

MONDAY, MAY 16—Feast of St. John Nepomucene

No 6:30 am or 6:30 pm Masses today

12:05 pm Communion Service (no Mass) and

Mother's Day Novena concludes

**TUESDAY, MAY 17** 

6:30 am Louis Slovacek +

12:05 pm Theresa/Raymond/George/Joe/Mary Sladecek +++++

and Charlie L. Dlabaj +

6:30 pm Spanish Ysidro Castillo +

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18—St. John I, Pope & Martyr

**6:30 am** Fr. John 15th Anniversary of Ordination

12:05 pm Jerry & Cecilia Salik 58th Wedding Anniversary Adoration after 12:05 pm Mass until 5:00 pm

7:00 pm Confirmation Mass for Confirmation Candidates

THURSDAY, MAY 19

6:30 am Duane Dolezalik + 12:05 pm Linda Dlabaj + and

Stanley L. Vlk +

**6:30 pm Spanish** Juan Banda and Eufemio Briones ++

FRIDAY, MAY 20—St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

**6:30 am** Joe S. Patak +

**12:05 pm** Gertrude Griffith + and

Victor Trojacek +

SATURDAY, MAY 21—St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest

10:00 am and 1:00 pm First Holy Communion Masses

5:00 pm Alfred Holy + and

Joe W. Vitovsky +

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 22

7:30 am Roman & Theresa Kasowski 55th Wedding Anniversary

and Joe & Frances Betik ++

10:30 am John Paul Hajek + and

Jesse E. and Michael P. Martinez ++

1:00 pm Gabriel Saucedo and Maria Marquez ++

and For Our Parish Community

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass (last one until Fall)

Maria Perla Cruz + and

**Baccalaureate Mass for 2011 Seniors** 

## MASS INTENTIONS EPIPHANY MISSION, ITALY

Sunday, May 15, 9:30 am For Success of Spring Festival

Sunday, May 22, 9:30 am Albert Elfrink +

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SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: DIANA ZETT

## from the Pastor's de8k

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

Jesus Christ has risen from the dead! Alleluia!

During the days of our Easter Season we have been through Scripture and the Real Presence of the Risen Christ attempting to grasp the true meaning of all this in our lives. The lives we each wake up to every morning here in St. John Nepomucene Parish. We know that without the Gift of Faith and its accompanying grace, we ourselves are not able "to believe." We also know that without this Gift of Faith we cannot live the demands of the Gospel and our Catholic Faith.

Jesus, too, knew the great difficulty of believing in Him and His Gospel. Then, the continuing struggle of being armed with that Faith, and living it out even to the point of death to our mortal lives on this earth. However, this is the Faith that has spread our Church to the ends of the world. A Faith that, indeed, has been built on the blood of the martyrs!

So, Jesus, during these forty days from His Resurrection to His Ascension, remained on this earth and by showing Himself, made eye witnesses to the Truth! He also continued to proclaim the Truth in words: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly!"

We heard in the Gospel of last Sunday that Jesus makes Himself and His Truth known to us in "the breaking of the bread." This is why we as Catholics are here at Mass. This is why our Mother, the Church, has declared Sunday Mass an obligation for us as Roman Catholics. Without hearing Him speak to us, seeing Him with eyes open in Faith and being strengthened by the food of the Eucharist, we cannot lay our lives down at His feet.

This Sunday, in particular, let us ask Him to give us the Faith and Knowledge to understand and believe the words of the Gospel: <u>I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly!</u>"

Easter Blessings! Love and Prayers, Father John Pastor

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY

<u>General</u>: That those who work in the media may always respect truth, solidarity and the dignity of each person.

<u>Missionary</u>: That the Lord may grant the Church in China the capacity to persevere in fidelity to the Gospel and to grow in unity.

## SANCTUARY LIGHTS THIS WEEK

Sanctuary light, on south side, is in memory of Willie L. & Viola Trojacek donated by Ernest Trojacek for the week of May 14-20. Sanctuary light, north side, is in memory of Frank & Mary Dick.

## IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

## Sunday, May 15

8:15 am Coffee & Donuts/Room 103-104 Compound

**Epiphany Mission Spring Festival (see notice)** 

8:45 am RCIA Session

**9:00-10:15 am** Religious Education Classes and EDGE **9-12 noon** St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Life Night

Monday, May 16

7:00 pm Initial Training for Safe Environment

Tuesday, May 17

**5-7 pm** St. John Parish Library is open/Rm 106 **7:00 pm** Confirmation Practice/Meet @ Cafeteria

Wednesday, May 18

Adoration after noon Mass until 5:00 pm

**6:00 pm** Confirmation Candidates meet @ Cafeteria

7:00 pm Sacrament of Confirmation Mass7:00 pm Religious Education Classes

No D-Nite because of Confirmation

7:00 pm Parenting Skills Class/Room 301 School

7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

Thursday, May 19

**7:00 pm** Re-Training for Safe Environment **7:00 pm** Re-Training for Safe Environment That Man is You Session/Room 103/104

Saturday, May 21

7:00 am That Man is You Session/Room 103-104

Sunday, May 22

9:00 -10:15 am Religious Education and EDGE

3:00 pm Baptisms/Church

5:00 pm Baccalaureate Mass & Reception

## HYMNS FOR 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above

797 Baptized in Water

Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

457 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

#### RACHEL'S CORNER QUOTE

Motherhood does not die with the loss of a child. This innate, God-given sense of love continues in the hearts of those who have lost a child through abortion, only now that sense is broken, bound with grief and despair. A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat can experience merciful and freeing love of Jesus.

Abortion

AfterCare-Healing 214-544-CAREhealing@racheldallas.org

## **COLLECTIONS FOR MAY 7 & 8**

St. John Church Support Collection \$ 14,991.85 Catholic Home Missions Collection 479.28

Epiphany Mission Collection 672.67 Catholic Home Missions Collection 212.01

## **ALTAR CARE FOR MAY 21 & 28**

Patsy Kubala Georgie Nekuza

## EPIPHANY CATHOLIC MISSION SPRING FESTIVAL

The Epiphany Mission Spring Festival, 434 S. Ward St., Italy, TX. is going on today!!

You are invited to join them in great fellowship: fun, games, raffle, live music, Folkloric Dancers, and lots of food (brisket, gorditas, hamburgers, elotes, carnitas, nachos, Frito pies, corn in a cup, fruit in a cup, tostadas, popcorn, pickles, cold drinks and more).

Raffles prizes include a \$250 Visa gift cards, \$100 HEB gift card, \$75 HEB gift card, \$50 Walmart gift card, 20" girl's bicycle, a 20" boy's bicycle, patio swing with canopy, comforter bed set, Fiesta Grill dinner for 2, and more.

## **EPIPHANY MISSION RECEIVES GRANT**

Epiphany Mission received a \$37,500 grant from the Catholic Foundation on April 27, 2011. The Grant will be used to paint the interior and exterior of the church. Cabinets will be built and installed in the sacristy. The Catholic Foundation is an independent charitable foundation established to serve the Catholic community by promoting Christian philanthropy. More information can be found on their website at www.catholicfoundation.com

#### EPIPHANY TRACTOR FOR SALE

Epiphany Mission Church has a 1948 Ford 8N tractor with shredder for sale. See at 434 S. Ward in Italy. Minimum bid \$1,500. Sealed bids can be sent to: Epiphany Catholic Church, P.O. Box 436, Italy, TX 76651. For information call Lucio, 972-483-6974, or Cy at 972-627-0179. Bid deadline is June 15th.

#### GOLDEN CRUSADERS NEWS

The Golden Crusaders will have a Corporate Communion on Sunday, June 12, at the 7:30 am Mass, followed by breakfast in the cafeteria. Members, please make plans to attend that Sunday.

## MEMORIAL DAY MASS AT CEMETERY

There will be an 8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph Cemetery on Monday, May 30, Memorial Day. This will be the only Mass that day. More details will be available in next bulletin.

## ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, May 21

5:00 pm Joseph Baird/Grant Vrana

Sunday, May 22

7:30am Tyler Novy/Nate Allen/Aaron Rejcek

10:30 am Tyler Gilmore/David Janousek/Kenny Janousek
5:00 pm Josh Zapletal/Zachary Matous/Alex Fry

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for: Lauren Moran, James Anderson, Martin Michalka, Guadalupe Montemayor, Kenneth Langley, Adolph F. Novy, Brianna Escamilla, Wilma Holt, Domingo Galban, Paulette Prokop, David Perdue, Tony Harrison, Stella Tobola, Lisa Marklund, Tom Johnson, Elvia Sanchez, Silas Flack, Helen Dlabaj, Adell Vrzalik, Alfred Martinez, Viola Dlabaj, Helen Zmolek, Donna Wright, Georgie Galetka, Robert Strunc, Gary Kidder, Frances Pleiner, Cecelia Blazek, Mary Moreno, Joy Dlabaj, Raul Partida, Wanda Slovak, Billy Coplen, Nolen Dockery, Earlene Slovak, Bernard Betik, Johnny Mensik, James Pustejovsky, Frankie Joe Patak, Steve Betik, Betty Rogala, Evelyn Dlabaj and Ruphine Patak.

# KJT # 35 - Catholic Union of Texas Katolická Jednota Texaská

The KJT was started in 1889 by Czech immigrants to Texas as a way of helping each other to have better lives in their new country. Started as a fraternal organization, the KJT has been involved in providing insurance for its members, providing help to the indigent, and providing scholarships for college and seminary. KJT St. Joseph Society #35 in Ennis was founded in 1900, and we are very glad to have them as a part of our parish.

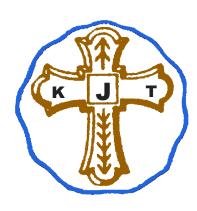
The KJT is always very accommodating and helpful when the parish needs their help like we did this past weekend when the church was shut down for renovations.

Thank you to the KJT for all that you do! We truly appreciate it!

Thank you from Father John, Pastor

**Father Antonio** 

and the entire Parish



Thank you, KJT!

# Special Blessings and Thanks to:

Clarence E. Whitfill for the donation of a Fender Passport Pro 500 Sound System.

## **In Memory Of:**

Deceased Members of the Extended Family of:

Anthony E. Whitfill

Deceased Members of the Extended Family of:

William J. Shaw

Most especially: Agnes Shaw Whitfill (wife)

Mary Pat Clements (daughter) and Gilbert M. Whitfill (brother)

## **Adult Confirmations**

Are you an adult who is a Baptized Catholic but who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Do you want to receive this Sacrament, be sealed with the Holy Spirit, and work to build up the Church? Adults will be confirmed at St. John Nepomucene at 7:30 am Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 12.

# To receive Confirmation on this date you must:

- Already be a Baptized Catholic
- Fill out the application for Confirmation available online or in the parish office (there is a \$25 processing fee with this application).
- Turn this application in to the Parish Office before May 31.
- Attend the Confirmation Preparation class on May 31.
- Submit a recently issued (within the past 6 months) Baptismal certificate with notations.

## Sponsors for Confirmation:

- Must be fully initiated Catholics (must have received Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation)
- If married, must be married in the Catholic Church.
- May not be living conjugally with someone outside of marriage.
- Must attend the Confirmation Preparation class on May 31.
- Must submit a recently issued (within the past 6 months) Baptismal certificate with notations.

If you do not turn in the application and certificates, and all other requirements are not met by May 31, you will have to go through RCIA or wait until next year for Confirmation.

# This Raffle benefits:

Parish Missions  $S_{COUts}$ Children's Religious The EDGF Education That Man is You!

- Baptism - 1st Holy
- Communion
- Confirmation
- Marriage

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Christ Renews His Parish

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And many other programs in our parish!

