

Mass Intentions for week of July 27

MONDAY, JULY 28

6:30 a.m. Ascencion Partida +
12:05 p.m. Gaines, Tyrrell, & Houston Families
**** No 6:30 p.m. Mass tonight ****

TUESDAY, JULY 29—St. Martha

6:30 a.m. Tommy Slama +
12:05 p.m. FSSP
**** No 6:30 p.m. Mass tonight ****

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30—St. Peter Chrysologus

6:30 a.m. Mark Scoggins
12:05 p.m. Margie Zabochnik +
**** No 6:30 p.m. Mass tonight ****

THURSDAY, JULY 31—St. Ignatius of Loyola

6:30 a.m. Jerry Dolezal + & Dolezal Family
12:05 p.m. Mary S. & Frank Mach ++
**** No 6:30 p.m. Mass tonight ****

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1—St. Alphonsus Liguori

First Friday Devotions after 12:05 p.m. Mass

6:30 a.m. Cordell Hickman +
12:05 p.m. August & Janie Vrana ++

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

First Saturday Devotions after 10:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Stephen Clark +
3:30 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. George & Rose Vrana

AUGUST 3, EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00 a.m. For the Parish Community
11:00 a.m. Tony & Sylvia Medina-55th Wedding Anniversary
1:00 p.m. Socorro Fernandez +
5:00 p.m. Life Teen Mass Leroy Cedillo-Special Intention

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. July 27, 9 am Micaela Ramos Navarro +
Sun. August 3, 9 am Melchor Garcia +

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 27

Entrance: Sing of the Lord's Goodness - 532
Offertory: They Will Know We Are Christians - 728
Communion: All Who Hunger - 817
Recessional: All Creatures of Our God and King - 523

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: The Wildflower Cafe

Pastor's Message

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
+ 2014

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

Such a simple message, but not so easy to live and accomplish:

“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure . . . which a person finds . . . goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.”

Before or after these words leave Jesus' mouth, He does not qualify this message. He does not set a limit on the price. This Kingdom of Heaven is worth any amount of suffering, poverty, illness, loneliness, hard work or sacrifice in this world that Jesus asks of each of us.

How many times do we each think or say, when considering what Jesus asks of us: “Jesus, couldn't expect me to do that.”

Or are we really thinking: “I don't think it is worth paying that price.”

Idea: We see a new car. Someone informs us the car costs \$50,000.00. We say, “Not worth that price.” Person says, “Go drive it and you will understand why and be willing to pay that price.”

Jesus never asks a price we cannot pay. Whatever the price, Jesus knows it will be worth it to us if we say, “Yes,” and pay the price. Jesus knows we will never be sorry.

That means, you have to trust Him! To do that, have to spend a lot of time with Him, to really know Him!

See you in Church, where you can come to know Him, if you aren't in a hurry to get Mass over with. Rather, would be great if Mass would last all day . . . it is the Lord's Day!

Love & Prayers,
Fr. John

COLLECTIONS FOR JULY 19 & 20
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Church Support Collection	\$15,629.27
Second Collection: Solidarity of the Church in Africa	796.12
Epiphany Church Support Collection	663.50
Second Collection: Solidarity of the Church in Africa	195.94

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Second Collection: Capital Improvements

Sunday, July 27

9:00 am RCIA / Rm 101

7:00 pm Adoration & Benediction/ Church

Monday, July 28

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

****NO 6:30 pm Mass or confessions this week ****

6:30 pm Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, July 29

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

12:30 pm Food for the Soul Lunch

****NO 6:30 pm Mass or confessions this week ****

6:30 pm Vacation Bible School

Wednesday, July 30

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

6:00 pm Life Teen "Into the Deep"

****NO 6:30 pm Mass this week ****

6:30 pm Vacation Bible School

7:30 pm KC #1353 Meeting/ KC

Thursday, July 31

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

****NO 6:30 pm Mass this week ****

6:30 pm Vacation Bible School

Friday, August 1—First Friday Devotions after 12:05 Mass

7:00 am Rosary/Church

6:30 pm Vacation Bible School

Saturday, August 2—1st Saturday Devotions after 10:00 Mass

8:00 am Nepomucene's Men/ Rm 101

10:00 am CDA Installation Mass/ First Saturday Mass

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, August 3

9:00 am RCIA / Rm 101

6:30 pm Life Night

VBS WEEK!!

