



Masses For The Week

MONDAY, APRIL 4, St. Isidore, Bishop & Church Doctor
No 6:30 am and 6:30 pm Masses today

12:05 pm Bessie & Wesley Lanicek ++ and
Joe S. Patak +

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

6:30 am Mark Hejny and Deceased Family ++

12:05 pm Larry Haskovec + and
Paulita Alvarez +

6:30 pm Spanish For the Injured & Homeless People of Japan

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

6:30 am Frank and Jay Felcman ++

12:05 pm Willie & Mary Honza & Family +++ and
Lillian Strull +

No Adoration after 12:05 pm Mass until after Easter

6:30 pm Domingo G. Martinez Sr. + and
Tracy Lennett +

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

6:30 am Deacon Dean Darnall +

12:05 pm Emeleen Maliska + and
Sister Stephanie Slovak +

6:30 pm (Spanish) For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

6:30 am Garrett Maliska +

12:05 pm Anthony Glaser + and
Rev. John V. McCallum +

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross in English

7:30 pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

5:00 pm Randall Prestidge + and
Louise Kubena +

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, APRIL 10

7:30 am Edwin & Joyce Plasek 50th Wedding Anniversary
and Jeff and Keenan Prachyl ++

10:30 am Agnes & Jerry Chudej ++ and
Joe "Joey" Richard Garcia +

1:00 pm Antonio Victorino + and
For Our Parish Community

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass

Winnie Whitfill + and
For our Bulletin Sponsors



Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

Today, Laetare Sunday, our Lenten Penitential atmosphere lightens up a little bit! I am vested in rose-colored vestments, flowers adorn our altar and we hear the rejoicing sound of the Sanctus Bells!

We are getting closer to our goal of Easter! The celebration of the Lord's Resurrection and the anticipation of our own Resurrection! The acts of prayer, fasting and almsgiving we have been practicing during Lent, so far, should be paying off! We should be experiencing the lessening of the sins we have been focusing on during Lent. Our hearts should be getting lighter, freed from the heaviness of sin.

After the pain, torture and suffering of the sins of the world, Jesus must have felt a relief during His three days in the tomb. His soul had to have been experiencing a rest from the hurt of the betrayal of Judas. His mortal body had to have experienced a relaxation from the physical beating, scourging and hammering of nails. The tiredness of carrying the heavy cross and weight of our sins had to be relieved.

So too, we should be feeling a burden lifting as we near the end of our Lenten Penitential Pilgrimage toward Easter. The effort we have daily put into the living out of our Lenten promises seems easier as we near the end. The grace which we have invited into our lives has healed and strengthened us. We have a renewed Spirit which will continue to carry us through our lives. Each Lent we grow in strength and holiness and we come nearer the end of our mortal lives, just as Jesus did.

This is the Spirit and strength which will allow us to follow Jesus into mortal death and then to the Resurrection of Easter! The time for rejoicing is drawing near! Easter is coming!

See you in Church!
Love and Prayers,
Father John

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Next weekend the second collection will be for Catholic Relief Services. This collection supports six Catholic agencies benefiting millions of vulnerable, displaced and impoverished families/individuals around the world. This collection makes a real difference in lives across the globe. Please give generously to CRS, "Jesus in disguise".

HYMNS FOR MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Processional: 483 Holy, Holy, Holy

Offertory: 512 Christ, Be Our Light

Communion: 405 Hosea

No Recessional Hymn

MASS INTENTIONS EPIPHANY MISSION, ITALY

Sun., April 3, 9:30 am Eugenio Marco Huerta +

Sun., April 10, 9:30 am For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: THE WILDFLOWER CAFE

LAETARE SUNDAY (FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT)

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 3

- 8:45 am** RCIA Session
9:00-10:15 am Religious Education Classes and EDGE
9-12 noon St. John Library Open/Room 106 Compound
11:00 am KJT District Family Day/Kapavik Farm
5:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Life Night

Monday, April 4

- 7:00 pm** Catholic Daughters Meeting/KC
7:30 pm Safe Environment Training/Room 201 School