St. John Nepomucene Pentecost Raffle Name: . Phone: -Email: Address: \$5 5462

# Let the Fire Fall

## **Pentecost Raffle**

Benefitting Parish Scripture Enrichment Programs

\$5

## Prizes:

1-\$2,500 VISA giftcard 1-\$500 VISA giftcard 5—\$100 VISA giftcards 20—\$25 VISA giftcards

St. John Nepomucene

**Drawing:** June 19 at the KJT Hall after the All Parish Mass and **Procession** 

# **Baccalaureate Mass**

Sunday, May 22nd, 5pm Mass

(Group photo meet outside Church at 4pm with cap and gown) The Programs have been sent to the printer, so we will not accept any more names for the program, but please still sign up if you plan on attending the Mass and reception.

Please say a prayer for all of our Graduating Seniors!

# Confirmation

Important information:

Mandatory Practice for Candidates and Sponsors Tuesday, May 17, 7pm in the Cafeteria

## Confirmation Evening: Wednesday, May 18

Candidates and Sponsors report to the cafeteria at 6pm for group photo. The Mass will start at <u>7pm</u> (Only those with a ticket will be admitted into the Church; this goes for children and adults)

# Life Teen Calendar

May 15– Life Teen Mass and Life Night May 18—No Food for the Soul or D-Nite because of Confirmation

May 22nd -- Last Life Teen Mass until our Fall Kickoff!

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

## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

## THANK YOU FROM CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Our cleanup at St. Joseph Cemetery before Easter was a great success due to all the wonderful volunteers who gave their time and help. The volunteers included: Girl Scout Troop 3138, K.J.Z.T. Juniors for their Hands Across America project, Boy Scout Pack 1096, and Confirmation students: Ruben Nino, Brianna Mojica, Candice Hager, and Anne Bartolic. Also thank you very much to all the other youth and adults who came to help. Thank you to Boze Mitchell McKibbin Funeral Home for the donation of bottled water.

We are fortunate to have parishioners who care about the wellbeing of our cemetery and are always ready to assist physically and financially. May God bless all of you for the stewardship you share for our cemetery and church.

## THANK YOU FROM BESSIE LAZNOVSKY

"Many thanks to all the people who sent get well cards, prayer cards, and well wishes, and to all the people who came to visit Bessie E. Laznovsky while she was recovering. Bessie is now at home and will continue rehab. Please keep her in your prayers. Thank you and God bless you." Bessie Laznovsky & Family \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### BACCALAUREATE MASS

The Baccalaureate Mass for all 2011 high school graduates of \$\frac{1}{4}\$ our parish will be next Sunday, May 22, at 5:00 pm. A group the photo will be taken at 4:00 pm. Call Joey for more information, or to help, 972-878-8336 joeys@stjohncc.net Sanctuary flower arrangements for weekends with no wed-to-be taken at 4:00 pm. Call Joey for more information, to be taken at 4:00 pm. Call Joey for more information, to be taken at 4:00 pm. Call Joeys for more informatio

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## SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Reminder to all Volunteers: The initial "Family of Faith" Safe Environment Training is scheduled for Monday, May 23, 7 **pm**, in the elementary school, for new volunteers.

Also, there is the annual Retraining scheduled for Thursday, May 26, 7pm for volunteers needing to renew their training. ALL Training is good for one year and must be renewed annually for a volunteer to be in Safe Environment compliance, per the Diocese. Volunteers for Vacation Bible School in June need to be aware of this compliance.

#### CDA AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

Court Our Lady of the Bluebonnets #2268 has awarded scholarships to the following 2011 High School Seniors: Adam Martinek, Bethany Prachyl, Curtis Tekell, Nathan Puente, Paige Slovacek, Seth Zhanel, Justin Taylor and Dylan Honza. Congratulations to these fine young adults. Scholarships were based on a written essay, church, school and community involvement, grade point average, and participation in court activities by CDA member who sponsored that senior. May God bless you in your future college studies and careers.

## FLOWER MEMORIALS FOR WEEKENDS

dings are being taken in honor or memory of someone. Call