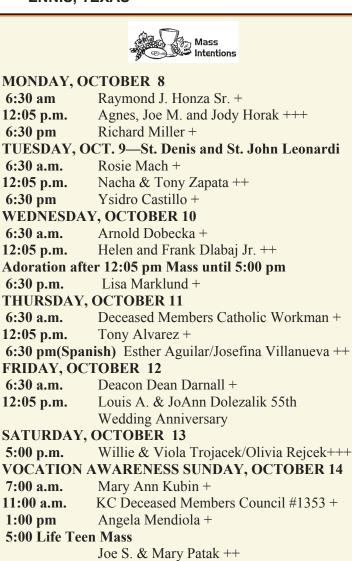
#### ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH ENNIS, TEXAS



MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sunday, October 7, 9:00 am Juaquina Cabrera + Sunday, Oct. 14, 9:00 am Joe & Julia Jurik ++

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday, October 13 5:00 p.m. Alex Fry/Josh Zapletal Sunday, October 14 7:00 am Aaron Rejcek/Tyler Novy/Josef Woodward

11:00 amDylan Fisher/Grant Vrana/Austin Spaniel5:00 pm Teen MassAlston Lawrence/Joseph Galetka

SPONSOR of the WEEK: H & H GIFTS & FLORIST

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

Our second reading this Sunday begins: "He 'for a little while' was made 'lower than the angels,' that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone."

PASTOR'S DESK

This is a very powerful statement from the Letter to the Hebrews, Chapter 2:9-11. This refers to Jesus in His Passion and Death, who volunteered to humble Himself to suffer as we suffer as humans – sufferings to which the angels are not subject, since they are pure spirit.

Angels cannot suffer and are immortal, they do not die. But Jesus loves each of us so much that He was willing to allow Himself to be made lower than the angels, whom He created! He did this so that He might attain victory for us in His Cross. One of the results of Christ's passion was His exaltation and glorification. Therefore, if we share in His suffering and death, we will also be exalted and glorified! Because Jesus made Himself "one of us," in suffering and death, He was able to fully represent us to the Father. He could bring our cause to the Father and make full atonement to the Father. In order to fully represent any particular group with a cause, you must be "one of the group." You must be able to put forth their case because you are the same as they are, so you can speak and act on their behalf. Jesus became one of us in all things but sin.

This is why we gather to worship Him, to give Him all glory and honor. He is our Savior and Redeemer! Come let us worship, Him! See you in Church!

Love & Prayers,

Fr. John

#### **SANCTUARY LIGHT SIGN UP FOR 2013**

If you would like to have your loved ones honored or remembered in a special way—sign up for the Sanctuary Light candle. \$15.00 for one week, and you may have several names on the week you select. Sign-up will begin this weekend, October 6 & 7, at the Religious Items counter in the church annex. Thank you for your support.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITY GOLF

The 9th annual Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Event will be Sunday, October 14 at Indian Oaks, 7574 Lee Lane in Peeltown, TX. Registration and lunch begins at 11:30 am. Shotgun start at 1:00 pm. This year's event will fund scholarships. Four person scramble \$65 each includes golf, lunch and two mulligans. Raffle, food and fun for all. You don't have to golf to participate. Tee and food sponsors, raffle prizes and donations are still needed. Call Brad Cepak, 214-538-9910

### IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 7 7:00 am KC Corporate Communion & Breakfast 8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes 8:30-10:45 am St. John Library open/Rm 106 Compound 8:45-10:45 am RCIA Session/Room 102 Compound Blessing of Animals in front of the church 4:00 pm Life Teen Mass and Life Night Out 5:00 pm Monday, October 8 7:00 pm Grief Recovery Session/Room 102 7:15 pm Theology of the Body Study/Cafeteria Tuesday, October 9 Food for the Soul for teens after the 6:30 am Mass 8:00 am Golden Crusaders Social-Lunch-Meeting 5:00-7:00 pm St. John Library open/Room 106 Compound 6:00 pm SJ Altar Society Meeting/Rm 102 Compound 7-8:15 pm **EDGE** Night 7:00 pm Parables of Mark's Gospel/Room 103 Beginning Apologetics Class/Room 301 7:00 pm Wednesday, October 10 Eucharistic Adoration after the 12:05 pm Mass until 5pm 4:00-8:00 pm KC Blood Drive/KC Life Teen "Into the Deep"/Cafeteria 6-8 pm 6:30-8:30 pm Religious Education Classes 7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church Thursday, October 11 7:00 pm Second Vatican Council Study/Cafeteria 7:00 pm That Man is You Session/Room 103 Friday, October 12 7:00 pm "October Baby" Movie/Room 103-104 Saturday, October 13 7:00 am That Man is You Session/Room 103 12:00 noon Pro Life Rosary Rally @ 805 E. Ennis Ave. 3:30 pm Confessions/Church Sunday, October 14 8:30-10:30 am Religious Education Classes 8:45-10:45 am RCIA Sessions begin/Room 102 Compound 8:30-10:45 am St. John Library open/Rm 106 Compound 3:00 pm Baptisms/Church Life Teen Mass 5:00 pm

