

Mass Intentions for week of September 28

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 - Sts. Michael, Gabriel, & Rafael

6:30 a.m. Special Intention

12:05 p.m. William Vavra +

6:30 p.m. Ryan Svehlak +

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 - St. Jerome

6:30 a.m. Jack Cline +

12:05 p.m. Fred Zak Family (Jane, Fred, Frederick)+++

6:30 p.m. Mary Praslicka +

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1 - St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

6:30 a.m. Frances & Joe Kudrna ++

12:05 p.m. Fr. John's 5th Anniversary @ St. John (Oct. 2nd)

2:30 p.m. Jerry Dolezal+ & Dolezal Family (Ennis NH)

6:30 p.m. Bernadine Distasio (health)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels

6:30 a.m. Del Rita Svoboda +

12:05 p.m. Special Intention

6:30 p.m. Manuel Martinez +

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

First Friday Devotions after 12:05 pm Mass

6:30 a.m. Rex Spurgeon +

12:05 p.m. Neal Harrison +

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 - St. Francis of Assisi

First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 am Mass

8:00 a.m. Betty Rogala (health)

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Johnny & Mildred Wickliffe ++

OCTOBER 5, TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00 a.m. Willie, Mary, & Billie Kriska +++

11:00 a.m. Joe W. Spaniel +

1:00 p.m. Pedro Hernandez +

5:00 p.m. **Life Teen Mass** For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. September 28, 9 am Roman y Gregoria Rodriguez ++

Sun. October 5, 9 am Margarita Almaguer +

COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 20 & 21 Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Church Support Collection	\$15,552.50
2nd Collection Altar Server Scholarship	\$1,413.23
Epiphany Church Support Collection	\$1,027.75

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Entrance: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy - 603

Offertory: Alleluia to the Risen Lord - 462

Communion: Now In This Banquet - 825

Recessional: Lift High the Cross - 785

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: State Farm/ Jenny Vidrine

Pastor's Message

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
+2014

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors (thieves) and prostitutes are entering the Kingdom of God before you."

Who did Jesus SAY THIS to? They must have been a REALLY bad group of people.

No, Jesus made this statement to the CHIEF PRIESTS and ELDERS of the people!

These are the people who would have been respected in the community. The Jewish people respected their elders and looked to them for wisdom. These were the "Chief" priests! The ones who had risen in authority and respect because of their work in the Temple and community.

This reading ends with the Jesus saying: ". . . you did not later change your minds and believe him."

Our life of holiness, of being a follower/disciple of Jesus Christ, requires each of us to make the choice of believing in the Gospel every day. Our choice to believe must then show forth in our thoughts, words and actions, how we actually live each day.

We must, by our choices, strive each day toward greater holiness. We must work to imitate Christ more closely each day. We should always have "growing pains!" We can never "relax" and "coast" along just doing what we did the day before.

Ask HIM for the grace to desire increased holiness constantly! Never being satisfied with the holiness of our discipleship but joyously looking forward to getting holier.

See you at the source of holiness!

Love and Prayers,
Fr. John



HAPPY 5TH
ANNIVERSARY
BEING HERE AT
ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE!

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 28

- 9:00 am RCIA / Room 101
- 6:30 pm Life Night
- 7:00 pm Praise & Benediction/ Church

Monday, September 29

- 6:00pm Confessions/Church (No Confessions after Mass)

Tuesday, September 30

- 7:00 am Food for the Soul Breakfast
- 6:00 Confessions/ Church (No Confessions after Mass)
- 7:00 - 8:15 pm EDGE/Cafeteria

Wednesday, October 1

- 6:00 pm Life Teen "Into the Deep"
- 6:30-8:30 pm Religious Education Classes
- 7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 2

- 7:00 pm RCIA / Room 101

Friday, October 3

First Friday Devotions after 12:05 pm Mass

Saturday, October 4

- First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 am Mass
- 9:00 am Nepomucene 's Men / Room 101
- 3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, October 5

- 8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes
- 9:00 am RCIA / Room 101
- 6:30 pm Life Night

THANK YOU FROM THE JOSEPHINE KUBIN FAMILY

We would like to express our gratitude to all those who helped with our Mother's funeral from those who paid a visit, brought food and helped in the kitchen, offered Memorials, Masses or donations, to those who sent flowers and cards. We would like to thank Fr. Henry for performing the Last Rites and Fr. Antonio for the blessed service. A special thanks goes to Pastor Michael Howard for the touching Eulogy. We would also like to thank the caring staff at Ennis Care Center for their tender kindness and also Boze-Mitchell McKibbin Funeral Home for their care and concern. Knowing she had such a loving family and friends gives us great comfort.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

ADORERS NEEDED!