All evening events are canceled July 28th -Aug. 1st

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

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.**

Sacred Architecture

Three-week series on Wednesdays, August 6, 13, and 20
Morning OR Evening: 11:00 AM—noon & 7:00-8:00 PM
Room 101 in the Compound

NEPOMUCENE'S MEN

Saturday, August 2nd — 8:00am - 9:45am
Room 101 of the Compound

We will adjourn at 9:45am for the 10:00am First Saturday Mass and devotion. Our guest speaker is Father Jason Cargo of the Catholic Church in Corsicana. Breakfast will be served. All men are invited.

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

CDA DISTRICT INSTALLATION MASS

Court Our Lady of the Bluebonnets #2268 will host the CDA District 52 Officer Installation Mass on Saturday, August 2nd at 10:00 at St. John's Catholic Church. All members and their immediate family are invited to attend. A reception in the cafeteria will follow.

Nepomucene's Children

ACCEPTING ENROLLMENTS NOW!

Call Judy at 972-875-8026 to register today

THANK YOU FROM THE HICKMAN FAMILY

The family of William "Cordell" Hickman expresses a special appreciation to our family, friends, and parish community for the warmth and support during Cordell's illness and the loss of our loved one. To J.E. Kever Funeral Home for a most meaningful visitation and memorial, to Joe Landsfeld & Patrick for leading the Rosary, to Fr. John for celebrating a beautiful Mass, and to the Altar Servers and Pallbearers for their humble service. A special thanks to the Requiem Choir for the beautiful music and to those who provided food and/or helped Pappa John with the lunch in any way. Our family extends appreciation for the many cards, Mass intentions, spiritual endowments, and monetary gifts. May God bless each and every one of you for your kindness.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS TIME CHANGE

August 2, 2014 — 10:00 am

First Saturday Devotions will follow Mass

CHURCH CLOSED FOR CLEANING

The church will be closed for cleaning from Monday, August 4th after the 6:30 am Mass until Tuesday, August 5th in time for the 12:05 pm Mass.

VOTIVE PRAYER OFFERINGS

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light : July 26—August 1

For: William Divin + Family

By: Frances Divin

Altar Candles : July 26—August 1

In Memory: Patricia Banks

By: Mildred Banks

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: July 25—July 31

In Memory & Honor of All living and deceased members of Alois & Anna Marusak Family

Flower Arrangements: July 25—July 31

For: Parish Community

By: Parish



First Saturday Devotion

Origins

The First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary was first mentioned by Our Lady of Fatima on July 13, 1917. After showing the three children a vision of hell she said, "You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace... I shall come to ask for... the Communion of reparation on the first Saturdays..."

Eight years later, on December 10, 1925, Mary and the Child Jesus appeared to Lucia, the sole surviving Fatima visionary, at a convent in Pontevedra, Spain. Our Lady rested her hand on Lucia's shoulder, revealing a heart encircled by thorns. The Child Jesus said: "Have compassion on the heart of your most holy Mother, covered with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment, and there is no one to make an act of reparation..."

Conditions

Our Lady spoke next, saying: "Look, my daughter, at my heart, surrounded with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You at least try to console me and say that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, *on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me.*"

1. Five first Saturdays in a row
2. Confession
3. Receive Holy Communion
4. Recite 5 decades of the Rosary
5. Meditate for 15 minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary (1 or more mysteries)
6. Intention of making reparation to Mary

Why Five Saturdays?

Christians have always honored the Blessed Virgin on Saturday because of her constant faith in Jesus on that first Holy Saturday before the Resurrection.

Five first Saturdays of reparation were requested to atone for the five ways in which people offend the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

1. attacks upon Mary's Immaculate Conception
<http://www3.nd.edu/~mary/classic/firstsat.html>.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!
JULY 28—AUGUST 1 : 6:30 PM—9:00 PM