Tuesday, April 5

- 7:00 pm** The Passion Presentation in the Cafeteria

Wednesday, April 6

- 10:00 am** Little Saints Playgroup/Gym
No Adoration after noon Mass until after Easter
7:00 pm Religious Education Classes and D-Nite
7:00 pm Parenting Skills Class/Room 301 School
7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

Thursday, April 7

- 7:00 pm** *That Man Is You* Session/Cafeteria
7:30 pm Safe Environment Re-Training/Rm 201 School

Friday, April 8

- 7:00 pm** Stations of the Cross/Church

Saturday, April 9

- 7:00 am** *That Man Is You* Session/Room 301
7:00 am *Women of Grace Study*/IHOP Restaurant
9:00-11 am St. Joseph Cemetery Cleanup (see notice)
3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, April 10

- 8:45 am** RCIA Session
9:00 am Religious Education Classes
9:00-12:00 St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound
1:30 pm KJZT Adult and Juniors Meetings/KJT Hall
5:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Life Night

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Initial training for the Family of Faith Safe Environment will be Monday, April 4, 7:30 pm, Room 201 in the school. Re-training will be on Thursday, April 7, 7:30 pm in Room 201. All parish volunteers must attend either an initial training or a re-training for Safe Environment every year. Contact: Lupe at 972-878-2834

SANCTUARY LIGHTS THIS WEEK

Sanctuary light, south side of sanctuary, is in memory of Anthony and Donna Rose Glaser donated by Theresa Glaser for April 2-8. Sanctuary light, north side, is in memory of Frank & Mary Dick.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR LITURGIES

April 9, Saturday

5:00 pm Grant Vrana/Tyler Dennie

April 10, Sunday

7:30 am Nate Allen/Dylan Fisher/Tyler Novy

10:30am Dylan Honza/Kenny Janousek/David Janousek

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass Hardy Walker/Tyler Dennie/Alex Fry

COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 26 & 27

St. John Church Support Collection \$ 20,337.10
Epiphany Mission Collection 759.98

PARISH JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Parish Business Office is accepting applications for a full time Maintenance worker. Commercial/industrial cleaning experience preferred but will train. Information & application at the office.

CDA APRIL MEETING

Catholic Daughters will meet Monday, April 4th at 7:00 pm in the KC dining room. Bring completed scholarship applications to the meeting or mail to: Mary Ann Trojacek, 8911 FM 1181, Ennis, TX.75119. The Women's Resource Center is the Court's April project. Members can bring these items to the meeting for the WRC: blankets, clothing size 24 months, or Wal-Mart gift cards. Members present will vote on the Catholic Daughter of the Year.

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY CLEANUP & GATE

The annual St. Joseph Cemetery Cleanup will take place next Saturday, **April 9**, at 9:00 am. **All** Christmas and old flowers and all forbidden items on graves and crypts will be removed. If you have any of these items there, please remove them before the cleanup, and **do not** replace them afterwards. The cemetery caretaker has the right to remove all forbidden items. This cleanup will include the mausoleum. Volunteer help (community service hours) from students would be appreciated. Also adults from our parish and/or community are asked to help and are most welcome. Call Helen at the office at 972-878-2834 with any questions.

The **timer on the gate** is set to open at 7:30 am and close at 7:30 pm. If you are in the cemetery when the gate closes, just drive up to the line and stop. The gate will open to let you out.

K.J.Z.T. JUNIORS NEWS

KJZT Juniors will meet at St. Joseph Cemetery on **April 9 at 9:00 am** to help with the cleanup. This will be one of their service projects. **On April 10th at 1:30 pm**, the Juniors will meet in the KJT dining room to make Easter cards and deliver them to a nursing home with Easter candy after the meeting. Please wear your uniform shirt. Juniors, plan to be there and bring a friend! New faces welcome! Lots of fun things are planned for the warmer weather!