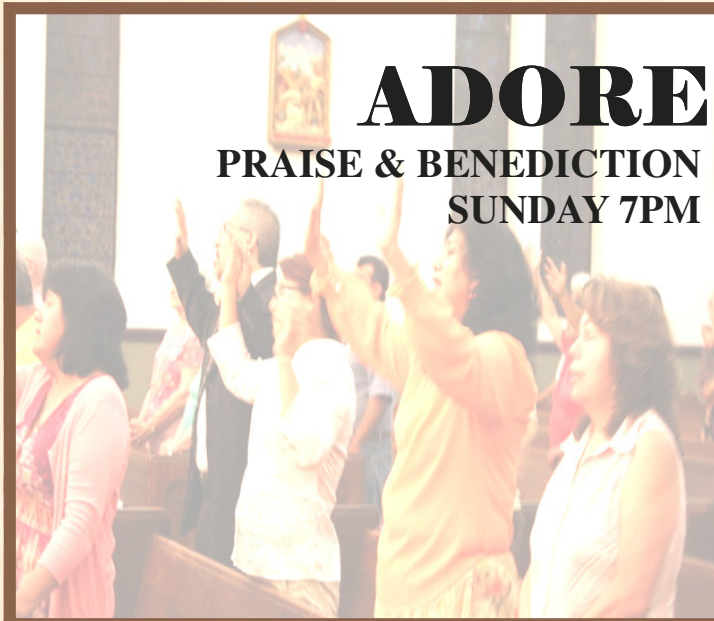
- Sunday 8 AM · Saturday 1 PM · Saturday 2 AM
- Sunday 10 AM · Wednesday 4 PM · Sunday 11 AM
- Thursday 12AM · Saturday 10 AM · Thursday 9 AM

Adorer of Adoration Chapel wishes to thank Jesus for the following favors granted:

- ◆ Thankful for answered prayers when all seemed hopeless.
- ◆ Good report on pregnant daughter's health.

Nepomucene's Men
 Spiritual Growth & Fellowship for Men
Morning of Reflection on Spiritual Growth
 8:00 a.m. -- with Mass & Adoration
 9:00 a.m. -- breakfast will be served
 9:30 a.m. - program begins
Saturday, October 5th— Room 101-102

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY



JOB OPENING

In the maintenance department - Please come by the Parish office for an application and job description.

11TH ANNUAL KC CHARITY GOLF

Sun., October 5th @ Indian Oaks, 7574 Lee Lane, Peeltown TX. Registration and lunch begin @ 11:30 am, Shotgun starts at 1 pm. 4 person scramble \$65 ea. includes golf, lunch, & two mulligans. Raffle, food, and fun for all. Contact Brad Cepak at 214-538-9910 for more info. You don't have to golf to participate. Tee, food sponsors, raffle prizes & donations are still needed.

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.

**** We are in need of clothes racks on wheels! ****

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light : September 27—October 3

In Memory: Louis Kozlovsky

By: Rose & David Cooke

Altar Candles : September 27—October 3

In Memory: Louis Kozlovsky

By: Rose & David Cooke

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: September 26—October 2

In Memory: Danny & Denise Nekuza

By: Raymond & Georgie Nekuza

Flower Arrangements: September 26—October 2

In Memory: Danny & Denise Nekuza

By: Raymond & Georgie Nekuza

A Week of Powerful Intercessors

Monday, September 29—Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,

defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the

wickedness and

snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke

him, we humbly

pray, and do thou,

O Prince of the

heavenly hosts, by

the power of God,

thrust into hell

Satan, and all the

evil spirits, who

prowl about the world seeking

the ruin of souls. Amen.

