Mass Intentions for week of April 20

MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 21

** NO 6:30 a.m. Mass today **

12:05 p.m. Easter Novena **6:30 p.m.** Easter Novena

TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 22

6:30 a.m. Stanley Vlk +
12:05 p.m. Easter Novena
6:30 p.m. Salvador Martinez +

WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER,

APRIL 23

6:30 a.m. Easter Novena 12:05 p.m. Leonard Vrana + 6:30 p.m. Shaelyn Hayes +

THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 24

6:30 a.m. Easter Novena **12:05 p.m.** Joe & Frances Betik ++

6:30 p.m. Easter Novena

FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 25

6:30 a.m. Easter Novena

12:05 p.m. Russell & Mary Grimes ++

SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 26

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Bernardo Sandoval +

APRIL 27, SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER/ DIVINE MERCY

7:00 a.m. Emeleen Maliska +
11:00 a.m. Raymond J. Slovak +
1:00 p.m. Julian Tobar +

5:00 p.m. Life Teen Mass For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. April 20, 9 am Martin Campos+/Alfonso y Esperanza Loredo ++ Sun. April 27, 9 am Jake Escamilla +

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

We accept clean clothes and shoes in the gym every Sunday after 7:00 am Mass until 1 pm. During this time

anyone is welcome to take what they need free of charge.

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

On Easter Monday, April 21st. We will reopen Tuesday, April 22nd. Emergencies: Fr. John 903-624-6114 or Fr. Antonio 469-831-0607.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Hometown Drug

Pastor's Message

Easter 2014

Dear St. John and Epiphany Parishioners,

"Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven!"

He, Jesus Christ, is risen from the dead. He remains with us, until the end of time. So, not only did He come from Heaven to Earth to pay, in person, by His person, the debt we owed but He also came up with a plan so He could remain really and personally with each one of us thought our lives on earth.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, desired to rescue us from the power of evil, from death. He did it!!! By our Baptism we join Him in a life that is immortal. Never ending! Eternal!

By His Passion and Resurrection He gave us the option of an immortal life that is lived in paradise. A life completely fulfilled and perfect in every way. Even a glorified body to go with it!

As we continue to celebrate our Easter Season let us ask Jesus for the grace to take advantage of the new life He has given us; to not get so involved in our lives here on earth that we miss out on the heavenly life. To not get so involved in building our comfortable kingdom here on earth that we miss out on the exciting, though hard work, of building His Kingdom.

We each participate in the building of His Kingdom by our vocation in the Church. If we truly live out our vocation, participating fully in His Church, we will enter into that Kingdom. Our Catholic Faith provides a true life. The Sacramental Life of a Catholic: frequent Confession, Mass on Sundays and Daily Mass as often as possible, is the foundation of our life. Fed by Sacramental nourishment we then grow through Prayer, Scripture, Charitable Works, Mortifications and the study of theology and spirituality.

Together during these fifty days of Easter let us jump into the Kingdom with both feet!

Love and Prayers, Fr. John

COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL 12 & 13
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Church Support Collection Epiphany Church Support Collection \$18,626.86 1,282.55

EASTER SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 20—EASTER SUNDAY

** NO Religious Education Classes **

** NO RCIA **

** NO Life Night **

Monday, April 21- Parish office closed

6:00/7:00 am Morning Prayer & Rosary/Church

6:00/7:00 pm Confessions/ Church

7:30 pm KC 4th Degree Meeting/ KC

Tuesday, April 22

6:00/7:00 am Morning Prayer & Rosary/Church

7:00 am Food for the Soul Breakfast

6:00/7:00 pm
7:00 pm
Apologetics/ Room 301
FDGE / Cafeteria

Wednesday, April 23

6:00/7:00 am Morning Prayer & Rosary/Church

6:30 pm Religious Education Classes today

6:00 pm Life Teen "Into the Deep"

7:00 pm RCIA / Room 101
7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal
KC #1353 Meeting/ KC

Thursday, April 24

6:00/7:00 am Morning Prayer & Rosary/Church

Friday, April 25

7:00 a.m. Rosary/ Church

Saturday, April 26

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, April 27

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

8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes

9:00 am RCIA/ Room 101 **6:30 pm** Life Night

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET



Divine Mercy Sunday April 27th @ 3pm in the Church

"There is no misery that could be a match for My mercy, neither will misery exhaust it, because as it is being granted-it increases. The soul that trusts in My mercy is most fortunate, because I myself take care of it." (1273)

NORTH TEXAS MEN'S CONFERENCE

WHEN: Fellowship: Friday, April 25, 2014, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Conference: Saturday, April 26, 2014, 7 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Prince of Peace Catholic Community 5100 Plano Parkway West, Plano, TX 75093

Presenters include: DOUG BARRY, TIM STAPLES,

AL KRESTA, AND FR. BILL CASEY

CONTACT: John Waedekin at 214-477-4153 for more info.

