Mass Intentions

MONDAY, MAY 20

NO 6:30 a.m. Mass today.

12:05 p.m. Judy Almond +

6:30 p.m. Rick Sparkman +

TUESDAY, MAY 21

6:30 a.m. Willie & Mary Kriska ++

12:05 p.m. Deceased Members of the St. John class of '57

7:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass for Candidates

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

6:30 a.m. Jim Wartsbaugh + **12:05 p.m.** William "Bill" Slovak

Adoration after 12:05 Mass until 5:00 pm

6:30 p.m. Mary M. Zhanel +

THURSDAY, MAY 23

6:30 a.m. Leslie Trojacek +

12:05 p.m. John Dvorak +

6:30 p.m. Br. Bonaventure Mary

FRIDAY, MAY 24

6:30 a.m. Frank N. Dick, Jr.

12:05 p.m. John Paul Hajek +

SATURDAY, MAY 25

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Helen Dlabaj +

SUNDAY, MAY 26—THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:00 a.m. Joe & Mary Zmolek deceased family

11:00 a.m. Louise Haba +

1:00 pm Felipe Cortez +

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun., May 19, 9am Joseph Gutierrez

Sun., May 26, 9am Francisco y Ofelia Campos ++

HYMNS FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

Entrance: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing--467

Offertory: We Are Many Parts—727 Communion: One Bread, One Body—813 Recessional: Come, Holy Ghost — 472

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: SOKOL Hall Activity Center

From the Pastor's Desk

Solemnity of Pentecost

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Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

We have arrived at the Feast in memory of the sending of the Holy Spirit to the Church by the Father and Jesus. For weeks now, we have been hearing Jesus promising His followers that when He returns to Heaven and the Father, He will send them an amazing and necessary gift, the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Jesus reminds them in our readings this weekend, that this Holy Spirit, the third person of the Blessed Trinity, will adopt us into God's family making us heirs to the Kingdom, teach us all we need to know and remind us of all that Jesus had taught. Through our adoption by Baptism the fullness of the Trinity now dwells within each of us as long as we keep His commandments. This Holy Spirit brings to us all the power we need to free ourselves from slavery to sin and all the fear and pain that sin brings into our lives.

Throughout this great Easter Season of 2013, we at St. John Nepomucene Parish have been celebrating in the power of this Holy Spirit. For those who have made the nine day Novena to the Holy Spirit in preparation for this weekend, I hope that the Spirit does indeed, visit you strongly. As the power of the Holy Spirit descends upon our altar at each Mass this weekend, while on our knees, we should beg for an increase of His presence within us. A presence that can lead us to all Truth, that Truth being the person of Jesus Christ. It is the living Christ within us that fills us with the Joy of the Season.

We have had many opportunities to experience this Truth and Love during our Easter Season here at St. John Nepomucene. We witnessed the entrance on new Catholics into our Faith on Easter itself. We have watched our beautiful, innocent children receive Him for the first time in Holy Communion. At every Sunday and Daily Mass we have gathered with our Catholic Family to praise and meet Him anew. We have seen the power of the Holy Spirit come upon the newly Confirmed.

Tonight, I am writing this on Wednesday, May 15th, we will again be in His presence at the conclusion of our Easter Parish Mission with Fr. Leo. During this blessed event we have learned more of the Truth. We have laughed with each other in Love and Truth. Tonight we will eat with each other as Family of God and enjoy the goodness of the earth! Especially in Blue Bell Ice Cream!

He wants to satisfy all our hunger. He desires that all of His children know His Truth, Goodness, Love and Joy!