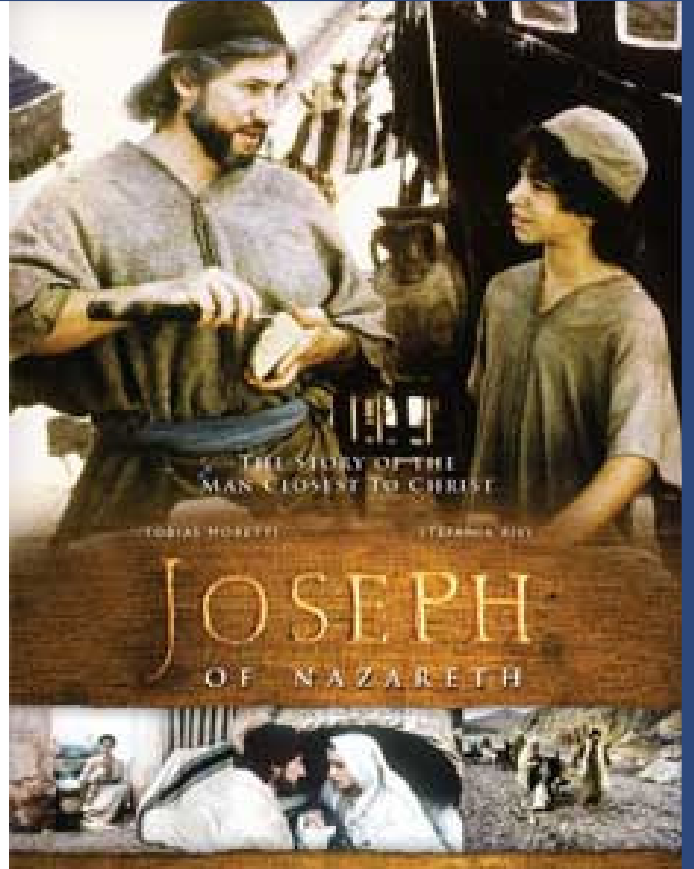
St. John Nepomucene Movie Night

Presents an Ignatius Documentary Presentation

Joseph of Nazareth:

The Story of the Man Closest to Christ

On Saturday, August 9, at 7:00 PM in compound room 103-104, we will be showing the movie, **JOSEPH OF NAZARETH: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ**, the first feature film ever produced on the story of St. Joseph – carpenter, husband of Mary and the chosen father of Jesus Christ. **Tobias Moretti** stars in a masculine and appealing performance, showing the human, noble and deeply spiritual aspects of Joseph the carpenter, son of David, servant of God and loving husband of Mary. The role of Mary is eloquently played by **Stefania Rivi**. Don't miss this opportunity to gather for fellowship, entertainment, refreshments, and to be moved by the incredible story of Joseph of Nazareth! Ignatius 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.

ST. JOHN



ALTAR SERVER

Scholarship program



CONGRATULATIONS JOSH ZAPLETAL!

Josh was awarded \$1,700 from the St. John Altar Server Scholarship after four years of service at the Altar to help him begin this new chapter in his life.

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC CHURCH GENERAL FUND 401 E. LAMPASAS ST ENNIS, TX 75119 PH. 972-875-2834	 ENNIS STATE BANK 972-875-4000 www.ennisstatebank.com P.O. Box 370 • Ennis, Texas 75120 88-2031-1119	7/17/2014
Josh Zapletal	\$	**1,700.00
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Young men high school or older are welcome to train and participate in the St. John Altar Server Guild. Please contact the Parish office for more details.

We would like to invite
you to the next
St. John Nepomucene
Men's Christ Renews
His Parish Retreat on
Aug. 23-24th
A terrific opportunity
to get away for a week-
end and spend time
with other men.

*Open your heart
to be loved by Him as you are.
He will do the rest.*

"Future Full of Hope"

- Jeremiah 29:11



August 23rd & 24th

CRHP 15

*Christ Renews His Parish
Women's Retreat
August 16 & 17, 2014*

Feeling lost and alone?

Come spend 2 amazing days with Our Lord and other wonderful women. The retreat is an experience **you will never forget** and the experiences you share will be with you for a life time.

You will **be amazed** at how quickly the two days pass and how sad you will be to see the weekend come to an end. You will be more amazed at the **lasting friendships** you make and the **power of the Holy Spirit**. For applications, please contact Karen Slovak @ Kslvak62@yahoo.com, Leslie Bell Slovak @ L-R-B-J@hotmail.com, or go to the church website for an application that can be found under forms.

Hope to see you there!

*If God
Is for Us
WHO CAN BE
Against us?
Romans 8:31*

The Catholic View of Education —

Created in the Image of God, We have Reason

- We can learn about the world God made for us
- We can be what we were created to be by developing our ability to reason
- We can take joy in learning



God made the World orderly



- Numbers
- Counting
- Patterns
- Sequencing
- Graphing
- Measuring
- Fractions
- Colors
- Shapes

Math

The Beauty and Wonder of Discovering the World God Made

- Senses
- Places
- Animals
- Seasons
- Days of the Week
- Calendar
- Letters
- Sounds
- Poetry
- Teacher reading
- Reading by the end of the 4 year old year



Reading

From the World to Its Creator

- Daily Mass
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Daily prayer circle
- Bible verse of the week
- Parts of prayer
- Reasons to pray
- Basic prayers



Social Studies

— *lived out at*



Nepomucene's Children

Religion

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd —



New program for the Spiritual Foundation of our children. CGS is a hands-on, Montessori inspired Orthodox Sunday School program tailored for our preschoolers. *The statue is representative of the one of the earliest known Christian images, discovered in the catacombs of Rome.*

***The Atrium is the meeting ground of two mysteries:
the mystery of God and the mystery of the child***



- God and the Child are in relationship
- Our role as adults is to protect and nurture this bond.