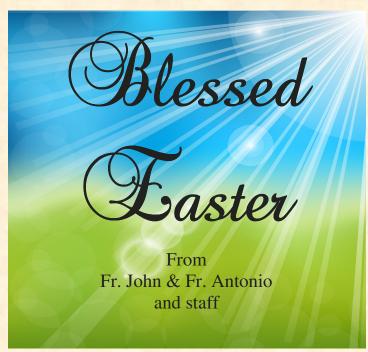
NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

ROSARY MAKING GROUP

will meet at 907 W Lampasas St. on Thursday evening April 24 from 6:30 to 8:00. There is no membership or commitment involved so anyone interested is welcome to drop in for any length of time. Cathy Falkenbach can be reached at 214.718.5828

HEADSTONE LEVELING

Come by the Parish office and fill out a form for estimates on pricing and/or scheduling..



ST. JOHN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications may be picked up at Ennis Main Street Hardware or by emailing stjohnalumni@hotmail.com. Please indicate your full name in the email, year of graduation from St. John or the parent/grandparent upon whom you are establishing your eligibility, and for which scholarship you are applying. Applications must be **postmarked** and sent to P.O. Box 516, Ennis, 75120 by Monday, April 28, 2014.

VOTIVE PRAYER OFFERINGS

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light: April 19—April 25 In Memory: Maria & Hermenjildo Rosales

By: Anna Rosales

Altar Candles : April 19—April 25

For: Intentions of the Wayne Sylvester Family **DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL**

Altar Candles: April 18—April 24

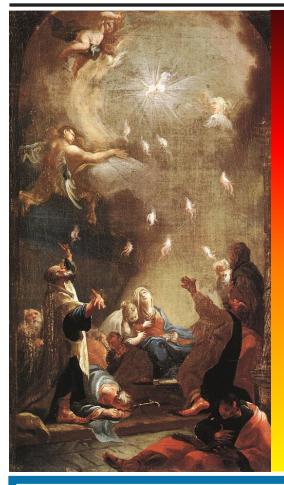
For: Mr. & Mrs. Anton J. Nekuza Family & Mr. & Mrs. Frank J. Prachyl Family

By: Raymond & Georgia Nekuza

Flower Arrangements: April 18—April 24

For: Mr. & Mrs. Anton J. Nekuza Family & Mr. & Mrs. Frank J. Prachyl Family

By: Raymond & Georgia Nekuza



Get Ready for the . . . Pentecost Raffle!

Drawing, June 8,
Pentecost Sunday,
After the 11:00 AM Mass

Tickets will be mailed out soon. Sell them and buy them to support all of our Scripture enrichment programs!

On the eve of his canonization...

St. John Nepomucene Movie Nights presents an Ignatius Night at the Movies

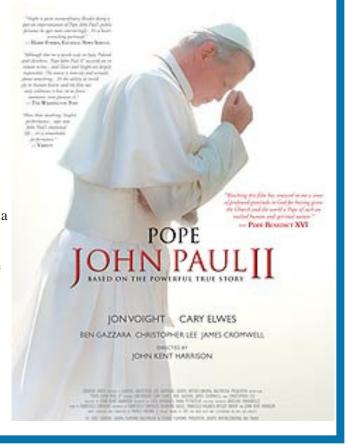
Pope John Paul II

On, Saturday, April 26, at 7:00, compound room 103-104, we will be showing the movie, *Pope John Paul II*, starring Academy Award- and Golden Globe-winning actor Jon Voight as the pope and Cary Elwes (*The Princess Bride, Glory*) as the younger Karol Wojtyla. This incredible portrayal of the extraordinary life of Pope John Paul II aired in December 2005 as a three-hour mini-series on CBS, but has never been released to theaters. Bring your family and friends! Don't miss this opportunity to see *Pope John Paul II* for the first time ever on the "big screen"! This movie was made in cooperation with the Vatican and received a blessing from Pope Benedict XVI. DVDs of this film and other Ignatius Press books and DVDs will be available for purchase, and proceeds will help us continue to show these films and documentaries.

Admission is free.

For more information contact:

John Waedekin at (214) 477-4153.



EASTER SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

An Easter Prayer

It is only right, with all the powers of our heart and mind, to praise You Father and Your Only-Begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dear Father, by Your wondrous condescension of **Loving- Kindness** toward us, Your servants, You gave up Your Son.

Dear Jesus, You paid the debt of Adam for us to the Eternal Father by Your Blood poured forth in Loving-Kindness.

You cleared away the darkness of sin by Your magnificent and radiant **Resurrection**. You broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a **Conqueror**.

