### **Mass Intentions**

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25

NO 6:30 a.m. Mass today

12:05 p.m. Poor Souls Novena

6:00 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. Willie Mae Vavra +

7:00 p.m. Confessions

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

6:30 a.m. Poor Souls Novena

12:05 p.m. Victor F. Trojacek +

6:00 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. (SPANISH) J. Carmen Torres +

7:00 p.m. Confessions

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

6:30 a.m. Poor Souls Novena

12:05 p.m. Bob Gaines +

Adoration after 12:05 Mass until 5 p.m.

**6:30 p.m.** Elizabeth & Kenneth Holland + +

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

**6:30 a.m.** Poor Souls Novena

**12:05 p.m.** Ella M. Marusak +

6:30 p.m. (SPANISH) Ysidro Castillo+

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

First Friday Devotions after 12:05 p.m. Mass

6:30 a.m. Poor Souls Novena 12:05 p.m. Rose Ann Vrana +

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 a.m. Mass

8:00 a.m. Paul Carrillo +

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Poor Souls Novena

SUNDAY, MARCH 3—Third Sunday of Lent

7:00 a.m. Joe S., Mary, & Joe L. Liska +++

11:00 a.m. Stanley V. & Ann Patak ++

1:00 pm Roberto Carlos Ortiz +

5:00 Life Teen Mass Poor Souls Novena

#### MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun., Feb. 17 9am Aristeo Nieto +

Ash Wednesday Collection

Sun., Feb. 24 9am Pascacio Escobar +

#### **COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 9 & 10**

St. John Church Support Collection \$ 14,943.75 Ash Wednesday Collection 3,407.74

**Epiphany** Church Support Collection 656.67

**ALTAR CARE FOR March 2 & 9** 

Cecilia Canada/ Joan Johnson

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Edward Jones/Jamie Holland

### From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

I am writing this message on Wednesday morning, the 20<sup>th</sup>. This last Saturday morning at 6:00am we began our Men's CRHP Weekend here at St. John. Seventeen men came early Saturday morning to begin an approximately 30 hour visit with Jesus. I am privileged to be with these men and the men putting on the retreat during these 30 hours. What an amazing gift to me and our parish!

Each CRHP Weekend brings the Lord Jesus in close! He is very tangibly present in our midst. We have made a special effort to be with Him for this time, so He seems to also have a special presence during this time. All involved feel this unique experience of our God. Again, what a gift to all involved! Many of our parishioners also help as support, in the kitchen, the Adoration Chapel, set-up and clean-up, and the Saturday night all CRHP Mass. These folks too, experience this love of God in a personal and up close way.

After the conclusion of the CRHP Weekend and celebrating the 5:00pm Life Teen Mass, I packed my bag, Mass kit and left for our St. John Staff Retreat at Hoblitzelle Conference Center in Midlothian. Through graced circumstances, our Retreat Master was Ralph Martin, founder and President of Renewal Ministries in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Ralph has an undergraduate degree from Notre Dame and a doctorate in Sacred Theology from the Angelicum in Rome. He was recently appointed by Pope Benedict XVI as a Consultor to the Pontifical Council for New Evangelization in Rome. He was also invited to speak at the Synod of Bishops in Rome, October 2012. An amazing fellow in many ways!

Our staff retreat, like the CRHP Retreat, was awesome. Our Lord Jesus, present in the power of the Holy Spirit was indeed in our midst. Ralph Martin led us through a series of teachings on the New Evangelization called for by Vatican II and strongly promoted by Popes John Paul and Benedict. This is the Evangelization of our parishes! This is the work we are to be about each day, both as parish staff and lay men and women in our Church. This is the work of every Catholic!

Both Retreats, were especially powerful as a beginning to this Holy Season which calls us to repentance and conversion. Repentance from the parts of our lives that are distant from Jesus and conversion to new lives closer to Jesus in all that we think, do and say, each day!

Love and Prayers, Fr. John

421.00

### IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

#### Sunday, February 24

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

8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes

6:30 pm Life Teen/Life Night

#### Monday, February 25

Confessions before and after 6:30 Mass

Theology of the Body/Cafeteria 7:15 pm

Tuesday, February 26

6:30 am Food for the Soul Mass & Breakfast

8:00 am Golden Crusaders/Cafeteria

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

Confessions before and after 6:30 Mass

7:00 pm Beginning Apologetics/ Room 301

7-8:15 pm EDGE / Cafeteria

Wednesday, February 27

Little Saints Play Group/Assumption Hall 10:00 am

Life Teen "Into the Deep" 6-8 pm Religious Education Classes 6:30-8:30 pm RCIA Inquiry/Room 102 7:00 pm 7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

KC #1353 Meeting/KC 7:30 pm

Thursday, February 28

7:00 pm That Man Is You/Room 103 7:00 pm Women of Grace/ Room 104 7:00 pm Little Flower Talks/ Room101/102

Friday, March 1

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm RCIA Meet @ Stations then compound

7:45 pm Stations of the Cross (SPANISH)

Saturday, March 2

Women's CHRP Retreat today and Sunday 7:00 am That Man Is You/Room 103

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, March 3

Women's CRHP Retreat concludes today

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

8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes

6:30 pm Life Teen/Life Night

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The sanctuary light is in memory of memory of Adolf Trojacek, Collete Trojacek, Joe & Frances Betik, Frances & Anton Trojacek & Helen Barrett. Donated by Mildred Trojacek for the week of Feb 23- March 1.

#### ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, March 2

5:00 pm Alex Fry/Tyler Dennie

Sunday, March 3

7:00 am Tyler Novy/Matt Zajic/Zachary Matous 11:00 am Joseph Galetka/ Austin Spaniel/ Dylan Fisher 5:00pm LT Mass Andrew Alvarado / Alston Lawrence

### RCIA Changes "The period of the catechumenate,"

"The period of the beginning at ac-

ceptance into the order of catechumens ... should extend for at least one year of formation, instruction, and probation. Ordinarily this period should go from at least the Easter season of one year until the next...."

#### (National Statutes for the Catechumenate, **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops**)

You may have noticed that we have changed the schedule for when RCIA begins. In order to bring the RCIA process in our parish into line with the way that the Church envisions RCIA being conducted and to give those going through the process the time it takes to adjust to the Catholic way of life, we have moved to a year-round RCIA schedule. Any adults wishing to receive sacraments in 2014 should begin the process now. Anyone beginning after Easter will not receive sacraments until 2015.

#### **CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH**

Pray for the women on retreat this weekend!

#### **WOMEN OF GRACE**

Will meet in Room 104 on Thursday.

#### K.J.T. SCHOLARSHIPS

Graduating high school seniors of the class of 2013 are reminded to contact the KJT home office at 1-800-245-8182 for a scholarship application. You must have been a KJT member for at least 1 year. The deadline is March 1st.

#### TWO EVENINGS WITH ST. THERESE by Deacon Don

Thursday, Feb. 28th 7pm-8:30 pm, room 101-102. Please bring paper & pen for note taking.

#### ALTAR SOCIETY DUES

It is time to pay Altar Society dues. They are \$15. Dues may be paid using the envelope in your packets or at the Religious Goods counter.

#### KJZT DISTRICT MEETING

Local KJZT Society #16 will host a District meeting on Sunday, March 3, 2013 at the KJT auditorium dining room. All members, adult and junior groups, are invited to attend. Registration will begin at 11:00 AM, followed by lunch at noon and the meeting beginning at 1 PM. There will also be a memorial service for members who died this past year. Please contact Elsie Marak at 972-878-5537 or Alene Eggers at 972-878-4168 by Wednesday, Feb 27 if you plan to attend. You may bring dessert if you wish.

#### SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

The 6 candles flanking the main altar in the sanctuary were donated for the success of the Women's CRHP Retreat and all our Religious programs at St. John for the week of Feb. 16 — Feb. 22.

#### HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24th

Entrance: Return to God—# 410

Offertory: Christ, Be our Light—# 512

Communion: What Wondrous Love is This — # 614

# Lenten Schedule

### Stations of the Cross

Make praying the Stations of the Cross with the parish a part of your Lenten devotions.

English: every Friday at 7:00 PM Spanish: every Friday at 7:45 PM Epiphany: every Friday at 6:00 PM

### **Holy Week Schedule**

Holy Thursday
Mass of the Lord's Supper

Epiphany: 7:00 PM St. John Nepomucene: 7:00 PM

**Good Friday** 

**Stations of the Cross** 

Epiphany: 4:00 PM

St. John Nepomucene: 3:00 PM

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

English: 6:30 PM Spanish: 8:00 PM

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

St. John Nepomucene: 8:30 PM

Ephiphany: 8:30 PM

**Easter Sunday Masses** 

7:00 AM 9:00 AM (Epiphany) 11:00 AM 1:00 PM (Spanish) NO 5:00 PM Mass

### **Easter Duty**

Catholics are obligated to receive the Eucharist at least once a year between Easter Sunday and Trinity Sunday (cf. Canon 920). However, you are encouraged to receive at every mass you attend.

# **RCIA** Rites

**Feb. 24, 11 AM Mass**—Rite of Sending (for non-Baptized persons)

Cathedral, 5:30 PM—Rite of Election (for non-Baptized persons)

March 2, 5 PM Mass—First Scrutiny

March 8, RCIA meeting—Presentation of the Creed

March 10, 7 AM Mass—Second Scrutiny

March 17, 11 AM Mass—Third Scrutiny

March 22, RCIA meeting—Presentation of the Lord's Prayer

March 30, Easter Vigil Mass—Sacraments of Initiation (for previously non-Baptized persons)

May 18, 5 PM Pentecost Vigil Mass—Reception into Full Communion (for Baptized non-Catholics) and First Holy Communion and Confirmation (for Baptized Catholics)

