

MONDAY, JULY 23—St. Bridget, Religious

6:30 am Cecelia Kucera + 12:05 pm Robert Martinez Sr. +

6:30 am Betty Zajic +

TUESDAY, JULY 24—St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest 6:30 am Joe/Adele/Joe David Janousek +++

12:05 pm Jenny Granado +

6:30 pm Angel/Alberto/Samuel Banda Birthdays

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25—St. James, Apostle

6:30 am Emil and Ronnie Toupal ++

12:05 pm Donald Krysinski + 6:30 pm Aaron Hanna +

THURSDAY, JULY 26—Sts. Joachim & Anne,

Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

 6:30 am
 Ann Neuhoff +

 12:05 pm
 Rosie Krajca +

 6:30 pm
 Luis Perrett +

FRIDAY, JULY 27

6:30 am Agnes Horak +

12:05 pm Mariana & Arturo Casanova ++

SATURDAY JULY 28

5:00 pm Garner Dunkerley III +

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 29

7:00 am Albert & Frances Vavra ++
11:00 am Joe Sr. & Emilia Cervantes ++
1:00 pm Ofelia & Francisco Campos ++

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass

W. L. Cooper +

LITURGIES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun., July 22, 9:00 am Cyrill & Christine Svrcek ++ Sun., July 29, 9:00 am Eugenia F. Robles +

MOWING AT ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY

The caretaker for St. Joseph Cemetery has the right and will pick up all items on the ground in order to mow and maintain graves.

Please, pick up whatever you want to keep (from your space) and take it home. Please help to keep our cemetery neat and clean. Thank you for your cooperation.

SPONSOR OF WEEK: LA MICHOACANA



Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

GREAT NEWS!!!

"You who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ!"

Many times we feel we are far, far, away from happiness, security and peace. This is our condition as sinful, broken humans. Our physical, emotional and spiritual condition has been put on a downhill slide from the Original Sin of Adam and Eve.

Take our physical body. After birth, we begin the process of aging and deteriorating until our death and the complete decomposition of our body! Happy thought, huh! The same is true of our emotional and spiritual state. However, there has arrived on the scene a miracle drug that can change all that and lead to an everlasting life of perfect happiness, perfect peace and a perfect, glorified body!

That "drug" is the "blood of Christ." Through His blood we have been REDEEMED and GIVEN NEW, PER-FECT, LIFE, ETERNAL!

The most prominent headlines I see on FoxNews.com, CNN.com, the Dallas Morning News and other news outlets, are concerning the discovering of a new drug that is going to cure, fix, help the deteriorating condition or disease of our bodies. The ever searched for Fountain of Youth!!! Society just wants to go get a prescription and take a pill to solve all their problems, from emotional to physical.

The "Body and Blood of Christ," taken according to the prescriptions of Scripture and the Church will accomplish all that could be hoped for and even more. However, it requires our cooperation, obedience and discipline. These are the three ingredients that we do not want to contribute to the process.

Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." Let us ask Him for the grace to have the strength of Faith that will enable us to Follow Him and His directions to a Joyful, Peaceful Eternal Life for Body and Soul.

See you in Church!

Love and Prayers, Fr. John, Pastor

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 22

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

3:00 pm Baptisms/Church 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass

Monday, July 23

7:00 pm Patriotic Rosary after 6:30 pm Mass

Tuesday, July 24

7:00 pm Marriage Prep. Class/Rm 101 compound

Wednesday, July 25

12:05 pm Mass & Food for the Soul

7:15 pm Catholicism Series/Rm 103-104 Compound

7:30 pm KC #1353 Meeting/KC

Saturday, July 28

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, July 29

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

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass

K.J.T. SOCIETY #35 MEETING

The K.J.T. Society #35 in Ennis will host its next meeting on Sunday, August 12, at 1:30 pm in the KJT meeting room. All members are encouraged to plan to attend.

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 22

Entrance: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty #536 Offertory: Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless #818

Communion: I Have Loved You #504

Recessional: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #603

OFFERTORY GIFTS DURING MASS

If a family or two to four individuals would like to take up the gifts at the Offertory during weekend Masses, please see one of the ushers at your Mass, or call the office, 972-875-2834 to volunteer. This is a tiny ministry but important, as the bearers represent the congregation during Mass.

STRENGTHENING MARRIAGES & FAMILIES

A Marriage and Family Conference co-sponsored by the Diocese of Fort Worth will be held on Saturday, July 28, at DFW Hyatt. Speakers include: Bishop Kevin Vann, Dr. Ray Guarendi, Steve Bollman, Greg & Julie Alexander, Dr. Edward Sri and many more. Also, a track for divorced, and tracks in Spanish. Cost: \$45 per person or \$75 per couple.