- age-appropriate themes from the Bible and our liturgy with manipulative materials the children use to internalize and ponder the great mysteries of our faith.

Developed by Sofia Cavalletti, an Italian Hebrew scripture scholar, building on the work and methods of Maria Montessori, the Catechesis seeks to give children the guidance and vocabulary which enable them to become aware of their relationship with God and give expression to it. With the Catechesis we help each child to continue to fall in love with God while building community among peers.

[The atrium] is a place where the child comes to know the great realities of...life as a Christian, but also and above all, a place where the child begins to live these realities in meditation and prayer. There is nothing of the academic classroom about the atrium; it is not a place for religious instruction but religious life. (Sofia Cavalletti, RPOC, p. 56)

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd takes its name from the parable and image of Jesus that seemed to appeal most to young children, no matter what their race, gender, and/or socio-economic status.

— fostering growth at St. John Nepomucene



High school teens!
Come to Life Teen to
experience community & a
sense of belonging with
Catholics just like you!

Sunday nights at 5 PM
Tuesdays at Noon
Wednesdays at 6 PM



Three-week series on
Sacred Architecture
Wednesdays, August 6, 13, and 20
Come in the morning *or* evening:
11:00 AM—noon and 7:00-8:00 PM
Room 101 in the Compound

SLOTS WITHOUT ADORERS

Sunday 2AM
Sunday 3AM
Wednesday 4PM
Thursday 12AM
Thursday 9AM
Thursday 12PM
Friday 2AM
Friday 4PM
Saturday 2AM
Saturday 10AM
Saturday 1PM

**THE GREATEST LOVE
STORY OF ALL
TIMES IS CONTAINED
IN A TINY
WHITE HOST.**

Archbishop Fulton Sheen

ADORATION

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his
mother Mary, and they
bowed down and worshiped Him. Matt 2:11

Please prayerfully consider volunteering to Adore during these available slots. **Code to the chapel is 2834***

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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—7/27/14
Helen / Bob Zmolek—8/3/14
Georgie Ann Nekuza—9/7/14
Nathan Gunn—8/3/14
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-7/27/14
Sr. Agnes Marie Marusak-7/27/14
Frank Prochaski -7/27/14
Helen Autrey -8/3/14
Johnny/ Mary Ann Hajek-8/31/14
Peggy Allesandro 8/3/14
Elizabeth Hickman—8/3/14
Sr. Redempta Bradley—7/13/14
Stanley J. Liska—8/3/14
Ronnie Garcia—8/3/14
Freddy Martinez—8/3/14
Rosa Sanchez—8/3/14
Nancy Blackburn—8/10/14
Frank Anguiano—7/13/14
Jeff Mills—8/10/14
Wesley Krajca—7/13/14

Stephen Dolezalik—7/27/14
Betty Jo Culpepper—8/24/14
Ronnie Garcia—7/27/14
Joe Gobeia—7/27/14
Mario Fira—7/27/14
Alfred Martinez—7/27/14
Pete Gutierrez—7/27/14
Mackenzie Rankin—7/27/14
Betty Rogala—7/27/14
Joan Gura—8/3/14
Ray Montelongo—8/3/14
Kenneth Klegg—8/3/14
Josephine Kubin—8/3/14
Gary Kidder—8/3/14
Linda Campbell—8/3/14
Jimmy Aguilar—8/3/14
Joe Spaniel—8/10/14
John Polak—8/10/14
Margaret Bohuslav- 8/17/14
Margie Dvorak—8/17/14

Mary Hejny—8/17/14
Leo Rejcek—8/17/14
Mildred Trojacek—8/24/14
Helen Patak—8/24/14
Edwin & Dorothy Langer—8/24/14
Lillian Bacak—8/24/14
Albin Vrana—8-24-14
Lorraine Nash—8-24-14
Ella Spaniel—8-24-14
Trisha Zabochnik—8/24/14
Wilma Holt—8/24/14
Betty Rogala—8/24/14
Isidra Regalado Cereno—8/31/14
Locavio Pesina—8/31/14
Tammy Kock—8/31/14
Bibi Moreno—8/31/14
Helen Barak—8/31/14