Love and Prayers,

Fr. John

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 19

11-8:00 pm6:30 pmParish FestivalNO Life Night

Monday, May 20

6:00/7:00 pm Confessions before and after 6:30 pm Mass

7:30 pm KC 4th Degree Meeting/KC

Tuesday, May 21

6:30 am Food for the Soul Mass & Breakfast **5-8:30 pm** SJ Library open/Room 106 Compound **6:00/7:00 pm** Confessions before and after 6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm Beginning Apologetics/ Room 301

Wednesday, May 22

10:00 am Little Saints Play Group/Assumption Hall

6-8 pm Life Teen "Into the Deep"

6:30 pm Grief Recovery Program/ Room 103

7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

Saturday, May 25

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, May 26

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

9:00 am RCIA/ Room 101

9:00 am Sacrament Study/Room 101

6:30 pm Life Teen/Life Night

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, May 25

5:00 pm Matt Zajic/Dylan Fisher

Sunday, May 26

7:00 am Tyler Novy/Josef Woodward/Jake Kasowski

11:00 am Austin Spaniel/Tyler Dennie

5:00 pm LT Mass Alex Fry/Andrew Alvarado

COLLECTIONS FOR MAY 11 & 12

St. John Church Support Collection	\$11,182.45
Catholic Communication Campaign	677.45
Epiphany Church Support Collection	1,167.26

SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

The 6 candles flanking the main altar in the sanctuary were donated in memory of Willie & Viola Trojacek by Marvin & Mary Ann Trojacek for the week of May 18— May 24.

SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The sanctuary light is in memory of deceased families of Joe & Annie Vrana and John & Agnes Rejcek by Edward & Bernice Rejcek for the week of May 18– May 24.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH



If you are ready to go deeper, join us for prayer, study, reflection, and sharing.

Monday nights, 7:00-8:30 PM, Cafeteria

Bring your Bible, a notebook, and a pen



NATURAL FAMIILY PLANNING CLASSES

St. John will host an NFP class on 3 Sundays. June 2nd & 30th and July 28 from 2-5 pm. For more information and registration, go to www.ccli.org.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS AT THE CEMETERY

The only Mass on Memorial Day, May 27, will be at 7:00 am at St. Joseph Cemetery (weather permitting). Please bring your lawn chairs if you prefer to sit for the Mass.

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court of Our Lady of the Bluebonnets #2268, would like to congratulate the following seniors who have received scholarships from the local CDA organization: Tyler Novy \$225; Amanda Harris \$200; Dylan Fisher \$175; Kamryn Long \$175; Andrew Krasner \$150; Marisa Falkenbach \$150. Dylan Fisher also received a \$500 scholarship from the State of Texas Catholic Daughters. Also, the CDA would like to congratulate all the seniors graduating this year. May God bless you in your future endeavors and may the Holy Spirit guide you along the way.

RECLINER FOR THE RECTORY

The Rectory is looking for a Recliner for the living room. If anyone is willing to donate or purchase a Recliner for the Rectory, please let Fr. John know by contacting the Parish office at 972-878-2834.

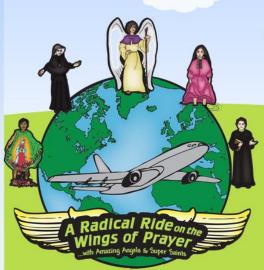
MESSAGE FROM CHRIS MUMMERT

First, I want to thank everyone for all the congratulatory cards and words in regards to my graduation. Second, I want to inform everyone that I will be taking at least a year off from seminary formation so that I can focus on loosing some weight and getting in better physical shape. I think this is the best course of action so that I will be prepared to serve the people of God as a healthy priest if that is what the Lord desires. I do have full intention of returning to seminary studies when the time is best and I am ready to do so. I thank everyone for their prayers and support during these past four years that I have been in seminary formation and I ask for your continued prayers and support during this time of growth and discernment.