#### GOLDEN CRUSADERS MEETING

The St. John Golden Crusaders will meet on Tuesday, October 9, in the cafeteria with games beginning at 8:00 am. Members are encouraged to come and asked to bring a food item for the fried chicken dinner. A-N bring desserts O-Z side dishes

#### SANCTUARY ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

The 6 candles flanking the sanctuary main altar for the week of Oct. 6-12 are in memory of Milton Vrla Sr. and Shirley Vrla Markus donated by Albina Vrla and Mr. & Mrs. Milton Vrla Jr.

#### **COLLECTIONS FROM SEPTEMBER 29 & 30**

St. John Church Support Collection	\$ 19,642.01
St. John Charity Collection	2,228.53
Epiphany Church Support Collection	920.74

#### HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

Entrance: #548 For the Beauty of the Earth Offertory: #614 What Wondrous Love Is This Communion: #813 One Bread, One Body Recessional: #520 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

#### **BLESSING OF ANIMALS TODAY**

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a special Blessing of the Animals today, Sunday, October 7, at 4:00 pm in front of church. Please have your animals in a cage or on a leash.

#### **EPIPHANY MISSION FIESTA**

The Epiphany Mission Fiesta in Italy, TX, will be Oct.20-21. A Soccer Tournament will be held both days, along with food, games and entertainment, and a crowning of the fiesta queen. The raffle includes a riding lawn mower & more! Epiphany parishioners will sell raffle tickets for great prizes after the 11:00 am and 1:00 pm Masses today. Please support our Epiphany Mission by purchasing raffle tickets and/ or attending the Fall Fiesta on October 20 & 21.

#### SANCTUARY LIGHT THIS WEEK

The Sanctuary light is in memory of Anthony Prachyl, Leslie Spaniel & Tonie, and Leo Prachyl & Julie, donated by Marie Prachyl & family for the week of October 6-12.

#### ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Altar Society will meet Tuesday, October 9, 6:00 pm, in Rm. 102

#### KC BLOOD DRIVE ON OCTOBER 10

The Knights of Columbus will host a Blood Drive on Wednesday, October 10, from 4:00-8:00 pm at the KC hall. For further information, call Kevin Betik, 972-825-7016.

#### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

These people need our prayers: Bridgette Barak, Jeff Sladecek, Christine Hanson, Hannah Rejcek, Helen Zmolek, Cameron Wolf, Meg Routh, Patsy Odlozil, Gloria, Jimmy and Danny Garcia, Ruperto Gomez, Ray Castillo, Ignacia DeLeon, Calvin Baw, Mark Strunc, Monsignor Frank Miller, Georgie Ann Nekuza, Lori Strunc, Ophelia Esparza, Richard Case, Mike Newhouse, Judy Huddle, Neal Harrison, Michael Holt, Adell Vrzalik, Edna Gonzalez, Martina Ortiz, Jose Luis Garcia, Juanita LeVay, Wade Gardner, Sandy and Tuff Wheeler, Anna Lee Weaver, Mary Hejny, Marion Haba, Tommy Slama, Janet Sumbler, Gina Hawkins, Wilma Zhanel, Ella Vrana, Helen Barak, Raymond and Johnny Fira, Connie Alvarez, Ray Savala, Betty Coker, Richard & Janie Mraz, Rose Sanchez, Alfred Martinez, Louise Haba, Clara Miller, Joe M., Stephanie and Matthew Escobar, Leo Rejcek, George Spaniel Sr., Glenda Eisenwine, Rick Sparkman, Theresa Kasowski, Sr. Genevieve and Frankie Prochaska, Margie Patak, Helen Matous, Millie Trojacek, Mary Ann & Johnnie Hajek, Mildred Wickliffe, Joe and John Schlebach, Graciela and Rene Monreal, Steve and Bernard Betik, Edwin & Dorothy Langer, Brandi Schlottman, Frankie J. Patak, Ninfa Carrillo, Maria Manriquez, Lauren Moran, James Pustejovsky, Gary Kidder, Jerry Dolezal, Raul Partida

# Study of the Second Vatican Council



Come learn what the council really said.

