

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23—St. Pio of Pietrelcina

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

12:05 p.m. Stella Tobola (97th Birthday)

6:00 p.m. Confessions

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

No Confessions after Mass today

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

6:30 a.m. Stanley Vlk +

12:05 p.m. Richard Kadlubar +

6:00 p.m. Confessions

6:30 p.m. Natalia Avila +

7:00 p.m. Confessions

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

6:30 a.m. Wilma Zhanel +

12:05 p.m. Charlie & Mary Bouska ++

Adoration after 12:05 Mass

6:30 p.m. Michelle Ross Jones

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26—St. Cosmas & Damian

6:30 a.m. Delfa Arrambide +

12:05 p.m. Agnes Chudej +

6:30 p.m. Maria de la Luz Andrade Guzman +

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27—St. Vincent De Paul

6:30 a.m. Rose M. Trojacek +

12:05 p.m. Mildred Jordan +

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Deceased Family of Frank & Mary Dlabaj Sr.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME,

SEPTEMBER 29

7:00 a.m. Robin Cervantes +

11:00 a.m. William Vavra +

1:00 pm Mark Cerda Vasquez (16th Birthday)

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. September 22, 9 am Juan y Ma. Guadalupe Ramirez+

Sun. September 29, 9 am Librado Muniz +

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, September 28

5:00 pm Josh Zapletal / Josef Woodward

Sunday, September 29

7:00 am Chris Trojacek / Brandon Martinek / Jake Kasowski

11:00 am Austin Spaniel / Mando Campos / Andrew Alvarado

5:00 pm LT Mass Joseph Galetka / Alston Lawrence

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: State Farm Insurance/Jenny Vidrine

Letter from the Pastor

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
+ 2013

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

From St. Paul we hear in our First Reading: "This is good and pleasing to God our Savior, who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth."

Blessed John Paul II wrote in his Apostolic Exhortation, *Christi-fideles Laici*: "Humanity is loved by God! This very simple yet profound proclamation is owed to humanity by the Church. Each Christian's words and life must make this proclamation resound."

In our Gospel reading this Sunday, Jesus tells us that we as Christians must be as zealous, clever and hard working as the pagans. He commends the steward, not for his stealing, but rather for his shrewd behavior and effort in figuring out his future goals, now that he has lost his employment and income.

The dishonest steward was worried about his future. Jesus is prompting each of us to examine our future goals. Are our personal goals for the future those of a Christian or pagan? I would venture to say that most of us are highly influenced by pagan goals without consciously realizing it. By unconsciously trying to serve two masters we never experience the joy and freedom of serving God alone. Jesus came to set us free from the demands of this world. He told His disciples that they were still "in the world, but not of the world."

The goals of a pagan are focused on this world. Pagans work to improve their life-style or standard of living in this world. We see people make unbelievable sacrifices in order to accumulate more material goods, pleasure or comfort in this world. They live each day working for themselves, they are "self-employed" for their own good and perhaps the good of their family.

As Catholics we work for the Lord. We are only stewards and workers in His vineyard. All of the profits of our "work" go to His goals and plans; the Gospel. The Lord's work is for our personal holiness and the apostolate. The true Christian does not devote one part of his attention to God and another to the business of this world. It must all be in service to God.

As Jesus said: "No servant can serve two masters!"

Love & Prayers,
Fr. John

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Entrance: All Creatures of our God and King – 523

Offertory: Christ, Be Our Light - 512

Communion: All Who Hunger - 817

Recessional: For the Healing of the Nations – 712

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 22

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

9:00 am RCIA/ Room 101

6:30 pm Life Night

7:00 pm Adoration/Benediction

Monday, September 23

6:00 am Morning Prayer & Rosary/Church

6:00 Confessions

7:00 pm Qahal

Tuesday, September 24

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

6:30 am Food for Soul Mass and Breakfast

6:00/7:00 pm Confessions

7:00 pm Apologetics/ Room 301

5-8:30 pm SJ Library open/Room 106 Compound

Wednesday, September 25

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

10:00 am Little Saints Play Group/Assumption Hall

6-8 pm Life Teen "Into the Deep"

7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

7:30 pm KC #1353 Meeting/ KC

Thursday, September 26

6:00 am Morning Prayer and Rosary/Church

7:00 pm RCIA Inquiry/ Room 103

7:00 pm Women of Grace/ Room 101

7:00 pm Little Flower Talk/Room 103/104

Friday, September 27

7:00 am Rosary after 6:30 am Mass

Saturday, September 28

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

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

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COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 14 & 15 Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

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| St. John Church Support Collection | \$16,922.70 |
| Epiphany Church Support Collection | 816.25 |

SANCTUARY CARE

SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

The 6 candles flanking the main altar in the sanctuary were donated in memory of Louis Kozlovsky & Frances Kozlovsky by Rose Cooke for the week of September 21—September 27.

SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The sanctuary light was donated in memory of John J. & Mildred Dlabaj; Joe Ben & Geraldine Patril donated by Jerry & Irene Prachyl for the week of September 21-September 27.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

*What is wrong
with the world?*

Find out at: *Qahal*

Monday nights, 7:00-8:30 pm,
101-102 in the Compound
Bring your Bible, a notebook, and a pen.

We will be starting a study on **chapter 3** of Genesis, one of the **most important chapters** of the Bible.

A FEW EVENINGS WITH THE LITTLE FLOWER
Spend September 26th, October 3rd, and October 10th with St. Therese the Little Flower from 7 pm—9 pm in Room 103/104. Bring paper and a pen! Presented by Deacon Don *"I cannot fear God who made himself so small for me— I love Him. For He is only love and mercy."*

Beginning Apologetics:

Tuesdays, at 7pm, Room 301

NEPOMUCENE'S MEN
SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER THROUGH LIFE'S STRUGGLES

SEEK THE TRUTH

SPIRITUAL GROWTH + FELLOWSHIP

OCTOBER 5

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

Rosary will be said after 6:30 am Mass on Fridays

THANK YOU FROM THE JERRY J. DOLEZAL FAMILY
A special Thank You to Fr. Henry Drozd, Mr. Eddie Kriska, Mr. John Marek and the Requiem Choir for the beautiful service, Rosary, and prayers.



PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY

Come pray the holy Rosary for our country and the Pro Life movement on Sat., Oct. 12 @ noon. Corner of Ennis Ave. & Pe-can St. across from Wal-Mart.

PAID CHILD CARE PROVIDERS NEEDED

If you are interested in becoming a paid child care provider for parish events, please call the office.

FUNDRAISING BARN DANCE

Telico Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual Fund Raising Barn Dance on Saturday, September 28th. It will begin at 4 pm at the SPJST Hall. Fun for the whole family! For more information please contact Chief Van Fowler 972-878-2083 or Marvin Trojacek 972-875-6655.



Children's RE

Classes begin in one week, and we really need your help!

Consider volunteering!

Reasons to be a volunteer:

- God desires it
- Helping our children learn about God
- Excellent textbook series
- Weekly lesson plans provided by the RE department
- Great communication between the RE staff and yourself

We still need 20 volunteers!

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Sundays

| Grade | # needed |
|--------------|----------|
| Kindergarten | 1 |
| 2nd | 1 |
| 3rd | 2 |
| 4th | 1 |
| 5th | 1 |
| Childcare | 2 |

Wednesdays

| Grade | # needed |
|-------|----------|
| 1st | 3 |
| 2nd | 3 |
| 3rd | 4 |
| 4th | 1 |
| 5th | 1 |

Contact:

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Children's RE



“Why do I need to bring my child to Sunday School? They have already received their sacraments.”

Educating our children in the faith is not just about receiving a sacrament, its about preparing them for life. We must continue to grow and mature spiritually in our faith our entire lives.

“Why would I enroll them in Pre-K and Kindergarten classes when they don't begin preparing for 1st Communion till 1st grade?”

Our children will be much better prepared to receive their 1st Holy Communion if they learn about God more than one year before they receive. Religious education can help.

“We are so busy and on Sundays we like to relax. RE is so long.”

RE is 54 hours for the entire year. That's not even 3 days, and there are 365 days in a year. Our children deserve even more time than that to learn about our God!

Pre-K thru 5th grade

Sunday classes begin September 29th
8:30-10:30 AM

Wednesday classes begin October 2nd
6:30-8:30 PM

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What is Life Teen?

Life Teen is an International 4-year High School Youth Ministry Program designed to bring teenagers into community with one another and the Church Universal.

It is through this community that teenagers meet the person of Jesus Christ, develop a relationship with him, and after 4 years are sent out live holy lives.



What is the Fruit of a Life Teen Program?

Put simply: Young Catholics who have a passion & zeal for Christ and His Church. Holy young families, great priest, rejuvenated religious communities, and young adults who serve the Church.