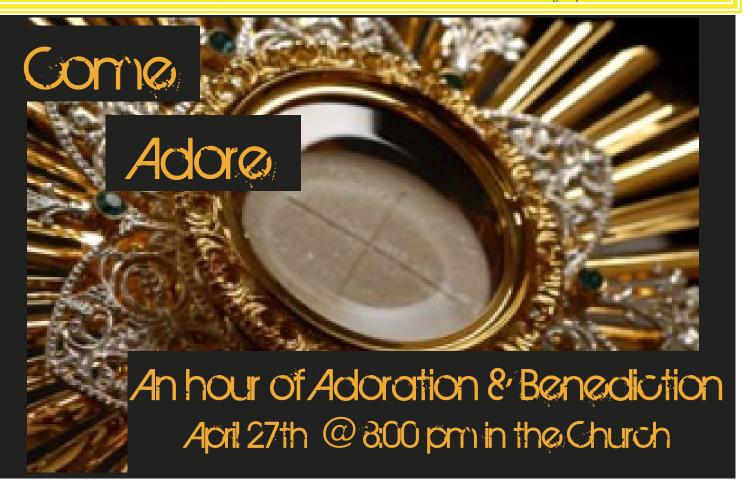
You reconciled Heaven and earth. Our life had no hope of **Eternal Happiness** before You redeemed us. Your Resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence and brought us **jOy**.

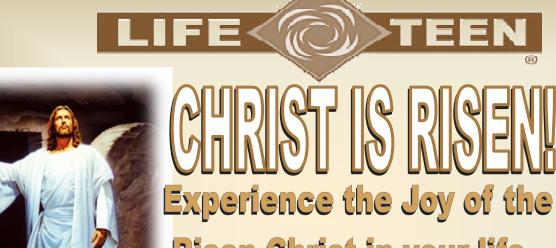
How inestimable is the tenderness of Your Love!

We pray You, Lord, to preserve Your servants in the peaceful enjoyment of this Easter happiness.

We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with God The Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever.

Amen. – St. Gregory the Great





Risen Christ in your life.

Sunday at 5 PM.

Tuesday at 6:30 AM. Wednesday at 6 PM.





Religious Ed. is in need of shoe boxes!

We have all the egg crates and milk jugs we need..



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Sunday Masses with children receiving 1st Communion:



April 26th 5pm

April 27th 11 am, 1 pm, 5pm(6-12 graders)

May 3rd 5 pm

May 4th 11 am, 1pm

May 25th 11 am, 1pm

Let us support our children with prayer and attend these Masses!

EASTER SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

If you have a loved one who is sick or in need of special prayers (not deceased) please contact the parish office by phone or email joannag@stjohncc.net. Your loved one's name will appear on this prayer list for 4 consecutive Sundays. If a longer period of time is needed, please call the parish office to renew your request 2 weeks before the printed date to the right of your loved one's name.

Jo Ann Dolezalik—4/13/14
Margie Dvorak—5/11/14
Helen / Bob Zmolek—5/11/14
Georgie Ann Nekuza—5/11/14
Mary Hejny—5/11/14
Nathan Gunn—5/11/14
Trish Zabojnik—5/25/14
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-4/13/14
Sr. Agnes Marie Marusak-4/13/14
Patricia Banks—5/11/14
Frank Prochaski —4/13/14
Joe Spaniel-5/11/14
Helen Barak-3/23/14
Linda Campbell-3/16/14

Helen Autrey -5/11/14
Betty Rogala—4/13/14
Helen Matous—5/4/14
George/Margaret Spaniel-5/4/14
Johnny/ Mary Ann Hajek-5/4/14
Ed / Peggy Allesandro 5/4/14
Ella Spaniel—5/11/14
Margaret Krajca—4/20/14
Mary Sladecek—4/13/14
Dorinda Clark—4/6/14
Freddy Martinez—4/13/14
Rosa Sanchez—4/13/14
Elizabeth Hickman—5/25/14
Mildred Trojacek—4/13/14

Sr. Redempta Bradley—4/13/14
Stephen R. Dolezalik-4/13/14
Stanley J. Liska—4/20/14
Larry Prda—5/11/14
Agnes Prda—5/11/14
Bill Divin—5/4/14
Bobbie Dlabaj—3/30/14
Gary Kidder—4/6/14
Martina Ortiz—4/13/14
Bob Taylor—5/4/14
Margaret Bohuslav—4/13/14
Henry W. Odlozil, Jr.—4/13/14
Christopher Melkovitz—5/11/14
Roger & Margaret Gagnon-4/20/14

Jonah Trevor Scott—4/20/14 Agnes Landsfeld—4/20/14 Lillian Bacak—4/20/14 Linda Campbell—4/20/14 Ronnie Garcia—4/27/14 Helen Patak—4/27/14 Reagan Dill—5/4/14 John Navarro—5/4/14 John Polak—5/11/14 Cordell Hickman—5/11/14 Billie Sweargin—5/25/14 John Sosa—5/25/14



The Alleluia comes to us from Hebrew, and it means "praise Yahweh." Traditionally, it has been seen as the chief term of praise of the choirs of angels, as they worship around the throne of God in Heaven. It is, therefore, a term of great joy, and our use of the Alleluia during Mass is a way of participating in the angels' worship. It is also a reminder that the Kingdom of Heaven is already established on earth, in the form of the Church, and that our participation in Mass is a participation in Heaven.... So, on Easter Sunday—or, rather, at the Easter Vigil, on Holy Saturday night, when the priest chants a triple Alleluia before he reads the Gospel, and everyone present responds with a triple Alleluia. The Lord is risen; the Kingdom has come; our joy is complete; and, in concert with the angels and saints, we greet the risen Lord with shouts of "Alleluia!"