K.J.Z.T. SOCIETY #16 MEETING

KJZT adult group will meet next Sunday, April 10, at 1:30 pm in the KJT dining room. Several items will be discussed, including the state office Fraternal Project donation, the scholarship awards, and the annual Mass and celebration in August. Refreshments and a social will follow the meeting. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

These people need our prayers: David Perdue, Robert Strunc, Shirley Mayfield, Kenneth Langley, Adell Vrzalik, Aston Weaver, Dan Grabau, Stella Tobola, Silas Flack, Gary Kidder, F.E. Hoefler Jr., Neesa Gutierrez, Randy Ruffin, Theresa Novy, Frances Pleiner, Helen Zmolek, Carl Pelzel, Cecelia Blazek, Viola Dlabaj, Maria Manriquez, Mary Moreno, Tammy Cardinal, Lisa Marklund, Tommy Rickman, Joy Dlabaj, Raul Partida, Mary Pat Clements, Bessie E. Laznovsky, Wanda Slovak, Billy Coplen, Nolen Dockery, Earlene Slovak, Bernard Betik, Johnny Mensik, Lillian Slovak, James Pustejovsky, Frankie Joe Patak, Steve Betik, Betty Rogala, Evelyn Dlabaj and Ruphine Patak .



St. John Parishioners Support Life at the Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner



134 Edgers!



We had a blast!



EDGE Retreat

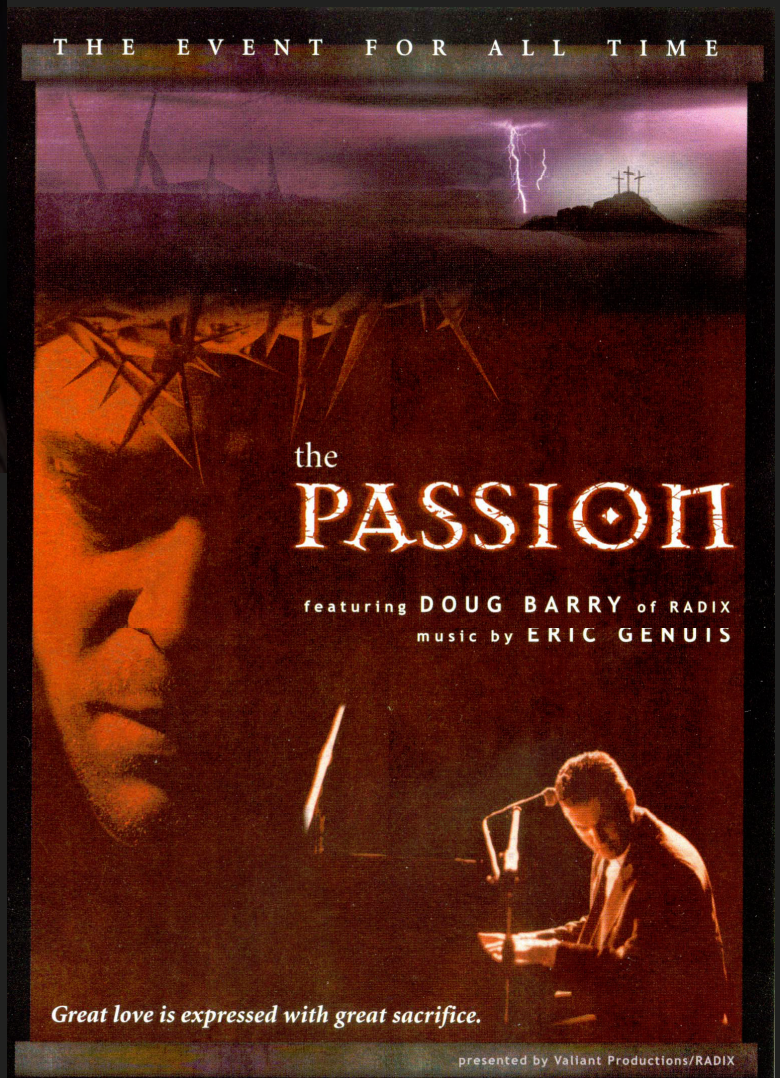
We learned to love Jesus more!



