

Mass Intentions for the week of November 20

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21—Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

No 6:30 a.m. Mass

12:05 p.m. Joe & Annie Vrana ++

6:30 p.m. Judy Patton (Bosses Day)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22—Saint Cecilia

6:30 a.m. Thom & Jan Schliem and Companions

12:05 p.m. C.J. Coker +

6:30 p.m. Concepcion Mercado +

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

6:30 a.m. George Zhanel +

12:05 p.m. Otto Trojacek +

6:30 p.m. Clem Rejcek +

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24—St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions

Thanksgiving/ Office Closed

9:00 a.m. Emil, Dorothy, Ronnie Toupal +++

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25—Saint Catherine of Alexandria

NO 6:30 a.m. Mass/Office Closed

12:05 p.m. John F. Kubin +

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Edward & Rosie Kriska ++

NOVEMBER 27, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:00 a.m. Betty Spaniel +

11:00 a.m. Genaro & Maria Rodriguez ++

1:00 p.m. Lorenzo Ortiz + Alejandra Gutierrez +

5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. Nov. 20, 9 am Aurora Garcia & Elvira Martinez

Sun. Nov. 27, 9 am Manuel Trejo Medina

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Entrance: Crown Him with Many Crowns - 489

Offertory: O Holy City, Seen of John - 757

Communion: Let Us Be Bread - 808

Recessional: Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones - 790

COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 12 & 13 Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection	\$17,048.11
Second Collection: Catholic Charities	\$793.30
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$733.00
Second Collection: Catholic Charities	\$154.07

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Carolyn Schlebach (ILM Joseph & Elizabeth...

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe
+ 2016

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

We have made it through another Church Year! One year holier, I hope, we all are!

This Solemnity of Christ the King, sums up all we believe about Christ and His work of salvation for us. During this past Church Year we have all been fed regularly by the Grace of the Sacraments, especially Holy Communion and Confession, and we have also received His Grace through the Living Word of Holy Scripture, which forms us in a practical way of life according to His Loving Will.

This Grace received increases the life of Christ in us. He must continually in a greater and more powerful way be King of every part of our life. He must reign as King because of His Love for us. A love that took a King through much suffering into death. A love that is all powerful as shown by His Resurrection.

It is this personal knowledge and personal experience of such a Love that propels and enables each of us to surrender completely our lives to His Kingship and Rule. He didn't impose His Love by violence or force. Demanding that we surrender, or else. He didn't frighten us into surrender. Rather, He loves us into surrendering our lives to His reign in order that we might "have life and have it abundantly."

Let each of us, every day, like the thief on the cross next to Jesus, who was the first to recognize Him as King, plead: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom." With these words and the help of His Grace, we surrender our past, present and future to Him as our King.

Love & Prayers,
Fr. John



Prayer for a New Bishop

ALMIGHTY GOD, Eternal shepherd and guide. In your love for us, grant to the Catholic Diocese of Dallas a shepherd who will lead us to be Christ's heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. Help him to fill our minds and hearts with the truth of the Gospel, the power of the sacraments, and the desire to build up your holy Church.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

IN OUR PARISH WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20

Sunday, November 20

Second Collection: Catholic Campaign for Human Development

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

9:00-10:30 am RCIA/ Compound Room 101

6:30 p.m. Life Teen

Monday, November 21

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions

Tuesday, November 22

10:30 am Little Saints Playgroup/301

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions

7:00-8:00 pm Upper Room/ Room 101

Wednesday, November 23

NO Religious Ed

NO EDGE

NO Adult Choir Practice/ Church

Thursday, November 24—THANKSGIVING

Parish Office Closed

NO Wild Goose Life Teen Bible Study

Friday, November 25

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 26

3:30-4:30 pm Confessions

Sunday, November 27

Second Collection: Arch Diocese for Military Services USA

No Religious Ed

9:00-10:30 am RCIA/ Compound Room 101

6:30 pm Life Teen

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY



[A Year of Mercy with Pope Francis](#) by Kevin Cotter

ULTIMATE THANKSGIVING

Jesus' gesture at the Last Supper is the ultimate thanksgiving to the Father for his love, for his mercy. "Thanksgiving," in Greek, is expressed as "eucharist." And that is why the Sacrament is called the Eucharist: it is the supreme thanksgiving to the Father, who so loved us that he gave us his Son out of love. This is why the term Eucharist includes the whole of that act, which is the act of God and man together, the act of Jesus Christ, true God and true Man. —General Audience, Feb. 5, 2014

Reflection: In the Eucharist, we are able to encounter God's mercy in the flesh. Right now, thank God for this great gift. Ask him to open your heart wider to receive the Eucharist with a more grateful heart.

THANK YOU

KJZT JUNIORS!!



Some of the junior members of the Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas-KJZT presented a check for \$750 to Father John from the state office of the fraternal. This is 50% of what the juniors raised at the Parish Bazaar with the 50/50 raffle and the Heads or Tails game.

