

MASSES THIS WEEK



MONDAY, JANUARY 30

6:30 am Fr. John Special Intention

12:05 pm Rose M. Trojacek +

Confessions before and after 6:30 pm Mass

6:30 pm Jeff Prachyl +

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31—St. John Bosco, Priest

6:30 am Fr. John Special Intention

12:05 pm Elizabeth & Kenneth Holland ++

Confessions before and after 6:30 pm Mass

6:30 pm (Spanish) Ysidro Castillo +

WED., FEBRUARY 1

6:30 am K.R. Isom Special Intention

12:05 pm Wesley Mikel +

6:30 pm Kathy Toth +

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2—Presentation of the Lord

6:30 am Duane Dolezalik +

12:05 pm Joe A. & Annie Martinek ++

6:30 pm (Spanish) Belen Avila +

1st FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3—St. Blaise & St. Ansgar

6:30 am Dorothy Harrison +

12:05 pm Randall Prestidge +

First Friday Devotions after the 12:05 pm Mass

1st SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00 am Richard Miller +

First Saturday Devotions after the 8:00 am Mass

5:00 pm Martha & Joe Dlabaj ++

4th SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 4

7:00 am Florence Noski +

11:00 am Janet Rejcek Roach +

1:00 pm San Juana Mendez Serrato +

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass

Victorino L. and Rafael G. Hernandez ++

MASS INTENTIONS FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sunday, January 29, 9:00 am Elsie & Tom Slama ++

Sunday, Feb. 5, 9:00 am Cyrill & Christine Svreck ++

Now taking Intentions for 2012 at Epiphany Church. Call the St. John business office, Helen Yarbrough, 972-878-2834.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Today the second collection will be for our St. John Charity Fund to help the needy in our community.

SPONSOR OF WEEK: BLACKLAND BUILDING SUPPLY

Pastor's Notes

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are--the Holy One of God!” (Mark 1:24)

Wow! A demon, an unclean spirit, the devil is saying this! He knows and believes in the Son of God! He believes in who Jesus is! I thought that if we know and believe in Jesus, we are saved...at least that is what people are always coming up and asking of us. “Do you know and believe in Jesus Christ?” If so, then you are saved.

They tell us it doesn't depend on the good works you do, or the sins committed, but only that you know and believe in Jesus Christ as the Son of God. In fact, they quote a line from Scripture that says exactly that!

This is what is termed, prooftexting. Prooftexting is defined as, the practice of using isolated quotations from a document to establish a proposition. Obviously, in this case the document quoted from in Scripture and the problem is that you cannot remove a quote from the context it is given in. So the popular saying goes: “a text without a context is a pretext for a prooftext.”

By the way, this does not necessarily involve the use of a cell phone! Though it obviously could be sent through cell phone texting!

Throughout the New Testament and in many of the parables, Jesus sets the context for the theology of the quote we are talking about. The knowing and believing must also be lived out in thought, word and deed. Like Rich Mullins, the founder of contemporary Christian music wrote, “Faith without works is like a screen door on a submarine.”

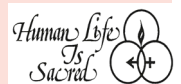
See you in Church!

Love and Prayers,

Father John

PRO LIFE ROSARIES

Countless babies have lost their right to life since the Roe vs Wade court decision to legalize abortion. **Rosaries for Reparation** will be prayed today, Sunday, January 29, from 3:00-4:00 pm in the church. The whole parish is invited to come and participate in these powerful prayers.



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 29

8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes
 8:45 am RCIA Session
 8:30-10:45 am St. John Library Open/Rm106 Compound
 1:30 pm KJT Meeting/KJT Meeting Room
 3:00-4:00 pm Rosaries for Reparation/Church
 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Life Night

Tuesday, January 31

5:00-7:00 pm St. John Library open/Compound
 6:00-7:00 pm Winter Walkers in St. John Gym
 7:00 pm Men's Apologetics Class/Room 202 School

Wednesday, February 1

6:30 am Life Teen *Food for the Soul* & Breakfast
 6:00-7:00 pm Winter Walkers in St. John Gym
 6:30-8:30 pm Religious Education Classes
 D-NITE in the Cafeteria (discuss Theology of the Body)
 7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

Thursday, February 2

Blessing of Candles for home use at every Mass today
 7:00-8:15 pm EDGE Night
 7:00 pm *That Man Is You*/Room 103 compound