Prayer to St. Gabriel:

Blessed Saint Gabriel the Archangel, we pray that you intercede for us at the throne of divine mercy:

as you announced the mystery of the Incarnation to Mary, so through your prayers may we receive faith and courage, find favor with God, and redemption through Christ our Lord. May

we sing the praise of God our Savior with all the angels and saints in heaven forever and ever.



Prayer to St. Raphael:

Blessed Saint Raphael the Archangel, we pray that you help us in all our needs and through life's trials as you, through the power of God, restored sight and gave guidance to Tobit. We humbly seek your help and intercession, that our souls may be healed, our bodies protected from all sickness, and that through divine grace we may become fit to dwell in the eternal Glory of God in heaven. Amen.

Angels are God's messengers. There are accounts of each of these angels in Scripture. They are defenders, healers, and heroes. We can look at them and be inspired by what they have done. These angels are also powerful intercessors.

Tuesday, September 30—Memorial of St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Feast Day: September 30

Born: 340-342, Stridon, on the border of Dalmatia and Pannonia

Died: 420, Bethlehem, Judea

Major Shrine: Basilica of Saint Mary Major, Rome, Italy

Patron of: archeologists; archivists; Bible scholars; librarians; libraries; schoolchildren;

Collect Prayer for the Memorial of St. Jerome:

O God, who gave the Priest St. Jerome a living and tender love for Sacred Scripture, grant that your people may be ever more fruitfully nourished by your Word and find in it the fount of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Wednesday, October 1—Memorial of St. Thérèse, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Prayer to St. Thérèse:

O little St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, who during your short life on earth became a mirror of angelic purity, of love strong as death, and of wholehearted abandonment to God, now that you rejoice in the reward of your virtues, cast a glance of pity on me as I leave all things in your hands. Make my troubles your own - speak a word for me to our Lady Immaculate, whose flower of special love you were - to that Queen of heaven "who smiled on you at the dawn of life." Beg her as the Queen of the heart of Jesus to obtain for me by her powerful intercession, the grace I yearn for so ardently at this moment, and that she join with it a blessing that may strengthen me during life. Defend me at the hour of death, and lead me straight on to a happy eternity. Amen

Feast Day: October 1

Born: January 2, 1873, Alençon, France

Died: September 30, 1897, Lisieux, France

Canonized May 17, 1925 by Pope Pius XI

Major Shrine: Basilique de Sainte-Thérèse, Lisieux, France

Patron of: aviators; bodily ills; florists; France; illness; loss of parents; missionaries; tuberculosis



Thursday, October 2—Memorial of the Guardian Angels

Prayer to Your Guardian Angel:

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

"From infancy to death human life is surrounded by their (the angels) watchful care and intercession. Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life. Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united to God."

- from the Catechism of the Catholic Church; 336



Saturday, October 4—Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi

Prayer for imitation of St. Francis: O God, who, through the merits of blessed Francis, didst give increase to Thy Church, by enriching her with new offspring: grant us, that following his example we may despise earthly goods and ever rejoice in partaking of Thy heavenly gifts. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with You and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Feast Day: October 4
Born: 1181 or 1182 at Assisi, Umbria, Italy
Died: 3 October 1226 at Assisi, Italy
Canonized: 16 July 1228 by Pope Gregory IX
Major Shrine: Basilica of San Francesco d'Assisi, Assisi, Italy
Patron of: against dying alone, against fire, animal welfare societies, animals, Assisi, Italy, birds, Catholic Action, ecologists, ecology, environment, families, Franciscan Order, lacemakers, merchants, needle workers, peace, tapestry workers, zoos



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

What is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and How Do I Become One?

Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion assist the Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (priests and deacons) in the distribution of Holy Communion to the faithful. This is a valuable service and a sacred charge. We need those whom the Lord is calling to assist in this manner to volunteer as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Contact Ellene Stout _____ for more information and to volunteer.

One Species or Two?