Life Teen at St. John: Nepomucene's Teens

The people who serve our teenagers:

The Youth Minister - Stephen Thompson

The Core Team - a Core Team is a group of adults who are living out their Catholic Faith passionately and wish to share that with teenagers. To minister to the teens with personal relationships and leading them closer to Christ.

Weekly Meetings

Sunday–Life Teen Mass at 5 PM. Allowing the Liturgy to come alive for the teens by providing contemporary Christian music and a homily geared towards them and their life! **Life Nights follow the Mass from 6:30-8:30 PM.** These sessions are where the faith is broadcasted to the teenagers in a dynamic way, keeping it constantly varied to keep their interest.

Tuesday – Food for the Soul Mass at 6:30 AM with breakfast afterwards. Once again emphasizing the importance of the Eucharist & Catholic Community.

Wednesday– Into the Deep at 6:00 – 8:00 PM.

A time of community coming together once again for Mass and exploring the Truths of the Catholic Church a little deeper!

What is wrong with the world?

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101-102 in the Compound

Bring your Bible, a notebook, and a pen.

If you are ready to go deeper, join us for prayer, study, reflection, and sharing. "Set out into the Deep" as we study **chapter 3 of Genesis**, one of the **most important chapters of the Bible**.

A FEW EVENINGS WITH THE LITTLE FLOWER



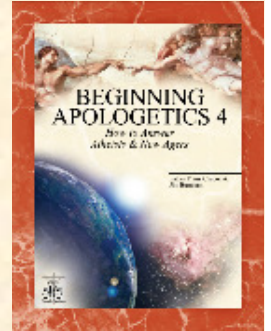
- 9/26, 10/3, 10/ 10
- 7 pm—9 pm
- Room 103 / 104.
- Bring paper and pen

Presented by Deacon Don

"I cannot fear God who made himself so small for me— I love Him. For He is only love and mercy."

Beginning Apologetics: How to Answer Atheists and New Ager

Do you know what a New Ager is? Can you answer Atheists' questions about Catholicism? Do you know Atheism is on the rise? Do you know where modern Atheism got its roots from?



Come on Tuesdays at 7pm, Room 301. Jesus has called all who are baptized to take the gospel to the world. Here is your chance to learn how people have been filled with inaccurate ideas from a secular world. If you have not attended any Apologetics classes in the past, don't worry, this is a new topic with all new material.

NEPOMUCENES OCTOBER 5 ROOM 201 MEN OCTOBER 5 ROOM 201

**COMMON MEN
COMMON PURPOSE
BUILDING ONE
ANOTHER
IN GODS
TRUTH**

"Let us then pursue what leads to peace and to build up one another."

Romans 14:19

**BEGINNING WITH MASS AT 8:00 AM
BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED**

the call to CRHP...

Has your faith grown stronger ?

Do you trust Christ with your life ?

Are there changes you need to make in your life ?

Do you speak and live the truth of the Faith?

Will you act despite your fear?

Will you answer the call?

The new formation team for the Men's Christ Renews His Parish retreat is a strong team, but they are lacking in the numbers that they need to put on the next retreat. **If you are a man who has been to the CRHP retreat weekend but has not been through formation and put on a retreat**, please join the formation this time and help this current group. To join, contact Seth Wright or Father John or just show up at the formation meeting that will be held this Monday at 7:00 PM in room 104 in the compound.

"AS IRON SHARPENS IRON, SO MAN SHARPENS EACH OTHER." PROV 27:17

Come, Let us Adore Him

October 12 & 13, 2013 the Priests of the Apostolate for Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration will be joining us at all the Masses that weekend! They will be teaching about Adoration and setting up Perpetual Adoration here at St. John!



CURRENT ADORATION OPPORTUNITIES

Every Wednesdays after 12:05 Mass until 5 pm

Sundays in September from 7pm—8 pm
*includes Praise & Worship

What is Perpetual Adoration? Perpetual Adoration is a Eucharistic devotion whereby members of a given parish (or other entity) unite in taking hours of adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament (in most cases, exposed), both during the day and throughout the night, seven days a week.

What are some good reasons for establishing Perpetual Adoration? To provide an easy, attractive, and practical way of rendering God adoration which is His due as our Creator of giving Him thanks for our redemption of making reparation for our sins and the sins of mankind; of petitioning the good God for the constant help we need.

To show our gratitude to our Lord for remaining among us in our tabernacles, and to make at least some atonement for the many sacrileges, indifferences, and ingratitude which He receives in His Sacrament of Love.