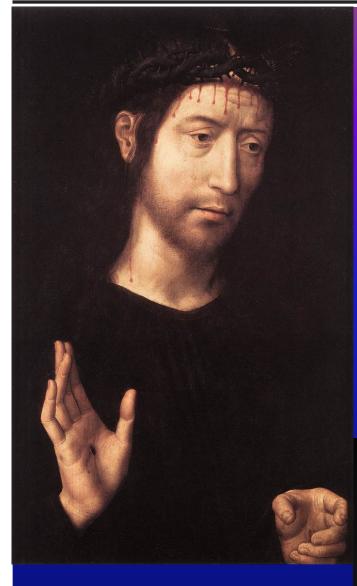
### Laws of Fast and Abstinence

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all those who have celebrated their 18th birthday and have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. Fasting as explained by the U.S. bishops means partaking of only one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted at breakfast and around midday or in the evening—depending on when a person chooses to eat the main or full meal.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent by all who have celebrated their 14th birthday. Abstinence forbids the use of meat, but not of eggs, milk products, or condiments made of animal fat. Abstinence does not include meat juices and liquid foods made from meat. Thus, such foods as chicken broth, consommé, soups cooked or flavored with meat, meat gravies or sauces, as well as seasonings or condiments made from animal fat are not forbidden. (Clearly, soups with meat particles may not be served.) Also, it is permissible to use margarine or lard.

### **Reconciliation Duty**

Catholics guilty of a grave sin are obliged to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance) at least once a year (cf. Canon 989). Of course, you are encouraged to receive Reconciliation much more often even if you don't have a grave sin, simply to receive the graces of Confession.



RETURNING TO
ST. JOHN
NEPOMUCENE
THIS LENT
FOR ONE NIGHT

EWTN'S DOUG BARRY





**Live Performance of** 

The Passion



## Nepomucene's Teens



#### EDGE:

Tuesday 2/26: Can I get an Amen? Tuesday 3/5: Jesus Coming to Town Tuesday 3/12: NO EDGE NIGHT – Spring Break All EDGE students and parents! Our semester on Sacred Scripture is in full swing! We are asking our students to bring their Biblesto EDGE weekly. We are making Bible available to the students for \$10.

#### Life Teen:

Sunday, 2/24 – "Calling to Mind"
Sunday 3/3 – "Word Up"
Sunday 3/10 – Life Teen Mass,
NO LIFE NIGHT
Sunday 3/17 – "Given up for you"

\*"Life Teen" begins with the Life Teen Mass at 5 PM and continues with Life Night until 8:15 PM. Tuesday Mornings at 6:30-Food For the Soul & Breakfast (showup at Mass at 6:30)

Wednesday Evenings – 6-8 PM "Into The Deep" meets in the Cafeteria, attends Mass, and explores deeper levels of the Catholic faith in our lives.

Interested in volunteering with our teenagers or have any questions about our Youth Ministry programs? Contact Stephen Thompson @ stephent@stjohncc.net



Walk with Him.

## Stations of the Cross

Each Friday of Lent

7:00 PM (English)

7:45 PM (Spanish)

#### **BEGINNING APOLOGETICS**

"How to Answer the Tough Moral Questions" Tuesdays at 7:00 in room 301 in the old high school

Theology of the Body

Monday evenings, 7:15 PM, Cafeteria—no meeting Feb. 18

#### **SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

These people need our prayers: Joe Barak, Megan Rebuck, Sarah Carroll, Joanne Walsh, Roy Brandon, Mike Fabela, DeDe Mauricio, Rosie Zhanel, Nicole Rios, Patricia Banks, Sue Thompson, Jessica Puente, Michael Gallagher, Bob Agar, Bill Divin, Fatima de Carmen Gomez, Maximiliano Gomez, Crystal Monjaraz, Lasita Salazar, Margie Dvorak, Nacho Martinez, G.W. and Agnes Garrard, Helen Fowler, Alyvia Zmolik, Mickey Walker, Mildred Trojacek, Florinda Smith, Helen Patak, Betty Coker, Tommy Slama, Juanita Lowe, Walter Marusak, Janie & Richard Mraz, Nathan Gunn, Matthew Dixon, Judy Zapletal, Darrell Patak, Betty Rogala, Maria Manriquez, Jimmie Trahan, Jimmy Garcia Sr., Sandy Wheeler, Roger Gagnon, Joy Moore, Charlie Honza, Frances Maliska, Jeff Sladecek, 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 Heiny, 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 Schlebach, Graciela and Rene Monreal, Steve and Bernard Betik, Edwin & Dorothy Langer, Brandi Schlottman, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Jerry Dolezal, Raul Partida

### **RCIA Rites of Sending and Election**

This Sunday at the 11:00 AM Mass, some of those who have been in the RCIA process this year will take part in the Rite of Send-

ing. This rite is for those who have not been Baptized. In this rite, our parish sends these catechumens to be accepted as the "Elect" by the bishop in Dallas. At 5:30 PM on this Sunday, the Rite of Election will be held at the Cathedral in Dallas, where the bishop will accept catechumens from around the diocese. As we pray with and for these catechumens, let us all be grateful for the election of Christ that we have received to be saved by Him and made one in Him.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Purification and Enlightenment

Friday Evenings—Meet for Stations of the Cross in the Church at 7 PM followed by prayer in another room