

Mass Intentions for the week of November 29

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30 - Saint Andrew

6:30 a.m. Fred + & Joan Delin
12:05 p.m. Stanley & Ann Patak ++
NO 6:30 p.m. Mass today

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

6:30 a.m. Domingo De Los Santos, Jr. +
12:05 p.m. Adolph Tobola +

6:30 p.m. Jovita Perez +

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

6:30 a.m. Special Intention
12:05 p.m. Will & Mary Prachyl ++
2:30 pm. St. John Residents at Ennis Care (Ennis Care)
NO 6:30 p.m. Mass tonight—**Christmas Play at KJT**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3 - Saint Francis Xavier

6:30 a.m. Helen Zmolek +
12:05 p.m. St. John Homebound and Brookdale Residents
NO 6:30 p.m. Mass tonight

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4 - Saint John Damascene

First Friday devotions after 12:05 pm Mass
6:30 a.m. Juan y Ignacia Reyes & Sylvia Baeza +++
12:05 p.m. Wesley & Ethelina Knize ++
6:30 p.m. Juan Rodriguez + & Asuncion Salazar+ (Spanish)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

First Saturday devotions after 8:00 am Mass
8:00 a.m. Eligio & Raymond Gallegos (birthdays)
3:30 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. William Vavra +

DECEMBER 6, SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:00 a.m. Helen & Stanley Laznovsky ++
11:00 a.m. For the Parish Community
1:00 p.m. Estevan y Sonia Fiscal ++
5:00 p.m. Genelle Novy +

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. November 29, 9 am San Juana Suarez Malacara +
Sun. December 6, 9 am San Juana Suarez Malacara +

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Entrance: Rejoice, the Lord Is King - 493
Offertory: Christ, Be Our Light - 512
Communion: Let Us Be Bread - 808
Recessional: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation - 642

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Compton's Carpet Cleaning Inc.

THE UPPER ROOM

A weekly time of praise and prayer promoting openness to the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in our parish.

Come when you can.

Come and go.

Childcare available.

Tuesday evenings, 7:00—8:00 PM

Room 101-102 in the Compound

"Oh Holy Spirit,
descend plentifully
into my heart.
Enlighten the dark
corners of this
neglected dwelling
and scatter there Thy
cheerful beams."

St. Augustine



ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

1st prize - 11 piece Nativity set; 2nd prize - Choice Men or Women's Rosary; 3rd prize—\$50 gift certificate to Religious Store. Tickets-\$1 ea. or 6 for \$5. Available at Religious counter or after Mass on weekends. Drawing—December 6, 2015 after 11 am Mass. Items are on display at entry of Church.

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Second Collection: St. John Catholic Charities

Sunday, November 29

NO Religious Ed

NO RCIA / Cafeteria

NO Life Night

Monday, November 30

NO Confessions/Church

6:30 pm Apologetics / Room 102

6:30 pm RE Christmas Play practice/ KJT Hall

7:00 pm Czech Music Concert

Tuesday, December 1

7:00 am Food for the Soul

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions/Church

7:00 pm Upper Room / Compound

Wednesday, December 2

6:30 pm Religious ED Christmas play/ KJT

7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal/ Church

Thursday, December 3

Church cleaning

Friday, December 4

First Friday Devotions after 12:05 pm Mass

Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena Begins (OLGN)

7:00 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena Rosary

Saturday, December 5

First Saturday Devotions after 8:00 am Mass

3:30 pm Confessions/Church

7:00 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena Rosary

Sunday, December 6

8:30 -10:30 Religious Ed/ School

9:00 am RCIA

2:00 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena Rosary

6:30 pm Life Night

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

PRAYER FOR THE ADVENT WREATH

Lord, our God, we praise You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, for He is Emmanuel, the Hope of all people.

He is the Wisdom that teaches and guides us.

He is the Savior of us all.

O Lord,

let your blessing come upon us as we light the first (purple) candle of this wreath.

May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise of salvation.

May He come quickly and not delay.

We ask this in His holy name. Amen.

WAITING

We light a **advent candle** today, a small dim light against a world that often seems forbidding and dark.

But we light it because we are a people of hope, a people whose faith is marked by an expectation that we should always be ready for the coming of the Master.

The joy and anticipation of this season is captured beautifully in the antiphons of hope from the monastic liturgies:

See! The ruler of the earth shall come, the Lord who will take from us the heavy burden of our exile

The Lord will come soon, will not delay.

The Lord will make the darkest places bright.

We must capture that urgency today in the small flame of our candle. We light the candle because we know that the coming of Christ is tied to our building of the kingdom. Lighting the flame, feeding the hungry, comforting the sick, reconciling the divided, praying for the repentant, greeting the lonely and forgotten – doing all these works hastens His coming.

Help us refund our

Capital Improvement Fund

after painting and decorating our Church.

