

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 3

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

6:30 a.m. Joe & Helen Barak & Family
12:05 p.m. Wilma Zhanel +
6:30 p.m. Viola Trojacek +

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

6:30 a.m. Terilynn Folchert (health)
12:05 p.m. John Elias +
6:30 p.m. Sebastian Cerda +

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

6:30 a.m. Helene Valek +
12:05 p.m. Josephine Rise +
6:30 p.m. Maria Belia Manriquez +

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 - Saint Ambrose

6:30 a.m. Wesley & Bessie Lanicek ++
12:05 p.m. Anthony Alvarez +
6:30 p.m. Hna. Edna Gonzalez (Vigil for Friday Holy Day)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 - THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE

6:30 a.m. Elaine Gallagher + VIRGIN MARY
12:05 p.m. Frankie, Sr. & Frankie, Jr. Dolezalik ++
6:30 p.m. Domingo Perez, Sr. +

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

3:30 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Tom Valek +

DECEMBER 10, SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

7:00 a.m. Theresa Kasowski +
11:00 a.m. Johnnie & John Mensik ++
1:00 p.m. Ascencion Mendoza, Angela Hernandez, Vicente Gomez +++
5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. Dec. 03, 9 am Aurora Garcia +
Fri. Dec. 08, 6:30 pm For the Parish Community
Sun. Dec. 10, 9 am Ma. Guadalupe Ramirez +

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@stjohnncc.net.



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: JPH Mechanical Services

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

First Sunday of Advent
+ 2017

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

You don't see these signs as much anymore. When I was a young'un you often encountered passing trains everywhere you went. Even secondary highways would have train crossings. So you frequented had to STOP, LOOK, LISTEN!!! Very good advice.....keep you from being "Train Kill!"

Mother Church echoes these sentiments as she begins our Liturgical Season on Advent. Stop, Look, Listen, HE is Coming! For sure!

We don't won't to be caught "on the tracks." Let's decide to use these four weeks of Advent, to, STOP, LOOK, LISTEN.

Love & Prayers,
Fr. John



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY
Friday, December 8th , Holy Day of Obligation. Please make plans to attend Mass on Friday or the vigil on Thursday (in Spanish).
The parish office will be closed on Friday.

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

Entrance: O Come O Come Emmanuel 323
Offertory: Eye Has Not Seen 616
Communion: Present Among Us 838
Recessional: The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns 347

COLLECTIONS FOR November 23, 25 & 26
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection	\$14,511.03
Thanksgiving	\$580.67
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$1,245.50

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 3

Sunday, December 3

Second Collection: Capital Improvement

8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary**1:30 pm** KJT Meeting/ KJT**9:00 am** RCIA/ Rm 101-102**6:30 pm** Life Teen / Cafeteria**Monday, December 4****5:30-6:30 pm** Confessions**Tuesday, December 5****6:30 am** Food for the Soul / Church**5:30-6:30 pm** Confessions**7-8:00 pm** Upper Room**Wednesday, December 6****6:30-8:30 pm** Religious Ed/ Elementary**6:30-8:30 pm** EDGE/Church**7-8:00 pm** Catholic Toolbox (Scripture) talk/ Rm 101**7:30 pm** Adult Choir Practice/ Church**Thursday, December 7****Friday, December 8—Parish office Closed****Holy Day of Obligation****Saturday, December 9****8 - 11 am** Breakfast with St. Nicholas/ Cafeteria**Sunday, December 10**

Second Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious

8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary**9:00 am** RCIA/ Rm 101-102**6:30 pm** Life Teen / Cafeteria

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

KJT Society #35 Meeting

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

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 2018, stop by the religious counter after Mass to sign up. \$40 for 1 week.

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Free clothes & shoes in the gym - Sundays 8 am-12 noon.

FORMED.org
The Catholic Faith. On Demand.

Register with access code: **6YQGKN**

End of Year Giving

Consistent with Internal Revenue Service regulations, all year end gifts must be postmarked with a 2017 date to be recorded as a gift in 2017. 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 12/31/2017 on 1/3/2018, but the postmark on the envelope reads 12/31/2017 (or earlier) then we will post the date of the gift as 12/31/2017.**
- **If we receive a gift with a check dated 12/31/2017, but the postmark of the envelope reads 1/1/2018 (or later) then it will be posted as a gift received in 2018.**

We will also record all hand delivered gifts received at the office on **Dec. 31, 2017 by noon** as a 2017 gift.