Come learn what the Holy Spirit is telling us in our age.

Six week study, Thursdays, beginning Oct. 11 7:00 PM, Cafeteria

# The Year of Faith

Theology of the Body Study "Into the Heart" Come learn of the beauty of how God designed love into our very beings. **Mondays, beginning Oct. 8 7:15 PM, Cafeteria** 

## **Retreat for Adults**

Friday night, Nov. 2 through lunch on Sunday, Nov. 4 Featuring talks by Fr. Juan Diego Originally from Toronto, Canada, Father Juan Diego joined the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and has been involved in their mission work in New York City, Central America, and now in Fort Worth. Come hear him talk about St. Francis and the Sacraments while you retreat from the



world for a little bit to renew and refresh your relationship with the Lord. Contact Seth Wright at the Parish Office, 972-878-2834, for more information.

#### **RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**

**Public Square Rosary** Come pray the holy Rosary for our country and Pro Life, corner of Ennis Ave. & Pecan St. on Sat., Oct. 13 at noon.



#### **PARABLES OF MARK'S GOSPEL**

A six series study and reflection on the parables in Mark's Gospel presented by Deacon Don Griffith is on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in Room 103 in the compound. See clearly how Jesus in the gospel nurtures the dreams of liberation for the common people. Did you know Jesus compares himself to a thief struggling to break into the house of a strong man? Bring your Bible.

#### THAT MAN IS YOU

The *That Man is You* men's program has once again begun on Thursdays, 7:00 pm, and Saturdays, 7:00 am, in Room 103 in the compound. This program is designed to teach Christian Catholic men how to live their lives in today's world. For info see: THATMANISYOU.ORG

#### **BEGINNING APOLOGETICS**

Beginning Apologetics sessions are on Tuesday nights, 7:00 pm, room 301 in the high school. Come learn more about and understand our Catholic faith and be able to explain it to others.

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Learn more about the Church, come into the Church, receive missed sacraments, help those who want to be Catholic Sunday mornings, 8:45-10:45 AM Contact Seth Wright at the Parish Office for more information and to register, 972-878-2834.

Pope Benedict has asked the Church throughout the world to celebrate and renew our faith in the God who created us, loves us, and saved us. This Year of Faith begins on Oct. 11, the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council and the 20th anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Celebrate this Year of Faith by learning more about or by going deeper into the Faith.





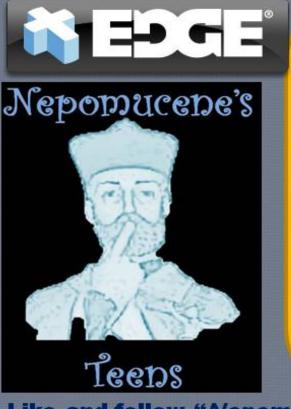
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Sunday 10/7 – Life Night Out Sunday 10/14 – Protect this House Sunday 10/21 – Filling the Gap

Sunday 10/28 – A Friend Indeed Tuesday Mornings at 6:30 – Food For the Soul & Breakfast (show up at Mass at 6:30)

Wednesday Evenings – 6-8 pm *"Into The Deep"* meet in the Cafeteria, attend Mass, & explores deeper levels of the faith



EDGE Fall Semester Tuesday 10/9 – The Deep End

- Prayer of Praise

Tuesday 10/16 - Give It Away Now -Service "Sheltering the Homeless"\* \*We are challenging all Edge students and families to begin a working relationship with their local Ellis County shelters - to conduct a drive to collect needed items for the shelter. Edge students are asked to bring these items on October 16<sup>th</sup>'s session.

Tuesday 10/23 – Let's Be Friends – A social session

-Like and follow *"Nepomucene's Teens"* on Facebook and Twitter to stay updated!

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#### **RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**

The 2012 St. John Nepomucene Parish Bazaar was a success

thanks to her!

A Special Thank you to **Debbie Novy**, our 2012 Bazaar Committee President, for all of her hard work that made the Bazaar a success.

