



MONDAY, JULY 25—St. James, Apostle

6:30 am Donald Kryszinski +
12:05 pm Amber Almand + and
 Judy Almond +
6:30 pm Louise Krajca + and
 Dianne Chapman +

TUES., JULY 26—St. Joachim & St. Anne (Parents of Mary)

6:30 am Mary Lou Novy +
12:05 pm Wesley & Rosie Krajca 59th Wedding Anniversary
 and Special Intention for Mark Shofner
6:30 pm (Spanish) Esmeralda Hurtado +

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

6:30 am Etheline Sylvester +
12:05 pm Benjamin & Josephine Towb ++ & Family
6:30 pm George/Raymond/Theresa/Joe/Mary Sladeczek++++

THURSDAY, JULY 28

6:30 am Health of Thelma Collinsworth
12:05 pm John Schleich + and
 Emil and Ronnie Toupal ++
6:30 pm Spanish Anastacia Correa +

FRIDAY, JULY 29—St. Martha

6:30 am John & Ann Marek 50th Wedding Anniversary
12:05 pm Nolen Dockery + and
 Mary & Leslie Vrla and Roy Morales +++

SATURDAY, JULY 30—St. Peter Chrysologus

5:00 pm Alfred Holy + and
 Special Intention for Emily Dlabaj

18th SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME, JULY 31

7:30 am Sister Stephanie and John & Steavy Slovak +++
 and Louis J. Slovacek +
10:30 am Winnie Whitfill + and
 Mare/Tomasa/Shirley Montelongo +++
1:00 pm Sebastian Cerda + and
 For Our Parish Community

MASS INTENTIONS EPIPHANY CHURCH, ITALY

Sunday, July 24, 9:30 am Emil Jurik +
Sunday, July 31, 9:30 am Manuel Huerta +

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Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

I am writing this message on Wednesday afternoon following the Funeral Mass for Kenneth Langley. Monday morning I celebrated the Funeral Mass for Johnnie Mensik. Tomorrow morning, Thursday, I will celebrate at 10:00 am the Funeral Mass for Nolen Dockery. During these Masses of Christian Burial I have been thinking also of this upcoming Sunday's Gospel Reading.

Through the last fifteen years of my priesthood I have found that, at least for me personally, the celebration of Funeral Masses puts our Catholic Faith in clearer focus. After all, this is what it is all about, the end of the line, the finish of the race, as St. Paul says in his letters. As St. Paul reminds us in 2 Corinthians 5:10; "for we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive good or evil, according to what he has done in the body."

Now, with this in mind, the words of Jesus from this Sunday's Gospel ring clear and true. "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

This also echoes the familiar question and answer from my childhood and the Baltimore Catechism. Why did God create us? He created us to know, love and serve Him in this world and be with Him forever in Heaven.

Our mortal life in this world then becomes a segment from an Indian Jones movie plot; the long, arduous and often dangerous hunt for the "treasure" that will last into eternity and is of immeasurable value. However, unlike the exciting and fast moving plot of a movie, our faith life is often one of endurance and perseverance throughout a lifetime.

The "Hunt" is worth it! This is also evident from the faithful, Catholic lives well lived and the deaths, though painful and slow, that can be said were peaceful, full of hope and joyful!

Keep the Faith, fight the fight, run the race!
 St. Joseph, pray for us to have a happy death!

Love and prayers,
 Fr. John

SANCTUARY LIGHTS THIS WEEK

Sanctuary light, south side, is in memory of John, Mary and James Mach, and Krajca & Mach Families donated by Frank Pruski Family and Johnny Mach Family for week of July 23-29. Sanctuary light, north side, is in memory of Frank & Mary Dick.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 24

No coffee & donuts until further notice

9-12 noon St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound

3:00 pm Baptisms/Church

Monday, July 25

7:30 pm Initial Safe Environment Training/Rm 201

Tuesday, July 26

5-7 pm SJ Library Open/Rm 106 Compound

6:30 pm KC Social/Dinner/Meeting (see notice)

Wednesday, July 27

7:00 pm Parenting Skills Session

7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

Thursday, July 28

7:00 pm Apologetics Class/Room 202

Saturday, July 30

8:30 am Leave parking lot for Pro-Life Prayer

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, July 31

KC Corporate Communion at 7:30 am Mass

No coffee & donuts until further notice

9:00-12:00 St. John Library Open/Rm 106 Compound

COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION PICTURES

First Communion and Confirmation pictures can still be picked up at the parish office, Monday thru Friday.

