ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH 972-875-2834 · 972-878-2834 · 972-875-2452 (FAX)

401 EAST LAMPASAS, ENNIS, TEXAS 75119 www.stjohncc.net

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 6:30 a.m. Agnes Cinek + Daniel Haba + 12:05 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Poor Souls Novena **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20** 6:30 a.m. Poor Souls Novena 12:05 p.m. Neal Harrison + 6:30 p.m. Poor Souls Novena WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21 Poor Souls Novena 6:30 a.m. 12:05 p.m. Mark Scoggins + 6:30 p.m. Poor Souls Novena THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22-The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle 6:30 a.m. Poor Souls Novena 12:05 p.m. Brynn Keaten 6:30 p.m. Poor Souls Novena **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23** 6:30 a.m. Poor Souls Novena 12:05 p.m. Deanna Rombach **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24** 3:30 p.m. Confessions 5:00 p.m. John G. & Jeannette Matous ++ 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (English) Stations of the Cross (Spanish) 8:00 p.m. **FEBRUARY 25, SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT** 7:00 a.m. Daniel Macalik + 11:00 a.m. Mark Valek + 1:00 p.m. Florida & Elia Barcenas ++ 5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. Feb. 18, 9 amJuan Espinoza +Sun. Feb. 25, 9 amFamilia Estrada

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Wesley Honza CPA

IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN, YET, THIS LENT WALK INTO

ON TUESDAYS AT 7 PM WITH YOUR DAY'S TROUBLES

21

AND LEAVE AT 8 PM WITH JOY & PEACE!!

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Entrance: Forty Days and Forty Nights – 411 Offertory: Deep Within – 419 Communion: Hosea – 405

> COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 10 & 11 Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection	\$16,045.79
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$ 837.61

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 <u>dtartaglia@stjohncc.net.</u>



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18

Sunday, February 18

Second Collection: Bishop's Annual Appeal 8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary 9:00 am RCIA/ Cafeteria Life Teen / Cafeteria 6:30 pm Monday, February 19 5:30-6:30 pm Confessions Nepomucene's Men / Room 101 7:00 pm **Tuesday, February 20** 6:30 am Food for the Soul / Church Confessions 5:30-6:30 pm 7-8 pm Upper Room Wednesday, February 21 1-2:30 pm Women's Book Study/ Room 103 6:30 - 8:30 pm Religious Ed 6:30 - 8:30 pm EDGE / Church 7:00 pm Gospel of Matthew / Rm 103 7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice Thursday, February 22 **6:30-8:30 pm** Choice Wine/ Room 102 Friday, February 23 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (English) 8:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish) Saturday, February 24 Men's English CRHP Retreat Begins 3:30 - 4:30 pm Confessions Sunday, February 25 Second Collection: Black and Indian Missions Men's English CRHP Retreat Ends 8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary 9:00 am RCIA/ Cafeteria KJZT Quarterly Meeting/ KJT dining room 1:30 pm 6:30 pm Life Teen / Cafeteria

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

KJZT SOCIETY #16 QUARTERLY MEETING February 25 at 1:30 pm in the KJT dining room. All members are invited to attend.

W.I.N.E (Women in the New Evangelization) Book Study A new Lenten book study, featuring Walk in Her Sandals, Experiencing Christ's Passion Through the Eyes of Women will begin on Wednesday, February 14th at 1:00-2:30 PM, Room 103 in the Compound. We will finish at 2:30PM. Questions? Contact Nancy Gaines at 469-309-2578.

epomucene's Men

Spiritual Growth & Fellowship for Men Monday, February 19th in Rm 101 @ 7 pm All males 18 and older are invited.

Topic: "Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell"

Donation Letter for Tax Purposes

St. John letters of donations for tax purposes will be sent out by the end of February. If you need your letter sooner, please contact Maria at the parish office 972-875-2834 or marial@stjohncc.net. We can email it to you or you can pick it up.

FORMED

Free Catholic: Videos Novies 600K5 735

Register with access code: 6YQGKN

The Catholic Faith. On Demand.