God Bless, Chris

St. John Vacation Bible School





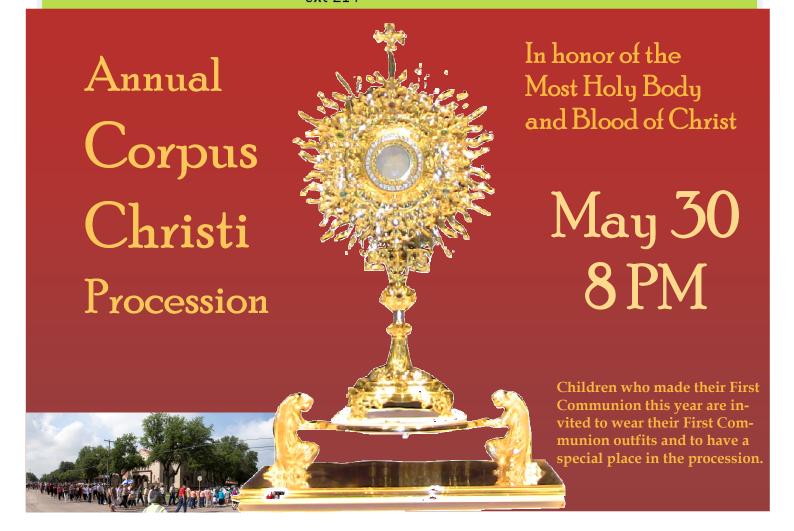
June 10th-14th

6:30 pm-9pm

A great and fun way for kids to learn about the faith! Don't wait and register ASAP!

We need volunteers!

Contact Stacy Gallegos for any questions 972-875-9650 ext 214



40 Hours of Adoration and Devotion June 5-7 at St. John Nepomucene



Have Problems?
Visit the Blessed Sacrament
Are you sad?
Visit the Blessed Sacrament
Need Peace?
Visit the Blessed Sacrament
Sick?

Visit the Blessed Sacrament

Sign up sheets will be located in the Vestibule of Church.





The EDGE Program will begin meeting again in September. For those incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th grade studenis, EDGE is a large part of their Confirmation formation. The increase in the annual EDGE fee is the Confirmation fee spread out over 3 years. It is extremely important for ALL STUDENTS to attend their appropriate programs!

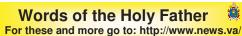
The Life Teen Program will continue to meet throughout the summer on Sundays for Mass and activity after; Tuesdays for Mass and lunch; Wednesdays for Mass and social activity.

The theme and highlight of the High School Program is the Mass - the supreme prayer of the Church.

Life Teen 'rogram

June 2nd – Freshman Welcoming/Summer Kick-off! Many water slides and other inflatables, great food, and awesome fellowship! June 21st-23rd - Steuben ville South Youth Conference Joining thousands of Catholic teenagers together for a wonderful weekend experience.

Several other events are currently being planned, but a full summer of activity!



Dear brothers and sisters.

Today, I want to focus on the action that the Holy Spirit accomplishes in guiding the Church and each one of us to the Truth. ...

What is then the action of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in the life of the Church to guide us to the truth? First of all, remind and imprint on the hearts of believers the words that Jesus said, and precisely through these words, God's law as the prophets of the Old Testament had announced - is inscribed in our hearts and becomes within us a principle of evaluation in our choices and of guidance in our daily actions, it becomes a principle of life. ... Indeed, our actions are born from deep within: it is the heart that needs to be converted to God, and the Holy Spirit transforms it if we open ourselves to Him

The Holy Spirit, then, as Jesus promises, guides us "into all truth" (Jn 16:13) he leads us not only to an encounter with Jesus, the fullness of Truth, but guides us "into" the Truth, that is, he helps us enter into a deeper communion with Jesus himself, gifting us knowledge of the things of God. We cannot achieve this on our own

strengths. If God does not enlightens us interiorly, our being Christians will be superficial. The Tradition of the Church affirms that the Spirit of truth acts in our hearts, provoking that "sense of faith" (sensus fidei), through which, as the Second Vatican Council affirms, the People of God, under the guidance of the Magisterium, adheres unwaveringly to the faith given once and for all to the saints.(113) penetrates it more deeply with right thinking, and applies it more fully in its life (cf. Dogmatic Constitution. Lumen gentium, 12). Let's ask ourselves: are we open to the Holy Spirit, do I pray to him to enlighten me, to make me more sensitive to the things of God? And this is a prayer we need to pray every day, every day: Holy Spirit may my heart be open to the Word of God, may my heart be open to good, may my heart be open to the beauty of God, every day. But I would like to ask a question to all of you: How many of you pray every day to the Holy Spirit? Eh, a few of you I bet, eh! Well, a few, few, a few, but we realise this wish of Jesus, pray moments, in certain circumstances, in certain every day for the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to Jesus