Help Save Lives from September 25 - November 3



40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

*Join the worldwide movement
to protect mothers and babies*

Recognizing that “with God, all things are possible,” our community is joining with hundreds of other cities for this fall’s global 40 Days for Life – the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history.

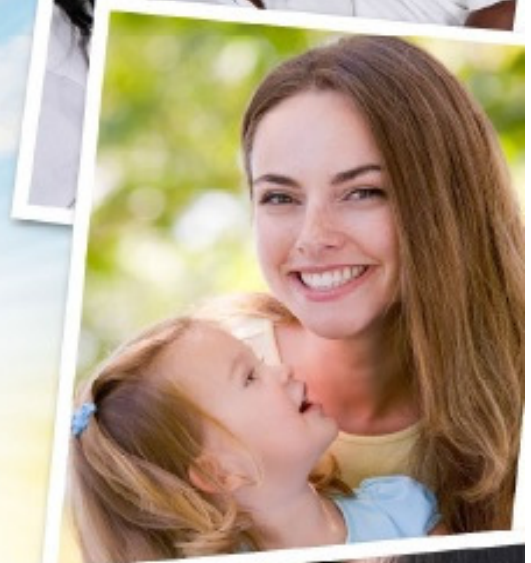
40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful – and proven effective – pro-life campaign that has already been embraced by more than half a million people worldwide, saved 7,536 lives from abortion, led to the conversion of 83 abortion workers, and seen 38 abortion facilities close.

40 Days for Life features three components:

1. **PRAYER & FASTING:** Join together with other believers for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.
2. **PEACEFUL VIGIL:** Stand for life during a 40-day peaceful public witness in the public right-of-way (sidewalk) outside of the Southwestern late-term abortion center at 8616 Greenville Avenue, Dallas
3. **COMMUNITY OUTREACH:** Bring a positive pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, advocacy and public visibility

Don't miss the 40 Days for Life-Dallas Kickoff Rally on Tuesday, September 24th at 6:30 p.m. at Harry S. Moss Park (SE corner of Royal and Greenville in Dallas), featuring Steve Karlen of National 40 Days for Life!

Learn how you can “speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves” right here in Dallas by contacting Campaign Director Lauren Muzyka at 40days@prolifedallas.org or 972-365-4305, or by visiting the web page listed below.



St. John will be adopting a day of prayer. Please prayerfully consider giving an hour of your time to pray in front of the abortion clinic. More information to come at the Masses & bulletin.

www.prolifedallas.org/40days

TWENTY-FIFTH 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 joan-nag@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.

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| Jo Ann Dolezalik—10/20/13 | Mary N. Sladeczek—10/6/13 | Michael Liska—10/13/13 | Myrna Mauricio—10/20/13 |
| Gentry Holmes—10/20/13 | Paulette Collins—10/13/13 | Stanley J. Liska—10/13/13 | Oscar Mauricio—10/20/13 |
| Patricia Banks—10/20/13 | Eleanora Pelzel—9-29-13 | Abby Baker—10/13/13 | Pete Martinez—10/20/13 |
| Margie Dvorak—10/20/13 | Gil Escobar—9-29-13 | Mary Ann Hajek—10/13/13 | |
| Walter Marusak—10/20/13 | Garry Kidder—9-29-13 | Johnnie Hajek—10/13/13 | |
| Helen Zmolek—10/13/13 | Sr Genevieve Prochaska-9-29-13 | Trisha Adams—10/20/13 | |
| Meg Routh—10/27//13 | Frank Prochaska—9-29-13 | Alfred Martinez —10/20/13 | |
| Georgie Ann Nekuza—10/20/13 | Michael Patak—9-29-13 | Edwin Langer—10/20/13 | |
| Mary Hejny—10/20//13 | Jimmy Aguilar—9-29-13 | Dorothy Langer-10/20/13 | |
| Mildred Wickliffe—10/20/13 | Lori Strunc—9-29-13 | Carolyn Toal—10/20/13 | |
| Nathan Gunn—10/20/13 | Kyson Montelongo—9-29-13 | Helen Patak—10/20/13 | |
| Helen Matous—9/29/13 | Emil A. Taraba -- 10/6/13 | Walter Marusak—10/20/13 | |
| Bob Zmolek — 10/13/13 | Otto Macalik — 10/6/13 | Cecilia Salik—10/20/13 | |

PRAYER FOR HEALING

Lord, look upon me with the eyes of Your mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.