LAETARE SUNDAY (FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT)

Come experience a
LIVE PERFORMANCE
of the
Passion of Jesus.

Tuesday, April 5
7 PM
Cafeteria





Discover that
Jesus Saves this
Lent. Come to
Life Teen
to find out how!

Life Teen Calendar of Events

April 3rd & 10- LIFE NIGHTS

Food for the Soul -April 6

Come to 6:30 am Mass on Wed. and grab some food afterwards!

Steubenville South Meeting-April 6

Parent and teen mandatory Steubenville South meeting. If you or your parent cannot come you must contact Joey. Please bring insurance info and check for deposit.

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

PARENTING SKILLS CLASS

The Parenting Skills Class is a 7 week course on Wednesday nights from 7-8:15 pm in Room 301 (Youth Room) Cost for the class: \$15

Learn practical skills on how to better parent your children, no matter what age. Day-to-day parenting has its challenges. This class can help. Contact Seth Wright at the parish office for more information, 972-878-2834.

KJT DISTRICT V FAMILY DAY IS TODAY

KJT District V Family Day is today, April 3, at Rodney & Jennifer Kapavik's home at 4945 FM 1181, Ennis. Registration starts at 11:00 am; fishing, horseshoes and washers will be noon through 3:00 pm. Please bring your fishing pole, minnow bucket and lawn chairs. Youth under 13 are encouraged to bring a craft to be judged for an award. All KJT members and their families are invited and encouraged to come out and have a great time!

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TAX STATEMENT LETTERS

If you require a statement of church donations for 2010, please call the office, 972-878-2834, or 972-875-2834.

KC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

KC Council 1353 Scholarship applications are available in the parish business office. Eligibility requirements: high school senior; St. John member; must have an active KC family member in immediate family (father, brother, grandfather, uncle, only). Applications must be received by April 15, 2011 to: Knights of Columbus Council 1353, Scholarship Committee, P. O. Box 201, Ennis, TX 75120

PASTORAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

The St. John Pastoral Advisory Council is seeking new members. Contact Jeremy Cole, 214-709-2758, email jerdanco@yahoo.com

ST. CYRIL & ST. METHIDIUS DVD

TC Videos filmed the recent St. Cyril & St. Methodius celebration. To order a DVD, call Teresa Culpepper at 972-875-6874 or 972-365-2189, or email: teresa1310@yahoo.com Copies are \$20 each.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES NOT CLAIMED

A list of people who have not picked up their Pictorial Directories is posted in the church annex on the bulletin board. Please come by the business office and claim your free copy.

THANK YOU FROM CHAD RYAN FAMILY

“Words cannot fully express my heartfelt thanks for all of your love and support after the death of my son, Chad Ryan. Many of you were so kind to us during this incredibly difficult time. We were overwhelmed with gifts of food, empathetic tears, words and prayers for guidance and strength, your presence at the services, workers at the hall, Mass intentions, memorials and the most beautiful music and flowers....

God’s love has never been more apparent than now, through all of you who are such giving, kind Christian people. St. John has always been my home, but I have never been more proud to say that I am part of this loving community and parish.

I know Chad was smiling down on all of us during those beautiful and meaningful services. From the bottom of my heart, please accept my sincere thanks to each and everyone of you.”

LaVerne & Rick Waldrop, and the family of Chad Ryan

COLLINS SCHOOL GOLF & BUNCO TOURNAMENT

Collins Catholic School in Corsicana is sponsoring “Bogeys for Bears,” their 2nd Annual Golf & Bunco Tournament on Saturday, April 16, at 1:00 pm. Event will be at the Corsicana Country Club.

Individual players and Teams welcome. Dinner & Prizes
For more information & ticket prices, call 903-654-2838, or email: bogeysforbears@hotmail.com

LAETARE SUNDAY

Today is the 4th Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday. Rose vestments are worn as a sign of joy. We rejoice at the midpoint because we are half-way through the Lenten preparation and anticipate the coming joy of Easter. (Ceremonial of Bishops, 252)