Sacramental certificates can also be picked up at office.

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for children's Religious Education is now open for 2011-2012 school year. **IT IS NOT TOO LATE OR TOO EARLY TO SIGN YOUR CHILDREN UP!**

Forms are available at the parish office or online on parish website. All classes will be held in English.

Please note that this year EDGE 6-8th grades will **ONLY** be available on Thursday nights, 7:00-8:15 pm. Also, Religious Education will now be two hours.

Please check the NEW forms for the new times.

THE NEED FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We have a need for more Eucharistic Ministers, but we especially have a great need for more Ministers to visit our home-bound parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.

There will be a training session soon. Please contact the parish business office if you can help in this very important ministry, 972-878-2834.

COLLECTIONS FOR JULY

St. John Church Support Collection	\$ 16,847.76
Epiphany Mission Collection	\$ 982.25

SAFETY ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

An **initial** "Family of Faith" session for all **NEW** volunteers who have never participated in any Safe Environment training, will be on Monday, July 25, at 7:30 pm, in **English**, in Room 201 in the school building. Also, a re-training in **Spanish** will be offered on Saturday, July 30, at 9:00 am in Room 201.

All Ushers and other ministers are required to attend a Safe Environment Training. Women are very welcome and encouraged to become Ushers for all the Masses, English and Spanish. Thank you for your interest and participation in these very important training sessions. **All training sessions are for Adults only.**

CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are looking for passionate and enthusiastic parishioners who are interested in teaching our children about our Catholic faith. If you have never volunteered to teach Religious Education before, please pray about it. We need catechists, aides, substitutes, childcare, and office aides! This is a great opportunity to give back to your parish. Come sow the seeds of the Gospel (Mk 4:3) by handing on the Faith to future generations.

NEW forms are available at the parish office or online on parish website. Please contact Stacy Gallegos at the office at 972-875-9650, or at 972-878-2834, extension 214, if you have any questions and/or if you would like to volunteer for this ministry.

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 24

452	Sing to the Mountains
616	Eye Has Not Seen
809	I Received the Living God
600	Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

KC 4TH DEGREE MEETING AND DINNER

The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree will meet on a special date, Tuesday, July 26, at the KC hall. Social will begin at 6:30 pm, followed by dinner and a meeting. Installation of officers will take place during the meeting. All Fourth Degree members are encouraged to attend and participate in this special event.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, July 30

5:00 pm Josh Zapletal/Joseph Baird

Sunday, July 31

7:30 am Dylan Fisher/Aaron Rejcek/Alex Fry

10:30 am Cooper Gillespie/Dylan Honza/Chris Trojacek

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for: Robert Strunc, Mark Durbin, San Juana Arias, Linda Becker, Ashton Weaver, Geraldine Haskovec, Ninfa Carrillo, Kathy Melkovitz, Rose Marie(Mrs. Ernest) Novy, Derek Matous, Theresa Darst, Jerry Dlabaj, Leonard Drozd, Dakota Jessie, Christian Marente, Rosa Sanchez, Inez Fira, Jerry Dolezal, Chris Kuykendall, Jonathan Rodriguez, Maria Manriquez, Gloria Garcia, Joe Rios, Josie, Anita, Cynthia and Ray Castillo, Brianna Escamilla, Tony Alvarez, Lauren Moran, Domingo Galban, David Perdue, Tony Harrison, Lisa Marklund, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Alfred Martinez, Helen Zmolek, Viola Dlabaj, Mary Moreno, Raul Partida, Wanda Slovak, Billy Coplen, Earlene Slovak, Bernard Betik, Steve Betik, Evelyn Dlabaj and Ruphine Patak.

The Mass

Do you ever wish that you got more out of Mass?

Have you ever thought that the Mass is boring?

Would you like to understand more about why we do what we do at Mass?

St. John Nepomucene will be offering an opportunity to change these things beginning August 8.