Consistent with Internal Revenue Service regulations, all year end gifts must be postmarked with a 2015 date to be recorded as a gift in 2015. The postmark on the envelope will determine what year the gift is recorded in. Examples for clarification are listed below:

- If we receive a gift with a check dated 12/31/2015 on 1/3/2015, but the postmark on the envelope reads 12/31/2015 (or earlier) then we will post the date of the gift as 12/31/2015.
- If we receive a gift with a check dated 12/31/2015, but the postmark of the envelope reads 1/1/2016 (or later) then it will be posted as a gift received in 2016.

We will also record all hand delivered gifts received at the office on December 31, 2015 by noon as a 2015 gift.

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light : November 28– December 4

In Memory: Wilma Zhanel

By: Steven & Barbara Zhanel

Altar Candles : November 28– December 4

In Memory: Deceased members of Macalik & Mensik Families

By: Tim & Lisa Macalik

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: November 27– December 3

For: Parish Community

By: Parish

Flowers: November 27– December 3

For: Parish Community

By: Parish

Breakfast With St. Nicholas



Saturday, December 12th
8—11 am Cafeteria

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th

- ◆ 11:00 pm - Christmas Carols

December 25th

- ◆ 12:00 am - Midnight Mass
- ◆ 8:00 am - Mass (English)
- ◆ 10:00 am - Mass (English)
- ◆ 1:00 pm - Mass (Spanish)

December 31st

- ◆ 10:00 pm - Christmas Carols
- ◆ 10:30 pm - Mass & Adoration

January 1st

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

- ◆ 12:00 am - Celebration Party @ Cafeteria
 - ◆ 10:00 am - Mass (English)
 - ◆ 1:00 pm - Mass (Spanish)

Traditional Czech Christmas Music

An extension of the UNT Czech Music Festival — After the conclusion of the UNT Czech Music Festival (at which our Czech Choir is performing), the main performance of the festival is going on tour through the Czech communities of Texas, and St. John Nepomucene is one of the first stops!

Featuring music composed by Jan Ryba, played on the organ and cello, with 4 soloists and a choir

For more information: <http://czech.music.unt.edu/>

Life Teen Winter Retreat

Sky Ranch - Van, TX

February 12-14, 2016

www.stjohnccc.net/retreat-registrations



Register today!

Matthew
4:18-20 & 28:19

Children's Christmas Play

All are invited!



Wednesday, December 2nd
6:30 PM, KJT Hall



Prayer of Pope Francis for the Jubilee



Lord Jesus Christ,

you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: “If you knew the gift of God!”

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen

Begins December 8th on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception!

Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy

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—11/29/15	Margaret Bohuslav-11/22/15	Steve Mensik—11/29/15	Paula Myers Campo—12/20
Bob Zmolek—11/29/15	Julian Manriquez—11/22/15	Pedro Enrique Santos—11/15/15	Betty (BJ) Lenicek Coker—12/20
Georgie Ann Nekuza-11/15/15	Makenna Richardson -11/22/15	Roberto Juarez—12/20/15	Domingo de los Santos Jr. -12/20
Nathan Gunn—12/6/15	Margie Dvorak—12/13/15	Deanna Richardson—11/22/15	Emilie Harrison—12/27
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-11/29	Betty Rogala—11/22/15	Nora Mandujano—11/22/15	Epi Garfias—12/27/15
Sr. Redempta Bradley—11/29	Jose Luis Garcia—11/22/15	Robert Garcia—11/22/15	Anthony Alvarez—12/27/15
Betty Jo Culpepper—11/22/15	Jo Ries—11/22/15	Pete Gutierrez—11/22/15	Priscilla Elizondo—12/27/15
Analiase Mahaley—11/22/15	Nancy Escobar—11/29/15	Luke Siegel—11/22/15	
Sr. Edna Gonzalez—11/29/15	John A. Esparza, Sr.—11/22/15	Blake Ray—11/22/15	
Johnny/Mary Ann Hajek-11/22	JoAnn Strunc—11/29/15	Gary Kidder—11/29/15	
Rachel Zmolik—12/6/15	Noe Casanova- 11/29/15	Jaden Kane Ornelas-11/29/15	
Bernadine Zhanel Distasio-11/22	Jessie/Antonio Ovalie—11/29	Katherine Michno—11/29/15	
Catherine Roberts—11/22/15	Laura Waedekin—11/29/15	Carolina Munoz—11/29/15	
Jaysen St. Clair—11/22/15	Adell Chavez—11/29/15	Frank & Georgie Zabojnik-11/29	
Danny Kubin—11/29/15	Clayton Budai—11/29/15	Henry Vrana—11/29/15	
Mildred Trojacek—11/29/15	Mary Ann Felcman—11/29/15	Albert Escobar- 11/29/15	
David Trojacek—11/29/15	Ivette Olalde—10/25/15	Maria Virginia Lopez-11/29/15	
Jane Rychlik—11/22/15	Mildred Liska Koehn—10/25/15	Janie Marusak—12/20/15	
Bill Hejny—11/29/15	Jessica Ramirez—10/25/15	Salome Fira—12/20/15	
Richard Mraz—11/22/15	Chon Vasquez —10/25/15	Bill Glaspy—12/20/15	
		Graciela Monreal—12/20/15	