

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

6:30 a.m. Ronald & BJ+ Coker
12:05 p.m. Albert & Helen Patak (birthdays)
6:30 p.m. Al Weaver +

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21 - The Presentation of the Blessed

6:30 a.m. Frances Vinkler + Virgin Mary
12:05 p.m. Bill Hejny +
6:30 p.m. Maria de Jesus Garcia +

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22 - Saint Cecilia

6:30 a.m. Mildred Trojacek +
12:05 p.m. Clem Rejcek +
6:30 p.m. Octavio Mendiola +

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23—Thanksgiving

9:00 a.m. Dillion Hornik +

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24 - St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today
12:05 p.m. Emil, Dorothy, & Ronnie Toupal +++

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

3:30 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Albin, Clara, & William Vavra +++

NOVEMBER 26, OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:00 a.m. John & Jeannette Matous ++
11:00 a.m. Bessie & Frank H. Kubin Family
1:00 p.m. Josefina & Felipe + Cortez
5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. Nov. 19, 9 am Eugenia Hernandez +
Sun. Nov. 26, 9 am Juan Calderon +

Remember to bring
food from your
Thanksgiving table to
put on the
St. Joseph's Altar
to be blessed after
the Thanksgiving
Day Mass.

Making a gift for the benefit of St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church after you are gone is a wonderful way to create a lasting legacy and ensure that the faith life you and your family have received will be there for generations to come.

For more information or to answer your questions about a possible gift, please phone or e-mail Dominic Tartaglia at the parish office or by email at dtartaglia@stjohnccc.net.



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Legend Oaks Healthcare & Rehabilitation

BLESSED THANKSGIVING

Parish office will be closed on Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Have a Blessed Thanksgiving and we will see you in Mass! In case of emergency, please call Fr. Antonio at 469-831-0607.

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Entrance: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say – 622
Offertory: Lord of All Hopefulness - 560
Communion: All That We Have - 597
Recessional: All Creatures of Our God and King – 523

COLLECTIONS FOR November 11 & 12
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

All Saints Day (November 1st)	\$1,704.84
St. John Regular Collection	\$17,841.57
Second Collection: Catholic Charities	\$969.95
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$1,061.25
Second Collection: Catholic Charities	\$247.54

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19

Sunday, November 19

Second Collection: Catholic Campaign for Human Development
CDA Bake Sale after the Masses

Tamale Orders pick up

8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary

9:00 am RCIA/ Rm 101-102

6:30 pm Life Teen / Cafeteria

Monday, November 20

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions

7:00 pm Nepomucene's Men/ Room 101

Tuesday, November 21

12:05 pm Food for the Soul / Church

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions

7-8:00 pm Upper Room

Wednesday, November 22

No Religious Ed

No EDGE

No Adult Choir Practice/ Church

Thursday, November 23 - Parish Office Closed

Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24—Parish Office Closed**Saturday, November 25****Sunday, November 26**

Second Collection: None

No Religious Ed/ Elementary

No RCIA/ Rm 101-102

6:30 pm Life Teen / Cafeteria

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

KJT SOCIETY #35 OFFICERS MEETING & PARTY

Sunday, December 3rd, at 1:30 followed by their annual Members Christmas Party. The Youth Club will also have their party with a hopeful visit from Santa.

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Free clothes & shoes in the gym every Sunday from 8 am - 12 pm noon. **We are in need of help on Sundays, especially men!! It is a great ministry for a couple to do together.**

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

Monday November 20th @ 12:30 pm in room 101

ALTAR CANDLES (in the church)

If you would like to reserve the 6 candles around the main altar in the sanctuary for your intentions or a loved one, living or deceased, for 1 week in 2018, stop by the religious counter after Mass to sign up. \$40 for 1 week.

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The Catholic Faith. On Demand.