FORMED.org

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 Thursday: 2 pm Friday: 12 am, 8pm

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light : February 17 - February 23 In Memory: Hope Martinez By: Carlos & Michelle Beltran, Jacob & Alyssa

Altar Candles : February 17 - February 23 In Memory: Frank Zabojnik By: Family

Flowers at Blessed Mother's Altar In Memory: Deceased members of Catholic Daughters By: Catholic Daughters of America

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: February 16 - February 22 In Honor: St. John Parishioners By: St. John Altar Society

Diocese Assessment of St. John Nepomucene Parish

July 1 st , 2015 thru June 30 th , 2016	8.4%	\$122,438.00
July 1 st , 2016 thru June 30 th , 2017	10.4%	\$149,305.00
July 1 st , 2017 thru June 30 th , 2018	11.6%	\$173,138.00

This is an increase of \$50,700.00 over two fiscal years in our operating budget. After our assessment remaining the same for 8 years and given only 3 months notice. We were also informed that our monthly Capital Improvement Fund collection would be included in the assessment.

I communicated with then Bishop Kevin Farrell asking for a review of this change in our assessment rate and the assessing of our Capital Improvement Fund. No final determination was made.

I had a personal appointment with our new Bishop, Edward Burns, on September 6th, 2017. He thanked me for bringing it to his attention and said he would review the issue and get back to me. To date I have not received a response. I realize he has been quite busy adjusting to his new Diocese of Dallas.

November 29th, 2017 the Diocese notified all parishes that they will be calculating the Parish Assessment for the 6 months ending December 31, 2017. Previously, the individual parishes calculated their own assessment and St. John always excluded Capital Improvement Fund income due to a lack of clarification from the Diocese. But with the new rule of the Diocese doing the calculations, we are now required to pay assessment on Capital Improvements dating back to July, 2017.

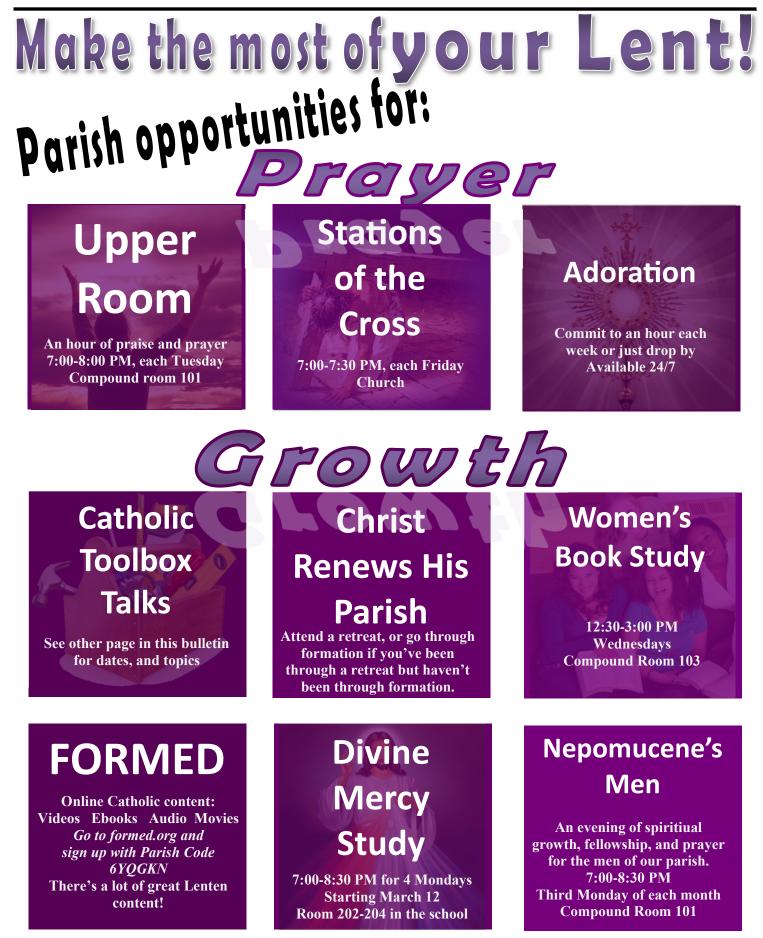
This means that people who gave to the Capital Improvement Fund under the assumption that their donations would not be assessed will now have those donations assessed from their past giving, going back to July 2017.

