

# Mass Intentions

## MONDAY, March 11

6:30 a.m. Priests & Staff of St. John Nepomucene

12:05 p.m. Tony Ingargiola +

6:00 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. Ethelina & Wesley Knize ++

## TUESDAY, March 12

6:30 a.m. Emil & Ronnie Toupal ++

12:05 p.m. Wesley Mikel +

6:00 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. (SPANISH) Ofelia Padilla & Brijilo Santoyo ++

7:00 p.m. Confessions

## WEDNESDAY, March 13

6:30 a.m. William "Bill" Slovak +

12:05 p.m. Walter Reinhard +

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

2:30 p.m. Jim Wartsbaugh + (I.O.O. F. Mass)

NO 6:30 p.m. Mass today

## THURSDAY, March 14

6:30 a.m. Frank Blazek

12:05 p.m. Louise Haba +

6:30 p.m. (SPANISH) Parish Unity

## FRIDAY, MARCH 15

6:30 a.m. RCIA Candidates & Elect

12:05 p.m. Emeleen Maliska +

## SATURDAY, MARCH 16

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Kenneth Langley +

## SUNDAY, MARCH 17- Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:00 a.m. Helen & Frank Dlabaj ++

11:00 a.m. For the Parish Community

1:00 pm Salvador Espino +

5:00 Life Teen Mass Jesus (Jesse) Alvarez +

### MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun., March 3, 9am Felicitas Castillo +

Sun., March 10, 9am Francisco y Bernabe Lopez Cabrera ++

### COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 2 & 3

St. John Church Support Collection	\$ 19,374.34
2nd collection for Capital Improvements	2,125.28
Epiphany Church Support Collection	1,005.82
Second collection for Building Fund	544.51

### ROSARY MAKING GROUP

The Rosary Making Group will meet at the home of Jimmy & Cathy Falkenbach on Thursday, March 21 from 6:30 to 8:00. No commitment needed. Come & go as needed. Cathy may be reached at 214. 718. 5828.

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## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

The Introit for today's Mass begins: "Laetare Jerusalem. . ." which translated reads, "Rejoice, Jerusalem!" So, brothers and sisters, this is "Rejoice" Sunday!

The last sentence in our Gospel Reading from St. Luke extends this to each of us. "But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

This is the joy of the prodigal son, a son who is loved and forgiven by the father. We too, as sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father, find our true joy in His love and forgiveness. This true joy is located in the Cross of Jesus Christ. The amazing love that Jesus has for each one of us, is what took Him to the Cross. Because of this love, we are filled with joy. This is the joy that nothing can take away from us.

St. Paul writes, in 2 Cor 11:24-27, a long list of sufferings he has endured for Christ. Among these are "forty lashes less one," "beaten with rods," "stoned," "shipwrecked," "hunger and thirst," and "cold and exposure." Yet, he is also able to write, "I am filled with comfort. With all our affliction, I am overjoyed." (2 Cor 7:4)

Having completed our Third Week of Lenten sacrifices, prayer and mortifications, we too, united with the Cross of Christ can begin to experience the joy that St. Paul writes about. Uniting our sufferings with Christ's, not only allows us to share in the redemptive joy, but also brings that redemptive grace into ourselves and our world. We are drawing close to experiencing the ultimate joy of the Easter Resurrection.

As we enter our Fourth Week of Lent, let us continue to prepare ourselves for the Solemnity of Easter. We will soon be walking with Jesus through the amazing, grace-filled liturgies of Holy Week. Our excitement builds as we approach this time of perfect Love. The love that St. John speaks of when he writes, "God is love."

Love and Prayers,  
Fr. John

### Time to . . . SPRING FORWARD!

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour Sunday, March 10th @ 2:00 a.m.

### CEMETERY GATE TIME CHANGES

The open and close times for the gates at St. Joseph Cemetery will be changing this weekend. The **new times will be from 7:30 am to 7:30 pm**. If the gates close while you are still inside, just drive up to the yellow line and the gates will automatically open.

## LAETARE SUNDAY OF LENT

### IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

#### Sunday, March 10

**Second collection this week is for Catholic Relief Services**

St. John Library closed for Spring Break

**NO** Religious Education Classes

**NO** Life Night after Life Teen Mass

#### Monday, March 11

**6:00 pm** Confessions  
No confessions after 6:30 Mass

**7:15 pm** Theology of the Body/Cafeteria

#### Tuesday, March 12

**9:30 am** Golden Crusaders/Cafeteria

**12:00 pm** Food for the Soul Mass & Lunch

**6:00 pm** SJ Altar Society/Room 102

SJ Library closed for Spring Break

Confessions before and after 6:30 Mass

**7:00 pm** Beginning Apologetics/ Room 301

**7:00 pm** Marriage Prep Class/ Room 101

**NO** EDGE/ Spring Break

#### Wednesday, March 13

**10:00 am** Little Saints Play Group/Assumption Hall

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

**NO** Religious Education Classes

**7:00 pm** RCIA Inquiry/Room 101

**7:00 pm** Radix—THE PASSION/ Church

**7:30 pm** KC #1353 Meeting/KC

#### Thursday, March 14

**7:00 pm** That Man Is You/ Room 103

**7:00 pm** Women of Grace/ Room 101

**7:30 pm** Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

#### Friday, March 15

**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 16

**7:00 am** That Man Is You/ Room 103

**3:30 pm** Confessions/Church

#### Sunday, March 17

**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

#### ALTAR CARE FOR March 16 & 23

Irene Kriska/ Nancy Valek

#### GOLDEN CRUSADERS MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, March 12 in the cafeteria with Bingo beginning at 9:30 am. We will have a Fish dinner and members are encouraged to bring A-N side dishes and O-Z desserts. New members welcome.

#### ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

##### Saturday, March 16

**5:00 pm** Alston Lawrence/ Josef Woodward

##### Sunday, March 17

**7:00 am** Tyler Novy/ Chris Trojacek

**11:00 am** Dylan Fisher/ Andrew Alvarado/ Joseph Galetka

**5:00pm LT Mass** Alex Fry/ Tyler Dennie

## RCIA Changes

"The period of the catechumenate, beginning at acceptance 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**. **Any-one beginning after Easter will not receive sacraments until 2015.**

#### CEMETERY CLEAN UP ON MARCH 16

The annual Spring Cleanup at St. Joseph Cemetery will be Saturday, March 16, 2013, from 9:00 - 10:30 am. At this time ALL items on the ground will be picked up and thrown away. The cleanup will include the Mausoleum also. Volunteers to help with the cleanup are appreciated. Bring gloves, and rakes or hoes to get to the leaves around the fences. A pizza lunch will be served in the cafeteria for volunteers.

#### GUADALUPANO GORDITA SALE

Sunday, March 10th  
after the 7am, 11 am, and 1 pm Masses in the cafeteria.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Religious Ed. department is looking for front desk volunteers on Sunday mornings, 2 men to volunteer for hall monitors, and one more male hall monitor on Wednesday nights. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions please contact Stacy Gallegos at the parish office.

#### EPIPHANY PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, March 20 at 7:30 pm in the church.

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The sanctuary light is in memory of memory of Mary Ann Kubin & deceased Kubin & Koubek family members. Donated by Leslie Kubin Family for the week of March 9– March 15.

#### SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

The 6 candles flanking the main altar in the sanctuary were donated in memory of Maria & Hermenejildo Rosales by Anna Rosales & family for the week of March 9 — March 15.

#### HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 10

**Entrance:** There's a Wideness in God's Mercy - 603

**Offertory:** Return to God - 410

**Communion:** Taste and See - 827

## Changes Regarding Safe Environment

Your safe environment training expires one year from the last date you took the class. You have two options to complete your re-training.

**1) Re-Training Class—Three Times a year on Sundays after 7AM & 11AM Masses, room 202/204**

**March 17th**

**June 2nd**

**September (TBA)**

**2) Complete your retraining online:**

[www.stjohnncc.net](http://www.stjohnncc.net)

- Click on “parishioners” on the toolbar, then “safe environment training”

- Return hard proof of online training to Maggie Holy

*Remember, your training must be up to date for you to be able to volunteer!*

Questions contact: Maggie Holy, [maggieh@stjohnncc.net](mailto:maggieh@stjohnncc.net), or leave a voicemail at 972-875-2834.

**Thank You to everyone who donated  
their time and talent to repaint our  
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LAETARE SUNDAY OF LENT

THE EVENT FOR ALL TIME

THE  
PASSION

ENNIS, TEXAS

MARCH 13TH  
7:00 P.M.

FEATURING  
DOUG BARRY

MUSIC BY  
ERIC GENUIS



# Nepomucene's Teens



## EDGE:

Tuesday 3/12: NO EDGE NIGHT –  
Spring Break  
Tuesday 3/19: Stories of the Old  
Tuesday 3/26: Everywhere Man

All EDGE students and parents! Our semester on Sacred Scripture is in full swing! We are asking our students to bring their Bibles to EDGE weekly. We are making Bible available to the students for \$10.

## Life Teen:

Sunday 3/10 – Life Teen Mass, No Life Night  
Sunday 3/17 – “Given up for you”  
Sunday 3/24 – “Go Out and Tell”  
Sunday 3/31 – EASTER Sunday, NO  
LIFE TEEN MASS or LIFE NIGHT  
\*\*“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 (show up 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](mailto:stephent@stjohncc.net)



## Walk with Him. *Stations of the Cross*

Each Friday of Lent  
7:00 PM (English)  
7:45 PM (Spanish)

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Altar Server training will be held on Tuesday, March 12, at 4:00 PM in the Church followed by dinner. This is for current servers and any High School young man who is interested in serving.

### 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

## LAETARE SUNDAY OF LENT

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

These people need our prayers: Bobby Bohanon, Joe W. Spaniel, Joe Barak, Megan Rebeck, 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, Nathan Gunn, Matthew Dixon, Darrell Patak, Betty Rogala, Maria Manriquez, Jimmie Trahan, 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, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Jerry Dolezal, Raul Partida

### RCIA Scrutinies

“The scrutinies, which are solemnly celebrated on Sundays and are reinforced by an exorcism, are rites for self-searching and repentance and have above all a spiritual purpose. The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. For the scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. These rites, therefore, should complete the conversion of the elect and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all.”

RCIA, 141



### 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 room 104.