Register with access code: **6YQGKN**

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Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**Breakfast with St. Nicholas**

December 9th from 8-11 am in the Cafeteria

Children's Christmas Play

December 20th from 6:30 pm at the KJT Hall

Nepomucene's Men

Spiritual Growth & Fellowship for Men

Monday, November 20th

Rm 101 @ 7 pm

All males 18 and older are invited.

Topic: "Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell"
mini-series by Fr. Wade Menezes

Perpetual Adoration Chapel Open Hours

Sunday: 4 am

Monday: 2 am, 3 am, 6 pm

Tuesday: 2 am, 3 am, 9 am

Wednesday: 1 am, 6 am, 9 am

Thursday: 2 pm

Friday: 1 am, 12 am

**ST. JOHN CHURCH**

Sanctuary Light : November 18 - November 24

In Memory: Rayford Novy

By: Elaine Kasowski

Altar Candles : November 18 - November 24

In Memory: Adolf & Mildred Trojacek/Michael, Sr. & Georgia Wensowitch

By: Alex & Janis Wensowitch

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: November 17 - November 23

In Honor: St. John Parishioners

By: St. John Altar Society

The Story of Our Lady of Guadalupe by CHRISTINA MEAD



The story of Our Lady of Guadalupe is one that many of you may know, especially if you are Mexican, but on this great feast day let's listen to it again.

Juan Diego was from Mexico; but not the Mexico you and I know. He was from a Mexico that was mostly still Aztec and worshipped false gods. These false gods demanded human sacrifice, so their "priests" said. It's estimated that between 20,000 and 250,000 people – mostly children – were sacrificed to the gods every year.

Juan, however, was swimming against the tide. He was Catholic, and one of only a few. He was a poor man and was taking care of his dying uncle, minding his own business... when low and behold, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him! She told him that she wanted a church to be built and he was to tell the Bishop. Easy mission right? Not when the Bishop won't believe you, and wants proof that you're seeing apparitions from Heaven.

Juan's uncle suddenly got more ill, and while Juan was rushing to get a doctor he purposefully avoided the hill where Mary appeared to him. She appeared anyway and told him his uncle would be cured. Mary also miraculously showed him where to pick roses (even though it was December) to take to the Bishop. Juan followed her instructions, and when he opened his cloak to show the Bishop the roses there was a beautiful picture of Our Lady on the inside, just as she had appeared to him. The Bishop was stunned at this miracle and had the church built.

What's so awesome about this story is that Juan Diego was obedient and faithful even when things weren't going well in his life. Because of his trials his virtue shone even brighter. Six million Mexicans converted to Catholicism because of the miraculous image of Our Lady, who pointed them toward the *true* God, her Son. This huge conversion began in 1531, a time when the Protestant reformation was going on in Europe and millions were leaving the faith.



Blessed Miguel Pro, SJ (1891-1927)

Miguel Pro was born January 13, 1891, at Guadalupe Zacatecas, Mexico. From his childhood, high spirits and happiness were the most outstanding characteristics of his personality. The loving and devoted son of a mining engineer and a pious and charitable mother, Miguel had a special affinity for the working classes which he retained all his life.

At 20, he became a Jesuit novice and shortly thereafter was exiled because of the Mexican revolution. He traveled to the United States, Spain, Nicaragua and Belgium, where he was ordained in 1925. Father Pro suffered greatly from a severe stomach problem and when, after several operations his health did not improve, in 1926 his superiors allowed him to return to Mexico in spite of the religious persecution in the country.

The churches were closed and priests were in hiding. Father Pro spent the rest of his life in a secret ministry to the sturdy Mexican Catholics. In addition to fulfilling their spiritual needs, he also carried out the works of mercy by assisting the poor of Mexico City with their temporal needs. He adopted many disguises to carry out his secret ministry. In all that he did, he remained filled with the joy of serving Christ, his King, and obedient to his superiors.