We have notified the Diocese that we are not in agreement with their calculation of our assessment.

We realize these rules and changes are complicated so if you have any further questions contact Dominic Tartaglia, the Controller (dominct@stjohncc.net) at the parish office.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 18, 2018



ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH 972-875-2834 · 972-878-2834 · 972-875-2452 (FAX)

401 EAST LAMPASAS, ENNIS, TEXAS 75119 www.stjohncc.net

Come fill your toolbox with some basic knowledge and tools that will help you get more out of all that the Catholic Faith has to offer!

Bible Toolbox

Come learn more about the structure and background of specific books of the Bible. This spring we will be looking at the four Gospels. Come to however many talks you want to. If you come to all of them, you will be able to see the different emphases and goals of the different Gospels as well as their similarities.

> The Gospel according to St. Matthew February 21

The Gospel according to St. Mark *March 21*

The Gospel according to St. Luke *April 18*

The Gospel according to St. John May 16



Each of the topics in this series is stand-alone. Come to the ones you want to hear about.

Spiritual Reading Classics March 7

This talk will feature a list of books you can read to grow spiritually. It will include a short summary of each book and the list will be divided into beginner texts and more advanced texts.

Gestures of the Mass April 11

This talk will go through the meaning behind the gestures we use in the Mass so that you can get more out of them when you do them.

Catholic Pilgrimages in Texas

May 2

In this talk, we will look at different places in Texas that you can go visit to grow spiritually.

All talks are on Wednesday evenings, 7:00-8:00 PM, room 103 in the compound.

FEBRUARY 18, 2018

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Practical Spiritual Wisdom from St. Francis de Sales Humility, Holiness, and Love

• "A heart full of love loves the commandments and the more difficult it seems, the more sweet and pleasing they become because it pleases the Beloved and gives Him more honor."

- "You learn to speak by speaking, to study by studying, to run by running, to work by working; and just so you **learn to love God and man by loving**. Begin as a mere apprentice and the very power of love will lead you on to become a master of the art."
- "Be patient with everyone, but above all with thyself. Do not be disheartened by your imperfections, but always **rise up** with fresh courage."
- "The most perfect degree of humility is to take pleasure in contempt and humiliations. It is worth more before God contempt suffered patiently for love of Him than a thousand fastings and disciplines."
- "The **true and solid devotion** consists in the constant will, resolve, promptness and activeness to execute what is pleasing to God."
- "Do not fear what may happen tomorrow. The same loving Father who cares for you today will care for you tomorrow and everyday. Either he will shield you from suffering or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace then and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginings."
- "Let us not lower our eyes without humiliating at the same time the heart; let not others think we want the last place without **truly desiring it**."
- "Humility perfects us in what concerns God, and meekness in what concerns our neighbor."
- "Know that the virtue of patience is what **assures us the most perfection**."
- "**Prayer**, united with the Divine Sacrifice of the **Holy Mass**, has an indescribable force; therefore by this means celestial favors united to the Beloved abound in the soul."
- "If your eye is simple all of your body will be too."

- "Holiness is found in a path opened to us in our daily lives, the duties of our daily lives are offered to us with unequal attractiveness."
- "What makes us holy and pleasing to God is what our vocation demand of us, and not what our own will chooses."
- "I wanted to love not knowing what to love. I have found he who my soul searched for!"
 - "A sign that we love truly love God is that we **love Him the same** in all occasions."

Litany of Humility

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart, Hear me.

From the desire of being esteemed, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being loved... From the desire of being extolled ... From the desire of being honored ... From the desire of being praised ... From the desire of being preferred to others... From the desire of being consulted ... From the desire of being approved ... From the fear of being humiliated ... From the fear of being despised... From the fear of suffering rebukes ... From the fear of being calumniated ... From the fear of being forgotten ... From the fear of being ridiculed ... From the fear of being wronged ... From the fear of being suspected ...