Friday, February 3

Blessing of Throats at both Masses today
 First Friday Devotions after the 12:05 pm Mass

Saturday, February 4

First Saturday Devotions after the 8:00 am Mass
 7:00 am *That Man Is You*/Room 103 compound
 3:30 pm Confessions/Church
 St. Cyril & St. Methodius Prayer Novena begins

Sunday, February 5

8:45 am RCIA Session
 8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes
 8:30-10:45 am St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound
 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Super Bowl Party

OFFERTORY GIFTS DURING MASS IN 2012

If a family or (3 or 4) individuals would like to take up the gifts at the Offertory during weekend Masses, please tell one of the ushers at your Mass. This is a tiny ministry but important, as the bearers represent the congregation during Mass.

SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The sanctuary light is in honor of Patsy Blazek, donated by Janie Blazek & Family for the week of January 28-February 3.

WINTER WALKERS PROGRAM

Winter Walkers Program is on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the St. John Gym. Catholic Family Fraternal KJZT #16 sponsors this program. Children must be accompanied by parent/guardian.) Call Joan Johnson for info: 214-728-6160

COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY

St. John Church Support Collection	\$ 18,358.11
Collection for Latin America	1,034.24
Epiphany Mission Collection	696.01
Collection for Latin America	328.60

EPIPHANY PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The next Epiphany Pastoral Council meeting will be on Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30 pm in the church in Italy.

ALTAR CARE FOR FEBRUARY 4 & 11

Irene Vitovsky Mary Ann Trojacek

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

Parents of children planning to receive their sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist this year need to turn in a copy of their Baptismal certificate to the Religious Education office (in the parish office). Also, please finish payments if you have a balance. **Balances and Baptism certificates are due this week, by January 31, for all children who plan to receive their sacraments.** Any questions or concerns, please call Stacy Gallegos, 972-875-9650, or email stacyg@stjohncc.net

CHRISTMAS PLAY DVD

Did your batteries fade out before you got to record the whole Christmas Play? Are you afraid you missed out on the memories of that wonderful night? Don't worry! Christmas Play DVD's are on sale now for \$10. You can pick one up at the parish office during office hours or at the front desk during Religious Ed classes.

NEW CD's IN ST. JOHN LIBRARY

New CD's are now available for checkout in the library. They are:

Holiness Through the Sexual Relationship
 How Can a Single Person Live the Theology of the Body?
 The Theology of the Body's Response to Violation of the Feminine
 Reaching Teens with John Paul II's Life-Changing Message
 This is My Body: an Overview of Pope John Paul's Theology of the Body
 Winning the Battle for Sexual Purity
 Destined for Greatness: Your Human Body
 Buena Nueva SobreSexo y Matrimonio

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

594 A Mighty Fortress is our God
 515 We Are the Light of the World
 636 Blest Are They 551 Let All Things Now Living

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for: Wilma Zhanel, Brandi Schlottman, Frances Maliska, Wanda Slovak, Diana Chapman, Deanna Massey, Matthew Tacker, Heather Hadash, Patsy Blazek, Leo Rejcek, Frankie Joe Patak, Patricia Jessup, Beto Perez, Helen Blackerby, Lolly Dlabaj, Celeste Johnson, Emily Holland, Joshua Meachum, Betty Schlottman, Helen Barak, Betty Coker, George Anthony, Lori Hearn, Bob Scancellia, Wally Eaton, Ninfa Carrillo, Maria Manriquez, Raul Monjarez Sr., Mildred Wickliffe, Juanita Levay, Patsy Odlozil, Nathan Gunn, Tony Guerrero, Gertrude Langley, Betty Cloonen, Rosie Mach, Ruphine Patak, Inez Fira, Edwin & Dorothy Langer, Lauren Moran, Seneida Arreola, Christian Marente, Helen Matous, James Pustejovsky, Robert Martinez Sr., Alfred Martinez, Catherine McClelland, Thelma Collinsworth, Rosa Sanchez, Graciela & Ruben Monreal, Helen Zmolek, Gary Kidder, Jerry Dolezal, Tony Alvarez, Josie, Ray & Cynthia Castillo, Steve Betik, Raul Partida



**Come learn about
what God created you for!**

**Come learn about
God's amazing plan for you!**

Mondays, beginning February 6
7 PM, Cafeteria

Call Seth Wright at the Parish Office
to register and order your study guide.