In November 1927, a bomb was tossed at Calles's car from an auto previously owned by one of Miguel's two brothers. All three brothers were rounded up and condemned to death. The youngest was pardoned, but Padre Pro and his brother Humberto were executed by a firing squad. Calles had news photographers present, expecting the Pros to die cowardly. But Padre Pro refused the blindfold and welcomed the bullets with his arms extended in the form of a cross, crying out, "Viva Cristo Rey!" Although Calles outlawed any public demonstration, thousands of Mexicans defiantly lined the streets, honoring the martyr as he was carried in procession to his grave.

Quick-witted and lighthearted Fr. Miguel Pro played practical jokes all his life. He also played them in death. President Calles thought executing Padre Pro publicly would demoralize Catholics, but it had the opposite effect. Miguel even promised to joke in heaven. "If I meet any long-faced saints there," he said, "I will cheer them up with a Mexican hat dance!"

Happy Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day Mass
Thursday, November 23rd
9:00 a.m.

Lord, we thank you
for the goodness of our people
and for the spirit of justice
that fills this nation.

We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land
and the challenge of the cities.

We thank you for our work and our rest,
for one another, and for our homes.

We thank you, Lord:
accept our thanksgiving on this day.

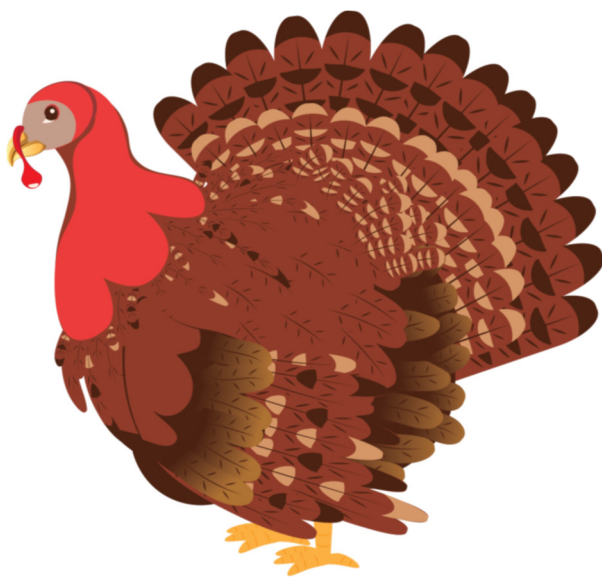
We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

R: Amen.

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/thanksgiving-day-prayer.cfm>

*"give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is God's will for you
in Christ Jesus."*

1 Thes 5:18



Breakfast



Saturday, December 9th
8 - 11 am Cafeteria

With St. Nicholas

Children's Christmas Play

Wednesday, December 20th

6:30 pm at the KJT Hall



What's in your Catholic Toolbox?



There are tools that can make it easier to understand and live your Catholic Faith. Just like using the right tool makes any other job easier, using the tools of the Faith can make living it easier.

December 6

7-8 PM

Compound room 101

4 Ways to Meditate on Sacred Scripture

*Come learn 4 different ways to meditate on the Bible.
We will also spend time practicing each of these ways.*

These tools will help you:

- Grow closer to God
- Find direction for your life
- Learn to recognize God's voice in other areas of your life
- Understand God and the Bible better

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the St. John Rosary Makers who provided a BEAUTIFUL handmade rosary to each student who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last month! We pray that many blessings will be poured out over these students as they pray with these rosaries!



EVERY SUNDAY Life Teen Mass 5 PM Life Night 6:30 PM

Nov. 19th: Shattering Night
A night on God's Revelation

Nov. 26th: Social Night
Games & Entertainment

Dec. 3rd: Illumination
A night on God's Promise

Every Tuesday Morning
Food for the Soul 6:30 AM

WINTER RETREAT



January 19-21, 2018
Register today: www.stjohncc.net/lifeteen

ADVENT BEGINS

December 3, 2017



Holy Day of Obligation

Immaculate
Conception

December 8, 2017

Mass Times

Spanish

December 7th - 6:30 pm

English

December 8th

6:30 am, 12:05 pm &
6:30 pm

Breakfast with St. Nicholas

December 9th
8 am—11 am
in Cafeteria



Children's Christmas

December 20th
6:30 pm
@ KJT Hall



St. John Nepomucene IMPORTANT DATES

4th Sunday of Advent

**Saturday,
December 23rd**
5:00 pm (English)
7:00 pm (Spanish)

**Sunday,
December 24th**
8:00 am (English)
10:00 am (English)

Attending Christmas
Eve Mass (Midnight
Mass) does **NOT**
fulfill your Sunday
obligation.

