

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 25

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK, MARCH 26

- 6:30 a.m. Anthony Prachyl +
12:05 p.m. Harvey & Reba Bush +
6:30 p.m. Stephen & Dwayne Dolezalik ++

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, MARCH 27

- 6:30 a.m. Patricia Riley (health)
12:05 p.m. Willie & Viola Trojacek
NO 6:30 p.m. Mass tonight

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, MARCH 28

- 6:30 a.m. Johnson & Sanders Families
12:05 p.m. Johnnie I. Krajca +
6:30 p.m. Mary Gertrude Langley +

HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, MARCH 29

- No 6:30 a.m. Mass today
No 12:05 p.m. Mass today
6:00 p.m. For the Parish Community (Spanish)
7:30 p.m. Frank Nelson Dick, Jr. +

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, MARCH 30

- 3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)
7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Spanish)

MARCH 31, THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

- 8:30 p.m. Candidates & Catechumens

APRIL 1, EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE LORD

- 8:00 a.m. Easter Novena
10:00 a.m. Easter Novena
1:00 p.m. Victor Manuel & Ramon Correa ++
NO 5:00 p.m. Mass

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

- Sun. Mar 25, 9 am Lupe Zapata +
Thurs. Mar 29, 8 pm Melchor Martinez +
Sat. Mar 31, 8:30 pm Gregorio & Roman Rodriguez ++
Sun. Apr. 1, 9 am Familia Cortez Rosas

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 25

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

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Glenn's Warehouse Carpets

A LETTER FROM RYAN WAEDEKIN

Brothers and Sisters,

Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, through personal discernment, and through the guidance of my spiritual director, I have decided to discern out of seminary formation to pursue the vocation that the Lord is calling me to.

My primary vocation in life is to be holy and to become a saint. That being said, I know in my heart that leaving seminary is the best way for me to achieve my vocation of holiness.

I want to thank you for your support over these five years and for the immense amount of love you have shown me. It is with great joy that I write this today, because the Lord is truly working in my life. Do not view me discerning out as a failure, but as a great accomplishment.

Again, thank you for everything you have done in my personal journey. I truly appreciate each and every one of you who have helped me.

Blessed Sacrament (Jesus) will be removed from the Adoration Chapel on Thursday morning, March 29th, at 12:01 a.m. until Easter Monday, April 2nd, after Noon Mass. The chapel, as always, will be open for prayer.

Parish Office will be closed March 29 - April 2:
Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Monday.
We will reopen on Tuesday, April 3rd.

In case of emergency please call
Fr. John 903-624-6114 or Fr. Antonio 469-831-0607

COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 17 & 18

Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection	\$19,874.50
Second Collection: Altar Server Scholarship	\$3,223.60
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$1,342.20

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.



CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 25

Sunday, March 25

Second Collection: Easter Flowers

No Religious Ed

9:00 am RCIA/ Cafeteria

6:30 pm Life Teen / Cafeteria

Monday, March 266 am & after 6:30 am Mass -- **CONFESSIONS**12:30 - 1 pm **CONFESSIONS**5:30-6:30 pm **CONFESSIONS**

7:00 pm Divine Mercy/ Room 202-204

7:00 pm Rosary Makers / Room 101

Tuesday, March 27

6:30 am Food for the Soul / Church

11:30am - 12 pm **CONFESSIONS**

5:30-6:30 pm No confessions

7-8 pm Upper Room

Wednesday, March 28

1-2:30 pm Women's Book Study/ Room 103

6:30-8:30 pm Religious Ed / School

6:30-8:30 pm EDGE / Church

7:30-9:30 pm **CONFESSIONS**

7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, March 29 - Parish Office closed for Triduum**Friday, March 30 - Parish Office closed for Triduum**

11:00 am Bus leaves for Abortion Clinic

12 - 1 pm **CONFESSIONS**

3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)

7:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Spanish)

Saturday, March 24 - Holy Saturday**Sunday, April 1 - Easter Sunday**

Second Collection: Capital Improvements

NO Religious Ed

NO RCIA/ Cafeteria

NO Life Teen / Cafeteria

**Second Greatest Story Every Told**

This is more than just a masterful telling of the "Second Greatest Story." This amazing story comes to life like never before. In fact, you'll not just learn about the consoling message of Divine Mercy, you'll *experience* it.

**Mondays, through April 2nd
at 7:00pm in Room 202 / 204**

For more info contact:

Kenneth Janousek 214-399-8062

2018 Knights of Columbus Council 1353 Scholarships

Applications available through April 9th at the office. By email, please send a request to bslovak@swbell.net. All completed applications must be received no later than April 12th. Requirements: must be a 2018 graduating high school senior, a practicing Catholic, and have an immediate family member or members who are active members of the Knights of Columbus Council 1353 in Ennis.

KJT Society #35 Scholarship

Applications are now available to a KJT insured member (must be a member for at least one year prior to graduation from high school). Applications may be printed at www.kjt35.com or call 972-935-8317.