Tickets can be purchased on the diocesan website: **www.fwdioc.org** Or call the office of Marriage and Family Life for info: 817-560-3300 ext. 360

COLLECTIONS FOR JULY 14/15

St. John Church Support Collection \$ 21,993.75

Epiphany Church Support Collection

624.27

SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES

If you would like to have the 6 candles around the main altar in the sanctuary burn for one week in memory or honor of your loved ones, living or deceased, the Altar Society is having a sign-up after all Masses except Life Teen. You can sign up at the Religious Items counter in the annex. The cost is \$40 for one week for the 6 candles (or \$20 for 3 candles).

PATRIOTIC ROSARIES FOR OUR NATION

Patriotic Rosaries for our Nation will be prayed every Monday night after the 6:30 pm Mass until Election Day. You are invited to join other parishioners for the 6:30 pm Mass and stay for the Rosary.

A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

Gracious and loving God, we come to you in humble prayer for the United States of America.

Bless our President. Give him wisdom and strength to serve the American people and lead our country in ways pleasing to you.

Bless our Congress. Instill in them knowledge and understanding to enact laws that protect the sanctity of life—from the unborn to the elderly; and promote the good of all people.

Bless the people of the United States. Make us aware of our responsibility as citizens to uphold the principles of life, liberty, justice, and equality.

Send your Holy Spirit upon our beloved country. Make us people of faith in time of uncertainty. Make us people of hope in times of trouble. Make us people of compassion with those who are less fortunate. Make us people of peace in our homes, our communities, our country, and our world.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

The six candles flanking the main altar in the sanctuary were donated in memory of Lillian & Bill Fuller for the week of July 21-27.

SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The Sanctuary light is in memory of Kenneth Langley donated by Mona Langley for the week of July 21-27.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

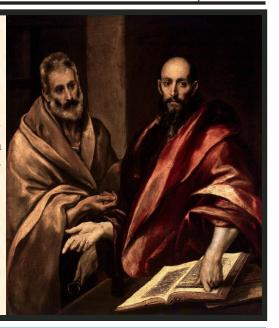
These people need our prayers: Frances Martin, Juanita Levay, Kevin Gallagher, Clara Miller, Theresa Kasowski, Alyvia Zmolik, Hortensia Fernandez, Tommy Slama, Raymond Fira, Jason Montelongo, David and Daniel Garcia, Don Meyer, Dora Cervantes, Jimmy Garcia Sr., Paul Langley, Sister Genevieve Prochaska, James Cerny, Joe W. Spaniel, Mary Ann & Johnnie Hajek, Janie Langley, James Anderson, Rick Sparkman, Jose Luis Salazar, Florinda Smith, Josie and Raymond Castillo, Gabriel Acevedo, David Trojacek, Loretta Dlabaj, Celeste Johnson, Margie Patak, Mildred Wickliffe, Willie Dlabaj, Martina Ortiz, Ronnie Garcia, Ruby Janicek, Millie Trojacek, Lisette Villela, Genevive Torres, Joe and John Schlebach, Mary Heiny, Claudio Amador Jr., Betty Coker, Graciela Monreal, Natividad Cedillo, Coye Ferguson, Rene Monreal, Adele Kraica, Bernard Betik, Inez Fira, Hannah Rejcek, Stanley J. Liska, Helen Patak, Betty Rogala, Brandi Schlottman, Leo Rejcek, Frankie Joe Patak, Ninfa Carrillo, Maria Manriquez, Ruphine Patak, Helen Matous, Lauren Moran, Edwin & Dorothy Langer, Steve Betik, James Pustejovsky, Jerry Dolezal, Alfred Martinez, Rosa Sanchez, Helen Zmolek, Gary Kidder and Raul Partida

Catholicism Series

Come join us for the magnificently produced *Catholicism* series of videos. You do not need to have seen the first episodes to enjoy the others. Come to the ones you can, and be awed by your faith.

Episode 5: "The Indispensable Men: Peter, Paul, and the Missionary Adventure," presents the Church's missionary endeavor which begins with the adventures of Saint Peter and Saint Paul. From Ephesus, Corinth, Athens, and Rome and to the far reaches of the world, Father Robert Barron traces the influence of these two great apostles and their enduring legacies in the life of the Church.

Episode 5 will be shown:
Wednesday, July 25
7:15 PM
Room 103-104 in the Compound



Inspirational Catholic CDs & Brochures are here!

We are proud to present titles from **Lighthouse Catholic Media.** These CDs present a practical and effective program to help Catholics know their faith . . . to keep their faith! We all live busy, busy lives. Finding the time to learn about our faith can be difficult. But now, we are able to meet you where you are! Wherever you have a CD player available to you, in the car or at home, you can deepen your understanding and love for the Catholic faith.