Please make plans to
attend one of the
scheduled Masses for
the 4th Sunday of
Advent **AND** either
Midnight Mass or one
of the scheduled
Christmas Day



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Day of Obligation

Midnight Mass
**Sunday,
December 24th**
12:00 AM (English)
Carols at 11 pm

**Christmas Day
Masses**
**Monday,
December 25th**
8:00 am (English)
10:00 am (English)
1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday, December 31st

**Saturday,
December 30th**
5:00 pm (English)
7:00 pm (Spanish)

**Sunday,
December 31st**
8:00 am (English)
10:00 am (English)

Attending Sunday Mass
does **NOT** fulfill your
Holy Day of Obligation
for the Solemnity of
Mary, The Holy Mother
of God.

Please make plans to
attend one of the
scheduled Masses for
Sunday **AND** one of the
scheduled Masses on
New Year's Eve
(8:30 pm) or Monday,
January 1st.



Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

**Sunday,
December 31st**
8:30 pm (English)
New Year's Eve
Celebration

**Monday,
January 1st**
8:00 am (English)
10:00 am (English)
1:00 pm (Spanish)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Jo Ann Dolezalik—12/24/17	Gloria Garcia—10/29/17	Ella Spaniel—10/22/17	Chuck Pringle—12/3/173
Georgie Ann Nekuza-11/26/17	Alcario Sanchez—11/26/17	Mary Sosa—10/22/17	Dennis Rejcek—12/24/17
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska	Patricia Riley—10/15/17	Diana Martinez—12/10/17	Raul Monreal—12/24/17
Sr. Redempta Bradley	Rose Cooke—11/26/17	Brandon Martinez - 11/5/17	Mary Gertrude Langley-12/24
Rachel Zmolik—11/19/17	Robert Parma—10/15/17	Pete Tysdal - 11/26/17	
Catherine Roberts—11/26/17	Richard Mraz—11/19/17	Pricila Elizondo - 11/12/17	
David Trojacek—12/24/17	Jo Ann Manak—12/10/17	Rafael Casanova - 11/12/17	
Margie Dvorak—12/24/17	Caroline Spellman—11/26/17	Raymond Dlabaj - 11/12/17	
Marguerite Patterson-12/10	Mary Trojacek—11/5/17	Dorothy Sonka - 11/12/17	
Sherri Longoria—12/10/17	Joan Trojacek—11/5/17	Helen Barak - 11/19/17	
Jennifer Wright—11/26/17	Tracy Toupal—11/26/17	Maille McDonald - 11/26/17	
Epi Garfias—11/19/17	Pauline Novy—11/19/17	Doug Cooke— 11/26/17	
Paul Tolliver—11/19/17	Beth Johnson—10/8/17	Katherine Michno—11/26/17	
Melissa Patterson—12/10/17	Lillie Toth Cline -11/19/17	Hector Padilla—11/26/17	
Alfred Martinez—11/26/17	Randy Willis—11/26/17	Vincent Ong, Jr.—12/3/17	
Jerry Zmolik - 10/15/17	Greg Wilborn—11/26/17	Trevor Daniel—12/3/17	
Marion Haba—12/24/17	Lynn Carter—10/22/17	Jeff Frazier—12/3/17	
Ed Tysdale—10/22/17	Rick Parkinson—10/22/17	Emily Peppers—12/3/17	
Lillian Barto—11/19/17	Sally Medlin—10/22/17	Special Intention—12/3/17	
Jerry & Janie Marusak-10/29/17	Joe Ben Macalik—10/22/17	Daniel Brown—12/3/17	