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

SANCTUARY LIGHT (above the Altar)

Sign up now at the Religious Counter after Mass. Remember your loved ones—living or deceased. One week - \$20

ALTAR CANDLES

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 2017, stop by the religious counter after Mass to sign up. \$40 for 1 week. 972-875-6856

ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

1st prize - 11 piece Nativity set; 2nd prize -Choice Men's Rosary; 3rd prize-Choice Women's Rosary; 4th prize-\$50 gift certificate to Religious Store. Tickets-\$1 ea. or 6 for \$5. Available at Religious counter or after Mass on weekends. Drawing—November 27, 2016 after 11 am Mass. Items are on display at entry of Church.

The Parish office will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th for the Thanksgiving Holiday. Have a Blessed Thanksgiving and we will see you at Mass!

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light : November 19—November 25

In Honor/Memory: All living and deceased members of Wesley Prachyl Family

Altar Candles : November 19—November 25

In Thanksgiving of 65th Wedding Anniversary of Wesley & Dorothy Prachyl

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: November 18—November 24

For: Parish

By: Parish

Nepomucene's Men
Spiritual Growth & Fellowship for Men
Monday, November 21st
Rm 101 @ 7 pm

All males 18 and older are invited.

Topic: Divine Mercy: A Ten Session Study Of The Second Greatest Story Ever Told

Happy Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day Mass
Thursday, November 24th
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.





Breakfast with St. Nicholas

Breakfast:
\$5 per person
\$25 for families of 6 or more

Photos available with St. Nicholas!
\$5 for one 5x7 or
Five 5x7s for \$20

Saturday, December 10th
8 - 11 am in the Cafeteria

Religious Ed Christmas Play

Wednesday, December 14th

6:30 pm at the KJT Hall

CHRISTMAS PLAY PRACTICES

December 4th

First Christmas Play Practice in the Cafeteria
BE THERE AT 3pm

December 11th:

2nd Christmas Play Practice in the Cafeteria
BE THERE AT 5pm



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LIFE TEEN



(CENSORED)

Life Night: Exorcist

LIFE TEEN

Sunday November 20 - Life Night "Exorcist" *Jesus as healer*
Monday November 21 - Life Teen Service Project 8 AM Helping Hands
Tuesday November 22 - Food for the Soul: Noon Mass followed by lunch

BE NOT AFRAID



WINTER RETREAT
JANUARY 27-29, 2016
\$150

Sky Ranch
Van, TX

LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

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—12/18/16	Kati Betik Arnold—11/13/16	Bonnie Bacak—11/20/16	Mona Langley—12/18/16
Georgie Ann Nekuza-12/18/16	Arnold Twins—11/13/16	Joe Luis Garcia—11/20/16	Lori Parker—12/18/16
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-12/18/16	Jeanette/Martin Hunter—11/27/16	Tom Youngblood—11/27/16	Georgia Hejny—12/18/16
Sr. Redempta Bradley—12/18/16	Norma Jean Horrell—11/27/16	Larry Christopher—11/27/16	Emily Peppers—12/18/16
Rachel Zmolik—12/5/16	Sherri Longoria—10/19/16	Tina Jones—11/27/16	Analiene Mahaley—12/18/16
Catherine Roberts—11/27/16	Calvin Baw, Jr. —11/20/16	Mary Nell Witt—11/27/16	Patsy Rickerts—12/18/16
Mildred Trojacek—12/18/16	Shirley Marusak—11/13/16	Jennifer Wright—11/27/16	
David Trojacek—12/18/16	Stella Tobola—12/18/16	Joe Baird—11/27/16	
Jane Rychlik—12/18/16	Dave Wilson—11/20/16	Luciana Rigante—11/27/16	
Richard Mraz—12/18/16	Marion Haba—12/25/16	Carmen Nelson—11/27/16	
Margie Dvorak—12/25/16	Alfred Martinez—12/18/16	Mary Trojacek—11/27/16	
Betty Rogala—12/18/16	Janie Marusak—12/18/16	Gilbert Olalde—11/27/16	
Mary Ann Felcman—12/18/16	Nancy Valek—12/18/16	Barbara Slovacek—12/4/16	
Joan Gura—11/13/16	Maura Meza—12/18/16	Rachel Dyson—12/4/16	
Jerry Zmolek—12/18/16	Loretta Dlabaj—11/6/16	Riley Emerson—12/11/16	
Theresa Odlozil—12/5/16	Mildred Liska Koehn—11/13/16	Mary Ludwig—12/11/16	
Marguerite Patterson-10/19/16	Dorothy Sonka—11/13/16	Adolph Janacka—12/11/16	
Billy Coplen—12/18/16	Helen Slovak—11/13/16	Luther Scott—12/11/16	
Herminia Perez—12/18/16	Jennifer Sullivan— 11/13/16	Linda Torres—12/11/16	
Patti Youngblood—12/18/16	Johnny Joe Lopez—11/20/16	Michael Jez—12/11/16	