That others may be loved more than I, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be esteemed more than I ... That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease ... That others may be chosen and I set aside ... That others may be praised and I unnoticed ... That others may be preferred to me in everything...

That others may become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should... - Cardinal Merry del Val

The Church urges us to pray the Stations of the Cross and

the Cross in a church. If one is alone, one should move from

meditate on the Passion of Jesus. In fact, one can gain an indulgence through the pious meditation on the Stations of

station to station. If the Stations are being celebrated

publicly, the gathered group does not need to move from

The Stations of the Cross

The 14 Stations of the Cross are displayed in every Roman Catholic Church. These stations serve as points for meditation on the Passion of Our Lord. Begun by pilgrims to the Holy Land and spread by St. Francis of Assisi, this meditation on the Stations of the Cross is a good way to reflect on the cost of our salvation in Christ, on our sins that made that salvation necessary, and on the love of Jesus for us.

> I. Jesus is Condemned to Death





II. Jesus Takes up His Cross

III. Jesus Falls the First Time



V. Simon of Cyrene Helps Jesus Carry the Cross



VII. Jesus Falls the Second Time



IV. Jesus Meets His Mother



VI. Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus



VIII. Jesus Meets the Women of Jerusalem



X. Jesus is Stripped of His Garments



XII. Jesus Dies on the Cross



XIV. Jesus is Laid in the Tomb



IX. Jesus Falls the Third Time



XI. Jesus is Nailed to the Cross



XIII. Jesus is Taken off the Cross



The Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent 7:00 PM English 8:00 PM Spanish St. John Nepomucene Parish Presents...



St. John Nepomucene presents a fantastic spiritual renewal program entitled "Christ Renews His Parish". Separate men's and women's retreats are held each Fall and each Spring. This overnight retreat is designed to bring members of our Parish together in Christ.

Each weekend will include group activities and interaction, prayer and reflection on such subjects as Scripture, Eucharist, Christian Community, and Christian Awareness. The outcome of the weekend will be a deeper relationship with Christ and growth in your affiliation with the community of our Parish. All participants will spend the night right here at St. John Nepomucene.

The program is open to all parishioners, but space is limited. Reservations are on a 'first comefirst served' basis, so you should respond quickly. Once you have registered, you will be contacted with the details before the retreat. There is no charge for the retreat!!

Mail To	Men's Retreat Information:
Seth Wright	Contact Seth Wright for the names and contact information of
St. John Nepomucene	the appropriate members of the Men's Retreat team
401 E. Lampasas	
Ennis, TX 75119	Women's Retreat Information:
or email: sethw@stjohncc.net	Contact Seth Wright for the names and contact information of appropriate members of the Women's Retreat team
settiw@stjoimee.net	appropriate memoers of the women's Reficat team

Please sign me up for (circle one)	TODAY'S DATE			
Women's Retreat February 10-11, 2018 Men's Retreat February 24 - 25,				
Name:	_			
Address:				
City:	State:	Zip:		
Home Phone:	Work Phone:			
Cell Phone:	Date of Birth:			
Email Address:				
Emergency Contact: H	Emergency Contact	#		

Parroquia San Juan Nepomucene Presenta... CRISTO RENUEVA SU PARROQUIA

San Juan Nepomuceno presenta un fantástico programa de renovación espiritual titulado "Cristo Renueva Su Parroquia". (Este retiro será en ESPAÑOL). Se mantienen separadas para hombres y retiros de mujeres cada otoño y cada primavera. Este refugio durante la noche se ha diseñado para que los miembros de nuestra parroquia juntos en Cristo.

Cada fin de semana incluirá actividades de grupo y la interacción, la oración y la reflexión sobre temas como la Escritura, la Eucaristía, la comunidad cristiana, y la conciencia cristiana. El resultado del fin de semana será una relación más profunda con Cristo y el crecimiento de su afiliación con la comunidad de nuestra Parroquia. Todos los participantes pasarán la noche aquí, en San Juan Nepomuceno.