ANNUAL SHELTER WORKSHOP CHRISTMAS PARTY
Monday, December 4 at the K of C Hall beginning at 6:00 pm. Hosted by Knights of Columbus & Catholic Daughters. K of C & CDA members, please bring a covered dish or dessert for the Christmas Buffet. Cookies for the "Cookie Walk" at the hall by 5:00 pm. Santa's helpers, please remember to label the gift with the Consumer's Name and From: Santa. CDA will host a Christmas Raffle at the party also. The proceeds help defray the costs associated with the party. Tickets are 6 for \$5 or \$1 each.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAY, DEC. 8TH

For the Holy Day of Obligation, the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel Open Hours**Sunday:** 2 am, 4 am**Monday:** 2 am, 3 am**Tuesday :** 2 am, 3 am, 9 am**Wednesday:** 1 am, 6 am, 9 am**Thursday:** 2 pm**Friday:** 12 am 8pm**ST. JOHN CHURCH****Sanctuary Light : December 2- December 8**

In Memory: Malcolm Keaten

By: Mark & Joan

Altar Candles : December 2- December 8

In Honor: Intentions of Judith Ross and Family

By: Dora Cervantes

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL**Altar Candles: December 1 - December 7**

In Honor: St. John Parishioners

By: St. John Altar Society

Children's Christmas Play

Wednesday, December 20th

6:30 pm

at the KJT Hall

December 10 3:30-5pm @ the Cafeteria

December 17th 3:30-5pm @ the Cafeteria



Advent

A SEASON OF HOPE
& EXPECTATION

“The reward for generosity. **God rewards here and in the life hereafter our poor little demonstrations of generosity, and always above measure.** He is so grateful that whoever so much as raises his mind to think of him will not miss his reward.”

In Sacred Scripture we come across many examples of God’s supernatural generosity in relation to man’s.

◆ The widow of Sarepta gave a handful of flour... and a little oil, only to receive an inexhaustible supply of both.

- ◆ The poor widow in the Temple gave two little coins and Jesus said she has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury.
- ◆ The servant who has succeeded in making a profit with the talents he has received will hear from the mouth of his Lord: Because you have been faithful in very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.
- ◆ One day Peter said to Jesus: Lo, we have left our homes and followed you. And Jesus answered him: Truly, I say to you, there is no man who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children for the sake of the Kingdom of God, who will not receive manifold more in this time, and in the age to come eternal life.

How will he, who takes into account the least of our actions, be able to forget the faithfulness of one day after another? He who multiplied the loaves and fishes for the crowds that followed him for a few days, what will he not do for those who have left all to follow him always? If these should one day beg from him a special grace to keep moving forward, how could Jesus deny them? He is a good paymaster.

God gives a hundredfold for each thing left behind for love of him. Furthermore, whoever follows Jesus in this way is not only enriched a hundredfold in this life, but is also predestined to a reward the munificence of which beggars the imagination. At the end he will hear the voice of Jesus, whom he has served all his life: Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. On hearing these words of welcome into eternity, generosity will have been well recompensed.

The faithful servant will enter into everlasting life hand in hand with Jesus and Mary.”

Excerpt taken from *In Conversation with God - Volume 1 Part 1: Advent* by Francis Fernandez

4 Ways to Meditate on Sacred Scripture **December 6 7-8 PM Compound room 101**

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

What's in your Catholic Toolbox?

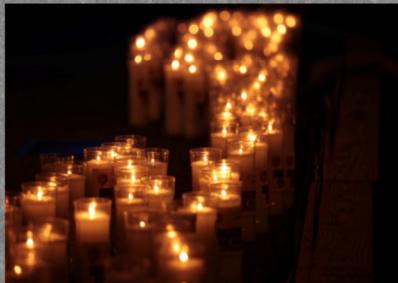


There are tools that can make it easier to understand and live your Catholic Faith. Just like using the right tool makes any other job easier, using the tools of the Faith can make living it easier.

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**

WINTER RETREAT



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

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Novena Schedule

Monday, Dec. 4th

6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm Rosary

Tuesday, Dec. 5th

6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm Rosary

Wednesday, Dec. 6th

6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm Rosary

Thursday, Dec. 7th

6:30 pm Mass

7:30 pm Rosary

Friday, Dec. 8th

6:30 pm Mass (**English**)

7:00 pm Rosary

Saturday, Dec. 9th

7:30 pm Rosary

Sunday, Dec. 10th

12:30 pm Rosary

1:00 pm Mass

Monday, Dec. 11th

6:30 pm Mass

7pm -12 midnight

Mañanitas

Tuesday, Dec. 12th

5:00 pm Procession

6:30 pm Mass

8:00 pm Party

@ KJT HALL

*all Novena Masses
will be said in
Spanish unless
otherwise noted.



**Come celebrate
the Mother of the Americas.**

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—12/24/17	Robert Parma—12/24/17	Pete Tysdal - 11/26/17	Mary Trojacek—12/24/17
Catherine Roberts—11/26/17	Richard Mraz—11/19/17	Pricila Elizondo - 11/12/17	Joan Trojacek—12/24/17
David Trojacek—12/24/17	Jo Ann Manak—12/10/17	Rafael Casanova - 11/12/17	Beth Johnson—12/31/17
Margie Dvorak—12/24/17	Caroline Spellman—11/26/17	Raymond Dlabaj - 11/12/17	James Ray Slovak—12/31/17
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—12/31/17	Pauline Novy—12/31/17	Doug Cooke— 11/26/17	
Paul Tolliver—12/31/17	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 - 12/24/17	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—12/31/17	Sally Medlin—10/22/17	Special Intention—12/3/17	
Jerry & Janie Marusak-10/29/17	Joe Ben Macalik—10/22/17	Danielle Brown—12/3/17	