When one receives Holy Communion either in the form of the Host or the Precious Blood, one receives the entire Christ. Nothing is lacking. However, the sign value is more complete when one receives both species. Both species will be offered to the faithful during Christmas and Easter seasons.

Training for Extraordinary Ministers

Training for current and new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 7:00 PM in the Church.



SEPTEMBER 24 - NOVEMBER 2

HELP
SAVE
LIVES



40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

*Join the worldwide
movement to protect
mothers and babies*

From **September 24** – **November 2**, our community will join hundreds of other cities participating in *40 Days for Life*, a life-saving campaign made up of three components:



**PRAYER &
FASTING**



**COMMUNITY
OUTREACH**



**PEACEFUL
VIGIL**

40 Days for Life is a peaceful pro-life effort that has been embraced by more than 625,000 volunteers in 539 cities across 24 nations.

With God's help, *40 Days for Life* has achieved **proven results**: 8,973 babies spared from abortion, 101 abortion worker conversions, and 56 closed abortion centers.

Get involved, and *you* can help save lives!

DALLAS VIGIL

LOCATION: Planned Parenthood abortion facility, 7989 West Virginia Drive, Dallas

HOURS: 6:00 a.m. –6:00 p.m., **daily**

Contact: 40days@prolifedallas.org or 214-392-7545 or for more information visit prolifedallas.org/40days

St. John will be adopting the hours of **12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. on Oct. 23, 2014.*** Please help end abortion by standing vigil for one hour during this time.

*More information to come at a later date

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—10/19/14
 Helen / Bob Zmolek—10/26/14
 Georgie Ann Nekuza—11/9/14
 Nathan Gunn—10/19/14
 Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-10/19/14
 Sr. Agnes Marie Marusak-10/19/14
 Frank Prochaski —10/19/14
 Johnny/ Mary Ann Hajek-8/31/14
 Sr. Redempta Bradley—9/14/14
 Nancy Blackburn—10/19/14
 Stephen Dolezalik—10/19/14
 Betty Jo Culpepper—10/19/14
 Alfred Martinez—9/14/14
 Betty Rogala—9/14/14
 Jimmy Aguilar—9/14/14
 Ivan & Margaret Bohuslav— 10/26/14
 Margie Dvorak—10/19/14
 Mary Hejny—10/19/14
 Mildred Trojacek—9/21/14
 Edwin & Dorothy Langer—9/21/14
 Albin Vrana—9-21-14
 Trisha Zabochnik—10/19/14
 Betty Rogala—10/19/14

Carol Rejcek—9/7/14
 Georgie Kozlovsky—10/19/14
 Aubrie Krajca—9/7/14
 Pete Gutierrez—10/19/14
 Christie Gillihan—10/19/14
 Jacob Paul Watson—9/7/14
 Lydia Mensik—9/14/14
 Analiese Mahaley—10/19/14
 Isabel Olalde—9/14/14
 Roger Bigham—9/14/14
 Anna Galetka—9/14/14
 Annie Fira Garcia—10/19/14
 Rey Cervantes—9/14/14
 Eudelia Navarro—9/21/14
 Anna Lee Weaver—9/21/14
 Wesley Krajca—9/21/14
 Ginger Monreal—9/21/14
 Christy Hollingsworth—9/21/14
 Janie & Richie Mraz—9/21/14
 Danny Kubin—9/21/14
 Joe Gobeia—9/21/14
 Emil Zabochnik—9/21/14
 Debbie Brewer—10/12/14

Eleanora Pelzel—10/12/14
 Harkley Boark—10/12/14
 Wilma Holt—10/19/14
 Barbara Sample—10/19/14
 Ella Patak—10/19/14
 Tina Jones—10/19/14
 Maura Meza—10/19/14
 Ken Clegg—10/19/14
 Frankie L. Svehlak—10/19/14
 Henry Vrana—10/19/14
 Angie Fira Garza—10/19/14
 Bill Hejny—10/26/14
 Consuelo Aldana—10/26/14
 Rosa Sanchez—10/26/14
 Locadio Pesina—10/26/14
 Sr. Edna Gonzalez—10/26/14