St. John Alumni Association Scholarships

\$1,000 scholarships to 2018 high school graduates or adults who have been out of high school for at least one year, have not previously received a St. John Alumni Scholarship, & are entering or returning to college or vocational school for additional education. Applicants must have graduated from St. John or be the son/daughter or grandchild of a previous St. John High School graduate. Previous scholarship recipients not eligible. Applications: Ennis Main Street Hardware (875-2721) from Gladys Zapletal or by email stjohnalumni@hotmail.com. Please give full name, year of graduation from St. John or the parent/grandparent upon whom you are establishing your eligibility, & for which scholarship you are applying. Applications must be **postmarked** and sent to P.O. Box 516, Ennis, 75120 by Friday, April 20, 2018. Applications evaluated by an independent committee.

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

Ever thought of making a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Fatima? This is your opportunity! May 15th to May 22nd, 2018
Contact Sandra Puckett for complete information: 972.875.3540

KJT #35 MEETING

Sunday the 25th at 1:30 in the meeting room. Also, today the 25th the Youth Group will have it's Easter Egg Hunt, starting at 3:00. Bring your children and grand children out for an Easter egg hunt followed by games and activities.

Cemetery clean-up has started!

Please make sure the graves of your loved ones are clean and that there is no glass, metal, or anything stuck in the ground. Ground-keepers will be removing items not allowed in the St. Joseph Rules & Regulations. If you need a copy of the rules and regulations please contact the parish office 972-875-2834 or email joannag@stjohncc.net.

Gate time change: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm

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

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ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light : March 24 - March 30

For: Intentions of the Wayne & Etheline Sylvester Family
By: Joan & Jeff Johnson

Altar Candles : March 24 - March 30

In Memory: Jurik & Bohanon Family

By: Bill & Bernadine Jurik

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: March 23 - March 29

In Honor: St. John Parishioners

By: St. John Altar Society

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE

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We are all made in the image of God.

We all have the same Savior.

We all share in the Mission of Christ.

God is our Father.

Jesus is our Lord.

Our lives are part of His plan.

ONE LORD

**Thursday,
March 29**

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper

With the celebration of Mass on the evening of Holy Thursday "the Church begins the Easter Triduum, and recalls the Last Supper, in which the Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, loving unto the end His own who were in the world, He offered to the Father His Body and Blood under the species of bread and wine and gave them to the Apostles as spiritual nourishment, and He commanded them and their successors in the priesthood to perpetuate this offering."

The mysteries which are commemorated in the Holy Thursday Mass are the institution of the Eucharist, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the institution of our Catholic Priesthood, and Christ's command of brotherly love exemplified in the washing of the feet.

After the transfer of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose there is no Mass celebrated in any Church throughout the world until the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil. The tabernacle is empty, His Real Presence is removed from the body of our Churches to an Altar of Repose and Adoration.

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Spanish: 6:00 PM

English: 7:30 PM



Giotto di Bondone, *Washing of Feet* (detail), 1304-1306, Cappella Scrovegni (Arena Chapel), Padua

Good Friday

Friday,
March 30

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

On this day, when "Christ our Passover was sacrificed," the Church meditates on the Passion of her Lord and Spouse, venerates the Cross, commemorates her origin from the side of Christ on the Cross and intercedes for the salvation of the whole world.

On this day, in accordance with ancient tradition, the Church does not celebrate the Eucharist; Holy Communion is distributed to the faithful during the celebration of the Lord's Passion alone, though it may be brought at any time of the day to the sick.

The general intercessions follow a wording and form handed down by ancient tradition, maintaining the full range of intentions, so as to signify clearly the universal effect of the Passion of Christ, who hung on the Cross for the salvation of the whole world.



English: 3:00 PM

Spanish: 7:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY

MARCH 30TH
12:00 - 1:00 PM

PRAYER AT SOUTHWESTERN ABORTION CLINIC

Spend an hour this Good Friday at a Modern Day Calvary

Join us as we pray the Pro-Life Stations of the Cross, the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and unite our sufferings and the sufferings of aborted babies with those of Christ.

Come and Pray with Father Ambrose Strong, O.Cist.

†THE PRO-LIFE STATIONS OF THE CROSS†

†THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY†

†THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY†

**Bus leaves St. John parking lot at 11 am & will return by 3 pm for
the Celebration of the Lord's Passion**



Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday

Saturday, March 31
Sunday, April 1

Holy Saturday

On Holy Saturday the Church is as it were at the Lord's tomb, meditating on His passion and death and on His descent into Hell, and awaiting His resurrection with prayer and fasting. To enter more fully into the Triduum, it is recommended that the Good Friday fast be extended through Holy Saturday. On this day the Church abstains strictly from the celebration of the Sacrifice of the Mass. Holy Communion may be given only in the form of Viaticum.

The Easter Vigil

According to a most ancient tradition, the night before Easter Sunday is "one of vigil for the Lord," and the Vigil celebrated during it, to commemorate that holy night when the Lord rose from the dead, is regarded as the "Mother of all Holy Vigils," for in that night the Church keeps vigil, waiting for the Resurrection of the Lord and celebrates the Sacraments of Christian Initiation.

"The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil takes place at

Easter Vigil
8:30 PM

night. It should not begin before nightfall; it should end before daybreak on Sunday." This rule is to be taken according to its strictest sense.