El programa está abierto a todos los feligreses, pero el espacio es limitado. Las reservas son de forma "primer llegado, primer servido", por lo que debe responder con rapidez. Una vez registrado, usted será contactado con los detalles antes de la retirada.

¡¡No hay cobro para este retiro!!

Mandar por correo Seth Wright St. John Nepomucene Hombres.	Información para Retiro de Hombres: Póngase en contacto con Seth Wright por los nombres e información de miembros apropiados del equipo de Retiro de			
401 E. Lampasas Ennis, TX 75119 ó por correo electronio: sethw@stjohncc.net Mujeres.	Póngase en con	ra Retiro de Mujeres: tacto con Seth Wright por los nombres e miembros apropiados del equipo de Retiro de		
Por favor registrenme para FECHA DE HOY:				
Retiro de Mujeres <u>3 y 4</u> Nombre:				
Domicilio:				
Ciudad:	Estado:	Codigo Postal:		
Teléfono de Casa:	Teléfono de Trabajo:			
Celular:	Fecha	Fecha de Nacimiento:		
Correo Electronico:				
Nombre y Teléfono de Contacto de Emergencia				

Jo Ann Dolezalik—2/4/18 Georgie Ann Nekuza-2/25/18 Sr. Genevieve Prochaska Sr. Redempta Bradley Rachel Zmolik-3/11/18 Catherine Roberts—2/11/18 David Trojacek-2/4/18 Margie Dvorak—2/18/18 Marguerite Patterson-3/11/18 Sherri Longoria-3/11/18 Jennifer Wright—2/11/18 Epi Garfias-2/25/17 Paul Tolliver—2/25/18 Melissa Patterson-3/11/18 Jerry Zmolik - 3/18/18 Marion Haba-2/18/18 Ed Tysdale—2/11/18 Lillian Barto-2/18/18 Alcario Sanchez-2/11/18 Patricia Riley-2/4/18

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Rose Cooke—2/11/18 Robert Parma-12/24/17 Richard Mraz-2/4/18 Caroline Spellman—2/11/18 Mary Trojacek-3/18/18 Joan Trojacek—3/18/18 Tracy Toupal—2/18/18 Pauline Novy-2/25/18 Randy Willis—1/21/18 Greg Wilborn-1/21/18 Diana Martinez—3/11/18 Pete Tysdal - 2/11/18 Trevor Daniel—2/18/18 Dennis Rejcek-3/25/18 Mary Gertrude Langley-2/25/18 Jeffrey Limon—1/14/18 Lupe Ramirez—1/14/18 Robert Trevino—1/14/18 Paula Brownlee—1/14/18 Tommy Nguyen-1/14/18

Anayely Martinez—2/25/18 Larry Ureanovsky - 1/14/18 Edward Parma - 1/21/18 Angelita Garza—1/21/18 Jeanie Liska — 2/4/18 Mary Gertrude Langley - 2/4/18 Saul Fira - 2/4/18 Angie F. Garza - 2/4/18 Gonzalez Family-2/4/18 Alma Fira - 2/4/18 Mona Langley - 2/11/18 Teresa Jones-2/18/18 Robert Toth—2/18/18 Dorothy Sonka—2/18/18 Maria Arroyo-2/18/18 Lorne Dulworth—2/18/18 Hortensia O'Campo-2/18/18 Maribel Laguna-2/18/18 Greg Wilborne—2/25/18 Randy Willis-2/25/18

Lynette Martinez—2/25/18 David Perdue—2/25/18 Joe Barak, Jr.—2/25/18 Paula Sauceda—2/25/18 John Schlebach—2/25/18 Alfred Martinez—2/25/18 Eugene Peña—2/25/18 Joe Ben Macalik—3/11/18 Stephanie Godwin—3/18/18 Ronnie Deagen—3/18/18 Lynn Carter—3/18/18 Amber Lyn Northcutt—3/18/18 Raymond Dlabaj-3/25/18 Leslie Kubin-3/25/18 David Rose—3/25/18 John A. Esparza, Sr. - 3/25/18