15 Things to Do in the Midst of Suffering – by Jeff Cavins The Mass Explained – by Fr. Larry Richards Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues – by Fr. Robert Barron

CDs:

For Love and Marriage – by Johnnette Benkovic
The Healing Power of Confession – by Dr. Scott Hahn
Anger and Forgiveness – by Deacon Dr. Bob McDonald
Becoming the Best Version of Yourself – by Matthew

Why a Protestant Pastor Become Catholic – by Dr. Scott Hahn

Finding the Fullness of Faith – by Stephen Ray

These CDs, books, and brochures are going fast!

Make sure to get any of these titles you want before they are gone. We will be putting out new titles when they are gone, but these titles will not be there anymore, so get them now!

Brochures:

How to Make a Good Confession How to Pray the Holy Rosary Why Does the Church Teach That?

We ask for a donation of \$3.00 per CD and \$.50 per brochure to help continue this program. Checks can be made payable to the parish. Donations will be used towards the purchase of additional materials. Questions? Please call the parish office.





Saint Anne and Saint Joachim

Saint Anne and Saint Joachim were the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and, thus, the grandparents of Jesus. St. Joachim is the patron of fathers and grandparents. St. Anne is the patroness of housewives, women in labor, cabinet makers, and miners.

Their feast day is July 26.

Saints Anne and Joachim, Pray for us.

CRHP is going on the road!

Please pray for the men and women from St. John Nepomucene that are taking *Christ Renews His Parish* to Immaculate Conception in Corsicana.

Men's Retreat in Corsicana: August 4-5

Women's Retreat in Corsicana: August 11-12

This retreat will have an enormous impact on many people in the Immaculate Conception Church as it has here at St. John Church. If you wish to attend the Saturday night Masses for the participants in Corsicana, you are welcome and encouraged to do so. Buses are being arranged to take people from here to the Masses.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CENTER RETREAT

About 26% of students at Texas A&M University in College Station are Catholic, approximately 13,000, which makes A&M one of the largest "Catholic" universities in the country.

St. Mary's Catholic Center at A&M invites each incoming freshman and transfer student to one of the two **Connect 2012 Retreats:** Monday & Tuesday, August 20/21, or Friday & Saturday, August 24/25. Connect 2012 is a great way to start college life, learn about the dynamic Catholic presence at TAMU and make new friends. After graduation, students involved at St. Mary's take what they have learned back to their home parishes, and to parishes all over Texas and beyond. They are truly Apostles for the Church and world. For more information or to register, call 979-846-5717, or visit **www.aggiecatholic.org**



Here is a picture of our teens on their trip to the Steubenville South youth conference in Alexandria, Louisiana. In the middle at the bottom (circled in yellow), you can see Stephen Thompson, our new Youth Minister.

Welcome Stephen and his wife, Julie, to the parish!

You can see more pictures and a video of the Steubenville South trip on the parish website.

LIFE TEEN NEWS

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FLOWERS IN SANCTUARY

The beautiful flower arrangements that graced the Tabernacle for the Masses last weekend and daily Masses were donated anonymously. We thank the donor for this lovely gift for our sanctuary.

On weekends with no weddings or special events, you can call Evelyn Zmolik to donate and schedule flower arrangements for the sanctuary. Her phone number is: 972-875-2791

COMMUNION AT THE BACK OF CHURCH

At every weekend Mass, a Eucharistic Minister goes to the back of church to give Communion to the people who find it difficult to walk to the front of the church, and also to the people in the choir loft.

We ask that you please not tie up this minister if you are able -bodied and can go to the front to receive the Eucharist.

ALTAR SOCIETY GIFT SHOP

The Religious Items Shop has gifts for any event. The shop is located in the church annex. For nice gifts, stop by and check them out!

ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have not paid your Altar Society dues yet and would like to do so, or, if you would like to become an Altar Society member, you can pay your dues at the Religious Items counter after the weekend Masses. Membership dues are \$15 per year. Thank you for supporting our Altar Society.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, July 28

5:00 pm Matt Zajic/Austin Spaniel

Sunday, July 29

7:00 am Zachary Matous/Josh Zapletal 11:00 am Chris Trojacek/Grant Vrana

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass

Alex Fry/Joseph Baird

RACHEL'S CORNER

St. Mary Magdalene, woman of many sins, who by conversion became the beloved of Jesus, thank you for your witness that Jesus forgives through the miracle of love. Amen

(St. Mary Magdalene, Feast day July 22)

Pray for the intercession of St. Mary Magdalene, the "Penitent," asking for God's grace and mercy, and experience the miracle of love that is Jesus Christ.

Abortion AfterCare-Healing/The Rachel Ministries 214-544-CARE healing@racheldallas.org