The Passover Vigil, in which the Hebrews kept watch for the Lord's Passover which was to free them from slavery to Pharaoh, was an annual commemoration. It prefigured the true Pasch of Christ that was to come, the night that is of true liberation, in which "destroying the bonds of death, Christ rose as victor from the depths."

Easter Sunday

Since on it we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord from the dead and the opening of heaven to us, we hold Easter as the holiest day of the year. This is the day for which we wait and long all of Lent and all year.

Easter Sunday

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

1:00 PM (Spanish)



Giotto di Bondone, *Resurrection* (detail), 1304-1306, Cappella Scrovegni (Arena Chapel), Padua

Saint Faustina



Tell souls about this great mercy of Mine, because the awful day, the day of My justice, is near. (*Diary 965*).

The message and devotion to Jesus as **The Divine Mercy** is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message of mercy is that God loves us — all of us — no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC.

A— Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B— Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C— Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

We will be praying the
Divine Mercy
Chaplet together as family on
Divine Mercy Sunday
April 8th @ 3pm
in the Church

Divine Mercy Novena

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on **Good Friday**. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena, saving for the last day the most difficult intention of all, the lukewarm and indifferent of whom He said:

"These souls cause Me more suffering than any others; it was from such souls that My soul felt the most revulsion in the Garden of Olives. It was on their account that I said: 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass Me by.' The last hope of salvation for them is to flee to My Mercy."

In her diary, St. Faustina wrote that Jesus told her:

"On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls."

HOW TO SAY THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET



1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed.

2. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following:
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
(Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades).

4. Conclude with (three times):
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

The different souls prayed for on each day of the novena are:

DAY 1 (Good Friday)

All mankind, especially sinners

DAY 2 (Holy Saturday)

The souls of priests and religious

DAY 3 (Easter Sunday)

All devout and faithful souls

DAY 4 (Easter Monday)

Those who do not believe in Jesus & those who do not yet know Him

DAY 5 (Easter Tuesday)

The souls of separated brethren

DAY 6 (Easter Wednesday)

The meek and humble souls and the souls of children

DAY 7 (Easter Thursday)

The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy

DAY 8 (Easter Friday)

The souls who are detained in purgatory;

DAY 9 (Easter Saturday)

The souls who have become luke warm.

During the Solemn Novena leading to Divine Mercy Sunday, the [Chaplet of Divine Mercy](#) should be offered each day for the day's intentions.

**Novenas pamphlets available
at the church on Good Friday**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Jo Ann Dolezalik—4/1/18	Caroline Spellman—4/1/18	Raymond Dlabaj—4/22/18	Saul Fira - 4/22/18
Georgie Ann Nekuza-4/8/18	Mary Trojacek—4/29/18	David Rose—4/22/18	Alma Fira - 4/22/18
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska	Joan Trojacek—4/29/18	John A. Esparza, Sr. - 3/25/18	Gloria Garcia - 4/22/18
Sr. Redempta Bradley	Tracy Toupal—2/18/18	Monica Stone - 4/1/18	Vicente Ong, Jr. - 4/29/18
Rachel Zmolik—4/8/18	Pauline Novy—4/8/18	John Navarro - 4/1/18	Elizabeth Vrana - 4/29/18
Catherine Roberts—4/1/18	Diana Martinez—4/29/18	Pricilla Elizondo - 4/1/18	
David Trojacek—4/29/18	Pete Tysdale - 4/1/18	Aiden Aguilar - 4/1/18	
Margie Dvorak—4/1/18	Dennis Rejcek—4/29/18	Nazario Sosa - 4/1/18	
Marguerite Patterson-4/29/18	Anayely Martinez—4/22/18	James Richardson - 4/1/18	
Sherri Longoria—4/29/18	Jeanie Liska — 4/29/18	Teresa Dickerson - 4/1/18	
Jennifer Wright—4/1/18	Greg Wilborne—4/29/18	Kevin Giffins - 4/1/18	
Epi Garfias—4/8/18	Randy Willis—4/29/18	Johnny Joe Lopez - 4/1/18	
Paul Tolliver—4/8/18	Lynette Martinez—4/8/18	Jimmy Aguilar - 4/8/18	
Melissa Patterson—4/29/18	David Perdue—2/25/18	Dorothy Langer - 4/8/18	
Jerry Zmolik - 3/18/18	Joe Barak, Jr.—2/25/18	Robert Parma - 4/15/18	
Marion Haba—4/1/18	John Schleich—4/1/18	Michel Fira - 4/15/18	
Ed Tysdale—4/1/18	Alfred Martinez—2/25/18	Kristi Weldon Carson - 4/15/18	
Lillian Barto—4/8/18	Eugene Peña—2/25/18	Victor Manuel Tobar - 4/15/18	
Alcario Sanchez—2/11/18	Stephanie Godwin—3/18/18	Sophia Burks - 4/22/18	
Patricia Riley—2/4/18	Lynn Carter—3/18/18	Ralph Casanova - 4/22/18	
Richard Mraz—4/8/18	Amber Lyn Northcutt—3/18/18	Maria Arroyo - 4/22/18	