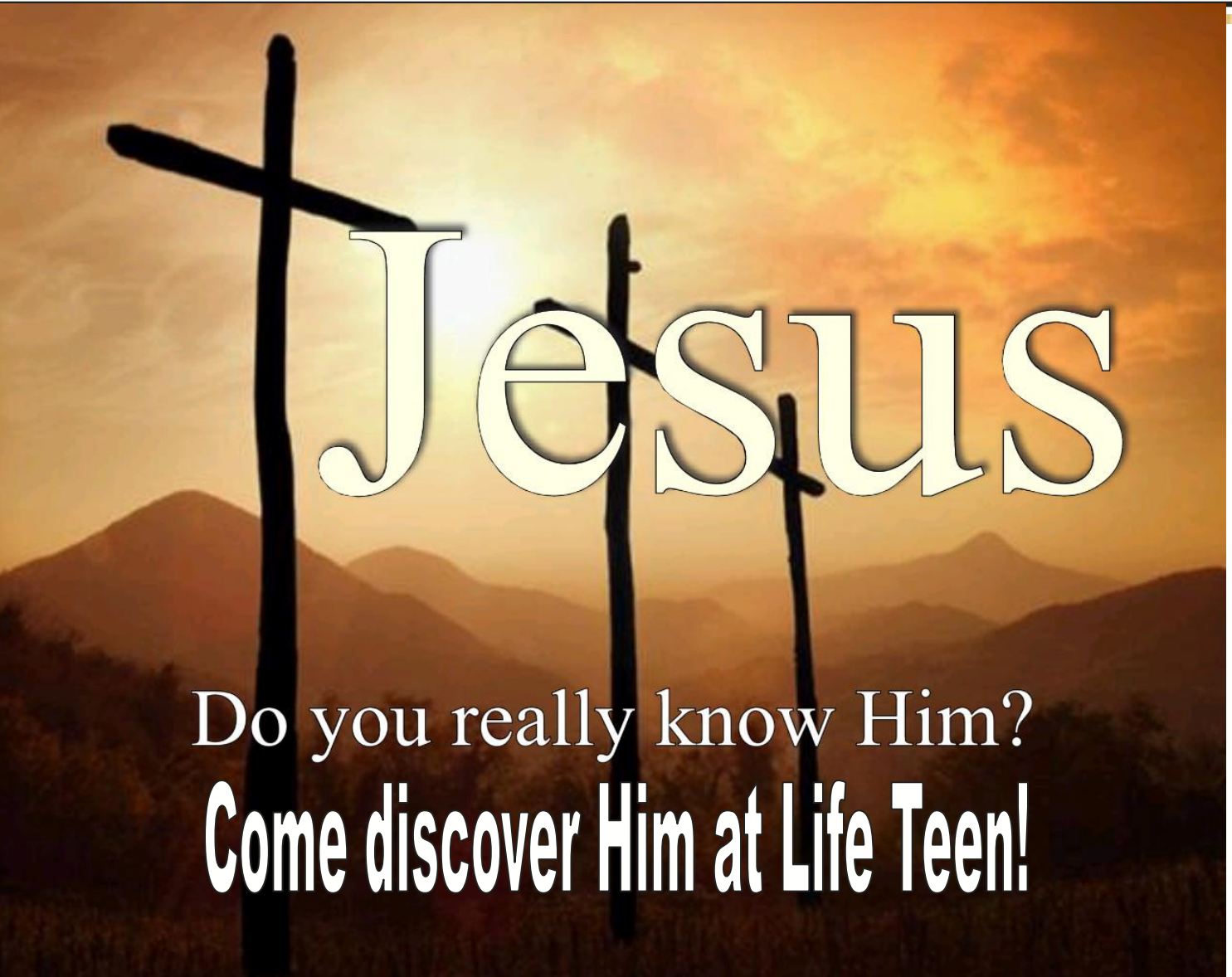
Plagues!
Miracles!
Slavery!
Freedom!
Love!
Loss!
Salvation!



Bible Study on the book of Exodus
Mondays at 7:10 PM, Cafeteria
Join Now!

Learn how Moses brought the word of God to the Israelites and how God saved and formed His family!





Jesus

Do you really know Him?
Come discover Him at Life Teen!

Jan 23– Mass 5pm and Life Night 6:30pm-8pm

Food for the Soul-Jan 26th, Wednesday

All teens are welcome to come to 6:30 am Mass followed by a free breakfast!

D-Nite– Jan 26th

Wednesday nights 7pm-8:15pm in the Cafeteria

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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS 2011 EDUCATION CONTEST

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will sponsor a 2011 Education Contest, with themes of: "The Lord is My Light" and "The Light Others Give to Me" to encourage lively imagination and freedom of thought for students. The category choices are: Art, Essay, Poetry, Computer Art, Music, and Photography. Participants need to create an original idea for the entry. Contest open to grades four through twelve. All winning entries must meet contest rules. Check CDA website: www.catholicdaughters.org or the National Office at CDofANatl1@aol.com for contest application and rules. Due date Feb. 7, 2011. Local contacts: Diane Sulak, 972-878-0016, email: dianesulak@wildblue.net or Mary Ann Trojacek, 972-875-6655

CZECH LANGUAGE CLASSES

Czech Language Classes are offered every Wednesday night at 7:00 pm in the KJT hall dining room, until March 30. Join them to brush up your Czech language, grammar or conversational skills. Instructor is Joe Janecka. Some history of Czechoslovakia and the Czech and Slovak Republics will be included.

K.J.T. SCHOLARSHIP

Graduating seniors who have been a member of the KJT for at least one year may be eligible for a KJT Scholarship. Call 1-800-245-8182 for application, which will be mailed to you and must be returned to the home office by March 1, 2011.

WINTER WALKERS

Come to the St. John gym each Tuesday and Wednesday night from 6-8 pm to walk. Stay healthy, keep warm. Any children **must** be accompanied by a parent and supervised. For info, call Joan Johnson, 214-728-6160. KJZT Society #16 is the sponsor.

KC FREE THROW COMPETITION

The annual KC Free Throw Competition for boys and girls ages 10-14 will be next Sunday, January 30, at 2:00 pm in the St. John gym. Arrive by 1:30 pm with a parent or guardian. Students are required to furnish proof of age (copy of birth certificate) and written parental consent. For entry forms or more information, call Kevin Betik at 972-825-7016.

The KC Free Throw Competition is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. Youth compete in their respective age and gender divisions. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation.

FLOWER MEMORIALS FOR WEEKENDS

Flower arrangements for the sanctuary for weekends with no weddings are now being taken in honor or memory of someone.

Call Evelyn Zmolik for more information, 972-875-2791.

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 info, Stephanie Holland, 214-229-8293.