The Pastoral Advisory Council Cordially Invites You to a
Wedding Reception for



Joey Scancella

and

Nikki Scancella (Traylor)



Our Youth Minister **Joey Scancella** and **Nikki Traylor** exchanged vows in the Sacrament of Matrimony on Saturday, July 16, 2011. The Pastoral Advisory Council will host a wedding reception for the happy couple next Sunday, July 31, 2011, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM in the Cafeteria. The PAC would like to extend an invitation to all parishioners to attend and celebrate this special occasion with Joey and Nikki.

Please contact PAC President, Jeremy Cole, 214-709-2758, or email at: jerdanco@yahoo.com if you are interested in helping in any way with this celebration. Joey and Nikki are registered with Target, and Bed, Bath & Beyond. In gratitude for all the hard work and long hours of service that Joey provides for our teens, please make an effort to come celebrate this occasion.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



JOIN A FEW GOOD MEN!

Get to know some good men
doing Holy Work!
St. John Altar Servers!

High School thru College Age
We Will Train You!

Recruitment and Outing Event:
Sunday, August 14th

Call the Parish Office for details



LIFE TEEN

2011
Steubenville South
Trip



LIFE TEEN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Join us for any and all events that may come up this month or through out the summer

NO EVENTS JULY 13-24 BECAUSE OF JOEYS WEDDING

EVENTS WILL RESUME ON WEDNESDAY JULY 27TH

JULY 27-29: SERVICE PROJECTS-

LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR JOEY TO SIGN UP

NOTABLE DATES

AUGUST 27 RANGERS GAME

RETURN OF 5PM LIFE TEEN MASS- AUG 28

LIFE TEEN KICKOFF- SEPT 4

Come
to Life Teen and you
could be smiling like
these guys!



QUESTIONS? CALL JOEY 972-878-8336 OR

JOEYS@STJOHNMCC.NET

PRAYER AT ABORTION CENTER

Everyone in our parish is invited to come and pray for a short time next Saturday, July 30, at the Routh St. Abortion Mill. We will carpool from the church parking lot at 8:30 am and return by 12:00 noon. Anyone wishing to meet us there may do so. The address is 4321 N. Central Expressway, Dallas. Please park on Lee St., which is a side street, and walk down the alley that runs parallel to Central Expressway where you will see us. It is peaceful and prayerful, a powerful witness to those entering the clinic that are seeking abortion, and a moving experience for those of us praying there for innocent "children of God". For more information call Ginger Bush at 469-245-9933.

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AGGIE CATHOLIC FRESHMEN

St. Mary's Catholic Center at Texas A&M invites incoming freshmen and transfer students to one of the two 2011 Welcome Weekend Retreats: Tuesday & Wed., Aug. 23 & 24; or Friday & Sat., August 26 & 27.

Welcome Weekend is a great way to start college life, learn about the dynamic Catholic presence at TAMU and make new friends. For more information or to register, call 979-846-5717 or visit www.aggiecatholic.org/welcomeweekend

RESTROOM BREAKS DURING HOMILY

If you or your child find it necessary to go to the restroom during the homily (sermon), we ask that you wait in the back until the homily is over before returning to your seat. We realize the necessity, but constant movements in the aisles are distracting to the priest or deacon delivering the homily, and to the people listening. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS THIS WEEKEND

The two beautiful flower arrangements gracing the Tabernacle this weekend, July 23/24, are in loving memory of Amber Almand, and her uncle, Kirk Wayne Liska, donated by Stanley A. & Dorothy Liska.

FLOWERS IN SANCTUARY

Sanctuary flower arrangements for weekends with no weddings are being taken in honor or memory of someone. Call Evelyn Zmolik to schedule at 972-875-2791.

APOLOGETICS CLASS

The next Apologetics Class will be Thursday, July 28, at 7:00 pm in Room 202 in the school building. Drop in any Thursday for great answers about our Faith.

MUSIC & VOICE LESSONS

Ms. Sue Powell is the former music teacher at St. John School and is currently the musician for our funerals. She is offering private music and voice lessons this **summer** for adults, teens and children in our parish. Contact Ms. Powell at 972-875-7231 if you are interested.



COLLINS CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Collins Catholic School in Corsicana is taking registrations for the new school year. For a free DVD or to schedule a tour, call 903-872-1751 Visit www.CollinsCatholicSchool.com or email: info@collinscatholicsschool.com Brochures are available in our church annex for lots more information.

ALTAR CARE FOR JULY 30

Melissa Zmolik