972-878-2834

Childcare will be available.

This 8 week study
is for all of those
who are over 18
and have a body
whether you are
single,
dating,
engaged,
married,
divorced,
or widowed.

BEGINNING APOLOGETICS CLASS FOR MEN

Attention men who are committed to learning more about explaining our faith to others: a Beginning Apologetics Class is being held on Tuesday nights. Attendance every week is not mandatory. This is an introductory level class, so you can attend whatever your level of knowledge of the faith. Classes will be held in room 202-204 in the elementary school from 7:00-8:30 pm.

**ADULT CONFIRMATION
CERTIFICATES**

Certificates for the participants of the Adult Confirmation that took place on June 12, 2011 are ready for pickup at parish business office.

KJT MEETING

The KJT Society will meet today, Sunday, January 29, at 1:30 pm in the meeting room. All members are urged to attend.

*Feast of the
Presentation*



BLESSING CANDLES FOR HOME USE

On Thursday, February 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, you are invited to bring your own candles to have them blessed at all three Masses that day. These are candles that you use in your own home. There will be a table in church to place your candles on for the special blessing.

**BLESSING
OF THROATS**

In honor of St. Blaise, whose feast day is Friday, February 3, the **Blessing of Throats** will take place after both Masses that day: 6:30 am and 12:05 pm.

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 4—Sunday February, 12

Mass with traditional Czech costume and music—
wear your Czech Kroj! Sunday, February 12th, 11:00 am

Procession: Following Mass

Luncheon: At KJT Hall, Following Procession

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

LIFE TEEN



PICTURES FROM OUR LIFE TEEN
RETREAT!

LIFE TEEN SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Jan 29- Life Night

Feb 5- Super Bowl Party- Time & Place TBA

Feb 1 & 8- Food for the Soul at 6:30am Mass & D-Nite where we
will be discussing the Theology of the Body



THE EDGE!

EDGE SCHEDULE

Feb- 2nd,
Feb-9th,
Feb-16

7pm-8:15pm on
Thursdays in the
Cafeteria

QUESTIONS?

COMMENTS?

CONTACT JOEY AT

972-878-8336

OR

JOEYS@STJOHNCC.NET

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST FRIDAY & SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

First Friday devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Benediction will follow the 12:05 pm Mass on Friday, February 3. First Saturday devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, the Rosary and Benediction will follow the 8:00 am Mass on Saturday, February 4.

2012 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

"Let Us Be Imitators of Christ"

The 2012 Bishop's Annual Appeal mailings from the diocese have been sent to your homes. Our parish appeal will take place in February.

This year the theme of the Appeal is *"Let Us Be Imitators of Christ"*. Please read the materials that you will receive and prayerfully consider making a generous contribution. Our parish goal is \$76,000, and Epiphany is \$3,000.

With your support, we can reach and exceed this goal. All pledges will be billed in 10 monthly installments. Thank you!

NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR RELIGIOUS ED

We need more volunteers: teachers, aides to assist the teachers, and substitutes. This is a wonderful way to give back to your parish and help our children. If you are interested, please contact Stacy Gallegos at 972-875-9650, or 972-875-2834.

HOME BIBLE STUDY TEST

There will be one more review for the Home Bible Study on February 23 before the test in March.

For those participants in the Home Bible Study Course who plan to take the final test on March 3, 2012, you must sign up for the test by February 10 in order to be eligible to take the test. The signup sheet is at the parish office.

Please remember: no signup—no test!

THAT MAN IS YOU

The Spring semester of the That Man Is You men's program has now begun. Sessions are at 7:00 pm on Thursdays and at 7:00 am on Saturdays. Both sessions in Room 103. All men ages 18 and older are invited to participate in this excellent program designed to show men how to live our Catholic faith in today's world. TMIY is a great way for men to prepare for the Lenten Season and Easter. More information about the program can be found on our parish website or at: www.thatmanisyou.org

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, February 4

5:00 pm Austin Spaniel/Tyler Novy

Sunday, February 5

7:00 am Zachary Matous/Dylan Fisher/Matt Zajic

11:00 am Chris Trojacek/David Janousek/Tyler Gilmore

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass Tyler Dennie/Joseph Baird