We think of Mary who "kept all these things and pondered them in her heart" (Lk 2,19.51). The reception of the words and the truths of faith so

that they become life, is realized and grows under the action of the Holy Spirit. In this sense, we must learn from Mary, reliving her "yes", her total availability to receive the Son of God in her life, and who from that moment was transformed. Through the Holy Spirit, the Father and the Son come to dwell in us: do we live in God and of God, is our life really animated by God? How many things do I put before God?

Dear brothers and sisters, we need to let ourselves be imbued with the light of the Holy Spirit. so that He introduces us into the Truth of God, who is the only Lord of our lives. In this Year of Faith let us ask ourselves if we have actually taken a few steps to get to know Christ and the truths of faith more, by reading and meditating on the Scriptures, studying the Catechism, steadily approaching the Sacraments. But at the same time let us ask ourselves what steps we are taking so that the faith directs our whole existence.

Do not be a 'part-time" Christian, at certain choices - be Christian at all times! The truth of Christ, that the Holy Spirit teaches us and gives us, always and forever involves our daily lives. Let us invoke him more often, to guide us on the path of Christ's disciples.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Mary Rosales, Pam Maliska, James Williford, Kacie Zhanel and Baby, Don Tanner, Jimmy Aguilar, Jose Padilla, Tristan Hayes, Alyson Meachum, Katherine Michno, Patsy Odlozil, Pauline Novy, Jo Ann Dolezalik, William Becker, Patsy Zabojnik, Victor G. Zabojnik, Gentry Holmes, Michael Slovacek, Jerod Timms, Ron Spellman, Agnes Prda, Bev Richardson, Edwin Storz, Jerry "Sonny" Autrey, Noreene Autrey Pierce, Connie Alvarez, Jim Sager, Delfa Arrambide, Kevin & Robin Woodley, Joe W. Spaniel, Joe Barak, Megan Rebuck, Sarah Carroll, Joanne Walsh, Roy Brandon, Mike Fabela, DeDe Mauricio, Rosie Zhanel, Patricia Banks, Sue Thompson, Jessica Puente, Michael Gallagher, Bob Agar, Fatima de Carmen Gomez, Maximiliano Gomez, Crystal Monjaraz, Lasita Salazar, Margie Dvorak, Nacho Martinez, Helen Fowler, Alyvia Zmolik, Mickey Walker, Mildred Trojacek, Florinda Smith, Helen Patak, Betty Coker, Tommy Slama, Juanita Lowe, Walter Marusak, Matthew Dixon, Darrell Patak, Betty Rogala, Jimmie Trahan, Jimmy Garcia Sr., Sandy Wheeler, Roger Gagnon, Joy Moore, Charlie Honza, Frances Maliska, Jeff Sladecek, Christine Hanson, Hannah Reicek, Helen Zmolek, Cameron Wolf, Meg Routh, Ruperto Gomez, Mark Strunc, Monsignor Frank Miller, Lori Strunc, Edna Gonzalez, Georgie Ann Nekuza, 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, Millie Trojacek, Mildred Wickliffe, John Schlebach, Graciela and Rene Monreal, Steve and Bernard Betik, Edwin & Dorothy Langer, Brandi Schlottman, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Jerry Dolezal, Raul Partida

Safe Environment Training

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

June 2nd September (TBA)

- 2) Complete your retraining online:
 - www.stjohncc.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 at maggieh@stjohncc.net, or leave a voicemail at 972-875-2834.